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THE SEVENTEENTH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

Boston, Massachusetts, November 14-17, 1948

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Executive Board

1948 - 1950

MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, President

Term of Office

1946-52	MRS. MERVIN BLACH, 2328 Chester Rd.	Birmingham, Ala.
1946-52	MRS. HERBERT WOLF, 5124 Crestwood	Little Rock, Ark.
1943-49	MRS. MAURICE KOPLAN, 2716 Prince St. (Temple Sinai, Oakland)	Berkeley, Calif.
1946-52	MRS. GENE FRIEDMAN, 1242 So. Orange Grove Ave. (Temple Israel, Hollywood)	Los Angeles, Calif.
1948-54	MRS. DAVID E. JACOBS, 150 S. Mansfield Ave. (Wilshire Blvd.)	Los Angeles, Calif.
1947-51 ¹	MRS. LUCIEN LEHMAN, 186-29th Ave. (Emanuel)	San Francisco, Calif.
1946-52	MRS. ARTHUR LORBER, 4355 Batavia Place	Denver, Colo.
*1933-50 ²	MRS. EDWARD A. HART, 205 Fern St.	W. Hartford, Conn.
Life Member	MRS. ABRAM SIMON, Honorary President, Dorchester House, 2480 Sixteenth St., N. W.	Washington, D. C.
1948-54	MRS. DAVID R. SIMON, Delano Apts., 29th and Calvert Sts.	Washington, D. C.
1948-54 ³	MRS. MARIE M. SELIGMAN, 720 Meridian Ave. (Israel, Miami)	Miami Beach, Fla.
1947-50 ³	MRS. DAVID ZIELONKA, 819 South Edison	Tampa, Fla.
1948-54	MRS. SAM MOHR, 972 E. Clifton Rd., N. E.	Atlanta, Ga.
1948-54	MRS. HAROLD CHARMACK, 5107 Blackstone Ave. (Beth Am)	Chicago, Ill.
1946-52	MRS. LAWRENCE C. FRIEDLANDER, 5474 Everett Ave. (Isaiah-Israel)	Chicago, Ill.
*Life Member	MRS. HUGO HARTMANN, SR., 1633 S. Green Bay, (North Shore Cong. Israel, Glencoe)	Highland Park, Ill.
1943-49	MRS. ELMER BENESCH, 7904 Courtland Ave. (Washington Blvd. Temple, Chicago)	Elmwood, Ill.
1948-54	MRS. JEROME L. SALM, 746 Bayard Park Dr.	Evansville, Ind.
1948-54	MRS. HAROLD I. PLATT, 5664 Washington Blvd.	Indianapolis, Ind.
1946-52	MRS. ABRAM V. GOODMAN, 26 Hillcrest Ave.	Davenport, Iowa
1948-54	MRS. HARRY JACOBSON, 645 Seventh St.	West Des Moines, Iowa
1943-49	MRS. STERLING BERG, Wedgewood Apts.	Paducah, Ky.
1943-49	MRS. LAWRENCE MANN, 2365 Kleinert Ave. (B'nai Israel)	Baton Rouge, La.
1948-54	MRS. BERNARD MANHEIM, 14 Newcomb Blvd. (Gates of Prayer)	New Orleans, La.
*1942 ²	MRS. HUGO DALSHEIMER, First Vice-President, Box 312, Leisure Hill (Balt. Hebrew)	Pikesville, Baltimore 8, Md.
1948-54	MRS. A. HERMAN SISKIND, 721 Lake Drive (Eutaw Place)	Baltimore, Md.
Life Member ⁴	MRS. JOSEPH WIESENFELD, Esplanade Apts. (Eutaw Place)	Baltimore, Md.
1946-52	MRS. CHARLES WYZANSKI, 370 Commonwealth Ave. (Israel)	Boston, Mass.
1947-50 ⁵	MRS. BEN SPINOZA, Hotel Somerset, 400 Commonwealth Ave. (Ohabei Shalom)	Boston, Mass.
1946-52	MRS. LAWRENCE FREDMAN, 17673 Manderson (Beth El)	Detroit, Mich.
1948-54	MRS. HARVEY STEADMAN, 231 N. Jenison	Lansing, Mich.
1943-49	MRS. A. A. LITIN, 3548 Humboldt Ave., S.	Minneapolis, Minn.
1946-52	MRS. MAX ULLMAN, 503 B. Street	Natchez, Miss.
1946-52	MRS. PAUL UHLMANN, 1240 West 57th St.	Kansas City, Mo.
1946-52	MRS. FRANZ J. LOEWE, 4954 W. Pine (Shaare Emeth)	St. Louis, Mo.
*1943 ²	MRS. HENRY MONSKY, Recording Secretary, Blackstone Hotel	Omaha, Nebr.
1943-49	MRS. SAMUEL BERMAN, 123 Gifford Ave.	Jersey City 4, N. J.
1948-54	MRS. ELMER LENTZ SHAFFER, 208 W. State St.	Trenton, N. J.
1948-54	MRS. ISIDOR ENSELMAN, 1911 Albemarle Rd. (Beth Emeth)	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1948-54	MRS. SOL TEKULSKY, 184 Wildacre Ave. (Israel, New York)	Lawrence, N. Y.
*1939 ²	MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, President, 35-Brookdale Ave.	New Rochelle, N. Y.
1943-49	MRS. EMIL BUSCHHOFF, 473 West End Ave. (Shaarey Tefila of West End Syn.)	New York, N. Y.
*1941 ²	MRS. JULIUS MARK, Third Vice-President, Beekman Hotel, 575 Park Ave. (Emanu-El)	New York, N. Y.
1925	MRS. ALBERT J. MAY, Honorary Member (1946), 420 E. 86th St. (Central Synagogue)	New York, N. Y.
1948-54	MRS. ABRAHAM STEIGERWALD, 7 W. 96th St. (Rodeph Sholom)	New York 25, N. Y.
Life Member	MRS. LEON L. WATTERS, 1010 Fifth Ave. (Emanu-El)	New York, N. Y.
1948-54	MRS. SAMUEL LEVY, 1138 Ardsley Rd.	Schenectady, N. Y.
1946-52	MRS. SOL HANFT, 220 Hillcrest Rd.	Raleigh, N. C.
1948-54	MRS. WILLIS D. GRADISON, 4075 Beechwood Ave. (Rockdale Ave. Temple)	Cincinnati 29, Ohio
Life Member	MRS. J. WALTER FREIBERG, 3583 Alaska Ave. (Rockdale Ave. Temple)	Cincinnati 29, Ohio
1946-52	MRS. SIDNEY WEIL, 725 S. Crescent (I. M. Wise Temple)	Cincinnati 29, Ohio
*1941 ²	MRS. SOL GITSON, Fourth Vice-President, 3350 Maynard Rd. (Euclid Ave. Temple, Cleveland)	Shaker Heights, Ohio
1947-53	MRS. HENRY STEUER, 2856 Eaton Rd. (Tifereth Israel, Cleveland)	Shaker Heights, Ohio
1948-54	MRS. JEROME FOLKMAN, 2538 Maryland Ave. (Israel, Columbus)	Bexley, Ohio
1948-54	MRS. MILTON LEWINSOHN, 201 N. W. 18th St.	Oklahoma City, Okla.

Executive Board

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Term of Office		
1948-54	MRS. ALBERT L. GREEN, 3407 S. W. Brentwood Dr.....	Portland, Ore.
1943-49	MRS. STANLEY ADLER, 2011 N. 2nd St.....	Harrisburg, Pa.
1946-52	MRS. ANTHONY SCHWARTZ, Drake Hotel, 1512 Spruce St. (Rodeph Shalom).....	Philadelphia, Pa.
*1935 ²	MRS. AARON L. LAMBIE, Treasurer, 5372 Beeler St. (Rodef Shalom).....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
1948-54	MRS. ARTHUR L. GOLDSMITH, 1538 N. Washington Ave.....	Scranton, Pa.
*1943	MRS. C. C. STRASBURGER, Second Vice-President, 108 W. Red Bud Dr.....	Knoxville, Tenn.
1948-54	MRS. EDGAR HAAS, 625 West Dr.....	Memphis, Tenn.
1946-52	MRS. LUIS ZORK, 1501 N. Mesa.....	El Paso, Texas
1948-54	MRS. I. EDWARD TONKON, 6531 Lake Shore Dr.....	Dallas, Texas
1943-49	MRS. JACK B. POLLOCK, 206 Mandalay Dr.....	San Antonio, Texas
1948-54	MRS. JAMES L. WHITE, 1418 Military Way.....	Salt Lake City, Utah
1946-52	MRS. JOSEPH FORMAN, 2810 Carolina Ave.....	Roanoke 14, Va.
*1943-49	MRS. HAROLD BAUM, 5101 N. Lake Dr.....	Milwaukee 11, Wis.
1943-49	MRS. M. MARGOLICK, 3260 Ridgewood Rd., Apt 11.....	Montreal, Quebec, Canada
*1946-52	MRS. WILLIAM LOEBEL, 285 Oriole Parkway.....	Toronto, Canada
1946	The Honorable MISS LILY MONTAGU, O.B.E., J.P., Honorary Member (1946), The Red Lodge, 51 Palace Court.....	London, W. 2
1946-52	MRS. HENRY FIDANQUE, JR., P. O. Box 721.....	Panama City, Panama
	MISS JANE EVANS, Executive Director, Cincinnati and New York	

*Member of Executive Committee.

¹Filling four years of unexpired term of Mrs. Arthur Barnett, San Francisco, Calif.

²Term extended because of service as an officer. See By-Laws, Article 9, Section B.

³Filling three years of unexpired term of Mrs. Eva Plant, Miami, Fla.

⁴Deceased, December, 1948.

⁵Filling three years of unexpired term of Mrs. Edward A. Nathanson, Chestnut Hill, Mass.

⁶Resigned, December, 1949.

Note: Because of war conditions the 1945 Biennial was held in 1946. Therefore all Executive Board terms indicated as expiring in 1949 will expire at the 18th NFTS Biennial Assembly in November, 1950 since Executive Board elections, although for six years, are meant to terminate at Biennial Conventions. Similar adjustments will be made for other terms ending in odd years since the Biennial will now be held in even years.

Officers and Chairmen, 1948-1950

OFFICERS

Mrs. LOUIS A. ROSETT, *President*
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Mrs. JULIUS MARK, <i>Third Vice-President</i> New York, New York	MISS JANE EVANS, <i>Executive Director</i> Cincinnati and New York

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New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mrs. HUGO DALSHHEIMER, Baltimore, Md.	Mrs. HAROLD M. BAUM, Milwaukee, Wis.
Mrs. C. C. STRASBURGER, Knoxville, Tenn.	Mrs. EDWARD A. HART, W. Hartford, Conn.
Mrs. JULIUS MARK, New York, N. Y.	Mrs. HUGO HARTMANN, SR., Highland Park, Illinois
Mrs. SOL GITSON, Cleveland, Ohio	Mrs. WILLIAM LOEBEL, Toronto, Canada
Mrs. HENRY MONSKY, Omaha, Neb.	
Mrs. AARON L. LAMBIE, Pittsburgh, Pa.	

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COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN

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<i>HUC Scholarships and Religious Education</i>	Mrs. SOL GITSON, Cleveland, Ohio
<i>House of Living Judaism</i>	Mrs. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND, New York, N. Y.
<i>Interfaith Activities</i>	Mrs. HAROLD M. BAUM, Milwaukee, Wisc.
<i>Jewish Ceremonials and Art</i>	Mrs. J. WALTER FREIBERG, Cincinnati, Ohio
<i>Jewish Literature for the Blind</i>	Mrs. STERLING BERG, Paducah, Kentucky
<i>Peace and World Relations</i>	Mrs. ABRAM V. GOODMAN, Davenport, Iowa
<i>Post-War Service</i>	Mrs. EDWARD A. HART, W. Hartford, Conn.
<i>Programs</i>	Mrs. SAM MOHR, Atlanta, Georgia
<i>Religious Extension</i>	Mrs. MERVIN A. BLACH, Birmingham, Alabama
<i>Religious Schools</i>	Mrs. DAVID E. JACOBS, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Revision of By-Laws</i>	Mrs. DAVID ZIELONKA, Tampa, Florida
<i>State Federations</i>	Mrs. C. C. STRASBURGER, Knoxville, Tennessee
<i>Uniongrams</i>	Mrs. JEROME FOLKMAN, Columbus, Ohio
<i>Youth Activities</i>	Mrs. JEROME L. SALM, Evansville, Indiana

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THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

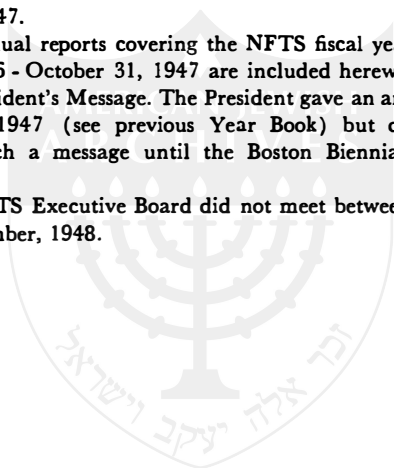
November 1, 1946—October 31, 1947

EDITOR'S NOTE:

The Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened in Baltimore, Md., in April, 1947. The minutes of that session are in the NFTS Year Book dated September, 1947.

The annual reports covering the NFTS fiscal year of November 1, 1946 - October 31, 1947 are included herewith, exclusive of the President's Message. The President gave an annual message in April, 1947 (see previous Year Book) but did not again deliver such a message until the Boston Biennial, November, 1948.

The NFTS Executive Board did not meet between April, 1947 and November, 1948.



REPORT OF
The Executive Director

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1947.

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods,
Ladies:

In April of this year the Director reported to the annual meeting of the Executive Board which convened in Baltimore. Therefore this report, save for the picture it will give of certain gains and especially of funds collected and expended during the NFTS fiscal year, November 1, 1946—October 31, 1947, may be considered an appendix to the account rendered of our activities earlier this year.

Unfortunately, "the scope and depth of unresolved difficulties that still beset our people elsewhere and the family of nations," to which the Director referred in her April, 1947 report, are still surrounding us. Even as these lines are being written, another special session of the General Assembly of the United Nations is convened at Flushing Meadows, New York, to debate again the question of Palestine. Whatever the differing ideological beliefs may be of the members of NFTS in relation to political issues of Jewish life, surely all of us are united in praying to the God of Israel and mankind for justice for our own and other peoples.

It is with gratitude and humility that we of NFTS record that despite all the uncertainties elsewhere, our 1946-47 fiscal year has been one of unique advances. Although the reports of each Committee Chairman describe in detail the various and many NFTS accomplishments, the Director would like to highlight briefly several of the outstanding achievements of the year, ending today. During this fiscal period, NFTS, through the support of loyal Uniongram Chairmen of its Local and State affiliated units, as well as through the inspiration of its National Chairman, Mrs. Harold N. Baum of Milwaukee, proudly boasts the largest Uniongram sale in its history. In addition, during this year we published for the first time the miniature Uniongram, which is to be used primarily for stimulating the sale of Uniongrams for Confirmation. A further promotional piece, entitled *The Uniongram Story*, was prepared by your National office. This is distributed upon request without charge to affiliated units. This year, 358 Sisterhoods purchased Uniongrams as against 333 the previous year.

As a result of the increased sale of Uniongrams, the fund collected by the Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education was increased. Later in this report there will be recapitulated the many and diversified Jewish and humanitarian causes thus served.

Another milestone in NFTS history was the wide-spread program of Institutes on Judaism for leaders of Church Women's Groups. This program was ably carried out by the Chairman on Interfaith Activities, Mrs. Louis I. Egelson of Cincinnati, with the assistance of the National Office.

Contributions to the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. reached an all-time high. The Art Calendar edition of 15,000, an increase of 2,500 over the previous printing, was completely sold.

The Committee on Child Study and Parent Education, as a result of an action of the last Biennial meeting, became a Standing Committee of NFTS. Its activities will be particularly strengthened by participation in the White House Conference on Family Living in Washington, D. C. in May of 1948.

The National Federation has continued, as before, to participate in the American Jewish Conference, whose program has recently been devoted to such activities as cooperation with the UN in its work on genocide and restitution of property rights, and with the State Department and Congress of the United States in promoting a fair Displaced Persons bill. Cooperation with other national and international organizations, such as the World Union for Progressive Judaism, Committee on Women in World Affairs, and the National Peace Conference, has continued as in the past.

THE FEDERATION'S MEMBERSHIP

At the time of the Board meeting of NFTS, in April of this year, the Director reported a membership of 415 units throughout the United States and in six other countries of the United Nations. As of the close of this fiscal year, October 31, 1947, there are 419 affiliates. During the past year, there have been 19 additions to, and seven resignations from, our roster of affiliates. In the report of the National Committee on Religious Extension, there will be listed the names of Sisterhoods which affiliated or resigned during the fiscal year.

The *Sisterhood Membership Campaign Booklet* and the other membership aids—new member tags, membership cards, active participation records, etc.—continue to be used in increasing quantities by local units.

FEDERATION FUNDS

The general income of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is derived from the payment of dues of 40c per year by each local Sisterhood member (overseas units pay a flat \$10.00), State Federation dues of \$10.00 per year, the sale of study series, program material and other Sisterhood aids, as well as from some monies obtained for special projects, which money, of course, is earmarked for the particular usage for which it was contributed. Of the latter, the most important and far-reaching is the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, for which during the fiscal period, November 1, 1946—October 31, 1947, there was raised the sum of \$49,379.67. Of this amount, \$30,428.60 represents the Uniongram Apportionment Profit (UAP) of 20c on each 25c Uniongram sold (the 5c differential is credited to NFTS to cover the expenses of printing, promotion, distribution and bookkeeping costs of the Uniongram project). Of the more than \$30,428.60 collected from the sale of Uniongrams, all but \$276.00 was allocated by the Sisterhoods earning this UAP to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. The \$276.00 returned to local Sisterhoods at their request was used for underwriting Free Religious Schools for underprivileged children.

The Executive Board, at its meeting in April, 1947, voted for this Fund additional support to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, our parent body; a special grant of not more than \$6,500.00 to the Hebrew Union College for

refurnishing needs of the Dormitory Lounge in addition to funds for scholarships to students in need; a grant of \$1,000.00 to Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Educational Director of the UAHC, to visit DP centers and to serve as educational adviser to displaced persons in Germany last summer; and lastly, the sum of \$3,000.00 to the World Union for Progressive Judaism to provide the services of a civilian chaplain in Germany.

There was transmitted to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for the Hebrew Union College, the sum of \$7,993.31 from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, which was the total requested from the College for scholarships to rabbinic students who were in need of such assistance during the academic year 1946-47. Also by action of the NFTS Board, \$35,000.00 from the Fund was transmitted for the year 1945-46 and will be transmitted for the year 1946-47 to the Union toward its religious educational program, including the Department of Youth Activities.

From the general treasury of the National Federation, there has also been contributed to the UAHC the sum of \$1,500.00 (an increase of \$500.00 over previous years) for the joint Union-NFTS project of Lecture Institutes for Laymen and Teachers, which made possible 50 lectures in 12 communities. Also to the Union there was transmitted \$2,000.00 for salary adjustment.

The sum of \$5,871.47 was transmitted to the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. This amount was contributed by local affiliates of NFTS in response to the annual appeal issued by the Chairman of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind. To the World Union for Progressive Judaism a draft for \$1,400.00 was transmitted, representing monies received from the once-a-year Silver Coin Collection, for the benefit of post-war reconstruction programs under the World Union.

Additional United States Savings Bonds, Series "F," in the amount of \$50,000.00 (face value), were purchased during the year for the House of Living Judaism. In accordance with the policy of the Campaign, as laid down by the Executive Board of NFTS, all monies received in this Campaign are converted monthly into United States Savings Bonds.

The Publication Fund for New Religious School Literature, established by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods through a one-time total grant of \$22,500.00 (made in five annual installments of \$4,500.00), now amounts to \$40,086.23. The increase in the Fund from the original sum of \$22,500.00 to \$40,086.23 is a result of the proceeds from the sale of books published from it.

Each year, greater demands are being made on the treasury of NFTS because of expanded activities, increased costs and the general price raise of all supplies and services, such as paper, printing, etc. It is, therefore, urgently requested that NFTS members avail themselves of all of the various study series and other items sold by the Federation. In this way, a small added income may be gained. It is axiomatic that in order to continue the program of NFTS, other sources of income will of necessity have to be explored, especially the question of raising dues.

SPEAKERS BUREAU

NFTS would like to follow the policy that each local affiliate is entitled to a speaker from the Speakers Bureau once every two years. However, if each Sister-

hood were to avail itself of this service, the Federation would find it literally impossible to comply, first because of insufficient funds and secondly, because of the lack of qualified speakers.

Leaders Training Institutes are urgently needed in many parts of the country in order that speaking personnel can be trained and that more Sisterhood Executive Board members as well as Presidents of State Federations and Local Sisterhood members might become part of the Speakers Bureau.

During the year 1946-47, 24 speakers, including officers, Miss Helen L. Strauss, Campaign Director of the House of Living Judaism project, and the Director, addressed audiences in 92 communities throughout the United States and Canada.

On behalf of the Federation, heartfelt appreciation is offered to all who have volunteered their services to carry Sisterhood inspiration to our affiliates.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND STAFF

The Cincinnati office of NFTS is the center of all NFTS organizational correspondence. From it goes forth each month the President's Packet and Board Folio which is sent respectively to every local Sisterhood President, State or District President, and Executive Board member. Orders are received in Cincinnati for all NFTS programs and study materials, Uniongrams and Uniongram aids, Art Calendars, stationery, new member tags and other promotional pieces for membership drives, Past President's pins, and the valuable NFTS study series, which it is hoped will be more widely used in the future.

The Cincinnati office urges that every local Sisterhood advise it at once of changes in membership—new members, deaths, resignations, and changes of address. It is only through the constant cooperation of our affiliated units that our official bulletin, *Topics and Trends*, which is released five times during each Sisterhood year, can be delivered to the home of each of the 75,000 members of NFTS. Annually, a transcript of Sisterhood members is sent to the Secretary of each affiliated unit with a request that it be brought up to date and returned to the National headquarters so that the mailing list can be as accurate as possible.

The Cincinnati office releases annually a statistical blank requesting the names of officers of Sisterhoods and Chairmen of Committees. It is urgently requested that this blank be returned promptly so that monthly releases from National Chairmen will reach the proper local Chairmen, and the President's Packet and other mailings will reach the officers for whom they are intended.

In addition to the above-mentioned regular organizational mechanics, the Cincinnati office handles a tremendous amount of day-to-day correspondence, in which is involved the answering of questions on the policy of the National Federation, suggestions for programs for affiliated units, the administration of the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, and correspondence for the various Committee Chairmen.

The staff of the National Federation in Cincinnati is a well-integrated unit which serves with loyalty and devotion, often beyond the call of duty. The volume of correspondence and the pressure of special meetings and conventions at times make it literally impossible for a too small staff to answer all communications as readily as they might desire. It is with pride that your Director points to the fact

that the staff is an example of an interracial and interfaith group harmoniously working side by side. Under Miss Esther Ciener, Assistant to the Director and Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Secretarial Assistant, there are Mrs. Phyllis Radojits and Miss Kay Kubota. In Chicago, Mrs. Albert H. Silverman, on a part-time basis, is our Chicago Area Secretary. This office is an experimental service of NFTS. In New York, where the Director spends most of her time (although correspondence should be addressed to her in Cincinnati where all records are kept and from where mail will be forwarded if necessary), she is aided by Mrs. Judith Arnold, Editorial Assistant, and a Secretary.

The House of Living Judaism—NFTS Victory Project—has for its staff Miss Helen L. Strauss, Campaign Director, and Miss Elaine Jackson, Secretary.

There are many services to our affiliates and State Federations which, due to the lack of personnel, NFTS is regrettably unable to offer. Nevertheless, it is the full and complete agreement of the staff that the motto of the NFTS offices is, "Happy to try and be of assistance to you at any time!"

IN APPRECIATION

It scarcely seems fair that only once yearly is it the Director's pleasure and privilege to say a hearty thanks to those upon whom the program of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods depends. Actually, such words of appreciation should be reiterated many times during the year and should be addressed not only to leaders of the National Federation—its officers and Executive Board members, State or District Federation Presidents and their loyal Committee Chairmen, and to local Sisterhood Presidents, officers and Chairmen, but also to every individual member, wherever she may be, in a Sisterhood large or small, who is working towards the ends for which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was established. To all of the above and most especially to each member of the staff, heartfelt thanks and appreciation are offered for their never-failing devotion and cooperation.

It is indeed fitting for the Director to add special words of praise and appreciation to the NFTS President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, whose devotion to the office she assumed at the close of the last Biennial has been translated into a program of action which has brought her in contact with Sisterhood women the length and breadth of the United States, in Canada, and, at her own expense, overseas. Mrs. Rosett's ever-willing availability and the many selfless hours which she has spent in furthering NFTS are worthy of more words of thanks than this too brief citation of our appreciation.

To Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath and the members of the Union staff, the Director is deeply grateful for support at all times.

THE FUTURE

It would, indeed, be presumptuous for one in the face of today's realities, to make happy predictions of future, steady progress. Nevertheless, despite the darkening picture of world affairs, there is great hope for the future of religious causes.

Specifically, the campaign for the House of Living Judaism has gone forward and will continue to be emphasized until the goal NFTS set for itself at its last Biennial will have been reached. At the same time, emphasis will continue to be

placed on furthering work in intergroup relations, in the field of adult education as it relates to the world picture and to the smallest unit of society, the family. With faith in God and with continued efforts for a better society, may we look forward to another year of increased accomplishment in NFTS, which means another year of increased service to Jewish and humanitarian causes.

Respectfully submitted,

JANE EVANS, *Executive Director*



REPORT OF
The Treasurer

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

I beg leave to submit the following as my report from November 1, 1946, to October 31, 1947:

Balance on Hand in Banks, November 1, 1946 after reconciliation (Central Trust Co., Southern Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Co., Guardian Bank & Savings Co., all of Cincinnati, Ohio, Bank of Manhattan Co. of N. Y., and Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, Canada).....	\$ 75,647.02
Received from various sources—November 1 to October 31 . . .	181,814.73
Total	\$257,461.75
Paid out Vouchers—Checks Nos. 211 through 295.....	\$159,035.28
Balance in Banks (October 31, 1947).....	\$ 98,426.47

The Bank Balances agree with this report and were submitted by me to the Executive Director at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Attached herewith is a statement of the financial condition of the NFTS for the year ended October 31, 1947

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. AARON) LEORA L. LAMBIE, *Treasurer*

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
October 31, 1947

ASSETS	Total	General Fund	HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund	House of Living Judaism Fund	Special Funds for Designated Purposes
Cash in banks and on hand.....	\$ 98,566.47	\$18,304.57	\$61,905.94	\$14,485.09	\$3,870.87
Cash on deposit with Union of American Hebrew Congregations....	1,000.00	1,000.00			
Investments (at cost).....	89,780.50	12,950.00	37,000.00	39,830.50	
Demand note receivable from UAHC (balance).....	4,750.00	4,750.00			
Deposit with American Airlines.....	425.00	425.00			
Accounts receivable.....	499.93	476.53	23.40		
Total Assets.....	\$195,021.90	\$37,906.10(a)	\$98,929.34	\$54,315.59	\$3,870.87
LIABILITIES					
Due to Union of American Hebrew Congregations.....	\$ 31,780.56	\$ 1,287.25	\$30,493.31(b)		
Accounts payable.....	4,251.11	4,251.11			
Deferred income—available for 1947-1948 and subsequent years..	2,935.30	214.40	2,720.90		
Due to Sisterhoods for Free Religious School.....	276.00		276.00		
Total Liabilities.....	\$ 39,242.97	\$ 5,752.76	\$33,490.21		
RESERVES AND SURPLUS					
Mrs. Martha Steinfeld Reserve.....	\$ 592.15				\$ 592.15
Contribution for Braille Machine.....	40.00				40.00
Reserve for Committee on Child Study and Parent Education.....	100.00				100.00
Reserve for World Union for Progressive Judaism— Silver Coin Collection.....	3,138.72				3,138.72
House of Living Judaism Reserve.....	54,315.59			54,315.59	
Accumulated surplus—October 31, 1947.....	97,592.47	32,153.34	65,439.13(c)		
Total Reserves and Surplus.....	\$155,778.93	\$32,153.34	\$65,439.13	\$54,315.59	\$3,870.87
Total	\$195,021.90	\$37,906.10	\$98,929.34	\$54,315.59	\$3,870.87

- Notes: (a) Does not include unpaid balances, aggregating \$4,925.15, due on Uniongram sales and other articles; and inventories of articles for sale. Income from these sources is credited when collected.
- (b) Includes \$27,500 due to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for religious education—subject to approval or adjustment by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.
- (c) At the meeting of the Executive Board of NFTS, in April, 1947, there was officially approved an expenditure not to exceed \$6,500 for refurbishing the living room and dining room in the HUC dormitory. The accumulated surplus of the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund is, therefore, subject to this contingent liability.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
**Hebrew Union College Scholarships
 and Religious Education**

Cleveland, Ohio, October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, through its Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education, is the most effective medium for contributing to educational and religious forces. The funds collected come from two sources:

1. From the sale of Uniongrams, the special Jewish message bearer for all occasions.
2. From contributions allocated by Sisterhoods from their general treasury funds.

To build religious forces is not only a matter of Sisterhood responsibility, it is also a matter of dévotion, loyalty and faith. The Chairman is happy to congratulate this year the affiliated units of NFTS for their support of this Committee's program. We say this year particularly because after all monies were recorded and the accounts audited, the total contributions toward the Fund were higher than during any previous fiscal period since the Fund has been in operation. During the fiscal year ending October 31, 1947, our Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund received contributions totalling \$49,655.67. The sum represents an increase of \$1,986.97 over the preceding year. A large share of this achievement was made possible by the sale of Uniongrams, which totaled 152,143. Our congratulations to Mrs. Harold M. Baum, National Chairman, her committee on Uniongrams and to the local Sisterhood Uniongram Chairmen.

ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE NFTS EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund has dual main purposes. It provides Partial Dormitory Maintenance Scholarships for students in need of such assistance at the Hebrew Union College and makes possible certain religious educational work of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, NFTS' parent organization. We feel that these two main beneficiaries represent the obverse and reverse of the coin. Without religious leaders trained at the Hebrew Union College to guide us, without personal knowledge of our faith and educational facilities for our youth and children, our religious heritage would be undermined. But facts speak louder than words. When the NFTS Executive Board met in April, 1947, the following allocations from the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund were voted:

1. To the Hebrew Union College, the total request of \$7,232.86 for scholarship assistance to students in need of such aid.

2. To the College, a sum not to exceed \$6,500.00 for refurnishing the Dormitory Living and Dining Rooms. (This Dormitory was a \$345,000.00 gift from the women of NFTS.)
3. To the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, \$35,000.00 to assist in its varied program of religious education, especially toward underwriting the National Federation of Temple Youth.
4. To Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Educational Director of the Union, a traveling fellowship of \$1,000.00 to enable him to lecture before Displaced Persons in European Assembly Centers.
5. To the World Union for Progressive Judaism, \$3,000.00 to underwrite the expenses of a civilian chaplain to assist in rebuilding the spiritual life of co-religionists in Germany.

**Table of Income for the Fiscal Year
November 1, 1946—October 31, 1947**

Cash Contributions, including Stella Freiberg Scholarship, I. M. Wise Fund, deferred income from 1945-46, and monies due from Canadian units.....	\$21,947.97
Uniongram Apportionment Profit (Net).....	30,428.60
Total	\$52,376.57
Deferred for 1947-48.....	2,720.90
Net Receipts for 1947-48.....	\$49,655.67
Net Receipts for Preceding Year.....	47,668.70
Gain Over Preceding Year	\$ 1,986.97

**Table of Expenditures During Fiscal Year
November 1, 1946—October 31, 1947**

To the Union of American Hebrew Congregations:	
For Religious Education and Youth Work.....	*\$35,000.00
Due for Hebrew Union College Scholarships for Scholastic Year 1946-47.....	7,993.31
To Sisterhoods for Free Religious Schools:	
(Designated Uniongram Apportionments of 1946-47).....	276.00
Total Expenditures	\$43,269.31

*Subject to approval of NFTS Executive Board.

It is once again a privilege to report that the Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Shalom, Pittsburgh, has made the largest contribution to the Fund—\$1,578.70. This figure does not include the additional amount of \$659.00, contributed to the I. M. Wise Memorial Fund in honor of the beloved, late Mrs. Josiah Cohen, who passed away on June 6, 1947 in her ninety-ninth year.

Of our 417 units, 380 participated in sending contributions to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. This is an excellent record. May we venture to hope that next year we shall have even greater participation from affiliated Sisterhoods.

I wish to thank those who have assisted me in my task as Chairman of this important National Committee. To our President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, I am particularly grateful for her conscientious leadership and her ever-ready cooperation. May I express my thanks also to the members of the National Committee and to the State and local Chairmen on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education. It is because of the support of this well-integrated set-up that your Chairman is able

to bring to you this heart-warming report. My everlasting gratitude to the Executive Office of the National Federation for the constant and efficient service of its staff.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. SOL) ANNE B. GITSON, *Chairman*

Distinguished Service List

Sisterhoods Contributing \$500.00 or More

California		1946-47
San Francisco.....	Temple Emanu-el Guild.....	\$ 500.00
Connecticut		
Hartford.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
District of Columbia		
Washington.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation.....	560.00
Illinois		
Chicago.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel.....	520.00
Peoria.....	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Louisiana		
New Orleans.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	500.00
Maryland		
Baltimore.....	Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood.....	1,000.00
Massachusetts		
Boston.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	500.00
Michigan		
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	500.00
New Jersey		
Newark.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun.....	500.00
New York		
Brooklyn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush.....	532.00
Great Neck.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	500.00
New York.....	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El.....	524.00
Ohio		
Cincinnati.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	600.00
Cleveland.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel.....	500.00
Dayton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	540.00
Oklahoma		
Oklahoma City.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	856.80
Pennsylvania		
Pittsburgh.....	The Rodef Shalom Sisterhood.....	1,578.70
Tennessee		
Memphis.....	Temple Sisterhood Congregation Children of Israel.....	500.00
Texas		
Dallas.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	500.00
Wisconsin		
Milwaukee.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.....	500.00

Honor Roll

Sisterhoods Contributing \$350.00—\$500.00

Alabama

Birmingham.....Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....\$ 350.00

California

Hollywood.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 350.00
Los Angeles.....Wilshire Blvd. Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00

Georgia

Atlanta.....The Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00

Illinois

Chicago.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood..... 350.00
KAM Temple Sisterhood..... 370.00
Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00
Temple Sholom Sisterhood..... 350.40
Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00
Women of Mizpah..... 350.00
Glencoe.....North Shore Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00

Indiana

Ft. Wayne.....Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood..... 350.40
Indianapolis.....The Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00

Iowa

Davenport.....Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel..... 350.00

Kentucky

Louisville.....Adath Israel Sisterhood..... 350.00

Louisiana

New Orleans.....Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue..... 350.40

Maryland

Baltimore.....Har Sinai Sisterhood..... 350.40
Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood..... 350.00

Massachusetts

Boston.....Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom..... 350.00

Minnesota

Minneapolis.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 351.00

Missouri

Kansas City.....The Temple Sisterhood—B'nai Jehudah..... 350.00

New Jersey

New Jersey State Federation..... 350.00

New York

Albany.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth..... 350.00
Brooklyn.....Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom..... 350.00
Sisterhood of Union Temple..... 350.00
Buffalo.....Beth Zion Sisterhood..... 350.00
Lawrence, L. I.....Women's Auxiliary of Temple Israel..... 425.00
New Rochelle.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 350.00
New York.....Central Synagogue Sisterhood..... 350.00
Mt. Neboh Sisterhood..... 350.00
Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood..... 390.00
Shaaray Tefilo Sisterhood of West End Synagogue..... 350.00

Ohio

Akron.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	\$370.00
Columbus.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
	Ohio State Federation.....	363.00

Oregon

Portland.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Pennsylvania

Philadelphia.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	350.00

Tennessee

Nashville.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Texas

Houston.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Washington

Seattle.....	Ladies' Auxiliary to Temple De Hirsch.....	350.40
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West Virginia

Charleston.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood.....	356.00
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Canada

Toronto.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	370.00
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Honorable Mention

Sisterhoods Which Increased Their Contributions to the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund by at Least 5% (but not less than \$1.00) During 1946-47

		1945-46	1946-47
Alabama			
Anniston.....	Henrietta Sterne Sisterhood.....	\$ 7.00	\$ 10.00
Bessemer.....	Beth-El Sisterhood.....	.....	7.20
Demopolis.....	Temple Guild.....	.....	16.00
Dothan.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	48.00	50.40
Gadsden.....	Temple Aid Society.....	8.20	13.80
Huntsville.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	8.00	9.00
Jasper.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	36.20	65.00
Sheffield-Florence-			
Tuscumbia.....	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	11.20	12.80
Tuscaloosa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	11.60	12.80
Arizona			
Tucson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	76.80	120.00
Arkansas			
Helena.....	Ladies' Temple Aid of Beth-El.....	10.00	11.00
Hot Springs.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel.....	.....	90.00
Jonesboro.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	5.60	11.20
Little Rock.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	167.20	176.00
California			
Berkeley.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	.....	16.00
Glendale.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple.....	21.60	52.00
Highland Park, L. A....	Highland Park Temple Sisterhood.....	7.00	33.00
North Hollywood.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	.....	36.00
Long Beach.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	106.40	112.00
Los Angeles (West)...	University Synagogue Sisterhood.....	.....	24.00
Los Angeles.....	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood.....	.....	8.00
Los Angeles.....	Emanuel Sisterhood.....	24.00	80.00

Oakland.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	\$ 44.00	\$ 80.00
Redondo Beach.....	South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood.....	.....	28.00
Sacramento.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	88.57	93.00
San Diego.....	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary.....	44.80	60.00
Santa Monica.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	171.36	179.93
Stockton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	16.00	37.00

Colorado

Colorado Springs.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	4.00	20.00
Denver.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	156.00	204.00
Trinidad.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood.....	4.80	6.40

Connecticut

Bridgeport.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	110.09	121.83
Waterbury.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	31.98	39.67
(1) Resigned.			

Delaware

Wilmington.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	117.12	240.00
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Florida

Daytona Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	12.00	24.00
Ft. Lauderdale.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	20.00	21.00
Jacksonville.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	3.20	68.80
Miami.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	69.60	100.00
Pensacola.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	22.40	40.00
St. Petersburg.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El.....	21.60	23.20
Tallahassee.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	13.20	37.00
Tampa.....	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood.....	32.00	60.00
West Palm Beach.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	8.00	28.80

Georgia

Albany.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	18.00	34.00
Athens.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel.....	6.00	8.00
Augusta.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	32.00	124.00
Bainbridge.....	Temple Guild.....	.....	21.00
Brunswick.....	Temple Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood.....	10.00	12.00
Fitzgerald.....	Sisterhood of Hebrew Congregation.....	9.60	10.60
Macon.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	78.00	82.00
Rome.....	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	1.60	9.20
Savannah.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel.....	98.00	114.00
Thomasville.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	6.40	14.00

Illinois

Benton.....	Benton Sisterhood.....	1.60	2.60
Bloomington.....	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood.....	53.60	56.80
Champaign-Urbana.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	16.00
Chicago.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel.....	278.99	292.94
	Temple Judea Sisterhood.....	53.80	57.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Ezra.....	.....	16.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah.....	17.60	20.00
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	40.00	84.00
Danville.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	8.00	9.60
Decatur.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood.....	40.00	48.00
Kankakee.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	24.00	34.00
Rockford.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	40.00	42.00

Indiana

Anderson.....	Jewish Sisterhood.....	41.44	43.51
Evansville.....	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	135.24	142.00
Hammond.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	76.00	80.00
Kokomo.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood.....	12.80	13.80
Michigan City.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	24.00	28.20
Muncie.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	62.80	65.94
Richmond.....	Jewish Sisterhood.....	.....	10.00
South Bend.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	40.00	152.00

Iowa

Cedar Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....	\$ 28.00	\$ 29.60
Des Moines.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood.....	176.00	303.20
Sioux City.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai.....	96.00	113.68

Kansas

Topcka.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood.....	19.20	20.80
Wichita.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	84.00	104.80

Kentucky

Ashland.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	12.00	32.20
Danville.....	Sisterhood of The Blue Grass Judean Society.....	.....	16.00
Henderson.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood.....	19.80	20.80
Lexington.....	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	52.08	154.68
Louisville.....	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood.....	148.97	156.42
Paducah.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	87.01	99.36

Louisiana

Alexandria.....	Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	96.00	115.00
Bastrop.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop.....	18.90	20.20
Baton Rouge.....	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood.....	23.50	35.80
Houma.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	26.17	31.17
Lafayette.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	9.40	12.40
Lake Charles.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	31.20	32.80
New Iberia.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer.....	23.10	30.50
Shreveport.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple.....	123.00	129.40

Massachusetts

Brockton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	34.00	36.00
Pittsfield.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	25.73	27.02
Springfield.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	9.00	24.00

Michigan

Bay City.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	50.60	53.13
Jackson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	33.60	48.80
Lansing.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek.....	100.00	105.60
Muskegon.....	Jewish Sisterhood.....	83.00	87.15
Petoskey.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	37.00	41.20
Pontiac.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	166.95	175.30

Minnesota

Duluth.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	108.00	113.40
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Mississippi

Brookhaven.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom.....	9.60	10.60
Canton.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	22.00	23.10
Clarksdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	291.60	306.40
Cleveland.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	63.20	66.40
Columbus.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	30.57	32.10
Drew and Ruleville.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville.....	52.92	55.57
Greenville.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood.....	107.66	113.04
Greenwood.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	12.00	13.00
Hattiesburg.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	37.00
Jackson.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	138.60	145.53
Laurel.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	18.60	19.60
Lexington.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood.....	4.00	5.00
Meridian.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	98.80	103.75
Natchez.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	46.60	48.93
Vicksburg.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood.....	65.52	68.80

Missouri

Joplin.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	28.00	29.60
St. Joseph.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood.....	48.00	76.00
St. Louis.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.....	53.60	79.20
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood.....	289.03	303.48
	United Hebrew Ladies' Aid Society.....	.....	180.00
Springfield.....	Sisterhood United Hebrew Congregations.....	19.20	24.00

Nebraska

Omaha.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	\$123.20	\$129.60
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Nevada

Las Vegas.....	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center.....		3.20
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New Jersey

Atlantic City.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	81.00	85.60
Hackensack.....	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood.....		1.60
Hoboken.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno.....	16.00	21.60
Jersey City.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	48.00	50.40
Long Branch.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood.....	12.80	14.40
New Brunswick.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple.....	56.00	64.00
Orange.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo.....	188.00	197.60
Trenton.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood.....	50.40	60.92

New Mexico

Albuquerque.....	Temple Albert Sisterhood.....	1.60	21.60
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New York

Amsterdam.....	Deborah Society of Temple Israel.....		4.00
Batavia.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	28.00	32.00
Brooklyn.....	Sisterhood Beth Sholem Peoples Temple.....	68.73	72.17
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim.....	160.00	184.00
Flushing.....	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	100.00	105.60
Glens Falls.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	4.00	18.40
Hempstead.....	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple.....	18.40	54.10
Kew Gardens.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah.....		10.00
Kingston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	16.00	24.00
New York.....	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant.....	28.00	96.00
	Sisterhood of Fort Washington Synagogue.....	2.40	3.40
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle.....	8.00	9.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.....		120.00
	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx.....	1.60	24.00
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood.....	60.00	116.00
Newburgh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	4.80	68.00
Schenectady.....	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven.....	12.00	13.60
Syracuse.....	Sisterhood of Society of Concord.....	120.00	126.40
Troy.....	The Sisterhood of Third Street Temple.....	20.00	36.00
White Plains.....	Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center.....	3.00	40.00
Yonkers.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	52.00	80.00

North Carolina

Asheville.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila.....	36.80	67.20
Gastonia.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	18.00	19.20
Greensboro.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	25.00	32.00
Lumberton.....	Hebrew Woman's Auxiliary.....		24.00
New Bern.....	B'nai Sholem Temple Sisterhood.....	4.00	12.00
Raleigh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or.....	12.00	17.60
Wilmington.....	Ladies' Concordia Society.....	20.00	22.00

Ohio

Alliance.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....		1.00
Bellaire.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood.....	47.62	50.00
Canton.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	102.40	176.00
Cleveland.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....		8.00
East Liverpool.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	8.80	9.80
Hamilton.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	82.74	89.26
Lima.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	24.00	28.00
Piqua.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	24.00	25.60
Portsmouth.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	64.12	67.33
Springfield.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women.....	16.00	24.00
Steubenville.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	24.00	40.00
Toledo.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	294.40	309.60
Zanesville.....	Findley Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	2.00	8.00

Oklahoma

Tulsa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	\$110.88	\$116.80
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Pennsylvania

Clearfield.....	Clearfield Sisterhood	17.60	19.20
Easton.....	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace.....	108.00	113.40
Harrisburg.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	64.83	68.07
Honesdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	12.00	15.40
Johnstown.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	84.00	88.80
Lancaster.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim.....	123.20	129.36
McKeesport.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	62.40	65.60
New Castle.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	16.00	21.60
Philadelphia.....	Sisterhood of Beth David Reform Congregation.....	8.00	28.80
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea.....	60.00	80.00
Pittsburgh.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....		164.00
Scranton.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple.....	16.00	17.00
Uniontown.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	20.00	21.60
Williamsport.....	Sisterhood Beth Ha-Sholom.....	19.20	24.00
York.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	62.67	65.80

Rhode Island

Providence.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	142.17	160.00
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South Carolina

Anderson.....	Temple Sisterhood	4.80	7.20
Bishopville.....	Hebrew Sisterhood		5.00
Camden.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	27.25	28.61
Charleston.....	KKBE Temple Sisterhood.....	93.25	98.40
Conway.....	Temple Sisterhood	8.00	38.95
Darlington.....	Temple Sisterhood	30.50	32.03
Dillon.....	Temple Sisterhood	16.00	17.00
Florence.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	32.22	51.98
Lake City-Kingstree.....	Beth-Or Temple Sisterhood.....	24.70	35.30
Sumter.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	66.69	70.40

South Dakota

Sioux Falls.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood.....	16.00	17.60
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Tennessee

Jackson.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	28.15	29.56
Knoxville.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	68.00	71.40

Texas

Alice.....	Jewish Sisterhood	6.40	7.40
Austin.....	Women's Guild of Temple Beth Israel.....	32.80	34.61
Beaumont.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	44.20	46.41
Brownsville.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....		16.00
El Paso.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	61.19	64.25
Ft. Worth.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	124.87	131.11
Galveston.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	66.00	116.00
Houston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	48.00	250.00
Lufkin.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	5.00	26.00
Marshall.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore.....	16.80	20.00
Mercedes.....	Temple Beth- Israel Sisterhood.....	8.00	19.60
Wichita Falls.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	4.00	11.20

Virginia

Alexandria.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El.....		28.80
Fredericksburg.....	Ladies' Committee of Congregation Beth Sholom.....	4.80	16.80
Lynchburg.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Svnagogue.....	29.60	79.20
Norfolk.....	The Sisterhood of Ohev Sholom Temple.....	130.00	140.00
Richmond.....	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood.....	63.20	104.00
Roanoke.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	29.60	31.20
Staunton.....	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood.....	18.00	19.00

Washington

Spokane.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....		4.00
Tacoma.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	42.60	80.00

West Virginia

Beckley.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	\$ 28.00	\$ 29.40
Clarksburg.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood.....	41.67	50.00
Fairmont.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood.....	29.60	38.40
Huntington.....	Ohev Shalom Temple Sisterhood.....	142.80	149.94
Logan.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	20 00
Morgantown.....	Morgantown Sisterhood.....	98.24	103.20
Parkersburg.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	18.40	20.00
Welch.....	Emanuel Sisterhood.....	40 00	45 00
Wheeling.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood.....	20.00	190 00
Williamson.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	38.90	41.51

Wisconsin

Appleton.....	Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	25.00	28.20
Fond-du-Lac.....	Khiloth Jacob Sisterhood.....	12.00	13.80
Kenosha.....	Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	12 00	13 00
Madison.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	26.40	28 00
Oshkosh.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	25.60	38 88

Canada

Hamilton.....	Deborah Sisterhood of Anshe Shalom Synagogue.....	25.60
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Panama

Colon.....	Sisterhood Kaal Kadosh Yangakob.....	1.60
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF

Contributions to the Hebrew Union College
Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

With the exception of Districts 23 and 25, the divisions listed in this report are State and District units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The following symbol (*) indicates groups that are not members of the District Federations under which they are listed.

DISTRICT No. 1—\$1,203.02

New England

		CONTRIBUTIONS	
		1946-47	
Boston, Mass.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	\$500.00	
	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom.....	350 00	
Brockton, Mass.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	36.00	
Lynn, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	80.00	
Pittsfield, Mass.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	27.02	
Springfield, Mass.**	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	24.00	
Worcester, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	16.00	
Providence, R. I.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	160.00	
New England District Federation.....		10.00	

**Affiliated with the Connecticut State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

DISTRICT No. 2—\$1,032.00

Connecticut

(The Rose Zunder Memorial)

Bridgeport, Conn.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	\$121.83
Hartford, Conn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
New Haven, Conn.....	Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood.....	168.95
Waterbury, Conn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	39.67
Connecticut State Federation.....		201.55

DISTRICT No. 3—\$7,053.07

New York¹

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1946-47
Albany, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	\$350.00
Amsterdam, N. Y.*.....	Deborah Society of Temple Israel.....	4.00
Batavia, N. Y.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	32.00
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom.....	350.00
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim.....	184.00
	Sisterhood Beth Sholem Peoples Temple.....	73.17
	Sisterhood of Beth Emeth of Flatbush.....	532.00
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue.....	88.00
	Sisterhood of Union Temple.....	350.00
Buffalo, N. Y.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood.....	350.00
Dunkirk, N. Y.....	Hebrew Ladies' Auxiliary.....	5.20
Elmira, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	160.00
Flushing, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	105.60
Glens Falls, N. Y.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	18.40
Great Neck, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck.....	500.00
Hempstead, N. Y.....	Nassau Community Temple.....	54.10
Hornell, N. Y.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	4.00
Jamaica, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	64.80
Kew Gardens, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah.....	10.00
Kingston, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	24.00
Lawrence, L. I., N. Y.....	Women's Auxiliary of Temple Israel (The Samuel and Jennie Kubie Contribution).....	425.00
Long Beach, L. I., N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	8.00
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Women's Organization of Sinai Temple.....	40.00
New Rochelle, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
New York, N. Y.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood (The Jonah B. Wise Contribution).....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple of the Covenant.....	96.00
	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Temple Emanu-El.....	524.00
	Ft. Washington Synagogue Sisterhood.....	3.40
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim.....	8.80
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle.....	9.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.....	120.00
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood (The Blanche P. Goldfarb Contribution).....	350.00
	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. Rudolph Grossman).....	390.00
	Shaaray Tefilo Sisterhood of West End Synagogue.....	350.00
	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx.....	24.00
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood.....	116.00
Newburgh, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	68.00
Niagara Falls, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	56.00
Olean, N. Y.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	19.20
Rochester, N. Y.....	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood.....	68.00
Rockville Centre, N. Y.....	Women's Organization of Central Synagogue of Nassau County.....	100.00
Schenectady, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven.....	13.60
Syracuse, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Society of Concord.....	126.40
Troy, N. Y.....	The Sisterhood of Third Street Temple.....	36.00
White Plains, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of the Jewish Community Center.....	40.00
Yonkers, N. Y.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	80.00
New York State Federation.....		22.40

¹Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, is an affiliate of the New York State Federation. See "Foreign" listing.

DISTRICT No. 4—\$1,454.12

New Jersey

Atlantic City, N. J.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 85.60
Hackensack, N. J.*.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	1.60
Hoboken, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Adas Emuno.....	21.60
Jersey City, N. J.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	50.40
Long Branch, N. J.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood.....	14.40
New Brunswick, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple.....	64.00
Newark, N. J.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun (Rabbi Solomon Foster Contribution).....	500.00

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1946-47
Orange, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharay Tefila.....	\$197.60
Paterson, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Barnert Temple.....	48 00
Plainfield, N. J.....	Temple Sholom Sisterhood.....	60 00
Trenton, N. J.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood.....	60.92
New Jersey State Federation.....		350.00

DISTRICT No. 5—\$3,467.73

Pennsylvania

Allentown, Pa.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	\$100.00
Altoona, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	12.00
Clearfield, Pa.....	Clearfield Sisterhood.....	19.20
Easton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Covenant of Peace.....	113.40
Erie, Pa.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	60.00
Harrisburg, Pa.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	68.07
Hazleton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	56.00
Honesdale, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	15.40
Johnstown, Pa.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	88.80
Lancaster, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim.....	129.36
McKeesport, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	65.60
New Castle, Pa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	21.60
Philadelphia, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judea.....	80.00
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood (Dr. Joseph Krauskopf Memorial).....	350.00
	Sisterhood of New Reform Temple.....	28.80
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	350.00
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	The Rodef Shalom Sisterhood (Given by Mr. and Mrs. Mayer Forst in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Falk).....	350.00
	(In memory of Dr. J. Leonard Levy and commemorating his birthday, November 24).....	600.00
	Confirmation Class, 1947 (Honoring Dr. Solomon B. Freehof and Rabbi Floyd Fierman).....	628.70
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	164.00
Reading, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom.....	38.40
Scranton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple.....	17.00
Uniontown, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	21.60
Williamsport, Pa.....	Temple Beth-Ha Sholom Sisterhood.....	24.00
York, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	65.80

DISTRICT No. 6—\$4,881.19

Ohio

Akron, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	\$370.00
Alliance, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	1.00
Bellaire, Ohio.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood.....	50.00
Canton, Ohio.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	176.00
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood (The Isaac Mayer Wise Contribution).....	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood (The Dr. David Philipson Contribution).....	600.00
Cleveland, Ohio.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel.....	500.00
Cleveland Heights, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	8.00
Columbus, Ohio.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
Dayton, Ohio.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	540.00
East Liverpool, Ohio.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	9.80
Elyria, Ohio.....	Elyria Sisterhood.....	4.80
Hamilton, Ohio.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	89.26
Lima, Ohio.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	28.00
Lorain, Ohio.....	Lorain Temple Sisterhood.....	63.00
Mansfield, Ohio.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	60.00
Newark, Ohio.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid Society.....	19.80
Piqua, Ohio.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	25.60
Portsmouth, Ohio.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	67.33
Sandusky, Ohio.....	Ohev Shalom Sisterhood.....	8.00
Springfield, Ohio.....	The Federated Jewish Women's Club.....	24.00
Steubenville, Ohio.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	40.00

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	1946-47	
Toledo, Ohio.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	\$309.60
Youngstown, Ohio.....	Rodef Sholom Sisterhood.....	166 00
Zanesville, Ohio.....	Findley Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	8 00
Ohio State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		363.00

DISTRICT No. 7—\$1,083.45

West Virginia

Beckley, W. Va.....	Beckley Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 29.40
Bluefield, W. Va.....	Ahavath Sholom Sisterhood.....	40.00
Charleston, W. Va.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood.....	356.00
Clarksburg, W. Va.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	50.00
Fairmont, W. Va.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood.....	38.40
Huntington, W. Va.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	149.94
Logan, W. Va.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	20.00
Morgantown, W. Va.....	Morgantown Sisterhood.....	103.20
Parkersburg, W. Va.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	20.00
Welch, W. Va.....	The Emanuel Sisterhood.....	45.00
Wheeling, W. Va.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood.....	190.00
Williamson, W. Va.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	41.51

DISTRICT No. 8—\$3,149.40

District of Columbia-Maryland-Delaware-Virginia-North Carolina

Washington, D. C.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation (The Dr. Abram Simon Memorial).....	\$ 560.00
Baltimore, Md.....	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood (The Szold-Kaiser Contribution).....	1,000.00
	Har Sinai Sisterhood (The David Einhorn Contribution).....	350.40
Cumberland, Md.....	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood.....	16.00
Wilmington, Del.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth.....	240.00
Alexandria, Va.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	28.80
Charlottesville, Va.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	10.00
Fredericksburg, Va.....	Ladies' Committee of Congregation Beth Sholom.....	16.80
Lynchburg, Va.....	Agudath Sholem Sisterhood.....	79.20
Norfolk, Va.....	The Sisterhood of Ohev Sholom Temple.....	140.00
Richmond, Va.....	Temple Beth Ahabah Sisterhood.....	104.00
Roanoke, Va.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	31.20
Staunton, Va.....	House of Israel Sisterhood.....	19.00
Asheville, N. C.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila.....	67 20
Gastonia, N. C.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	19.20
Goldsboro, N. C.....	Goldsboro Temple Sisterhood.....	10.00
Greensboro, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	32.00
Lumberton, N. C.*.....	Hebrew Women's Auxiliary.....	24.00
New Bern, N. C.*.....	B'nai Sholem Temple Sisterhood.....	12.00
Raleigh, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Or.....	17.60
Wilmington, N. C.....	Ladies' Concordia Society.....	22.00

DISTRICT No. 10—\$1,489.60

Indiana

Anderson, Ind.....	Jewish Sisterhood.....	\$ 43.51
Evansville, Ind.....	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	142.00
Ft. Wayne, Ind.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood.....	350.40
Gary, Ind.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	40.00
Hammond, Ind.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	80 00
Indianapolis, Ind.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	350 00
Kokomo, Ind.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood.....	13.80
Lafayette, Ind.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	4 00
Marion, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	42.00
Michigan City, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	25.20
Muncie, Ind.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	65.94
Richmond, Ind.....	Jewish Sisterhood.....	10.00
South Bend, Ind.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	152.00
Terre Haute, Ind.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	170.75

DISTRICT No. 11—\$1,299.59
Michigan

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1946-47
Battle Creek, Mich.....	Battle Creek Sisterhood.....	\$ 4.00
Bay City, Mich.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	53.13
Detroit, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El (The Yahrzeit Fund and the Paula Kahn Brown Contribution).....	500.00
	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	116.00
Flint, Mich.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	60.00
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel.....	100.41
Jackson, Mich.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	48.80
Lansing, Mich.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	105.60
Muskegon, Mich.....	Jewish Sisterhood.....	87.15
Petoskey, Mich.....	Petoskey Sisterhood.....	41.20 ²
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	175.30
Saginaw, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Beth El.....	8.00
² \$30.00 of this amount in memory of Mrs. Alice Rosenthal.		

DISTRICT No. 12—\$1,890.82
Kentucky-Tennessee

Ashland, Ky.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 32.20
Danville, Ky.*.....	Sisterhood of the Blue Grass Judean Society.....	16.00
Henderson, Ky.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood.....	20.80
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	154.68
Louisville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple B'rith Sholom.....	156.42
Paducah, Ky.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	99.36
Brownsville, Tenn.....	Adas Israel Temple Auxiliary.....	21.60
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Congregation.....	80.00
Clarksville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	4.80
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	29.56
Knoxville, Tenn.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	71.40
Memphis, Tenn.....	Temple Sisterhood Congregation Children of Israel (The Abe Wurzburg Contribution).....	500.00
Nashville, Tenn.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Kentucky-Tennessee State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		4.00

DISTRICT No. 13—\$598.87
South Carolina

(In Memory of Mrs. Rose Hirschman)

Anderson, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 7.20
Bishopville, S. C.....	Hebrew Sisterhood.....	5.00
Camden, S. C.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	28.61
Charleston, S. C.....	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood.....	98.40
Columbia, S. C.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood.....	196.40
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	38.95
Darlington, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	32.03 ³
Dillon, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	17.00
Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	51.98
Georgetown, S. C.....	Georgetown Temple Sisterhood.....	17.60
Lake City-Kingstree.....	Beth-Or Temple Sisterhood.....	35.30
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	70.40
³ \$2.50 in memory of Mrs. Minnie Monig.		

DISTRICT No. 14—\$1,820.40
Georgia-Florida-Alabama

Anniston, Ala.....	Henrietta Stern Sisterhood.....	\$ 10.00
Bessemer, Ala.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	7.20
Birmingham, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	350.00
Demopolis, Ala.....	Temple Guild.....	16.00
Dothan, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	50.40
Gadsden, Ala.....	Temple Aid Society.....	13.80
Huntsville, Ala.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	9.00
Jasper, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	65.00

CONTRIBUTIONS
1946-47

Sheffield-Florence- Tuscumbia.....	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 12.80
Tuscaloosa, Ala.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	12.80
Daytona Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	24.00
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	21.00
Jacksonville, Fla.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	68.80
Miami, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	100.00
Pensacola, Fla.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	40.00
St. Petersburg, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	23.20
Tallahassee, Fla.....	Tallahassee Sisterhood.....	37 00
Tampa, Fla.....	Temple Guild Sisterhood.....	60 00
West Palm Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	28 80
Albany, Ga.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	34 00
Athens, Ga.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel.....	8.00
Atlanta, Ga.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Augusta, Ga.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	124.00
Bainbridge, Ga.....	Temple Guild Sisterhood.....	21.00
Brunswick, Ga.....	Temple Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood.....	12.00
Columbus, Ga.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid Society.....	81.80
Fitzgerald, Ga.....	Sisterhood of Hebrew Congregation.....	10.60
Macon, Ga.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	82.00
Rome, Ga.....	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.....	9.20
Savannah, Ga.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel.....	114.00
Thomasville, Ga.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	14.00
Waycross, Ga.....	The Daughters of Abraham.....	10.00

DISTRICT No. 16—\$1,048.82

Mississippi

(The Sadie Landman Geisenberger Memorial)

Brookhaven, Miss.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom.....	\$ 10.60
Canton, Miss.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	23.10
Clarksdale, Miss.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	306.40
Cleveland, Miss.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	66.40
Columbus, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	32.10
Drew and Ruleville, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville, Miss.....	55.57
Greenville, Miss.....	Hebrew Union Sisterhood.....	113.04
Greenwood, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	13.00
Hattiesburg, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	37.00
Jackson, Miss.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	145.53
Laurel, Miss.....	Laurel Temple Sisterhood.....	19.60
Lexington, Miss.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood.....	5.00
Meridian, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	103.75
Natchez, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	48.93
Vicksburg, Miss.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood.....	68.80

DISTRICT No. 17—\$1,675.67

Louisiana

Alexandria, La.....	Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	\$115.00
Bastrop, La.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop, La.....	20.20
Baton Rouge, La.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	50.00
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood.....	35.80
Houma, La.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	31.17
Lafayette, La.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	12.40
Lake Charles, La.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	32.80
Monroe, La.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	49.40
Morgan City, La.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid Society.....	5.00
New Iberia, La.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer.....	30.50
New Orleans, La.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood (James K. Gutheim Contribution).....	500.00
	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer.....	313.60
	Touro Synagogue.....	350.40
Shreveport, La.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple.....	129.40

DISTRICT No. 18—\$4,457.47

Illinois

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1946-47
Benton, Ill.....	Benton Sisterhood	\$ 2.60
Bloomington, Ill.....	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood.....	56.80
Champaign-Urbana, Ill		
	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	16.00
Chicago, Ill.....	Beth El Sisterhood	40.00
	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel.....	292.94
	Temple B'nai Jeshoshua Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Volkman Fund)	181.33
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood (The Felix A. Levy Contribution)	350.00
	Temple Ezra Sisterhood.....	16.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel (In memory of Dr. Joseph Stolz and Dr. Gerson B. Levy)	520.00
	Temple Judea Sisterhood.....	57.00 ⁴
	K. A. M. Temple Sisterhood.....	370.00
	Temple Menorah	20.00
	Temple Sholom Sisterhood (The Abram Hirschberg Contribution)	350.40
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	84.00
	Washington Boulevard Temple Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Schwartz Contribution)	350.00
	Women of Mizpah (The Jacob Singer Contribution).....	350.00
Danville, Ill.....	Mite Society of Temple Beth El.....	9.60
Decatur, Ill.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood.....	48.00
Glencoe, Ill.....	North Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Kankakee, Ill.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel Temple.....	34.00 ⁵
Peoria, Ill.....	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Rockford, Ill.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	42.00
Springfield, Ill.....	Sisterhood B'rith Sholom Temple.....	40.00
	Illinois State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	26.60

⁴\$25.00 in memory of Rabbi David Rosenbaum.

⁵\$10.00 in memory of Arthur Buchband.

DISTRICT No. 19—\$641.08

Wisconsin

Appleton, Wis.....	Temple Zion Ladies' Society.....	\$ 28.20
Fond-du-Lac, Wis.*	Khiloth Jacob Sisterhood.....	13.80
Kenosha, Wis.....	Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	13.00
Madison, Wis.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	28.00
Milwaukee, Wis.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.....	500.00
Oshkosh, Wis.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	38.88
Stevens Point, Wis.....	Mt. Sinai Temple Sisterhood†.....	19.20

†Resigned.

DISTRICT No. 20—\$2,591.96

Iowa-Missouri-Nebraska-Kansas-Colorado

(In Memory of Mrs. Maurice Steinfeld)

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....	\$ 29.60
Davenport, Iowa.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	350.00
Des Moines, Iowa.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	303.20
Sioux City, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai.....	113.68
Joplin, Mo.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	29.60
Kansas City, Mo.....	The Temple Sisterhood—B'nai Jehudah.....	350.00
St. Joseph, Mo.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood.....	76.00
St. Louis, Mo.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.....	79.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	96.00
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood.....	303.48
	Sisterhood of United Hebrew Temple.....	180.00
Springfield, Mo.....	Sisterhood United Hebrew Congregations.....	24.00
Lincoln, Nebr.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Jeshurun.....	21.60
Omaha, Nebr.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	129.60

	CONTRIBUTIONS
	1946-47
Topeka, Kan.....	Sisterhood of Beth Sholom Temple.....\$ 20.80
Wichita, Kan.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood..... 104.80
Colorado Springs, Colo.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood..... 20 00
Denver, Colo.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood..... 204 00
Trinidad, Colo.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood..... 6.40
District Federation No. 20.....	150.00

DISTRICT No. 21—\$1,355.60

Arkansas-Oklahoma

Ft. Smith, Ark.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....\$ 41.00
Helena, Ark.....	Ladies' Temple Aid of Beth-El..... 11.00
Hot Springs, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel..... 90.00
Jonesboro, Ark.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood..... 11.20
Little Rock, Ark.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood..... 176 00
Muskogee, Okla.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood..... 48.00
Oklahoma City, Okla.....	Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel (The Fannie Blatt Contribution)..... 856 80
Tulsa, Okla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood..... 116.80
District Federation No. 21.....	4.80

DISTRICT No. 22—\$1,831.18

Texas

Alice, Texas*.....	Jewish Sisterhood.....\$ 7.40
Austin, Texas.....	Women's Guild of Temple Beth Israel..... 34.61
Beaumont, Texas.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood..... 46.41
Big Spring, Texas.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood..... 5.60
Brownsville, Texas.....	Beth-El Sisterhood..... 16.00
Corpus Christi, Texas.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood..... 8.00
Dallas, Texas.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood (In memory of Mrs. Gus Roos).... 500.00
El Paso, Texas.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood..... 64.25
Ft. Worth, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood..... 131.11
Galveston, Texas.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood..... 116 00
Houston, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood..... 350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El..... 250.00
Lufkin, Texas.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood..... 26.00
Marshall, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore..... 20.00
Mercedes, Texas*.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood..... 19.60
Port Arthur, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Rodef Shalom..... 25 00
San Antonio, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood..... 168.00
Texarkana, Texas*.....	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood..... 2.40
Tyler, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood..... 16.00
Waco, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Shalom..... 13.60
Wichita Falls, Texas.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood..... 11.20

DISTRICT No. 23—\$72.60

Utah-New Mexico-Idaho

Albuquerque, N. M.*.....	Temple Albert Sisterhood.....\$ 21.60
Salt Lake City, Utah*.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood..... 51.00

DISTRICT No. 24—\$3,018.53

California-Oregon-Washington-Arizona

Tucson, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-el.....\$120.00
Berkeley, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El..... 16 00
Glendale, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple..... 52.00
Highland Park, Calif.....	Highland Park Temple Sisterhood†..... 33.00
Hollywood, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 350 00
Long Beach, Calif.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood..... 112.00
Los Angeles, Calif.....	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood..... 8.00
	University Synagogue Sisterhood..... 24.0C
	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00

	CONTRIBUTIONS 1946-47
North Hollywood..... Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	\$ 36.00
Oakland, Calif..... Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	80.00
Redondo Beach, Calif.....South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood.....	28.00
Sacramento, Calif.....B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	93.00
San Diego, Calif.....Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary.....	60.00
San Francisco, Calif.....Temple Emanu-El Guild (In honor of Mrs. Benjamin Lowenstein).....	500 00
San Jose, Calif.....San Jose Temple Sisterhood.....	56.00
Santa Ana, Calif.....Shalom Sisterhood of Orange County.....	8.00
Santa Monica, Calif.....Beth Shalom Temple Sisterhood.....	179.93
Stockton, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	37.00
W. Los Angeles, Cal...Sisterhood of Westwood Emanuel Temple.....	80.00
Las Vegas, Nev.*.....Las Vegas Jewish Community Center.....	3.20
Portland, Ore.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
Seattle, Wash.....Ladies Auxiliary to Temple de Hirsch.....	350.40
Spokane, Wash.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	4 00
Tacoma, Wash.....Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	80.00
District Federation No. 24.....	8.00

†Resigned.

DISTRICT No. 25—\$602.00

Minnesota-South Dakota-Montana

Duluth, Minn.*.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	\$113.40
Minneapolis, Minn.*...Sisterhood of Temple Israel (The Dr. Samuel N. Deinard Contribution).....	351 00
St. Paul, Minn.*.....Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple.....	120 00
Sioux Falls, S. D.*.....Mt. Zion Sisterhood.....	17.60

The Stella H. Freiberg Scholarship—\$30.50

(A Scholarship composed of contributions from the constituent Sisterhoods, in honor of Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Past-President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.)

Isaac M. Wise Memorial Fund—\$996.45

FOREIGN—\$626.95

Hamilton, Ont., Can.*Deborah Ladies Aid Society.....	\$ 25.60
Montreal, Que., Can...Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	168 00
Toronto, Ont., Can.*...Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	370.00
Colon, R. P.*.....Sisterhood of Kaal Kadosh Yangakob.....	1.60
Panama City, R. P.*.....Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel.....	61.75

MISCELLANEOUS—\$7.60

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REPORT OF THE National Committee on Uniongrams

Milwaukee, Wis., January 10, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies :

As your National Chairman on Uniongrams, I am presenting this report to you with a deep sense of inner gratification, the feeling that comes from a fully coordinated effort carried to fulfillment by all of the participants. Such has been the Uniongram project and the enthusiastic cooperation of each Chairman and Committee member, with the result that in 1946-47 we enjoyed the biggest sale in the history of Uniongrams. For this unselfish loyalty and unabating zeal, I should like to thank each one of our vast army of workers, who use religion as their best defense, in every sense of the word, in fighting for a world of peace and tranquillity. Because they are fully cognizant of the fact that life is meaningful only when serving others, they epitomize their thoughts by translating them into action.

Proudly and gratefully I submit the following report :

CALENDAR OF COMPARATIVE UNIONGRAM SALES

(Based upon NFTS fiscal years: November 1, 1945 - October 31, 1946, and
November 1, 1946 - October 31, 1947)

	1945-46	1946-47	
November	7,808	November	12,608
December	8,527	December	8,893
1946		1947	
January	10,991	January	11,042
February	4,654	February	7,957
March	7,336	March	10,004
April	10,148	April	11,316
May	14,440	May	20,980
June	11,644	June	14,958
July	6,004	July	3,820
August	9,588	August	4,232
September	13,148	September	23,577
October	19,216	October	22,280
TOTAL.....	123,504	TOTAL.....	151,667

The above figures indicate that in the 1946-47 NFTS fiscal year there was a gain of 28,163 Uniongrams sold over the outstanding Uniongram distribution record for the 1945-46 fiscal period.

The Uniongram Apportionment Profit for the 1946-47 NFTS fiscal period was \$30,428.60, a gain of \$5,937.04 over the previous year. This profit ("UAP"), which is derived from 80% of all Uniongram payments received during the fiscal period, is available for the NFTS Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and for those few Free Religious Schools, on premises other than those of the local congregation, which are supported by individual Sisterhood contributions for the benefit of underprivileged children. Therefore, as our sales increase in just that proportion are we enabled to carry our religious endeavors to greater heights.

UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL

(Reserved for those groups which either purchased the equivalent of one book of Uniongrams per member during the NFTS fiscal year of November 1, 1946 - October 31, 1947; or which sold one Uniongram to every member during January, 1947, for use on January 21, National Uniongram Day.)

Birmingham, Alabama.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Dothan, Alabama.....	Dothan Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Huntsville, Alabama.....	Huntsville Temple Sisterhood
Jasper, Alabama.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Tucson, Arizona.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Jonesboro, Arkansas.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood
Little Rock, Arkansas.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Pine Bluff, Arkansas.....	Sisterhood Anshe Emeth
Glendale, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Glendale Sinai Temple
Hollywood, Calif.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Hollywood (N.), Calif.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood
Redondo Beach, Calif.....	Sisterhood of South Bay Jewish Community Center
San Jose, Calif.....	San Jose Temple Sisterhood
Santa Monica, Calif.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood
Wilmington, Del.....	Temple Beth Emeth Sisterhood
Washington, D. C.....	Sisterhood Washington Hebrew Congregation
Pensacola, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Augusta, Georgia.....	Augusta Temple Sisterhood
Bainbridge, Georgia.....	Temple Guild
Macon, Georgia.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Bloomington, Ill.....	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood
Chicago, Ill.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Decatur, Ill.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood
Peoria, Ill.....	Anshe Emeth Temple Sisterhood
Rockford, Ill.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Ft. Wayne, Indiana.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood
Hammond, Indiana.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Lafayette, Indiana.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood
South Bend, Indiana.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood
Terre Haute, Indiana.....	Sisterhood of United Temple Israel
Davenport, Iowa.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Des Moines, Iowa.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood
Sioux City, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai
Wichita, Kansas.....	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood
Danville, Ky.....	Sisterhood of the Blue Grass Judean Society
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood
Alexandria, La.....	Alex. Temple Sist. Gemiluth Chassodim
Bastrop, La.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop
New Iberia, La.....	Temple Gates of Prayer Sisterhood
New Orleans, La.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer
New Orleans, La.....	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue
New Orleans, La.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood
Baltimore, Md.....	Har Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Baltimore, Md.....	Sisterhood of Eutaw Place Temple
Boston, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom
Bay City, Mich.....	The Temple Sisterhood
Flint, Mich.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Jackson, Mich.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood
Lansing, Mich.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaaray Zadek
Muskegon, Mich.....	Jewish Sisterhood
Petoskey, Mich.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob
Duluth, Minn.....	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood
Canton, Miss.....	Canton Temple Sisterhood
Clarksdale, Miss.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Cleveland, Miss.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood
Columbus, Miss.....	Columbus Temple Sisterhood
Drew-Ruleville, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville

Jackson, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood
Laurel, Miss.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Natchez, Miss.....	Natchez Temple Sisterhood
Vicksburg, Miss.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood
Springfield, Missouri.....	Sisterhood of United Hebrew Congregation
Omaha, Nebraska.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Newark, New Jersey.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun
Orange, New Jersey.....	Sisterhood Temple Sharey Tefilo
Batavia, New York.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Brooklyn, New York.....	Women's Auxiliary Congr. Beth Elohim
Elmira, New York.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel
Flushing, L. I., N. Y.....	Sist. of the Free Synagogue of Flushing
Great Neck, New York.....	Sist. of Temple Beth El of Great Neck
New York, New York.....	Tremont Temple Sisterhood
Lumberton, N. C.....	Ladies Auxiliary of Lumberton Hebrew Congregation
New Bern, N. C.....	Temple B'nai Sholem Sisterhood
Akron, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Bellaire, Ohio.....	Sisterhood Sons of Israel
Canton, Ohio.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Dayton, Ohio.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Mansfield, Ohio.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Piqua, Ohio.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood
Muskogee, Okla.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood
Portland, Oregon.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood
Allentown, Pa.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Clearfield, Pa.....	Clearfield Sisterhood
Easton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Covenant of Peace
Hazleton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple
Johnstown, Pa.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood
Lancaster, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood
Williamsport, Pa.....	Beth-Ha Sholom Sisterhood
York, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Anderson, S. C.....	Anderson Temple Sisterhood
Columbia, S. C.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway
Darlington, S. C.....	Darlington Temple Sisterhood
Dillon, S. C.....	Dillon Temple Sisterhood
Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Georgetown, S. C.....	Georgetown Temple Sisterhood
Kingstree-Lake City, S. C.....	Beth Or Temple Sisterhood
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple
Brownsville, Tenn.....	Adas Israel Temple Auxiliary
Clarksville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Lufkin, Texas.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Lynchburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue
Seattle, Wash.....	Sisterhood Temple de Hirsch
Tacoma, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Beckley, W. Va.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple
Charleston, W. Va.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood
Clarksburg, W. Va.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood
Fairmont, W. Va.....	Fairmont Jewish Temple Sisterhood
Huntington, W. Va.....	Ohev Shalom Sisterhood
Logan, W. Va.....	Logan Temple Sisterhood
Morgantown, W. Va.....	Morgantown Sisterhood
Welch, W. Va.....	Emanu El Sisterhood
Wheeling, W. Va.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood
Appleton, Wis.....	Zion Temple Sisterhood
Milwaukee, Wis.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun
Oshkosh, Wis.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel

To those Sisterhoods which have gained the coveted Uniongram Honor Roll distinction, your NFTS extends its hearty felicitations. May you serve as an inspiration to every Sisterhood in the Federation to follow in your noble footsteps.

PROJECTS BENEFITED BY UNIONGRAMS

During the past year many vital projects benefited from the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, which is made up of money derived from the profits of Uniongram sales and from cash contributions. Kindly turn to the report of the Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education for details of projects so benefited.

UNIONGRAM USAGES

Paraphrasing an old saying, we can truthfully say "there is always something new under the sun" of the Uniongram project. Of course, birthdays, graduations, Confirmations, anniversaries, weddings, births and condolences are the usages for which Uniongrams are eminently in the foreground; but many novel and unique ideas can be devised to increase the use of these little "messengers of the heart." The sheaves can be personalized and hand-decorated for every occasion in a most appropriate manner. With ingenuity and thought many outstanding events can be celebrated with Uniongrams.

At this time I should like to mention Mrs. Abel Engelman, of Chicago, a member of this committee, through whose instrumentality over 2,600 Uniongrams were sent from many corners of the Federation to Mrs. (Joseph) Blanche R. Stolz, Chicago, on the occasion of her 85th birthday, December 12, 1947. Mrs. Stolz is known as the "mother of Uniongrams"; and because of Mrs. Engelman's alertness, this grand little lady was given all the honor and joy that was due her. Thank you, Mrs. Engelman, for your earnest cooperation! This year NFTS affiliates were proud to honor another great lady of the Federation, Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Cincinnati, Past President, and Chairman of the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, with showers of Uniongrams on the occasion of her 85th birthday.

UNIONGRAM HONORS

First honors go to Mrs. Clarence Bloomberg, Uniongram Chairman of the Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., which reached a new peak in the sale of Uniongrams: 1,250 books of Uniongrams, or 5,000 individual blanks, were ordered and paid for during 1946-47.

Second honors go to Mrs. Harry Hachen, Uniongram Chairman of the Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, Great Neck, N. Y., which ordered and paid for 850 books of Uniongrams, or 3,400 individual blanks.

The Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Rodef Shalom Sisterhood, Pittsburgh, Pa., tied for third place, each ordering and paying for 750 books of Uniongrams, or 3,000 individual blanks. Miss Sophie Franklin was the Uniongram Chairman and Mrs. Raymond Frankel, the Co-Chairman, of the Rock-

dale Avenue Temple Sisterhood; Mrs. Nathan B. Jacobs was the Uniongram Chairman of Rodef Shalom Sisterhood.

To the above mentioned and their co-workers, we of NFTS express our deep gratitude and sincere admiration for their outstanding accomplishments. I know of all of the inexhaustible energy and warmth of appeal with which these workers are imbued and with which they succeed in imbuing others. To me, my fellow workers have been a constant source of inspiration; from them I have derived the stimulus to fulfill my obligations to the best of my ability.

However, these are not the only ones who merit our praise and gratitude for constant loyalty, encouragement and support. There have been gains in the Uniongram sales of almost every Sisterhood. This past year 358 local groups purchased Uniongrams as against 333 groups the previous year. As I have said so often before, it is not the monetary contribution alone that aids us but also the fact that in a busy, complicated, and materialistic world there are women who labor arduously so that the spiritual values and religious ideals of our forefathers may continue to be handed down from generation to generation, as our testimonial to posterity that we are striving for a world in which peace and justice will be the rightful heritage of all mankind.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION

To Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our beloved National President, my sincere appreciation and thanks for her guidance, cheerful cooperation and exhilarating personality.

To Miss Jane Evans, our National Executive Director, my deepest gratitude for her never failing loyalty, zeal and inspiration.

Thanks to the members of this National Committee, and especially to Mrs. Abel Engelman, for their indefatigable and unselfish cooperation.

To the members of the NFTS staff—Miss Esther Ciener, Miss Josephine Schoenborn and Mrs. Albert Silverman—with whom it has been my pleasure to work and with whom I enjoy a strong bond of mutual interest, my gratitude.

To every Uniongram Chairman, worker, and purchaser, once more my humble thanks. My earnest desire is that they will continue their noble efforts and that they will also continue to reflect the very high regard in which Uniongrams are held. Let us together always bear in mind the lofty ideals that are perpetuated through the sale of Uniongrams, and we shall then go forward together.

To all members of NFTS, individually and collectively—deepest appreciation. It has been my pleasure to serve this worthy cause and I hope that my efforts will continue to merit support and cooperation.

May your lives be crowned with the blessings that you make possible for all mankind.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. HAROLD M.) VERA B. BAUM, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Child Study and Parent Education

Nashville, Tenn., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

This is the year which has seen an active parent education program; it has seen some fruition of years of planning. Two significant and most encouraging developments shall occupy the major emphasis of this report. During the past year we have had: (1) A functioning parent education program wide-spread throughout our Temples and Sisterhoods; (2) an invitation, issued by President Truman, for a National Conference on Family Life to be held at the White House, May 6, 7 and 8, 1948. Our Committee was invited to be one of the participating organizations in this Conference and was included in the planning and execution of the program.

PURPOSE OF OUR COMMITTEE

To evaluate our activity and focus attention on the purpose of our Committee, I state Article 23 of our By-Laws, which was incorporated into our constitution during the past biennium:

SECTION A. The National Committee on Child Study and Parent Education shall have as its primary function the integration of the Jewish child into life.

SECTION B. To further this purpose, there shall be a concentration on parent education with particular regard to that subject matter important in the maintenance both of an enriched spiritual life and a strengthened home and family life. Thought and study in these fields shall be encouraged by the Committee through (1) the formation of study classes and parent groups, (2) the preparation of study materials, (3) the recommendation, and when possible, distribution of related publications, and (4) cooperation with other organizations in the field.

PARENT EDUCATION AS IT FUNCTIONS

We have a number of reports of active parent education programs in our Sisterhoods; and a reading of Temple Bulletins indicates to us that we have been successful in stimulating interest in parent education. Early in 1947, we sent a questionnaire to local Sisterhoods to ascertain if there were a local program, what forms it was taking, and whether the groups were using the publications of our Committee. We were pleased with the favorable comments which we received, but were disappointed that more Sisterhoods did not answer the questionnaire.

Among the groups which have come to our attention as having active programs of one sort or another are: Augusta, Ga.; Columbus, Ohio; Chicago, Ill. (KAM, South Shore, Sinai, etc.); Raleigh, N. C.; San Jose, Calif.; Duluth, Minn.; Youngs-

town, Ohio; (Temple Israel) St. Louis, Mo.; Baton Rouge, La.; South Bend, Ind.; Lancaster, Pa.; Glencoe, Ill.; Louisville, Ky. (Adath Israel Sisterhood); Indianapolis, Ind.; Alexandria, La.; Colorado Springs, Colo.; Davenport, Iowa; Nashville, Tenn.; Tulsa, Okla.; San Jose, Calif.; Duluth, Minn.; (Isaac M. Wise Temple) Cincinnati, Ohio; Montreal, Canada; (Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush), Brooklyn, N. Y.; and the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

These programs take varied forms, depending upon many factors, which include the size of the group and the trained leadership available, as well as local needs of the moment. We find a large range of programs—held at either daytime or evening sessions—for mothers only, but often including fathers. Some groups have year-round programs; others have Sisterhood open meeting programs, such as panel discussions on adjusting the Jewish child to his environment, participated in by six Sisterhood members, who represented interest groups—the Pre-School Child, the Religious School, the Elementary School, and the Adolescent Child (this in Lancaster, Pa.); still others have PTA groups, which meet monthly and discuss the curriculum of the Religious School Classes and study the publications used by their children.

FAMILY LIFE INSTITUTE

One metropolitan area is planning a one-day institute on the family. New York plans such an institute under the joint sponsorship of NFTS and its New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for all the Sisterhoods in the greater New York area, to be held at Temple Rodeph Sholom, March, 1948, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Joseph Glanzer.

PROPOSED THOROUGH COVERAGE OF VARIOUS AGE GROUPS

In order to carry forward the objectives of the National Committee on a local level, a Sisterhood should have a two-fold parent education program: (1) for parents of pre-school children; (2) for parents of Religious School children. This second group in turn may be broken up into homogeneous age groups. Almost equally important is a third group composed of young people planning marriage and/or newly-marrieds, so that family life may be intelligently planned.

PLEA

I herewith make the strongest plea for reports of your activities, so that we may have a clearer picture of what is happening in our Sisterhoods. If your Sisterhood program includes a PTA group, either as part of the work of this Committee or as a separate project, please send this Chairman detailed reports of its activities.

RECOGNITION OF OUR PUBLICATIONS

A display of our materials were presented at the National Conference on Family Relations, which was held in New York in November, 1947. Nearly one thousand leaders in the field of family life education attended the conference and saw our material. These pamphlets are now part of a travelling book exhibit; and Dr. E. W. Burgess,

Editor for this project, thanks our Committee for sharing our material with them. We have received most favorable comments in the press concerning our publication of last year, "The Jewish Family in the World Today," by Margaret Mark and Bernard Starkoff. It was mentioned in such widely divergent publications as "Marriage and Family Living" as well as the Anglo-Jewish press.

DISTRIBUTION AND RECOMMENDATION OF PUBLICATIONS

As has been our custom, we distributed reading lists published by the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the Association for Family Living.

COOPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN OUR FIELD THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE

The general purpose of the National Conference on Family Life is to find specific ways in which all Americans may work together to build their lives around a family core and come to grips with the most important problems confronting the family today. It will examine the family in the modern post-war world and offer help to families in achieving the values on which individual and social well-being depend. It will develop guide-posts for programs of action which will help achieve greater security for the family and all of its members, including mental and emotional, as well as physical and economic, security.

More specifically, the Conference is concerned with such matters as:

1. The importance of successful family living to the practice of democracy.
2. Implications of all aspects of daily living for the development and stability of families (housing, nutrition, child care, etc.)
3. Defining basic principles to help families understand and meet their needs and wants in individual and group living.
4. Surveying and planning kinds of community resources that strengthen families, suggesting ways of coordinating and making use of them.
5. The use of the resources of education for the development of satisfactory family life for persons of all ages.
6. The training of professional workers in the fields of marriage and family life education, research, counseling, and related services.

The following points will be kept in mind and woven into the outline throughout:

1. The role of spiritual values in the development of stable family life.
2. The meaning of democratic family life.
3. Trends in ascendant-submissive roles of husband and wife. Factors relating to success and failure in marriage:
 - a) Economic living and social factors.
 - b) Women's conflicting values.
4. Dominant patterns of authority and discipline in the family.
5. Cultural pressures on individual family members.

AN EVALUATION OF OUR SERVICE

In evaluating the functioning of this Committee, on the National, State and local levels, it would seem that we are achieving the objectives that we have set for ourselves; that we have a program, which covers a much-needed service and that the four purposes, as outlined in the NFTS constitution, are being carried out under this National Committee by conscientious interest in and active participation at the State and local level.

This effective program could not have been achieved without the splendid cooperation of National Officers—and Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our President, and our Executive Director, Miss Jane Evans—as well as Miss Esther Ciener and Mrs. Albert Silverman, of the NFTS staff. My thanks are due to them all.

And finally, our activity is dependent upon, and our success will be due to, the Jewish women in every metropolis and hamlet throughout the Sisterhood world, who consecrate themselves to our children, who constitute our future and our immortality.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. JULIUS) MARGARET B. MARK, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE
House of Living Judaism

NFTS VICTORY PROJECT

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

As this report covers the Sisterhood fiscal year from November 1, 1946 to October 31, 1947, it will of necessity reflect the early stages of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM—the most difficult period—and will not be as complete and heartening a report as subsequent ones.

We are reporting largely on a period during which individual Sisterhood members and Sisterhood units experienced briefing on the plans, purpose and philosophy of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM.

Every campaign requires a certain indoctrination period—particularly one which, like the NFTS Victory Project, must be carried on through correspondence. For many months, THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM was still a new subject, despite the fact that the NFTS Victory Project is an expanded conversion of the former "Book of Living Judaism." Several months elapsed before THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM was actually launched as a national NFTS project. Even following the appointment of a local chairman for the project, time was consumed in briefing the chairman on details and

techniques, despite the fact that the suggested national program for the project was sufficiently flexible to enable every Sisterhood unit to follow the plan best suited to its needs and purposes.

At this writing, we can speak with confidence that the true significance of the project is now better understood. THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM is no mere office building for our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates. Literally, it will be a center of Liberal Judaism which will identify our significant movement to Jew and Gentile alike, as the source from which stem vital printed and verbal material significant to the furtherance of a Reform religious, personal and communal Jewish life the world over.

It is common knowledge that interest in religion and religious activities has gained considerable momentum, as the result of the recent World War, and no one is more conscious of the fact that "man cannot live by bread alone" than we Jews. This fact was brought home to us forcibly both by our National President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, and Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, as the result of their attendance at the Post-War Conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism in London in the summer of 1946 and more recently, by Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Educational Director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (our parent body), who visited under Union and Sisterhood auspices many DP camps, in Austria and Germany. Those who have suffered religious persecution from the Nazis are the first to recognize the need of survival and revival of Judaism. The eyes of the world are centered on America for both physical and spiritual aid. Delegates to the World Union for Progressive Judaism indicated the active trend toward an interest in Liberal Judaism in many countries and implored the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates to serve them in practical measures and to set the example in moral support.

When we consider the services which the Union and its affiliates render in this broad perspective, we recognize more clearly the imperative need and the future potentialities of a center of Liberal Judaism, such as THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign represents. When we understand the true and far-flung purpose of the NFTS Victory Project, we deem it a privilege to participate and to help build the House of Living Judaism.

Today, the value of the dollar is acknowledged as worth only fifty cents. Can we place any monetary limit to the perpetuation of the names of loved ones and honored friends through a contribution to further Liberal Jewish religious life throughout the world? We all find the necessary means to attain the "new look" or to see the latest play. A mere \$10.00 from a Sisterhood member which is asked as the minimum for a *one-time, once in a lifetime*, gift to help build a center dedicated to Liberal Judaism, should not require the indignity of high-pressure campaigning. As in all campaigns, those Sisterhoods which have organized Special Gifts Committees (\$25.00 and upwards) have been the most successful, not only in reaching their goal and setting the example for others, but in having educated their leaders and membership in regard to the needs and philosophy of our undertaking.

In the last analysis, THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM is a campaign for religious purposes. Its goal is therefore intangible in contrast to other seemingly more dramatic

human appeals. The "going" is therefore more difficult, but with imagination, loyalty to the NFTS and faith in our heritage, we will surely succeed.

Several factors in the development of the campaign have been most encouraging. Among them is the fact that the Central Conference of American Rabbis graciously extended an invitation to Mrs. Rosett, President of NFTS, to address the Conference at its meeting in Montreal, June, 1947. As the result of the explanation which Mrs. Rosett gave on THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM, we have enjoyed far greater cooperation from the rabbis and subsequently from their respective Sisterhoods.

The second factor was the concentrated effort of State Federations to devote the theme of their meetings to the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. At all District and State meetings during the current season, a National representative spoke on behalf of the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM and brought the full story of the significance of the project to the delegates. Again, tangible response has resulted and with the many State Federation meetings still scheduled for the forthcoming Sisterhood fiscal year, we should reach a far greater number of Sisterhood members.

We are also deeply indebted to Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, who graciously consented to address city-wide Sisterhood Rallies in Baltimore, Detroit and Chicago and will speak to additional groups during the new season ahead. To all who have served as a Speakers' Bureau for THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM, our warm thanks. The list is too lengthy to detail, but in addition to Dr. Eisendrath and Mrs. Rosett, I would particularly like to mention the efforts of Miss Evans, Executive Director of NFTS; Mrs. Louis I. Egelson and Mrs. Sidney Weil of Cincinnati; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Evansville; Mrs. Norman J. Kauffmann, New Orleans; Mrs. Albert J. May and Mrs. Naaman Glick, New York; Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore; Mrs. Harold Baum, Milwaukee; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe; Mrs. Harry J. Iverson, Chicago; Mrs. J. C. Newman, Cleveland; Mrs. Wilford Newman, Chicago, and to express our deep thanks to them and to all who have contributed toward the success of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM, as speakers, both in their home towns and "abroad," as committee members and as contributors. Very special words of gratitude are due Miss Helen L. Strauss, the Director of this project, who with her staff has labored with inspiration and devotion in the furtherance of our project and cause. Our success is, in large measure, a reflection of her efforts.

As of October 31, 1947, 300 Sisterhoods appointed local chairmen for THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. Contributions totalling \$113,450.00 were received from 251 Sisterhoods.

In view of the anticipated activity in many quarters, especially in some of the Metropolitan areas which have been slow in starting due to previous local commitments, we are hopeful for a greatly increased response in the near future. Much of our inspiration and encouragement has come from some of the smaller communities where the obligations and responsibilities are proportionately as great if not greater than in the Metropolitan centers. No report would be complete without mention of a word of thanks to Mrs. William Ackerman, of Meridian, Miss. Beth Israel Sisterhood, under her chairmanship, has already raised 150% of its quota and aims to double the gifts from its 75 members before the next Biennial Assembly.

The advent of the Biennial Assembly to be held in Boston, November 14-17, 1948, is a challenge to each of us to redouble our efforts to contribute to THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. The Assembly will mark the 35th Anniversary of the founding of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and the 75th Birthday Anniversary of the UAHC. What more dramatic gift could each of us make to the further glory of our Liberal heritage than to Help Build a HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. As individuals, we are insignificant in the face of world affairs. As members of a united organization—NFTS—we have the opportunity to make history in creating the first HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM—a center for Liberal Jewry the world over.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. EDWARD B.) HELEN S. SCHULKIND, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE Special Committee on Interfaith Activities

Cincinnati, Ohio, December 1, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

As I present my report on the second year of our Interfaith Activities, I wish that I could put into the words I write some of the inspiration and enthusiasm that both Christian and Jewish women have manifested after their participation in our Interfaith program.

As Chairman of this Committee, I have worked closely with the National Protestant organization, the United Church Women and its local constituents, and at all times have received their whole-hearted cooperation.

Since submitting my last report, the New York Council of Church Women reciprocated the hospitality extended to them at our Institute on Judaism for Christian church women at Temple Emanu-El in 1946, by inviting representatives of the New York Sisterhoods to an afternoon Tea at St. Bartholomew's Church. This was preceded by a stimulating program at which Dr. Paul T. Sargent, the Rector of St. Bartholomew's, and Dr. Samuel H. Goldenson, of Temple Emanu-El were speakers, and at which your Chairman brought greetings from NFTS.

During the period covered by this report, many Interfaith gatherings were held, with most gratifying results. Reports of such meetings have been sent to us from 51 cities—ranging from religious services in churches and synagogues, Art Teas (displaying Jewish Art), Library Teas (displaying Jewish books and religious symbols), Musicales and Radio Broadcasts.

During the fiscal year ending October 31, 1947, six Institutes on Judaism for Leaders of Christian Church Women's groups were held in Nashville, Brooklyn, Chicago, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati.

The Nashville Institute on Judaism was held on February 17, at the Vine Street Temple, with Mrs. M. Lusky, Sr., as the most capable Chairman. Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman of Hartford, Conn., and Rabbi Julius Mark of Nashville delivered the lectures and answered the questions of a most interested audience. About 300 Christian women attended, besides a large number of Sisterhood members. Dr. Harvie Branscomb, Chancellor of Vanderbilt University, was our Christian speaker at luncheon. The many letters received by the National Federation after the Institute attested to the deep interest and enthusiasm of all those who attended.

On February 26, with Mrs. Isidor Enselman as Chairman, an Institute on Judaism was held at Temple Beth Emeth, Brooklyn. Rabbis Abraham J. Feldman of Hartford, Conn., and Bernard Bamberger of New York, and the late Samuel J. Levinson of Brooklyn, were the lecturers. About 300 Christian women attended this most successful meeting. Your Chairman was unable to attend, but our National Federation was most excellently represented by our President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, whose greetings I am told "were graciously and expertly delivered." At this Institute, I am happy to report, the Catholic women were officially represented with the sanction of the Monsignori of Brooklyn.

The Chicago Institute, sponsored by the fourteen Sisterhoods affiliated with our National Federation, was held at Temple Sholom on March 18, 1947. An audience of over 500 women remained in rapt attention from 10:30 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. Some of the women remained in the Temple long after the meeting was over. The questions asked were most thoughtful and intelligent, and were answered most ably by Rabbis Morton Berman, Jacob Singer and Gunther Plaut, who delivered the lectures. Rabbi Louis Binstock welcomed us to Temple Sholom and Rabbi Bernard Lavine conducted the Tour of the Temple and the Explanation of the Symbols. All of these are Chicago Rabbis. Dr. Ray Freeman Jenney, the President of the Church Federation of Greater Chicago, was our speaker at luncheon. Mrs. Milton J. Klee, the Chairman of the Interfaith Relations Committee of the Illinois Federation, and the daughter of our beloved past President, Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, was the able Chairman of the Chicago Institute.

It is interesting to note that women from 122 churches and 8 denominations attended this Institute. Many women came from the suburbs of Chicago, and traveled from sixty to eighty miles to Temple Sholom on March 18, to learn about Judaism.

The Philadelphia Sisterhoods were hosts at an Institute on Judaism held on April 24, at Rodeph Shalom Temple. Mrs. Arthur New, the Chairman, did yeoman work in the arrangements and details of planning this meeting. Over one thousand invitations were mailed. Eight hundred Christian women attended the lectures, besides representatives from the Sisterhoods, and forty young people from Friend's School (Quaker). All of the Philadelphia rabbis participated in the program. Rabbi Louis Wolsey welcomed us to Temple Rodeph Shalom, conducted the tour of the Temple and gave the Explanation of the Symbols. Rabbis William Fineshriber, Meir Lasker and Samuel Glasner, delivered the lectures. Rabbi Malcolm Stern gave the prayer at luncheon. Our luncheon speaker was Dr. George Emerson Barnes, President of the Philadelphia Council of Churches. There was a hearty and enthusiastic response to this meeting.

On April 29, 1947, a similar Institute on Judaism was held at Eutaw Place Temple in Baltimore. This was planned to coincide with the meeting of our National Executive Board, so that our Board Members could see this important project of NFTS in action, and then assist in the promotion of such meetings in their home communities. Our First Vice-President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, worked diligently in the preparation for the meeting. The lectures were given by Rabbis Abraham Shusterman, Morris Lieberman and Abraham Shaw, who also conducted the Tour of the Temple and gave the Explanation of the Symbols. Rabbis Morris Lazon gave the words of welcome, and the Christian speaker at the luncheon was the Rev. Thomas Guthrie Speers. All the participating Rabbis were from Baltimore.

During the Sukos holiday, on October 1, 1947, a Cincinnati Institute on Judaism sponsored by the Isaac M. Wise and Rockdale Avenue Sisterhoods, was held at the Rockdale Avenue Temple under the able chairmanship of Mrs. Sidney Meyers and Mrs. Willis D. Gradison. Dr. David Philipson opened the session with prayer. The three lectures were given by Rabbis Victor E. Reichert, James G. Heller and Samuel Wohl. Mr. Charles P. Taft, the President of the Council of Churches of Christ in America, was the luncheon speaker. Almost one thousand women attended the lectures, and over 600 were served luncheon—the overflow being served in the suko constructed on the Temple grounds. The Council of Church Women were so inspired by the meeting, that they are already planning a reciprocal Institute on Christianity, to be held during the coming season.

With the exception of the Brooklyn meeting, your Chairman presided at all the Institutes mentioned above.

At our Institutes we have been in the practice of distributing copies of some of the Popular Studies published by the Commission on Information about Judaism of our parent organization—the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Many of the women attending our Institutes have asked that certain copies of the Popular Studies be sent to them. Some also asked for copies of our Union Prayerbook. These requests were transmitted to the office of the Union, and the pamphlets and Prayerbooks were sent. A number of letters of appreciation and thanks were received. One woman wrote, "Thanks for the most wonderful Union Prayerbook. I love it. After I have finished reading and meditating on some parts of it, I will let it circulate among the women of our Church. May God bless you abundantly in your endeavor to lead others in the path of righteousness and everlasting joy." Another wrote, "It was a thrilling experience. I believe God looked on us with favor that day as He sent His rays through the lovely windows of the sanctuary lending a golden touch to the occasion."

Still another wrote, "The real meaning of Thanksgiving is richer for all of us in this America of ours; for having shared such an experience, we feel that with the Psalmist we sing, and can continue to sing, 'Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name *together.*'"

"Our Jewish friends are greatly misunderstood. We felt it always, we know it now, and the fine memories of today will linger in my heart. I feel that surely our Heavenly Father is directing you in your efforts, and from it there is bound to come a better understanding of one another and knowledge of His purpose for each of us," were other sentiments expressed by those who attended our Institutes.

Your Chairman has received letters from Mrs. Fenton Fish, President of the Ohio Council of Church Women, and from Mrs. Helen C. Robertson of the General Alliance of Unitarian and other Liberal Christian Women of Boston, Mass., asking that we meet and formulate a program together, to stimulate better understanding and good will among all women.

The Committee on Interfaith Activities of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is gratified with the accomplishments of the past year. A more extensive program is being planned for the coming season. We feel that only through education and knowledge can good will and better understanding be achieved. From the depths of a full and grateful heart, I acknowledge my lasting indebtedness to our beloved President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, for her constant encouragement and cooperation, to Miss Jane Evans, Miss Esther Ciener and the personnel of our National Office for their ever-ready helpfulness, to the members of our National Committee and to the rabbis who participated, and to all those who have contributed to the success of our significant program.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. LOUIS I.) AUGUSTA C. EGELSON, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Jewish Ceremonials and Art

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a pleasure for me to report the activities of the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, for the year November 1, 1946 to October 31, 1947.

In general there has been a decided increase in interest in the fields of Jewish Art and Music. The National Office has received many communications for program literature, and has been able to fill these from its vast library of programs on music, art and ceremonial observances.

The Sisterhood Art Calendar for 5708 illustrated the work of the well-known Jewish artist Elias Newman. Six reproductions of his water colors of scenes in France, Palestine and Mexico were illustrated: The Brothers; From My Studio Window; Sali Boat; Miki (picture of a girl); Yehudit (Palestinian girl); and Jerusalem. The water colors were reproduced in the Art Calendar through the courtesy of Babcock Galleries in New York.

During the past year, for the first time the Art Calendar edition was 15,000 copies—an increase of 2500 over the previous year. Almost the entire edition was sold out, despite the fact that the calendar appeared rather late due to an uncontrollable paper

shortage. Copies of the calendar were distributed with the Rosh Ha-shono Uniongram message from Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, to all Rabbis of Union Congregations, the faculty and student body of the Hebrew Union College, and Jewish Chaplains in the United States and overseas. Many letters of thanks and appreciation for the calendar were addressed to Mrs. Rosett.

The excellent study-program series—The Contribution of Jewish Composers to the Music of the Modern World by Dr. Anne L. Landau, which your Committee published last year continued to sell. Two hundred and seventy units of the NFTS have requested their complimentary copies of this Study Series. In addition, 421 copies have been purchased individually by Sisterhood members and other individuals.

Jewish Music Month was observed from February 7 to March 7, 1947. Many Sisterhoods arranged fitting programs to celebrate this festival, as a result of the suggestion from the National Chairman. Jewish Music Month will again be publicized during the coming year. It is our hope that more units of NFTS will avail themselves of the opportunity to arrange programs on the Contribution of Jewish Composers. The Study Series by Dr. Landau, in addition to the other programs which may be secured from the National Office, will give much needed information on which the program can be based.

With sincere appreciation to the members of the National Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art for their interest and inspiration, and to the Executive Office of NFTS for its kind cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. J. WALTER) STELLA H. FREIBERG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Jewish Literature for the Blind

Paducah, Ky., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The swiftly moving cycle of days has come again to that time when a review of the activities and an appraisal of the accomplishments of the past year's work is necessary. The achievements of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, through the efforts of many devoted women within the scope of our broadened Sisterhood horizon, have once more been recorded in glowing figures and shining letters. It is the happy task of your Chairman to reiterate these accomplishments and, at the same time, to look toward still larger fields of endeavors, to suggest the ever-widening need before us in the months to come.

How broadly the ripple of service can spread when a brailist transcribes a book is shown most impressively by a letter of appreciation received by Mrs. Simon Jacobs, Chicago, Ill., who transcribes for Rockdale Ave. Temple Sisterhood, Cincinnati, Ohio. More than five years ago she transcribed "Green Worlds," by Maurice Hindus, and only recently she received a warm "thank you" letter for her work from a rural reader of Fayetteville, Texas. So, you see, she cast her brailled book into the vast literary sea and received, unsought, a satisfying and thrilling reward in the knowledge that she had brought pleasure and interest to one so far away. Surely neither time, nor effort, nor dollars expended could afford a greater satisfaction to anyone.

The financial cooperation of Sisterhoods during the NFTS fiscal period of November 1, 1946 to October 31, 1947, in response to the annual appeal for funds for the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., is given herewith :

1946			
November	\$ 205.00	May	\$ 812.70
December	346.00	June	574.97
		July	114.80
1947		August	4.00
January	\$ 394.50	September	50.00
February	1,396.00	October	219 00
March	989.50		
April	765.00	TOTAL.....	\$5,871.47

During the 1946-47 NFTS fiscal period, issues of the *Jewish Braille Review* and the *Braille Musician* magazines in Braille published by the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., were underwritten by :

Mrs. August Lorch and Mrs. J. B. Folz, Dallas, Texas, in memory of August Lorch.

Temple B'nai Jehudah Sisterhood, Kansas City, Mo., in honor of Dr. Samuel Mayerberg.

Temple Sinai Sisterhood, New Orleans, La., in honor of Dr. Julian B. Feibelman.

Temple Israel Sisterhood, Minneapolis, Minn.

Temple Beth El Sisterhood, Pensacola, Fla., in honor of Bessie Krentzman.

Temple Beth El Sisterhood, South Bend, Ind., in memory of Lt. Irving Horwich, Lt. Arthur Simon, Lt. Phillip Levy, and Private Nathan Garnitz.

Wilshire Blvd. Temple Sisterhood, Los Angeles, Calif., in memory of Judge Harry A. Hollzer.

Temple Sisterhood, Bay City, Mich., in honor of Rose Litaour Moses.

Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel, Hartford, Conn., in memory of Carl Carlson, Jr., Aaron Cohen, Max Kandigur, Frank M. Richardson and William C. Rundbaken, who lost their lives in the service of their country.

Temple Israel Sisterhood, Memphis, Tenn., in honor of Mrs. Sam Oppenheimer, organist, and the choir of Temple Israel.

Temple Beth Jacob Sisterhood, Newburgh, N. Y., in honor of Mrs. Celia Goodman.

Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood, El Paso, Texas, in honor of Mrs. I. B. Goodman.

The Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., underwrote the January issue of the *Jewish Braille Review* in memory of Governor Henry Horner; the April issue in memory of Dr. Joseph Stolz; the September issue in memory of Charles Morris and

Nathan Rosenthal; the May-June issue of the *Braille Musician* in memory of Albert Zuckerman; and the November-December issue in memory of Senator Milton D. Smith.

Euclid Ave. Temple Sisterhood, Cleveland, Ohio, underwrote the February issue of the *Jewish Braille Review* and the March-April issue of the *Braille Musician* to mark the congregation's centennial celebration.

The Braille Committee of the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods underwrote the Hebrew Braille Calendar.

In response to a questionnaire submitted to local Sisterhoods on March 17, 1947, to ascertain the number of braillists certified to that date, it was learned that there are 43 Braille Grade 1½ transcribers and 64 Braille Grade 2 transcribers. There are 4 students of Grade 2 who are working for certification. Since Braille Grade 2 is used almost exclusively now in transcribing, it was gratifying to note that our women are working now toward this more advanced grade of Braille, in order to continue their fine services.

Mrs. Milton Rubin, Gary, Ind., Chairman on Jewish Literature for the Blind for the Indiana State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, prepared a kit which she sent to each affiliated Sisterhood in the area, along with suggestions for a program on this subject. She compiled a "History of Books for the Blind," which could be used as the basis of a talk for such a program. She also suggested that the Indiana State Federation underwrite an issue of the *Jewish Braille Review* as a major project. Such an enthusiastic approach to the work of her Committee by either a State or local Chairman must certainly create a deep interest among others and inject an added impetus toward greater achievements by all Sisterhood groups.

Many Sisterhoods reported programs on the work of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, which proved interesting and enlightening, and which stimulated greater activity in their Sisterhoods on behalf of Braille. Such presentations of the value and importance of this work can but lead to greater activity, wider knowledge, and broader participation by a greater number of Sisterhood members in this most humane and personally satisfying project.

This past year has been marked by larger financial contributions by, and increased interest among, Sisterhoods throughout our great National Federation. Let me urge, however, that in the next months an even more intensive program be planned to increase the over-all participation by Sisterhood members. Please remember that we are working with, and for, a group of people who might have no contacts with literature of Jewish content and interest were it not for our efforts. We are, it seems to me, creating an Aladdin's Lamp, which, when touched by eager fingers, will bring to thousands all the wonders of the world of fact and fancy—the shining light of truth and the gleaming light of knowledge and delight.

While this brief summation of our progress can in no way cover all the wide and varied activities of this Committee, it must point toward the numerous ways in which local units may approach the opportunities for service which they can afford. Let us, then, work together during the coming months with eagerness and determination, so that this great work may ever move forward in accomplishments. Let us continue to

increase the scope of our endeavors on behalf of hundreds of sightless, who turn to us for literary sustenance and intellectual nurture.

May I here express my sincere thanks to each member of the NFTS staff in Cincinnati for her never failing cooperation and help. Also, may I offer my real appreciation and gratitude to all members of the National Committee and to each State and local Chairman on Jewish Literature for the Blind, through whose devoted service this fine record has been achieved.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. STERLING) THALIA R. BERG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE National Committee on Peace and World Relations

Buffalo, New York, October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is with a great sense of pride that we submit the annual report of this Committee. The past year has evidenced a real "awakening" among many local Sisterhoods, a realization of their obligations and potentialities as an informed, articulate citizenry, with the consequent formation of many alert, conscientious, enthusiastic study groups in the field of Peace and World Relations. The past year marked the inception of "Current Copy," a timely, concise, informative bulletin, which not only itemizes and digests significant events in our world today, but also suggests actions to be taken on specific issues.

Local units have been most enthusiastic in their reception of "Current Copy"; countless letters from many groups have commented on its form, its "readability," its value to their members and to their Sisterhood as a whole, for it has become in many instances a part of the agenda of the general monthly meeting. They feel that it has been informative, that it has stimulated a desire on the part of the membership to explore further the many issues propounded and an incentive to action, where indicated, on the part of the individual. Seven issues have thus far reached our local units, and it is our plan to continue these releases. The National Committee on Peace and World Relations and its Local counterparts are greatly indebted to Jane Evans, our Executive Director, who not only initiated "Current Copy," but also has given so much of herself in ideas, suggestions, and in the final editing of all subsequent issues with her own indefatigable enthusiasm and inspirational direction.

This Committee has circulated letters to local groups, stressing the importance of Brotherhood Week and United Nations Week. In both instances, we enclosed significant national bulletins; we listed ideas for display, reference material, and sources

from which posters, appropriate publicity, pamphlets and further aids might be obtained, for the observance of these two significant occasions. Local groups were urged to make these two weeks a part of their planning and programming, and many letters received from these groups indicated that these events were widely observed.

In other communications the United Nations was suggested as the subject of a study course for local groups; reference sources for material were listed; area Distribution Centers, where added material was available, were itemized; and pertinent radio programs with stations and hours of broadcast were specified.

Copies of the Report of the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine as reprinted in the *New York Times*, Sept. 9, 1947, were sent to all units, so that their membership might have a detailed knowledge of the partition plan and a complete factual basis for discussion. Bulletins were also circulated from the Citizens Committee on Displaced Persons which contained vital facts about the plight of the DP's; our groups were asked to read and discuss their contents with the whole membership and, again, to take action where it was indicated and was the will of the unit.

In February, 1947, the NFTS, through its affiliation with the National Peace Conference, had the honor of presenting Mr. Gerald Bailey, Director of the National Peace Council of England and a recognized authority on international affairs, to the State and local Presidents and Chairmen on Peace and World Relations in the Metropolitan New York area. Your Chairman enjoyed the privilege of introducing Mr. Bailey to his audience and of conducting the post-lecture discussion period; she, with the others who shared the privilege of hearing Mr. Bailey, felt that it was a most interesting, informative, and stimulating afternoon.

Your Chairman also had the privilege of addressing many groups, local Sisterhoods, State Federation meetings, etc., on various subjects within the field of Peace and World Relations. Regretfully, she had to refuse many invitations to speak due to the conflicts in dates presented, for November has become the month during which most groups build their program around, and highlight the field of, international relations.

All correspondence was answered, outlining suggestions for study groups, listing courses of study and material available through our National office, and acknowledging the progress and achievements of those groups whose activities have been so persevering and outstanding.

It continues to be the hope of the Committee on Peace and World Relations that the coming year will see the formation of many new groups in local Sisterhoods in this so important field, and that those groups which have had such great success in their ventures will continue to grow in strength and in membership. Our citizenship is vital and must be dynamic: it is in study groups, with an informed, articulate membership, which have an understanding of the problems of our world today, which take part in constructive discussions, which take action where necessary, which constitute persons of courage and vision, that we shall find a new collective voice of the conscience of mankind and realize a collective will for world security and peace. "Informed public opinion is a better weapon than the atomic bomb."

We should like, in closing, to thank all those who continue to make the work of this Committee so gratifying: our Vice-Chairman and members of the National

Committee; the local and State Chairmen, who are bending every effort to make this a successful project; Esther Ciener and Mrs. Albert H. Silverman, whose suggestions have been so constructive and whose interest has been so constant.

Certainly, it must be a source of continual satisfaction to the above, as it has been to your Committee on Peace and World Relations, that together we are playing a strategic role with growing intelligence, patience, and faith, and meeting a vital need in the solution of problems today, which will lead, with God's will, to the freedom of all nations and to peace in the world in our time.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. SIDNEY S.) MILDRED E. WALLENS, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE Special Committee on Post-War Service

Hartford, Conn., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

In the last report submitted by this Committee to the Executive Board of the National Federation, it was my hope that the urgency which brought into being the Committee on Post-War Service would have been resolved. It is unnecessary for me to point out that the opposite situation exists and the need for the Committee on Post-War Service with the cooperation of every local Committee on Post-War Service is more urgent than ever before.

In a great measure the activities of this Committee have been channeled through SOS (Supplies for Overseas Survivors) sponsored by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee in cooperation with sixteen national Jewish women's organizations, which include National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

It is heartening to report that almost all of our Sisterhoods have an active Post-War Service Committee, are contributing monthly to the SOS Campaign, and are thoroughly aware of their responsibility as Sisterhood women to aid those in need overseas, through gifts of food, clothing, medical supplies and other items which SOS appeals from time to time. In some Sisterhoods, sewing units have been particularly active, and have met the SOS call for layettes. In other instances, Sisterhoods cooperate in city-wide house-to-house SOS drives. Many Sisterhoods request a small offering from each member at every meeting in lieu of the forgotten package of food, clothing, etc., for which a box has been previously provided.

During the Fall of 1947, SOS undertook a special concentrated drive to collect six million pounds of relief supplies. NFTS received from the National Director of SOS the following commendation:

"Since the inception of the SOS Collection more than two years ago, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has been outstanding in its furtherance of our program and in giving us its whole-hearted support.

"I am glad to take this opportunity to extend to your membership, thanks and appreciation from national headquarters for participating in our work in the fullest sense."

The Committee on Post-War Service also cooperates with the Women's Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board of which NFTS is a constituent, in its program of Serve-a-Camp, Serve-a-Hospital and Serve-a-Chaplain projects. Sisterhoods—particularly those located in areas adjacent to Army or VA Hospitals and Camps have been most generous in providing entertainment, hospitality and comfort items for soldiers and veterans.

The National Office handles many requests for basic information such as the proper destination of packages, the names of firms which supply food items at wholesale prices, etc. Since the National Office is in constant contact with the headquarters of SOS, any further information may be secured by addressing the NFTS office.

In this report your Committee would like to include with a special word of appreciation and thanks the name of every Sisterhood and the name of every chairman and worker participating in this inspired field of service. Since it would take pages to signalize those who deserve to be mentioned, your Committee prefers to feel that the satisfaction which comes from active participation in this work is the greatest measure of thanks.

Our activity must continue; unfortunately there can be no cessation of effort.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. EDWARD A.) ADELLE WISE HART, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE National Committee on Programs

Columbia, S. C., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

This has been a full year for the National Committee on Programs; the members of the Committee have been in constant contact with Program Chairmen of local units.

Following a custom begun several seasons ago, your Chairman has written a monthly letter of suggestions and has been gratified indeed at the response.

The number of requests for program materials has soared; your Chairman has entered into correspondence with a great many members, who have turned to her for advice and aid. The fact that the 1947-48 Supplement to the Book of Program and

Study Materials was released in early summer, 1947, accounted for much of the correspondence. The release of the Supplement in June helped local Program chairmen to plan their programs for the season. The inclusion in the Supplement of suggestions for programs to cover a year was hailed with interest by member units.

The members of the National Committee on Programs were invited to assist in the editing of the Program Supplement and they responded in the true spirit of Sisterhood. This experiment was so successful that your Chairman is inviting these same members to send out monthly letters (in place of the Chairman's customary ones) for the remainder of this Sisterhood season. She feels that new points of view will prove helpful to local Chairmen.

A correlation of the study of current affairs of interest to Jews with more formal program material has proved of value to member groups. In many Sisterhoods a period of the program time is now given to a short report of current events, and there has been a noticeable increase in interest and in member participation.

May I express my personal thanks to our beloved President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, for her interest in the work of this Committee. To Miss Jane Evans, whose keen intellect and vast experience have helped to make the work of this Committee a success, we express appreciation and gratitude. To Mrs. A. H. Silverman, who has the task of preparing and making available program suggestions and material to the groups, to Miss Esther Ciener and Miss Josephine Schoenborn, who have answered our every call for help, we say a fervent "thank you." To the other staff members of NFTS, we also offer our appreciation for their constant aid and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. JULIAN) HELEN KOHN HENNIG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Religious Extension

Tulsa, Okla., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a pleasure to report on the Sisterhoods which have affiliated with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the fiscal year of November 1, 1946, to October 31, 1947.

CITY	SISTERHOOD	DATE
Bainbridge, Ga.	Temple Guild Sisterhood	November 12, 1946
Los Angeles, Calif.	University Synagogue Sisterhood	November 19, 1946
Hollywood, Calif.	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	December 23, 1946
Sydney, N. S. W. Australia	Temple Emanuel Women's Guild	December 23, 1946
Redondo Beach, Calif.	South Bay Menorah Temple Sisterhood	January 20, 1947
Brownsville, Texas	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	January 21, 1947
Berkeley, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	January 22, 1947
Lakeland, Fla.	Ladies Auxiliary of Temple Emanuel	January 23, 1947
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	January 23, 1947
Los Angeles (Culver City), Calif.	Temple of Isaiah Sisterhood	January 24, 1947
Danville, Ky.	Sisterhood of the Blue Grass Judean Society	February 6, 1947
McGehee, Ark.	Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood	February 12, 1947
Las Vegas, Nev.	Sister of Jewish Community Center	February 12, 1947
Demopolis, Ala.	Demopolis Temple Guild	February 12, 1947
Chicago, Ill.	Sisterhood of Temple Ezra	May 5, 1947
Cleveland, Ohio	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	October 8, 1947
Hackensack, N. J.	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood	October 30, 1947
Los Angeles, Calif.	Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood	October 31, 1947
Alameda, Calif.	Temple Israel Sisterhood	October 31, 1947

The following groups resigned from NFTS during this period:

CITY	SISTERHOOD	DATE
Ashtabula, Ohio	Tifereth Israel Temple Sisterhood	November 12, 1946
Sarasota, Fla.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	February 25, 1947
Stevens Point, Wis.	Sisterhood of Beth Israel	March 10, 1947
Los Angeles, Calif.	Southwest B'nai Zion Sisterhood	March 28, 1947
Los Angeles, Calif.	Highland Park Temple Sisterhood	July 14, 1947
Harlan, Ky.	Sisterhood of B'nai Sholom	August 14, 1947
Concord, New Hampshire	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	August 18, 1947

During the 1946-47 NFTS fiscal period, the number of Sisterhoods in the Federation increased by twelve. As of October 31, 1947, the National Federation had a total of 419 affiliated units. To our new units, we extend a hearty welcome; to those which have resigned, we send assurance that we await eagerly their early reaffiliation.

Your Chairman thanks the members of this Committee who have made such wonderful contributions in their efforts to increase the number of units in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Our Local and State Chairmen on Religious Extension have been doing excellent work. The reports sent in have been most gratifying.

I should like to mention some of the endeavors, made for the purpose of increasing membership on the local level, in the hope that they will be beneficial:

The Sisterhood of Keneseth Israel, Philadelphia, Pa., in preparation for its 100th anniversary in 1947, had the impulse to increase its membership, with the result that a membership drive was started on a large and well-organized scale and successfully completed. (Information about this campaign may be obtained from the National office.)

The Sisterhood of Temple Shaarey Tefilo, East Orange, N. J., celebrated its 35th year with a "Bring a New Member Luncheon."

I wish to thank Mrs. Gene Friedman, of Los Angeles, Calif., for her untiring work and cooperation. She has given many constructive hints for attracting new members and did a wonderful piece of work in increasing the membership in the Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Hollywood, Calif.

There are other examples, too numerous to mention in this report, of outstanding work throughout the National Federation. My congratulations and thanks to all Local and District Chairmen for a job well done.

The booklet, "How to Plan a Sisterhood Membership Campaign," has been widely distributed by the National office and has proved very helpful.

To our beloved President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, I express my appreciation for the honor of serving as a Chairman under her able leadership. To Miss Jane Evans and her staff of assistants—I could not have carried on without their wonderful consideration and cooperation—I extend warm thanks.

To the officers, Board members, and all members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, my best wishes to each of you in the coming year. May it be for everyone a year of peace, health and happiness.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. EDMUND B.) EDWINA M. STERN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Religious Schools

Minneapolis, Minn., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The National Committee on Religious Schools has a three-fold purpose, which it undertakes in cooperation with the Department of Religious Education of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, parent body of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods:

1. To furnish Sisterhoods, upon request, with information which furthers Religious School education;

2. To encourage men and women to devote themselves to Religious School teachings;
3. To assist local Sisterhoods in establishing free Religious Schools.

I have communicated with various Religious School Chairmen through informal letters. Correspondence has also been received with regard to Religious School administration and teaching techniques, which correspondence was referred to the Education Department of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Many interesting reports have come from Religious School Chairmen. It has been a source of deep personal satisfaction to hear of their accomplishments, as well as of their problems. One of the matters brought to our attention was a Sunday School Teacher's Conference held in Chicago in November. This Conference was arranged by the Chicago Federation of Reform Synagogues (an agency of the UAHC) in cooperation with the Board of Jewish Education and The College of Jewish Studies. Mrs. Samuel Covich, Chairman on Religious Schools for the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, was moderator with Dr. Abraham Franzblau, Dean of the School of Religious Education of the Hebrew Union College, and Rabbi David Cedarbaum, at a special session arranged for the Religious School Chairmen of the local Sisterhoods. From all reports, this proved to be a very stimulating and informative conference.

From the Cincinnati headquarters of NFTS and UAHC, textbooks and holiday materials have been available and this information has been passed on to inquiring local Chairmen.

Probably no single fund established by the National Federation gives more individual encouragement than does the Publication Fund for new Religious School literature. From it have been published many excellent volumes used by Religious School children throughout the English-speaking world. During the NFTS fiscal period of November 1, 1946—October 31, 1947, the following books were printed through this Fund:

The Jewish Child Every Day by Mrs. Samuel Covich. The book, which has a spiral plastic binding, and is accompanied by a mimeographed Supplement for Parents and Teachers, is for the three-to-five-year-old children, and includes pictures, stories and music that will help to acquaint the pre-school child with Jewish tradition. Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Director of Religious Education for UAHC, has written the introduction to the book.

Down Holiday Lane by Rose W. Golub is another addition to books in the elementary department, and is intended for children in Grade 3. The book contains original stories skillfully told and related to the holidays. They are told primarily for character training, training in religious observances, and acquainting the children with the customs and ceremonies of the Jewish people. This book is beautifully illustrated by the well-known artist, Louis Kabrin, and is valuable for classroom study, as well as individual reading. *Down Holiday Lane* and its companion piece, *Hillel's Happy Holidays*, should be in every Religious School classroom and library. The author has pioneered for many years with materials for the primary grades.

Once more the Union of American Hebrew Congregations has pioneered with

new material: an Animated Series for Religious School instruction. The two that have thus far appeared are by Florence Zeldin. The "Animated Shovuos Booklet" is very colorful and attractive for children; the "Animated Disc on the Jewish Calendar" presents a series of questions and answers on the Jewish Calendar. Both of these are for children in the fourth through the sixth grades, and can be used as supplementary material as well as for prizes.

The Correspondence Courses and the Lecture Institutes for Teachers and Adults, both under the expert direction of Dr. Gamoran, have been enthusiastically received by many of our groups. These two activities are joint undertakings of NFTS and the Union. We reiterate the earnest appeal that all Jewish men and women, who have any qualifications whatsoever for teaching, equip themselves further and rally to the noblest responsibility of our Jewish inheritance. There are five correspondence courses: "The Jewish Festivals," "The History of the Jews in the United States," "Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World," "The Bible and Jewish Life," and "A Bird's-Eye View of Jewish History."

Adult Education classes should be sponsored. Wide publicity has been given to study groups and Institutes on Judaism, and enlargement of their scope has been encouraged. For this purpose, there are available excellent informative articles and pamphlets, a few of which are, "Adjusting the Jewish Child to His World" by Dr. S. H. Markowitz, "The Jewish Family in the World Today" by Margaret Mark and Bernard Starkoff, "Dramatic Moments in Jewish History" by Dr. A. L. Sachar, "A Bird's-Eye View of Jewish Literature" by Abraham Friedland, and "The Contributions of Jewish Composers to the Music of the Modern World" by Anne L. Landau.

We have urged participation in Jewish Book Month. Its purpose is to bring Jewish thought into the Jewish home; its achievement would be a notable contribution to the molding, for United States units of NFTS, of the American Jewish mind. The worth of a Jewish library in the home and school for use, rather than collection, cannot be overestimated.

We cannot emphasize too much the establishment of free Religious Schools wherever necessary. Our Sisterhoods must urge the creation of the Religious School as a community responsibility to offer free education to all who wish it.

The foregoing summarizes the work of the National Committee on Religious Schools. It indicates the many-sided aspects of the Committee's activities and its great responsibilities. As we look ahead, we must be aware of the ever-enlarging scope of our program and the necessity for it; we must reemphasize the recognition by the Sisterhoods of the importance and value of the Religious School. The Religious School must assume the responsibility for character development. It is necessary for the Jewish child to see himself intelligently in relation to the Jewish past and Jewish present, in order to have a joyous acceptance of his Jewishness and to assume later the responsibility which membership in a congregation and in a Jewish community implies. Sisterhoods everywhere must cooperate with the Religious Schools to make their work effective.

Before all else, members of Sisterhood must introduce into their own lives the religious practices and ideals which the Religious Schools teach. This means a proper celebration of the Jewish festivals in the home, regular synagogue attendance, and

above all intelligent and active participation in current Jewish movements.

Sisterhoods should organize study groups for adult education, for only through adult education can a home environment be created where the positive attitudes experienced on a child level in the school may be lived on a family level at home.

Our deep appreciation must go to those of the Education Departments of the Union and Hebrew Union College; to Dr. Emanuel Gamoran; to Miss Jane Evans and the NFTS staff for helpful cooperation and efficient service.

With the sustained support of the members of this Committee, we shall continue to further the aims and ideals of our NFTS program.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. A. A.) RUTH S. LITIN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

New Orleans 18, La., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, at its Annual Meeting held in Baltimore, Md., April, 1947, recommended unanimously that the Special Committee on Interfaith be accorded the status of a National Standing Committee. A statement of the purpose of the Committee will be submitted to the Seventeenth Biennial Assembly for its consideration.

In conformity with the action of the NFTS Executive Board, the Chairman of Committee on Revision of By-Laws recommends:

1. That the Special Committee on Interfaith Activities be accorded permanent status, and be known as the National Committee on Interfaith Activities.

That the duties of this committee be defined as follows:

The National Committee on Interfaith Activities shall endeavor to stimulate better understanding and good will among women of all faiths 1) through Institutes on Judaism for leaders of church women's groups; 2) through discussion groups and interfaith gatherings giving information about Judaism. It shall encourage local Sisterhoods to sponsor such programs and to cooperate with non-Jewish groups in arranging interfaith meetings on an educational level, and become Article 27, of the By-Laws.

2. That Article 27 shall become Article 28, Article 28 shall become Article 29, and each succeeding article be advanced to next number, until the final Article 40 on Amendments be known as Article 41.

3. An amendment, as passed by the Executive Board at the Sixteenth Biennial Convention, March, 1946, reads as follows:

Executive Board—Article 9. Section A.

"The Assembly shall elect an Executive Board of seventy-five members, exclusive of honorary and life members."

To execute this provision, fifteen members were to have been appointed to the Board since the last Biennial. However, in order to have the Board membership properly "staggered," the Executive Board at its annual meeting in Baltimore in April, 1947, reconsidered this amendment and recommends to the 17th Biennial Assembly the following revision: five Board members be elected at each of the next three Biennial periods.

In accordance with the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, copies of suggested revisions will be submitted to each unit of the Federation thirty days prior to the Seventeenth Biennial Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. NORMAN J.) EDNA L. KAUFFMANN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE National Committee on State Federations

Knoxville, Tenn., October 31, 1947.

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Ladies:

With justifiable pride, we submit to you the annual report of the National Committee on State Federations for the NFTS fiscal year of November 1, 1946 - October 31, 1947, and commend to you the State and District Federations, whose accomplishments are herein recorded, for their particular part in the whole picture of the program and projects of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Further, whereas for the reconversion period of 1945-46 we recorded that "slowly but with determination our local and State units are attempting to equalize religious and educational inequities," we submit the following records of statistical data and projects as positive proof of intensification of purpose and acceleration in the implementation of old and new projects. No longer apologetic but with a new emphasis, these State Federations indicate further, even greater determination to realize new goals in almost all of the religious, educational, and humanitarian projects of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

The New England Federation, District No. 1, has increased the number of its Board meetings in order to stimulate new members. The Chairmen are invited to give informal talks on their particular Committees in order to disseminate information and to whet enthusiasm for increased activities. At its last Convention in Mass., round table discussions on *Ways and Means, Programs, Youth Activities, Adult Education, Forces toward Unity, Presidents*, were conducted by delegates from the Sisterhoods represented. In addition to speaking on *The House of Living Judaism*, Miss Helen Strauss, HLJ Campaign Director and a member of the NFTS profes-

sional staff, also participated in the afternoon panel discussion on "The Jewish Woman as a Dynamic Force in the Home, Synagogue, and the Community."

The Connecticut Federation, District No. 2, meets twice each year: at the regular Board meeting each April, the unit Presidents give a resume of their local activities; each October there is a conference to which all members of each Sisterhood are invited, and at which a formal topic for discussion is presented. This Federation is proud of its projects, which include: contributions to SOS (Supplies for Overseas Survivors),* an annual contribution recently increased from \$350.00 to \$500.00 to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund; and \$100.00 to the *House of Living Judaism*.

The New York State Federation, District No. 3, is one of the largest: it is composed of 51 units with memberships ranging from 700 to 16, and totals 10,194 women. A detailed project outline of purposes and techniques of Standing Committees, which parallel the NFTS ones, is distributed to each State and local Chairman with the suggestion that this outline while not obligatory is "A guide to the perplexed and a source of inspiration to the adventurous." The Vice-Presidents are given responsibility to enable them to learn State work; each one is responsible for one-third of the Standing Committees, which one-third is rotated at the end of the term. This Federation is proud of its projects, which include: publication of a book of original Sisterhood prayers and a contest for a Chalo Cloth design. The winning design is printed on linen and sold at a nominal sum; a similar contest for a Passover Matso cloth design is being planned, the former contest having been so successful. Another project is a Choral Group, composed of members of most of the choral groups in metropolitan New York. In addition to singing at many important religious affairs, these groups also serve to bring cheer to hospitals, service men and women, and to others in institutions.

The New Jersey Federation, District No. 4, continues to grant annually a contribution to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. It has begun a project of subsidizing a Braille teacher who will be available to any constituent Sisterhood that makes the necessary request and arrangements.

District No. 5, the Pennsylvania Federation, has been active in reorganizing and studying projects, that have been sponsored for years, to determine progress; it continues to publish an excellent bulletin, "Keystone Topics," which is mailed to 4,200 Sisterhood members within the State. From the Jeannette Miriam Goldberg Fund, it makes loans to Jewish students at Penn State University through Hillel. NFTY affiliates in the area have been aided in many ways, including financial assistance by the Federation. At the District's 13th Biennial Convention, whose theme was "Sisterhood and the Modern Family," three round table reciprocal discussions were held: the discussants and participants were based on membership: Sisterhoods of 200 or over; those of 100-200; those under 100. The State Religious School Chairman has made a survey for the double purpose of evaluating religious education in the State and to submit to the National Federation constructive suggestions, whereby all Sisterhoods may benefit.

*A joint project of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) and national agencies including NFTS.

The Ohio Federation, District No. 6, at a recent Board Meeting voted to contribute \$500.00 to *The House of Living Judaism*.

The State Braille Chairman has offered her assistance to any Sisterhood interested in learning to transcribe literature for the Jewish blind. There are ten capable braillists and two students at Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood, Cleveland.

The West Virginia Federation, District No. 7, reports continued, active use by local affiliates of its Program and Speakers' Bureau, and a very successful Tri-State Youth Conclave held in Ashland. At its annual Convention, the following recommendations from the President's Message were endorsed:

(1) Sisterhood Song Contest for the coming year; (2) candle-lighting ceremony at annual installation of officers; (3) continued support of Youth Conclaves—\$100.00 to be given; (4) one or more Interfaith projects; (5) encouragement of a Summer Camp for Youth; (6) support of *The House of Living Judaism*; (7) \$75.00 maximum allotment from State Treasury for mimeographing State News Bulletin.

At the Annual Convention, District No. 8, which includes Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia, Virginia and North Carolina, instructive workshops were held on "Training for Leadership," "Art of Jewish Living," "Programs," and "Aids to Jewish Education."

District No. 10 (Indiana) in order to achieve its State goal for the *House of Living Judaism* by fall, 1948, is offering a U. S. Savings Bond—(Series E) to the constituent Sisterhood, making the largest per capita contribution to the NFTS Victory Project. An Honorable Mention Scroll will be presented to the Sisterhoods which reach their minimum quota of ten dollars per member.

The Contest will end one month before the date of the National Biennial Convention. At its annual convention this Federation adopted the annual project of subsidizing one issue of the *Jewish Braille Review*, publication of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.; each local Sisterhood will contribute \$15.00 for this purpose.

Three special projects which follow were adopted at that convention: (1) sponsorship of a Religious School Teachers' Institute in Baltimore, March 14-15, 1948; (2) revision of a District Bulletin which will be published quarterly; (3) reorganization of Speakers Bureau to be so budgeted as to provide each Sisterhood in the District with at least one speaker per year.

Important resolutions passed at this Convention included: (1) urging Congress to support the Stratton Bill, permitting settlement of displaced persons in this country; (2) developing with other interested denominations study material for interfaith and intercultural education, as it is needed and where such projects exist in the schools; (3) the need for, and pledged cooperation toward, *The House of Living Judaism*.

District No. 11—(Michigan) has made great strides in Interfaith Activities, with eleven of their twelve Sisterhoods participating. Two new State publications have proved their merit as uniting links "not only as a focus for constituent groups, but also as clearing houses for the exchange of ideas and the dissemination of educational material." One publication, "The Link," is the State Bulletin, the other is the compilation of annual reports of local Sisterhood Presidents and State Chairmen, which, according to the State President, accomplishes two purposes simultaneously; (1) each

President is provided with first hand reference of other local Sisterhood activities; (2) The time usually devoted at State Conventions to these reports will be given over to guest speakers and Sisterhood problems, the latter so long neglected. Annual Convention held in Lansing, Michigan, October 8-9, 1947.

District No. 12, Kentucky-Tennessee, at its 1946 Conference revised its By-Laws to provide that Biennial Conventions shall occur in years alternate to the National Biennial years; Board Meetings to occur in the latter years however; Sisterhoods with less than 50 members shall be hostesses to the Board meetings; fifty dollars shall be allocated from the Bi-State Treasury to these Sisterhoods to help defray expenses of the Board meetings. Recommendations from the President's Message included: (1) establishment of a Budget Committee, composed of Treasurer, two Vice-Presidents and two members at large, for the purpose of studying and recommending expenditure of monies; (2) changing of title "Scrapbook Chairman" to Historian, "whose duties it shall be to assemble, file and keep safeguarded the wealth of records accumulated over a period of 25 years"; (3) appointment of additional Chairmen for Committee on Interfaith Activities and *The House of Living Judaism*, until goal of the latter project shall have been reached; (4) combining of the Committees on "Aid to Refugees" and "War Service" under a single committee on "Social and Reconstruction Services," until the National Committee on Aid to Refugees shall be renamed, when the title shall be automatically adopted.

This year the annual contribution to the *Jewish Braille Review* has been named in loving memory "The Clara Bauer Felsenthal Memorial Fund." (Mrs. Felsenthal was for many years District Braille Chairman.) Publication of the Bulletin, "Kay-Tee News," has been resumed by the Chairman on State Federations. A State Speakers' Bureau has been established under the Chairmanship of Religious Extension; the constituent Sisterhoods support this new Bureau through per capita Ways and Means funds.

The South Carolina Federation, District No. 13, is justly proud of its Endowment Fund of \$3,000.00, which was begun in 1928 upon the recommendation of Mrs. Rosa Hirschman, Darlington, for the express purpose of meeting the expenses of the State Federation, including the traveling expenses of the State President. This unique fund receives contributions from members of the constituent Sisterhoods. At its Board Meeting in Florence, April 22, 1947, the following bit of legislation was effected for the purpose of setting up a permanent method of disseminating information and techniques that will be complete and continuous: "Authorization to the State President, Recording Secretary and Year Book Committee to issue loose leaf binders, containing year book information to each State Officer and Chairman, Local President and Secretary, each of whom shall pass her opinion on to her successor in office, and to members-at-large, and the National Office. A yearly supplement will be added to keep the year book information up to date."

District No. 14, the Southeast Federation (Georgia-Florida-Alabama), has two unique services for its constituent Sisterhoods. The first is a book display at the Union of American Hebrew Congregations Regional office in Dothan, Ala., which is available for shipment to any Sisterhood in the Southeast Region. This display consists of all books published by NFTS as well as of the parent organization, the UAHC. The

second is a service offered for use in Religious Schools. The Committee on Visual Education urges requests for use of sound equipment and slides, and reports of progress through the medium of visual aids. The Tri-State Speakers' Bureau consists of each Vice-President (one from each state). At the annual Convention in 1946, a recommendation was adopted to set up an expense budget of \$75.00 for each of these speakers for this extension work. To increase Youth Activities, the following resolution was adopted: "That \$150.00 be taken from the Student Activities Fund to be used as prize awards to winners in a Tri-State contest open to all students at universities and colleges, the character of the contest varying from year to year. The prizes will consist of paid expenses to a conclave sponsored by the National Federation of Temple Youth."

The subject for 1946-47 contest was "Living Liberal Judaism." Judges were the three Vice-Presidents and a member of the National Board.

District No. 16, the Mississippi Federation, is justly proud that its Mississippi Federation of Temple Youth, founded slightly more than one year ago in Vicksburg with 66 members from all parts of the State, has held three Youth Conclaves and has already become an integral part of the religious and educational projects of its parent, the State Federation. Exemplary have been the program and projects of this young organization, reflecting the vision and cooperation of the parent, whose initiative in this regard is most worthy of emulation in other State Federations. Full details of the techniques of organization and procedure may be obtained from the National Chairman on Youth Activities. Through the State Chairman on Religious Extension, the constituent local Sisterhoods are kept in close touch with the happenings on the State scene. When a National speaker is invited to speak in a community, the other Sisterhoods in the states are advised so that nearby members may avail themselves of this opportunity and the more remote Sisterhoods may coordinate their invitations for National speakers.

District No. 17, the Louisiana Federation, continues its interest in and support of three Projects: (1) Leper Cheer Fund (this past year out-of-state contributions were sent by Natchez and Vicksburg, Miss., and Newark and Plainsfield, N. J.); (2) Essay Contest for Sabbath Schools; (3) Louisiana State University (District No. 17) contributes to the social and religious activities of the students and is an affiliate of the L. S. U. Religious Council. In cooperation with the three Sisterhoods and their Rabbis in New Orleans, this State Federation held an Institute for Religious School Teachers with Dr. Emanuel Gamoran as leader.

District No. 18, the Illinois Federation, cooperates most effectively with the NFTY affiliates in the State. Its War Service Department now operates with three Committees instead of the thirteen needed during World War II—Red Cross, Service-A-Camp, and SOS. In addition to transcribing thirteen books into Braille during 1946-47 the constituent Sisterhoods engaged in many philanthropic services to the blind. At its Annual Convention in 1947, \$250.00 was given to the *House of Living Judaism* in honor of the outgoing President, Mrs. Arthur Buchband, and in honor of Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut's stirring address "The Three-Fold Cord." Specific and pertinent resolutions were drawn up and passed, which included: (1) urging revision of established quotas and existing legislation to admit a fair share of displaced persons;

according to the Stratton Bill; (2) urging passage of the Taft-Ellender-Wagner housing bill. District No. 20, which includes Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska, at its 1947 Convention contributed \$200.00 to *The House of Living Judaism* in honor of Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, who inspired the assembly with her addresses and by her presence, and in memory of Martha Levy Steinfeld of St. Louis, a former National President and founder of this District, which points with pride to the centrality of purpose of its constituencies and to outstanding progress in Braille and Interfaith Activities on the local levels.

The Texas Federation, District No. 22, decided upon a State project at its Convention in which the State is to assume as a project in cooperation with NFTS the arranging of Institutes on Judaism for church women. These Institutes would be handled by the State. This would make it possible for two or three Sisterhoods to use the same speakers, sharing expenses.

District No. 24, the Western Federation (California-Oregon-Washington-Arizona), had at its 1947 Convention an Institute on Sisterhood Problems and Activities led by Miss Helen Strauss, who had spoken previously on *The House of Living Judaism*. Among the resolutions adopted were: (1) to "donate and give serious thought and effort to the promotion of youth activities to the end that our young people will feel that they are an integral part of our congregational families;" (2) to "further a feeling of good will and understanding that each constituent Sisterhood of the Federation hold at least one interfaith program each year."

This Federation will hold its Convention biennially, with district Institutes in the alternate years: during 1948 the members in Oregon and Washington will hold an Institute in Seattle on March 10-11; Northern California will hold an Institute in Oakland on March 15-16; Southern California and Arizona will hold an Institute in Long Beach, March 18-19. Plans are being made to discuss extensively Sisterhood problems and activities.

DISTRICT AND STATE CONVENTIONS

Indicative of the tremendous amount of activity on the State level is the following statistical report of those Federations that held Conventions during the NFTS fiscal year of November 1, 1946 - October 31, 1947.

DISTRICT	CONV. CITY.	DATE	PRESIDENT
1. New England-Mass.-R. I.*	Lynn, Mass.	Oct. 22, 1947	Mrs. Jack Davis Providence, R. I.
2. Connecticut*	Bridgeport	Oct. 16, 1947	Mrs. Saul Berman Hartford, Conn.
4. New Jersey*	Newark	Nov. 7, 1946	Mrs. Samuel A. Berman Jersey City, N. J.
5. Pennsylvania†	Reading	Oct. 26-29, 1947	Mrs. Carl M. Bachrach Pittsburgh, Pa.
6. Ohio†	Akron	Nov. 15-17, 1946	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson Cincinnati, Ohio
7. West Virginia*	Fairmont	Oct. 26-28, 1947	Mrs. Nathan Effron Bluefield, W. Va.
8. Md.-Del.-Va.-N. C. Wash., D. C.*	Richmond, Va.	Oct. 19-20, 1947	Mrs. Harry Rosenbaum Roanoke, Va.

*Annual †Biennial

10.	Indiana*	South Bend	Oct. 14-15, 1947	Mrs. Albert M. Shulman South Bend, Ind.
11.	Michigan*	Jackson	Oct. 8-9, 1947	Mrs. H. Steadman Lansing, Mich.
12.	Kentucky-Tennessee*	Memphis, Tenn.	Nov. 24-26, 1946	Mrs. C. C. Strasburger Knoxville, Tenn.
13.	South Carolina*	Florence	Apr. 21-22, 1947	Mrs. Edgar A. Cohen Charleston, S. C.
14.	Southeast-Ga.-Fla.-Ala*	Pensacola, Fla.	Nov. 13-15, 1946	Mrs. Joseph Glickstein Jacksonville, Fla.
16.	Mississippi*	Clarksdale	Oct. 26-27, 1947	Mrs. Stanley Brav Vicksburg, Miss.
17.	Louisiana†	Monroe	Apr. 24-25, 1947	Mrs. Ike Moyse Baton Rouge, La.
18.	Illinois*	Rockford	Apr. 29-30, 1947	Mrs. Arthur Buchband Chicago, Ill.
20.	Mo.-Nebr.-Iowa, Kansas-Colo.†	Des Moines, Iowa	Oct. 28-30, 1947	Mrs. Hermann B. Stein
24.	Western Calif.-Ore.- Wash.-Ariz.†	Portland, Ore.	Mar. 11-13, 1947	Mrs. Leo H. Shapiro San Francisco, Calif.

*Annual †Biennial

AMERICAN JEWISH
A NEW NATIONAL PROJECT

Most gratifying was the action of the National Executive Board in April, 1947, endorsing the recommendation made by Mrs. Rosett in her President's Message, pertinent to State Federations, which follows as amended by the Board:

" . . . that a Council of State Presidents be established to discuss ways and means in which State and National can be mutually helpful, and to submit such plans as the Council may care to recommend to the National Board. This Council of State Presidents shall meet in the interim year between Biennial Conventions, at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting."

Invitations have been extended to the first Council of Presidents to meet in Cincinnati, March 11-12, 1948. Most significant and meaningful, we believe, will be this pioneer meeting of such a Council, planned to concur with the formal installation ceremonies of Dr. Nelson Glueck, as President of the Hebrew Union College on March 12-13.

RECOMMENDATIONS

WHEREAS, Unprecedented and urgent need of sound knowledge, religious and secular, self and mutual, to meet the plight of all mankind in this Atomic Age, is being continuously and constantly demanded by all phases of human development; scientific, educational, religious, social and economic, and

WHEREAS, The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, dedicated to the service of "Jewish and humanitarian causes," is deeply concerned over the need of religion and education as the only hope for the survival of mankind, and is actively engaged in expanding a program of education in world affairs and social betterment, and

WHEREAS, The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is affiliated or cooperates

with such organizations as the National Peace Conference and the National Conference of Christians and Jews, which are dedicated to the most basic education for better human relations, and

WHEREAS, The NFTS Committees on Programs, Child Study and Parent Education, Youth Activities, Interfaith Activities and Peace and World Relations now offer provocative study materials and projects for religious and secular education, looking toward the ideals of sound knowledge, interfaith understanding, social and economic betterment, justice and peace, for a more realistic pattern of "the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man," and

WHEREAS, The need to realign the program and projects of and for State Federations to "intensify rather than to duplicate those of NFTS" has been expressed by our National President, by the Presidents of State Federations and by this Committee, I, therefore, recommend :

That more articulate concern and positive implementation be directed toward the aforementioned ideals on State and local levels, through :

I. Intensified Study

- A. Through Youth and Adult Study Groups
- B. Through Committees.

II. Specific Action

- A. Through recommendations in Presidents' Messages
- B. Through resolutions pertaining to vital legislation of our Government and of the United Nations: to be studied and presented by Committees (appointed well in advance of meetings or Conventions ; and to be cleared with the Executive Office of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for policy). These resolutions shall then be acted upon and directed to the key persons concerned with such proposals or legislation.
- C. Through Institutes on Judaism in cooperation with NFTS, for the leaders of Christian Church Women's groups and through cooperation with local Round Tables of the National Conference of Christians and Jews for annual Institutes on Human Relations.
- D. Through State Speakers' Bureaus to augment the present inadequate personnel of the NFTS Speakers' Bureau ; such speakers to be carefully and thoroughly briefed on the NFTS program and projects and National Committee activities.

III. Through an NFTS Biennial award to be presented to the State Federation having made the most outstanding accomplishments and greatest contributions to this field of educating for better human relations.

NEW STATE AND DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

We congratulate and commend the outgoing Presidents who have served NFTS so earnestly, and who have left indelible impressions on their Federations and on their successors of Sisterhood's sacred mission. We congratulate the incoming Presidents as they grasp from their predecessors the NFTS torch of Liberal or Reform Judaism so nobly carried. To them and to their Federations we wish continuing success for

even greater achievements of the "Jewish and humanitarian causes," to which NFTS is dedicated.

- District No. 1—New England: Mrs. Ira Daniels, Dorchester, Mass.
 District No. 5—Pennsylvania: Mrs. Ed. W. Schleisner, Harrisburg, Pa.
 District No. 6—Ohio: Mrs. J. C. Newman, Shaker Heights, Ohio.
 District No. 12—Kentucky and Tennessee: Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky.
 District No. 13—South Carolina: Mrs. Edgar A. Cohen, Charleston, S. C.
 District No. 14—Southeast: Mrs. S. K. Simon, Albany, Georgia.
 District No. 16—Mississippi: Mrs. Joe Schlessinger, Brookhaven, Miss.
 District No. 17—Louisiana: Mrs. Lawrence Mann, Baton Rouge, La.
 District No. 18—Illinois: Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.
 District No. 19—Wisconsin: Mrs. Isadore M. Block, Oshkosh, Wis.
 District No. 20—Iowa-Kansas-Missouri-Nebraska-Colorado: Mrs. Harry Jacobson,
 W. Des Moines, Iowa.

IN MEMORIAM

After an illness of several weeks, death came on July 30, 1947, to Mrs. Jerome Harris, Great Neck, N. Y., founder and first President of Temple Beth El Sisterhood, Great Neck, N. Y., and President at the time of her passing of the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Mrs. Harris devoted herself unstintingly to the service of her community, her Temple, and the larger world of Sisterhood life. The passing of this acknowledged leader at the prime of her life has left a great and painful void.

To the bereaved family of Mrs. Harris, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods extends deepest sympathy and joins in mourning the loss of a loved one, the memory of whom will endure for lasting blessing.

THANKS

It is with profound gratitude that I acknowledge the encouragement and impetus that has been given me by the twenty-one State Presidents; the vision and understanding of our beloved President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett; and Executive Director, Miss Jane Evans; the immeasurable assistance and kindnesses beyond the call of duty of the Assistant to the Director, Miss Esther Ciener; of the Secretarial Assistant, Miss Josephine Schoenborn; and of the Chicago Area Secretary, Mrs. Albert H. Silverman; the indispensable personal contacts of National Speakers in bringing the inspiring messages of NFTS aims and purposes to Sisterhood Conventions; and the tireless efforts of Miss Helen Strauss for having brought to audiences the spiritual significance and physical implications of *The House of Living Judaism* project.

To all who have shared in making more effective the relationships between State Federations and this Committee, we are, indeed, most grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. C. C.) EMILIE E. STRASBURGER, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE National Committee on Youth Activities

Charleston, W. Va., October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Talmud tells us that upon the early coins of the first Jewish government were engraved the face of a young man and the face of a young woman. This was to symbolize that a country lives by the spirit of its youth. Our National Federation of Temple Youth, symbolizing today's spirit of Reform Jewish Youth in America, has as the preamble to its platform the following:

"We, the representatives of Youth organizations affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, conscious of our needs as young people, and aware of the needs of Israel, affirm our belief—

"That, The Synagogue is the institution best suited to serve as a medium for the satisfaction of these needs;

"That, Judaism, our sacred heritage, not only is vital in our lives as individuals but also has, in the ideals of its Torah and prophets, a profound message for a troubled world;

"That, Youth has a responsibility toward the Synagogue and must actively engage in the task of strengthening this central institution so that it may better serve Israel and humanity—and,

"Do hereby join ourselves in a federation so that we may actively engage in the furtherance of these ideals."

NFTY closed its last fiscal year with 132 groups, representing over 6,000 members in five well-defined regions: New York League, Middle Atlantic Federation, Chicago Council, Mississippi, and Southern California. In order to assist these various groups, *The Youth Leader* (official magazine sent to Youth Presidents, advisers and special Committee Chairmen) carried articles on programs, services and club techniques. Releases also went out from Standing Committees on Jewish Needs, Social Justice, Synagogue Activities, Interfaith and Contests.

This year the ABC's of the National Federation of Temple Youth have been expressed in the following:

1. The attempted acquisition of a national camp site. It may be impossible to purchase at present a national camp site; therefore, every effort is being made to rent a camp for a two- or a four-week period this summer
2. The Boston Convention which will convene November 11-14, 1948.
3. Contests which fall into six major nation-wide categories—Oratorical, Sermon, Psalm, Essay, Best Youth Service, Best Group Newspaper.

The year has included worth while Labor Day Week-End Camp Conclaves in various sections throughout the United States ; several Mid-Winter Conclaves ; a stimulating Executive Board Session in Pittsburgh, Pa. ; many outstanding cultural courses ; an increase in National dues to one dollar per member per year ; and the appointment of Robert E. Herzog, Chicago, as Assistant to Rabbi Samuel Cook, National Youth Director. Mr. Herzog has been identified with Reform Judaism in Chicago, first as a member of the Sinai Congregation, then as a President of the Sinai Seniors, and later as a member of the Executive Committee of National Federation of Temple Youth. At present the new appointee will divide his time between the New York and Chicago areas.

During one of his recent addresses, Leonard H. Spring, New York, President of the National Federation of Temple Youth, made the following suggestions under the heading, *How the Sisterhood Can Help Its Youth Groups*:

1. Provide a professional adviser.
2. Furnish financial assistance when necessary.
3. Offer chaperon or catering service when needed.
4. Include a Youth Group speaker in at least one Sisterhood meeting a year ; use a "Youth" theme.
5. See that the Youth Group receives proper recognition within the Temple ; this includes representation on the Board of Trustees.
6. Foster a spirit of cooperation between the Congregation and its affiliates : the Sisterhood, the Brotherhood, the Youth Group.
7. Get to know the young people who are members of the Youth Group.
8. Send Sisterhood speakers to participate in programs of the Youth Group.
9. Enlist the aid of members of the Youth Group in Sisterhood affairs.
10. Be ready at all times to help out where needed in the activities and programs of your Youth Group.

We believe this excellent ten-point program is one that NFTS affiliates may do well to follow in the future.

Youth leaders and workers are aware that many obstacles confront the progress of National Federation of Temple Youth; yet all are hopeful that a peaceful world can make it possible for all members of the family of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations to go hand in hand from strength to strength. Then, as in Talmudic days, we will learn that the most precious asset of our nation is our Youth.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. CHARLES) REBA B. COHEN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF
Institutes for Teachers and Laymen

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

I take pleasure in reporting once again on the work made possible through your generosity, namely, the bringing of lectures to teachers and adults in various communities throughout the land. The period covered by this report is from November 1, 1946, to October 31, 1947.

As you know, the NFTS gave us a grant of \$1,000.00 annually for lectures to teachers and adults. This was later increased to \$1,500.00. A special committee was appointed consisting of representatives both of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and of the Commission on Jewish Education to consider this activity. A memorandum was then issued which stated that the lectures were to be primarily related to "various phases of teacher training, and aim to improve textbooks and methods of instruction used in our schools. Some of the lectures, however, will be on general subjects of interest to Jewish adults, especially to members of the Sisterhoods. Wherever possible an effort will be made to arrange, at the same time, for lectures to adults as well as for lectures to teachers." This memorandum, submitted to the joint committee, was unanimously approved by them. Our lectures are being arranged along the lines agreed upon by the committee.

During this fiscal year a total of fifty lectures were delivered in twelve communities in the United States. Of these forty-one were for teachers and nine for adults. Wherever it was possible a special meeting for the entire congregation was arranged, at which both the men and women were present. At times separate meetings were also arranged with the Sisterhood of the Temple. Where evening meetings are arranged, the Sisterhood president is, of course, informed, and the Sisterhood usually plays an active part in the arrangements made.

The following are the cities in which lectures were delivered: Chicago, Ill.; Lexington, Ky.; New Orleans, La.; St. Paul, Minn.; Jackson, Miss.; Albany, N. Y.; New York, N. Y.; Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Erie, Pa.; Pittsburgh, Pa.; Chattanooga, Tenn.; and Montreal, Canada.

The demand for this service continues unabated in many communities throughout the land, as is indicated by the letters of recommendation in our office concerning the work done in this field. These letters give much credit to the NFTS and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. You may feel justly proud that you are giving support to such a significant phase of educational work which helps to improve religious education in so many of our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Educational Director*

REPORT ON Correspondence Courses

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS AND
THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1947

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a source of great satisfaction to report to you on the special fund which you established for correspondence courses. You were kind enough to grant, at my suggestion, the sum of \$3,500.00 for each of two successive years. Later you gave us a further grant of \$500.00 for this purpose, making a total of \$7,500.00 for this experiment.

As a first step the Educational Director of the Commission on Jewish Education studied the problem of developing such courses, and then sent a memorandum to all the members of the committee—both the representatives of the NFTS and the representatives of the Commission—explaining our procedure in the preparation of the courses and the development of the Correspondence School. We now have five courses for correspondence purposes. They are: a course on the Jewish Festivals, a course in Jewish history, a course on the Bible and Jewish Life Today, a course on a History of the Jews in the United States, and a course on Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World.

The last course which we published was, as you know, Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World, by Dr. Samuel H. Markowitz. This was the first book printed out of the Correspondence Course Fund. As you know, this course was especially prepared to meet the needs of people in small communities concerned with the problem of leading a Jewish life in surroundings not conducive to Jewishness. We had hoped that many people in small communities would register for these courses. This has not been the case. In spite of the fact that we circularized Presidents of Sisterhoods, students who had completed other courses in the Correspondence School, a group of people in towns having a population of fifty or less, and students at Hebrew Union College who were going to officiate at High Holy Day services, the total number of registrants for the Markowitz course was twenty-one. Of these fourteen have been placed in our cancelled file and seven completed the course. Last year we appealed to the Board to help us in reaching some of the women in the small communities who are greatly in need of that type of course of instruction.

The facts concerning the correspondence courses in general are as follows: One hundred and thirty-nine students have completed courses since the inception of this work. We have received inquiries from a group of women in Janesville, Wisconsin, who expressed an interest in our courses. We are in correspondence with them on the subject.

We have not encouraged enrollment in any of the courses because we feel that we have completed enough experimental work to be able to issue revised editions. Fur-

thermore, our prediction that the correspondence courses will receive a more hearty response from teachers than from lay adults has been fully justified. Teachers will often register for these courses, will regularly continue them, and complete them after registration. We feel, therefore, that our next step must be the preparation of new courses with the special needs of teachers in mind. And while the general content courses will be equally suited to the needs of lay adults, specific pedagogic courses will have to be prepared to help teachers. Pressure of other work prevented us from preparing these courses.

The financial status of our correspondence fund is still satisfactory due to the fact that the money accruing from the sales of the Markowitz book reverted to the fund. Our situation at present is therefore as follows:

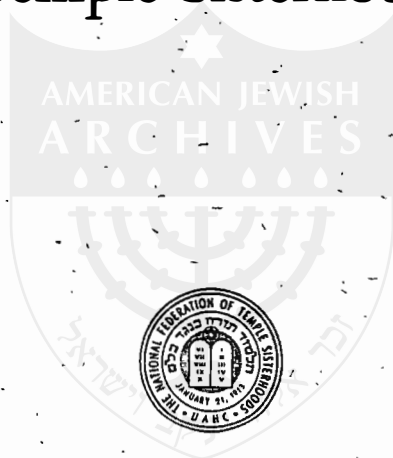
Balance in Correspondence Courses, July 1, 1946.....	\$2,522.94
Receipts from sales of Markowitz book and Syllabi.....	290.60
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Less—	
Royalty paid to Dr. Markowitz and Correspondence School expenses.....	67.83
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Balance in Correspondence Courses Account, July 1, 1947.....	\$2,745.71

The work you are helping to do involves pioneering in a new and in a unique field. On behalf of the Commission on Jewish Education I want to congratulate you for your generosity and for your vision.

Respectfully submitted,

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Educational Director*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

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THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT
November 1, 1947—October 31, 1948
AND THE SEVENTEENTH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY
November 14-17, 1948

AGENDA FOR THE
State Presidents' Council

OF THE

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

NETHERLAND PLAZA HOTEL, CINCINNATI

MARCH 11 - 12, 1948

PRESIDING: MRS. C. C. STRASBURGER, *Chairman*
NFTS Committee on State Federations

THURSDAY, MARCH 11

- 11:00 A. M.—Opening Brunch
Adoption of Agenda
- 12:30 P. M. } Discussion Period
- 3:30 P. M. } "The Problems of State Presidents—Possible Solutions"
- 3:30 P. M. } Tea Recess
- 4:00 P. M. }
- 4:00 P. M. } Demonstration of adult education films. Continuation of discussion:
- 5:00 P. M. } State and National problems and projects
- 6:30 P. M. } Dinner session—Address by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President, National
- 8:00 P. M. } Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
- 8:30 P. M. } Leadership Training Institute—by Miss Jane Evans, Executive Di-
- 10:30 P. M. } rector, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

FRIDAY, MARCH 12

- 9:00 A. M. } Continuation of Leadership Training Institute—including a Clinic
- 11:00 A. M. } Session on the House of Living Judaism—Miss Evans and Miss
- 11:00 A. M. } Helen L. Strauss, Director HLJ Project
- 12:00 NOON } Conclusion of discussion of State and National problems and projects
- 12:30 P. M. } Closing Luncheon Session
- 1:45 P. M. }

For the program of the events in connection with the inauguration of Dr. Nelson Glueck as fourth president of the Hebrew Union College, see separate schedule. All members of the State Presidents' Council have been invited to attend the inauguration.

DIGEST OF State Federation Presidents' Council

THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

MARCH 11-12, 1948

CINCINNATI, OHIO

THURSDAY, MARCH 11

The meeting, held at the Netherland Plaza Hotel, was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, New Rochelle, N. Y., who introduced the Presiding Officer, Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Chairman of the National Committee on State Federations and member of the NFTS Executive Board. The assembly then read in unison the opening prayer, a technique which was to be used throughout the sessions. Announcing that the meeting would be on an informal level, Mrs. Strasburger asked each one present to rise, give her name and the group she represented.

Those present were: Mrs. Rosett; Mrs. Strasburger; Mrs. Ira Daniels, Dorchester, Mass., President, District #1; Mrs. A. Henry Weisman, Waterbury, Conn., President, District #2; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, Lawrence, L. I., N. Y., Acting President, District #3; Mrs. Edward W. Schleisner, Harrisburg, Pa., President, District #5; Mrs. Sigmund Cohen, Cincinnati, Ohio, representing District #6; Mrs. Nathan Effron, Bluefield, W. Va., President, District #7; Mrs. Harry Rosenbaum, Roanoke, Va., President, District #8; Mrs. Jerome Salm, Evansville, Ind., member of the National Committee on State Federations, who represented District #10; Mrs. H. Steadman, Lansing, Mich., President, District #11; Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky., President, District #12; Mrs. Joe Schlesinger, Brookhaven, Miss., President, District #16; Mrs. Stanley Brav, Vicksburg, Miss., member of the National Committee on State Federations; Mrs. Lawrence Mann, Baton Rouge, La., President, District #17; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill., President, District #18; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa, President, District #20; Mrs. Herman Stein, Denver, Colo., member of the National Committee on State Federations; and NFTS staff members—Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director; Miss Esther Ciener, Assistant to the Director; Miss Josephine Shoenborn, Secretarial Assistant; and Mrs. Albert H. Silverman, Chicago Area Secretary.

A Uniongram message from Mrs. S. K. Simon, Albany, Ga., President, District #14, who was unable to be present, was read. State Federations not represented were: District #4—New Jersey; District #13—South Carolina; District #19—Wisconsin; District #21—Arkansas-Oklahoma; District #24—Western Federation.

On motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the Agenda, as presented, was adopted.

DECLARATION OF PROBLEMS

After brunch, specific problems for discussion were offered by the delegates. These problems may be grouped under the following general headings:

1. The problem of acquiring new blood in the District in order to undertake

District work; to which is related the problem of how to make Chairmen and leaders of Districts more efficient in their work.

2. The general problem of programs of Jewish content and interest which involves programs not only of State Conventions, but also of local Sisterhoods.
3. How to achieve a closer union between and among the three levels of Sisterhood: National, State and Local, and the explanation of the constitutional relationship of the State to the National.
4. How to make the Sisterhoods within the State Federation closer to one another, which involves the question of regional meetings within a State Federation.
5. Leadership training on State and Local levels.
6. Time of Conventions: the question of whether Conventions should be held in the Spring or in the Fall; relationship of the timing of the State Convention to the National Convention.
7. The House of Living Judaism.
8. The value and need of District and State projects and Bulletins.
9. The entire question of how States can finance themselves; the constitutional limitation of State dues in the By-Laws of NFTS, the question of financing State Presidents' trips to the State Presidents' Council and the NFTS Biennial.

DISCUSSION OF PROBLEMS — POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

NATIONAL — STATE — LOCAL RELATIONSHIPS

The discussion brought forth a number of ways and means of achieving the desired unity between and among the three levels of Sisterhood endeavor.

Mrs. Mann found that the best way to stimulate interest in the National is to send as many Sisterhood members as possible to National Biennials; and that to provide funds from State and Local treasuries for the travelling expenses of all or some of the accredited delegates is a "wonderful investment."

A show of hands indicated that the majority of State Federations do budget for these expenses—for the Presidents, at least.

Mrs. Salm stated that an annual State Presidents' Council would provide a better understanding of, and a closer relationship with, the National.

One solution, Mrs. Brav felt, is to put State Presidents on the National Executive Board.*

In answer to Mrs. Brav's suggestion, Mrs. Rosett emphasized that "we must use State Federations as a channel to bring the utmost from the National to the Local groups—this is their primary task. In a Council Meeting such as this we can concentrate on State problems. The National Executive Board has another, and dif-

* This proposal has been presented to the NFTS Executive Board and after long and thorough discussion by a Board which included both present and past State Presidents, a separate State Presidents Council was thought to prove more valuable.

ferent, task, namely: to consider not State problems in particular and in detail but National matters of policy, finances, and the like." Supplementing Mrs. Rosett's statement, Miss Evans drew the analogy that just as Governors of states do not sit in Congress or maintain any other official Federal governmental position by virtue of their governorships, by the same token State Presidents, as top State Sisterhood officials, are not, as a group, on the National Executive Board.

The constitutional relationship of the State Federation to the National was partially clarified by a reading of the NFTS By-Laws, which state, in effect, that State and District Federations are not independent or autonomous organizations but subsidiaries of the National Federation, operating on a Charter granted by NFTS. When each State and District Federation was organized, it received from the National its official Charter. To the question as to how many of those present had ever seen the Charter of their respective State Federations, there was not one affirmative answer!

Mrs. Charmack suggested that the contents of the Charter, which Miss Evans read to the assembly, be included in a future State Presidents' Packet. Miss Evans replied that this can be done, and that the National will also issue to each State and District Federation a duplicate, framed Charter if the Council approves, which it did, unanimously. She recommended that the Charter be transmitted from one administration to another as part of the customary installation ceremony, so that it will not again be lost.

A recommendation that each National Executive Board member be an ex-officio member of the Board of her State Federation was pointed out as a definite NFTS policy, not only for the State but for the Local Sisterhood as well. This revelation of unfamiliarity with NFTS policy prompted the suggestion that Local Sisterhood officers be urged to read the State and National By-Laws and to become thoroughly conversant with them.

Mrs. Rosenbaum suggested that the Presidents' Packet contain in front a sheet calling attention to the most important projects and items that are included in its letters, so that it will not be necessary for the President to read through the letters. Miss Evans replied that it is dangerous to point out particular projects as being more important than others. However both Local and State Presidents' Packets do include sheets of Notes for Presidents. Each Packet, however, should be read in its entirety by the recipient.

Other solutions to this problem, as it is related to the Local group, are regional State Federation meetings and rotating State Board meetings. Mrs. Steadman advised that the Michigan State Federation's Board meets monthly, each time in a different city. If the agenda is of general interest, any Sisterhood member may attend an open meeting; closed meetings are designated as such; all members pay their own expenses. There are eight meetings a year, and the Board representatives from the twelve local Sisterhoods in Michigan attend five or six meetings on the average. It was suggested that rotating Board meetings might be made part of the open meeting of the Sisterhood in the hostess city.

Mrs. Effron said that the West Virginia Federation is divided into three districts, each of which has one annual meeting. These regional meetings become part of the

open Sisterhood meeting in the hostess city and all members of the local group are invited to attend. District #8 holds its Board meeting, which usually includes a luncheon and speaker, in the spring in the home city of a small Sisterhood, whose members are invited to this part of the Program, according to Mrs. Rosenbaum.

A very successful venture of the New York State Federation, remarked Mrs. Tekulsky, has been its travelling unit, comprised of the three Vice-Presidents, which meets with local groups outside the metropolitan New York City area. Also the New York Federation has just started a State Bulletin, which will reach every State and Local Board member; each issue will contain an advertisement, in order to meet the expenses of printing and mailing.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING ON LOCAL AND STATE LEVELS

Speakers and Speakers Bureaus

Every State Federation is entitled to a National speaker (who is generally an NFTS Officer or Board Member) at its Conventions at National expense; in fact, it is NFTS policy that such representative must be at each State Convention. State Federations could be of tremendous help to the National if they would develop State Speakers Bureaus. The demand for speakers is great but the supply of speakers is small, because the majority of Sisterhood members do not have the essential training and qualifications. The solution to this problem, therefore, lies in a program of leadership and speakers training. State Federations were urged to have a training workshop as part of their Convention programs. Suggestions were made that the State Board members especially be given a training workshop; that the next NFTS Biennial Convention program include a training workshop; and that training institutes, or workshops, be brought to local groups in the State Federations. Miss Evans cautioned that this is a long range program which will take time to implement because of present limitations of Staff.

At this point, Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, dropped in to greet the Council with a brief, dynamic message. He commented on the advancements made by Sisterhood, especially on the nationwide impact of the NFTS Institutes on Judaism for Christian Women about which he has heard many very favorable remarks from laymen, and rabbis, throughout the country. Dr. Eisendrath urged an intensified campaign for the House of Living Judaism in the months ahead before the next Biennial.

Returning to the discussion of training, Miss Evans stated that there are two different types of training workshops: one for those who are themselves to become leaders of workshops; the other for training the general membership at large. Because of many factors involved, it would not be feasible to present the latter type of workshop for the entire Convention body; but it may be possible to include a training session at the State Presidents' round table, which is a customary part of the Biennial Assembly. However, no definite commitment was made, because the undertaking must be thoroughly thought out. Miss Evans requested all present who feel they are qualified to speak, to volunteer their services before the close of the conference.

Mrs. Jacobson inquired if the National Federation would underwrite the expense

of professional Jewish entertainment for a Sisterhood meeting, in lieu of sending a Sisterhood speaker. The answer was in the negative because there is no provision in the NFTS By-Laws or policy for such action.

Policy

Mrs. Salm asked if a Sisterhood, located in a small town where there is no Jewish community relations council, may have a committee on community service, which would be the working liaison with other local organizations in this field. She was informed that as far as the Local group is concerned, it is autonomous and may establish such a committee, with the approval of its own rabbi and congregation. However, as for a State Federation, its policy must be governed by NFTS policy; and, in this particular instance, since there is no National committee on community service, there is no parallel for the State.

Mrs. Brav stated that the Mississippi Federation has received a recommendation that it encourage, through a cash contribution, an organization supported by many church women's groups, whose purpose is to promote better relations between negroes and whites, better educational facilities for negroes, etc., and asked if such action is in line with NFTS policy.

Mrs. Rosett answered that NFTS policy states that the financial obligations of Sisterhoods, Local and State, is to the projects that Sisterhood, as such, undertakes. The NFTS policy regarding funds (proposed by Mrs. Leon L. Watters and adopted during her administration as NFTS President) is: that a Sisterhood's responsibility from its treasury is to its own Temple and then to the projects of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. However, individual members should be educated and encouraged to contribute, as individuals, to all causes in which they, as individuals, believe.

The Michigan Federation, Mrs. Steadman said, has adopted a local policy which solves this problem by substituting for financial assistance the offer of its woman-power in all local drives.

"An important consideration in the ultimate solution of this problem is to have Sisterhood Board members whose first cause is Sisterhood, who are Sisterhood-minded. . ." added Mrs. Rosett.

Mrs. Cohen suggested that one session of the next Biennial be devoted to a re-affirmation of established National policy and, perhaps, the setting up of new policy rulings.

The result of the foregoing questions and discussions sharply indicated a need for the wider dissemination of NFTS policy. Miss Evans offered on behalf of NFTS to publish and distribute to State Presidents a booklet of National policy.

Mrs. Brav suggested that an accounting of the duties and functions of each committee and chairman be included in this booklet.

The meeting recessed briefly for tea.

FILMS: A PROGRAM TECHNIQUE

Miss Evans prefaced the showing of two films by saying that non-commercial motion pictures provide excellent educational programs. It is necessary to supplement them

with a brief discussion of matters of Jewish interest relevant to the films, even though their content may not be Jewish. In connection with the first film, "America the Beautiful" (U. S. Treasury Dept.), a Sisterhood member might, for example, give a brief report on the development of the Jewish community in the United States as related to the growth and development of the country. For the second film shown, "The People's Charter" (Association Films, YMCA, N. Y.), two or three members might report on Jewish population trends before and after World War II.

Following the movies, the meeting was adjourned until the dinner session.

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After dinner, a motion, suggested by Mrs. Strasburger, was made, seconded and passed that Uniongrams be sent to Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Cincinnati, Honorary National President, who was ill, and Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, Cincinnati, NFTS Executive Board member, who was ill recovering from an accident; and to those State Presidents not present. A sheaf of Uniongrams was also sent from the Council members to Dr. Nelson Glueck, on his inauguration as President of Hebrew Union College. Mrs. Strasburger then introduced Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, National President, who addressed the Council informally.

Mrs. Rosett said there are two all-important questions which the conference ought to answer: (1) What exactly is the role of the Temple Sisterhood? (2) What is the role of the State Federation in furthering the aims of the National Federation and the Temple Sisterhood? In Mrs. Rosett's opinion, "Sisterhood represents the womanpower of the congregation, and it is our duty to mobilize that womanpower, to direct it along such lines and activities as will best serve its own synagogue and, through the synagogue, the cause of Liberal Judaism." Maintaining that Sisterhood serves best when it emphasizes religious observances in the home, promotes Religious School and Temple attendance, and educates as to what Liberal Judaism means and is, Mrs. Rosett added that there are two special kinds of service that Sisterhood performs, namely: "attracting and holding new members and bringing all members closer to synagogal life; and as a fund-raising agent for itself and for the Temple." Mrs. Rosett felt that the latter role should not be belittled or minimized, for "if a cause is good enough to follow, to raise funds for it is a good pursuit—devotion and energy mean little unless funds are provided to further the cause."

Regarding the second question, Mrs. Rosett declared that the State Federation's role is to interpret and intensify the program of the National, although sometimes the National program is lost in a "bottleneck" and is not transmitted by the State Federation to the local group. The State Federation must clear that bottleneck, in order that the National program may go to State to Local, and vice versa, unhampered.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING WORKSHOP

Miss Evans opened the workshop by recommending a book called *The Art of Leadership*, by Ordway Tead, published by Whittlesey House. Before reading the ten qualities that Mr. Tead considers most important for leadership, Miss Evans asked members of the conference to state what they believe to be the most important qualities. These were suggested: knowledge of one's subject; objectivity; clarity in presen-

tation and thought; inspiration; a sense of justice; self-confidence and ability to inspire others with confidence in oneself; belief in the validity of one's purpose; ability to discriminate between the essential and non-essential; vision; and tolerance. According to Tead, the basic leadership qualities are: physical and nervous energy; a sense of purpose and direction; enthusiasm; friendliness; integrity; technical mastery; decisiveness; intelligence; teaching skill; and faith.

Some of these qualities may be innate; others, such as technical mastery, must be acquired. As far as the Sisterhood leader is concerned, technical mastery, which is interwoven with a knowledge of one's subject, requires a familiarity with facts, figures and aims of Sisterhood—what it means and what it does. Miss Evans spoke about the basic elements of NFTS projects which the Sisterhood leader must know to have technical mastery.

The Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund is made up of Uniongram Apportionment Profit and cash contributions from Sisterhood treasuries. In addition to the National Federation's regular commitments of meeting from this fund partial Dormitory Maintenance scholarships for Hebrew Union College students in need of such assistance and the annual contribution to its parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, last year \$3,000 was given to the World Union for Progressive Judaism for a civilian chaplain to war-torn European Jewry; a \$1,000 travelling fellowship was granted to Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, UAHC Religious Educational Director, who visited European Displaced Persons Camps to confer with Jewish leaders and teachers there; and a grant of not more than \$6,500.00 was made for refurnishing the HUC Dormitory Lounge. The National Executive Board is now being polled on the proposed expenditure of an additional \$10,000 for refurnishing the HUC Dormitory.

Uniongrams come in books of four at \$1.00 per book and in perforated pads of 12 at \$3.00 per pad, which are especially adapted for use in Sheaves. Uniongram Apportionment Profit is 20c from each 25c paid for a Uniongram blank (the distinctive Jewish message blank for all occasions) and is credited to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund for the same NFTS fiscal period in which it is earned. Miss Evans pointed out that there is another purpose for which UAP is used: "It may be returned to the Sisterhood which has earned it for the support of a free Religious School; however, this school cannot be the regular school of the congregation with which the Sisterhood is affiliated; the free Religious School must be for under-privileged children from whom no tuition fee is taken. Such schools are operated in New York City in under-privileged areas."

Regarding the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund's three honor listings—Honorable Mention, Honor Roll and Distinguished Service—Miss Evans said, "One important job of the State Federation is to encourage each Sisterhood in its district to be on one of these honor rolls, for which certain voluntary quotas must be met, yearly."* The Director announced that framed Certificates of Award have been

* Distinguished Service: A contribution of \$500.00 or more.

Honor Roll: A contribution of \$350—\$499.

Honorable Mention: An increase in contribution over the previous year by at least 5% and not less than \$1.00.

prepared and will be mailed in the near future to all Sisterhoods on one of the honor listings for the NFTS fiscal year of November 1, 1946 to October 31, 1947. There will be special plates (and a space to which to adhere them to the Certificate) for each of the three honor listings for the next six years. Each year a Sisterhood will receive a plate for the honor listing it achieved to be pasted on its Certificate of Award.

A suggestion was made that the Uniongram display set up in the Council room be photographed in color and made available to Local groups, to stimulate interest in, and sales of, Uniongrams. The Executive staff will investigate the cost, and if it is feasible will follow through on the recommendation.

Miss Evans referred to the other NFTS materials on display, and reported on sources for non-Sisterhood material which, however, may be used for Sisterhood work, such as for education in Peace and World Relations; the Bulletin of the U. S. Department of State, Washington, D. C.; the various releases of the Department of Public Information of the Department of State, Washington, D. C.; publications from the United Nations Department of Public Information, Lake Success, N. Y.; for general program use the magazine *Agenda*, 57 Park Ave., New York 16, N. Y.; material from the American Association for the United Nations, 45 E. 65th St., New York 21, N. Y.; the Bulletin of or pamphlets from the National Peace Conference (with which NFTS is affiliated), 8 West 40th Street, New York 18, N. Y.; study items from the American Jewish Committee, 386 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y.; and the publications of the Commission on Synagogue Activities, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Merchants Bldg., Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

The Leadership Training Workshop included three self-tests on: NFTS Activities; a Discussion Leaders Quiz; and a Parliamentary Procedure Quiz.

NEW LEADERS

The member of the Conference volunteered solutions to the problem, "how do we get new leaders, or 'new blood,' on the Local and State levels?" "Give people jobs, watch them, and help them develop," said Mrs. Tekulsky. Mrs. Cohen said that at the beginning of the season, her Sisterhood polled each member on her special interests and invited them to meetings of groups engaged in the work of her choice; from this nucleus of interested women, well-rounded leadership was obtained. The method of Mrs. Daniels' Sisterhood was to add to its Board young women who came into the Sisterhood from the Temple's Young Marrieds group. Mrs. Stein commented that each member of her Local Sisterhood Board is responsible for keeping her eye on the women serving on committees in order to discover those with ability and to give them more important jobs; also, the Board is a rotating one, which allows for adding "new blood" regularly. Mrs. Jacobson, however, felt it was unwise to have Board members who are not completely indoctrinated into Sisterhood; she advocated Board membership as a reward for service and ability.

The membership committee of a New York Sisterhood is composed each year of women who were new Sisterhood members of the previous year; the committee has two Co-Chairmen, one an experienced Sisterhood woman, the other a new member of the previous season. These new members have contacts in circles of their own and

become well indoctrinated into Sisterhood work, because in order to "sell" Sisterhood in their membership drive, they must study it, know it, and believe in it.

It was pointed out that approximately 90% of Sisterhoods have open membership, allowing any interested Jewish woman (or Christian woman, as sometimes happens) to enter; the remaining 10% have closed membership, which means that only a woman who is a Temple member or a relative of a Temple member may join. According to NFTS policy, however, no woman shall be eligible to the NFTS Executive Board unless she is a member in good standing, in her own right or through her husband, of a local congregation. And NFTS suggests to local Sisterhoods that they, too, follow this policy in connection with positions on their Executive Boards or officerships.

The meeting was adjourned on schedule at 10:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12

TIMING OF STATE CONVENTIONS

Promptly at 9:00 a.m. the general discussion of specific problems was continued.

One District Federation, wanting its Convention neither to conflict with the coming National Biennial nor to take place in the spring, is planning to have it in the fall of 1949. Another State Federation has three regional meetings annually and, because of winter travelling difficulties in the State, needs to have its 1948 regionals before the NFTS Biennial. The consensus was that regional meetings, involving smaller groups of women (who travel less far than do State—or District-wide Convention delegations), will not interfere with the Biennial.

It was stated that in a Biennial year, the National Biennial must take precedence over State Conventions, as a matter of both UAHC and NFTS policy. In the fall of 1948, no State or District Federation Conventions may be held until after the NFTS Biennial. It might be advisable for State Federations to hold their Conventions biennially, instead of annually, and to have their Biennials in the year when there is no National Convention.

Miss Evans urged that all mail from the National be answered, adding that too often mail (in this instance, mail requesting State Convention information) is issued and not answered, which causes confusion and misunderstanding about many points. Miss Evans also stated that the By-Laws of each State Federation should be on file in the Cincinnati office, and that proposed revisions should be communicated to the National, so that it may see if they conform with NFTS policy.

Mrs. Brav raised again the question of State Federation Presidents automatically becoming members of the NFTS Executive Board. She asked if a matter proposed to the National Executive Board and rejected may be presented again, in the form of an amendment to the NFTS By-Laws, before a National Biennial Convention. Miss Evans answered that according to the NFTS By-Laws this may be done by a Local or State President through the National Committee on Revisions of By-Laws. Mrs. Brav requested that the Council be polled on whether or not it wishes to go on record in favor of suggesting such a revision. A motion was made and seconded that a vote be taken on the question of the poll. Voting: 12 in favor of the poll; 4 against

it. A written ballot was requested on the voting of the suggested revision of the NFTS By-Laws, namely: That the State and District Federation Presidents be included for the duration of their term of office on the National Executive Board. The recommendation was passed with a vote of 9 in favor, 7 against, and 2 abstaining; and the subject will be presented again to the National Executive Board.

Mrs. Strasburger then read the recommendation that she is including in her 1946-47 annual report and asked for the group's comments.

Mrs. Salm suggested an additional recommendation that the State Presidents' Council meet once every year. Miss Evans asked if the Council would consider meeting in the year alternate to the Biennial inasmuch as each Biennial includes a State Presidents' round table. The motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed that: It be recommended to the NFTS Executive Board that the State Presidents' Council meet in the fiscal year alternate to the Biennial year. (NOTE: The NFTS Executive Board at its April, 1947, session, on the recommendation of the President, approved the State Presidents' Council. The purpose of the foregoing motion was to voice the group's acceptance of the Council.)

Mrs. Mann moved that the Council express its hearty approval of Mrs. Strasburger's recommendations, as stated in her annual report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Mrs. Salm suggested that the Council also go on record as offering thanks to Miss Jane Evans and the NFTS Staff for all their work on behalf of the Council.

FINANCES

In answer to the question as to what provisions are made by the State Federations for the expenses of their Presidents in connection with this meeting and others, Mrs. Schlesinger said that her Federation has made an allotment for attending the Council and other National meetings. District #1's By-Laws provide for the President's expenses to National Biennials; but in view of the fact that the next Biennial will be in Boston, the home of the President, her expenses to the Council will be paid from this allotment.

It was suggested that the Council might want to recommend that State Federations budget for Presidents' expenses to the Biennials and State Presidents' Councils. Mrs. Rosett and Miss Evans were asked what portion of the expenses to Council meetings would be paid by NFTS. They replied that they would ask the NFTS Budget Committee to underwrite the expenses of hotel bills and those meals taken together for future State Presidents' Council meetings, as had been done at this first Council. It was moved and seconded that "to ensure representation to each Biennial Council and National Convention, we recommend to the State and District Federations that an amount be budgeted for the State Presidents' transportation to the Biennial Presidents' Council and to the NFTS Biennial Convention; and that we respectfully request of the NFTS Budget Committee a continuation of the policy in force during the first Presidents' Council, March 11-12, 1948, namely: the payment by NFTS of hotel and meals eaten together, expenses of those attending." The motion was passed by a vote of 16 in favor and 1 (Pennsylvania) abstaining.

The Pennsylvania Federation's expenses are so great that the full amount of

dues allowed State Federations by the NFTS By-Laws (one half of NFTS dues, 20c per capita) is insufficient. Mrs. Schleisner, the President, inquired what can be done to increase the State's revenue.

Miss Evans answered that some State Federations get around the constitutional ruling by "voluntary assessments" from the Local groups. One State Federation, for example, which has a 12c per capita dues, has obtained voluntary contributions of from \$15 to \$25 from each group in the district in order to operate its newly formed Speakers Bureau. However, this raises a serious problem, not only because it circumvents the NFTS By-Laws, but also because in some instances local units are contributing to "voluntary" State assessments but are not contributing to major NFTS projects, such as the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund which must take precedence over State needs.

Miss Helen Strauss, Campaign Director of the House of Living Judaism project, next addressed the group. She pointed out that the individual group quotas are based on membership as of September, 1946, but this does not mean that Sisterhoods which have increased their memberships since that date should not increase their quotas proportionately.

Speaking for her Sisterhood of I. M. Wise Temple, Cincinnati, Mrs. Sigmund Cohen, attending as an alternate for Mrs. J. C. Newman, Ohio State President, said that the question of where the headquarters building is to be erected—in Cincinnati or New York—has been the chief deterrent to full cooperation. Mrs. Rosett pointed out that the final decision on location will be made democratically at the next Biennial Convention. The Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, at its last session, voted unanimously to establish the UAHC headquarters in New York, because that city is a center of Jewish and other activities, because it attracts people from all parts of the country and of the world, because it is the largest Jewish community in the world, and for other related reasons.

Miss Strauss announced that approximately \$175,000.00 has been contributed to date. She urged that the monthly progress reports be used and that contributions be sent in regularly and not held back. She strongly requested the cooperation of all State Presidents in seeing that their local groups make an all-out effort on this all-important project.

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At the final luncheon, Mrs. Mann made a motion, which was seconded and passed unanimously, that the State Presidents' Council recommend to the National Committee on State Federations a study of the financial picture of State Federations

The question was asked, "Who pays the expenses of the instructor sent from the Hebrew Union College for conducting a Religious School Institute?" The answer was that if such a project is conducted under the joint auspices of the UAHC and NFTS, the expenses are paid by a fund provided for this purpose by NFTS; if a Sisterhood undertakes this project by direct contact with the College, the Sisterhood or the College pays the expenses. In either case, no direct honorarium from Sisterhood to

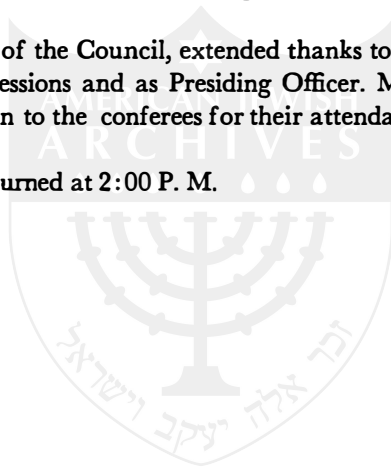
speaker is in order: the fee transaction is handled through the organization which sends the speaker, whether it is through the special UAHC-NFTS fund or the Sisterhood's remittance to the College.

One problem not discussed was the value and need of District and State projects and Bulletins. Because of lack of time, this problem will be postponed to the State Presidents' round table at the coming NFTS Convention.

As the meeting drew to a close, Miss Evans called attention to the program aid that is available from the Departments of Religious Education and Synagogue Activities of the Union; to the 33 tracts in the UAHC Popular Studies in Judaism series, which are excellent for presentation and discussion at Sisterhood meetings; to "Blessings and Praise: A Book of Meditation and Prayer" published by the Central Conference of American Rabbis. She also mentioned that another aspect of leadership is knowledge of Parliamentary Law and Practice, and recommended "Cushman's Parliamentary Practice" as an authoritative guide in addition to Robert's "Rules of Order."

Mrs. Berg, on behalf of the Council, extended thanks to Mrs. Strasburger for her efforts in planning the sessions and as Presiding Officer. Mrs. Strasburger, in turn, expressed her appreciation to the conferees for their attendance, support, enthusiasm, and interest.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 P. M.



RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
State Federation Presidents' Council

MARCH 11-12, 1948 CINCINNATI, OHIO

- I. That the contents of the official State Charter be included in a future President's Packet.
- II. That a copy of the State Charter be issued to each State and District Federation.
- III. That a program of leadership and speakers training workshops be adopted on Local and State levels, when same can be adequately worked out by the NFTS Staff.
- IV. That a booklet of NFTS Policy be published and distributed.
- V. That the State and District Federation Presidents be included for the duration of their term of office on the National Executive Board. (This recommendation, passed by a vote of 9 for, 7 against, is to be presented to the NFTS Executive Board for consideration.)
- VI. That the State Presidents' Council meet in the fiscal year alternate to the NFTS Biennial Convention year.
- VII. That, to ensure representation at each Biennial Council and National Convention, there is recommended to each State and District Federation that an amount be budgeted for the President's transportation to the Biennial State Presidents' Council and the NFTS Biennial Convention; and that there be respectfully requested of the NFTS Budget Committee a continuation of the policy in force during the first State Presidents' Council, March 11-12, 1948, namely: the payment by NFTS of hotel room charges and meals eaten together.
- VIII. That the National Committee on State Federations undertake a study of the financial picture of State Federations.
- IX. That the Uniongram display (set up in the Conference room) be photographed in color, if possible, the photograph to be made available to Local groups to stimulate interest in Uniongrams.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE Inauguration of Dr. Nelson Glueck

AS FOURTH PRESIDENT OF THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE, CINCINNATI

MARCH 12-14, 1948

Hebrew Union College alumnus, world famous archaeologist, biblical scholar, former director of the American School of Oriental Research at Jerusalem and field director of the American School of Oriental Research at Bagdad, author of several books on Palestine, Dr. Nelson Glueck, elected in July, 1947 to the presidency of the Hebrew Union College, was formally inaugurated in Cincinnati, March 12-14, 1948. Approximately 1,000 Jewish community leaders from all parts of the country participated in the program of this memorable and significant week-end.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12

Following a devotional service conducted by Rabbi Lou H. Silberman, Omaha, the inaugural week-end began at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel of the Hebrew Union College with a symposium on "The Future of Jewish Scholarship in America." The speakers were: Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, New York, Professor of Homiletics, Jewish Theological Seminary of America; Dr. Abraham A. Neuman, Philadelphia, President of Dropsie College for Hebrew and Cognate Learning; and Dr. Samuel S. Cohon, Professor of Jewish Theology, Hebrew Union College. Dr. Jacob R. Marcus, Adolph S. Ochs, Professor of Jewish History, Hebrew Union College, acted as Chairmen.

Dr. Kaplan urged a reconstruction of Jewish tradition that will effect a rapprochement between modern Jewish scholarship and the contemporaneous problems of Jewish life. He stated that "Jewish tradition must achieve a new life-and-thought pattern that is dynamic rather than static . . . it must be rendered sufficiently plastic . . . that it may conform to the dynamic frame of modern life. We must come into possession once again of a living, flourishing Torah-tradition, which is coextensive with the wisdom of life and the sum of all knowledge that leads to salvation."

Maintaining "that the hope of the world rests not on might or materialism but on the redemptive power of religion and spirituality," Dr. Neuman said "the problems that plague society on all levels . . . are being increasingly recognized as manifestations of lack of spiritual faith . . . Jewry's duty in this desperate hour of human history is to seek inspiration where our fathers found it, in the Jewish tradition, and to render ourselves fit by faith, fortitude and moral courage to lead, as our ancestors did, in the moral regeneration of society."

Dr. Cohon stated that Jewish scholarship must be for all the Jewish people, not just maintained for scholars alone. Declaring the Jewish knowledge must be the unlimited heritage of all Jews, Dr. Cohon said, "Our higher institutions of learning must concern themselves not alone with the training of rabbis but also with the education of a learned laity that may be spiritually prepared for leadership in American Israel in the years ahead. We need social workers who understand the Jewish spirit; we need teachers for our religious schools to impart knowledge to our youth. We need writers who may present . . . the riches of our cultural and

spiritual heritage, both to our own people and to the world. Our first line of defense as Jews consists of religious devotion and intelligence . . . knowledge has ever been our spiritual armor."

At 2:00 p.m., also in the College Chapel, a second symposium on "The Preservation of American Judaism: Can the Synagogue Meet the Crisis?" was held. The speakers were: Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein, Rochester; Dr. Louis Binstock, Chicago; Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations; and Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein, Chicago. Dr. Israel Bettan, Professor of Homiletics and Midrash, Hebrew Union College, was the Chairman; the discussion was led by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y., NFTS President, and Judge Maurice Bernon, Cleveland, Past President of the Euclid Ave. Temple of that city.

The conclusions reached by the four speakers were: 1) That the synagogue must be social minded; that it must concern itself with contemporary issues such as housing and anti-poll tax legislation; that it must be truly democratic. 2) That religion hasn't failed man; that man has failed religion. 3) That Judaism must concern itself with all the problems of world Jewry, and not live a cloistered life unaware of Palestine, the displaced persons in Europe, or American needs. 4) The creation of a strong healthy American Judaism serving Israel and mankind is the primary concern of the American synagogue. 5) That the synagogue must restore the warmth of ceremonial, and that it must have a missionary zeal in seeking out as members those Jews presently unaffiliated.

Declaring that the service of worship must be related to human needs and aspirations Rabbi Weinstein added, "the religious service must cater to the whole man, to his heart and to his mind, to his emotion and to his reason, to his fears and to his faith." Urging a central emphasis on traditional ritual, Rabbi Bernstein said, "the warmth, the color, and discipline of Jewish observances, adapted to American life, must be cherished and furthered." Dr. Binstock said that there is no substitute for religious faith in the United States in nationalism, in secular Jewish culture, in philanthropy or in fighting anti-Semitism and that these all "have proved poor substitutes for the substance of Jewish living . . . It is the synagogue or suicide for American Jewry."

Dr. Eisendrath declared, "there can be no survival for our generation or any generation without that consecration to religious and spiritual values which are enshrined preeminently within the synagogue." Presenting a nine point program for a revitalized synagogue, he urged a synagogue: "which admits the duty of each generation to reinterpret its faith and its religious forms in the light of its own time and thought. . . with prayers and ritual to match the intellectual and spiritual atmosphere in the world in which we find ourselves; . . . with far more dramatic and thrilling pageantry"; a synagogue that "can become effective with the adoption of a code of practice for Liberal Jews in ritual and ceremonial, in social and moral conduct; . . . in which congregations must surrender in certain indispensable areas the erstwhile concept of the absolute sovereignty of the individual congregation"; a synagogue "democratically determined . . . and prepared to yield to majority decisions"; a synagogue "fired with the missionary fervor to win the multitudes to our cause"; a synagogue that "will not separate itself from the community of Israel . . .

willing to plunge into the melee of Jewish life, to influence it, to direct it, to guide it, to bless it . . ." and, finally, a synagogue with "a program of social and moral action that can help us meet the crisis of our time . . ." a synagogue which "must speak in definite terms . . . and not be content with vaguely defined wrongs and glittering generalities."

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At 8:00 p.m. the Consecration Service, with Dr. Joshua Loth Liebman, rabbi of Temple Israel, Boston, as the Consecration speaker, was held at the Rockdale Avenue Temple. Rabbi Victor E. Reichert of the host Temple, and Mr. Jacob Aronson, New York, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, brought greetings. Readers of the special Consecration Service, prepared by Rabbi David Polish, rabbi of Temple Mizpah, Chicago, were: Rabbis B. Benedict Glazer, Temple Beth El, Detroit; Ariel Goldberg, Temple Beth Ahabah, Richmond, Va.; and Morris Lieberman, Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, Baltimore.

"One of the great diseases of our time," said Dr. Liebman, "is the growing habit of thinking in terms of minorities and majorities . . . American Jews have unfortunately come under the false and paralyzing spell of minority thinking . . . Reform Judaism can perform a vital service by exposing this fallacy and leading American Israel on the highway to a new approach." He urged Jews, and all other groups that make up American life, to think of themselves "not in terms of minority status but in terms of equality status in the symphony of American religious and cultural pluralism. Let there be an end, then, to this false definition of ourselves, to this weighing of groups, this measurement of numbers . . . Equality of status for Judaism in our own eyes and in the eyes of America and the world, together with a treasuring of the universal truths and the unique insights of the Jewish faith gladly, but never apologetically, shared with all of humanity—let this be the new definition that shall come from the Tabernacle of learning which is our College."

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

Over one hundred and twenty-five rabbis (most of them Hebrew Union College Alumni), representatives of fifty academic and theological institutions, and leaders in all walks of Jewish life, marched in a colorful academic procession, which marked the opening of the Inauguration Service at 10:00 a.m. in historic Plum Street Synagogue (Isaac M. Wise Temple), Cincinnati.

Dr. James G. Heller, of the host Temple, welcomed the honored guests, visitors and congregation. Other speakers were Dr. Jonah B. Wise, Rabbi of Central Synagogue, New York, son of Isaac Mayer Wise, founder of the Hebrew Union College; and Dr. Stephen S. Wise, New York, President of the Jewish Institute of Religion. The exercises also marked the formal inauguration of Mr. Lester Jaffe, Cincinnati, as the new Chairman of the Board of Governors of Hebrew Union College, successor to Dr. Hiram B. Weiss, also of Cincinnati. The Sabbath Morning Service was read by Rabbis Morton A. Bauman, Temple Israel, Hollywood, Calif., Milton L. Grafman, Temple Emanuel, Birmingham, Ala., and David Wice, Temple Rodeph Shalom, Philadelphia.

Following the Torah Service, Dr. Julian Morgenstern, President Emeritus of the Hebrew Union College, installed Dr. Nelson Glueck, as fourth President of the College, with a beautiful and deeply moving charge.

In response, Dr. Glueck said that the words of consecration and the charge given to him must be cherished "as a burning flame." He invoked God's help for all and for himself in the task ahead.

Turning his attention to Palestine, Dr. Glueck declared that "peace in Palestine and peace on earth are ultimately indivisible" and that "the world will be affected by Palestine's destiny. To abandon the United Nations' plan of partition, while it is literally under fire, is to give freedom to frightfulness and lend license to terror." Holding that international anarchy will ensue if the United Nations' plan for the partition of Palestine is repudiated, Dr. Glueck stated that "the spreading lava of violence in Palestine must be stemmed forthwith, not only for the welfare of all of its inhabitants, but in the interest of mankind itself." Dr. Glueck, who had spent many years in Palestine, firmly believes that "peace there is possible, and that there are no insurmountable obstacles in its path."

He pledged the Hebrew Union College to the task of bringing "the best of our entire Jewish past and present to bear upon the America we have helped to create and to whose development we are contributing. Through service and sacrifice, we are connected as Jews with the roots and role of America . . . Here we have driven our stake and here we have proved our claim. Here are the homes of our children, and here is the haven of our hopes. Here we take our stand with our fellow Americans to help preserve in this country and to restore elsewhere a spiritual climate in which freedom of expression, liberty of conscience, and equality of opportunity shall prevail."

The service concluded with Rabbi David H. Wice, Philadelphia, delivering the Adoration and Kaddish, and Dr. Samuel H. Goldenson, Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Emanu-El, New York, pronouncing the Benediction.

The principal speakers at the banquet climaxing the inaugural week-end were Dr. Leo Baeck, London, President of the World Union for Progressive Judaism; and Judge Samuel I. Rosenman, Special Adviser to President Truman and the late President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Greetings were brought by Mayor Albert D. Cash, Cincinnati; Dr. Abraham J. Feldman, Hartford, President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis; Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, on behalf of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates; and Rabbi Julius Mark, Nashville, Vice-President of the Hebrew Union College Alumni Association. Dr. Samuel Wohl, I. M. Wise Temple, Cincinnati, delivered the invocation, and Dr. David Philipson, Rabbi Emeritus of Rockdale Avenue Temple, Cincinnati, the benediction. Other participants were Frank L. Weil, New York, who acted as Toastmaster; Lester Jaffe; and Benjamin Katz, Cincinnati, Chairman of the Inaugural Committee. Dr. Glueck, newly installed President of the Hebrew Union College, gave a thoughtful response.

Proceedings of the Executive Board

PRE-CONVENTION MEETING

Hotel Statler,
Boston, Mass.
November 13, 1948.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and to the call of the President, the Pre-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was convened Saturday evening, November 13, 1948, at 8:45 P.M., in Parlor C of the Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass. Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President of NFTS, presided, and Mrs. Henry Monsky, Recording Secretary, recorded the minutes.

There were present: Mrs. Stanley Adler, Harrisburg, Pa.; Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Elmer Benesch, Oak Park, Ill.; Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky.; Mrs. Samuel Berman, Jersey City, N.J.; Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Emil Buschhoff, New York, N.Y.; Mrs. Charles Cohen, Charleston, W. Va.; Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Louis Elting, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mrs. Joseph Forman, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Edward Hart, W. Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia, S.C.; Mrs. Norman J. Kauffmann, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Lucien Lehman, San Francisco, Calif.; Mrs. A. A. Litin, Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. William Loebel, Toronto, Canada; Mrs. Franz J. Loewe, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Arthur Lorber, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Lawrence Mann, Baton Rouge, La.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N.Y.; Mrs. Louis Markun, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N.Y.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Nebr.; The Honorable Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., London, England; Mrs. W. W. Munzesheimer, Houston, Texas.

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N.Y.; Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, New York, N.Y.; Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D.C.; Mrs. Ben Spinoza, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Henry Steuer,

Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. C. Clarence Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Paul Uhlmann, Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. Max Ullman, Natchez, Miss.; Mrs. Sidney Wallens, Buffalo, N.Y.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N.Y.; Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Herbert Wolf, Little Rock, Ark.; Mrs. Charles Wyzanski, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.

The Honorable Lily H. Montagu, London, Honorary Member of the Board, led the group in prayer:

"Our Father, we are gathered here this evening as women of Sisterhood, dedicated to the strengthening of this our beloved Federation. Give us a more perfect faith, an ever clearer understanding of Thy law, and of the ways wherein Thou wouldst have us walk. Thou hast charged us to learn, and, having learned, to teach mankind of Thee and Thy servant Israel. Reward with success our labors in behalf of our Federation, and bless those who give themselves freely to help us grow in wisdom and in the love of Thee.

"Manifold are the tasks that lie before us. We ask for all of us courage and inspiration. Amen."

EXCUSES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

Messages of regret and excuses for non-attendance were received from all absent members.

Upon motion duly carried Uniongrams, expressing the good wishes of the Executive Board, were dispatched to Mrs. Harry Iverson, Chicago, who had been taken ill en route to the Convention; to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore; to the three absent Past Presidents; and suitable acknowledgement made to the communications from all other Board members who were unable to attend.

REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY

Since each member had received a copy of the Minutes of the previous Executive Board Meeting, held in Baltimore in April, 1947, a motion was passed to dispense with the reading of the Minutes.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

The Treasurer's Report, which had not been audited by the accountant due to the fact that the NFTS fiscal year had just closed October 31, 1948, was received.

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President, welcomed the Honorable Lily H. Montagu, J.P., O.B.E., London, England, an honorary member of the Executive Board; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D.C., Honorary President, NFTS. To all those who would have completed by the end of the XVII Assembly their term as members of the Executive Board of the NFTS, Mrs. Rosett expressed her thanks for their cooperation and voiced the desire that they will remain in the fellowship of those who serve the NFTS cause.

RECOMMENDATION TO UAHCH

Upon motion duly made and carried, it was the recommendation of the Pre-Convention Executive Board to the Committee on Time and Place of the next Biennial, that conventions of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates, in the future be held during the month of January.

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND GRANTS

It was moved, seconded and carried that the restrictions limiting scholarships to graduate rabbinic students in the Cincinnati Dormitory of the Hebrew Union College be not mandatory, but subject to revision on recommendation of the NFTS Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education.

CHANGE IN STATE FEDERATION ALIGNMENT

Upon motion duly made and carried it was recommended that those State or District Federations interested in aligning or realigning themselves with other State or District Federations may do so upon permission and advice of the Executive Board and the NFTS Office.

RESOLUTION FROM LOUISIANA FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Correspondence pertaining to the resolution adopted by the Louisiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods concerning textbooks of Jewish Education, and the reply to the resolution by Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, the Director of Jewish Edu-

cation of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations on behalf of the Commission on Jewish Education, was read and filed.

ART CALENDAR FOR 5710

A motion prevailed that the Pre-Convention Executive Board recommend to the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art that the Art Calendar for the year 5710 (1949-50) be dedicated to the bicentennial of the Congregation K.K. Beth Elohim, Charleston, S.C.

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

A thorough discussion of the House of Living Judaism Project, including its budget, was held. The Board reaffirmed as a recommendation to be presented to the Biennial Assembly on the following day, the stand it had adopted at the 1947 Executive Board meeting, that the decision regarding the future location of the House of Living Judaism to be taken by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, would be concurred in by NFTS.

A motion prevailed to accept the recommendation to appropriate a budget not to exceed \$25,000 for the year 1948-49 for the House of Living Judaism.

A recommendation was made and accepted by general consent that the Executive Board as a whole should be the HLJ Steering Committee, since, with almost no exceptions, all members of the Steering Committee are members of the Board; and that Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, New York, as Chairman of the Committee, should have the courtesy of sitting with the Board even though her normal term of office on the Executive Board has expired.

A motion was seconded and carried that the Chairman formulate a statement to the effect that the funds which the Sisterhood are collecting for the House of Living Judaism are a gift from NFTS to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The Sisterhoods are interested in the gift and its purpose and not in limiting its location.

REPORTS OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES

Since the Reports of the Committees were made available to each Board member in the Advance Sheets, at the suggestion of the President, the National Chairmen presented only the sections of their reports which contained recommendations calling for action by the Executive Board.

At the request of Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker

Heights, Ohio, Chairman of the National Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education, Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, presented the following figures:

"Allocations of monies from the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund are now requested: To the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for the total request for scholarship assistance to students on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion \$7,993.31 for the year ending October 31, 1948. To the UAHC to complete the allocation of \$35,000 annually for the years ended 10/31/48 and '49, toward its religious educational work, including its Department of Youth Activities, \$22,500." Both allocations were moved and carried.

Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Kentucky, Chairman of the National Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, offered the following recommendation:

"Contributions to the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind be divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse." Recommendation was accepted.

Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn., Chairman of the National Committee on State Federations, presented the following recommendation:

"An award be granted to the State Federation showing the greatest achievement during the year in the field of education for better human relations and understanding."

Mrs. Strasburger was asked to reword her recommendation and present it to the Post-Convention Board Meeting for further discussion.

Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia, S.C., Chairman of the National Committee on Programs, presented the following recommendation:

"All material submitted for publication to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods should be reviewed by an Editorial Board who, in order to be kept free from pressure, shall serve without their names being published." Recommendation adopted.

Tangible expressions of appreciation for devoted service beyond the call of duty over the years were voted to Miss Esther Ciener, Assistant to the Director; Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Secretarial Assistant; and to Miss Kay Kubota, Secretary of the NFTS Staff.

APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR NFTS OFFICERS

The President announced the following Board Members to serve on the Nominating Committee: Mrs. Edward A. Hart, Hartford, Conn., Chairman, and Mrs. Lawrence Friedlander, Chicago, Ill. The Board elected Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, Phila., Pa.; Mrs. Lawrence Mann, Baton Rouge, La., and Mrs. Max Ullman, Natchez, Miss., to serve as Committee Members.

TRIBUTE TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, past President of the Federation, on behalf of all the Board Members, presented to Miss Jane Evans a gift of a silver Kiddush and Hovdoloh Ceremonial Set and Uniongrams of good wishes from all Board Members upon completion of fifteen years of inspired service as the Director of the Federation. Mrs. Watters stated in part: "In her work, Jane Evans has found an ideal which commands her love and loyalty; she has found a work which commands her best endeavor with really joyful enthusiasm. She has a faith in her task that no personal disappointment can change. For this we are deeply appreciative as we ask her to accept this token of our esteem with best wishes for the next fifteen years with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods." Miss Evans responded with a brief address of appreciation.

ADJOURNMENT

The Pre-Convention Executive Board meeting adjourned at 12:50 A.M.

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



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MID-CONVENTION MEETING

Hotel Statler,
Boston, Mass.
November 16, 1948.

The Mid-Convention Executive Board meeting was called to order Tuesday afternoon, November 16, 1948, at 5:45 P.M. in the Imperial Ballroom of the Hotel Statler, Boston, by the President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett. Mrs. Henry Monsky, Recording Secretary, called the roll of members whose terms had not expired and of newly elected members. There were present:

Mrs. Stanley Adler, Harrisburg, Pa.; Mrs. Harold Baum, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Elmer Benesch, Oak Park, Ill.; Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky.; Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Emil Buschhoff, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Joseph Forman, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Arthur L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Edward Hart, W. Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Lucien Lehman, San Francisco, Calif.

Mrs. A. A. Litin, Minneapolis, Minn.; Mrs. Franz J. Loewe, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Arthur Lorber, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Bernard Manheim, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Lawrence Mann, Baton Rouge, La.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Samuel Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Nebr.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Evansville, Ind.; Mrs. A. Herman Siskind, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Ben Spinoza, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. A. Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Steuer, Shaker

Heights, Ohio; Mrs. C. Clarence Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Paul Uhlmann, Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. Max Ullman, Natchez, Miss.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Herbert Wolf, Little Rock, Ark.; Mrs. Charles Wyzanski, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATION OF OFFICERS:

Mrs. Edward A. Hart, Hartford, Conn., Chairman of the Committee on Nomination of Officers presented the following slate of officers who were unanimously elected for the 1948-50 Biennial period:

President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; First Vice-President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md.; Second Vice-President, Mrs. C. Clarence Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Neb.; Treasurer, Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Nominating Committee then presented a slate for members of the Executive Committee who were unanimously elected. The Executive Committee includes all officers as well as the following: Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Mrs. Edward A. Hart, Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr. Highland Park, Ill.; and Mrs. William Loebel, Toronto, Canada.

The Mid-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board was adjourned at 6 P.M.

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



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POST-CONVENTION MEETING

Hotel Statler,
Boston, Mass.
November 17, 1948.

The Post-Convention session of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened in Parlor C, of the Hotel Statler, Boston, at 3:35 P.M., Wednesday, November 17, 1948. Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President, presided and Mrs. Henry Monsky, Recording Secretary, recorded the minutes.

Mrs. Rosett briefly welcomed the new members of the Executive Board and urged their full support and cooperation.

There were present:

Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Elmer Beresch, Oak Park, Ill.; Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky.; Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Emil Buschhoff, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Joseph Forman, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Arthur L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Edward A. Hart, W. Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Lucien Lehman, San Francisco, Calif.; Mrs. William Loebel, Toronto, Canada.

Mrs. Franz J. Loewe, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Arthur Lorber, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Bernard Manheim, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Lawrence Mann, Baton Rouge, La.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Nebr.; Mrs. Samuel Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; The Honorable Lily Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., London, England; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Evansville, Ind.; Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Ben

Spinoza, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. A. Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Steuer, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. C. Clarence Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, Lawrence, L. I., N. Y.; Mrs. Max Ullman, Natchez, Miss.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Charles Wyzanski, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, N. Y., Chairman, spoke briefly on the inspiration derived from the Biennial for the Victory Project and requested, in lieu of a Steering Committee meeting, that ideas and suggestions be forwarded to the campaign office.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET

Mrs. Edward A. Hart, Hartford, Conn., Chairman of the Budget Committee, presented the budget for the fiscal year November 1, 1948 - October 31, 1949. After the expenditures and income were explained in detail and questions answered, the budget was adopted as presented. The board also authorized the opening of a new savings account for NFTS funds.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Two items from the report of the Chairman on State Federations, referred to the Post-Convention Board by the Pre-Convention Board, were discussed. The first, dealing with the establishment of an award for State or District Federations undertaking the best program in the field of human relations, was referred to the 1949 meeting of the Executive Board for action at that time, after further study by the Committee on State Federations.

The second item dealt with a recommendation from the State Presidents' Council requesting that State or District Federation Presidents become members of the NFTS Executive Board during their term of office. The Board reaffirmed its stand of the 1947 meeting, that State and District Presidents not be made members of the NFTS Executive Board.

NEW BUSINESS

It was moved and carried that an additional sum of \$10,000 from the reserve of the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund be allocated to the Hebrew Union College toward refurbishing the Dormitory on the Cincinnati campus.

Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, was unanimously re-elected to office and a tangible expression of appreciation was voted her on behalf of the Federation for her fifteen years of distinguished service.

Mrs. Rosett thanked all Board members for their assistance and especially the Honorable Lily H. Montagu for her outstanding contributions to the Biennial. Miss Montagu was assured of the Board's deep interest in the advancement of the work of the World Union for Progressive Judaism and of the officers' determination to translate that interest into practical deed.

ADJOURNMENT

The Post-Convention session of the Executive Board was adjourned at 5 P.M. with the following prayer:

"Dear Father, touch our impure lips with the burning coal of Thy inspiration. Let it purge us of all self-seeking, all vain yearning after personal glory; let it suffuse us with strength and devotion to Thee, that we never falter in our loving service to Thee, to Thy people Israel and all mankind. Amen."

(Mrs. Louis A)
FRIEDA S. ROSETT,
President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,
Recording Secretary



President's Message

New Rochelle, N. Y., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is with a deep sense of joy and privilege that I greet you, fellow-officers and members of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, delegates and visitors from its more than 430 affiliates, and our beloved and distinguished guest from overseas, the Honorable Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., of London, England.

We meet at a moment—a prolonged and weary moment in the history of mankind—when frustration and fear, worry and woe appear to be the dominant note in every land and for every people. As Jewish women, professing a vital and dynamic religious faith, we have come together, not to comment on these sad conditions, but to study how we can help to strengthen those spiritual forces which alone can meet and cope with them.

With the birth of the State of Israel, history has made many of the conflicts which troubled us in Jewish life no longer valid. Now all of us join in prayerful hope that God will soon grant peace and security to the valiant Israelis who are defending with their very lives, not only for themselves but also for others who would join them, their homes and settlements and aspirations for the future.

Today, more than ever before, not only because of Palestine but also as part of the ferment seething throughout the world, all eyes, hostile and friendly alike are turned upon the Jew; today as never before, the words written in 1900 by the late, beloved Claude Montefiore, founder of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, take on a new and even greater significance:

“We Jews have a more pressing responsibility for our lives and our beliefs than perhaps any other religious community . . . a fierce light beats down upon the Jew. It is a grave responsibility, this—to be a Jew; and you can't escape from it, even if you choose to ignore it. Ethically or religiously, we Jews can be and do nothing light-heartedly. Ten bad Jews may help to damn us; ten good Jews may help to save us. Which 'minyon' will you join?”

We shall not be so presumptuous, friends, as to say that we are good Jews, and others are bad. In all humility, however, let us count ourselves in that “minyon” which will forever support and emphasize the religion of the Jew, and cherish those

everlasting religious principles of Judaism which are his original and priceless possession.

The program for this Convention has been planned with the specific thought in mind that it is to be a working convention; that its sessions are to be filled with active participation, rather than with passive listening; that in order to make every minute count we must avoid duplication and omit all time-consuming formalities. Since a resume of NFTS activities and progress will be included in the report of Jane Evans, our Executive Director, I shall devote my remarks to a few matters to which I would particularly like to direct your attention.

THE MATTER OF FINANCE

During the past Biennial period in which I had my first intimate contact with the administrative phase of NFTS activities, I have been continually impressed with the scope and breadth of the program being carried on through our offices; at the vast amount of detail and effort required to deal with our work; and, on occasion, I have been amazed at what was expected of our staff. It occurs to me, therefore, that our Sisterhoods should be made aware of the great discrepancy between NFTS requirements and NFTS income.

The National Federation serves more than 430 local Sisterhoods scattered over seven countries on four continents, with a membership of more than 70,000 women. Among its objectives as listed in its By-Laws, it is expected "to bring the Sisterhoods of the United States of America and other countries into cooperation and association with each other; to advance Judaism in the United States and throughout the world; and to serve Jewish and humanitarian causes." NFTS advances these objectives by means of its program and its projects, by the fact that through it the voice of its members is heard and their influence felt in many important activities of religious and spiritual significance. Our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, appropriates some fifty thousand dollars annually toward our fixed overhead for certain salaries, rent, light, heat, etc. But the funds necessary to carry on the direct NFTS program through the activities of Committees, for other administrative expenses and for the cost of promotional work are derived largely from our own 40 cents per capita annual dues. To you who are familiar with the dues structure of other major national Jewish women's organizations I need not point out how very small in proportion is this 40 cents!

I prefer, however, that we consider the matter not in relation to the amount required by other organizations, or even in relation to the soaring costs of operation in every field, but solely on the basis of the requirements for our own program. We cannot help but come to the conclusion that even with the aid from our parent body, our 40 cents per capita dues are inadequate and out of proportion to needs and tasks.

During the war years, because of war-time regulations, much of our activity was necessarily curtailed. Therefore, we had the opportunity of building up a reserve, not because work did not need to be done; but because unfortunately it could not be done. To compensate for this, additional effort and expense have been required immediately following the emergency. In the years since we have resumed

our normal program we have dipped heavily into this reserve which, with the adoption of next year's budget, will be at the vanishing point.

You will be relieved to hear, I am sure, that I am not proposing that we raise our dues at this convention. I am, however, asking earnestly that you keep this matter in mind as a situation which we must face, and that you report on it to your Sisterhood, giving them the benefit of the information and the background which you will have gathered at this convention. No later than the 1950 Biennial meeting, we will be compelled to take action.

HUC SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

When the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was called into being by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the year 1913, under the leadership of Mrs. Abram Simon of Washington, D. C., our beloved Honorary President, the first task which was assigned to us by the Union was that of becoming interested in the welfare of the students at the Hebrew Union College, who were to become the future rabbis and leaders of Reform Judaism. As the years passed, this interest expressed itself materially through our Federation's building and equipping, in the early 1920's, the Dormitory on the Cincinnati campus of the College, which is now the new and greater seminary, the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, with centers in both Cincinnati and New York. From the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, raised from the sale of Uniongrams and by direct contributions, in addition to occasional grants for other activities of special significance, annual allocations are made for scholarships for all rabbinic students in need of assistance at the Hebrew Union College, and a still larger sum toward educational and youth activities of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

In the case of this Fund also, a reserve was built up to which we were able to turn with gratitude this year when funds were urgently needed to refurnish the Lounge and Reception Hall in the Dormitory, whose original furnishings, after twenty-five years of use by more than a generation of college students, were in a sad and dilapidated state. From this reserve, your Executive Board allocated an additional sum toward the urgently necessary refurnishing of other parts of the Dormitory.

Looking ahead to the expanded program of both the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, I know you will agree that we must increase our efforts and our contributions in the years ahead, if we are to keep up with the challenges which the growing needs present.

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

In commenting upon THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM-Victory Project of the NFTS, one might perhaps dispose of the item by announcing with a profound sense of accomplishment and gratitude, and with thanks for all who have helped make it possible, that we have raised thus far more than a quarter of a million dollars; that many of our Sisterhoods have reached, and even surpassed their quotas; that more have passed the half-way mark.

But THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM is something more than a fund-raising project. As our Victory Project in an age when victory has lost its meaning, it reaffirms our religious belief in peace and justice; as the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM it symbolizes our faith in religious practice as a continuing tradition which we hopefully and confidently hand on to our children; as a fund-raising campaign it represents the spirit of service of the women of Sisterhoods united in a common effort, and directs their attention to the effective and expanded program of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

The initiation of this campaign was delayed for many months by developments and changes, reflections of similar problems and changes in the changing world around us. The most difficult problem arose when the Executive Board of the Union voted to present to its 40th Assembly at this convention, a recommendation asking that it be authorized to remove the headquarters of the Union from Cincinnati to New York, retaining in Cincinnati, however, a regional office and such departments of the Union as might more efficiently or economically be administered there.

As your representative on the Executive Board of the Union, I was present and voted in favor of the recommendation at the meeting in Cincinnati, in April, 1947. The recommendation was presented by the late, revered Jacob Mack of Cincinnati, as Chairman of a special committee appointed to study the question. It was approved by the Union Executive Board after long and serious consideration, which included the history of the proposal and all arguments pro and con, as well as thoughtful and objective weighing of all factors in relation to what was best for the most effective functioning of the Union.

Although the final decision as to this move must be made by the Union itself, we of NFTS are deeply concerned: first, because as co-workers with the Union in the task of strengthening the forces of Liberal Judaism throughout the world, we feel very strongly that its offices should be adequately and strategically housed wherever they can be of greatest service to our cause; and second, because through our HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM project we are committed to the task of raising funds necessary to provide such housing. Information and argument for and against the move have been not only available but have been widely broadcast during the past months. All of us, I am certain, will be ready to discuss the matter fully and freely—but within the limits which time and the balance of our agenda permit.

THE COUNCIL OF STATE PRESIDENTS

It is the special objective of the State and District Federations, as subsidiaries of NFTS, to interpret and intensify the Federation's program in the smaller geographical area. To carry out this objective more effectively and to bring NFTS and its State or District Presidents into closer contact one with another, your President recommended at the April, 1947 meeting of our Executive Board that a Council of State Presidents be created. The first meeting of the Council of State Presidents was held in Cincinnati on March 11-12, 1948 at the time of the unforgettable and deeply moving celebration of the inaugural of Dr. Nelson Glueck as the Fourth President of the Hebrew Union College.

During this Biennial period, also, State Federations were reminded of the nature

of their relationship with the National Federation and in many cases were presented with copies of the original charter under which they had been brought into being by NFTS. From this reemphasis and clarification of the relationship between State and National a new interest, a new enthusiasm, and a new understanding have developed. Our hearty thanks and appreciation to the State Presidents for their enthusiastic response to this innovation.

INTER-FAITH ACTIVITIES

Institutes on Judaism for the leaders of Christian Church women's groups have been held under NFTS auspices in more than twenty cities in cooperation with our local affiliates and local Councils of Protestant Church Women and sometimes Catholic Church Women. These Institutes were planned not in the usual spirit of a meeting in which Christian and Jew might gather to listen to a program, but rather as a direct communication—on an educational level—between the women of the Church and the women of the Synagogue. Thus we offer to our friends of the Christian faith an accurate picture of the beliefs of Judaism, the ritual of the Synagogue, and the ceremonies and traditions of our people. While pointing out differences, these Institutes emphasize the likeness of all religious people in the search for the better life.

The response to this magnificent project has been deeply heartening and I feel confident that the Federation and its units will make every effort to continue this uniquely effective contribution to better group relations.

ACTIVITIES OF THE PRESIDENT

Only for the record and because it is part of my duty I shall include a partial list of those organizations, meetings and conferences at which as your President, I have had the honor of representing you. I would prefer to omit reading them lest you become more wearied in hearing about them than I became in actually living through them.

As a personal note, however, I should like to add, that no phase of my activities as your President has brought as great an understanding of the over-all picture of Sisterhood work, or such a sense of warmth, friendship and worthwhileness, as have my visits to State and local Sisterhood meetings. But even more than the satisfaction which I have found in my own contacts with NFTS members, I have been impressed with the reports which come to me concerning others—members of our Executive Board and our Speakers Bureau, who have given selfless service in the effort to "personalize" NFTS and to bring it to the attention of the local groups.

As a member of these respective Boards and Committees, I attend meetings of the following divisions of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations: the Executive Board and Administrative Committee; the Committee on Salaries, Tenure and Pensions; the Committee on Time, Place and Program for Biennial Assembly; the Board of Governors and the Dormitory Committee of the Hebrew Union College, serving as Chairman of the latter. It is also my privilege to preside over annual sessions of our own NFTS Board as well as to serve on the governing

body of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, on the Jewish Advisory Committee of the Girl Scouts of America, on the Board of Directors of the National Jewish Welfare Board, on the Interim Committee of the American Jewish Conference, and as an NFTS representative to the National Peace Conference.

Between May 10, 1947 and the date of this report, in addition to presenting the House of Living Judaism Project before the June, 1947 Session of the Central Conference of American Rabbis in Montreal and being a delegate of NFTS to the Fourth Session of the American Jewish Conference in Chicago last November 29-December 1, I have addressed Sisterhood meetings, often joint Sisterhood gatherings, in nine cities of eight States as well as being present at two State Federation Convention meetings, the State Presidents' Council, and sessions of Presidents of Congregations in both Cincinnati and New York as well as the Convention and other meetings of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods. It was a special privilege to present, on your behalf, before Sisterhood women at an Anniversary Sisterhood Sabbath, May 10, 1947, held in Temple Isaiah-Israel, Chicago, a Past National President's Pin to Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr., Highland Park, Ill., the beloved immediate Past President of our Federation.

AMERICAN JEWISH ARCHIVES APPRECIATION

I must of necessity refrain from mentioning at this time the names of the many personalities of the NFTS official family whom I should like to thank and commend for work well done and for the dedicated spirit in which the tasks have been done. I am sure that they will understand how much their efforts have contributed towards the success of the complete program of NFTS activities. I especially recommend to you a careful reading of all reports that will be submitted to you, for within their pages you will find an exciting as well as satisfying record of accomplishment of all our Committees and Chairmen.

When an individual has set up and followed a standard of inspired and outstanding day-by-day service to a cause, it does not require a special occasion to make an expression of appreciation appropriate. Sometimes, however, coincidence steps in to add significance to such a tribute. October 15, 1948 marked the fifteenth anniversary of Jane Evans' association with NFTS, first as Executive Secretary and then as Director. I could take the easy way of piling complimentary phrase upon phrase to remark what she has meant to our Federation in these years and what she has done for it. But all of you are well acquainted with the part she plays in NFTS. You know her vital, many-sided personality, you have often received the benefit not only of her extraordinary and gifted mind but also of her wide knowledge in many fields.

In the many organizations in which she represents NFTS she has achieved distinctions and won many honors. To mention only some, Miss Evans is Vice-President of the National Peace Conference, Treasurer of the Committee on Women in World Affairs, a member of both the Interim and Executive Committees of the American Jewish Conference, as well as Chairman of its Commission on United Nations Affairs. During the last year she served as a member of one of the Commissions for the World Conference of Religions in Support of the United Nations

and is now a member of the Executive Committee established by that Conference to found a new world body of all the religious groups of mankind.

It is with a deep personal appreciation for your support and counsel, and on behalf of the entire Federation, that I take pleasure in saying "Thank you, Jane Evans, for your abundant and unfailing devotion. May God grant you new decades of strength for the continuation of rewarding and satisfying activities."

To Esther Ciener, second in command of the good ship NFTS and to Josephine Schoenborn of the Cincinnati office, both of whom have done much to make my task smoother, I also express my thanks and yours, as well as to Helen Strauss and Elaine Jackson of the House of Living Judaism Campaign staff.

To our Chairmen and to all who have taken responsibility for the successful functioning and growth of the Sisterhood Federation in this past Biennial period, I offer thanks and appreciation.

To Mrs. Ira M. Daniels, Dorchester, Mass., President of NFTS District Federation No. 1, and Chairman of this Biennial Convention Program Committee, a special word of commendation for her splendid work in giving us not only the fine type of working Convention we desire, but also one which will satisfy our needs—Local, State and National—from many points of view.

CONCLUSION

We are about to enter upon the business and deliberations of our 17th Biennial Convention, an occasion made especially significant by the fact that it marks the 75th anniversary of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the 35th anniversary of our own Federation.

During the coming days we shall be enriched by the inspiration and the wisdom of those great leaders whom we shall have the privilege of hearing at our joint Union-Sisterhood program sessions; we shall be stimulated by the meetings in small groups where by means of conference, discussion and demonstration we shall gain new techniques, new approaches, and fuller information concerning problems of our individual Sisterhoods; we shall attend sessions at which our thinking and our attention will be directed to matters which concern our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. We shall assemble also for social functions, to see old friends again and to greet new ones, to recall old occasions, and to add to our store of memories for the future.

In our discussions there will be differences, there will be disagreements, there will, perhaps, even be controversies. Intelligent human beings would not have it otherwise. But in a world where so little can be accomplished by one individual struggling alone, and where so much can be accomplished by one individual working in harmony with his fellow men, let us beware of emphasizing too strongly those issues which separate us, of investing with power those differences which confuse and divide us, that we may never become like the little midges in the poem—midges on God's cosmic wall "whose little hours are mostly spent struggling with some entanglement." But let us resolve at the beginning of this great and important Convention that we will go forth from it aware of our problems, conscious of our responsibilities, grateful for our opportunities, united and renewed in our deter-

mination to make our contribution as women of Sisterhood to increasing the strength and effectiveness of our cause—the cause of Liberal Judaism.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. LOUIS A.) FRIEDA S. ROSETT, *President*

Report of the Executive Director

Cincinnati, Ohio, and New York, N. Y., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

When one is writing an annual report for a Convention that marks the 35th anniversary of the founding of the Federation, the temptation is great to play with contrasts. If time permitted, it would be interesting to juxtapose facts and figures from the Federation's files of three and one-half decades ago with those of the past year. A more provocative study (that might beckon to the sociologists and historians among us) would be to analyze the world of 1913, in which, during the last year of an uneasy peace our Federation was born, with the succeeding decades through which we have lived. The fact, that despite the cataclysms of two World Wars the Federation has consistently grown in numbers while deepening in intensity its program, attests well to the validity of our efforts. The voice and message of prophetic, ethical monotheism are still so far from dominance in the affairs of men, that however much we might wish it otherwise, we are probably destined to live out not merely this year or the next, but perhaps all our lives, in an era of tension and uncertainty. To withstand these strains, to contribute to their resolution, to add our weight to the creative forces engaged in the life and death struggle of evolving an ordered world through the United Nations, are among the calls to personal contest in the arena in which men translate their belief in God into action for their fellow men.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE FEDERATION

In the report of the National Committee on Religious Extension, dated October 31, 1948, will be found the details of the Federation's present world-wide membership which, at the close of the fiscal period, included 435 affiliated units throughout the United States and in cities of Canada, Cuba, Panama, the United Kingdom, the Union of South Africa, and Australia. In the bare two weeks since our last fiscal year ended, another new Sisterhood has been organized and has affiliated with us—the Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Staten Island, New York. A second Sisterhood in

Larchmont, New York, will complete its organization and affiliation immediately after the close of this Assembly, bringing to nearly 70 the number of Sisterhoods within a two-hour radius of New York.

If time permitted, it would be a delight to read the roster of the more than 30 Sisterhoods that have affiliated with us during the last two years in order that we could more personally welcome their delegates to this, their first Biennial Convention. To all Sisterhoods old and new, both large and small, whether within the confines of the United States or in other countries of the United Nations, we offer again the salute of our fellowship and invite them to an ever-increasing participation in the program of Sisterhood life.

In the State of Israel which has been added to the family of nations, we dare to hope that in the not too distant future, the Liberal Congregations which are affiliates of the World Union for Progressive Judaism will also organize Sisterhoods, that will become part of our world-wide membership.

FUNDS OF THE FEDERATION

Some day a detailed study should be made of all the funds raised and dispersed by our local units for the benefit of their own Temples and Religious Schools in addition to the splendid contributions they make to larger Jewish and humanitarian causes through our Sisterhood Federation. Such a study would undoubtedly reveal a far more remarkable total than any of us realize. Our monies are raised only as a means to an end; therefore, the report of all these contributions would be a record of religious ideals translated into practical deeds.

For the 1947-48 NFTS fiscal year, the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund totalled \$55,441.75, of which \$33,293.20 came from Uniongram Apportionment Profit, the 20c out of each 25c expended on the Uniongram, which is the distinctive Jewish message bearer for all occasions.

For details of expenditures from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund during the last fiscal year, I refer you to the report of the NFTS National Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education.

You will be interested in knowing that in each of the twenty-four volumes of educational books published by our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, sent to twenty Displaced Persons Centers in Europe, there was an inscription plate which included the Midrashic quotation: "Heaven and earth have limits of time and space but the Torah has none," and the statement: "This book is presented in fellowship by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods," followed by a brief description of our Federation, which is an agency of the UAHC and is affiliated with the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

You will also be interested in knowing that Mrs. Johanna Spector, a Concentration Camp survivor who is now a graduate student of the Hebrew Union College on a fellowship of \$1,500.00 per annum voted by the NFTS Executive Board from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, is deeply grateful to the Federation for the freedom from financial strain which we have made possible.

The merger of the Hebrew Union College with the Jewish Institute of Religion will undoubtedly throw upon the Federation new and greater opportunities for

service through its Scholarship and Religious Education Fund in the years to come. With a Federation today of some 75,000 members, we should be able, largely through the more concentrated use of Uniongrams as our message bearer for every occasion, to raise not \$55,000.00 per year but more nearly \$70,000.00 per year for the essential projects of religious education carried forward under this Fund. These projects are scholarship assistance to students in need of such aid on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion; an annual grant toward the religious education work of the Union, which grant in recent years has been \$35,000.00, largely for Youth Activities, and certain special projects which from time to time commend themselves to the Executive Board as falling within the purview of the Fund, such as service of an educational nature to our dispossessed and displaced overseas.

During the last fiscal year, the units of the Federation contributed \$5,500.61 for Service to the Jewish Blind. Of this sum, \$2,997.30 went to the work of the Jewish Braille Institute of America and the balance for the excellent services of the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse. May I call to your attention in the booklet of mimeographed Reports, dated October 31, 1948, that will be distributed at the Biennial Assembly, not only all of the reports of our Committees but also the special reports included therein, such as that by Leah Piza Weil, Chairman of the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse.

As of June, 1948, the Sisterhood Publication Fund for New Religious School Literature stood at \$40,139.79. This is a revolving fund, created by the Sisterhood Federation many years ago with five consecutive annual contributions of \$4,500.00. Since the proceeds from all books published from this Fund accrue to it, our original gift of \$22,500.00 stands now at more than \$40,000.00.

A joint project of NFTS and its parent body, the Union, is the Lecture Institute for Teachers and Laymen, for which in recent years we have contributed \$1,500.00 annually. During the fiscal year ended October 31, 50 lectures were given in 14 United States communities. Last year, however, while Dr. Emanuel Gamoran was on a Sisterhood sponsored traveling scholarship from the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund to visit, on our behalf, Displaced Persons Centers in Germany, he was able to lecture also to teachers and laymen of the Progressive movement in England and Ireland.

For the House of Living Judaism an additional number of Series F United States Savings Bonds were purchased during 1947-48 at a face value of \$125,000.00.

In addition to earmarked funds for the Federation raised for special purposes, our income is derived from the payment of too low annual dues of 40c per member per year, State Federation dues of \$10.00 per year, the sale of study materials, programs and other Sisterhood aids. In the face of ever-rising costs and ever greater needs of services for our affiliates, larger income for the general treasury of the Federation, in contrast to the earmarked funds, is urgently needed. This larger income could be derived from a greater sale of NFTS materials, but this alone could hardly forestall the inevitable reevaluation of the scale of our dues which surely must be a major item on the agenda of the Biennial Assembly two years hence.

SPEAKERS BUREAU

In contrast to the year 1946-47 when 24 speakers addressed 92 communities throughout the United States and Canada, in the year just closed, 31 speakers, including officers and Miss Helen L. Strauss, Campaign Director of the House of Living Judaism Project, and the Executive Director, addressed Sisterhood audiences in 100 communities. While this number is not as large as we wish it might be, under the limitation of funds and personnel, it represents a tremendous contribution, often made at great personal sacrifice, by the volunteer members of the Speakers Bureau.

We hope that the inspiration that comes to every speaker as her intangible but true reward for meeting with our units in some measure compensates for her efforts. The Federation is deeply grateful to those who make possible the work of its Speakers Bureau.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND STAFF

In addition to all the many items of printed and mimeographed materials prepared for the 17th Biennial Assembly, the Executive Office during the last fiscal year released a new Book of Fund-Raising Suggestions, a new Book of Program and Study Materials, an additional Sisterhood aid of dues bills and dues receipts for local use, and service awards for contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

Throughout the year, the Executive Office continued to release the monthly President's Packets. A detailed questionnaire regarding the value of the monthly Packet was submitted in January, 1948, to all local and State affiliates as well as to members of the National Board. Of a total of 165 detailed replies, 138 offered an unqualified "yes" to the question, "Do you like or approve of the President's Packet in its present form?" while 27 answered in the negative. In reply to the question, "Is the Packet helpful to you?" 108 stated "very much," 55 responded "only a little," and two "not at all." One hundred fifty-five of the 165 responders stated that they read the monthly folder carefully, 131 stated that they shared the Packet with members of their Sisterhood. On the question of the timing of the arrival of the Packet, 84 stated it reaches them for the first open meeting of each month, while 73 found the Packet arrived late. It must be stated that this problem is only partially solved by the Executive Office. Because the cost of releasing the Packets via first class mail is prohibitive, we are not able to guarantee the number of days involved in delivery as fourth class mail is subject to delivery by local post offices after all other mail has been given priority. However, the Executive Office is trying to mail the Packets earlier during the 1948-49 season than they were mailed during 1947-48 in the hope that a larger number will receive them on time for each open meeting. It should be noted that while some material in every Packet is, of course, dated by a particular month, other material can be brought to the Sisterhoods' attention at a succeeding open meeting with just as much timeliness.

It is obvious from the foregoing, that of the Sisterhood Presidents who were good enough to take the time to reply to the questionnaire, the overwhelming percentage were favorable. While we would have wished that 400 out of our 400 units

would have replied rather than only 165, the distribution of the 165 in terms of geographical location and sizes of Sisterhoods makes a very good sampling of the Federation. As far as polls go, replies from 165 out of 400 questioned is a fine response. However, if the silence of the remaining members of the Federation were to mean that they pay no attention to the Packet, we would indeed be faced with a most serious problem. But we know from the wonderful response of Sisterhoods to matters mentioned in the Packets that almost all Sisterhood Presidents read their monthly Packets. Nevertheless, the Executive staff is concerned with the problem of the bottleneck that sometimes occurs whereby the monthly President's Packets (called State President's Packet and Board Folio respectively for State Presidents and members of the National Board) are not as completely utilized as they should be. This Packet, while sent to the Sisterhood President, is meant for the membership as a whole, subject to adaptation of projects and suggestions to local needs.

For the many who have long expressed the desire for the NFTS Office to release again regularly "Current Copy," a publication of the National Committee on Peace and World Relations, that is "a digest of news items not necessarily emphasized by daily newspapers, and a suggested program of action," we are very happy to report that Mrs. Harrison Thomas, a distinguished educator in the field of international affairs, has been retained to edit a monthly issue of "Current Copy" for the 1948-49 Sisterhood season. Like all releases of the National Committees, "Current Copy" goes to local and State Chairmen on Peace and World Relations if we have the names and addresses of such Chairmen in our files; in addition, it is included in the monthly Packets and will be found in the November, 1948, release.

TOPICS AND TRENDS continues to be published five times during each Sisterhood year and goes to the home address of every Sisterhood member. It is a house organ, not a magazine. The magazine of the Liberal Jewish movement is *Liberal Judaism*. TOPICS AND TRENDS is no more than a four-page leaflet which, despite its limitations, serves as a direct link between NFTS and the local member, as well as among affiliates, bringing items of interest from one to the other.

There are still deficiencies at the top executive level, because of lack of staff, in handling some services and projects which we hope to improve in the coming Biennial period.

Please remember that the NFTS offices are centers from which to procure Sisterhood aids, whether these be program materials, new member tags, or answers to specific questions.

IN APPRECIATION

To the devoted staff of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods on behalf of our Federation, and especially for myself, it is a joyous task to offer heartfelt thanks for inspired services far beyond the call of duty. The Federation consistently moves forward through the untiring work of Miss Esther Ciener, Assistant to the Director; Miss Helen L. Strauss, Campaign Director of the House of Living Judaism, and her staff; Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Secretarial Assistant; Miss Kay Kubota and others. Mrs. Albert H. Silverman, who until recently was the Chicago Area Secretary in our experimental office there which has now been closed, will continue

to assist us on a part-time basis from her new home in another state, and while we wish her well, we also express our appreciation for her continuing professional help.

To my colleagues on the General Secretariat of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and especially to Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union, I offer warm words of appreciation for their consistent cooperation.

Not only for myself but very surely for the Federation as a whole, I offer thanks to all the officers and members of the Executive Board, and especially to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our beloved and inspired National President.

The Federation's progress is but a reflection of both the quality of its leadership and the dedication of all of its members.

The Director cannot bring this report to a close without mention of the fact that she has had the privilege of completing 15 years in her present post. If the contrast between 1913 and today are sharp, so, too, are those between 1933 and the present. The Second World War, the loss of six million of our people in the wave of modern barbarism that engulfed mankind, the creation of the United Nations, the release of atomic energy, are only some of the extraordinary events of the recent past. The Director is deeply indebted to the Federation for the opportunities afforded to her during 15 strenuous, eventful years to contribute, in however small a measure, to causes to which we are dedicated. The two years of part-time leave of absence to serve as Director of the National Peace Conference as well as of our Federation; the exciting and exhausting weeks during which in San Francisco in 1945, she served as a consultant to the United States delegation during the United Nations Conference on International Organization, at which the United Nations charter was created; the five thorny years when we and the rest of American Jewry wrote a new chapter of cooperation for the benefit of K'lal Yisroel through the American Jewish Conference, under the guiding genius of that late great leader, Henry Monsky—are only some of the memories that crowd to mind. To have been privileged to play a role, however small, on the boards of history of our own and other peoples is an honor which can only be acknowledged through reconsecration to service.

THE NEW BIENNIAL PERIOD

Without offering the suggestion in the form of formal recommendation, it is the Director's hope that during the next two years, our long-deferred plans for intensified Leaders Training Institutes in various places will be consummated. If present plans materialize, one of these Training Institutes will be held on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for a period of one full week, during which those Sisterhood officers, leaders and members who may care to be in attendance will be able to combine classes in specific Sisterhood techniques with seminars in subjects of broad significance under the distinguished faculty of the College.

One of our contemporary thinkers has suggested that modern civilization excessively stimulates the mind while at the same time, it depresses the spirit. Surely, it is the task of a great organization such as ours, dedicated to the service of Jewish and humanitarian causes through the inspiration of our people's faith, to be concerned with the refreshment of spirit. Through the ages the Jewish people has found the

Synagogue its storehouse of power. We are grateful to God that Mrs. Abram Simon, our first President, is with us 35 years after she founded our Federation. In words which Mrs. Simon spoke at our very first Biennial, let us now repeat: "The duty of our Federation becomes all the more necessary because it runs contrary to the social currents of the day. Our work puts the highest premium on patience, enthusiasm and determination. We do not believe in going back to the Synagogue. Our alliance with the Synagogue is a forward movement. Forward with the Synagogue is now our ruling passion."

Respectfully submitted,

JANE EVANS, *Executive Director*



REPORT OF
The Treasurer

Pittsburgh, Pa., November 1, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

I beg leave to submit the following as my report from November 1, 1947, to October 31, 1948:

Balance on Hand in Banks, November 1, 1947 after reconciliation (Central Trust Co., Southern Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Co., Guardian Bank & Savings Co., all of Cincinnati, Ohio, Bank of Manhattan Co. of N. Y., and Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, Canada).....	\$ 98,426.47
Received from various sources—November 1 to October 31.....	269,642.69
Total	<u>\$368,069.16</u>
Paid out Vouchers—Checks Nos. 296 through 427.....	<u>\$241,911.62</u>
Balance in Banks (October 31, 1948).....	\$126,157.54

The Bank Balances agree with this report and were submitted by me to the Executive Director at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Attached herewith is a statement of the financial condition of the NFTS for the year ended October 31, 1948.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. AARON) LEORA L. LAMBIE, *Treasurer*

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
October 31, 1948

ASSETS	Total	General Fund	HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund	House of Living Judaism Fund	Special Funds for Designated Purposes
Cash in banks and on hand.....	\$126,297.54	\$12,866.51	\$56,498.51	\$ 55,492.80	\$1,439.72
Cash on deposit with Union of American Hebrew Congregations....	1,000.00	1,000.00			
Investments (at cost).....	193,454.50	12,950.00	37,000.00	143,504.50	
Demand note receivable from UAHC (balance).....	3,250.00	3,250.00			
Deposits with travel agencies.....	568.27	568.27			
Accounts and contributions receivable.....	1,770.57	1,239.37	531.20		
Total Assets.....	\$326,340.88	\$31,874.15(a)	\$94,029.71	\$198,997.30(b)	\$1,439.72
LIABILITIES					
Due to Union of American Hebrew Congregations.....	\$ 24,672.65	\$ 1,407.25	\$23,265.40		
Account and refund payable.....	1,750.00	1,500.00	250.00		
Deferred income—available for 1948-49 and subsequent years.....	1,636.97	154.80	1,482.17		
Due to Sisterhoods for Free Religious Schools.....	416.40		416.40		
Total Liabilities.....	\$ 28,476.02	\$ 3,062.05	\$25,413.97		
RESERVES AND SURPLUS					
Mrs. Martha Steinfeld Reserve.....	\$ 603.99				\$ 603.99
Contribution for Braille Machine.....	40.00				40.00
Reserve for Committee on Child Study and Parent Education.....	100.00				100.00
Reserve for World Union for Progressive Judaism— Silver Coin Collection.....	695.73				695.73
House of Living Judaism Reserve.....	198,997.30			\$198,997.30	
Accumulated Surplus—October 31, 1948.....	97,427.84	\$28,812.10	\$68,615.74		
Total Reserves and Surplus.....	\$297,864.86	\$28,812.10	\$68,615.74	\$198,997.30	\$1,439.72
Total.....	\$326,340.88	\$31,874.15	\$94,029.71	\$198,997.30	\$1,439.72

Notes: (a) Does not include unpaid balances aggregating \$4,457.18 due on Uniongram sales and other articles; and inventories of articles for sale. Income from these sources is credited when collected.

(b) Unpaid pledges for the House of Living Judaism amounted to \$21,657.27 as at October 31, 1948. Collections are credited to the Reserve when collected.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
 Hebrew Union College Scholarships and
 Religious Education

Cleveland, Ohio, October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

During his recent visit to America, Dr. Leo Baeck, former Chief Rabbi of Berlin, hero of Theresienstadt Concentration Camp and one of the truly great figures of our time, left with American Jewry, a great challenge and noble vision. Pleading for a new emphasis on religious motivation for our lives as Jews, a new strengthening of our dignity as religious-minded individuals belonging to a religious group living among our Christian fellow-countrymen, Dr. Baeck pointed up the role of the Jew in the world of today with the phrase, "We have entered into a new time and a new time has entered into us."

It is with emphasis on this "new time" in our self-evaluation as Jews that your Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund is concerned. Through its partial dormitory maintenance scholarships for student rabbis in need of such assistance; its financial support toward some of the work of its parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, especially for Youth Activities; its tangible contribution to the spiritual guidance and comfort of our brethren abroad, through cooperation with the World Union for Progressive Judaism—in all these fields, the aims of your Committee are to be the right arm of the UAHC for the maintenance of religious motivation in the lives of Jews.

It is always gratifying to review the meritorious projects supported or assisted by the funds derived from the sale of Uniongrams and by cash contributions to the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. In the Spring of 1948, the Executive Board approved the following expenditures from this Fund:

- (1) An allocation, on account, of \$20,000 to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for religious education work including the Department of Youth Activities, from the 1946-47 collections of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.
- (2) An increase in the maximum NFTS scholarship award for Hebrew Union College rabbinic students in need of such assistance beginning with the academic year 1948-1949, from \$350 to \$450 per student.
- (3) The allocation of \$10,000 to the Hebrew Union College from the reserve of the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund for additional furnishings needs in the Hebrew Union College dormitory, said furnishings to be approved by the College Dormitory Committee, on which NFTS is represented.
- (4) The payment at this time from the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund collections of the 1946-47 NFTS fiscal year, of the balance of \$2,993.31 to complete scholarship awards for the 1946-47 academic year.

Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Director of Education for the UAHC, upon his return from overseas, requested NFTS to make possible the sending of twenty sets of

twenty-four volumes each of educational books published by the Union, to displaced persons camps in Europe. The cost of these books, \$546.00 plus a small additional sum for shipment, was appropriated from the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund reserve, upon action by the NFTS Executive Board.

Another expenditure from this reserve fund, in which you will take justifiable pride, was a graduate fellowship of \$1500 to Mrs. Johanna Spector, a young woman in her thirties, who has survived five years of concentration camp life during which she saw her husband killed, and who upon finally reaching this country, was admitted as a graduate student to HUC. Mrs. Spector is a graduate of the Jewish Gymnasium in Libau, Latvia, and of the State Academy of Music in Vienna, where she majored in piano and music history. Mrs. Spector has also done graduate work at the University of Frankfurt-am-Main in Musicology, and had begun to write her Doctor's thesis on the subject of Jewish music when she was given the opportunity, on a corporate visa, to enter the United States.

Mrs. Spector has just this year published a volume in Vienna called "Songs of the Concentration Camps." She is now continuing her work for her Doctor's degree at HUC majoring in Jewish music, but also studying Mishna, Bible, Liturgy, Hebrew and Philosophy. The NFTS Executive Board will consider, on the basis of her progress and her teachers' reports, a renewal of this fellowship for her final year of study one year hence.

We have great religious leaders in Jewish life, but these leaders, eloquent and inspired as they are, can only be effective as they speak to and through a religiously educated laity. The tradition of "religious literacy" of the Jewish laity is age-old and in a darkened world it must again be our strength and our mainstay. As women affiliated with Reform or Liberal Jewry, we can have no greater goal than to leave to our children the only unchanging security possible in this changing world—the bulwark of emotional strength afforded by a life lived with religious awareness.

It is both with pride in past performance and confidence in the Sisterhoods to meet the continuing challenge of our time that your Committee makes the following report:

**Table of Income for the Fiscal Year
November 1, 1947—October 31, 1948**

Deferred Receipts from Previous Year.....	\$ 2,760.90
Cash Contributions	18,887.86
Uniongram Apportionment Profit	33,536.10
I. M. Wise.....	259.31
Total	\$55,444.07
Less: Income Deferred to 1948-49.....	1,482.17
Total	\$53,961.90

This report would not be complete without mention of your Chairman's pleasure at the creative union that has been achieved during this year through the merger of the Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati and the Jewish Institute of Religion of New York into one great seminary. To Dr. Nelson Glueck, President of the institution and Doctors Stephen S. Wise and Julian Morgenstern, Presidents Emeriti of the Jewish Institute of Religion and the Hebrew Union College respectively, we extend heartfelt greetings while we pray that God will grant each of them long years of continuing health and strength. May He bless the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion whose students and faculty are dedicated to His service and that of their fellow-men.

The activities and monies listed in this report represent in a large measure the support and cooperation given to the Committee by the Uniongram Committee, the National President of NFTS, the Executive Director and the professional staff and

above all else, the high priority given to the aims and work of this Committee on the National, State, and Local Sisterhood level. For all this support, your Chairman is deeply grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. SOL.) ANNE B. GITSON, *Chairman*

Distinguished Service List

Contributions of \$500.00 or More

California		1947-48
San Francisco.....	Temple Emanu-El Guild	\$ 538.00
Connecticut		
Hartford.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		500.00
District of Columbia		
Washington.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation.....	500.00
Illinois		
Chicago.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel.....	540.00
Peoria.....	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood.....	540.00
Indiana		
Evansville.....	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Louisiana		
New Orleans.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	500.00
Maryland		
Baltimore.....	Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood.....	761.60
	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.....	500.00
Massachusetts		
Boston.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	516.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom.....	550.00
Michigan		
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	500.00
New Jersey		
Newark.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun.....	500.00
New York		
Great Neck.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	560.00
New York.....	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El.....	516.00
Ohio		
Cincinnati.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	652.00
Cleveland.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel.....	500.00
Oklahoma		
Oklahoma City.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	557.60
Pennsylvania		
Harrisburg.....	Sisterhood of Ohav Shalom.....	500.00
Pittsburgh.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	1,825.20

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Tennessee

Memphis.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 500.00
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Texas

Dallas.....	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood.....	740.00
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Washington

Seattle.....	Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch.....	500.00
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Wisconsin

Milwaukee.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.....	900.00
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Honor Roll

Contributions of \$350.00-\$500.00

Alabama

1947-1948

Birmingham.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	\$ 350.00
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California

Hollywood.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
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Los Angeles.....	Wilshire Blvd. Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Oakland.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	350.00
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San Francisco.....	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood.....	390.00
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Georgia

Atlanta.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	480.00
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Illinois

Chicago.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel.....	350.06
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	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	350.00
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	Women of Mizpah.....	358.00
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	Temple Sholom Sisterhood.....	350.00
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	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
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	Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Glencoe.....	North Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Indiana

Indianapolis.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Iowa

Davenport.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	350.00
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Kentucky

Louisville.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Louisiana

New Orleans.....	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue.....	352.00
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Maryland

Baltimore.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood.....	350.40
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Minnesota

Minneapolis.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	390.00
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Missouri

Kansas City.....	The Temple Sisterhood—B'nai Jehudah.....	350.00
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New York

Albany.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	352.00
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Brooklyn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom.....	350.00
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	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush.....	\$ 350.00
	Sisterhood of Beth Shalom People's Temple.....	359.60
Buffalo.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood.....	350.00
Lawrence, L. I.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	450.00
New Rochelle.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
New York.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood.....	366.00
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue.....	350.00
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		350.00

Ohio

Akron.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	360.00
Columbus.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	414.00
Dayton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	370.60
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		365.00

Oregon

Portland.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Pennsylvania

Philadelphia.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	352.00

Tennessee

Nashville.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Texas

Houston.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
Charleston.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood.....	380.00
Huntington.....	Ohev Shalom Temple Sisterhood.....	425.66

Canada

Toronto.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	350.67
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Honorable Mention

Contributions to the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
Increased by at Least 5% (but not less than \$1.00) during 1947-48

Alabama

	1946-47	1947-48
Anniston.....	Henrietta Sterne Sisterhood..... \$ 10.00	\$ 19.00
Dothan.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood..... 50.40	53.60
Huntsville.....	Temple Sisterhood..... 9.00	24.00
Sheffield-Florence-		
Tuscumbia.....	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood..... 12.80	16.00
Tuscaloosa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel..... 12.80	14.40

Arizona

Phoenix.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	52.00
Tucson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	120.00 126.40

Arkansas

Blytheville.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	4.00
Ft. Smith.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	41.00 69.00
Helena.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth-El.....	11.00 12.00
Hot Springs.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel.....	90.00 94.50
Jonesboro.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	11.20 12.80
Little Rock.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	176.00 184.80
McGehee.....	Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood.....	20.00
Pine Bluff.....	Sisterhood Anshe Emeth.....	84.20

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California

Alameda.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	\$	\$ 2.40
Glendale.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple.....	52.00	54.60
Hollywood (North).....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	36.00	37.80
Long Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	112.00	157.60
Los Angeles.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood.....	.....	20.50
	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood.....	8.00	17.00
	Temple Judea Sisterhood.....	.....	1.00
Los Angeles (West).....	University Synagogue Sisterhood.....	24.00	45.20
Redondo Beach.....	South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood.....	28.00	32.00
Sacramento.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	93.00	172.65
San Bernardino.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	.....	30.00
San Gabriel.....	Temple Beth David Sisterhood.....	.....	24.20
Santa Ana.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	.....	16.90
Santa Monica.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	179.93	331.11
Stockton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	37.00	38.85

Colorado

Colorado Springs.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	20.00	48.00
Denver.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	204.00	220.00
Trinidad.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood.....	6.40	8.00

Connecticut

Danbury.....	Sisterhood of United Jewish Center.....	.....	8.00
Waterbury.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	39.67	42.40

Florida

Daytona Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	24.00	32.00
Ft. Lauderdale.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	21.00	22.05
Jacksonville.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	68.80	80.00
Lakeland.....	Ladies Auxiliary of Temple Emanu-El.....	.....	20.00
Miami Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	.....	80.00
Pensacola.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	40.00	61.00
St. Petersburg.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El.....	23.20	28.00
Tallahassee.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	37.00	39.20
Tampa.....	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood.....	60.00	77.60
West Palm Beach.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	28.80	30.24

Georgia

Augusta.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	124.00	130.40
Brunswick.....	Temple Beth Tefilloh.....	12.00	20.40
Columbus.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society.....	81.80	85.89
Fitzgerald.....	Sisterhood of Hebrew Congregation.....	10.60	11.60
Macon.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	82.00	110.10
Rome.....	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.....	9.20	13.40

Illinois

Champaign-Urbana.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	16.00	67.20
Chicago.....	Beth Am Sisterhood.....	.....	20.00
	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	40.00	48.80
	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood.....	181.33	198.39
	Sisterhood of Temple Ezra.....	16.20	24.00
	Hyde Park Liberal Congregation Sisterhood.....	.....	10.00
	Temple Judea Sisterhood.....	57.00	60.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah.....	20.00	59.20
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	84.00	125.27
Decatur.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood.....	48.00	90.40
Kankakee.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	66.00
Rockford.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	42.00	188.40

Indiana

Anderson.....	Jewish Sisterhood.....	43.51	45.68
Hammond.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	80.00	85.00
Kokomo.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood.....	13.80	16.80
Lafayette.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	4.00	27.20
Marion.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	42.00	44.60

		1946-47	1947-48
Muncie.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 65.94	\$ 69.24
South Bend.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	152.00	196.80
Terre Haute.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	170.75	179.28

Iowa

Cedar Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....	29.60	31.20
Des Moines.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood.....	303.20	318.80
Sioux City.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai.....	113.68	140.00

Kansas

Leavenworth.....	Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun.....	1.60	
Topeka.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood.....	20.80	22.40
Wichita.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	104.80	110.04

Kentucky

Ashland.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	32.20	34.40
Hopkinsville.....	Adath Israel Ladies Auxiliary.....	4.00	
Louisville.....	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood.....	156.42	164.24
Paducah.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	99.36	104.32

Louisiana

Alexandria.....	Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	115.00	129.40
Bastrop.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop.....	20.20	21.80
Baton Rouge.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	50.00	82.00
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood.....	35.80	37.60
Houma.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	31.17	32.72
Lafayette.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	12.40	23.20
Lake Charles.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	32.80	35.20
Monroe.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	49.40	71.00
Morgan City.....	The Morgan City Sisterhood.....	5.00	14.60
New Orleans.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer.....	313.60	329.60
Shreveport.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple.....	129.40	136.60

Massachusetts

Boston.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	140.00	
Lawrence.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel.....	20.00	
Lynn.....	Sisterhood of Beth El.....	80.00	84.00
Pittsfield.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	27.02	28.37
Springfield.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	24.00	28.80

Michigan

Battle Creek.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	4.00	12.00
Bay City.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	53.13	70.87
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	116.00	136.00
Flint.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	60.00	140.00
Jackson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	48.80	52.00
Muskegon.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel.....	87.15	143.20
Pontiac.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	175.30	221.10
Saginaw.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	8.00	28.00
Grand Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	100.41	105.43

Minnesota

St. Paul.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple.....	120.00	233.60
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Mississippi

Brookhaven.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom.....	10.60	19.00
Canton.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	23.10	33.10
Clarksdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	306.40	322.00
Cleveland.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	66.40	70.40
Columbus.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	32.10	34.30
Drew and Ruleville.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville.....	55.57	58.63
Greenville.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood.....	113.04	128.29
Greenwood.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	13.00	14.40
Jackson.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	145.53	175.20
Laurel.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	19.60	25.60
Lexington.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood.....	5.00	7.20
Meridian.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	103.75	108.93

		1946-47	1947-48
Natchez.....	Temple Sisterhood	\$ 48.93	\$ 59.00
Riverside.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....		18.00
Tupelo.....	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood.....		20.00
Vicksburg.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood.....	68.80	179.48

Missouri

Joplin.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	29.60	51.20
St. Joseph.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood.....	76.00	104.80
St. Louis.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.....	79.20	96.00
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood.....	303.48	318.65

Montana

Butte.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....		4.00
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Nebraska

Lincoln.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood.....	21.60	23.20
Omaha.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	129.60	136.08

New Jersey

Atlantic City.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	85.60	110.40
Hackensack.....	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	1.60	32.00
Hoboken.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno.....	21.60	23.20
Jersey City.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	50.40	53.60
Long Branch.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood.....	14.40	16.00
Paterson.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood.....	48.00	56.00
Plainfield.....	Temple Sholom Sisterhood.....	60.00	63.20

New Mexico

Albuquerque.....	Temple Albert Sisterhood.....	21.60	45.00
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New York

Batavia.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	32.00	33.60
Brooklyn.....	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim.....	184.00	237.40
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue.....	88.00	96.00
	Sisterhood of Shaari Zedek.....		16.00
Dunkirk.....	Hebrew Sisterhood.....	5.20	6.40
Flushing.....	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	105.60	111.20
Hempstead.....	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple.....	54.10	83.67
Hornell.....	Beth-El Sisterhood.....	4.00	8.00
Jamaica.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	64.80	82.40
Kew Gardens.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah.....	10.00	28.00
Kingston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	24.00	25.60
Long Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	8.00	24.00
Lynbrook.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....		4.00
Mt. Vernon.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	40.00	60.00
Newburgh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	68.00	87.40
New York.....	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant.....	96.00	114.00
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle.....	9.00	16.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.	120.00	127.20
	Riverdale Temple Sisterhood.....		100.00
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood.....	116.00	124.00
Niagara Falls.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	56.00	96.00
Olean.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	19.20	36.20
Rochester.....	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood.....	68.00	72.00
Rockville Centre.....	Sist. of Central Synagogue of Nassau County.....	100.00	114.40
Schenectady.....	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven.....	13.60	15.20
Syracuse.....	Sisterhood of Society of Concord.....	126.40	160.00
Troy.....	Sisterhood of Third Street Temple.....	36.00	38.40
White Plains.....	Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Commu- nity Center.....	40.00	42.40

North Carolina

Gastonia.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	19.20	20.20
Greensboro.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	32.00	60.00
Raleigh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or.....	17.60	23.20
Rocky Mount.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....		10.00

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North Dakota

Fargo..... Beth El Sisterhood.....\$ \$ 40.00

Ohio

Alliance.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	1.00	17.60
Bellaire.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood.....	50.00	56.50
Canton.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	176.00	184.80
Cleveland.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	8.00	27.60
East Liverpool.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	9.80	16.80
Elyria.....	Elyria Sisterhood.....	4.80	10.60
Fremont.....	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple.....		4.00
Lima.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	28.00	56.00
Lorain.....	Lorain Temple Sisterhood.....	63.00	76.00
Mansfield.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	60.00	64.00
Newark.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society.....	19.80	21.40
Piqua.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	25.60	27.20
Portsmouth.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	67.33	70.70
Sandusky.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	8.00	17.60
Springfield.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women.....	24.00	84.00
Steubenville.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	40.00	42.40
Toledo.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	309.60	325.60
Youngstown.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood.....	166.00	182.30

Oklahoma

Ardmore.....	Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood.....		16.00
Tulsa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	116.80	123.20

Pennsylvania

Allentown.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	100.00	221.60
Altoona.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	12.00	36.00
Clearfield.....	Clearfield Sisterhood.....	19.20	20.80
Easton.....	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace.....	113.40	119.07
Erie.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	60.00	88.00
Greensburg.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....		1.00
Hazleton.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	56.00	88.00
Honesdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	15.40	16.40
Johnstown.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	88.80	132.00
Lancaster.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim.....	129.36	190.64
McKeesport.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	65.60	80.88
Philadelphia.....	Sisterhood of Beth David Reform Congregation.....	28.80	40.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea.....	80.00	100.00
Reading.....	Sisterhood Temple Oheb Shalom.....	38.40	80.00
Scranton.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple.....	17.00	120.00
Uniontown.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	21.60	40.00
Wilkes-Barre.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith.....		16.00
Williamsport.....	Sisterhood Beth Ha-Shalom.....	24.00	40.00
York.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	65.80	139.53

Rhode Island

Providence.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	160.00	168.00
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South Carolina

Anderson.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	7.20	8.80
Bishopville.....	Hebrew Sisterhood.....	5.00	17.00
Charleston.....	K. K. B. E. Temple Sisterhood.....	98.40	103.32
Columbia.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life.....	196.40	232.00
Conway.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	38.95	58.00
Dillon.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	17.00	18.00
Georgetown.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	17.60	18.60
Lake City-Kingstree... ..	Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood.....	35.30	37.06
Sumter.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple.....	70.40	74.40

South Dakota

Sioux Falls.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood.....	17.60	18.60
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Tennessee

Brownsville.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 21.60	\$ 26.68
Chattanooga.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple.....	80.00	84.00
Clarksville.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	4.80	5.80
Jackson.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	29.56	33.60
Knoxville.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	71.40	94.40

Texas

Alice.....	Jewish Sisterhood.....	7.40	8.40
Austin.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	34.61	36.80
Beaumont.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	46.41	49.00
Big Spring.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	5.60	8.00
Corpus Christi.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	8.00	9.00
El Paso.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	64.25	67.46
Ft. Worth.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	131.11	217.66
Galveston.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	116.00	122.00
Houston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	250.00	263.20
Lufkin.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	26.00	27.80
San Antonio.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	168.00	176.80
Texarkana.....	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	2.40	36.00
Tyler.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	16.00	20.00
Waco.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Sholom.....	13.60	25.60
Wichita Falls.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	11.20	12.80

Vermont

St. Jøhnsbury.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....		2.00
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Virginia

Charlottesville.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	10.00	26.00
Danville.....	Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood.....		1.60
Fredericksburg.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood.....	16.80	95.20
Harrisonburg.....	Harrisonburg Hebrew Sisterhood.....		15.20
Lynchburg.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue.....	79.20	113.60
Norfolk.....	The Sisterhood of Ofef Sholom Temple.....	140.00	147.00
Richmond.....	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood.....	104.00	117.60
Roanoke.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	31.20	72.00
Staunton.....	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood.....	19.00	26.20

Washington

Spokane.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	4.00	20.00
Tacoma.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	80.00	84.00

West Virginia

Bluefield.....	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood.....	40.00	59.20
Clarksburg.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood.....	50.00	72.44
Fairmont.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood.....	38.40	45.60
Logan.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	20.00	32.00
Parkersburg.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	20.00	40.00
Welch.....	Emanu El Sisterhood.....	45.00	47.25
Williamson.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	41.51	52.00

Wisconsin

Appleton.....	Zion Temule Sisterhood.....	28.20	38.25
Fond-du-Lac.....	Khiloth Jacob Sisterhood.....	13.80	15.20
Kenosha.....	Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	13.00	48.00
Madison.....	Temple Beth, El Sisterhood.....	28.00	39.20
Oshkosh.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	38.88	87.92

Canada

Hamilton.....	Deborah Sisterhood of Anshe Sholom Synagogue.....	25.60	40.00
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Cuba

Havana.....	Menorah Sisterhood of Havana.....		36.00
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Panama

Colon.....	Sisterhood Kaal Kadosh Yangakob.....	1.60	2.60
Panama.....	Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel.....	61.75	73.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF Contributions to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

With the exception of Districts 23 and 25, the divisions listed in this report are State and District units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The following symbol (*) indicates groups that are not members of the District Federation under which they are listed.

DISTRICT No. 1—\$1,537.17

New England

	CONTRIBUTIONS
	1947-48
Boston, Mass. Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	\$516.00
Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom.....	550.00
Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	140.00
Lawrence, Mass..... Sisterhood Temple Emanuel.....	20.00
Lynn, Mass..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	84.00
Pittsfield, Mass..... Temple Sisterhood.....	28.37
Springfield, Mass.*.. Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	28.80
Providence, R. I..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	168.00
St. Johnsbury, Vt.*.. Beth El Sisterhood.....	2.00

DISTRICT No. 2—\$1,074.40

Connecticut

(The Rose Zunder Memorial)

Bridgeport, Conn. B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 8.00
Danbury, Conn..... Sisterhood of United Jewish Center.....	8.00
Hartford, Conn..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
New Haven, Conn..... Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood.....	16.00
Waterbury, Conn..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	42.40
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	500.00

DISTRICT No. 3—\$7,579.07

New York¹

Albany, N. Y..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	\$352.00
Batavia, N. Y..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	33.60
Brooklyn, N. Y..... Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom.....	350.00
Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim.....	237.40 ²
Sisterhood of Beth Emeth of Flatbush (In memory of Rabbi Samuel J. Levinson).....	350.00
Sisterhood Beth Sholom People's Temple.....	359.60
Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue.....	96.00
Sisterhood Shaarai Zedek.....	16.00
Sisterhood of Union Temple.....	100.00
Buffalo, N. Y..... Beth Zion Sisterhood.....	350.00
Dunkirk, N. Y..... Hebrew Sisterhood.....	6.40
Elmira, N. Y..... Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	88.00
Flushing, N. Y..... Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	111.20
Glens Falls, N. Y..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	9.60
Great Neck, N. Y..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck.....	560.00
Hempstead, N. Y..... Nassau Community Temple.....	83.67
Hornell, N. Y..... Beth El Sisterhood.....	8.00
Jamaica, N. Y..... Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	82.40
Kew Gardens, N. Y..... Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah.....	28.00

*Affiliated with the Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1947-48
Kingston, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	\$ 25.60
Lawrence, L. I., N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel (The 1948 Confirmation Class, Temple Israel)	450.00
Long Beach, L.I., N.Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	24.00
Lynbrook, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	4.00
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	60.00
Newburgh, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	87.40
New Rochelle, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
New York, N. Y.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood (The Jonah B. Wise Contri- bution)	366.00
	Sisterhood of Temple of the Covenant.....	114.00
	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Temple Emanu-El.....	516.00
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim	1.60
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle	16.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc. Mt. Neboh Sisterhood (The Blanche P. Goldfarb Contribution)	127.20
	Riverdale Temple Sisterhood	350.00
	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. Rudolph Grossman)	100.00
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue	350.00
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood	124.00
Niagara Falls, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	96.00
Olean, N. Y.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	36.20
Rochester, N. Y.....	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood	72.00
Rockville Centre, N.Y.....	Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County	114.40
Schenectady, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven.....	15.20
Syracuse, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Society of Concord	160.00
Troy, N. Y.....	The Sisterhood of Third Street Temple	38.40
White Plains, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of the Jewish Community Center	42.40
Yonkers, N. Y.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	16.80
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Sallie Kubie Glauber Memorial Contribution)		350.00

DISTRICT No. 4—\$1,044.00

New Jersey

Atlantic City, N. J.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 110.40
Hackensack, N.J.*.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel	32.00
Jersey City, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Adas Emuno	23.20
Long Branch, N. J.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	53.60
New Brunswick, N. J.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood	16.00
Hoboken, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple	35.20
Newark, N. J.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun (Rabbi Solomon Foster Contribution)	500.00
Orange, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo	138.40
Paterson, N. J.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood.....	56.00
Plainfield, N. J.....	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	63.20
Trenton, N. J.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood	16.00

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Pennsylvania

Allentown, Pa.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 221.60
Altoona, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel	36.00
Clearfield, Pa.....	Clearfield Sisterhood	20.80
Easton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Covenant of Peace.....	119.07
Erie, Pa.....	The Temple Sisterhood	88.00
Greensburg, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	1.00
Harrisburg, Pa.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood	500.00
Hazeltown, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	88.00
Honesdale, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	16.40

(1) Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, is an affiliate of the New York State Federation
See "Foreign" listing.

(2) \$27.00 in honor of 40th anniversary of Congregation.

CONTRIBUTIONS
1947-48

Johnstown, Pa.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 132.00
Lancaster, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim	190.64
McKeesport, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	80.88
New Castle, Pa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	16.00
Philadelphia, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth David	40.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea	100.00
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood (Dr. Joseph Krauskopf Memorial)	350.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	352.00
Pittsburgh.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood (Given by Mr. and Mrs. Mayer Forst in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Falk)	350.00
	(In memory of Dr. J. Leonard Levy and commemorating his birthday, November 24)	720.00
	Confirmation Class, 1947 (Honoring Dr. Solomon B. Freehof and Rabbi Floyd Fierman)	755.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	40.00
Reading, Pa.....	Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	80.00
Scranton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple	120.00
Uniontown, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	40.00
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith	16.00
Williamsport, Pa.....	Temple Beth-Ha Shalom Sisterhood	40.00
York, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	139.53

DISTRICT No. 6—\$5,029.70

Ohio

Akron, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	\$ 360.00
Alliance, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	17.60
Bellaire, Ohio.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood	56.50
Canton, Ohio.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood	184.80
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood (The Isaac Mayer Wise Contribution)	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood (The Dr. David Philipson Contribution)	652.00
Cleveland, Ohio.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood	500.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	27.60
Columbus, Ohio.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel	414.00
Dayton, Ohio.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	370.60
East Liverpool, Ohio.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	16.80
Elyria, Ohio.....	Elyria Sisterhood	10.60
Fremont, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	4.00
Hamilton, Ohio.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood	78.00
Lima, Ohio.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	56.00
Lorain, Ohio.....	Lorain Temple Sisterhood	76.00
Mansfield, Ohio.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	64.00
Newark, Ohio.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society	21.40
Piqua, Ohio.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	27.20
Portsmouth, Ohio.....	The Temple Sisterhood	70.70
Sandusky, Ohio.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	17.60
Springfield, Ohio.....	The Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women	84.00
Stuebenville, Ohio.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	42.40
Toledo, Ohio.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood	325.60
Youngstown, Ohio.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	182.30
Zanesville, Ohio.....	Findlay Avenue Temple Sisterhood	5.00
	Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In memory of Dr. Joshua Loth Liebman)	365.00

DISTRICT No. 7—\$1,246.75

West Virginia

Beckley, W. Va.....	Beckley Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 28.60
Bluefield, W. Va.....	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood	59.20
Charleston, W. Va.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood	380.00
Clarksburg, W. Va.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life	72.44

	CONTRIBUTIONS 1947-48
Fairmont, W. Va..... Jewish Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 45.60
Huntington, W. Va.....Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood	425.66
Logan, W. Va..... Temple Sisterhood	32.00
Morgantown, W. Va... Morgantown Sisterhood	64.00
Parkersburg, W. Va.... B'nai Israel Sisterhood	40.00
Welch, W. Va.....The Emanu El Sisterhood	47.25
Williamson, W. Va.... Temple Sisterhood	52.00

DISTRICT No. 8—\$2,955.80

District of Columbia-Maryland-Delaware-Virginia-North Carolina

Washington, D. C..... Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation (The Dr. Abram Simon Memorial).....	\$ 500.00
Baltimore, Md..... Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood (The Szold-Kaiser Contribution)	761.60
Har Sinai Sisterhood (The David Einhorn Contribution) ...	350.40
Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood	500.00
Cumberland, Md. B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood	16.00
Wilmington, Del..... Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth	28.00
Alexandria, Va..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	16.00
Charlottesville, Va.... Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	26.00
Danville, Va..... Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood	1.60
Fredericksburg, Va.... Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	95.20
Harrisonburg, Va..... Harrisonburg Hebrew Sisterhood	15.20
Lynchburg, Va..... Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue.....	113.60
Norfolk, Va..... The Sisterhood of Ohev Sholom Temple	147.00
Richmond, Va..... Temple Beth Ahabah Sisterhood	117.60
Roanoke, Va..... Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	72.00
Staunton, Va..... House of Israel Sisterhood	26.20
Asheville, N. C.*..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila	40.00
Gastonia, N. C..... Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	20.20
Greensboro, N. C.... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	60.00
Lumberton, N. C.*... Hebrew Women's Auxiliary	12.00
New Bern, N. C.*... B'nai Sholem Temple Sisterhood	4.00
Raleigh, N. C..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or	23.20
Rocky Mount, N. C... Temple Beth El Sisterhood	10.00

DISTRICT No. 10—\$1,837.80

Indiana

Anderson, Ind..... Jewish Sisterhood	\$ 45.68
Evansville, Ind..... Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood	500.00
Ft. Wayne, Ind..... Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood	259.20
Gary, Ind..... Sisterhood Temple Israel	40.00
Hammond, Ind..... Beth El Sisterhood	85.00
Indianapolis, Ind.... The Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Kokomo, Ind..... Jewish Temple Sisterhood	16.80
Lafayette, Ind..... Temple Israel Sisterhood	27.20
Marion, Ind..... Sinai Temple Sisterhood	44.60
Michigan City, Ind... Sinai Temple Sisterhood	24.00
Muncie, Ind..... Beth El Temple Sisterhood	69.24
South Bend, Ind.... Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	196.80
Terre Haute, Ind.... Temple Israel Sisterhood	179.28

DISTRICT No. 11—\$1,448.60

Michigan

Battle Creek, Mich. . Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	\$ 12.00
Bay City, Mich. The Temple Sisterhood	70.87
Detroit, Mich. Sisterhood of Temple Beth El (The Jahrzeit Fund and the Paula Kahn Brown Contribution)	500.00
Sisterhood of Temple Israel	136.00 ^s
Flint, Mich. Temple Beth El Sisterhood	140.00

CONTRIBUTIONS
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Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	\$ 105.43
Jackson, Mich.....	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple	52.00
Lansing, Mich.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek	36.00
Muskegon, Mich.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel	143.20
Petoskey, Mich.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	4.00
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	221.10
Saginaw, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	28.00

DISTRICT No. 12—\$1,900.48

Kentucky-Tennessee

Ashland, Ky.....	Temple Sisterhood	\$ 34.40
Danville, Ky.*.....	Sisterhood of the Blue Grass Judean Society	16.00
Henderson, Ky.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood	10.80
Hopkinsville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Ladies' Auxiliary	4.00
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	122.24
Louisville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	350.00
	Temple B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	164.24
Paducah, Ky.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	104.32
Brownsville, Tenn.....	The Temple Sisterhood	26.68
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple	84.00
Clarksville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	5.80
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	33.60
Knoxville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	94.40
Memphis, Tenn.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood (The Abe Wurzburg Contribution)	500.00
Nashville, Tenn.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood	350.00

DISTRICT No. 13—\$633.91

South Carolina

(In Memory of Mrs. Rose Hirschman)

Anderson, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	\$ 8.80
Bishopville, S. C.....	Hebrew Sisterhood	17.00
Camden, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	7.20
Charleston, S. C.....	K. K. B. E. Temple Sisterhood	103.32
Columbia, S. C.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life	232.00
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	58.00
Darlington, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	24.00 ⁴
Dillon, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	18.00
Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	35.53
Georgetown, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	18.60
Lake City-Kingstree.....	Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood	37.06
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	74.40

DISTRICT No. 14—\$1,911.88

Georgia-Florida-Alabama

Anniston, Ala.....	Henrietta Sisterhood	\$ 19.00
Birmingham, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	350.00
Dothan, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	53.60
Gadsden, Ala.....	Temple Aid Society.....	12.00
Huntsville, Ala.....	Temple Sisterhood	24.00
Jasper, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	25.00
Sheffield-Florence-		
Tuscumbia.....	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	16.00
Tuscaloosa, Ala.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	14.40
Daytona Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	32.00
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	22.05
Jacksonville, Fla.....	Temple Sisterhood	80.00
Lakeland, Fla.....	Ladies Auxiliary of Temple Emanu-El.....	20.00
Miami Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	80.00

(3) \$60.00 of this amount in honor of Dr. Nelson Glueck.

(4) \$5.00 in honor of Mr. D. D. Witcover.

	CONTRIBUTION 1947-48
Pensacola, Fla..... Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	\$ 61.00
St. Petersburg, Fla..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	28.00
Tallahassee, Fla..... Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	39.20
Tampa, Fla..... Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood	77.60
West Palm Beach, Fla..... Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	30.24
Albany, Ga..... Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	8.00
Atlanta, Ga..... The Temple Sisterhood.....	480.00
Augusta, Ga..... Temple Sisterhood	130.40
Brunswick, Ga..... Temple Beth Tefillah Sisterhood.....	20.40
Columbus, Ga..... Jewish Ladies' Aid Society.....	85.89
Fitzgerald, Ga..... Sisterhood of Hebrew Congregation.....	11.60
Macon, Ga..... Beth Israel Sisterhood	110.10
Rome, Ga..... Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.....	13.40
Savannah, Ga..... Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel.....	50.00
Thomasville, Ga..... B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	8.00
Waycross, Ga..... The Daughters of Abraham.....	10.00

DISTRICT No. 16—\$1,293.53

Mississippi

(The Sadie Landman Geisenberger Memorial)

Brookhaven, Miss..... Sisterhood B'nai Sholom.....	\$ 19.00 ⁵
Canton, Miss..... B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	33.10
Clarksdale, Miss..... Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	322.00
Cleveland, Miss..... Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	70.40
Columbus, Miss..... Temple Sisterhood	34.30
Drew and Ruleville..... Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville, Miss.....	58.63
Greenville, Miss..... Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood.....	128.29
Greenwood, Miss..... Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	14.40
Hattiesburg, Miss..... Temple Sisterhood	20.00
Jackson, Miss..... Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	175.20
Laurel, Miss..... Keneseth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	25.60
Lexington, Miss..... Julia Lewis Sisterhood	7.20
Meridian, Miss..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	108.93
Natchez, Miss..... Temple Sisterhood	59.00
Riverside, Miss..... Riverside Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	18.00
Tupelo, Miss..... Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood.....	20.00
Vicksburg, Miss..... Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood.....	179.48

DISTRICT No. 17—\$1,773.72

Louisiana

Alexandria, La..... Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	\$ 129.40
Bastrop, La..... Sisterhood of Bastrop, La.....	21.80
Baton Rouge, La..... B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	82.00
..... Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood.....	37.60
Houma, La..... Beth El Sisterhood.....	32.72
Lafayette, La..... Temple Sisterhood	23.20
Lake Charles, La..... Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	35.20
Monroe, La..... Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	71.00
Morgan City, La..... The Morgan City Sisterhood.....	14.60
New Iberia, La..... Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer.....	8.00
New Orleans, La..... Sisterhood Congrégation Gates of Prayer.....	329.60
..... Temple Sinai Sisterhood (James K. Gutheim Contribution)	500.00
..... Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue.....	352.00
Shreveport, La..... Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple.....	136.60

DISTRICT No. 18—\$4,851.72

Illinois

Bloomington, Ill..... Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 36.00
Champaign-Urbana..... Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	67.20

(5) \$2.00 in memory of Mr. Norman Buckman

		CONTRIBUTIONS 1947-48
Chicago, Ill.....	Beth Am Sisterhood.....	\$ 20.00
	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	48.80
	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel.....	350.06
	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Volkman Contribution)	198.39
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood (The Felix A. Levy Contribution)	350.00
	Temple Ezra Sisterhood.....	24.00
	Sisterhood of Hyde Park Liberal Congregation.....	10.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel (In memory of Dr. Joseph Stolz and Dr. Gerson B. Levy).....	540.00
	Temple Judea Sisterhood (Rabbi David Rosenbaum Memorial Contribution)	60.20
	K.A.M. Temple Sisterhood.....	242.40
	Temple Menorah	59.20
	Temple Sholom Sisterhood (The Abram Hirschberg Contribution)	350.00
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	125.27
	Washington Boulevard Temple Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Schwartz Contribution).....	350.00
	Women of Mizpah (The Jacob Singer Contribution).....	358.00
Decatur, Ill.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood.....	90.40
Glencoe, Ill.....	North Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Kankakee, Ill.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	66.00
Peoria, Ill.....	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood.....	540.00
Rockford, Ill.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	188.40
Springfield, Ill.....	Sisterhood of B'rith Sholom Temple.....	26.40
Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In memory of Arthur Buchand) ..		51.00

DISTRICT No. 19—\$1,128.57

Wisconsin

Appleton, Wis.....	Temple Zion Sisterhood.....	\$ 38.25
Fond-du-Lac, Wis.*.....	Khiloth Jacob Sisterhood.....	15.20
Kenosha, Wis.....	Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	48.00
Madison, Wis.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	39.20
Milwaukee, Wis.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.....	900.00
Oshkosh, Wis.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	87.92

DISTRICT No. 20—\$2,660.57

Iowa-Missouri-Nebraska-Kansas-Colorado

(In Memory of Mrs. Maurice Steinfeld)

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....	\$ 31.20
Davenport, Iowa.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	350.00
Des Moines, Iowa.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood.....	318.80
Sioux City, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai.....	140.00
Joplin, Mo.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	51.20
Kansas City, Mo.....	The Temple Sisterhood—B'nai Jehudah.....	350.00
St. Joseph, Mo.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood.....	104.80
St. Louis, Mo.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.....	96.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	100.00
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood.....	318.65
Springfield, Mo.....	Sisterhood United Hebrew Congregations.....	4.80
Lincoln, Nebr.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood.....	23.20
Omaha, Nebr.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	136.08
Leavenworth, Kan.....	Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun.....	1.60
Topeka, Kan.....	Sisterhood of Beth Sholom Temple.....	22.40
Wichita, Kan.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	110.04
Colo. Springs, Colo.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	48.00

CONTRIBUTIONS
1947-48

Denver, Colo.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	\$ 220.00
Trinidad, Colo.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood.....	8.00
District No. 20 Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		225.00 ⁶

DISTRICT No. 21—\$1,194.10

Arkansas-Oklahoma

Blytheville, Ark.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	\$ 4.00
Ft. Smith, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood	69.00
Helena, Ark.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth-El.....	12.00
Hot Springs, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel.....	94.50
Jonesboro, Ark.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	12.80
Little Rock, Ark.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	184.80
McGehee, Ark.....	Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood.....	20.00
Pine Bluff, Ark.....	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	84.20
Ardmore, Okla.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood.....	16.00
Muskogee, Okla.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood.....	16.00
Oklahoma City, Okla.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel (The Fannie Blatt Contribution).....	557.60
Tulsa, Okla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	123.20

DISTRICT No. 22—\$2,199.52

Texas

Alice, Texas*.....	Jewish Sisterhood	\$ 8.40
Austin, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	36.80
Beaumont, Texas.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	49.00
Big Spring, Texas.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	8.00
Brownsville, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	8.00
Corpus Christi, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	9.00
Dallas, Texas.....	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood.....	740.00
El Paso, Texas.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	67.46
Ft. Worth, Texas.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	217.66
Galveston, Texas.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	122.00
Houston, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	263.20
Lufkin, Texas.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	27.80
Port Arthur, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Rodef Shalom.....	21.00
San Antonio, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	176.80
Texarkana, Texas*.....	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	36.00
Tyler, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	20.00
Waco, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Sholom.....	25.60
Wichita Falls, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	12.80

DISTRICT No. 23—\$54.60

Utah-New Mexico-Idaho

Albuquerque, N. M.*..	Temple Albert Sisterhood.....	\$ 45.00
Salt Lake City, Utah*..	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	9.60

DISTRICT No. 24—\$4,172.21

California-Oregon-Washington-Arizona

Phoenix, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	\$ 52.00
Tucson, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	126.40
Alameda, Calif.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	2.40
Berkeley, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	8.00
Glendale, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple	54.60
Hollywood, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	350.00
North Hollywood, Cal.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	37.80

(6) \$25.00 in Memory of Mrs. Maurice Steinfeld.

	CONTRIBUTIONS
	1947-48
Long Beach, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	\$ 157.60
Los Angeles, Calif.....Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood	20.50
Temple Isaiah Sisterhood	17.00
*Temple Judea Sisterhood	1.00
University Synagogue Sisterhood	45.20
Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Oakland, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	350.00
Redondo Beach, Calif.....South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood	32.00
Sacramento, Calif.....Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	172.65
San Bernardino, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	30.00
San Diego, Calif.....Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary	40.00
San Francisco, Calif.....Temple Emanu-El Guild (In honor of Mrs. Sol H. Kahn)....	538.00
Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood (In Memory of Rae Elberg Levy)	390.00
San Gabriel, Calif.*.....Temple Beth David Sisterhood	24.20
San Jose, Calif.....San Jose Temple Sisterhood	32.00
Santa Ana, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	16.90
Santa Monica, Calif.....Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	331.11
Stockton, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	38.85
Portland, Ore.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	350.00
Seattle, Wash.....Sisterhood Temple de Hirsch	500.00
Spokane, Wash.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	20.00
Tacoma, Wash.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	84.00

AMERICAN JEWISH
DISTRICT No. 25—\$712.80

Minnesota-North and South Dakota-Montana

Duluth, Minn.*.....Temple Emanu El Sisterhood.....	\$ 26.60
Minneapolis, Minn.*...Sisterhood of Temple Israel (The Dr. Samuel N. Deinard Contribution)	390.00
St. Paul, Minn.*.....Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple	233.60
Butte, Montana*.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	4.00
Fargo, N. D.*.....Beth El Sisterhood	40.00
Sioux Falls, S. D.*.....Mt. Zion Sisterhood	18.60

The Stella H. Freiberg Contribution—\$31.50

(Composed of contributions from the constituent Sisterhoods, in honor of Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Past President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.)

Isaac M. Wise Memorial Fund—\$259.31

FOREIGN—\$614.27

Hamilton, Ont., Can.*..Deborah Sisterhood	\$ 40.00
Montreal, Que., Can...Temple Emanu El Sisterhood.....	112.00
Toronto, Ont., Can*...Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	350.67
Colon, R. P.*.....Sisterhood of Kaal Kadosh Yangakob	2.60
Panama City, R. P.*...Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel	73.00
Havana, Cuba*.....Menorah Sisterhood of Havana	36.00

Miscellaneous—\$162.80

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REPORT OF THE National Committee on Uniongrams

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

In bringing to you this report your Chairman is again grateful to announce progress—progress in projects supported by Uniongram funds, growth in usages and in sales. Uniongram sales again this year surmounted those of last year which were the largest in Uniongram history. So it is with deep gratitude to all Chairmen and Committee members that the National Committee on Uniongrams dedicates this annual report. These workers have indicated by their unselfish labors that spiritual values are paramount in a world that is all too materialistic and have given willingly of themselves to help preserve the ideals of their faith. They are truly indicative of the precepts upon which NFTS was founded—the promotion of Judaism and humanitarianism. In their name, then, proudly and gratefully this annual report is submitted:

CALENDAR OF UNIONGRAM SALES NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON UNIONGRAMS

I. Based upon NFTS fiscal years: November 1, 1946 - October 31, 1947 and November 1, 1947 - October 31, 1948.

1946-47		1947-48	
November	12,608	November	12,524
December	8,893	December	16,380
1947		1948	
January	11,042	January	12,253
February	7,957	February	7,584
March	10,004	March	8,250
April	11,316	April	10,592
May	20,980	May	14,836
June	14,958	June	22,163
July	3,820	July	9,224
August	4,232	August	13,332
September	23,577	September	20,580
October	22,280	October	21,880
TOTAL	151,667	TOTAL	169,598

II. There was a gain in the sale of Uniongrams during the 1947-48 NFTS fiscal period over the 1946-47 fiscal year in the amount of 17,931 Uniongrams. From November 1, 1947, through October 31, 1948, a total Uniongram Apportionment Profit of about \$33,536.00 has been earned by NFTS units, as compared to \$30,152.60 earned from November 1, 1946, through October 31, 1947. This Uniongram Apportionment Profit known as UAP, is derived from 80% of all Uniongram payments received during the fiscal period. This amount is available for the NFTS Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and for those few Free Religious Schools, supported by individual Sisterhood contributions, on premises other than those of the local congregation, for the benefit of underprivileged children. Therefore, as our sales increase, in just that proportion are we enabled to carry out religious endeavors to greater heights for the benefit of mankind.

UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL

Sisterhoods who achieved this honor through 100% participation in National Uniongram Day, January 21, 1948, or through sale of equivalent of one book of Uniongrams per member in NFTS fiscal year, November 1, 1947 to October 31, 1948.

Dothan, Alabama.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Tucson, Arizona.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Ft. Smith, Arkansas.....	Temple Sisterhood
Little Rock, Arkansas.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Long Beach, California.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Los Angeles, California.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood
Redondo Beach, California.....	South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood
Santa Ana, California.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom
Santa Monica, California.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Colorado Springs, Colorado.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Trinidad, Colorado.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood
Washington, D. C.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation
St. Petersburg, Florida.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El
Atlanta, Georgia.....	The Temple Sisterhood
Augusta, Georgia.....	Temple Sisterhood
Champaign-Urbana, Illinois.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Chicago, Illinois.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood
Chicago, Illinois.....	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood
Decatur, Illinois.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood
Kankakee, Illinois.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Peoria, Illinois.....	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood
Rockford, Illinois.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Anderson, Indiana.....	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood
Evansville, Indiana.....	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Ft. Wayne, Indiana.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood
Marion, Indiana.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
South Bend, Indiana.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Terre Haute, Indiana.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Davenport, Iowa.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Des Moines, Iowa.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood
Sioux City, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai
Wichita, Kansas.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Alexandria, Louisiana.....	Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim
Bastrop, Louisiana.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood
New Orleans, Louisiana.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer
New Orleans, Louisiana.....	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue
Baltimore, Maryland.....	Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood
Baltimore, Maryland.....	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood
Boston, Massachusetts.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom
Flint, Michigan.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Jackson, Michigan.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple
Muskegon, Michigan.....	Jewish Sisterhood
Petoskey, Michigan.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel
Pontiac, Michigan.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob
Saginaw, Michigan.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Clarksdale, Mississippi.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Cleveland, Mississippi.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood
Jackson, Mississippi.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood
Laurel, Mississippi.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Meridian, Mississippi.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Natchez, Mississippi.....	Natchez Temple Sisterhood
Ruleville, Mississippi.....	Ruleville-Drew Sisterhood
Tupelo, Mississippi.....	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood
Vicksburg, Mississippi.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood
Springfield, Missouri.....	Sisterhood of United Hebrew Congregation
Omaha, Nebraska.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Batavia, New York.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Brooklyn, New York.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom
Elmira, New York.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel

Hempstead, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple
New York, New York.....	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx
Niagara Falls, New York.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Fargo, North Dakota.....	Beth El Sisterhood
Akron, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Bellaire, Ohio.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood
East Liverpool, Ohio.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Mansfield, Ohio.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Piqua, Ohio.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood
Springfield, Ohio.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women
Muskogee, Oklahoma.....	Sisterhood Beth Ahaba Temple
Allentown, Pennsylvania.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Easton, Pennsylvania.....	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace
Greensburg, Pennsylvania.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.....	Ohev Sholom Sisterhood
Hazleton, Pennsylvania.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Johnstown, Pennsylvania.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood
Scranton, Pennsylvania.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple
Williamsport, Pennsylvania.....	Temple Beth-Ha-Sholom Sisterhood
York, Pennsylvania.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Anderson, South Carolina.....	Anderson Temple Sisterhood
Charleston, South Carolina.....	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood
Columbia, South Carolina.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life
Conway, South Carolina.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway
Darlington, South Carolina.....	Darlington Temple Sisterhood
Dillon, South Carolina.....	Dillon Temple Sisterhood
Sumter, South Carolina.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple
Brownsville, Tennessee.....	Brownsville Temple Auxiliary
Clarksville, Tennessee.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
Jackson, Tennessee.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Knoxville, Tennessee.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
Lufkin, Texas.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Texarkana, Texas.....	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood
Fredericksburg, Virginia.....	Ladies' Committee of Congregation Beth Sholom
Lynchburg, Virginia.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue
Roanoke, Virginia.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Seattle, Washington.....	Ladies Auxiliary of Temple De Hirsch
Tacoma, Washington.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Bluefield, West Virginia.....	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood
Charleston, West Virginia.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood
Fairmont, West Virginia.....	Fairmont Jewish Temple Sisterhood
Huntington, West Virginia.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Logan, West Virginia.....	Logan Temple Sisterhood
Morgantown, West Virginia.....	Morgantown Sisterhood
Parkersburg, West Virginia.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Welch, West Virginia.....	Emanu-El Sisterhood
Williamson, West Virginia.....	Williamson Temple Sisterhood
Appleton, Wisconsin.....	Zion Temple Sisterhood
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun
Oshkosh, Wisconsin.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel

To those Sisterhoods which have gained the highly coveted distinction of Honor Roll attainments we extend our heartfelt congratulations. We share with them the pride and happiness which emanates from their achievements. May they continue to serve as inspirations to those with whom and for whom they work. May they be thrice blessed for all their efforts!

UNIONGRAM PROJECTS AND USAGES

The increase in Uniongram sales forms an endless circle of creativity since NFTS is able to accept more new projects because of the availability of more funds. The scope of Uniongram activities is enlarged due to many labor saving and sales increasing

innovations. During the past year NFTS published Uniongrams not only in books of four but also in pads containing twelve individual Uniongram blanks for use in sheaves. This pad is now being widely used and many Chairmen have expressed their appreciation for the time, labor and paper this new punched form saves them, as well as for the attractive sheaf cover and mailing envelope.

There was also created another aid this year for stimulating the sale of Uniongrams—especially for confirmation—the miniature Uniongram and sheaf cover. Mrs. Harry Hachen, Uniongram Chairman for Beth El Temple Sisterhood of Great Neck, New York, originated the miniature as a confirmation project and graciously turned over full information about it to the National Federation for use by other NFTS units. This year a number of our affiliates used the miniature Uniongram as a very successful confirmation project. No doubt, this success will be reflected in increased Uniongram sales by these units for the current NFTS fiscal year. Last year 358 units purchased Uniongrams while 367 units purchased the official message-bearer of NFTS during the 1947-48 NFTS fiscal year. There are always the customary usages for Uniongrams—birthdays, graduations, confirmations, anniversaries, weddings, births and condolences. To these have been adding bon voyage messages, a sheaf as a housewarming gift, for a new business venture and ad infinitum.

Uniongram place cards, posters, verses, playlets, attractive new sheaf covers, the booklet "The Uniongram Story," and sample Uniongrams can be used to keep the project in the consciousness of members. These items are available free of charge from the NFTS office, Merchants Building, Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

For a gratifying review of the meritorious projects supported or assisted by funds derived from the sale of Uniongrams and cash contributions to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, kindly see the Report of the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Committee.

It is easy to understand why the enthusiasm and cooperative spirit are so effusive throughout the realm of the NFTS Uniongram Chairmen. These projects are surely sufficient to imbue us with unlimited ambition to increase sales and contributions in order further to promote these praiseworthy activities. It is through these efforts that "God will establish the work of his hands." May we rejoice in the small part that we play and to say in unison, "We thank Thee for those moments of joy when we can look upon the work of our hands and truly say: 'Behold it is good'."

THANKS AND APPRECIATION

We give thanks to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our dearly beloved and revered National President, whose unselfish devotion, guidance and understanding cooperation have given us another year in NFTS enriched by her dynamic and inspirational personality.

To Miss Jane Evans, our National Executive Director, whose unflagging, inexhaustible loyalty, inspiration and helpfulness, will never be forgotten by those who have been privileged to work with her.

For the entire staff with whom it has been our good fortune to work—especially to Miss Esther Ciener, Mrs. Albert H. Silverman and Miss Josephine Schoenborn. Never have staff members taken more devoted interest in the work before them!

To the members of our National Committee on Uniongrams, to every Uniongram Chairman, worker and purchaser, our earnest gratitude. They are all a true reflection

of the noble projects for which they labor so indefatigably. The blessings they make possible for others will redound to them in happiness because of their achievements. They will indeed be able to look upon the work of their hands and say "Behold it is good." May God bless them always.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. HAROLD M.) VERA B. BAUM, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Child Study and Parent Education

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The previous report of this Committee dealt with a progress report on the committee on the national as well as on the local level. The major emphasis of this report will be on the White House Conference on Family Life called by President Truman in Washington in May, 1948.

Mr. Eric Johnston, Chairman of the Conference, at the opening session challenged the group by saying that whatever was accomplished there would be largely lost unless the conference was translated into programs of action on the local level, that the "problems of the family in everything that these problems imply and entail can be most effectively met in the community where the family lives. There are obvious areas for national action but the major effects must be in the community." He continued by saying: "No group in America is better suited or better equipped to bring the council into successful fruition than the delegates to this council. Community action is a logical extension of your labors here."

Miss Esther Ciener, Assistant to the NFTS Director, and your Chairman had the privilege of representing the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at this great Conference. Pursuant to the hope that the inspiration received in Washington might be translated in the life of each community, there is available for every Sisterhood a reprint of the Highlights of the Conference. These reprints were published by the magazine, "Survey Mid-monthly" (published by Survey Graphic, 112 E. 19th St., N. Y.) in its June 1948 issue. It includes plans for setting up local discussion and action groups.

Representatives of 125 major organizations who attended the National Conference on Family Life voiced the belief entertained by many that American Family Life is threatened by disintegration but that something can be done about it.

The nine hundred members of the Conference took with them recommendations adopted at section meetings on ten different areas affecting family life. These will be referred for action to the 125 organizations, representing every state of the Union, Alaska and thirty foreign countries from which delegates came to the Conference.

The section on legal problems lent their endorsement to specific recommendations proposed by the American Bar Association as, for instance, a commission appointed by the President of the United States to re-examine laws regulating mar-

riage and divorce and legal procedure, establishment of juvenile courts presided over by specialist judges, and extension of Legal Aid offices and low cost legal services.

Those attending meetings on education decided that high school boys and girls should be given training and personal help for marriage and family problems. They saw this lack of specific training as one of the most fundamental in education today and believed that it will not be possible to stem the tide of maladjustments and difficulties in many present-day marriages until such training is available. They maintained also that education for family living should include boys as well as girls and that teachers should be prepared to handle classes in family problems and personal counseling of boys and girls by training beyond textbooks. The section on counseling stressed the importance of this service for young people, before and after marriage, and the necessity of this service being made available through our churches and various other agencies in the community.

The above is a mere sampling of the problems discussed but enough to illustrate that through discussions of this wide subject many or most of the great problems of our day may be considered and perhaps resolved.

Let us accept the challenge offered us and make each Sisterhood a fountain-head of inspiration in dealing with the vital and important problems. In doing so, we can make America a better place in which to live.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. JULIUS) MARGARET MARK, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE

House of Living Judaism—NFTS Project

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

This report, submitted a little more than two years after the launching of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign and just before the 1948 Biennial Assembly is the record of our combined efforts. Whether we are deserving of praise or whether we have fallen short in the general effort and its results is a question which each of us must answer for ourselves.

It shows that a goodly number of our units have evidenced their devotion to Liberal Judaism and to the NFTS, for the sum well in excess of one quarter million dollars thus far raised shows that we are well on the way toward the realization of our dreams. To have reached our full goal by now was, perhaps, more than we had the right to envision. It is fortunate that some little time is left to fulfill our purpose, and to give every Sisterhood unit the opportunity of completing its quota. We trust that as a result of the stimulating and informative Biennial sessions, many delegates will be inspired to intensify their efforts for THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM and resolve to meet their Sisterhood quotas in the near future.

TECHNIQUES—MATERIAL

Actually, this is my third report to the NFTS Executive Board and, therefore, it seems unnecessary to dwell on the widely diversified techniques employed by Sisterhoods to raise funds to build THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. As you know, there was no one specific campaign pattern. Sisterhoods were permitted to exercise the greatest possible scope in fund-raising methods to conform with the needs, resources and practices of their respective local communities. Your National Committee, however, continued to offer suggestions for direct solicitation, for special gifts and for fund-raising events. At intervals, Progress Reports were issued relaying suggestions successfully followed and reporting the status of progress throughout the country. In order to meet the request of a number of Sisterhood units, especially designed coin banks were prepared and made available. As you can understand, we were unable to distribute these free of charge on a national scale. They were offered at cost price to Sisterhood units. (There are still a number of banks available should your Sisterhood wish to continue participating in THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM in this manner.) We also had new brochures printed briefly describing facts on the where, when and why of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. These pamphlets were widely distributed and received with favorable comment. Attractive contribution identification tags were offered to all Sisterhood units in quantity. The tags to be worn by members who had contributed to the project. You may have noted that the tags were in the form of the Biblical leaf depicting the growing vine consistently used to symbolize "living" Judaism in campaign literature.

"HURDLES"

Several factors with which we had to cope are mentioned here, not in apology nor in self-defense, but in order that you may know the circumstances affecting the campaign in their entirety.

One was the huge program of building or remodelling currently undertaken by one-third of the congregations affiliated with the UHAC and which deterred the corresponding Sisterhoods from promptly and actively participating in THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign. (Allentown, Pa., proved the exception to the rule. This Sisterhood completed its HLJ quota within the period of one month, thus clearing the way for its Temple building fund.)

Another factor which mitigated against ideal campaign procedure due to conditions beyond our control, was our inability to clearly blueprint the plans for THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM in terms of space, design and location. Had it been possible for us to publicize the specific information, we are confident that a substantially larger total would have been contributed and included in our report today.

A third hurdle to overcome was the prolonged period of indoctrination which retarded progress before the proper perspective was developed toward the significance of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. It took months in some cases to recognize that THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM would be a world center for the Liberal Jewish movement—that in addition to housing properly the UAHC and its affiliates, the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM would also be the source from which would emanate the

tangible tools and symbols—the source which would, in the future, provide service material to further the Liberal Jewish movement in America and the world over.

Fourth, as we stated in our report at the 1947 Board meeting, one of the most serious phases of the campaign was, and is, the lack of response from Sisterhoods in metropolitan cities. Approximately fifty percent of the membership of NFTS resides in twenty-five major communities. With few exceptions and for whatever reason, these metropolitan areas have not responded in proportion to their size. In passing, let me say that we do understand Sisterhood obligations on a local level and commend all Sisterhood units for their splendid achievements within their own synagogue. It is our hope that where emergency or temporary local conditions have prevented participation in the HLJ, these conditions will change in the near future to enable these units to support whole-heartedly the NFTS project. At the same time, there is no doubt that the poor response from these major sources of contributions, materially reduced the potential total anticipated.

Perhaps we did “hitch our wagon to a star” in setting our goal, but knowing that Sisterhood members possess a deep religious sense, it was felt that by the same token, Sisterhood members would deem it a privilege to help build THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM, especially since the amount sought from each individual was infinitesimal in relation to the larger picture and its vast significance.

THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign was a true reflection of human nature. Just as there are many conscientious individuals who have a quickened sense of civic, philanthropic and religious responsibility, so are there individuals who are indifferent. The same attributes were reflected in THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign. Many energetic chairmen immediately set to work to raise their quotas. To them, our deep appreciation. To those who are continuing to work zealously to attain their goals, our best wishes for a successful conclusion to their local campaigns. To those units which have not yet participated, may we say, “The better the deed, the better the day.”

“SUPER” COOPERATION

In contrast to Sisterhoods which have not yet met their goals, a number of units went “all-out” and compensated in some measure for those less responsive. Meridian, Miss., for example, voluntarily *doubled* its quota. Laurel, Miss., and Trinidad, Colo., followed suit. Hartford, Conn., raised its quota and 50% more. As you will see from the detailed financial report attached; Evansville, Kansas City, Lexington, Ky., Louisville (Apath Israel), New York (Temples Israel and Emanu-El), Sioux City, Williamson and Wilkes-Barre are but a few of those who contributed sums far in excess of their quotas.

STATE FEDERATIONS PARTICIPATE

A special word of appreciation is due to State Federation HLJ Chairmen and State Presidents for their splendid cooperation. These groups not only made token contributions to the campaign but stimulated individual units within the District or Federation. Mississippi led all the State Federations in its record achievement.

Twelve of the seventeen units in that Federation reached or surpassed their quotas. The total response based on the membership and the contributions for the Mississippi State Federation is 111%. The next nearest to this outstanding record is the Indiana Federation with 81%.

SPEAKERS AND VISITORS

While we endeavored to fulfill requests for speakers at individual Sisterhood meetings, it has not been physically nor economically feasible to serve every individual unit. We arranged for a National speaker to visit every State Convention to present the basic philosophy, plan and purpose of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign, and thus reached representatives from a substantial number of local Sisterhoods. To all of these speakers may I express our heartfelt thanks. While it was not possible for me personally to travel as extensively as I had wished to, I did address the Sisterhoods of Hartford, Conn., Newark, N. J., Philadelphia and Brooklyn, and spoke on behalf of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM at almost every New York City Sisterhood and at a number of New York Federation meetings and met with out-of-town Chairmen visiting New York. For the record, in the past fiscal year, Miss Strauss attended the following State meetings: Kentucky-Tennessee, New England (Dist. #1), Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and the Southeast Federation. She visited and addressed seventeen Sisterhood units, and several special committee and regional meetings. Our National President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, travelled widely and never failed to plead our cause. We are likewise deeply indebted to Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the UAHC, for his frequent appearances on the platform at Sisterhood meetings on behalf of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM.

THANKS

May I take this opportunity of again expressing my warm thanks to all who have cooperated in the support of the NFTS project and offer a special word of appreciation to Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, to Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, to Dr. Abraham Feldman, President of the CCAR, and to many rabbis throughout the country, all of whom have been a source of encouragement and inspiration.

The final word of gratitude and praise is directed to one who has borne and continues to bear the brunt of the campaign; to one who has labored incessantly, never sparing herself; to one who has considered and studied every facet of our Victory Project and given the best that is in her. I speak of our Campaign Director, Miss Helen Strauss. She, in turn, enjoyed the interested and loyal cooperation of her staff (Miss Elaine Jackson and Miss Mildred Solomon).

While we still strive to reach our National campaign goal, we are nevertheless justly proud that despite all the vicissitudes, we are able to report that members of the NFTS have thus far contributed well over one-quarter of a million dollars (\$265,000) to help build THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. It took unswerving faith and energetic salesmanship to secure these funds and meet the challenge inherent in building THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. May all those who helped secure con-

contributions and those who participated be rewarded by a spiritual uplift that comes of a good deed well done.

May those who so valiantly led the way be a source of inspiration to those who have faltered on the path, that they may speedily forge ahead to join the ranks of those who by their loyalty will keep alive and brightly burning for all the world, the light that is American Liberal Judaism.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. EDWARD B.) HELEN S. SCHULKIND, *Chairman*

Exhibits A, B and C follow.

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EXHIBIT "A"

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM HONOR ROLL

Quotas Completed or Exceeded

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
Allentown, Pa.	Keneseth Israel	Mrs. Charles Kline Mrs. Jos. J. Schmidt }	\$1,000.	\$1,135.00
Bastrop, La.	Bastrop	Mrs. Solomon Snyder	90.	100.00
Appleton, Wisc.	Zion Temple	Mrs. Fred Marshall	140.	174.00
Bay City, Mich.	Temple	Mrs. Henry Anthony	520.	520.00
Bellaire, Ohio	Sons of Israel	Mrs. Louis Lando	170.	179.00
Big Springs, Tex.	Temple Israel	Mrs. Maurice Prager	140.	170.00
Brookhaven, Miss.	B'nai Sholom	Miss Florine Abrams	240.	240.00
Brownsville, Tenn.	Adas Israel	Mrs. Jonas L. Sternberger	240.	305.00
Camden, S. C.	Beth El	Mrs. D. Lomansky	140.	165.00
Canton, Miss.	Temple	Mrs. Herman Goodman	160.	177.35
Charleston, S. C.	K. K. B. E.	Mrs. Jacob Raisin	930.	960.00
Cincinnati, Ohio	I. M. Wise	Mrs. Sidney Weil	6,340.	6,500.00
Cincinnati, Ohio	Rockdale Ave.	Mrs. Ira Abrahamson	5,720.	5,080.00
Clearfield, Pa.	Clearfield	Mrs. Edward Jacobson	160.	160.00
Cleveland, Miss.	Adath Israel	Mrs. I. A. Kamen	400.	436.30
Columbus, Miss.	Columbus	Mrs. Tom Katz	290.	359.35
Columbia, S. C.	Tree of Life	Mrs. Wm. Kronrad	450.	450.00
Conway, S. C.	Conway	Mrs. Sidney Abrams	90.	129.00
Davenport, Ia.	Tri-City Emanuel	Mrs. Harry D. Bloch	1,120.	1,120.00
Des Moines, Ia.	B'nai Jeshurun	Mrs. Eugene Mannheimer	1,730.	1,735.00
Dothan, Ala.	Emanu-El	Mrs. Martin Hinchin	250.	306.00
Drew-Ruleville, Miss.	Drew-Ruleville	Mrs. Ben Sklar	230.	331.75
Duluth, Minn.	Emanuel	Mrs. Norman Cook	1,040.	1,040.00
Easton, Pa.	Covenant of Peace	Mrs. Dagbert Philip	540.	541.00
Evansville, Ind.	Washington Ave.	Mrs. Jerome L. Salm Mrs. Arthur Weil }	1,330.	1,912.75
Flint, Mich.	Beth El	Mrs. I. H. Gutow	1,010.	1,010.00

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
Gary, Ind.	Temple Israel	Mrs. Ralph Kroot Mrs. Henry Kahan }	\$1,100.	\$1,100.00
Greensburg, Pa.	Emanu-El	Mrs. Alfred Ratner	590.	600.00
Greenville, Miss.	Hebrew Union	Mrs. Morris Goldstein	880.	1,109.35
Greenwood, Miss.	Beth Israel	Mrs. S. I. Gensburger	230.	240.00
Harrisburg, Pa.	Ohev Sholom	Mrs. Stanley Adler	1,290.	1,290.00
Hartford, Conn.	Beth Israel	Mrs. Frances Stern Mrs. Solomon Elsnér }	3,390.	5,622.05
Hattiesburg, Miss.	Hattiesburg	Mrs. Herman Shapiro	500.	543.85
Hazleton, Pa.	Beth Israel	Mrs. John Schultz	670.	830.00
Honesdale, Pa.	Beth Israel	Mrs. E. D. Katz	250.	250.00
Houma, La.	Beth El	Mrs. Hannah Schild	180.	180.00
Huntsville, Ala.	Temple	Mrs. Leo Cohen	320.	330.00
Jackson, Miss.	Beth Israel	Mrs. I. Lehman	820.	962.80
Jasper, Ala.	Emanu-El	Mrs. Herman Weinstein	200.	280.00
Kansas City, Mo.	B'nai Jehudah	Mrs. Paul Uhlmann Mrs. Stanford Block Mrs. Ruth A. Hirsch }	4,900.	5,100.00
Knoxville, Tenn.	Beth El	Mrs. Leo Stillpass	580.	580.00
Lake Charles, La.	Sinai	Mrs. Joe Davidson	350.	405.00
Laurel, Miss.	Keneseth-Israel	Mrs. Harry I. Mark	100.	191.85
Lexington, Miss.	Julia Lewis	Mrs. E. Cohen	160.	164.35
Lexington, Ky.	Adath Israel	Mrs. Jay D. Weil	680.	807.00
Long Beach, Calif.	Temple Israel	Mrs. Grover G. Krieger	1,730.	1,730.00
Louisville, Ky.	Adath Israel	Mrs. Milton S. Trost Mrs. Ben Rosenbaum }	3,670.	3,905.00
Lufkin, Texas	Beth Israel	Mrs. Sam Robinson	180.	170.00
Lumberton, N. C.	Hebrew Woman's Aux.	Mrs. Robert Samet	190.	194.00
Macon, Ga.	Beth Israel	Mrs. Gus Small	650.	650.00
Marion, Ind.	Sinai Temple	Mrs. David R. Lurie	530.	550.00
Mercedes, Texas	Beth Israel	Mrs. Charles Wolf (Pres.)	260.	269.41
Meridian, Miss.	Beth Israel	Mrs. Wm. Ackerman	700.	1,519.35
Michigan City, Ind.	Sinai	Mrs. Lillian Hoodwin	790.	790.00
Milwaukee, Wis.	Emanu-El B'ne-Jeshurun	Mrs. H. Heilbranner Mrs. S. Saffro }	4,680.	4,728.84
Monroe, La.	B'nai Israel	Mrs. C. M. Strauss	1,110.	1,120.00
Muncie, Ind.	Beth El	Mrs. Martin D. Schwartz	530.	539.00
Muskogee, Okla.	Beth Haba	Mrs. J. M. McEntee, Sr.	240.	275.00
Nashville, Tenn.	Vine St.	Mrs. Paul Rosenfield Mrs. Harry Lipman Mrs. Albert Werthan }	3,020.	3,027.00
Natchez, Miss.	Temple	Mrs. Max Ullman	420.	522.90
New Rochelle, N. Y.	Israel	Mrs. Charles Friedman	7,240.	7,240.00
New York, N. Y.	Women's Auxiliary	Mrs. Leon Watters	5,000.	5,255.00
	Congregation Emanu-El	Mrs. Naaman Glick }		
New York, N. Y.	Israel	Mrs. Chas. Ballin Mrs. Walter Sichel }	2,000.	2,284.50
New York, N. Y.	West End Synagogue	Mrs. Emil Buschhoff	2,250.	2,475.00
Oshkosh, Wisc.	B'nai Israel	Mrs. J. S. Winnig	390.	441.00
Paducah, Ky.	Israel	Mrs. Sterling Berg	510.	510.00
Petoskey, Mich.	B'nai Israel	Mrs. G. J. Heller	180.	190.00
Philadelphia, Pa.	Rodeph Shalom	Mrs. I. Valentine Levi Mrs. Herbert Frieder }	\$5,450.	\$5,455.05

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
Philadelphia, Pa.	Keneseth Israel	Mrs. Kurt Blum	5,500.	5,500.00
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Rodef Shalom	Mrs. Edgar L. Hirsh	8,870.	8,890.00
Pontiac, Mich.	Beth Jacob	Mrs. Irving Steinman	810.	904.00
Portland, Ore.	Beth Israel	Mrs. Edward Weinstein	2,980	3,015.00
Reading, Pa.	Oh'eb Sholom	Mrs. Leon Klevansky	1,100.	1,100.00
Rockford, Ill.	Beth El	Mrs. Joseph Ellman	910.	930.00
Saginaw, Mich.	Beth El	Mrs. Leo A. Kahan	250.	250.00
Scranton, Pa.	Madison Ave.	Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith	940.	940.00
Sioux City, Ia.	Mt. Sinai	Mrs. Sam G. Pickus	970.	1,105.50
South Bend, Ind.	Beth El	Mrs. Eli Fink	1,400.	1,500.00
Staunton, Va.	House of Israel	Mrs. Oscar Samuel (Pres.)	200.	270.00
St. Petersburg, Fla.	Beth El	Mrs. Jack Feist	320.	360.00
Sumter, S. C.	Sinai	Mrs. Ben E. Ness	400.	400.00
Trinidad, Colo.	Temple Aaron	Mrs. Gilbert Sanders	90.	251.50
Vicksburg, Miss.	Anshe Chesed	Mrs. Leon Fischel	1,010.	1,014.35
Welch, W. Va.	Emanuel	Mrs. Ellis Roston	230.	266.50
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	B'nai Brith	Mrs. Robert Casper	620.	820.00
Williamson, W. Va.	Temple	Mrs. Alex Preiser	290.	420.00
Williamsport, Pa.	Beth-Ha Sholom	Mrs. Sam Gittleman	560.	560.00
York, Pa.	Beth Israel	Mrs. Sam'l L. Lebovitz	890.	910.00

The Mississippi Federation of Temple Sisterhoods surpassed its goal—111% raised.

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EXHIBIT "B"

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM—NFTS Project

Sisterhoods having contributed 50% or more-of total quota

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
Anderson, Ind.	Anderson Jewish	Mrs. Irving Glazer	\$ 270.	\$ 205.00
Albany, Ga.	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Robert Frolkis	850.	450.00
Altoona, Pa.	Beth Israel	Mrs. Jacob Miller	960.	760.00
Athens, Ga.	Congr. Children of Israel	Mrs. Jacob Brandt Joel	210.	145.00
Batavia, N. Y.	Beth-El	Mrs. Chas. J. Goldstein	200.	130.00
Bessemer, Ala.	Beth-El	Mrs. Nathan Offstein (Pres.)	200.	125.00
Birmingham, Ala.	Emanu-El	Mrs. Julius Cohen (Pres.)	2,760.	1,819.50
Bluefield, W. Va.	Ahavath Sholem	Mrs. Jerome Katz	450.	310.00
Boston, Mass.	Temple Israel	Mrs. John S. Slater	8,340.	6,836.00
Brookline, Mass.	Ohabei Shalom	Mrs. Morris Schwartz	5,000.	3,764.00
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Beth Emeth	Mrs. Jos. J. Cohen	3,180.	2,045.00
Charlottesville, Va.	Beth Israel	Mrs. Mortie Kaufman	270.	150.00
Chattanooga, Tenn.	Mizpah	Mrs. Manuel Russ	1,610.	1,401.50
Decatur, Ill.	B'nai Abraham	Mrs. Harold S. Friedman	450.	338.00
Detroit, Mich.	Beth El	Mrs. John Hopp	10,400.	5,323.00
E. Liverpool, O.	B'nai Israel	— — —	440.	320.00
Florence, S. C.	Beth Israel	Mrs. Morris Briskin	170.	88.00
Ft. Wayne, Ind.	Achduth Vesholom	Mrs. Harv W. Salon	1,500.	1,160.50

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
Grand Rapids, Mich.	Emanuel	Mrs. Jos. B. Urband	\$1,030.	\$ 853.00
Great Neck, N. Y.	Beth El	Mrs. Irving Layman	4,150.	2,120.00
Greensboro, N. C.	Emanuel	Mrs. M. LeBauer (Pres.)	1,080.	738.50
Hammond, Ind.	Beth El	Mrs. Lester A. Oppenheimer	700.	392.25
Indianapolis, Ind.	Temple	Mrs. Louis Markun	3,880.	2,300.00
Johnstown, Pa.	Beth Zion	Mrs. C. H. Samuel	920.	491.00
Jonesboro, Ark.	Temple Aid	Mrs. A. Hummelstein	170.	82.00
Kokomo, Ind.	Kokomo	Mrs. Ike Baum	280.	200.50
Lancaster, Pa.	Shaarai Shomayim	Mrs. Sydney Brener	1,480.	1,100.00
Los Angeles, Cal.	Wilshire Blvd.	Mrs. Louis Winer	5,240.	3,010.60
Marshall, Texas	Moses Montefiore	Mrs. Joe Hirsch, Jr.	200.	105.00
Memphis, Tenn.	Children of Israel	Mrs. Leon F. Franklin	5,460.	3,000.00
New Castle, Pa.	B'nai Jeshurun	Mrs. Victor Jacoby	5,160.	3,005.00
New Orleans, La.	Israel	Mrs. William Cosel	610.	435.00
New Orleans, La.	Gates of Prayer	Mrs. Bernard Manheim	1,500.	1,037.00
Newark, N. J.	Temple Sinai	Mrs. N. J. Kauffmann	4,220.	2,947.00
		Mrs. Nathan Eisenmann		
Niagara Falls, N. Y.	Beth El	Mrs. J. H. Chinkers	1,220.	621.00
Oakland, Calif.	Sinai	Mrs. Maurice L. Koplan	2,760.	1,577.50
Omaha, Nebr.	Israel	Mrs. Clarence Bergman	2,000.	1,903.00
Parkersburg, W. Va.	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Sidney A. Ardman	320.	290.00
Peoria, Ill.	Anshai Emeth	Mrs. Mark Halperin	1,680.	1,175.00
Philadelphia, Pa.	Beth David	Mrs. C. David Jacobs	420.	203.00
Piqua, Ohio	Anshe Emeth	Mrs. Samuel Kastner (Pres.)	330.	160.00
Raleigh, N. C.	Beth Or	Mrs. Sol Hanft	450.	300.00
Richmond, Va.	Beth Ahabah	Mrs. Dave Wolf	2,940.	1,600.00
Sacramento, Calif.	B'nai Israel	Miss Sophie Price	1,000.	833.50
		Miss M. S. Wahrhaftig		
San Francisco, Calif.	Emanu-El Guild	Mrs. Sol Kahn	4,180.	3,128.75
Santa Monica, Calif.	Beth Sholom	Mrs. Ethel Rothman	1,270.	811.50
Seattle, Wash.	Temple de Hirsch	Mrs. Max Schoenfeld	2,700.	1,345.00
St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Beth El	Mrs. Celia Goldberg	90.	50.00
Steubenville, Ohio	Beth El	Mrs. Harry Henry	890.	470.00
Syracuse, N. Y.	Society of Concord	Mrs. Ralph Shulman	2,420.	2,000.00
Terre Haute, Ind.	Israel	Mrs. David Caden	1,060.	641.00
Toronto, Can.	Holy Blossom	Mrs. Wm. Loebel	4,200.	3,879.50
Tulsa, Okla.	Israel	Mrs. Sam Lewk	1,840.	1,191.00
Tyler, Texas	Beth El	Mrs. Edward Wessel	460.	340.00
Waco, Texas	Rodef Sholom	Mrs. Wolfe Macht	830.	535.00

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EXHIBIT "C"

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Additional Sisterhoods Cooperating

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
ALABAMA				
Florence	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Stanley Rosenbaum	\$ 310.	\$ 6.00
Gadsden	Temple Aid Society	Mrs. Ferd Harwood	560.	165.50
Tuscaloosa	Temple Emanuel	Mrs. Sam Wiesel	230.	104.00

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
ARIZONA				
Tucson	Temple Emanuel		\$ 990.	\$ 200.00
ARKANSAS				
Ft. Smith	United Hebrew	Mrs. Morton Marks	450.	100.00
Helena	Beth El	Mrs. H. Cerf Straus	500.	239.00
Jonesboro	Temple Aid	Mrs. A. Hummelstein	170.	82.00
Little Rock	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Arthur P. Pfeifer	1,540.	138.00
Pine Bluff	Anshe Emeth	Mrs. E. B. Bloom	820.	95.00
CALIFORNIA				
Hollywood	Temple Israel	Mrs. Myron Green	2,180.	507.00
San Bernardino	Temple Emanu El	Mrs. Norman Feldhey	600.	150.00
San Diego	Beth Israel	— — —	1,100.	500.00
San Francisco	Sherith Israel	Mrs. Alvin Lowenbein	4,210.	899.00
San Jose	San Jose Temple	Mrs. Louis Lackner	1,500.	.....
Santa Ana	Beth Sholom	— — —	390.	21.00
COLORADO				
Denver	Temple Emanuel	Mrs. Herman B. Stein	4,570.	1,696.00
CONNECTICUT				
Bridgeport	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Joseph G. Shapiro	1,900.	460.00
New Haven	Mishkan Israel	Mrs. Joseph Simons	2,180.	220.00
Waterbury	Temple Israel	Mrs. Ted A. Berman	620.	50.00
DELAWARE				
Wilmington	Beth Emeth	Mrs. Morton Salsbury	1,380.	355.50
FLORIDA				
Jacksonville	Ahavath Chesed	Mrs. F. G. Friedsam	2,310.	216.00
Palm Beach	Beth Israel	Mrs. A. Kominer	550.	100.00
Pensacola	Beth El	Mrs. Sidney Rosenthal	890.	367.00
Tallahassee	Temple Israel	— — —	350.	100.00
Tampa	Shaarai Zedek	Mrs. M. Schwartz	1,140.	180.00
GEORGIA				
Atlanta	Temple Sisterhood	Mrs. Sam Mohr	4,580.	917.50
Augusta	Temple Sisterhood	Mrs. Alex Furst	850.	130.00
Brunswick	Beth Tefilloh	— — —	300.	100.00
Columbus	Jewish Ladies' Aid	Mrs. Morris Stein	1,110.	315.00
Savannah	Mickve Israel	Mrs. W. Hohenstein	1,800.	800.00
Waycross	Daughters of Abraham	— — —	390.	10.00
ILLINOIS				
Champaign	Sinai	Mrs. Mollie Leavitt	780.	80.00
Chicago	Beth El	Mrs. N. A. Jaffee	1,000.	200.00
Chicago	Beth Israel	Mrs. William B. Levy	2,150.	245.00
Chicago	Sholom	Mrs. Samuel Schwartz	9,950.	516.00
Chicago	Washington Blvd.	Mrs. Ben Bandalin	4,100.	800.00
Chicago	Isaiah-Israel	Mrs. Ralph A. Reis	6,660.	321.00
Chicago	Menorah	Mrs. I. M. Hirschenbein	330.	40.00
Chicago	Sinai	Mrs. Max Biesenthal	9,960.	185.00
Chicago	Women of Mizpah	Mrs. A. Chester Green	3,250.	300.00
Chicago	South Shore	Mrs. Jack Graff	2,000.	20.00

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
Chicago	Ezra	Mrs. Ch. R. Romberg	\$1,700.	\$ 10.00
Chicago	K. A. M.	Mrs. Mark Rosenfeldt	5,330.	128.00
Chicago	Emanuel	Mrs. Arthur Buchband	4,050.	331.00
Chicago	Judea	Mrs. Peter Fischman	550.	110.00
Chicago	B'nai Jehoshua	Mrs. Frank Reinish	1,300.	190.00
Glencoe	North Shore	Mrs. Harry L. Canmann	7,130	1,025.00
Kankakee	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Ben Wurtzel	430.	80.00

KANSAS

Leavenworth	B'nai Jeshurun	— — —	230.	100.00
Topeka	Beth Sholom	Mrs. Harry Endlich	530.	197.67
Wichita	Emanu-El	Mrs. Murray Mondshine	1,080.	450.25

KENTUCKY

Ashland	Ashland Temple	Mrs. Hannah Miller	560.	60.00
Danville	Blue Grass Judean	— — —	170.	75.00
Henderson	Adas Israel	— — —	220.	60.00
Louisville	B'rith Sholom	Mrs. Harold Dinkelspeel	1,530.	360.00

LOUISIANA

Alexandria	Gemiluth Chassodim	Mrs. R. D. Marcus	1,320.	382.50
Baton Rouge	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Alvin B. Rubin	1,070.	90.00
Baton Rouge	Liberal Synagogue	Mrs. S. J. Helfman	280.	20.00
Lafayette	Lafayette	— — —	160.	38.00
Morgan City	Ladies Hebrew Aid	Mrs. Louis Finkelstein	200.	25.00
Shreveport	B'nai Zion	Mrs. Paul Shapiro	2,110.	595.00

MARYLAND

Baltimore	Har Sinai	Mrs. Jesse Miller	3,260.	446.50
Baltimore	Baltimore Hebrew	Mrs. Ira Spear	5,190.	2,155.90
Baltimore	Eutaw Place Temple	Mrs. Albert Lowenthal	4,770.	629.50

MASSACHUSETTS

Lynn	Beth El	Mrs. Murray Brown	2,410.	180.00
Pittsfield	Temple	— — —	1,100.	25.00
Springfield	Sinai Temple	Mrs. Murray Satell	530.	10.00

MICHIGAN

Alpena	Beth El	— — —	230.	10.00
Battle Creek	Beth El	— — —	.....	.....
Detroit	Israel	Mrs. Robert Rosen	6,040.	520.00
Jackson	Beth Israel	Mrs. Samuel Goldfarb	530.	193.00

MINNESOTA

Minneapolis	Temple Israel	Mrs. Joseph Burgen	4,170.	2,000.00
St. Paul	Mt. Zion	Mrs. H. S. Berman	3,200.	524.50

MISSISSIPPI

Clarksdale	Beth Israel	Mrs. Joe Davis	720.	134.35
Riverside	Adath Israel	Mrs. I. Mostkoff	170.	56.85
Tupelo	Northeast Miss.	Mrs. Sol Weiner	300.	124.35

NORTH CAROLINA

Asheville	Beth-Ha-Tephila	Mrs. Sol C. Isaac	1,120.	30.00
Gastonia	Temple Emanuel	Mrs. M. A. Rauch	250.	45.00

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
MISSOURI				
Joplin	Temple Aid	Mrs. Robert Klein	\$ 600.	\$ 25.00
St. Joseph	Adath Joseph	Mrs. Charles Liberman	1,420.	280.00
St. Louis	B'nai El	Mrs. Joseph N. Roth	1,880.	} 4,600.00 jointly
St. Louis	Temple Israel	Mrs. Henrietta F. Roth	5,090.	
St. Louis	Hebrew Ladies Aid	Mrs. Theodore Katz	3,000.	
St. Louis	Shaare Emeth	Mrs. Harry Weitzer	4,900.	
NEBRASKA				
Lincoln	B'nai Jeshurun	— — —	580.	222.00
NEW JERSEY				
Atlantic City	Beth Israel	Mrs. Albert Schwartz	3,480.	825.00
East Orange	Sharey Tefilo	Mrs. Bert Simon	2,360.	416.50
Hoboken	Adas Emuno	Mrs. Bernard E. Marx	650.	200.00
Jersey City	Beth-El	Mrs. B. Argenteanu	2,870.	25.00
New Brunswick	Anshe Emeth	Mrs. Jos. A. Lefkowitz	1,060.	300.00
Paterson	Barnert	— — —	750.	100.00
Plainfield	Temple Sholom	— — —	910.	56.00
Trenton	Har Sinai	Mrs. Ben M. Wilson	1,710.	619.60
OKLAHOMA				
Oklahoma City	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Milton Lewinsohn	2,230.	888.50
NEW YORK				
Albany	Beth Emeth	Mrs. Robert H. Reiss	2,750.	610.00
Bronx	Sinai	Mrs. A. Sternberg	660.	25.00
Brooklyn	Ahavath Sholom	Mrs. Mortimer May	2,750.	1,200.00
Brooklyn	Beth Elohim	Mrs. Leon A. Weil	2,950.	530.50
Brooklyn	Beth Sholom	Mrs. J. Waxberg	1,760.	369.50
Brooklyn	Progressive	— — —	1,050.	5.00
Brooklyn	Shaari Zedek	Mrs. Bernard Sherkowitz	810.	215.00
Brooklyn	Union	Mrs. Jos. L. Hamburger	4,000.	770.00
Buffalo	Beth Zion	Mrs. Emanuel Hirsch	6,390.	1,878.00
Elmira	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Jess Shapiro	980.	245.00
Flushing	Free Synagogue	Mrs. Jack Ross	2,190.	860.00
Glen Falls	Beth El	— — —	620.	10.00
Hempstead	Nassau Community	Mrs. Eugene Rodin	930.	93.00
Hornell	Beth El	— — —	200.	5.00
Jamaica	Temple Israel	Mrs. Max Levy	2,150.	25.00
Kew Gardens	Isaiah	Mrs. Morey H. Ruvin	2,370.	10.00
Kingston	Emanuel	— — —	780.	10.00
Lawrence	Israel	Mrs. Carl Lang	5,620.	1,536.68
Long Beach	Emanu-El	— — —	1,020.	10.00
Lynbrook	Emanu-El	— — —	1,790.	275.00
Mt. Vernon	Women's Guild	— — —	1,700.	25.00
Mt. Vernon	Sinai	Mrs. Harry G. Herman	1,970.	420.00
Newburgh	Beth Jacob	— — —	980.	261.00
New York	Central Synagogue	Mrs. Albert J. May Mrs. Leonard Marx	} 2,430.	495.00
New York	Covenant	Mrs. Lillian Friedman		
New York	Hebrew Tabernacle	— — —	1,250.	10.00
New York	Mt. Neboh	Mrs. William Gluck	4,530.	705.00
New York	Rodeph Sholom	Mrs. Abraham Rosenberg	3,500.	1,590.00

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
New York	Tremont	Mrs. Maurice Friedman	\$1,600.	\$ 280.00
Olean	B'nai Israel	— — —	430.	25.00
Rochester	B'rith Kodesh	Mrs. Henry A. Reich	4,250.	1,599.00
Rockville Centre	Central Synagogue	Mrs. William Godnick	2,500.	25.00
Schenectady	Gates of Heaven	Mrs. Max Mindell	840.	200.00
Troy	Third St. Temple	Mrs. Julius Gutmann	910.	5.00
White Plains	Women's Guild	— — —	3,100.	110.00
Yonkers	Emanuel	Mrs. Jerome D. Stein	1,410.	241.00

OHIO

Akron	Israel	Mrs. S. Bear	3,190.	1,500.00
Alliance	Israel	Mrs. Nathan Botnik	380.	.....
Canton	McKinley Ave. Temple	Mrs. Joseph J. Léven	1,600.	1,000.00
Cleveland	Euclid Ave. Temple	Mrs. J. C. Newman	10,000.	1,913.00
Cleveland	Tifereth Israel	Mrs. Henry Steuer	11,000.	5,000.00
Columbus	Rose E. Lazarus Sist.	Mrs. Allen Gundersheimer.	3,000.	205.00
		Mrs. A. J. Kobacker		
Dayton	Temple Israel	Mrs. Morris Fast	3,710.	519.00
Fremont	Beth Israel	Mrs. Yale Fish	450.	83.50
Hamilton	Bene Israel	Mrs. M. Weise	540.	10.00
Lorain	Lorain Temple	Mrs. Harry Haas	1,100.	162.00
Mansfield	Emanuel	Mrs. Leonard Goler	730.	138.50
Portsmouth	K. K. B. A.	— — —	360.	50.00
Springfield	Temple Sisterhood	Mrs. B. Brizman	790.	85.00
Youngstown	Rodef Sholem	Mrs. Marcel Dreyfus	2,040.	570.00

PENNSYLVANIA

Eric	Anshe Hesed	Mrs. Louis Grad	1,460.	660.00
McKeesport	B'nai Israel	— — —	1,210.	310.00
Pittsburgh	Sinai	Mrs. Oscar A. Levy	750.	200.00
Uniontown	Israel	Mrs. L. Irving Silverman	690.	120.00

RHODE ISLAND

Providence	Beth-El	Mrs. H. Goldschine	2,500.	1,112.50
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SOUTH CAROLINA

Anderson	Anderson Temple	Mrs. Ted Fleischman	70.	30.00
Darlington	Darlington Temple	Mrs. Maurice Lumiansky	110.	20.00
Dillon	Dillon Temple	Mrs. J. Bernanke	150.	63.00
Lake City	Beth-Or Temple	Mrs. S. S. Aronson	180.	60.00

SOUTH DAKOTA

Sioux Falls	Mt. Zion	Mrs. David Sternberg	460.	100.00
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TEXAS

Alice	Alice Sisterhood	— — —	170.	35.00
Austin	Beth Israel	Mrs. Ben A. Goodfriend	1,010.	371.00
Beaumont	Emanuel	— — —	770.	50.00
Corpus Christi	Beth El	Mrs. I. Alexander	1,000.	220.00
Dallas	Emanu-El	Mrs. Max Philipson	6,410.	1,760.50
El Paso	Mt. Sinai	Mrs. Carl Goodman	2,000.	261.00
Ft. Worth	Beth-El	— — —	1,280.	300.00
Galveston	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Joe R. Nierman	1,450.	255.00
Houston	Beth Israel	Mrs. Carl J. Herman	4,490.	30.00
Houston	Emanu-El	Mrs. Max Block	3,780.	198.50

CITY	SISTERHOOD	CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
San Antonio	Beth El	Mrs. Henry Oppenheimer	\$3,230.	\$ 320.00
Texarkana	Mt. Sinai	— — —	390.	50.00
Wichita Falls	Israel	— — —	580.	50.00
UTAH				
Salt Lake City	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Leon Jack Sweet	1,060.	325.00
VIRGINIA				
Alexandria	Beth El	— — —	400.	15.00
Lynchburg	Agudath Sholem	Mrs. Kenneth Cooper	580.	200.00
Norfolk	Ohev Sholom	Mrs. Joseph Hearst	1,780.	585.00
Roanoke	Emanuel	Mrs. Nathan Fink	730.	132.00
WASHINGTON				
Spokane	Emanu-El	Mrs. A. Wm. Weitzman	830.	120.00
Tacoma	Beth Israel	Mrs. Homer Goldblatt	440.	100.00
WEST VIRGINIA				
Beckley	Beth El	Mrs. William Klein	300.	10.00
Charleston	Virginia Street	Mrs. Julius Hess	1,800.	265.00
Clarksburg	Tree of Life	Mrs. Marc Levine	600.	125.00
Fairmont	Fairmont Jewish	Mrs. Sam Hirsh	300.	50.00
Huntington	Ohev Sholom	Mrs. I. N. Schoenfeld	1,080.	500.00
Logan	Logan Temple	Mrs. Bernard Miller	250.	10.00
Morgantown	Morgantown	Mrs. Samson Finn	520.	25.00
Wheeling	Eoff St. Temple	Mrs. Joseph Dreyfuss	780.	180.00
WISCONSIN				
Madison	Beth El	Mrs. Burnie S. Sweet	520.	130.00
CANADA				
Montreal	Emanu-El	Mrs. M. Margolick	3,150.	225.00
FOREIGN				
REPUBLIC OF PANAMA				
Colon	Kaal Kadoch Yangakob	Mrs. Theodore Frankel	300.	125.00
Panama City	Kol Shearith Israel	Mrs. Henry Fidanque, Jr.	1,270.	100.00

REPORT OF THE Committee on Interfaith Activities

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

An activity that has been successful for three years attains a measure of stability and permanence.

The Committee on Interfaith Activities may modestly boast of achievement in its work the past three years. During that period the NFTS has added lustre to its

name by sponsoring an educational program that has continually increasing potentiality for creating better understanding and mutual respect between Christian and Jew.

This report will treat of three aspects of the Committee's program. It will review, first, the Institutes on Judaism for leaders of Christian church women's groups held during the year just closed. Secondly, it will deal with other Interfaith activities of our affiliates. And thirdly, it will present a suggestion for an intensification of our Institute on Judaism program that will make for more intimate exchange of opinions and information.

I

Whereas last year but six Institutes on Judaism were reported, this year twenty-one have already been held. The demand for Institutes on Judaism is growing steadily. Many Sisterhoods are asking the National Federation to sponsor such a program in their cities. And some cities that have already had Institutes are requesting that they be repeated in the near future.

In one city, Philadelphia, where an Institute on Judasim following the regular pattern had been held, the request came to the Committee to have an evening Institute so that business women and school teachers could attend. This novel venture was so successful that it could be duplicated in other large cities.

It is gratifying to report that the Institutes on Judaism to establish good will and better understanding do not constitute a one-way street. In the preceding year a reciprocal meeting sponsored by the New York Council of Church Women was held in New York City. This year such reciprocity meetings were conducted by the Council of Church Women of Brooklyn and of Cincinnati. In the latter city a most successful Institute on Protestantism was held in June at the Hyde Park Methodist Church, at which a Methodist, a Presbyterian, and an Episcopal minister gave the three lectures, the two local Sisterhood Presidents gave the prayers, and your chairman brought greetings from NFTS. The luncheon speaker was Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The Chicago Church Women held a reciprocal meeting in October. The Catholic Women of Indianapolis conducted an Institute on Catholicism to which Jewish and Protestant women were invited.

The Committee on Interfaith Activities is most grateful to the rabbis who cooperated so whole-heartedly in our educational program.

Appended hereto is a list of the cities where Institutes on Judaism for the leaders of Christian church women's groups were held during the year, as well as the names of the lecturers who participated on the programs.

II

Other types of Interfaith meetings included programs such as were reported in previous years by our affiliates. Fifty-seven meetings of this kind were reported to our National office. Many communications asking for program suggestions and assistance were answered by your chairman and by Miss Esther Cienier of our NFTS staff.

III

Your chairman takes great pleasure in presenting a suggestion for a further extension of the Interfaith project, that, hopefully, will intensify our work and perhaps make it lasting. As a follow-up in the cities where Institutes on Judaism have been held under NFTS auspices, it is suggested that group meetings be instituted by Jewish and Christian women in their own homes. About 15 or 20 Sisterhood and Church women could meet for a brief discussion of some of the themes touched upon in the Institutes.

The plan will be tried out in Cincinnati experimentally during the coming season. The results will be reported in the following year. The reaction of both groups in Cincinnati to the suggested plan augurs well for the success of this extension of our project.

On September 30, 1948, the Chairman of this Committee spoke on the Interfaith Activities of NFTS at the annual meeting of the Ohio Council of Church Women in Columbus, Ohio.

It is with a feeling of deep gratitude that the members of this committee have been given the privilege of serving so great a cause. The most heartfelt thanks of the chairman goes to the members of the Committee, to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, to Miss Jane Evans, Miss Esther Ciener and the staff of our National office—and above all to all those who participated in the Institutes on Judaism and assisted in carrying out our unique educational program.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. LOUIS I.) AUGUSTA C. EGELSON, *Chairman*

APPENDIX A

INSTITUTES ON JUDAISM FOR LEADERS OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH WOMEN'S GROUPS
Held from November 1, 1947 - October 31 1948

CITY	SPEAKERS
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Dr. David Philipson, Rabbi Victor E. Reichert, Rabbi James G. Heller, Rabbi Samuel Wohl
Hartford, Conn.....	Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman, Rabbi Samuel H. Goldenson
Springfield, Mass.....	Rabbi Levi A. Olan, Rabbi Herman E. Snyder
Toronto, Canada.....	Rabbi Samuel H. Goldenson, Rabbi Abraham L. Feinberg
Milwaukee, Wis.....	Rabbi Samuel Hirshberg, Rabbi G. George Fox, Rabbi Joseph L. Baron, Rabbi Harry B. Pastor
Columbus, Ohio.....	Rabbi Alvin I. Fine, Rabbi Jerome D. Folkman
Sacramento, Cal.....	Rabbi Irving I. Hausman
Michigan City, Ind.....	Rabbi Joseph E. Strauss, Rabbi Byron F. Rubenstein
Portland, Oregon.....	Rabbi Henry J. Berkowitz
Seattle, Wash.....	Rabbi Bernard D. Rosenberg, Rabbi Raphael H. Levine
Denver, Col.....	Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, Rabbi Karl Weiner, William R. McClurg

Knoxville, Tenn.....	Rabbi A. Feinstein, Rabbi L. J. Stillpass
Flint, Mich.....	Rabbi Milton Rosenbaum, Rabbi Morton M. Applebaum
Springfield, Ill.....	Dr. Karl Rosenthal, Rabbi Leo M. Turitz
Memphis, Tenn.....	Rabbi Eugene Blachschleger, Rabbi Harry W. Ettelson, Rabbi James A. Wax
Pontiac, Mich.....	Rabbi Morton M. Applebaum, Rabbi Milton Rosenbaum
Indianapolis, Ind.....	Rabbi Morris M. Feuerlicht, Rabbi Jerome D. Folkman, Rabbi Maurice Goldblatt
Salt Lake City, Utah.....	Rabbi William M. Stern, Rabbi Adolph H. Fink
White Plains, New York.....	Rabbi Nathan A. Perilman, Rabbi Henry E. Kagan, Rabbi Lawrence W. Schwartz, Rabbi Max Maccoby

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Jewish Ceremonials and Art

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

To you who are vitally interested in the future of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, here is for its annual meeting a review of recent activities of the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art and suggestions for the coming year. The principal effort of this Committee has been the very attractive and useful Art Calendar and Daily Engagement Pad. This year's calendar illustrates the work of the noted Jewish artist, A. Raymond Katz. It should find its place on every member's desk and in this way be a constant reminder of the National Federation and its many activities.

The Committee celebrated Jewish Music Week at which time the various Sisterhoods highlighted this activity at its meetings with very attractive programs, featuring Jewish musicians or programs secured from NFTS headquarters on various phases of Jewish music and the contributions of Jewish composers. Many Sisterhoods held study groups on the subject of Jewish Music using the NFTS publication "The Contribution of Jewish Composers to the Music of the Modern World," by Dr. Anne L. Landau as a study guide.

This Committee is vitally interested in the progress of the House of Living Judaism campaign. Your Committee dares to hope that some of the wonderful collection of art and ceremonial objects hidden in packing cases in the Hebrew Union College may be displayed in the new home of Liberal Judaism in America.

Another service promoted by the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art is the establishment of Jewish Gift and Book Shops by local Sisterhoods. The purpose of the Gift and Book Shop is twofold: to supply the demand for gifts of Jewish content and to promote the sale of Jewish Art and Ceremonial objects for the home, the school

and individuals on significant occasions. Full details on the operation of this venture may be secured from the NFTS office in Cincinnati.

Heartfelt appreciation is extended to the members of Local, State and District Chairmen and the National Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art for their constant interest and inspiration. With all good wishes for the future of the NFTS and its affiliates,

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. J. WALTER) STELLA H. FREIBERG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Jewish Literature for the Blind

Paducah, Ky., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It has been said that the spirit of the twentieth century, and the primary point of emphasis of this period, is the welfare, growth and development of man in his many and varied phases. If this be true, then the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind has indeed assumed a valid and compelling position as a functioning group in this field of twentieth-century endeavor. This Committee primarily operates to aid a large segment of mankind which might otherwise move in darkness, and lack means by which their literary, intellectual and spiritual growth could be stimulated.

Your Chairman, with a feeling of joy and distinct gratification, reports a growing interest and participation in the work of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind throughout the entire Sisterhood world. It is pleasing to see not only increased financial gains during the past year, but to learn of the wider activity on both the State and Local levels which has marked this Committee's work.

The financial cooperation of NFTS groups during the fiscal period November 1, 1947-October 31, 1948, in response to the annual appeal for funds for assistance to the blind was as follows:

November, 1947	\$ 249.50	June, 1948	455.00
December, 1947	301.00	July, 1948	369.00
January, 1948	591.50	August, 1948	23.00
February, 1948	221.00	September, 1948	100.50
March, 1948	1,468.10	October, 1948	267.00
April, 1948	915.50		
May, 1948	\$ 700.50	TOTAL	\$5,661.60

One of the primary purposes of this Committee has been to aid the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., and to underwrite during the years issues of the "Jewish Braille Review" and the "Braille Musician," publications of this important organization. Issues of the "Jewish Braille Review" and the "Braille Musician" have been underwritten during the fiscal period of 1947-48 by the following:

Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood, Los Angeles, Calif., in honor of Mrs. Cora Prenzlauer, President Emeritus.

Temple Aid Sisterhood, South Bend, Ind., in memory of Lt. Irving Horwich, Lt. Phillip Levy, Lt. Arthur Simon, and Pvt. Nathan Carnitz.

Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood, Des Moines, Ia., in honor of the seventy-fifth anniversary of Temple B'nai Jeshurun.

Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim, Lancaster, Pa., in honor of Miss Settie Selig, in recognition of many years of devoted service to the blind.

Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel, Memphis, Tenn., in honor of Mrs. Edgar Haas, Past President.

Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel, Hartford, Conn., in honor of its faithful member, Mrs. Henrietta Frank Stern.

The Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods—an issue of each publication.

Mrs. August Lorch and Mrs. Magdalene Lorch Folz, Dallas, Texas, in memory of August Lorch.

The Blind Service Association, which underwrites annually certain issues in memory of Joseph Stolz.

Mrs. Emanuel M. Hartman, a member of the Hartford Sisterhood, underwrote the annual Hebrew Braille Calendar in memory of her mother, Henrietta Frank Stern.

During the past months an appeal came from the Special Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse for aid in its attempts to lighten the burden of the men and women left homeless, sightless, and friendless in war-ravaged lands abroad. By a ballot conducted by mail, the NFTS Executive Board voted to divide the contributions to the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind during the fiscal year 1947-48 with the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse, to aid them in bringing extra food rations, clothing, personal assistance to the people who needed the psychological reassurance that they had not been forgotten. A full report of the work of this Committee is appended as Appendix A. Your most careful reading of this Appendix is most strongly urged.

One State Federation has adopted as its principal project—the teaching of Braille to interested persons throughout the State. The State Federation bears the expense of a travelling teacher who conducts classes over the entire State. Your chairman calls this to the attention of other State Federations which may be seeking a definite project to appeal to all women, and may she underline its importance, not only in furthering the Sisterhood interest in your Federation, but also the immense value it will be to those who will profit, even in years to come, from the books Brailled as a result of this fine cooperation and selfless activity.

Other State and Local units have planned informative programs around Braille projects, with exhibits, lectures and demonstrations by Braillists on the use of the Braille machine. In planning programs for the year, do not overlook this novel and intriguing possibility for a program of interest.

RECOMMENDATION

In the face of uncertainty and insecurity of the people of European countries, and

because of the great continuing needs of the sightless abroad for physical help and sustenance, and spiritual illumination and guidance, it is recommended that the contributions to the Committee for Jewish Literature for the Blind, be again divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., and the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse.

Thanks are herewith extended to Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, Miss Esther Ciener, Assistant Director, and Miss Josephine Schoenborn for their continuing and unfailing kindness in every possible instance where help was needed.

Special word of honor and tribute is herewith offered to the memory of a member of the NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind whose life drew to a close in the past year, Miss Augusta Kempe, of the Women's Association of Temple B'nai Jeshurun of Newark, N. J., whose many years of inspired service to the blind is a living testament to her devoted work.

Gratitude and appreciation must be expressed to all members of the National Committee for Jewish Literature for the Blind, and to all local chairmen, who have, by their never-failing devotion, been the means by which such a fine record of accomplishment has been achieved. Surely, of them, through the years, many a sightless person who may use the Brailled books produced by Sisterhood will exclaim that here, indeed, has been provided "A Lamp unto My Feet and a Light unto My Path."

May the coming months bring added impetus to all Sisterhood women to aid in this work which will bring the torch of learning and the lamp of the spirit to hundreds throughout the United States and other lands.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. STERLING) THALIA R. BERG, *Chairman*

APPENDIX A

SPECIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse

New York, New York, October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Palestine Lighthouse desires to thank the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and to express officially its appreciation for most cordial cooperation.

Given to promote the special work of the *Committee on European Blind Survivors of World War II*, said Committee gratefully acknowledges your Sisterhood's generous contributions during the past eight months, amounting to \$2,547.30.

Received in March, 1948.....	\$681.50
Received in April, 1948.....	734.05
Received in May, 1948.....	457.75.

Received in June, 1948.....	\$350.25
Received in July, 1948.....	227.50
Received in Aug., 1948.....	34.50
Received in Sept., 1948.....	11.50
Received in Oct., 1948.....	50.25
	\$2,547.30

This cooperation is a splendid example of the bond among Jewish women working together for the welfare of those who need us.

In acknowledgment of your most kind support, it is suitable, in return, to acquaint you with the full details of this project for which you have shown such genuine concern. However, as it is still in the formative stage, perhaps an informal narrative, rather than a formal report, may give you more illuminating understanding.

A tale should begin at the beginning. Let this one start, as its preamble, with the many long years of notable service you have given the blind. This kinship in work inspired us to bring to you this tragedy and our anxiety.

Your National President, National Executive Board, and Executive Director, are exceptional women. Their efficiency has not deprived them of sympathy. They answered our appeal with their hearts as well as their minds, and they carried to your organization the pitiful cry of the Sightless.

The Sisterhood's immediate response has been heartwarming and so spontaneous we extend to each, the blessing of the Blind, and to each we say, "We feel you have shown your vital interest in a very real way and we trust you may be moved to continue your help."

In the words of the blind—

"Better than your gifts of food and clothing, though they are so needed, is the comforting thought that some one cares about us."

To you, representatives of Sisterhoods, we have brought the story and the plea.

Before you in Convention assembled there will come many causes to claim your attention and assistance! May this one continue to share in your benefactions!

You have been trained to service for the blind. Your recent contributions to us prove how sympathetically you included in this year's current program this work of aid to European Jewish Blind Survivors.

By your vote, may you decide to develop it as a permanent interest. It is most fitting that you and your Braille writers intensify your participation in this larger and more needy field of service to the Blind. Those, heretofore, helped by you have such riches to draw from, with the solicitous care of Federal, State and City governments, besides the private agencies, all pouring forth every type of benefit. Think of the American Blind so *completely cared for*, in contrast with European Jewish blind, *bare of everything*. Facing cruel winter with so little, their sightless eyes turned to us!

Let us hurry with our help! Every hour, every minute takes its toll! *Do continue to come to the rescue*. Your strong hands extended in fellowship to your blind brothers and sisters overseas!

Your friendship will drive away their frightful memories and fill their cheerless hours of depression with new hope for a better future!

Again thanking you.

Faithfully yours,

LEAH PIZA WEIL, *Chairman*

THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

OF THE

PALESTINE LIGHTHOUSE

FOR EUROPEAN JEWISH BLIND SURVIVORS OF WORLD WAR II

Number of Survivors

Of all Nazi crimes committed against the human race, those which they perpetrated upon the European Jewish blind, cry out loudest among their act of horror.

The frightful fact is that more than 4,000 were killed in gas chambers, concentration camps and deportation camps.

The European Jewish blind now existing are definitely war victims. More than 250 who worked as slaves under deadly dangerous conditions did manage to survive salt mines, explosions in chemical works, and the most hazardous mechanical factory employment. But some hundreds of sighted persons lost their sight from hardships as forced laborers in the slave labor camps.

Uncounted are the Jewish blind who are scattered wanderers, as well as the masses behind the Iron Curtain.

Personalities

These facts have been revealed through the Palestine Lighthouse's investigations, and from the letters to us from the blind themselves. These letters are open for your inspection. A glance through them would stimulate your pride as a Jew to find among these Jewish blind victims such dignity and unbroken personalities. They tell a story of courage, of heroic spirit, of the wish and the will to rebuild shattered lives.

Truly these are people worth helping. People of intelligence and good standing before the war. Professional men, teachers, writers, musicians, merchants, craftsmen, and the usual average persons.

Their hundreds of letters form a very human document. But as one reads between the lines, one senses untold misery. For when blindness is added to the misfortunes of the forlorn Jews of Europe, sorrow and suffering can go no deeper.

Record of the Palestine Lighthouse and Its Committee on Jewish Blind Survivors

The needs of the Jewish blind overseas has been a call to service from the Palestine Lighthouse after two wars.

In the shadows of World War I the Palestine Lighthouse drew attention to the plight of the Jewish blind of Palestine. Under the leadership of the late Sara Friedman, its Founder and National President, it erected its present institute—a home—school—workshop—and community center. Located in Jerusalem, our institute is now the only haven of refuge outside the United States. It is the hope and the desired destination of all these displaced blind persons.

Today our Jerusalem Institute offers rehabilitation, education, and trade training to war blind, orphan blind and blind refugees, besides the native blind of Palestine and neighboring countries.

THIS IS THE RECORD OF THE PALESTINE LIGHTHOUSE!

Another world war, and again the Palestine Lighthouse draws attention to the plight of distressed Jewish blind. Now, they are Nazi victims—the *European Jewish Blind Survivors of World War II* for whose aid this Committee has been created.

Aim of the Committee

In all of Europe, no organization or institution for the Jewish blind remains to develop any activity for these Jewish blind, *as such*.

This is the work that lies before us. Starting with informal groups of blind in centers of population—to bring them the Special Care Their Special Needs Require.

The Search

During the Nazi terror some blind had been able to reach our Jerusalem Institute through the Underground. But of the thousands who formerly lived in Central Europe we knew nothing, and we could learn nothing of them. Through all the confused period that followed the war, our urgent anxiety was TO FIND THE BLIND.

"Did any survive," we asked?

No organization had a clear overall picture. So the Palestine Lighthouse decided to institute a *search* for them as the initial step toward their relief.

Professor Altmann

The quest was a difficult one, without chart or compass. It required time, patience and skill. It has been in charge of the outstanding personality in this field, Professor Siegfried Altmann, acting for us. Professor Altmann is the former Director of the famous school for the Jewish blind of Vienna—*The Israelitisches Blinden Institute*.

These inquiries covered European newspapers, about seventy-five Jewish communities, all non-Jewish European organizations for the blind, and all the usual channels of information.

We have sifted thoroughly names from every source obtained through Professor Altmann's world-wide connection. Only an expert among the European Jewish blind of the old days, one who knew many blind personally, could have done this job.

This search must continue for a long time until all the lost ones are guided to help and hope.

THE SURVEY

324 Cases

As the immediate result of our investigations, 324 typical cases have been set up as a basis for this present survey. Analyzed, they establish a definite summary of conditions and needs. The list naturally continues to grow. As our parcels of food, clothing and necessities (such as soap, medicine, blankets, etc.) go to new recipients, the score builds up.

But, we repeat, all these blind individuals report: *for them, as blind, nothing so*

far has been attempted outside of the contact of this Committee of the Palestine Lighthouse.

Residence

Of the 324 blind there are living in:

Austria	7
Czechoslovakia	17
Hungary	5
Germany	106
German D. P. Camps.....	29
France and Other D. P. Camps.....	82
Poland	29*
Roumania	49*

All are in Central and Western Europe except for the number indicated in *Poland and *Roumania where there are known to be the greatest number.

Sexes

Of these 324 blind persons, 203 are male and 121 female.

Women and children being less "expendable" and less useful to the Nazi masters, a greater percentage were "liquidated" in gas chambers.

*Contacts with those living in Poland and Roumania are necessarily limited.

Ages

Among them are the ages:

1 - 25 years	21 male	16 female
26 - 50 years	77 male	56 female
Over 50 years	99 male	31 female

Data respecting age were not received from 26 males and 18 females.

Literacy

All adults are literate. However, there is NO PROVISION being made for the education of the blind children.

Displaced Persons — 324

All of the 324 blind persons, were driven from their homes and native lands. Those formerly residing in large cities are the only ones who have been able to return to their place of origin. This is why Jewish blind of all nationalities are to be found in Germany, in France, and the D. P. Camps. Their status as D. P.'s has caused them to be confronted by insurmountable labor and social difficulties.

The accepted law in all European countries bars a D. P. or a non-citizen from taking on any kind of outside public work as an individual; a law that entails the most cramping restrictions.

The fundamental reason, of course, that undermines their stability, and the cause of much of their trouble—is the same that prevents their return to their native villages. It stems from the fact that most of these people came from the small villages

from which all Jews were banned and driven. Even today anti-Semitism and Nazi influence still prevail. Their homes and work gone, it is not strange they fear to return to hostile neighbors and scenes of suffering still fresh in their memory.

Dwellings

Winter will be sharp and cruel in the Displaced Persons' Camps for the unfortunates who still linger there. With neither special pity nor special care they shuffle and shuttle in and out from one camp to another, blindness just an added hardship. When they leave the camps and the bad years are behind them, they have the gift of freedom, but not much besides. Their dream is of a home like the one they have lost, but they are lucky when they have the chance to huddle in a bare room in the poorest of families.

Sick from past hardships, shut away by their blindness, cut off as D. P.'s from outside employment and social life, *is hope dead for these Dwellers in Eternal Darkness? It is not! They prove the quality of their astonishing characters by trying to achieve for themselves some solutions to their own problems.*

Occupations

Helen Keller has said the greatest unhappiness of the blind is not their blindness but their lack of occupation.

Twenty-two per cent of our 324 blind persons desire to return to their former occupations. Many regret their energies have no outlet. They long for a life of usefulness and self-respect. But how to go about it without tools, materials, or the wherewithal, they ask.

Lacking the opportunity for gainful outside work, but to occupy themselves at least part of the time, many are trying to make things at home. Some blind are teaching. Others wish to entertain. And so it goes, each seeking to find the old paths, the old joy of usefulness. Is it not wonderful? Their letters request materials, yarn and wool for knitting, tools of many kinds with which to carry on their home-crafts. Many blind were formerly musicians. They ask for musical instruments, particularly accordions, as a means of support.

Needs

Mainly they ask for advice. But every one, of every degree knows absolute want. All need the bare fundamental necessities—food, clothing, medical supplies.

Parcels

To meet this grim reality, a regular parcel mailing service has been established. Our packages supplement the scant allotment of subsistence rations distributed from what the community receives from the Jewish charities of America. These great organizations, which are keeping the masses of the European Jewish population from starving, do not deal with individuals, but with communities as a whole. Our packages, mailed direct to the individual, bring a variety of nourishing items: special medicines, soap, blankets and individual requests. Clothing also is mailed.

Our food packages vary with the season and the occasion. Holy Days are observed by appropriate contents. Powdered milk is sent children. Kosher meat to those

asking for it. All recipients consider the items well chosen. A few people have special diets which are arranged for.

Here is a sample of one shipment:

- 1 pound spaghetti
- 1 pound rice
- 1 pound roasted coffee
- ½ pound sweet cocoa
- ½ lb. powdered milk in tin
- ¼ oz. kosher goose fat in tin
- 1 pound honey in tin
- 15 oz. marmalade
- 1 pound fruit cake in tin

It should give you great happiness to have helped with this vital relief work.

Social Centers

The hunger of the spirit is very real to such people as these for they need cheer to lift morale and to brighten their monotonous lives.

Small groups are getting together for social contacts. One has been started in Berlin with a blind man as its leader. Fifty to sixty blind attend its sessions. There is another in Hamburg also led by a blind man. These natural leaders are gifted with such feeling for their fellows, good results are already shown. They welcome our assistance in helping them develop their groups. The Committee's efforts in all ways are enthusiastically appreciated and acknowledged.

Another blind leader is Vice-Chairman of the (sighted) Jewish Community of Vienna. There are very fine people among these blind correspondents of ours.

Wherever large groups reside, the Committee plans to help create such social club centers. The Jewish blind will then be able to gather socially, and then larger plans for rehabilitation can be inaugurated and promoted, with "Special Care for Special Needs." This is the next big objective of this Committee, and it will be a privilege to do something with such WONDERFUL PEOPLE as these European Jewish Blind Survivors:

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Peace and World Relations

Buffalo, N. Y., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

In the period from November 1, 1947 through October 31, 1948, the Committee on Peace and World Relations has intensified its efforts to form local study and

discussion groups in the field of world affairs. It has submitted plans of organization, study material, and has constantly stressed the importance of discussion and action on important issues where such action was indicated. Correspondence was carried on with many local groups advising them of procedures, encouraging those who were discouraged at their relatively small numbers, and commending those whose great enthusiasm, intelligent programming, and intensive effort resulted in the achievement of an alert, informed, articulate membership which appreciated its responsibility as a determining factor in progress toward peace.

The importance of American Brotherhood Week was again brought to the attention of our local units, urging that they take an active part in the observance of this significant event through cooperation with the planning agencies of their communities, and through special programs. Reports forwarded to us indicated a widespread interest and extensive activity on the part of local groups.

Brochures on "Reading for Democracy" (National Conference of Christians and Jews, New York, publisher); on an "Appraisal of the Inter-American Defense Treaty" (National Peace Conference, 8 W. 40th St., New York 18, N. Y., published from the NFTS Martha Levy Steinfeld Memorial Fund); and on "Judaism and Race Equality" (CCAR Committee on Justice and Peace, publisher) were circulated to local units, not only as a source of information, but as a basis for study and discussion. These brochures were widely used and proved stimulating and provocative.

Through the monthly packet, reports of the activities of various local groups were brought to the attention of all local units to provide a pattern for like progress and achievement. These reports listed many unusual projects, subjects for study, pageants, and available films along with a summary of cooperative community endeavors in the field of Peace and World Relations.

A most comprehensive "syllabus" on the formation and successful administration of a Peace and World Relations study and discussion group was issued through the able Vice-Chairman of the National Committee, Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Iowa. It carefully outlined the reasons for such a group, a plan for its physical organization, its potentialities, its activities in relation to the general membership and to its own community, and included a sample bibliography. Local reaction proved this enclosure to have been of inestimable worth, and widespread use was made of the information it highlighted.

The National Committee on Peace and World Relations regrets that "Current Copy," which was so enthusiastically received and commented upon, was not published for several months because of the great pressure in the National Office, and is happy to report that this important resumé of events is again being published regularly beginning with the October, 1948, issue, and that it will continue to be a vital source of information and inspiration. The present editor is Mrs. Harrison Thomas, a specialist in the field of education in international affairs and until recently, Educational Director of the American Association for the United Nations. Local action on bills before Congress was urged in many instances and provisions of various bills, such as the Wiley Bill on Displaced Persons, were carefully outlined for our membership through letters in the monthly packet, in line with the policy of

the National Committee to make every effort to convert intelligent thought into intelligent action.

The National Chairman spoke before various groups on many aspects of the problem of peace, and answered much correspondence relative to specific questions of interested members. She also enjoyed the great privilege of representing NFTS as a delegate to the World Conference of Religion for the Moral and Spiritual Support of the United Nations in New York City in June, 1948. This conference featured an inspirational, exciting and stimulating series of meetings with international figures presenting momentous and significant addresses, followed by discussion and the comment of a panel of experts, all of whom forcefully stressed the importance of religious motivation and spiritual growth as the only basis for the eventual Utopia of "a world at peace." The intelligent contribution of Jane Evans, Executive Director of NFTS and Vice-President of the National Peace Conference with which NFTS is affiliated, on one of the panels as a member of Commission #1 of this World Conference, was a source of great pride to your delegate.

The Chairman of this committee is very grateful to Miss Evans, to Mrs. Albert H. Silverman, to Miss Esther Ciener, and to other members of the NFTS staff, whose valued suggestions, ideas and ever-present interest and cooperation have made possible any success with which the Committee may have met in the administration of its work. The Chairman greatly appreciates, too, the intelligent, constructive comment, and the enthusiastic, willing hand of her Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, and that of all the members of the National and local Committees on Peace and World Relations, who have been such instrumental factors in the planning and progress of the National Committee.

Only through the continued cooperation of all individuals in the many local units can this committee's objectives be realized; these objectives require constructive thought, creative effort, and the passionate hope for peace, justice, security, and a better life for all peoples, that will manifest itself in renewed vigor, alert enthusiasm, and intelligent action for no person can escape responsibility for the course of human affairs. Professor Charles A. Beard points out that "the human being is not a mere victim of environment, but by thinking and action exerts control over environment." The true dynamic is within.

It is the hope of the Chairman that the National Committee on Peace and World Relations will continue to grow and to achieve significant results, that local groups will experience a growing awareness of their responsibilities and potentialities as effective forces in this ennobling pattern for peace, and that each individual in our National Federation will be motivated to "translate good intentions into intelligent goodness" by intensive thought, articulate opinion, and effective action through the inspiration of a "sense of mission" and a knowledge of his own power in this worldwide struggle that will bring to all men everywhere the realization of their dreams of universal brotherhood and universal peace.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. SIDNEY S.) MILDRED E. WALLENS, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE
Special Committee on Post-War Service

Hartford, Conn., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It had been the hope of the Post-War Service Committee Chairman to convey to you a statistical report of work accomplished in the past year. This is, at present, not possible since complete information is not available. Many affiliated groups, although actively and whole-heartedly engaged in Post-War Service work and particularly in SOS* projects, do not keep definite accounts of the quantity of materials sent to SOS centers. Furthermore, in many instances, their work is merged with the total, local community picture.

It can be stated that in addition to the collections of:

Canned Goods	Medical and Dental Supplies
Clothing	Medical Books and Journals
Shoes	Layettees and Layette Items
Toys	Books and Phonograph Records

which have evidenced the earnest endeavor of many groups in generous contributions, there have developed requests for special campaigns. Notices of these campaigns have been forwarded to Chairmen of all affiliated groups through the media of Presidents' Packets and Board Folios. The response has been enthusiastic. These new needs include: Religious Articles, Scrolls, T'flin, Sefer Torahs, and Prayerbooks.

Information concerning plans for securing these articles and forwarding them to the proper destinations was released in August, 1948, and in the folio for September, 1948. The SOS Fall Campaign emphasized the need for layettes, new clothing and foods of high protein content.

NFTS continues to be represented on the Executive Committee and Sub-Committees of National Jewish Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board. Since the termination of U. S. O. (United Service Organizations) in December, 1947, the N. J. W. O. Division of the J. W. B. has been officially included in the Veterans' Administration Voluntary Service National Advisory Committee. This service program is set up as follows:

- A. A national advisory committee.
- B. A branch advisory committee for each of the 13 geographical regions into which the V. A. is divided throughout the country.
- C. A hospital advisory committee for each of the V. A. hospitals, approximately 126 in all.

The following representation has been requested from the N. J. W. O. Division of the J. W. B.

*SOS are the initials for Supplies for Overseas Survivors, a joint project of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) and national organizations, including NFTS. Women of Reform Judaism Records, MS-73, Box 1, Folder 5. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.

- A. 9 of the 13 branch offices.
- B. 66 of the 126 V. A. hospitals.

NFTS has several appointees to the hospital service (Category above).

With all activities implemented with earnestness and dispatch by Local Chairmen of Post-War Service, it is timely to consider the desire of the Post-War Service Committee, and it is recommended that in order that all may know satisfaction in work well done, and that all may note the scope of NFTS achievement, each unit keep systematic statistics and records. In this manner for future reports, there will be a definite recording of the work accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. EDWARD A.) ADELLE WISE HART, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE
AMERICAN JEWISH
National Committee on Programs

Columbia, S. C., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

During the past year the book of Program and Study Materials has been entirely revised, so that the material which is offered to you this season will be new and up-to-date in every respect. So excellent has been the response to the request of the Committee for the best programs presented by the member units of Sisterhood that the library of program materials has been greatly enriched. The Committee on Programs wishes to express its appreciation to the Local Chairmen, both for the excellent quality of the programs given by them and for their generous response to the requests of the Committee.

For the past several seasons, the Committee Chairman has released a monthly letter of suggestions for local units. The upsurge in the number of inquiries for programs which are sent to the National Office has been deeply gratifying to the Committee. It was the feeling of the Chairman of this Committee that the members of the local units should be allowed to share the experiences of the other members of the Committee whose wisdom and knowledge would be of great value. Upon her invitation, the members of the Committee on Programs have written letters for inclusion in the monthly packet. Several letters have appeared and it is hoped that before the program is completed that every member of the Committee will share with fellow Sisterhood members her best thoughts in the field for programming.

It has been the aim and ambition of the Committee on Programs to make program materials readily available to the membership of Sisterhood. Looking toward a more efficient use of the book of Program and Study Materials, every effort was made to have it in the hands of the Sisterhoods at the close of the summer, so that Program

Committees could use it to the best advantage in the preparation of programs for the coming season. The sincere thanks of this Committee go to the members of the staff of the National Federation for the magnificent service they have given in the presentation of this material and for the uncounted hours given in the preparation of the Program Book and the many new programs. The Committee offers its especial thanks to Miss Esther Ciener and to Mrs. A. H. Silverman, who have edited and prepared the material for printing. Without their efficient and generous aid the Committee could not have functioned.

The Program Committee could not report its work without expressing its deep appreciation to the beloved President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, for her interest in and untiring efforts on behalf of the work of the Committee. Her leadership has made its work an even greater joy than it would otherwise have proven.

To Miss Jane Evans, the dynamic and brilliant Director of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the Committee on Programs presents its cordial thanks for her untiring efforts in behalf of the work of the Committee. Her ever-present attention and brilliant advice have proven invaluable to the Committee.

Your Chairman does not wish to offer this suggestion as a recommendation, but she would like to urge with all the fervor at her command that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods have prepared at the very earliest date a really comprehensive study of the Bible. It would seem that the lack of such a study from the literature of the organization which prides itself upon being one of the largest religious organizations of Jewish women is a serious omission.

Your Chairman of Programs further urges that whatever material is submitted to the Sisterhood for publication be approved by an editorial committee, which shall be composed of scholars and members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods whose names shall be held in confidence. This suggestion is made as a safeguard in the publication of any program materials, which can thus be held to the highest standards without fear of NFTS becoming involved in personalities.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. JULIAN) HELEN KOHN HENNIG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Religious Extension

Tulsa, Okla., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a privilege to report that as of October 31, 1948, the close of the 1947-48 NFTS fiscal period, 435 Sisterhoods were affiliated with the Federation.

The Sisterhoods that have affiliated with or have resigned from the National

Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the fiscal period of November 1, 1947 to October 31, 1948 are:

CITY	SISTERHOODS	DATE
Fargo, North Dakota	Beth El Sisterhood	Nov. 5, 1947
Los Angeles, California	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	Nov. 10, 1947
New York, New York	Riverdale Temple Sisterhood	Nov. 19, 1947
Lawrence, Massachusetts	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	Nov. 21, 1947
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania	Old York Road Jewish Community Center Sisterhood	Dec. 28, 1947
Alpena, Michigan	Sisterhood of Temple Bethel	Jan. 12, 1948
Danbury, Connecticut	Sisterhood of the United Jewish Center	Jan. 28, 1948
Chicago, Illinois	Sisterhood of the Hyde Park Liberal Congregation	Feb. 6, 1948
San Gabriel, California	Temple Beth David Sisterhood	April 12, 1948
Los Angeles, California	Temple Judea Sisterhood	April 19, 1948
Miami Beach, Florida	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	April 27, 1948
Hagerstown, Maryland	Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary	May 14, 1948
Chicago, Illinois	Beth Am Sisterhood	July 6, 1948
Brooklyn, New York	Sisterhood of Temple Shomray Sholom	July 15, 1948
Los Angeles, California	Temple Kodesh Sisterhood	Sept. 13, 1948
Bogalusa, Louisiana	Beth El Sisterhood	Oct. 11, 1948
Elmont, Long Island, New York	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	Oct. 12, 1948
New York, New York	Sisterhood of East End Temple	Oct. 14, 1948
Cortland, New York	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	Oct. 26, 1948
Spring Valley, New York	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	Oct. 29, 1948

CITY	RESIGNATIONS	DATE
Petersburg, Virginia	Auxiliary of Temple Rodeph Sholem	Dec. 2, 1947
Flat River, Missouri	Beth-El Sisterhood	Dec. 12, 1947
Demopolis, Alabama	The Temple Sisterhood	Jan. 2, 1948
Ligonier, Indiana	The Temple Sisterhood	May 25, 1948

Your Chairman of the National Committee on Religious Extension has released several letters during the year to local chairmen recommending the distribution of pamphlets depicting the aims and projects of the NFTS among members, and also urging the use of the booklet, "How to Plan a Sisterhood Membership Campaign."

Your Chairman suggests that her successor stress to the Sisterhoods that they be more cooperative in sending in annual reports, which are necessary for the Chairman and the Committee to chart the progress that is being made. It is only through these reports that your National office can be informed of Sisterhood progress and unusual projects.

My deep appreciation to our beloved National President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, Miss Jane Evans and her staff of assistants for their ever-ready cooperation and efficient service.

Thanks are extended to the members of this Committee whose constant efforts have done much to increase our units; and whose cooperation have made it possible for your Chairman to report new affiliations for 1947-1948.

To her successor, your Chairman offers assistance and good wishes for a greater expansion of NFTS units under her able chairmanship.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. EDMUND B.) EDWINA M. STERN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Religious Schools

Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

In presenting to you a report of the National Committee on Religious Schools for the year 1947-1948, the Chairman begs leave to submit the following information. The Committee's previous annual reports explained in considerable detail the aims and purposes of the National Committee on Religious Schools. It is only fair to remind you that the Department of Jewish Education of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations has a profound program for Religious Schools set up by its professional staff. The NFTS Committee on Religious Schools cooperates with this Department in keeping the respective Religious School Committees informed and stimulated in their religious school endeavors.

Your committee conscientiously sent out monthly letters to the Religious School Chairmen. It is difficult to analyze the results of these bulletins because of the limited responses received. Even inquiries for strengthening their programs were negligible. This does not prove conclusively that efficient Religious Schools are not functioning to a high degree and fine standards being maintained.

In trying to determine what further influence our Committee can assume in rendering a greater service, the Chairman came to the conclusion that the Committee must be mindful of the fact that the National Committee on Religious Schools is somewhat limited in its scope because of the fact that in the larger communities, the schools operate under the jurisdiction of a rabbi and a well-qualified superintendent, and in the communities where a superintendent does not have the responsibility, the rabbi plans and executes the program.

There may be communities where there is no regular rabbi supervising, then perhaps our committee can project a constructive program and our helpfulness be more keenly felt. The Sisterhoods in general do lend all around cooperation in all branches of entertainment—as Parent and Teacher groups, and room mother's assistance. Their help is gratefully accepted and invited by the rabbis and superintendents.

Your Chairman herewith records some findings which seemed to be on the increase in the majority of schools: the observance and emphasis placed upon the celebration of the Seder, Chanuko and Sukos services.

As an outstanding feature of the National Religious School Committee, it is important to call to your attention again the Conference for Religious Schools which was launched in Chicago in November, 1947, and which our Committee reported on a year ago. Many of the reactions relative to the findings of the above-mentioned conference are the ones advocated by the National Committee on Religious Schools.

In conclusion, we extend many thanks and our deep appreciation to Miss Jane Evans and the staff of the NFTS for their prompt service and helpful advice whenever called upon. This report would not be complete without stressing the value of

and giving recognition to the splendid program as projected by the Educational Department of the UAHC under Dr. Emanuel Gamoran.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. A. A.) RUTH LITIN, *Chairman,*
National Committee on Religious Schools

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

New Orleans, La., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Your Committee on Revision of By-Laws recommends to the Seventeenth NFTS Biennial Assembly, meeting in Boston, Mass., November 14-17, 1948, that:

I. Article 10, Section A, which reads at present, "The Executive Board shall meet immediately after the final adjournment of the Assembly which elected it . . .," be changed to, "The Executive Board shall meet *either during* and/or immediately after the adjournment of the Assembly which elected it . . ."

The purpose of this suggested change is to allow the new officers of NFTS which are elected by the Executive Board to be announced and presented to the Assembly. The Executive Board will, in addition, probably have to meet following the adjournment of the Assembly for the continuation of other business, which explains why the words *and/or* are included in the proposed revision.

II. Article 10, Section K, which reads at present, "The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati," be changed to, "The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati *and/or* New York."

Since the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, parent body of NFTS, will deliberate at its Biennial Convention on the subject of the location of its headquarters, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods will also wish to take cognizance of the possibility of having offices both in Cincinnati and New York.

III. Article 20, be supplemented with a Section B, "In order that State Federations may function more effectively as agencies of the National Federation and to achieve a better understanding of the National program on the part of State Presidents, there shall be a Council of State Presidents to discuss ways and means in which State and National can be mutually helpful and to submit such plans as they may care to recommend to the National Board. This Council of State Presidents shall meet in the interim year between Biennial Conventions at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting."

This revision was proposed by the President and approved by the Executive Board of NFTS at its annual meeting in April, 1947. The first meeting of the State Presidents' Council was held in March, 1948, in Cincinnati.

IV. Article 26, Section A, which reads at present, "The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, State Federations and the Federation's Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 40.)," be changed to, "The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, State Federations, *the State Presidents' Council* and the Federation's Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 40.)"

Since the State Presidents' Council was approved by the Executive Board of NFTS, your Committee feels that it too should have the power to propose revisions of By-Laws.

V. Article 27 became a statement of purpose of the National Committee on Interfaith Activities, which was formerly the Special Committee on Interfaith Activities. Your Committee suggests as the statement of purpose, "The National Committee on Interfaith Activities shall endeavor to stimulate better understanding and good-will among women of all faiths: 1) through Institutes on Judaism for leaders of church women's groups; 2) through discussion groups and interfaith gatherings giving information about Judaism.

"It shall encourage local Sisterhoods to sponsor such programs and to cooperate with non-Jewish groups in arranging interfaith meetings on an educational level."

VI. Article 27, therefore, shall be known hereafter as Article 28; Article 28 as Article 29, and each succeeding Article advanced one number until the final Article 40 on Amendments, which will be known as Article 41.

VII. Article 32, Section A, which reads at present, "All securities including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation, shall be deposited in a safe deposit Company in Cincinnati to be designated by the Executive Board," be changed to, "All securities including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation, shall be deposited in a safe deposit Company in Cincinnati *and/or New York* to be designated by the Executive Board."

This proposed change is consistent with the Article 10, Section K, proposed revision.

VIII. Article 35, Section A, which reads at present, "During the *first week in January* of each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provision of the By-Laws," be changed to, "During each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provisions of the By-Laws."

Due to the fact that the NFTS fiscal year runs from November 1 to October 31, and that Uniongram Apportionment Profit is applied to the fiscal year in which earned, Sisterhoods in practice receive reports of their UAP several times during the year. The Committee's recommended change deletes the words "the first week in January of."

IX. Article 40, Section A, which reads at present, "Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a State Federation or the Federation's Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days

in advance of the Assembly . . .," be changed to, "Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a State Federation, *the State Presidents' Council*, or the Federation's Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly . . ."

This revision is necessitated by the adoption of the suggested revision under Article 26, Section A.

In accordance with the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the suggested revisions have been submitted by mail to each unit of the Federation sixty days prior to the Seventeenth NFTS Biennial Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. NORMAN J.) EDNA L. KAUFFMANN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE National Committee on State Federations

Knoxville, Tenn., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is with gratification that your Committee on State Federations submits its annual report for the fiscal year, November 1, 1947-October 31, 1948, and remarks that the developments recorded herein, represent a gradual unfolding, a continuing pattern of expansion, not to be viewed as a separate section unrelated to the two previous annual reports, but rather as a slowly expanding cyclorama: only one section can be viewed at one time, but each is not only related, but the deliberate, painstaking outgrowth of the other. Your Committee earnestly believes that the progress that has been made is spectacularly obvious when viewed in this manner, as: I. the Activities of the State Federations reported variously as: new projects, unusual programs, unique bulletin releases, exemplary resolutions pertaining to vital legislation, significant contributions to long established NFTS projects; II. the Activities of the National Committee on State Federations; III. Convention dates, new Presidents.

The only acclaimed departure from precedent was the first State Presidents' Council held in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 11-12, 1948, which actually had been envisioned as a great need for several years, but which became a reality during the past fiscal year. Your Committee respectfully requests your consideration of two specific recommendations growing out of the deliberations of this first Assembly of State Presidents, which are recorded later in this report.

ACTIVITIES OF DISTRICT AND/OR STATE FEDERATIONS

District #1; New England Federation (Massachusetts-Rhode Island), holds an annual one-day Conference, and this year planned the Conference to be conducted, for the first time in many years, solely by and for Sisterhood members, on Local, Regional, and National levels, with no "outside speakers." Round Table Discussions followed

State Chairmen's Reports, and were presided over by the various Sisterhoods, on: Ways and Means, Program, Youth Activities, Adult Education, Forces toward Unity. One Round Table was held for Local Presidents. A Panel Discussion on "The Jewish Woman as a Dynamic Force in the Home, the Synagogue, the Community," was held, in which Miss Helen Strauss, Director of the House of Living Judaism Campaign, participated.

District #2, Connecticut Federation reported an "all-absorbing project for this fiscal year as the House of Living Judaism Campaign." Next in importance was the planning for the Youth Conference which took place on May 2, 1948, in Temple Mishkan Israel, New Haven, Conn. The purpose of this Conference was to promote Jewish interests among teen-agers, with prominent inspirational speakers addressing the group in the forenoon. A tea dance was scheduled to close the one-day program.

District #3, New York Federation, in editing its first Bulletin, *State-Ments*, carried a message from the National President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, to the effect that "the primary function of a State Federation is to interpret the program of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods of which it is an agency, and to intensify that program in the smaller geographical areas. A periodical in which the activities, achievements, and aspirations of the constituent groups can be publicized and discussed is a valuable aid in accomplishing that purpose. *State-Ments* will bring to its units not only an increased sense of fellowship, but also the many other benefits which accrue from the exchange of ideas as well as plans and techniques which make for their success." This new publication also carried certain proposed revisions of By-Laws that through this medium were presented to the constituent units before being voted upon.

In cooperation with the NFTS, this State Federation sponsored a one-day Institute on Family Living at Temple Rodeph Sholom, New York City, with Mrs. Julius Mark, National Chairman on Child Study and Parent Education, presiding.

Another outstanding project was the afternoon session of the Annual Meeting of the NYSF, held at Temple Israel, April 16, entitled, "Facing Facts," with Mrs. Julius Lipman, State Chairman of the Committee on Peace and World Relations, presiding. The principal speaker was Miss Lisa Sergio, noted news analyst and radio commentator.

District #4, New Jersey Federation, at its Convention, November 6, 1947, in East Orange, N. J., heard a most challenging address by Leonard Spring, President of the National Federation of Temple Youth, "What Can Sisterhood Do for Its Youth Group?" Basing the address on three topics: 1. How the Sisterhood Can Help Its Youth Group, 2. The Program and Plans of the NFTY, 3. How the Sisterhood Can Cooperate in the Program of NFTY, Mr. Spring cited ten specifics as:

1. Provide a professional adviser;
2. Offer chaperon or catering services;
3. Furnish financial assistance when necessary;
4. Include a speaker from the Youth Group at one Sisterhood meeting a year which would highlight a "Youth" theme;
5. See that Youth Groups receive proper representation on Temple Boards;
6. Foster a spirit of cooperation between Congregation and its affiliates (Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and Youth Groups);
7. Know the young people who are members of the Youth Group;
8. Send Sisterhood

speakers to participate in programs of Youth Groups; 9. Enlist aid of members of Youth Group in Sisterhood affairs; 10. Be ready at all times to help where needed in the activities and program of your Youth Group.

One of the most gratifying humanitarian projects of this New Jersey State Federation continues in the services of the Prison Welfare Committee.

District #5, Pennsylvania Federation, through its publication, "Keystone Topics," keeps its more than 4,000 members well posted on National, State, and Local activities. Under such captions as: "Do You Know?"; "President's Calendar"; "Notes and Quotes"; "Viewpoints from All Points"; "Resolutions"; important information and projects are kept very much "alive" in the thinking of the Sisterhood women, making implementation follow a little more expeditiously. For example, "Resolutions" adopted at the State Convention, and recorded in the Minutes of the Convention, were thus publicized through their Bulletin:

- I. That the Jeannette Miriam Goldberg Loan Scholarship Fund continue to function as originally planned.
- II. That support be continued of the Labor Day Camp Conclave of the Pennsylvania Federation of Temple Youth, and that the State Chairman of this group contact the Chairman of all Youth Groups of the Middle Atlantic Region to arrange a working relationship for sharing all responsibility.
- III. That future Biennials of the PFTS be limited to a period of two nights and three days and that all business be concentrated in this period.
- IV. That copies of the agenda for Conventions of the State be sent to each Sisterhood at least thirty days before the Convention.
- V. That Presidents of the Sisterhoods in the Pennsylvania Federation submit to the State President suggestions for a program for the Convention, at least six months before the Convention.
- VI. That at the Biennial State Conventions, Bulletins, Publicity, Year Books, Scrap Books, etc., of the constituent Sisterhoods be displayed.
- VII. That State By-Laws be revised.
- VIII. That a Chairman be appointed to serve as Historian for PFTS.
- IX. That PFTS endorse the Stratton Bill, which recommends the admission of 100,000 displaced persons into the United States each year for four years.

District #6, Ohio Federation, in Convention assembled in Dayton, March 10-11-12, 1948, used as its Convention theme, "The Modern Woman of Valor, What Are Her Responsibilities?" At Religious Services, which opened the Convention, Rabbi Selwyn D. Ruslander discussed this theme from point of view of "Religious Life, the Temple"; and Rabbi Louis Witt discussed the theme from point of view of "The Home." At the first morning business session, the theme was carried forward in the form of a Panel Discussion, "The Modern Woman, What Are Her Responsibilities to the Local, State, and National Sisterhood Program?" Presiding at the three-part Panel, in turn, were three National Board members: Mrs. Sol Gitson, Mrs. Sidney Weil, and Mrs. Henry Steuer.

The luncheon address was given by Rabbi Robert Katz, Field Director for Hebrew

Union College, entitled: "Educating Our Reform Youth at Hebrew Union College." Miss Helen Strauss addressed the Convention on the NFTS House of Living Judaism Campaign.

Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President, UAHC, principal speaker at the dinner, used as his topic, "Made In America."

Most exemplary Resolutions adopted by the delegates to this Convention, indicating plans for immediate intensification of NFTS projects, included:

- I. Be it resolved that the members of the Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, individually and collectively, pledge themselves to spiritual growth, and to work for greater Temple attendance, more Adult Jewish Education, intensified Youth Activities, and Interfaith cooperation.
- II. Be it resolved that the Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods sponsor a Braille teacher to circulate throughout the State to instruct any constituent body interested in learning the art of Braille transcription.

District #8 (Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, North Carolina and Virginia) adopted three projects at its last Convention. The District #8 Bulletin, with the first edition appearing in April, will be published on a quarterly basis. Instead of being issued by the President, as it was formerly, it is now compiled and edited by a Bulletin Chairman. The second project is a revival, too, but instead of being financed by the constituent Sisterhoods, the Speakers' Bureau is now financed by the District, with a fund sufficient to provide each of the twenty-one units with a speaker once each year. The third project is new. Replacing the "Essay Contest," a Religious School Teachers' Institute is scheduled for the Fall of 1948 under the leadership of Rabbi Mordecai Soloff, Director of Reform Jewish Education, Baltimore. The project was adopted to help solve one of the gravest problems among the smaller Sisterhoods within the District, which is the staffing of Religious Schools by younger teachers, who are, in many instances, untrained and inexperienced.

District #10, Indiana Federation, in its Bulletin, not only recorded the most important results of the first NFTS State Presidents' Council held in Cincinnati in March, but further, at its Board Meeting held May 11, 1948, brought the suggestions and recommendations from this Council to the attention of the Board members for consideration and action.

The State Chairman on Peace and World Relations issued this urgent plea for "Reading for Democracy" in the Indiana Bulletin, "Enclosed is a list of books, which will furnish an excellent background for understanding some of the forces which operate in the world today . . . We must be alert and critical, being careful not to talk in catch-phrases and not to indulge in name-calling to cover our inability to understand the forces that threaten the future peace of the world." Study groups are constantly encouraged, and titles of pertinent books and periodicals are published as guides and aids to study.

District #11, Michigan Federation, with its twelve units, has monthly Board meetings in different cities throughout the State. The Board meetings include the President and Secretary of each Sisterhood, all Chairmen of State Committees, and NFTS Board members. If it is felt that the items of the agenda will stimulate interest

in the State, the meeting is declared an open one, and any interested member of the State may attend. Each Sisterhood is usually represented at five or six Board meetings during the year. Members pay their own expenses.

The Link, Michigan's monthly Bulletin, carries news items from its constituencies under such captivating captions as: "Pontiactions," "Flint in Print," "This Is Station BAY." All of the Sisterhoods throughout the State were invited through the medium of invitations printed in *The Link* to attend Sisterhood Sabbath Services in Detroit at Temple Israel to hear Mrs. Louis A. Rosett in that pulpit on April 16. The Poetry Contest conducted by the Bulletin was won by Mrs. Zelda Landsman for her poem, "Chanuko Reverie." The prize was a sterling silver Menorah, given by the mother of the late President, Mrs. Immerman. The judges were Charles Hill, Professor of English, Michigan State College, and Rabbi Alfred Friedman, Lansing.

In announcing the Board meeting to be held at the home of the President, Mrs. Kay Steadman, Lansing, November 10, 1947, this message from the President was published in the Bulletin, "There is no doubt that we have gathered inspiration at our one-day Conventions. However, inspiration alone, without knowledge to put it into effect, is of little value to the Sisterhood. It must be translated into practical ideas and constructive themes. Not many of us are steeped in the history and tradition of Sisterhood. Some of the Presidents of the constituent Sisterhoods are young in years as well as in experience in procedure and parliamentary order. In order to assist these Presidents with their problems, and to train women in Sisterhood leadership, I recommend a two-day Convention. The first day would have a registration period, a class in qualifications for leadership, clinic for small Sisterhood ills, a class in parliamentary law, and a seminar speaker on one of the subjects vital to us as Jewish women, or perhaps a prominent psychiatrist on child guidance, or a good educator on religious education. Each class, clinic, or seminar will be conducted by competent instructors under the auspices of NFTS. The second day will follow the pattern of business procedure that we have used for the past few years . . . I firmly believe that such a Convention would enable each of us to do a better job in our respective positions."

District #12, Kentucky-Tennessee Federation, held its convention in Louisville, Kentucky, November 15-16-17, 1947, in conjunction with the Kentucky-Tennessee Association of Congregations and Brotherhoods and Temple Youth. The Convention theme was "Living Our Judaism." Symposium papers included: "Living Our Judaism—Through the Home; Through the Community; Through the School; Through the Temple." Dr. Victor Reichert gave the banquet address, "What Props Your Soul?" Miss Helen Strauss, Campaign Director for HLJ, speaking at the Monday morning session of Sisterhood meeting, urged the completion of the quotas for the House of Living Judaism Campaign, reminding that "Sisterhood women are the core of Temple life, and natural it is that they should help in the construction of a home for the administration of the agencies of Liberal Judaism. Mrs. C. C. Strasburger was the luncheon speaker, using the topic, "Living Our Judaism through Sisterhood."

The newly appointed Budget Committee recommended that \$150 be set aside to subsidize small Sisterhoods to enable them to invite regional speakers to help revital-

ize their organizations. This money to be raised by the Ways and Means Committee by the following assessment:

1. Sisterhood of 80 members or less to contribute a minimum of \$8.00.
2. Sisterhood of 80 members or more to contribute to the fund at 10c per capita.

In addition to the Speakers' Bureau, under the State Chairmanship of the Committee on Religious Extension, the delegates adopted another recommendation of the Budget Committee to publish "Kay-Tee News" more frequently to increase the interchange of ideas among the constituent Sisterhoods.

District #13, South Carolina Federation, at its Executive Board meeting on April 7, 1948, adopted certain revisions of By-Laws which will be presented to the delegates in Convention assembled in the Fall, following the National Biennial Convention in Boston.

District #14, Southeast Federation (Georgia-Florida-Alabama), held its Convention in Birmingham, Alabama, with the Southeast Council of the UAHC, November 9-11, 1947. Since 1933, the chief District project has been the "Youth Activity Fund." The President, Mrs. S. K. Simon, pointed out in her summary of activities, that "each Sisterhood makes a voluntary contribution to this Fund, and that it is divided among the three States for the advancement of Jewish ideals among the Jewish students at the various colleges and universities." This year a questionnaire is being sent to the constituent Sisterhoods to determine the most outstanding activities and problems. Based upon these findings, at succeeding Conventions, "Sisterhood Problem Clinics" will be held in addition to the local Presidents' Breakfast during the Convention.

District #16, Mississippi Federation, at its fifth Biennial Convention, held in Clarksdale, heard outstanding reports from the State Committee on Youth Activities and the House of Living Judaism. Although the Temple Youth of Mississippi organization was only ten months old at the time of this convention, they had already held three highly successful conventions at Vicksburg, Jackson, and Hattiesburg. The State quota for the House of Living Judaism project was \$7,590. The end of the first year found Meridian over the top, with the amount of \$5,509 already credited to the State.

In the President's Message, Mrs. Stanley Brav proposed such questions as these which needed immediate attention by the delegate body, "if we would expand our energies and develop our interests wisely":

1. How can we avoid repetitious reports at the year's end?
2. How can we tighten our local elections so that our invaluable State Directory will not need revision over a two-year period, and so that our local delegates to State and National Conventions will be new officers, rather than those terminating their service?
3. How can we revise and reallocate duties so that the vice-presidency will be a most effective training period for the State's highest office? . . . How can the second Vice-President serve more actively?
4. How can we foster a most vital factor in the Jewish education of our children—the reintroduction of home ceremonial observance?

5. How can we augment our income to care for the growing needs of our growing organization . . . to include sending the State President to National Biennial Conventions, and to any other National meeting to which she may be called; to aid the Temple Youth of Mississippi; to increase circulation of the State Directory from 30 copies to 200; to divert the ingenuity of hostess Sisterhoods from raising monies to pay for expenses of delegates and special visitors to the State Convention to a more basic National project, such as H.U.C. Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and House of Living Judaism project, etc."

District #17, Louisiana Federation, at its Board Meeting, April 11, 1948, in Lafayette, heard Rabbi Mordecai Thurman speak on the "Function of Youth in Judaism." The President, Mrs. Lawrence Mann, gave her President's Message at this time, and also a report of the recommendations from the State Presidents' Council for the action of the State Board.

District #18, Illinois Federation, at its Convention held April 14, scheduled a Panel Discussion, entitled: "Persistent Sisterhood Challenges," through three specific questions:

What Are the Objectives of a Temple Sisterhood?

What Are the Qualifications for and the Responsibilities of Sisterhood Leadership?

What Is the Relationship of the Sisterhood to the Community?

At the afternoon session, fourteen workshops were held to discuss implementation of National Committee activities. Each Sisterhood was urged to send at least one delegate, preferably the local Chairman, for this exchange of information and ideas.

The dinner address was given by Mrs. Louis Binstock, "The Relationship of Sisterhood to the Temple and Its Program." The workshop summaries and further discussion of State Federation and Local Sisterhood Relationship to National Program were presented as "Sisterhood's Participation in National Projects," led by the National President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett.

The State Board this year established a Community Affairs' Committee, according to a letter of explanation from the State Co-Chairmen published in the Illinois Bulletin directed to the constituent Sisterhoods . . . "with the hope and desire that each Sisterhood immediately form such a Committee and become active in all types of Community affairs" . . . True liberals are recognizing the fact that even "Democracy" becomes a mere word if we give it lip service and do not also take our full share of responsibilities as citizens . . . Knowing the tremendous problems ahead of this nation and every nation in matters of Housing, Race Problems, Social Legislation, Schools, Juvenile Delinquency and Playgrounds, your State President (Mrs. Harold Charmack) earnestly desires that you immediately form this Committee . . ."

District #19, Wisconsin Federation, held its fifth annual Convention in Oshkosh, May 24, 1948, with the Convention theme: "At the gate which looketh forward." The six Presidents of the Sisterhood units gave their annual reports under the titles: "Madison Hopes"; "Milwaukee Grows"; "Appleton Works"; "Ashland Carries On"; "Kenosha Boasts"; "Oshkosh Buildings." The State President, Mrs. Isadore Block,

gave her President's Message, entitled: "Wisconsin's Ambitions." Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, National Chairman on State Federations, gave the luncheon address. Mrs. Harold N. Baum, National Chairman on Uniongrams, presided at the Sisterhood Workshop during the afternoon session, at which time a Question Box was opened for these National Board Consultants to help solve religious, educational, and administrative problems on both State and Local levels.

Among the Resolutions adopted at the concluding session, were:

1. WHEREAS, The Sisterhoods of Temple Emanuel, Duluth, Minn., Mt. Zion Temple, St. Paul, Minn., Temple Israel, Minneapolis, Minn., have expressed a willingness to join the Wisconsin State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, *Be It Resolved*, That we recommend that they be invited to federate with us.
2. WHEREAS, The Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has voted to invite the Sisterhoods of Temple Emanuel of Duluth, Minn., Temple Israel, Minneapolis, and Mt. Zion Temple of St. Paul into a Bi-State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, *Be It Resolved*, That we recommend to the Executive Board of the National Federation that permission be granted to combine the States of Wisconsin and Minnesota into one Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

In her President's Message, Mrs. Block made two specific recommendations for State Projects:

1. State Federation sponsored Interfaith meetings, in cooperation with NFTS, under the leadership of the State Chairman, to be held in various cities affiliated with the Wisconsin Federation.
2. State Federation sponsored meeting of Jewish young people of Wisconsin.

District #20 (Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska) Federation Executive Board under its new President, Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, is seriously considering the most expeditious means of implementing a number of "responsibilities" cited in her President's Message by Mrs. Herman Stein, Denver, outgoing President, as prerogatives for increasing the effectiveness of District #20 as an agency of NFTS, and as a liaison between their widely scattered local units and NFTS.

District #21, Arkansas-Oklahoma Federation (temporarily inactive).

District #22, Texas Federation, at its fourteenth Convention held in Beaumont, November 2, 1947, heard two symposia:

I. What Can We Do to Stimulate Jewish Education?

1. Through Study of the Bible
2. Through Study of Jewish History
3. Through the Study of Jewish Literature

II. Intensification of the Jewish Spirit

1. Through the Home
2. Through the Temple
3. Through the Religious School

The Silver Loving Cup for the most outstanding achievements of the year was presented to the Sisterhood of Tyler. With a membership of 70 women, this Sisterhood raised during the year a total of \$1,667, with an additional sum of \$212 in the Memorial Fund. The principal expenditures from these funds, totaling \$1,099.79, included:

1. Salaries for Religious School teachers and supplies for the Religious School.
2. Dues for the Tyler Congregation to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.
3. Salary of Temple Organist, and the maintenance of Faber Hall and kitchen.
4. Innumerable Local and National educational and humanitarian projects, such as:
 - a. S.O.S. shipments amounting to 1,500 pounds.
 - b. Luncheon for Institute for Christian Clergy.
 - c. Jewish Literature for the Blind.
 - d. HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.
 - e. Delegates' Expenses to Conventions; State and National Dues.
 - f. Hospitality on Friday evenings after services, and serving lunches for opening and closing Sisterhood meetings.
 - g. Texas Social Welfare Association; Tyler Day Nursery; Tyler Council of Church Women; American Red Cross for the Congregation, etc.

In the field of Adult Education, the State Chairman reported that the Adult Education Committee on Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood in El Paso, with the Public Affairs Committee of the YWCA, jointly sponsored a Public Affairs Forum, meeting twice monthly to discuss vital problems of general interest. The series included religion, and was entitled: "An American Dilemma." The outgrowth of this project was the formation of a local Speakers' Bureau, designed to stimulate interest in public affairs.

A reaffirmation of the previous Executive Board's recommendation included:

1. In odd years between Biennial meetings there should be a Board meeting in the small communities, invitations to be handled by the Committee on Time and Place.
2. Raising of State dues from 10c to 20c immediately, with ratification in a final Constitutional Revision at the next Convention.
3. A Budget Committee to be appointed by the incoming President to study all of the State's needs.

District #24, Western Federation (California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona) this year held three Regional Institutes or Sisterhood Workshops on the Coast, in lieu of a Convention, under the direction of Mrs. Lucien Lehman, San Francisco, National Board Member. The four Sisterhoods of the Northwest met in Seattle, Washington, March 10-11, with Mrs. George Wolfe of Seattle, Chairman. The

second Institute for the fifteen Southern Sisterhoods was held March 18, at Long Beach, California, with Mrs. Elliott Grafman, Long Beach, Chairman. The third Institute for the Bay Area was held in Oakland, California, March 30, with Mrs. Sidney Silverstein, Chairman.

The Programs, with the theme, "We Build the House of Living Sisterhoods," followed this pattern for these one-day Institutes:

- Round Table #1. The Foundation and Structure of Our House.
Background of National: By-Laws and parliamentary procedure; Agendas; selection of Committee Chairmen and constructive reports; conducting meetings, etc.
- Round Table #2. The Upkeep of Our House.
Budgeting: Work of financial officers; Membership: Dues, arrears, ways and means.
- Round Table #3. The Furnishing of Our House.
Sisterhood activities: Planning programs for meetings; Children's and Young People's Activities; Use of Room-Mothers to promote interest among young and new members; Social activities and Memory Funds, etc.
- Round Table #4. Insurance on Our Home: Planning for the future.

Make-up and use of Procedure Books; Sisterhood offices; Files and reports; Turning over administration; Personnel of Nominating Committees working during year, etc.

Two friendly discussions were held during the afternoon session: "What Does the Rabbi Expect of the Sisterhood?"; "What Does the Sisterhood Expect of the Rabbi?"

Following the luncheon, Mrs. Leo Shapiro, President, Western Federation, addressed the Assembly on "Our Sisterhoods."

Following the afternoon Workshop, "What Is Your Problem?" the address of the day was given by Rabbi Alfred Wolf, West Coast Regional Rabbi for UAHC, entitled: "Sisterhood—A National Movement."

ACTIVITIES OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON STATE FEDERATIONS

In addition to the letters from the District and/or State Presidents released in the monthly packets, through which Presidents share with each other their outstanding projects, the Committee on State Federations has this year inaugurated several other activities, which include:

1. A sample questionnaire for use of District and/or State Presidents to be sent to their constituent Sisterhoods for information for their use in compiling Reports and President's Messages for Conventions or Board Meetings.
2. Questionnaire to District and/or State Presidents seeking information as to their needs for mutually strengthening ties between NFTS and State Federations.
3. Questionnaires to State Presidents seeking information to assist the Committee on State Federations in a study of financial status and improvement of State Federations.

4. Bulletin Exchange among State Presidents for direct exchange of current news and ideas.
5. First Presidents' Council in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 11-12, 1948.

Since a resumé of this first meeting has been published in the March-April, 1948 issue of *Topics and Trends*, and since the full proceedings have been released to all Presidents, State Presidents and Executive Board members, only the specific recommendations growing out of this first Council are herewith recorded as transmitted for their consideration to the NFTS Executive Board:

1. That a copy of the State Charter be reissued to each State Federation, if requested (since most have lost theirs), with the suggestion that the Charter be transmitted from administration to administration in an appropriate ceremony as part of the installation of officers.
2. That a program of Leadership and Speakers' Training Workshops be developed on State and local levels.
3. That a booklet of NFTS policy be published and distributed.
4. That the State and District Federation Presidents be included for the duration of their term of office on the National Executive Board.
5. That the State Presidents' Council meet in the fiscal year alternate to the NFTS Biennial year.
6. That to insure representation at each Biennial State Presidents' Council and the National Biennial Assembly, State and District Federations budget an amount for the President's transportation to the Biennial State Presidents' Council and the Biennial Assembly; and that the NFTS Budget Committee continue the policy in force during the first Presidents' Council, March 11-12, 1948 namely: the payment by NFTS of hotel and "meals eaten together" expenses.
7. That the National Committee on State Federations undertake a study of the financial status of State Federations.

APPRECIATION AND CONCLUSION

It is with heartfelt appreciation that your Chairman recognizes the vision of our National President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, in realizing the importance of a State Presidents' Council as the most expeditious means for "a closer relationship between NFTS and State Federations, a relationship which would include a more definite program for the State as an agency of the National."

It is with gratitude, that your Chairman points with pride to the clarity of purpose and unexcelled executive abilities of Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, for having so adequately planned and indispensably aided in implementing the pioneer program of the first State Presidents' Council.

It is with profound thanks that your Chairman indicates the devoted efficiency of the entire Executive Staff, particularly that of Miss Helen L. Strauss, Miss Esther L. Ciener, Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Mrs. Albert H. Silverman for their invaluable assistance at all times during the year, and who, together with Miss Rose Mark, stenotypist, rendered indefatigable services during the meetings of the State Presidents' Council.

1. Meetings of State and District Federations for the 1947-48 NFTS fiscal year:

CONVENTION DATES	STATE AND/OR DIST. FEDERATIONS	CONVENTION CITY	PRESIDENT	GUEST SPEAKER
Nov. 2-4, 1947	Texas Federation	Beaumont, Texas	Mrs. Mose Buck, Lufkin, Texas	Miss Jane Evans
Nov. 6, 1947	New Jersey Federation	East Orange, N. J.	Mrs. Samuel Berman, Jersey City, N. J.	Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer
Nov. 9, 1947	South Carolina Federation	Columbia, S. C.	Mrs. Edgar A. Cohen, Charleston, S. C.	Mrs. Norman J. Kauffmann
Nov. 9-11, 1947	Southeast Federation (Georgia, Florida, Alabama)	Birmingham, Ala.	Mrs. S. K. Simon, Albany, Georgia	Miss Helen Strauss
Nov. 16-17, 1947	Kentucky-Tennessee Federation	Louisville, Ky.	Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Kentucky	Miss Helen Strauss
Mar. 10-11, 1948	Ohio Federation	Dayton, Ohio	Mrs. J. C. Newman, Cleveland, Ohio	Miss Helen Strauss
Apr. 14-15, 1948	Illinois Federation	Chicago, Illinois	Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Illinois	Mrs. Louis A. Rosett
Apr. 16, 1948 (Annual meeting not Convention)	New York Federation	New York, N. Y.	Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y. Mrs. Edward Schulkind, New York, N. Y. Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, Lawrence, N. Y.	} <i>Acting Presidents</i>
May 24, 1948	Wisconsin Federation	Oshkosh, Wisc.	Mrs. Isadore M. Block, Oshkosh, Wisc.		Mrs. C. C. Strasburger

2. New State and District Presidents:

- District #4 (New Jersey)—Mrs. Edward Siegelson, East Orange, New Jersey.
- District #22 (Texas)—Mrs. Philip Adelman, San Antonio, Texas.

It is with unbounded pride that your Chairman mentions the members of the National Committee and the Presidents of the twenty-one Districts and/or State Federations, who, through their originality and resourcefulness, their enthusiastic participation in pioneering, their loyalty and devotion to the vast NFTS program of religious, educational, and humanitarian projects are responsible for the continuing progress reflected in the cyclorama of State Federations, whose avowed intent has been and will continue to be bilateral: (1) to increase the strength and effectiveness of State Federations as agencies of NFTS; (2) to widen the scope of their activities to implement more effectively their liaison positions between their constituent units and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. C. C.) EMILIE E. STRASBURGER, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE National Committee on Youth Activities

Charleston, W. Va., October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

1947-48 within National Federation of Temple Youth ranks was known as the year of the three "C's." Great stress was placed on:

A. *Conferences* and *Conclaves*—culminating in the Biennial Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, in November, 1948.

At a previous Executive Board meeting of NFTY an increase in dues to one dollar per member was adopted. The Board welcomed Robert E. Herzog as Assistant to Youth Director, Rabbi Samuel Cook. Further discussion centered on the important age level problem and a study of expansion and suggested strong regionals. Relative to the age problem in NFTY, their Executive Board, meeting in May, 1948, by a majority vote, passed the following statement:

MOTION AS ADOPTED REGARDING AGE OF NFTY MEMBERS

1. That we approve in principle that NFTY be composed of members between the post-confirmation age and 25 years.
2. That *present* members over age 25 shall remain in active membership of NFTY.
3. That we invite the Sisterhoods and Brotherhoods to draw off, during the next four years, our members who exceed 25 years of age.

The motion passed by a majority (Eleanor Schwartz opposed).

The question of age requirements of the next Executive Board's members during the next four-year period was discussed and it was decided that there shall be no special age requirements.

Labor Day Conclaves were successfully held in various areas. In addition to these well-attended gatherings, several mid-winter and Spring Conclaves were sponsored. All conclaves featured well-balanced programs of fun, friendship and mental stimulus.

B. *Camp*—The National Federation of Temple Youth held its first annual Leadership Institute at Camp Lake of the Woods, DeCatur, Michigan, from August 23 to September 2. The theme "Life Begins in '48" included discussions on the State of Israel, the World and American Political Scene, and Injecting New Life into Your Temple Youth Group.

C. *Contests*—Included six nation-wide contests.

1. Oratorical
2. Essay
3. Psalm
4. Jewish Hobby
5. Youth Sermon
6. Original Youth Sabbath Service

In addition to these various activities, SOS (Supplies for Overseas Survivors), a joint project of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and national Jewish women's organizations, including NFTS, was aided by "Fill a Box for Baeck" campaign during Dr. Leo Baeck's recent visit to the United States.

The two official news organs, *The Youth Leader* and *The Messenger*, kept NFTY members informed on important issues, news and activities.

The Youth Leader, a mimeographed magazine, was sent to presidents, advisers and special committee chairmen. Articles included views of professional youth leaders, program and youth service suggestions, reprints from other worth while Youth publications.

The Messenger notified members of important events, news flashes and committee releases. These releases included informative material from the Committees on Jewish Needs, Social Justice, Synagogue Activities, Interfaith, and Organizational Techniques.

Valuable material published by the Sisterhoods, Brotherhoods, B'nai B'rith, Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal, and Jewish Welfare Board, was made available for distribution to NFTY leaders.

The National Federation of Temple Youth is still confronted with many problems. Some of these can be remedied by local, state and National Sisterhood support and encouragement; others must be squarely faced and solved by Youth itself if their National Federation (NFTY) is to be like a tree planted by streams of water, that bringeth forth its fruit in its season.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. CHARLES) REBA B. COHEN, *Chairman*

Report on Correspondence Courses

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a genuine pleasure to report to you on the special fund which you established for correspondence courses. You were kind enough to grant, at my suggestion, the sum of \$3,500.00 for each of two successive years. Later you gave us a further grant of \$500.00 for this purpose, making a total of \$7,500.00 for this experiment.

We proceeded to prepare a series of correspondence courses in accordance with a plan mapped out by the Educational Director and approved by the Commission on Jewish Education and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Five courses were prepared so far. They are courses on: the Jewish Festivals, Jewish History, the Bible and Jewish Life Today, a History of the Jews in the United States, and Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World.

Since we last reported, Mrs. Henry Traxler of Janesville, Wisconsin, who had studied our Bible course herself some years ago, decided to organize a group of women who would study this course together. We counseled her in the direction of the group, which meets bi-weekly. Sixteen women enrolled. They send their quizzes to us for correction. Mrs. Traxler leads the group, and when she hits a snag, writes us about it. So far the women seem interested and intelligent.

A young woman by the name of Mrs. Paul DuBrow of Chicago, Illinois, visited her mother in Janesville and heard of the Bible course which the women were studying. She glanced over her mother's syllabus and became so interested that she wrote and asked to be admitted as a pupil. She is doing very nicely on her quizzes.

On the basis of our experience thus far we shall proceed to the revision of the courses for future use.

As you already know, one hundred and thirty-nine students have completed courses since the inception of this work. Many others registered and pursued some of the courses without completing them.

The financial status of our Correspondence Fund is as follows:

Balance in Correspondence Courses, 7-1-47.....	\$2,745.71
Receipts	163.66
	<u>\$2,909.37</u>
Disbursements	81.33
Balance in Correspondence Courses Account 6-30-48.....	\$2,828.04

On behalf of the Commission on Jewish Education, I want to congratulate you for your generosity and for your vision in helping us to pioneer in Jewish education and especially in this unique and uncharted field.

Respectfully submitted,

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Educational Director*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

REPORT OF
Institutes for Teachers and Laymen

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1948

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a privilege to report to you once again on the work made possible through your generosity, namely, the bringing of lectures to teachers and adults in various communities throughout the land. The period covered by this report is from November 1, 1947 to October 31, 1948.

As you know, the NFTS now gives us an annual grant of \$1,500.00 for lectures to teachers and adults. When first established, a special committee was appointed consisting of representatives both of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and of the Commission on Jewish Education to consider this activity. A memorandum was then issued which stated that the lectures were to be primarily related to "various phases of teacher training, and aim to improve textbooks and methods of instruction used in our schools. Some of the lectures, however, will be on general subjects of interest to Jewish adults, especially to members of the Sisterhoods. Wherever possible an effort will be made to arrange, at the same time, for lectures to adults as well as for lectures to teachers." This memorandum, submitted to the joint committee, was unanimously approved by them. Our lectures are being arranged along the lines agreed upon by the committee.

During this fiscal year a total of fifty lectures were delivered in fourteen communities in the United States. Of these, thirty-one were for teachers and nineteen for adults. These lectures were attended by 408 teachers and 1,833 adults. Wherever it was possible a special meeting for the entire congregation was arranged, at which both the men and women were present. At times, separate meetings were also arranged with the Sisterhood of the temple. Where evening meetings are arranged, the Sisterhood president is, of course, informed, and the Sisterhood usually plays an active part in the arrangements made.

The following are the cities in which lectures were delivered: Miami, Fla.; Savannah, Ga.; Chicago, Ill.; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Kansas City, Mo.; Charlotte, N.C.; Cincinnati, Ohio; Lancaster, Pa.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Charleston, S.C.; Columbia, S.C.; Knoxville, Tenn.; and Fairmont, W. Va.

The demand for this service continues unabated in many communities throughout the land, as is indicated by the letters of commendation in our office concerning the work done in this field. These letters give much credit to the NFTS and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. You have reason to feel justly proud that you are giving support to such a significant phase of educational work which helps to improve religious education throughout the country.

Respectfully submitted,

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Educational Director*

Proceedings

OF THE

Seventeenth Assembly

OF THE
AMERICAN JEWISH
ARCHIVES

National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

1948

Program

SEVENTEENTH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY
 NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
November 14-17, 1948, Boston, Mass.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 10 A. M.

FORMAL OPENING—HOTEL STATLER, GEORGIAN ROOM
 PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison).

We ask Your blessing upon us, O Lord our God, You who are our Leader and our Source of inspiration. Help us to attain the goal which You have set for us, and give us the will to aid others to accomplish their high purposes. May this assemblage, representative of active Jewish womanhood, humble only in service to You, be filled with the flame of ambition, the harmony of love, the light of compassion and the dynamic force of creative energy. Instill within us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the love of You. Amen.

From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Greetings

- Non-U. S. Units.....HON. LILY H. MONTAGU, O.B.E., J.P., London
*Honorary Member, NFTS Executive Board ;
 Secretary, World Union for Progressive Judaism ;
 Chairman, British Progressive Jewish Women's Societies.*
- Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations
MRS. ALBERT J. MAY, New York
*Honorary Member, NFTS Executive Board ;
 Chairman, C.C.N.J.W.O.*

Appointment of Committees

- Minutes of Recording Secretary.....MRS. HENRY MONSKY, Omaha
 Presentation Blanche R. Stolz Trophies and Special Plaque.....MRS. HUGO DALSHEIMER,*
 Baltimore, *First Vice-President, NFTS*
- President's Message.....MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y.
 Report of Executive Director.....MISS JANE EVANS, Cincinnati and New York

12:30 P. M.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS AT LUNCH†

SALLE MODERNE

Open luncheon period for other delegates

2:00 P. M.

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION COUNCIL

IMPERIAL BALLROOM

*Due to illness of Mrs. Dalsheimer; Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, *Chairman, NFTS Committee on Uniongrams*, substituted.

†Committees on Credentials, Nominations, Resolutions, and Rules.

4 P. M. — 5:15 P. M.

ASSEMBLY SESSION

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, *President, NFTS*

Report of Committee on Rules

THE HOUSE OF LIVING-JUDAISM

Progress Report.....MRS. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND, New York
Chairman, House of Living Judaism

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM TECHNIQUES

Participation of Large Sisterhoods.....MRS. EDGAR L. HIRSCH, Pittsburgh
Participation of Small Sisterhoods.....MRS. WILLIAM ACKERMAN, Meridian, Miss.
Participation through Special Gifts.....MRS. SOLOMON ELSNER, Hartford
Participation of State Federations.....MRS. JEROME L. SALM, Evansville, Ind.
Preliminary Report of Committee on Credentials
Recommendation from the NFTS Executive Board.....MRS. LEON WATTERS, New York
Past President, NFTS

7 P. M.

BANQUET

HOTEL STATLER, IMPERIAL BALLROOM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 8 A. M.

BREAKFAST SESSION FOR LOCAL PRESIDENTS

IMPERIAL BALLROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

Father in heaven, as once again we assemble, we ask Thy blessing on our undertakings. For the privilege of working together in Thy name, for health and strength, for the earnestness and zeal of our leaders, for the kindness and affection we have for one another, do we thank Thee. Be Thou praised in the words of our fathers: *Boruch Ato Adonoi Elohenu Melech ho-olom, hamotsi lechem min ho-orets*. Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who bringest forth bread from the earth. Amen.

Adapted from the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

BREAKFAST SESSION FOR STATE PRESIDENTS

PARLOR B

PRESIDING: MRS. C. C. STRASBURGER, Knoxville, *Chairman, NFTS Committee on State Federations*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

We thank Thee, O God, for the blessing of friendship, and the gift of fellowship. Watch Thou over us as we meet within these walls, and grant that as we enjoy the food that Thou dost provide, we may be moved the more willingly to share that which we have with those who suffer want. *Boruch Ato Adonoi Elohenu Melech ho-olom, hamotsi lechem min ho-orets*. Blessed be Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who bringest forth bread from the earth. Amen.

From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

10 A. M.

ROUND TABLES

GEORGIAN ROOM

SISTERHOOD RAISES FUNDS

Includes discussion on House of Living Judaism, Ways and Means, Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, and Uniongrams

- LEADERS OF DISCUSSION.....MRS. HAROLD M. BAUM, Milwaukee
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Uniongrams
MRS. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND, New York
Chairman, NFTS Committee on House of Living Judaism
 RAPPORTEUR.....MRS. C. C. STRASBURGER, Knoxville
Chairman, NFTS Committee on State Federations
 RESOURCE ADVISER.....MISS HELEN L. STRAUSS, New York
Campaign Director, House of Living Judaism

PARLOR C

SISTERHOOD MAKES ITS PROGRAMS VITAL

Includes discussion on Programs, Interfaith Activities, Jewish Ceremonials and Art, Religious Extension

- LEADER OF DISCUSSION.....MRS. JULIAN HENNIG, Columbia, S. C.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Programs
 RAPPORTEUR.....MRS. LOUIS I. EGELSON, Cincinnati
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Interfaith Activities
 RESOURCE ADVISERS.....MISS ESTHER LOTH CIENER, Cincinnati
Assistant to the Director
MISS JOSEPHINE SCHOENBORN, Cincinnati
Secretarial Assistant

PARLOR A

SISTERHOOD GOES TO SCHOOL

Includes discussion on Adult Education, Child Study and Parent Education, Peace and World Relations, Post-War Service, Jewish Literature for the Blind

- LEADERS OF DISCUSSION.....MRS. SIDNEY WALLENS, Buffalo
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations
MRS. JULIUS MARK, New York
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Child Study and Parent Education
 RAPPORTEUR.....MRS. STERLING BERG, Paducah, Ky.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind
 RESOURCE ADVISER.....MISS JANE EVANS, Cincinnati-New York
Executive Director

PARLOR B

SISTERHOOD LOOKS TOWARD YOUTH

Includes discussion on Religious Schools and Youth Activities

- LEADER OF DISCUSSION.....MRS. A. A. LITIN, Minneapolis
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Religious Schools
 RAPPORTEUR.....MRS. CHARLES COHEN, Charleston, W. Va.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Youth Activities
 RESOURCE ADVISERS.....DR. EMANUEL GAMORAN, Cincinnati
Educational Director, UAHC
RABBI SAMUEL COOK, Cincinnati
Executive Director, NFTY

12:30 P. M.

JOINT LUNCHEON WITH UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

IMPERIAL BALLROOM

3:00 - 3:30 P. M.

ASSEMBLY SESSION.

GEORGIAN ROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. EDWARD A. HART, Hartford, *Second Vice-President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

O. Lord our God, Giver of all good, before whom all the children of men are precious, we turn to Thee this day. Though we be a large band of women, we know well that in Thy sight numbers are as naught, for Thou desirest only a loving heart pledged to devoted and selfless service. Help us to think aright and do right. As we seek inspiration for ourselves, may it be given us to make Thy glory known to others, that the truth and the beauty of Thy light may illumine the path of all mankind. Bless us in all our undertakings, even as we praise Thy name, saying, "O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together." Amen.

Adapted from the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

REPORTS ON ROUND TABLES AND DISCUSSION

3:30 - 4:30 P. M.

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, *President, NFTS*

Report of Treasurer.....MRS. AARON L. LAMBIE, Pittsburgh

Report of Committee on Revision of By-Laws.....MRS. NORMAN J. KAUFFMANN, New Orleans
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Revision of By-Laws

Report of Committee on Nominations.....MRS. JULIAN HENNIG, Columbia, S. C.

Election of National Executive Board Members
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Programs

8:00 P. M.

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION COUNCIL

IMPERIAL BALLROOM

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 9:00 A. M.

ASSEMBLY SESSION

GEORGIAN ROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

Heavenly Father, in this moment of prayer, accept our thanks rising out of full hearts for the countless blessings which Thou in Thy mercy hast bestowed upon us. We are grateful for our Sisterhood Federation and its opportunities for service. We are grateful that Thou hast placed us in this wide, beautiful world—with eyes to see the multitude of things that need doing—and hands with which to do them. We are grateful for our dreams that envision a world in which some day all will walk in true fellowship, praising Thy name. May that great day soon come. Amen.

Adapted from the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Report of Committee on Resolutions

Report of Committee on Credentials

Report of Committee on Thanks

Unfinished and/or New Business

10:30 A. M. - NOON

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION COUNCIL

BALLROOM ASSEMBLY

12:30 P. M.

JOINT LUNCHEON WITH UAHC

IMPERIAL BALLROOM

3:30 - 5:30 P. M.

ASSEMBLY SESSION

GEORGIAN ROOM

DEMONSTRATION, DISPLAYS AND DISCUSSION OF SOME NFTS PROJECTS

PRESIDING: MRS. IRA M. DANIELS, Boston, *Chairman, NFTS XVII Biennial Program Committee*

Serving the Jewish Blind.....MRS. CHARLES KORACH, Cleveland
Member, NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind

Serving in the Post-War Period:

Through SOS.....MRS. ISAAC GILMAN, New York
National Co-Chairman, Supplies for Overseas Survivors

Through Aiding New-Comers.....MRS. LOUIS BROIDO, New York
First Vice-President, United Service for New Americans

Through a Sisterhood Discussion Group on Peace and
 World Relations.....MRS. ABRAM V. GOODMAN, Davenport, Iowa
Vice-Chairman, NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations

Serving Jewish Education:

Through Increasing Uniongram Distribution.....MRS. SAMUEL B. DANTO, Detroit
Vice-Chairman, NFTS Committee on Uniongrams

Through Novel Presentation of the Uniongram.....MRS. RAYMOND FRANKEL, Cincinnati
Uniongram Chairman, Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood

Through a Shovuos Uniongram Project.....MRS. HARRY HACHEN, Great Neck, N. Y.
Past Uniongram Chmn., Sist. of Temple Beth El, Great Neck

Through a Sisterhood Holiday Workshop.....MRS. ALAN GREEN, Cleveland
Past President, Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El

Through a Sisterhood Judaica Gift Shop.....MRS. ABRAHAM W. STEIGERWALD, New York
President, Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood

Through the Work of Israeli Artists and
 Craftsmen.....MRS. MIRIAM JACKSON, New York
Director, Palestine Galleries for Arts and Crafts, Inc.

8:00 P. M.

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION COUNCIL

IMPERIAL BALLROOM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 9:00 A. M. - 11:00 A. M.

ASSEMBLY SESSION

GEORGIAN ROOM

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

O our God, we rejoice in this Federation of Sisterhoods, with its blessed opportunities for wider service to our people and to the larger family of men. May we women of Sisterhood become increasingly conscious of our glorious privileges and solemn responsibilities.

Imbue our hearts with compassion for all men who suffer oppression and persecution. We

who dwell in lands of liberty would help them to the very fullest measure of our means and our abilities.

Purge from our hearts all gross pride and self-seeking, that we may be the more fit for Thy service. Make us tolerant of other faiths and other peoples, and tolerant of each other, that we may live together in peace and in harmony, and labor together for the greater glory of Thy name and the greater good of mankind. Amen.

Adapted from the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

11:00 A. M. - NOON

LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE

(Conducted by Miss JANE EVANS, *NFTS Executive Director*)

Report on Visit to DP Camps.....DR. EMANUEL GAMORAN
Educational Director, UAHC
The ABC's of Parliamentary Procedure.....MRS. JOSEPH DAVISON, Boston
Conference with Chairmen of NFTS Committees and Staff of NFTS

12:30 P. M.

JOINT LUNCHEON WITH UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

IMPERIAL BALLROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, *President, NFTS*

Celebrating the Thirty-fifth Anniversary of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

RADIO BROADCAST

FROM 1:45 P. M. - 2:00 P. M.

A NATIONAL RADIO PROGRAM

over Station WBZ, Boston,

and the National Broadcasting Company will originate from the luncheon.

DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRATH, *President UAHC* and
HONORABLE LILY H. MONTAGU, O.B.E., J.P., London

Honorary Member, NFTS Executive Board

will be interviewed by an NBC reporter on the Highlights of the Convention

Invocation.....MRS. ALBERT J. MAY, New York
Honorary Member, NFTS Executive Board
Recollections.....MRS. ABRAM SIMON, Washington, D. C.
Founder and Honorary President, NFTS
Address.....DR. LEO BAECK, formerly of Berlin
President, World Union for Progressive Judaism
Sisterhood Awards.....JACOB ARONSON, New York
Chairman, Executive Board, UAHC
Benediction.....RABBI THEODORE S. ROSS, Brooklyn

THE XVII BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

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Proceedings of the First Day

Georgian Room, Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass.

November 14, 1948

The Seventeenth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhood was formally called to order in the Georgian Room, Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass., on Sunday morning, November 14th at 10:20 A. M. by the President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, New York.

Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C., Honorary President and founder of NFTS, led the delegates in the invocation, which was recited in unison.

President Rosett introduced the Honorable

Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J. P., London, England, to the assembly and in presenting Miss Montagu, Mrs. Rosett paid tribute not only to her, as the Honorable Secretary of the World Union for Progressive Judaism and distinguished British social worker and Jewish leader, but also to her sister, the Honorable Miss Marian Montagu and to Miss Jessie Levy, Secretary of the World Union for Progressive Judaism and the Secretary and Treasurer of the West Central Synagogue in London.

Greetings

BY THE HONORABLE LILY H. MONTAGU, O.B.E., J.P. OF LONDON
*the Honorable Secretary of the World Union for Progressive Judaism,
 a distinguished British social worker and Jewish leader*

I thank you, Madam President, and all you ladies for your extremely kind welcome. It is indeed a privilege and a happiness to greet you on the occasion of your Seventeenth Biennial meeting, in the name of the many women's societies affiliated with your organization, sharing your hopes and aspirations, and carrying on their own work in countries situated in all parts of the world.

In the first place, I speak for the Federation of Great Britain's Jewish Progressive Women's Societies. They desire me to thank you for the stimulus you gave us through your leaders, Mrs. Rosett and Miss Evans, when they visited us in London on the occasion of our last World Union Conference. Indeed, it was with the help of these ladies that our Federation was created and although still in its infancy it is a promising baby.

We have many interesting discussion meetings, following fine addresses from distinguished speakers. We have also joined in assisting the Central British Fund, to give aid to sufferers in Germany and Austria.

At our last meeting, held three days before I left home, our Federation asked me not only to express their thanks to you, but also to tell you how eagerly they look forward to seeing a full representation of American women in London next July when we hold our World Union Conference, and discuss the "Mission of Judaism, its Present-Day Application."

I am greeting you also in the name of your Women's Societies, or Sisterhoods as you call them, of South Africa, Canada, Cuba, Panama, Australia and for unaffiliated small groups in France and Holland, Montevideo, and Buenos Aires. I am not directly connected with all these societies, they are not yet all affiliated with the World Union for Progressive Judaism of which I am the appointed delegate, but I feel sure that as Progressive Jewish Women we all want to take part in the great work which you are doing, whether our groups are small or large, very young or quite mature, for we regard your purpose as consecrated.

As the World Union delegate, I desire to thank

you most sincerely for your generous Silver Coin Collections. In accordance with your wish, this money was for some years used to further educational work in Palestine and latterly for religious rehabilitation in Europe. You have made it possible for us to carry out work that was urgently required, which would otherwise have been beyond our power, and I would express the deep gratitude of the governing body for the valuable assistance you have given us.

May I just say, incidentally, that since it is so much more interesting to know in detail the work which you are supporting with your generous gifts, I should be only too delighted to have little talks with any of you who are interested, and to give you, during these wonderful days, as much information as I can.

I should also like to thank you for having elected me as an Honorary Member of your Executive Board. I can never hope to be much more than a nominal member, since I can only send you messages and receive inspiration from your discussions when they have already been com-

pleted.

I take it that you are trying, in diverse ways, to increase the Jewishness of your outlook. By that I certainly do not mean a return to ghettoism in any form, but rather that by study, by synagogue allegiance and social service we think you are quickening your faith in Jewish ideals and enlarging your vision in order that you may become better witnesses to the reality of God.

In wishing you Godspeed in your deliberations, I pay homage to the ideals which inspire you, especially the ideal of service which you render to the life of humanity, humanity seeking from its Progressive Jewish Women work for peace and for the well being of the children in our midst, the deliverance of the downtrodden, and the oppressed. I believe that in the coming days you will show that you are prepared to do your part for these great causes as worthily as lies in your power, and to respond generously to any demand which is made on your thought, your strength, as well as your material possessions.

I thank you.

Greetings

MRS. ALBERT J. MAY, NEW YORK.

*Chairman of the Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations
and Honorary Member of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods'
Executive Board*

Madam President, Officers, Honorary President, Honorable Lily Montagu, Hostess Sisterhoods, Delegates and Visitors: I am proud and grateful for the opportunity of bringing this greeting at the opening of the XVII Biennial Convention of our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, meeting in this outstanding community of Boston. It is doubly significant to me to have listened to so inspiring a Jewess as Lily Montagu.

The Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations wishes me to congratulate your parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, upon its Diamond Anniversary, its achievements and continuing splendid leadership. We grieve with you for the prophetic men whose passing was a loss to Liberal Judaism and all Jewry. May we ever remember and emulate them.

Our heartfelt good wishes upon your thirty-fifth Sisterhood Federation birthday anniversary.

Adult as you are in vision and purpose, may you continue to grow in influence, strength and dignity through generations to come.

As one emotionally involved in this occasion, may I be permitted to express my loyalty and esteem for your Honorary President and founder, Carrie Simon, our Past Presidents, Hattie Wiesefeld, Stella Freiberg, Gertrude Watters and Reina Hartmann, whose names are upon the lips of American Jewry. We hold dear the memory of Martha Steinfeld, our departed leader, brilliant and gentle exponent of Judaism. Today we hail our outstanding President, Frieda Rosett. All have offered sacrificial devotion to our cause. Standing shoulder to shoulder have been our officers, our board members, our Executive Director, her staff, our State and Sisterhood Presidents and Sisterhoods, who together have brought out its national and international organization to its present position in world Jewry.

The Conference Committee knows well your excellent service to Liberal Judaism through the years in fostering education for adults, youth and children; your intelligent participation in the field of world peace and now your cooperative awareness of the United Nations. You were pioneers in the field of Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education that is broad in character and scope. Even your Uniongrams and Calendars have been emulated and other Jewish groups use your Religious School publications. We worked with you during the war years and at the American Jewish Conference, where we together learned much in the meeting of minds. We watch with pride your service to the sightless, your program of refugee, and now new American integration in all communities. You are making continuous contributions to S.O.S., J.D.C., U.J.A. We salute your increasingly excellent and different work in interfaith activities.

My friends, you have been and are unique in the building and maintenance of the Hebrew Union College dormitory and now in your efforts to help construct a dignified and permanent home for the Union and its constituents.

Above all you have become a challenging force in your concept that a Judaism rooted in history must ever be alert to life and progress in a democratic world. In your service and attendance at the synagogue; your love of family and responsibility toward the community, you have helped to prove that the religious experience of all Jews is ever a part of their being and expressive of their social obligations to mankind.

Knowing and respecting you as we do, we would like now to turn the flood light upon the long standing cooperative efforts and achievements of the Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations.

We are eleven organizations representing 350,000 women in the United States:

Hadassah

Mizrachi Women's Organization of America

National Council of Jewish Women

National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

National Ladies Auxiliary, Jewish War Veterans of the United States.

National Women's League of the United

Synagogue

Pioneer Women's Organization

Women's American ORT

Women's Branch, Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America

Women's Division, American Jewish Congress
Women's Supreme Council of B'nai B'rith

Our officers are Mrs. Ida Cook Farber, Vice Chairman, and Mrs. Anna Center Schneiderman, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Conference Committee is an interesting and stimulating group. It presents a complete cross-section of Jewish thinking in religious observance, ideology, politics, program and objectives. We serve in the fields of Religion, Education, Housing, Interfaith, Civil Rights, Anti-Semitism, Social Legislation, United Nations, Child Care, Old Age Clubs, Mental Hygiene, Hospitals, Medical Schools, Nursing Care, Clinics, Exchange and Rabbinical Scholarships; Homes rebuilding lives and morale of young girls in Greece, Paris and Palestine; Economic and Human Rehabilitation in America, Europe and Palestine; Service to War Veterans. To all and more we add cultural programs, a live interest in the arts and an intelligent intentness upon our duties and sincere obligations as citizens of the United States.

These many and multifarious and costly programs are dedicated to the United States, Europe, Palestine, South America, China and South Africa. When the need arises we clear these programs and although our constitution depicts us as a clearing house, we find that in honestly meeting human need, overlapping only becomes intensification.

A brilliant example of our mutual understanding and opinion sampling is our annual forum. Last May in New York, at Temple Emanu-El, we had as speakers on problems of Jewry in the United States our Jane Evans and on problems in Europe and Palestine, Judith Epstein, Past President of Hadassah. Then followed a speaker from each of the eleven organizations giving an accounting of their current projects helpful to the solution of these problems. This forum was capably directed by Mrs. Farber and Mrs. Schneiderman. I tell you this only because I point with pride to the magnificent presentations by Jewish women and the objective and progressive reactions of a huge audience.

We are grateful to Mrs. Rosett and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the use of their New York offices and meeting room; to Jane Evans for her splendid cooperation. Since all but three of our groups have headquarters in New York we meet and hold our forums there. Working together we have learned the lesson of unity—not uniformity. We curb some of our too

partisan enthusiasms and are friendly and thoughtful of opinions. We value the camaraderie of the leaders. We arrive at written statements only after all accept their validity and are in agreement. Armed by such objectivity, I felt able at our last annual meeting to hail the birth of Israel with joy, and expressed sorrow at the loss of life but was inspired by the will of the patriots to sacrifice.

Through our working together we are humbly hoping for better planning in a better world. Imbued with this philosophy we greet you and with you pray for a directive from above—we hope that a new type of goodness and decency will emerge so that mankind can develop its greatest potentialities in a world of peace.

The Executive Director read the names of the members of the Committees on Credentials,

Rules, Thanks, Nominations and Resolutions, and announced that Committees would convene for their first meeting at lunch in the Salle Moderne.

Minutes of the last Biennial Assembly and the 1947 Executive Board session of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods were noted by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Henry Minsky, of Omaha, as having been printed and distributed to all delegates. Therefore, it was moved and seconded that the reading of the same be omitted.

The Biennial delegates were distressed to learn that the illness of Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, of Baltimore, First Vice-President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, prevented her from attending the Convention. Mrs. Harold M. Baum, of Milwaukee, National Chairman on Uniongrams, substituted for Mrs. Dalsheimer in ably presenting the Blanche R. Stolz Trophies.

AMERICAN JEWISH
PRESENTATION OF

Blanche R. Stolz Trophies and Special Plaque

BY MRS. HAROLD M. BAUM, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

National Chairman on Uniongrams

Madam President, Honorable Miss Montagu, delegates and visitors; I am reading Mrs. Dalsheimer's message to you:

"The honor and privilege had been granted me of awarding the Blanche R. Stolz Trophies at the XVII Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, which this year is concurrent with the 35th Anniversary.

"It is indeed a pleasure to pay tribute to one who by her deeds and her contribution to Jewish life truly earned the title 'Mother in Israel.'

"Mrs. Joseph Stolz, a member of the Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah Israel, Chicago, served the National for twenty-four years as Chairman of the National Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education. Her tenure of office was a long and significant one, rich in accomplishment and inspiration. Her interest and continued support of this important Fund, dedicated to the education of both rabbinic and lay leaders, has been an incentive and example to all Sisterhood members.

"At the XIII Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held in Cincinnati in 1939, the Blanche R. Stolz Trophy

was established, a real stimulus to Sisterhoods throughout the Sisterhood world to share in this worthwhile and splendid project. It is awarded at each Biennial to that Sisterhood which, in proportion to its membership, has most increased its contribution to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund during the biennial period, over that of the previous biennium. Contributions include both voluntary cash gifts, as well as Uniongram Apportionment Profit. In order to provide a more equitable basis for competition, it was later decided to award the trophy to three Sisterhoods, in accordance with approximate membership size.

"This morning I have the pleasure of congratulating the three Sisterhoods who have earned this award:

"First, the Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood, of Baltimore, Maryland—the award will be received by Mrs. Herman Siskind.

"The second award goes to the Anshe Emeth Temple Sisterhood, Peoria, Illinois, and because their President was unable to attend, Mrs. Harold Charmack of Chicago, President of the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, will ac-

cept that award.

"The third award goes to Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood of Muskogee, Oklahoma. Mrs. Dave Robertson or Mrs. Joseph Janowsky will receive that award.

"At this Biennial another award will be presented, given in memory of the many years of devoted service of the late Mrs. Josiah Cohen, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, known to many as the 'Grand Young Lady of American Judaism.' Mrs. Cohen founded the Isaac Mayer Wise Memorial Fund, which is part of the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, and for which she raised large sums of money annually. In 1913, she was appointed Vice-Chairman of the National Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and served as a member of the Executive Board of the National from 1921 to 1931. It is indeed fitting and appropriate that this award be presented to the Rodef Shalom Sisterhood of Pittsburgh, the home of this beloved and revered leader in Sisterhood work, in recognition of their many years of outstanding contribution to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

"This plaque reads:

SPECIAL AWARD
NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
TO THE
SISTERHOOD OF TEMPLE
RODEF SHALOM
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA,

*for distinguished and continuous support of the
Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
and in memory of Mrs. Josiah Cohen
for her life-long notable devotion to this Fund*

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"Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie of Pittsburgh will receive this plaque for her Sisterhood.

"And may I say, by way of giving these awards, there is an old Hebrew proverb which says: Faith without works is death. That of course means faith in God. But there should be a corollary to that proverb which says: Faith in God's children, mankind without works, is dead.

"These women who represent the Sisterhoods who have won these awards are indeed testimonials that they have put into action their faith. They, by their works, attest to the fact that there are enduring values in Sisterhood, through the

spiritual work for mankind, for religious values. They are proving to an all-too materialistic world that the forces of good will triumph over the forces of evil.

"May God continue to give them good health and strength of purpose so that they may give continuous service and so that they may give continuous action of their faith to prove that they have confidence in God's children, mankind."

The following Sisterhood Presidents were then called upon to come forward and accept their trophies:

Mrs. A. Herman Siskind, Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Morris Landwirth, Anshe Emeth Temple Sisterhood, Peoria, Ill. (Mrs. Harold Charmack, of Chicago, President of the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, accepted the trophy for Mrs. Landwirth); Mrs. Sam D. Gould, Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood, Muskogee, Okla. (Mrs. Joseph Urbansky, of Oklahoma City accepted the trophy for Mrs. Gould); Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Rodef Shalom Sisterhood, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Edward A. Hart, 2nd Vice-President, Hartford, Conn., at the request of President Rosett assumed the Chair to enable Mrs. Rosett to read her President's Message which was accepted by a rising vote of acclamation.

(Complete Message included elsewhere)

Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, read her Director's Report, which was accepted by a rising vote of thanks and appreciation.

Upon the suggestion of Mrs. Leon L. Watters, of New York, and accepted by the Assembly, special recognition was accorded Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, of Cincinnati, for the outstanding work she has done throughout the United States and Canada in interfaith work for NFTS.

Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, of Cincinnati, suggested that a message of greeting be sent to the United Council of Church Women meeting in convention at the same time as NFTS, expressing NFTS appreciation for its excellent cooperation in the interfaith program.

The first session recessed at 12:15 P. M. to meet with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations at 2:30 P. M.

JOINT SESSION

Reconvening in joint session with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations at 2:30 P.M., in the Imperial Ballroom, Hotel Statler, Sister-

hood delegates heard an address by Archbishop Richard J. Cushing, Boston, and the stimulating

"State of the Union" message of Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, Director of the UAHC.

SECOND BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY SESSION

The Sunday afternoon meeting was called to order by President Rosett, at 4:10 P.M. in the Georgian Room, Hotel Statler.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF RULES

The report of the Committee on Rules was presented by the Chairman, Mrs. Edward Schleisner, Harrisburg, Pa.

Herewith submitted is the report of the Committee on Rules which shall govern the deliberations and proceedings of the XVII Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods:

I. VOTING. Only accredited delegates and ex-officio delegates shall be entitled to vote.

II. QUORUM. One-third of the voting members present and registered shall constitute a quorum.

III. NUMBER OF VOTES. Each member may vote in only one capacity, and she must, when registering, state that capacity.

IV. SEATING. Members composing the voting body of this Assembly shall occupy the front seats, visitors the rear of the room.

V. BADGES. Each member who is entitled to vote must wear her delegate's badge at all meetings.

VI. TELLERS. The chair shall appoint tellers to count the vote.

VII. FLOOR PRIVILEGES. All accredited delegates and registered delegates and official visitors shall have the privilege of the floor to discuss any question that may come before the Assembly and may take part in all deliberations, but only registered delegates and ex-officio delegates may make motions and vote.

All delegates should be allowed to speak before visitors are allowed to speak.

Each member when recognized shall identify herself before speaking.

Second floor privilege: No Sisterhood may have the privilege of the floor for a second time until all Sisterhoods who desire to speak on the question have done so.

VIII. TIME ALLOTMENT. No one shall speak for more than two minutes on a business question or three minutes on a discussion unless there shall be granted an extension of time.

Timekeeper: The Chair shall appoint time-

keepers to see that the foregoing is observed.

IX. DUTY OF THE USHERS AND PAGES. It shall be the duty of these ushers and pages to preserve decorum.

All Committees shall be appointed by the Chair unless otherwise ordered.

All members shall cooperate with the President in her request to refrain from smoking during business sessions.

X. RESOLUTIONS. All Resolutions shall be reduced to writing, signed and placed in the hands of the Resolutions Chairman by Monday morning, November 15.

XI. TIME OF MEETINGS AND ADJOURNMENT: The meetings of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall assemble promptly and shall adjourn promptly as scheduled in the program.

MRS. EDWARD SCHLEISNER, *Chairman*
Upon motion duly seconded and carried, the report was accepted.

PANEL DISCUSSION

The remainder of the Sunday afternoon session was devoted to a panel discussion on "The House of Living Judaism."

The four participants in this program were: Mrs. Edgar L. Hirsch, *Pittsburgh, Pa., Chairman of the House of Living Judaism campaign for Rodef Shalom Sisterhood, Pittsburgh, Pa.*

Mrs. William Ackerman, *Meridian, Miss., Chairman of the House of Living Judaism campaign for Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood, Meridian, Miss.*

Mrs. Solomon. Elsner, *Chairman, Special Gifts Committee for Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood, Hartford, Conn.*

Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, *Evansville, Ind., Chairman, House of Living Judaism campaign for Indiana State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.*

Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, *Chairman of the National Victory Project, House of Living Judaism and President of the Women's Auxiliary, Congregation Emanu-El, New York, and one of the acting presidents of the New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, presided.*

Highlight of Progress

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM CAMPAIGN

Reported by Mrs. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND, National Chairman

We are at long last assembled at the anticipated XVII Biennial Assembly of NFTS. I am sure I speak for all our officers and directors when I say we are delighted to see so many delegates present. We regret that Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Honorary Chairman of the Campaign, is among others not able to be with us, but we are gratified to know that she is in good health and send her our fond greetings.

You have a copy of the report of the progress of THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM Campaign. Therefore, I will not take time at this session to read it in full. With your permission I would rather take the time allotted me to discuss the spirit of the campaign rather than the statistics.

After two years of working toward the attainment of your goal, it seems unnecessary to stress that the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM will serve the practical purpose of providing permanent adequate quarters for the Union and its affiliates—but more than that, it will be a center of Liberal Judaism from which will stem a vital and significant service program to further individual and communal progressive Jewish life in America and the world over. THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM will further serve the Liberal Jewish movement through conference facilities, exhibits of Judaica and other tangible tools and symbols of its wide-spread activities.

My experience as Chairman, has brought me into contact with many Sisterhood units and based on these contacts, I venture to say that THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign has strengthened the bond between Sisterhood members and our National Federation. It has increased our understanding of the program and scope of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and as Sisterhood members, working toward a common goal, we have strengthened the bond of understanding and enthusiasm for our National organization. Participation in THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM Campaign has broadened our perspective and increased our appreciation for the role that we are playing in these history-making times as member of NFTS.

In accepting the challenge to raise funds to help build the permanent home of the Union and to make this worthy and timely contribution to the Liberal Jewish movement, we are demonstrating our inherent purpose: to serve Jewish and humanitarian causes.

The campaign is enjoying great momentum and as we near the peak, we are very grateful to all who participated and who contributed \$275,000—well over a quarter of a million dollars—for this purpose. All who contributed will find great personal satisfaction in visiting the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM when it becomes a reality in the not too distant future. Those of you who helped to build it will feel justly proud in having made its existence possible, just as you did in building the Hebrew Union College Dormitory a quarter of a century ago.

Ninety-six Sisterhoods have set the example and offered a challenge to all other units in having achieved or surpassed their total quotas. Many other Sisterhood units are well over the half-way mark and are daily nearing the completion of their quota.

We realize that the emergencies of post-war years and the many local demands on Sisterhoods have not yet made it possible for every unit to fill its quota in time to report its success at this Biennial. We do earnestly hope that the stimulus and inspiration of the convention sessions of the next few days will result in renewed determination to intensify your efforts and to assure a successful conclusion to the campaign at an early date.

To those of you who are working zealously toward the attainment of your goal, we want you to feel that we are here to help you do so. We shall have the privilege of hearing panel discussions on various campaign techniques successfully used by Sisterhoods throughout the country. At tomorrow morning's Round Table session on Fund-Raising, we shall be eager to discuss your personal needs for furthering your own campaign. On Wednesday morning, between 11 and 12, there will be a final opportunity for conference periods with Miss Helen L. Strauss, the

Director of the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM Campaign, and myself, to help you organize your local campaign or give you whatever assistance you may need in this connection. The place of this meeting will be announced later. It is our hope that no HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM Chairman, Sisterhood President or delegate will leave the Convention without having had answers to questions which may be troubling her in connection with her local HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign.

In closing, I feel it necessary to stress that the location of the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM—and a regional office—whether in New York or in Cincinnati, or vice-versa, is not the crux of the campaign. The significance of the project and the imperative need of the Union merit our whole-hearted support. It is our responsibility and privilege as Sisterhood members who have a deep rooted personal conviction for our religious heri-

tage, to make possible the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM—a center of Liberal Judaism—the location of which is, in the last analysis, the problem of the Union. However, you will have an opportunity of expressing your opinion on this matter later in the program.

When the problems of the Convention have been resolved, we shall go forward in the true spirit of our democratic heritage, in the spirit of our American heritage of democracy, where we are free to express our every opinion but where we are also bound to accept the final will of the majority. Whatever decision regarding the location, let us band together to strengthen the ideals and spiritual truths for which we stand. Let us, through our participation in THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM tangibly express our quickened sense of desire to keep alive and brightly burning for all the world, the light that is American Liberal Judaism.

Participation of Large Sisterhoods

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM CAMPAIGN

MRS. EDGAR L. HIRSCH, PITTSBURGH

It is in comparatively recent years that women have been recognized as an integral part of congregational life. For centuries women were not considered on a par with men within the synagogue. While there were many religious duties and privileges assigned to women in the home, they were segregated from the men in the House of Worship and were not considered as a part of a "Minyon" required to conduct services. With the advent of Reform Judaism all this was changed and a woman was given her rightful place—she was considered a person in her own right and was recognized as an important factor in synagogue life and activities. In the course of time when women became thoroughly integrated in the Congregation, the Sisterhood movement sprang up.

At first the number of Sisterhoods was small but as the desirability of active participation in the affairs of the Congregation became apparent, the movement spread from coast to coast. Sisterhoods were organized and today there is not an important congregation that does not boast of a woman's group. As we have built the Sisterhoods, supported the rabbis, as we have built the domitory to house our rabbinical students, now the

Sisterhoods are asked and expected, and we have accepted the challenge, to house our Union, actually to construct a simple but adequate building. Our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, has long been the fountain-head of Reform Judaism in America. It must continue this role in an added measure. In order that this great responsibility may be fulfilled, it is of the utmost importance that adequate working facilities be provided.

When the Rodef Shalom Sisterhood of Pittsburgh, received word that we were to participate in the House of Living Judaism campaign, we decided that we should begin immediately to make plans. Pittsburgh, like all other communities, was deluged with various fund-raising campaigns. Our committees were chosen and the decision was reached that we should conduct a quiet, dignified campaign. I shall briefly give you the plan that we used at Rodef Shalom.

First a letter was sent to every member of our Congregation informing them of the request from NFTS. This was followed by the work of the Special Gifts Committee. Persons contacted for Special Gifts were those women who we felt were interested and could afford to give \$25 or

more. From this group we raised approximately \$3,700. Then came the plea to the entire Sisterhood membership through a letter asking for a minimum of \$10 with an enclosed pledge card. From this letter we realized \$3,200. During the campaign we had publicity in the Jewish Press and the Temple Bulletin. As Chairman, I spoke to the Men's Club of the Congregation and they responded with a check for \$500. Our Congregation Board gave us the grand amount of \$1,500.

To stimulate interest one of our regular monthly Sisterhood meetings was given over to the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. Not only were we honored in having our National President, Mrs. Louis Rosett, as speaker, but through our Temple players, the Sisterhood Dramatic group, produced a charming playlet, "The Land That Was," by Mrs. Solomon B. Freehof. This production stimulated our membership greatly. May I say here that many Sisterhoods have used both our plan and the play. Now that our campaign is over I am happy to report that Rodef Shalom Sisterhood sent \$8,890 to NFTS.

I believe and I think you will agree with me that we of the larger Sisterhoods must lead the way and set the example for the smaller groups. More than 50% of the total NFTS membership lives in twenty-five metropolitan areas. While it is true that a number of these cities are building Temples of their own and have many other commitments, this in itself does not seem sufficient reason for many of these Sisterhoods not to have responded more generously to the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign. There are only twenty-eight Sisterhoods in the whole country having a membership of over 100 members who have completed their quota. We here must have continued progress of the Liberal Reform movement. This campaign is of equal importance with any other campaign and we have a right to expect the cooperation of our Sisterhoods. All these campaigns are necessary and good. But, we must realize that if we permit our parent organization to work under extremely bad circumstances, that its work will be adversely affected and eventually affect too our individual Temples. So it is everyone's duty to support this project, if only from a self-ish motive.

Another of our larger Sisterhoods followed a unique procedure which I should like to take a few minutes to tell you about. Kansas City raised their quota on a Congregational participation

basis. Through the cooperation of Rabbi Mayerberg, the Congregation voted to forego its usual anniversary dinner so that every effort should be devoted to the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM campaign. The affair took place on the night usually given over to the Annual Dinner. The money was raised through an amateur show. The Brotherhood wrote and produced an original skit, the Sisterhood took part in a theatrical performance and the children of the Religious School put on a ballet. Both men and women helped dispose of 2,200 seats in a hall rented for the occasion. In spite of the fact that they did not adhere to the formula of securing money through Sisterhood members solely, this type of fund-raising proved to be of great educational value for the Union. The entire Congregation was most enthusiastic. \$10,500 was raised and they were able to send their entire quota of \$5,000 to National. I might say here that whatever Congregational participation took place, it was clearly understood that this would in no way deter from the usual congregational cooperation in the annual Combined Campaign of the Union.

Friends, I am sure that you realize that if this campaign is to succeed it is imperative that the large Sisterhoods must meet their quotas. Each Sisterhood can and must work out a plan best suited to the needs of their community and by doing this every member will find great satisfaction in knowing that they were a part of this great adventure. In the last analysis the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM is a campaign for religious purposes. Its goal is therefore intangible in contrast to other seemingly more dramatic human appeals. The "going" is therefore more difficult, but with imagination and loyalty to NFTS and faith in our heritage, we will surely succeed. Liberal Judaism needs a home of its own not as proof to the world at large that we hold property, but to identify the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM as the tangible source from which stems the ideals of Liberal Judaism. The primary aim of NFTS is to further Jewish humanitarian causes. Toward that end we feel that it is altogether fitting that we, the women's organization of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations provide a concrete manifestation of our loyalty to and support of the cause for which we were brought into being. This is the most gigantic undertaking that we have ever assumed. We have never failed before—we shall not fail now.

Participation of Small Sisterhoods

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM CAMPAIGN

MRS. WILLIAM ACKERMAN, MERIDIAN, MISS.

Please believe me when I say that it gives me genuine joy to speak for the small Sisterhoods on a subject so close to my heart as the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM.

Only four minutes will not permit eloquence on either count when I could glow, you know, on both. Although I wonder as I contemplate the subject, if there is indeed a need to differentiate between the participation of small and large groups in a project so vital to Liberal Judaism as the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM. To be sure, my entire Sisterhood experience has been with the smaller Sisterhoods—Mississippi is wholly a state of small towns and communities—and yet, in the organizational set-up that is uniquely Sisterhood, where spiritual flame and power should motivate every activity, it “matters little to the God of Heaven whether we be few or many.”

If you will allow me then, to use Meridian's blue-print for raising and voluntarily doubling its quota, I believe I can speak with some pride and much pleasure and hope for *all* the small Sisterhoods. Mrs. Schulkind's records tell us that fifty of them, each with a membership of less than 100 have already completed their quotas—one, the little Sisterhood of Trinidad, Colorado, with a membership of nine having raised its quota 279%!

In undertaking my local chairmanship, it seemed to me that there were three things to consider:

1. Do we need the building?
2. How can we raise our required quota?
3. Why should NFTS build a home for the Union?

There was never an instant's doubt in my mind of the need for a home for the Union and its affiliated bodies. If each one of our 65,000 members could visit the Merchants Building, Cincinnati (or 3 East 65th Street, New York, for that matter)—could ride the rickety elevators, see the bare setting, congestion, confusion and inadequacy of our Headquarters there, she would be willing actually to lay the bricks and pour the concrete for the new home. Surely we, who delight to call ourselves the first and foremost group

of American Jews desire more for our National parent bodies. The need is so urgent and the time to supply that need is long past due.

The best method or technique of raising the quota presents the best opportunity for difference between the small and the metropolitan groups. After all, \$90.00 to a Sisterhood of nine or \$750.00 to a Sisterhood of seventy-five members represents a tremendous outlay. Our small Sisterhoods, however, have devised some ingenious methods of raising their money although most of them adhered to the plan of earn and give \$10.00 per member—we find them capitalizing on their talents—Social, Dramatic, Artistic, giving bridge and mah jongg lessons, using their musical talents, typing, sewing, darning, mending, knitting, and crocheting, coaching students, offering taxi service and baby sitting, baking cakes and desserts, catering and serving luncheons, dinners and teas—any number of ways and means whereby the individual member could raise her \$10.00 assessment proved fruitful and interesting. I, personally, found the memorial idea, the Book of Living Judaism, the most resourceful. Somehow I've always liked to think of Judaism in terms of continuity—of the great Jews and Jewesses of the past lending a helping hand to the present to build for the future. Every community has its outstanding Jewish citizens — some were its founders and have long since passed on— we appealed to their descendants to carry on in their names. And they were proud and happy to enroll them on a National Honor Roll, as well as a complete roster of service men and women of World War II. Most of the contributions far exceeded the \$10.00 minimum—that well took care of the indifferent and the indigent. And it gave a sort of hallowed sanctification to the project. It was a soul-satisfying experience.

And, lastly, why should the Sisterhoods build the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM? Why not? I say unhesitatingly that I think it is the most appropriate activity we've undertaken. It not only graciously reciprocates our debt to the UAHC for emancipating the Jewish woman—for taking her out of relegated galleries and placing her on

Temple Boards and Union Commissions, but it actually demonstrates this new freedom. Heretofore, we have only been asked to keep the home fires burning and tend the eternal light. Now we emerge as builders of the House as well. It's a tremendous challenge, ladies — we must not —

dare not — fail. To paraphrase Rabbi Tarphon in the Mishna:

The time is short, the need is urgent, the work is much, the laborers are slothful, the reward is great and it is incumbent upon our Sisterhoods, small and large, to complete the task.

Participation through Special Gifts

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM CAMPAIGN

MRS. SOLOMON ELSNER, HARTFORD, CONN.

The Campaign sought a goal to be reached by a contribution of \$10.00 from every Sisterhood member, payable over a two-year period. It is at once apparent that, where there are thousands of members, each cannot be expected to give the same amount. For some, \$10.00 may be low; for others, \$10.00 is too high; and some without, or regardless of means, give nothing. Our local Sisterhood—with 339 members and a quota of approximately \$3,400.00—is no exception. Efforts, therefore, have to be directed toward obtaining an *average* of \$10.00 per member.

In Hartford a committee—called the Steering Committee—was set up. It consisted of the President of our Sisterhood, our local member of the National, the Rabbi's wife, the wives of the Temple Trustees and myself. A Campaign Chairman was appointed.

A second meeting was held at the home of the Chairman, at which the Steering Committee went over the membership list. Out of the 339, we picked 150 names of those who we thought were in a position to give \$10.00. These comprised the list of the Special Gifts Committee, of which Committee I was made Chairman.

A third meeting was held, at which the list was reviewed and names assigned for solicitation. Before adjournment, it was suggested that "now would be a good time for those present to indicate what they would be willing to do." Four or five of the nine or ten present immediately pledged \$100.00 each.

Solicitations were then made. They were personal and made by those whom we considered closest to, and better understanding the circumstances surrounding, the one being solicited. A mother may have lost a son in the Service; a member may have deeply cherished the memory of a departed loved one; a member might wish to honor someone; and, above all, there was the

need of convincing the members as to the importance of the project. You have an idea in every congregational community of what a person may be able to give. All of these factors were taken into consideration. The result was a contribution of \$1,000.00 made by one of our members in memory of departed members of her family and a \$50.00 and some smaller contributions in memory of sons who were lost in action. The four or five \$100.00 contributions were increased to twelve in number.

We confined our solicitation entirely to the Sisterhood members and made none from any men—this, because contributions were being sought from the men of the Congregation for the Combined Campaign of the Union and Hebrew Union College. By confining the solicitations for the Sisterhood project to the members of the Sisterhood and excluding solicitations from the men of the Congregation, we avoided confusion and prevented any conflict between the Campaigns for the House of Living Judaism and for the Combined Campaign of the Union and Hebrew Union College. After all, this was purely a Sisterhood Campaign.

The men, however, were not neglected. As in all communities, we sometimes find some members of our sex somewhat less generous than those of the opposite sex. In some such cases, we might visit the member at a time when the husband was at home, with the result that a more substantial contribution would be forthcoming.

The need for the personal contact and the selection of the proper person to make the solicitation are essential to the success of any campaign. There is, also of course, the necessity for the follow-up. A solicitor may have been refused because of a lack of understanding of the nature of the project. A follow-up would, in many instances, clear the air and produce results. Fur-

thermore, the understanding that gifts of \$10.00 were to be inscribed in a book, which would find a permanent place in the House of Living Judaism, was extremely helpful in bringing up the amount of contributions.

The result was most interesting. We raised \$5,662.05 from 236 members. Of these, 109 were special gifts aggregating \$4,400.00. The remaining 127 contributors gave approximately \$1,200.00. In other words, the special gifts average was over \$40.00 each and the others about \$9.00, making for the entire 339 membership an

average of \$16.00 a member.

I cannot emphasize too strongly the value and importance of a Special Gifts Committee. Such a Committee may well secure—even before the general membership is approached—a very substantial part, if not the whole, of the quota assigned to any Sisterhood. There must, of course, be the personal conviction of the importance of all members participating in the House of Living Judaism through special gifts. The task may be difficult, but the method and the effort are worthwhile and cannot help but make for success.

Participation of State Federations

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM CAMPAIGN

MRS. JEROME L. SALM, EVANSVILLE, IND.

I have been asked to discuss with you the part of the State Federation in the National Campaign for the House of Living Judaism. In presenting to you the participation of State Federations, I find it necessary to refer often to the work done in the State of Indiana, not on the basis of a testimonial, believe me, but by way of suggesting to other Federations the value of personal contacts and stimulated interest.

Where campaigns have been most successful it has been due to personal visits to local Sisterhoods by State Chairmen. Particularly in fund-raising, people are prone to cherish doubts and questions which remaining unanswered serve as a valid excuse for not contributing. We have found that the personal presence of someone who is able to answer questions and resolve the doubts will bring forth many contributions which otherwise would not be secured. In Indiana, for example, I visited 7 of the 13 Sisterhoods and found that a frank presentation of our needs and our goal, together with an open discussion clarified what was a nebulous and far away project. It created enthusiasm and brought in money. Somehow all the printed material in the world couldn't produce what a short personal visit achieved . . . an understood reality. The result . . . Indiana is second of the Federations with 81% of its quota deposited with National.

In the large Federations where distances are great, the Federations were divided into regional areas and the vice-presidents or co-chairmen were made responsible for one region. Here again is the personal contact theme. Pennsylvania and Kentucky-Tennessee were among those who fol-

lowed this procedure; there are probably others of which I am not informed.

After personal contact, written follow-up to local chairmen is a necessity. Indiana and Pennsylvania have done fine jobs in their State Bulletins and where there are no bulletins, letters based on individual status, from State presidents and chairmen to local presidents and chairmen have kept the goal constantly in view.

Again Indiana and New Jersey stimulated interest and the competitive spirit throughout their Federations by sponsoring awards to the Sisterhood making the largest per capita contribution. New Jersey awarded a trip to this convention to a representative of the winning Sisterhood. Indiana awarded a government bond and a trophy last year and is awarding a like prize for the second year of the campaign at our convention next month. Added stimuli of this kind bring in amazing results and wherever it is feasible, it would head my list of good business technique. Ohio Federation contributed \$350.00 in honor of Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Honorary Chairman of the HLJ Campaign, and the N. Y. State Federation contributed \$1,000.00 in memory of its past President, Mrs. Jerome Harris.

In addition to serving as a fund-raising campaign, the House of Living Judaism also provides a worthwhile project for State Federations and a means of bringing about a closer relationship between local, state and national. Many of our local Sisterhoods have never availed themselves of the personal contacts offered by their State and National Federations; the House of Living Judaism afforded them that opportunity

and through this medium of personal contacts that I stress, a bond of belonging has been and will be established that will grow stronger through continuous cooperative work.

State Presidents and State Chairmen have all contributed their efforts and time toward our ultimate goal and the House of Living Judaism, wherever it is built, will stand as a monument to the strength and unity of Liberal Judaism, a guiding light in education, a power for the good of all peoples and a servant of Jewish and humanitarian causes.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chairman, presented the preliminary report of the Committee on Credentials.

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE NFTS EXECUTIVE BOARD

Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, Past-President of NFTS, concluded the Sunday afternoon session by presenting to the assembly the recommendation of the NFTS Executive Board, passed in 1947 and reaffirmed in 1948, on the future location of the Union Headquarters.

"It was moved and duly carried after full discussion as to the future location of the House of Living Judaism, that the National Federation

of Temple Sisterhoods' Executive Board will concur with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in its decision on location which is to be made at the 1948 convention." The adoption of this recommendation was moved, seconded and duly passed.

After discussion, letters from Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Cincinnati, Honorary Chairman of the Committee on the House of Living Judaism and Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Highland Park, Ill., Past President, which commented on the proposed move of Union Headquarters to New York were read. Mrs. Freiberg opposed the move; Mrs. Hartmann favored it.

The Second Session adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

BANQUET

Sisterhood delegates joined with the Union at 7:00 P.M. in the Imperial Ballroom, Statler Hotel, to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The main speaker of the evening was Rabbi James G. Heller of Cincinnati, Ohio. A testimonial was presented to Dr. Jonah B. Wise of New York, in tribute to his distinguished services to Jewish life. Dr. Wise, Rabbi of Central Synagogue, New York, and twin brother of Mrs. Albert J. May, is a son of the revered Isaac Mayer Wise of blessed memory, organizer of American Reform Judaism.

Proceedings of the Second Day

NOVEMBER 15, 1948

At 10:00 A. M. each delegate and visitor attended one of four simultaneous Round Tables. (All participants in the Round Table program met late on Saturday, November 13, for a discussion of how the Round Table would be handled and the part of each participant.)

ROUND TABLE AGENDA

I. SISTERHOOD RAISES FUNDS

1. What should be the local Sisterhood's policy in contributing funds to organizations outside of its own Temple and religious organizations?
2. What fund-raising techniques have proved most successful for Sisterhoods in the
 - small
 - medium
 - large categories?

3. How to conserve Sisterhood Treasury funds? Discussion of Special Funds such as Memorial, Happy Day, Library, etc.
4. The need for and an evaluation of the local Sisterhood's budget.
5. Discussion of the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.
 - A. Who benefits from the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund?
 - B. How is the money raised for this Fund?
 - C. What are the Honor listings of the Fund?
6. Why is the sale of Uniongrams vital to your Sisterhood and NFTS?
 - A. What is the Uniongram Honor Roll?
 - B. A few "musts" for the Uniongram Chairman.
7. A description of fund-raising methods to meet the local Sisterhood's HLJ quota.

Leaders of discussion: Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Chairman. *NFTS Committee on*

Uniongrams; Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, *New York, Chairman, NFTS Committee on House of Living Judaism*; *Rapporteur*: Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, *Knoxville, Chairman, NFTS Committee on State Federations*; *Resource Adviser*: Miss Helen L. Strauss, *HLJ Campaign Director*.

Several important questions were raised that had been disturbing Sisterhood members for the past months and were carefully dealt with at this Round Table. On the matter of policy re: local Sisterhood and State or District Federations contributing funds to organizations outside of their own Temples, religious schools, and to NFTS projects, it was reiterated that NFTS advises that Sisterhoods refrain from contributing to any but their own projects and institutions. The local and State or District treasury should be reserved for projects which are particularly the responsibility of Sisterhood, while the individual member should be educated and encouraged to give as an individual to those community and other Jewish efforts in which she is interested.

A long list of fund-raising techniques that have proved successful for other Sisterhoods were enumerated including those in the NFTS *Book of Fund-Raising Suggestions* and an enlightening discussion on the evaluation of the local Sisterhood budget ensued. The necessity of every Sisterhood adopting a budget at the beginning of each year was emphasized. This budget should include not only local commitments to the Temple and religious school but also National and State or District dues as well as contributions to those projects of Jewish and humanitarian causes made possible through NFTS in which the group desires to participate. Expenses in whole or in part for attendance at State or District Conventions and the NFTS Biennial should also be included.

The projects made possible through the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund (raised through cash contributions and 20c from each 25c spent on a Uniongram) were discussed. Details of these projects are regularly found in published annual reports of the Committee and in letters from the National Chairman, which like all other NFTS matters of interest to the Sisterhood as a whole, should be shared by the local President and Chairman with all members.

This Round Table on Funds dealt with The House of Living Judaism, Ways and Means, Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and Uniongrams.

II. SISTERHOOD MAKES ITS PROGRAM VITAL

1. What major factors should be taken into consideration in planning the Sisterhood program for the year?
2. What are the main resources of material for Program Chairmen?
3. What is the value of the Interfaith Program to the Sisterhood and to the community?
4. Discussion of the types of Interfaith activities in which a Sisterhood can engage.
5. What are ways in which Sisterhoods can increase interest in Jewish ceremonials in the home; in the Temple; in the Religious School?
6. What are the three most valuable methods by which a Sisterhood can promote interest in Religious Extension?
 - A) Membership
 - B) Contact with outlying communities
 - C) Organizing new Sisterhoods
7. How can Sisterhoods stimulate Temple worship? Religious Extension versus Religious Intension.

Leader of Discussion: Mrs. Julian Hennig, *Columbia, S. C., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Programs*; *Rapporteur*: Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, *Cincinnati, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Interfaith Activities*; *Resource Advisers*: Miss Esther Loth Ciener, *Cincinnati, Assistant to the Director of NFTS*; Miss Josephine Schoenborn, *Cincinnati, Secretarial Assistant on NFTS staff*.

This round table was divided into four sections: (1) Programs; (2) Interfaith Activities; (3) Jewish Ceremonials and Art; (4) Religious Extension.

Program. The first subject discussed was how to plan a program of interest to Sisterhood members of all ages ranging from twenty to eighty. "You can't please all the members all of the time, but try to please the greatest number possible at each meeting." Every Program should be of Jewish content. Plan programs to include participation of members. Plan programs well in advance. Have a Program Chairman and subcommittee plan each meeting. Contact the NFTS Office in Cincinnati for program materials and use other sources such as your rabbi, the Division of Public Liaison of the United Nations and the U. S. Department of State, public libraries and other national organizations. Particularly use the NFTS Book of Programs and Study Materials.

Interfaith. Of what value is an Interfaith Program to your Sisterhood and your community?

It increases interest in and understanding of Judaism and creates respect for differences among all faiths. It educates Sisterhood members to appreciate that other faiths have problems and creates sympathetic understanding of those problems among Sisterhood members. Sisterhood members, in the process of interesting Christian neighbors in a sound understanding of the precepts of Judaism, will add to their own appreciation of their wonderful heritage.

Jewish Ceremonials and Art. What are the ways in which a Sisterhood can interest members in Jewish Ceremonials in the home, in the Temple, and in the religious school? Many suggestions were given including inviting children to your home to share with your own family the ceremonials you have, through the proper training of the child in the religious school, by ceremonial tables displayed at Sisterhood meetings and affairs, and by small museums of ceremonial objects in Temples or religious schools.

Religious Extension. A discussion took place concerning religious extension vs. religious intensification. "It was thought that since the Committee on Religion has also become the Committee on Religious Extension, too much emphasis is expended on growth and not enough on spiritual motivation. It was reported that Sisterhood members were sometimes 'Seventh Day Absentists,' that they do not set an example by attending religious services . . ."

III. SISTERHOOD GOES TO SCHOOL

1. Why—Adult Education?
2. The Techniques of Adult Education?
3. What is the relation between the PTA and the Sisterhood?
4. How can the local Sisterhood educate its members to an awareness of current national and world affairs, particularly as they affect us as Jewish women?
5. What are the component parts of a well-rounded Post-War Service Program?
6. Name five ways in which the program of Service to the Blind can be made to appeal to the entire Sisterhood membership.
7. Sources of Program Material.

Leaders of Discussion: Mrs. Sidney Wallens, Buffalo, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations, and Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Child Study and Parent Education; *Rapporteur:* Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind; *Resource Adviser:* Miss Jane

Evans, Cincinnati and New York, NFTS Executive Director.

This Round Table included a discussion on Adult Education, Child Study and Parent Education, Peace and World Relations, Post-War Service and Jewish Literature for the Blind. It was suggested that because the world is in such a crucial state of flux, it behooves all of us to continue our education. The study materials available through NFTS and included in the NFTS *Book of Program and Study Materials* were stressed as were the listings contained therein of sources of educational films. Techniques that have proved successful and strongly recommended were Bible Classes with large group participation, small study groups led by lay leadership, current events classes, informal discussion groups on ethics and religion, book reviews, the use of the NFTS discussion outline "The Jewish Family in the World Today," by Mrs. Julius Mark and Rabbi Bernard Starkoff, and "Adjusting the Jewish Child to His World," by Dr. S. H. Markowitz also published by NFTS.

An interesting project presented by the Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El, Long Beach, L. I., was that of holding a discussion and study session for parents during the same hours as their children are attending religious school.

In discussing the work of service to the blind and post-war activities, both of which were to be further highlighted at the Tuesday afternoon, November 16, Biennial Session, members were urged to read the October 31, 1948, mimeographed reports of the NFTS Chairmen of these Committees, including the Special Appendix to the report of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind. This special appendix, a report by Mrs. Leah Pinza Weil of New York, describes in detail the needs of European Jewish blind survivors of World War II who are being benefited by NFTS through the division of our annual cash contributions for service to the blind between Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., and Mrs. Weil's Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse.

IV. SISTERHOOD LOOKS TOWARD YOUTH

1. What are the fundamental aims of Religious Education?
2. What are ways in which a functioning Committee on Religious Schools can contribute to the success of the Religious School?
3. What is the relation between the Committee on Religious Schools of the local Sisterhood

and the PTA?

4. What are the activities in which youth are interested?
5. What is the degree and quality of the Sisterhood's responsibility toward Youth Activities?
6. How can Sisterhoods interest younger Jewish women who should be leaving ranks of NFTY for NFTS?

Leader of Discussion: Mrs. A. A. Litin, Minneapolis, *Chairman, NFTS Committee on Religious Schools; Rapporteur:* Mrs. Charles Cohen, Charleston, W. Va., *Chairman, NFTS Committee on Youth Activities; Resource Advisers:* Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Cincinnati, *Educational Director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations; Rabbi Samuel Cook, Cincinnati, UAHC Director of Youth Activities.*

This round table discussion was devoted to a discussion of religious schools and youth activities.

The answer to the basic question, "What are the fundamental aims of Religious Education?" was an affirmative approach toward Judaism both on the part of parents and children.

Concrete suggestions to attract and maintain the interest of children in the religious school were: trained teachers with attractive personalities; well-equipped classrooms; a teaching schedule that maintained a balance between fun and learning with emphasis on modern teaching techniques. The importance of Teacher Train-

ing Institutes and well-written and appealing textbooks was underscored.

The Religious School Committee of the Sisterhood has a well-defined and necessary role in the school. It can assist in holiday observances, in audio-visual programs, in contacting parents of absentees in sponsoring children's services and birthday parties, as well as presenting study courses for parents or forums relating to religious school problems.

The important age group known as Youth must be interested in Temple affairs. They can be reached best through an active youth group in the congregation which should conduct a program of cultural activities, interfaith and international relations and Jewish affairs.

The Youth Activities Chairman must have a sympathetic outlook toward youth and its problems, should attend if requested to do so, Board meetings of the Youth group, and assist in sponsoring social events, and attendance at the annual Youth camps.

"Work and interest on behalf of today's youth will be well rewarded by alert leaders in our own ranks tomorrow."

JOINT LUNCHEON

At 12:30 P. M. the Sisterhood joined with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the Imperial Ballroom for luncheon. The main address was delivered by the Honorable Charles P. Taft, Cincinnati, President of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

ASSEMBLY SESSION—MONDAY AFTERNOON, 3:00 P. M.

The Assembly session, "Report on Round Tables," on Monday, November 15, was called to order in the Georgian Room by Mrs. Edward A. Hart, Second Vice-President, Hartford, Connecticut, at 3 P. M. The session was opened with all the delegates rising and repeating in unison the prayer.

Reports of the round tables held in the morning were given by the Rapporteur of each session. Sisterhood Raises Funds—Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn; Sisterhood Makes Its Program Vital—Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, Cincinnati, Ohio; Sisterhood Goes to School—Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky.; Sisterhood Looks toward Youth—Mrs. Charles Cohen, Charlestown, W. Va.

Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y., expressed

the desire that the Program Committee be extended a vote of thanks for arranging the two-hour Round Table Session as well as the hope that the Round Table technique will be continued at the next convention. Mrs. Harry Ettelson, Memphis, Tenn., suggested that taking into consideration the splendid information contained in the reports, they should be mimeographed and distributed to all the delegates of the convention. These requests were duly noted.

BUSINESS MEETING, MONDAY AFTERNOON

President Rosett resumed the chair, called to order the Business session and thanked the participants in the earlier part of the afternoon session.

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Aaron Lambie, Pittsburgh, NFTS Treasurer, presented her report. The fiscal year of NFTS ended October 31, 1948. Due to the fact that at the time of the Biennial, obligations that affected the 1947-48 fiscal year were still to be settled, it was impossible for Mrs. Lambie to render a complete Treasurer's Report.* Furthermore, the audit of the 1947-48 fiscal period was not completed. Therefore, all figures contained in the Treasurer's Report were subject to adjustment.

The income for the General Fund of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1948, will be approximately \$45,500. This is \$4,000 more than the receipts for last year.

The probable expenditures for 1947-48 will amount to \$48,000, resulting in a probable deficit for the year of approximately \$2,500.

It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer's Report be filed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
REVISION OF BY-LAWS

The Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws was presented by the Chairman, Mrs. Norman J. Kauffmann, New Orleans.

I. ARTICLE 10, Section A, which reads at present: "The Executive Board shall meet immediately after the final adjournment of the Assembly which elected it . . .

Suggested change: "The Executive Board shall meet *either during and/or* immediately after adjournment of the Assembly which elected it . . .

The purpose of this suggested change is to allow the new officers of NFTS which are elected by the Executive Board to be announced and presented to the Assembly. The Executive Board will in addition probably have to meet following the adjournment of the Assembly, for the continuation of other business, which explains why the words *and/or* are included in the proposed revision.

II. ARTICLE 10, Section K, which reads at present: "The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati."

Suggested change: "The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati *and/or New York*."

*Since that date the Treasurer's Report has been completed and audited and is printed elsewhere herein.

Since the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, parent body of NFTS, will deliberate at its Biennial Convention on the subject of the location of its headquarters, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods will also wish to take cognizance of the possibility of having offices both in Cincinnati and New York. This proposed revision is now presented only because under our constitution suggested revisions must be mailed thirty days in advance of the Biennial. Final decision on the matter will undoubtedly be taken at the Biennial; which will make the exact wording of this revision subject to that decision.

III. ARTICLE 20, Addition of Section B: "In order that State Federations may function more effectively as agencies of the National Federation and to achieve a better understanding of the National program on the part of State Presidents, there shall be a Council of State Presidents to discuss ways and means in which State and National can be mutually helpful and to submit such plans as they may care to recommend to the National Board. This Council of State Presidents shall meet in the interim year between Biennial Conventions at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting." This revision was proposed by the President and approved by the Executive Board of NFTS at its annual meeting in April, 1947. The first meeting of the State Presidents' Council was held in March, 1948, in Cincinnati.

IV. ARTICLE 26, Section A, which reads at present: "The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, State Federations and the Federation's Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 40.)"

Suggested change: "The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, State Federations, *the State Presidents' Council* and the Federation's Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 40.)"

Since the State Presidents' Council was approved by the Executive Board of NFTS, your Committee feels that it too shall have the power to propose revisions of By-Laws.

V. ARTICLE 27 shall hereafter be known as Article 28, Article 28 advanced one number until the final Article 40 on Amendments will be known as Article 41.

Article 27 will then become a statement of

purpose of the National Committee on Interfaith Activities, which was formerly the Special Committee on Interfaith Activities.

The following statement of purpose is recommended: "The National Committee on Interfaith Activities shall endeavor to stimulate better understanding and good-will among women of all faiths: 1) through Institutes on Judaism for leaders of church women's groups; 2) through discussion groups and interfaith gatherings giving information about Judaism.

It shall encourage local Sisterhoods to sponsor such programs and to cooperate with non-Jewish groups in arranging interfaith meetings on an educational level.

VI. ARTICLE 32, Section A, which reads at present: "All securities including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation shall be deposited in a safe deposit Company of Cincinnati to be designated by the Executive Board."

Suggested change: "All securities including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation shall be deposited in a safe deposit Company in Cincinnati and/or New York to be designated by the Executive Board."

This proposed change is consistent with the proposed revision, Article 10, Section K.

VII. ARTICLE 35, Section A, which reads at present: "During the first week in January of each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provisions of the By-Laws."

Suggested change: "During each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provisions of the By-Laws."

Due to the fact that the NFTS fiscal year runs from November 1 to October 31, and that Uniongram Apportionment Profit is applied to the fiscal year in which earned, Sisterhoods in practice receive reports of their UAP several times

during the year. The Committee therefore recommends that the words "the first week in January of" be deleted.

VIII. ARTICLE 40, Section A, which reads at present: "Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a State Federation or the Federation's Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly . . ."

Suggested change: "Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a State Federation, the State Presidents' Council, or the Federation's Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly. . ."

This revision is necessitated by the adoption of the suggested revision under Article 26, Section A.

The above Revisions in the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods were adopted by the Biennial Assembly with the following changes that wherever the words "State President" or "State Presidents" appear, they shall be written "State and District President" or "Presidents."

Furthermore, there was adopted the following statement. "The Chairman of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, in cooperation with the NFTS Executive Office, was authorized, without change in sense, to use editorial discretion in incorporating the newly adopted changes into the By-Laws in a manner consistent with their present format. There was further authorized changes in any existing sections of the By-Laws which are inconsistent with the newly adopted Revisions in order to make By-Laws as revised consistent throughout."

The Business Session adjourned at 4:30 P. M.

At 8:00 P. M. Sisterhood Delegates joined with the Union Council in the Imperial Ballroom to hear an inspiring message on Liberal Judaism in Relation to the State of Israel by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

Proceedings of the Third Day

NOVEMBER 16, 1948

The Assembly Session reconvened at 9:15 A. M. in the Georgian Room, Hotel Statler, with Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President, presiding. The Assembly pronounced the invocation.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Mrs. Julian Hennig of Columbia, S. C., Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, presented the report of that Committee:

There are few tasks more demanding of the wisdom of Solomon than that of a Committee on Nominations. While the members of this Committee, who met for hours, and who assiduously studied the recommendations sent in by you cannot claim such wisdom, we do beg that you share with us the effort we have made to arrive at nominations which shall reflect upon the very best interests of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

It has been the endeavor of your Committee to take into consideration geographical distribution, size and location of Sisterhoods, former representation on the Board, and other qualifications in their selection. However, it must be pointed out that the ultimate selection rests upon your decision that the women whose names are proposed for membership shall be in every respect worthy representatives and leaders of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Your Committee on Nominations, cognizant of the action of the Executive Board in recommending that the fifteen additional members of the Board voted in the revision of the By-Laws at the last Biennial Assembly, be added five at a time over a period of three Biennials, has attempted to do what the Board wished and which the Committee approved. This was done in order to safeguard the Board so that a disproportionate number of women will not go off the Board at any Biennial. Therefore, the Nominating Committee has included in the Report five names in addition to those nominated to fill vacancies created by the normal completion of Board terms.

Your Committee presents in nomination the name of Mrs. Herbert Wolf, Little Rock, Ark., for a term of four years to succeed herself, to complete the maximum number of years allowed

by the constitution which is a period of six years total service on the Board. Mrs. Wolf is eligible for a four-year term.

The Committee further offers in nomination the name of Mrs. Henry Steuer, Cleveland, Ohio, for a term of five years to succeed herself. Mrs. Steuer is eligible for a term of five years.

For a term of six years each, your Committee on Nominations offers the names of:

Mrs. David B. Jacobs, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Samuel Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Bernard Manheim, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Elmer Lentz Shaffer, Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert L. Green, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. I. Edward Tonkon, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, Lawrence, L. I., N. Y.; Mrs. Harold I. Platt, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Isidore Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Evansville, Ind.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. A. Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Herman Siskind, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. David R. Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Louis Seligman, Miami, Fla.; Mrs. James L. White, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mrs. Milton Lewinson, Oklahoma City, Okla.

MRS. JULIAN HENNIG

The above report was accepted upon motion duly seconded and carried. It was ordered that the Recording Secretary cast a ballot for the entire slate.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, New York, Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee on Resolutions, which was accepted. (See complete report on pages 39 and 40.) The Assembly went on record as thanking the Resolutions Committee and Miss Jane Evans for the submitted report and commending them for a job well done.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill., Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, presented the final report of that Committee.

Present for the Executive Board 41 members

State or District	
Federation Delegates	17
Sisterhood Delegates	460
Total	518

Thirty-eight states were represented in addition to Canada and the United Kingdom.

Total number of Sisterhoods represented: 200 in 57 cities in the United States and 2 in Canada, and the British Progressive Jewish Women's Societies of England.

Upon motion duly seconded and carried, the report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THANKS

Mrs. Lucien Lehman, San Francisco, Chairman of the Committee on Thanks, submitted to the Biennial the following resolution:

The Seventeenth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in convention assembled, acknowledges with thanks its deep appreciation for the efforts of those who have given so much to make this convention the outstanding success it has been declared by all delegates and visitors.

Realizing that we can name but a few of those who have given so unstintingly of time, effort and resources, this convention expresses its deep appreciation to the Liberal Jewish community of Boston and to the Congregations and Sisterhoods of Temples Israel, Ohabei Shalom and Sinai, whose hospitality has made our visit to Boston a memorable one.

Knowing the planning and attention to detail necessary to make the program for so large a gathering run so smoothly, we express our appreciation to the Convention Program Committee headed by Mrs. Ira M. Daniels, Boston, President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' New England Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, who was aided by sub-chairmen Mrs. Louis J. Bieber, New York, who was in charge of Displays, and Mrs. Pascal Schwartz, Cincinnati, who so efficiently planned the extremely helpful Round Tables.

Because a convention is only as successful as

its presiding officers, we acknowledge with gratitude the splendid leadership of our President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, who never lost her poise or her sense of humor.

To Miss Jane Evans, able Executive Director, we give a special vote of thanks for her ability to answer all problems and her efficiency in directing the all-over program of this convention.

The convention extends its profound thanks to Miss Esther Ciener, Miss Helen L. Strauss, and Miss Josephine Schoenborn of the professional staff for their tireless service both at and before these sessions.

We express our appreciation to the management and staff of the Statler Hotel, convention headquarters, and to the other Boston hotels who graciously catered to the needs of an almost overpoweringly large convention.

This convention is grateful to those representatives of the press and radio who gave attention to our deliberations.

We realize that we have not mentioned the members of the Executive Board or the members of the Committee without whose work this convention would have been impossible. To them and to all who have contributed in any way to this XVII Biennial Assembly, the delegates assembled say a heartfelt "Thank you, each and every one."

MRS. LUCIEN LEHMAN

The above report was accepted upon motion, duly seconded and carried.

GREETINGS

Miss Evans read a list of cables of greetings to the Assembly received from a number of non-United States Sisterhood units of the National Federation, as well as greetings from NFTS units in the U. S., individual Sisterhood members and from all absent officers and members of the Executive Board of NFTS.

It was moved and carried that the above mentioned greetings be recorded and that each be appropriately answered in the name of the Federation.

Upon motion duly seconded and carried, the Minutes of the previous convention, which were printed and distributed to all the delegates, were accepted.

The Session recessed at 10:15 A. M. to meet with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

JOINT SESSIONS WITH THE UNION COUNCIL

Reconvening at 10:30 A. M. with the UAHC in the Imperial Ballroom, Sisterhood delegates participated in the discussion of the future location of the headquarters of the UAHC. After much debating, the recommendation to the Assembly by the Executive Board of the UAHC was adopted. The recommendation read: "The Executive Headquarters of the Union to be moved to New York, retaining in Cincinnati, either permanently or at least for the immediate future, such departments of the Union as may more effi-

ciently and economically be operated there, including a regional office in Cincinnati."

JOINT LUNCHEON

At 12:30 P. M. a Joint Luncheon was held in the Imperial Ballroom at which time a message was brought by Mr. Lester Jaffe, Cincinnati, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College, and an inspirational address was given by Dr. Nelson Glueck, President of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion.

AFTERNOON SESSION

NOVEMBER 16, 1948

DEMONSTRATION, DISPLAYS AND DISCUSSION OF SOME NFTS PROJECTS

The Tuesday afternoon session of the Assembly was called to order at 3:50 P. M. in the Georgian Room, Statler Hotel by the President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, who introduced Mrs. Ira M. Daniels, Boston, Mass., President, New England Federation (NFTS District No. 1) and Chairman, XVII Biennial Assembly Program Committee, as Chairman of the Session. The afternoon was devoted to a forum on *Demonstration, Displays and Discussion of Some NFTS Projects*.

Mrs. Daniels stated: Our Federation is so large, its program so varied, and the work of its many local affiliates, whether large or small, often so original and vital, that not one session, nor one afternoon, nor even one entire convention, could adequately cover all the facets of Sisterhood life . . . We will give you, at best, only a bird's-eye view and a tantalizing taste of some projects and services.

SERVING THE JEWISH BLIND

MRS. CHARLES KORACH, CLEVELAND

Member of the NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind

This has always been a favored project of the Sisterhood of Euclid Avenue Temple of Cleveland, which has made an outstanding contribution to Braille activities. Braille transcription requires concentration, time and earnest efforts of patient workers. Depending upon diligence, practice and interest in study, a prospective brailist can obtain instruction and master the system within six months to a year, either through direct training with a local certified Braille teacher or through lessons by correspondence from the Braille Section of the Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.

To avoid duplication, the NFTS furnishes Sisterhoods with the names of books of Jewish content or interest or by Jewish authors, to be

brailled. After the book has been brailled, proofread and bound, it is sent to the Library of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. The money required for this project is mainly for the purpose of purchasing the Braille writers and should be supplied by the local Sisterhoods. Typewriters should also be made available for the use of the blind in the local community.

The braillists of the Euclid Ave. Temple Sisterhood, Cleveland, (whose work is indicative of what other NFTS units do) have brailled weekly religious school lessons for a blind lad that he might keep up his studies with his sighted classmates. Lessons are also prepared for students in French and Spanish classes at Western Reserve University. One brailist of this Sisterhood,

Mrs. Harry A. Cole, a gifted teacher of Hebrew, has mastered Hebrew Braille and has helped young blind lads prepare for Bar Mitsvo.

When Mr. Leopold Dubov, Executive Vice-President of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., realized the need for a Braille trans-

cription in Hebrew of the Old Testament, it was to Mrs. Cole that he turned for the master copy from which the metal plates were made for the Braille printing. Mrs. Cole transcribed for this purpose 3,603 pages of Hebrew Braille.

SERVING IN THE POST-WAR PERIOD THROUGH SOS*

MRS. ISAAC GILMAN, NEW YORK

*National Co-chairman, Supplies for Overseas Survivors; Honorary President,
New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods*

In saluting Boston where the convention was meeting, Mrs. Gilman said, "This is the wonderful city where 8,000 SOS volunteers last May 16 collected more than one million pounds of relief supplies in a one day house-to-house canvass.

"Since 1946, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has been one of the leading spirits in the SOS collection. When the Joint Distribution Committee realized three years ago that funds alone could not meet the overwhelming needs of Europe's Jews, you came forward with canned foods, layettes, clothing and other relief supplies to alleviate the desperate plight of our people overseas.

"Thanks to your pioneering, seventeen National Jewish women's organizations and other groups now comprise the backbone of the SOS Collections. Your Sisterhoods are giving leadership to the more than 400 organized citywide committees of SOS. This is why I feel that I know you personally; I know you in the best way it is possible to know people: through your deeds.

"I do not think that any of us three years ago could have predicted then the truly inspiring response of the American people to the SOS call for help. Month by month, year by year, the American Jewish community is contributing even more supplies to speed the physical and spiritual recovery of Europe's Jews.

"In 1946, 5,135,000 pounds of relief supplies were on the SOS life line; in 1947, SOS shipped 7,141,000 pounds; and in the first ten months of 1948 another 8,600,000 pounds which we hope to increase to twelve million before December 31. This year marks the fourth winter in Displaced Persons Centers for more than 180,000 needy

Jews. Will they survive to see the day of liberation? Only you and I can answer that question for them.

"3,500 calories is the minimum American diet for our healthy population. Despite all the years of deprivation which they suffered, DP's have a substandard daily diet of 1,500 calories consisting mostly of potatoes, cabbage and similar foods. SOS must help to provide the additional meats, fish, milk, fruits and juices, fats and oils they need. SOS is your campaign of extending a helping hand from everyone to everyone."

Mrs. Gilman expressed her thanks to the members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the splendid cooperation in building the SOS collections throughout the communities of America. She complimented NFTS for being a pioneer in the field and stressed the fact that 180,000 needy Jews still in Europe's D.P. Camps are calling on us, the Jews of America, to provide them with nutritious canned foods, layettes and other relief supplies.

"'Serve A Camp' must go back to work! With the reactivation of USO we shall begin to serve the youth of the nation in army camps. The NFTS, which has been so vital a part of the National Jewish Women's Organizations Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board is urged, through its Sisterhoods, to participate wherever called upon in the service to the armed forces and to the Veterans Administration in the future as they have in the past so effectively."

*SOS—Supplies for Overseas Survivors—a joint project of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) and national agencies including NFTS.

SERVING IN THE POST-WAR PERIOD THROUGH AIDING NEWCOMERS

MRS. LOUIS BROIDO, NEW YORK, *1st Vice-Pres., United Service for New Americans (USNA)*

The USNA was formed two-and-a-half years ago out of the National Refugee Service and the Service to the Foreign Born of the National Council of Jewish Women. The organization services all communities with information about migration; it requests communities to find jobs and housing so that our survivors from Europe (and Asia) can be resettled.

Mrs. Broido stated that the United Jewish Appeal asked the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds to make a survey of all the functions of USNA. The survey recommended that USNA be divided into two separate functioning agencies, one to handle the work in New York City, and one to handle the work on a national scale. By early 1949, the New York City functioning agency will be set up. Although this division was planned approximately a year ago, before the 80th Congress passed the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, no better provision could have been

made, for the DP. Act changes the focus of immigration from one city, such as New York, to all communities.

The USNA sends overseas the names of the communities with, for example, twenty available houses, with available jobs for ten tailors (or some other trade or profession—or so many skilled or unskilled vacancies in this and that category) and these facts are matched overseas with persons who then travel direct to the welcoming community.

It is up to the members of Sisterhoods to relate themselves to work for New Americans in their communities. In some places this activity may be under one group, in other cities or towns under another. All can learn to be ambassadors of good will on behalf of New Americans in their communities, interpreting to others the New American's needs and wants.

SERVING IN THE POST-WAR PERIOD THROUGH A SISTERHOOD
DISCUSSION GROUP ON PEACE AND WORLD RELATIONS

MRS. ABRAM V. GOODMAN, DAVENPORT, IOWA

Vice-Chairman, NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations

Mrs. Goodman's paper was based on three questions: (1) How does a Peace and World Relations Discussion Group fit into the Sisterhood Program? (2) How does it function? (3) Where does it lead?

The tradition of Judaism has always been one of social justice and peace. The Sisterhood's method of achieving this goal is through practical religion, which can be translated into Sisterhood terms through the Peace and World Relations Committee whose instrument and means of expression is the Discussion Group. Mrs. Goodman then discussed the technique of organizing Peace and World Relations Discussion Groups. She placed three alternatives before the group: (1) Professional leadership; (2) a member of the group acting in the capacity of leader; (3) no leadership but rather the active participation of every member. This third alternative she most highly recommended.

The group was then given a number of subjects

to consider: Palestine, D.P.'s, Atomic Energy, United Nations, etc. Mrs. Goodman stated that rather than consider all of these subjects, an alternative would be to concentrate on one subject, i.e., the United Nations.* Where does this project lead? The establishment of such discussion circles leads to four things: (1) education of discussants, (2) social awareness and responsibility within the Sisterhood, (3) action within the Sisterhood on pending legislation and (4) community cooperation and improved relations. Members of the discussion group do not sit back and long for peace, but act by overcoming the obstacles and finding the aids with which to seek peace. Mrs. Goodman concluded:

"Seeking more golden than the Golden Fleece,
The substance of the dream that souls name
Peace."

Epic Poem by W. B. D. Henderson,
"The New Argonautica."

*Mrs. Harrison Thomas, editor for NFTS of "Current Copy," monthly publication of the NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations, is now preparing for the Federation a study series on the United Nations.

SERVING JEWISH EDUCATION THROUGH INCREASING UNIONGRAM DISTRIBUTION

MRS. SAMUEL B. DANTO, DETROIT, *Vice-Chairman, NFTS Committee on Uniongrams*

Referring to the maxim, "An army marches on its stomach," Mrs. Danto asserted that this simple statement was the underlying theme of her Breakfast Meeting Program which is open to the Committee of her Sisterhood (Detroit) in charge of selling Uniongrams. To further encourage Uniongram sales, Mrs. Danto donated an antique sterling silver serving fork which will be used as a prize at the January Sisterhood meeting for a lucky number drawing. Each book of Uniongrams sold is numbered and the drawing is held at the January meeting which is Uniongram month.

Each member of Mrs. Danto's Uniongram Committee has ten books of Uniongrams on hand at all times. The names of the Committee members and their telephone numbers are listed in each Sisterhood news bulletin as a reminder to all members. Another special feature of Mrs. Danto's Uniongram program, both for her own and other Sisterhoods in the Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is the Uniongram Sheaf Cover Service. By request, appropriate Sheaf Covers suitable for special occasions are made by Mrs. Danto for whatever occasion they are requested.

SERVING JEWISH EDUCATION THROUGH NOVEL PRESENTATION OF THE UNIONGRAM

MRS. RAYMOND FRANKEL, CINCINNATI, *Uniongram Chairman of the Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood*

With a membership of 600, the Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood has sold, during the month of November, 1948, 538 Uniongrams. Mrs. Frankel's daughter demonstrated a novel Uniongram gown which can be worn at Sisterhood meetings to interest and remind Sisterhood members of the Uniongram and its purposes. Using a telephone squad, members of the Con-

gregation and Sisterhood are informed by telephone of major events occurring in the community and Congregation so that if they desire they may tell the committee member who calls them to include a Uniongram for them in sheaves that are made up for all occasions.

Attractive Uniongram displays from many Sisterhoods were exhibited for the delegates.

SERVING JEWISH EDUCATION THROUGH A SHOBUOS UNIONGRAM PROJECT

MRS. HARRY HACHEN, GREAT NECK, NEW YORK

Past Uniongram Chairman, Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, Great Neck

In opening her remarks, Mrs. Hachen referred to the fact that when she took over her Chairmanship, she was presented with a scrapbook showing the previous history of the Uniongram Project in her community. From the ranks of new members of the Sisterhood, twenty girls assembled at her home and over dessert and coffee,

shaped the plans for the year suggesting that the goal from the sale of Uniongrams alone be two \$350.00 contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

Through inspiration of the fact that her own son was about to be confirmed, Mrs. Hachen and her committee devised an extremely successful

Confirmation Class Uniongram Project. Each confirmand received a Uniongram Sheaf at Shovuos which served a three-fold purpose: (1) a permanent record of the good wishes of dear ones. (2) A recognition that the Uniongrams of good wishes to him were helping vital causes of Jewish education through the projects made possible by the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. (3) Uniongrams would become more meaningful to both giver and recipient and thus would ultimately encourage wider use.

To cooperate with this plan, NFTS printed for this purpose miniature Uniongrams and Sheaves. A miniature Sheaf, mailed to each member of the Sisterhood, read:

"An individual regulation full size sheaf is to be prepared by the Uniongram Committee as a gift to be presented to each confirmand on Confirmation Day. On the following pages you will find a complete list of Confirmands and their parents. Please go over the list with your family and place a cross mark next to the names of those to whom you wish Uniongrams sent. Please tear out your marked list of confirmands and return it together with your check or money in the return envelope before June 1st. The price of each Uniongram is 25 cents. We ask that you add to your total check an additional 25 cents to cover the cost of art work and ribbon."

This year two blank miniature Uniongrams will be added with the request that the messages desired be written on these blanks and returned to the Uniongram Chairman, in the envelope with

the money, who will then transfer the message to a regular sized blank.

When chairmen change in this Sisterhood, each new chairman receives a book with the data of the previous leaders of her Committee and is thus challenged to excel over the previous records. This unique Shovuos Uniongram Project was both a Sisterhood-wide and Temple-wide effort. The previous year's Uniongram Chairman made the sheaf covers, then wrapped each one as a gift. The Publicity Chairman took the material to the printer. The Junior Temple Club, which would soon welcome the Confirmands on their next step in Congregational life, purchased and made out their own messages. The Congregation, the Sisterhood and the Men's Club each had an official Uniongram in every sheaf. But the most important Uniongrams of all were the two that opened and closed the sheaf for each child. The opening Uniongram was written by the child's own parents or nearest of kin. The closing Uniongram in each child's sheaf was written personally by his beloved Rabbi Jacob Rudin. To crown the project in beauty and make the gift especially significant, on Confirmation Day, the President of the Congregation presented each child, not only with a Bible, but also with his Uniongram Sheaf.

As a result of this project, 1,986 Uniongrams were sold and today no one in Temple Beth El, Great Neck, N. Y.; wonders what is a Uniongram or a Uniongram Sheaf.

SERVING JEWISH EDUCATION THROUGH A SISTERHOOD HOLIDAY WORK SHOP

MRS. ALAN GREEN; CLEVELAND; *Past-President, Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El*

Temple Emanu-El, a new congregation only sixteen months old, has as its motto, "Jewish Faith and Fun." The newly organized Sisterhood of over 200 members, most of whom are young mothers, faced the problem of how to celebrate Jewish holidays in the home and how to carry over the spirit of the religious school into the home, especially at the Chanuko season. They were eager to seek ways and means of making the week of Chanuko as colorful and as beautiful as the Yuletide Season. Some twenty men of the Congregation banded together and with funds supplied by the Sisterhood, made, in the basement wood-working shop of one of their mem-

bers, attractive wood and plastic Menorahs for each child in the religious school.

Then the women created a work-shop in the recreation room of one of the Sisterhood members at which together they made Chanuko decorations for home use, careful to keep Chanuko motifs of designs of the Shield of David, the Tablets of the Law, the Lion of Judah, etc., with colors in blue, white, gold and silver, as distinct from the Yuletide colors of red and green. Mrs. Green displayed all the items about which she spoke.

This year, to meet the requests of women who cannot attend the work-shop, the Sisterhood

committee is taking orders and preparing packets of designs and symbols for women to utilize in their homes. "Now we are also organizing home work-shops for other festivals besides Chanuko," said Mrs. Green, and at the monthly Sisterhood meeting preceding each holiday, the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art has a table display of appropriate decorations.

Mrs. Green concluded: "Our Rabbi feels that these hours of labor represent the best investment that mothers and fathers can make to prove to their youngsters that Judaism can be fun, an investment that we hope will lead, in the future, to many pleasant memories and constructive attitudes toward all things Jewish."

SERVING JEWISH EDUCATION THROUGH A SISTERHOOD JUDAICA GIFT SHOP

MRS. ABRAHAM W. STEIGERWALD, NEW YORK, *President, Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood*

She urged groups to sell wares at all meetings, which should include Jewish Art and Ceremonial Objects, Books and Records. The speaker further added that profits from such a gift shop might be given to the House of Living Judaism. Mrs.

Steigerwald suggested that a glass show case be procured, so that when the gifts are not for sale, they are always on display somewhere in the Temple. Many of the items described were on exhibit at the Biennial.

SERVING JEWISH EDUCATION THROUGH THE WORK OF ISRAELI ARTISTS AND CRAFTSMEN

MRS. MIRIAM JACKSON, NEW YORK, *Director of the Palestine Galleries
for Arts and Crafts, Inc., 60 East 66th Street, New York 21, N. Y.*

The speaker explained the work of the Palestine Galleries, sponsored by the Economic Department of the Keren Hayesod. At the present time the art is on exhibition in the halls of Radio City in New York in connection with the Palestine Exhibit. The Palestine Galleries is a non-profit organization. Articles sold in this country are priced only 20% above the original cost to cover handling charges.

Mrs. Jackson's purpose in speaking and bringing lovely examples of Palestinian arts and crafts to Boston was to urge each Sisterhood to open a gift shop and to sell to their congregants the beautiful work being done by the rehabilitated refugees now in Israel and other Israeli native artists and craftsmen. The use of these pieces of art will introduce Jewish culture into the average home and Jewish ceremonial objects will be in evidence at all times, not only when they are serving a specific purpose.

Because of the lateness of the hour, additional prepared discussion from the floor, as well as questions, had to be omitted. However the speakers graciously remained to answer individual

queries and the delegates and visitors examined the interesting displays attractively arranged on tables around the room.

Among the prepared floor discussion which regretfully had to be omitted, was the report of Mrs. Perry Segal, President of Sinai Temple Sisterhood, Chicago, re: her group's unusual services to the Handicapped and Sightless. Sinai Sisterhood "mans" throughout Chicago the sale of articles made by the Janeil Shop of the Spaulding School for Crippled Children as well as by the adult Jewish blind. Last summer at a doctors' convention attended by 30,000 medicos, the Sisterhood sold \$1,200.00 worth of articles made by spastics and sightless children and adults. This year the Sisterhood hopes to sell \$3,000.00 worth of articles for the benefit of the makers.

Another project which would have been discussed from the floor, had time allowed, was that of the Sisterhood of B'rith Kodesh, Rochester, New York, of a Displaced Orphans' Committee as part of its post-war service. This work was instigated at the request of their Rabbi, Dr. Philip Bernstein, who was formerly the Advisor on Jewish Affairs to the Commanding General of the

United States Armies of Occupation in Germany. The Sisterhood outfits and gives supplementary food to individual children. The needs of these children have been made known to the Sister-

hood by direct contact, through their rabbi, with various DP camps.

The Tuesday afternoon session adjourned at 5:30 P. M.

LIBERAL JUDAISM AROUND THE WORLD

DISCUSSION

At 8:00 P. M. on Tuesday evening, the delegates met with the Union Council in the Imperial Ballroom for a discussion of LIBERAL JUDAISM AROUND THE WORLD. Dr. Stephen S. Wise, New York, President Emeritus of the Jewish Institute of Religion, presided and delivered the opening remarks. The principal address was given by the Honorable Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., London, England, followed by short talks on GLIMPSES OF WORLD JEWRY, delivered by Rabbi David Seligson, New York, speaking of India; Rabbi Selwyn D. Ruslander, Dayton,

Ohio, on North Africa, and Rabbi Bertram Korn, Cincinnati, on Asia. Rabbi David H. Wise, Philadelphia, Rabbi of Rodeph Sholom and American Director of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, gave a summation of the evening's discussion, including an urgent financial appeal to the men and women of Liberal Judaism in the United States to support the advance of Progressive Judaism elsewhere through contributions to the World Union.

Following the evening's discussion a reception for all delegates and visitors was held in the Imperial Ballroom at which Temples Israel, Ohabei Sholom and Sinai of Boston were hosts.

Proceedings of the Fourth Day

NOVEMBER 17, 1948

The delegates convened at 9:15 A. M. in the Georgian Room of the Statler Hotel for the final session of the XVII NFTS Assembly. This session was presided over by Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, who called the meeting to order and led the delegates in prayer.

This session, a *Leadership Training Institute*, commenced with an address by Miss Jane Evans in which she indicated that in the brief span of two hours one could hope to do no more than tease the subject and the listener. Relying on the books, *The Art of Leadership* by Ordway Tead (Whittelsey House, publishers) and *Handbook for Discussion Leaders* by Auer and Ewband (Harper and Brothers, publishers), Miss Evans defined leadership, outlined attributes of leadership, and stated what can be expected from group thinking. The Director displayed a collection of books and materials useful to all Sisterhood workers and discussed each briefly. She asked the Sisterhood delegates to make note of their names and purchase them for Sisterhood libraries.

The film, "Hungry Children," which can be rented from Brandon Films, 1600 Broadway, New

York, was shown on the screen, so that delegates might realize the value of films in the Sisterhood program. Miss Evans emphasized the fact that a film program by itself is not the answer. It must be accompanied by a full discussion of the significance of the film as related to Jewish life.

Miss Evans' final display of literature was that published by the NFTS itself. The Director pointed out techniques whereby NFTS materials might be made known to all Sisterhood members and urged those present to make every endeavor to have the materials sent to them circularized throughout their groups.

Miss Evans also called attention to the many materials published by the UAHC in addition to LIBERAL JUDAISM, the monthly magazine, and suggested that copies of these materials be made available to Sisterhood personnel.

Miss Evans then introduced Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Educational Director of the UAHC, who reported on his visit to Displaced Persons Centers in the summer of 1947 on a fellowship from the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

Report on a Trip to Displaced Persons Centers

BY DR. EMANUEL GAMORAN

Educational Director, UAHC

Ladies: I consider it a special privilege to be with you this morning, and to share with you some of the experiences which I had last year when I traveled for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and for the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. It was a joint undertaking in which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was primarily concerned with the D. P. Centers, the visit to England, to France, and to Ireland; the Union of American Hebrew Congregations was especially concerned with my visit to Palestine.

I have not the time this morning to tell you about all of these, so we shall leave Palestine out this morning, and I shall report to you largely on the visit to the D. P. Centers with some references to the others, and, as my time is brief, I shall leave out a great many incidents, many anecdotes and other interesting things which I might tell you. I shall give you just an outline of the activities, which is what a report properly should do.

You understand by now, I am sure, that the problem of the D. P. Centers was essentially a four-fold one. In the first place, two and one-half years after "liberation," there were still living at the time I was in the American Military Zone in Germany, over 200,000 Displaced Persons, under charity and some restraint. For those sensitive people, that was a disturbing psychological factor. Secondly, they were still on meager rations. Thirdly, 70%-75% of them still had no work to do. Whatever work was available was reserved for the young people who were being prepared to do agricultural work when they reached Palestine, and for some of the older people in the workshops under the auspices of the JDC (American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee); the ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation through Training), and similar organizations. But the work program covered only 25%-30% of the people; 70%-75% had no work to do. The fourth factor, and worst of all, was that for such a long time hope had been deferred. When the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry had been appointed and President Truman had urged the admission of 100,000 refu-

gees to Palestine, hopes ran high. They were disappointed because Great Britain scrapped the recommendations—the unanimous recommendations—of the Committee of Inquiry, which again meant hope deferred. There were 26,000 Jewish children in the camps; provision had to be made for the Jewish education of those children; and this was the primary purpose of my visit—to meet with the Central Board of Education which had then been organized, consisting of representatives of the JDC, representatives of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, and representatives of the D. P.'s themselves who are in the American Zone. The latter are democratically organized, run their own affairs under whatever restrictions the Army sets up.

My work, therefore, consisted essentially of four parts: First, I met with the leaders of the Central Board of Education; together we mapped out a program for the children in the centers and a special program for a seminar with teachers. For the first time since the D. P.'s had become D. P.'s, arrangements were made for a seminar, lasting a full month, to train teachers—for you must understand, many of the teachers had been tragically liquidated in Dachau, in Treblinka, in other places. Whatever material for cultural leadership was available in the community camps, was utilized, and some training had to be given. Even the meager training that could be given in one month was better than no training at all. That was my first function.

The second function was to deliver a series of lectures to the teachers at the seminar which, fortunately, was scheduled to begin while I was still in the American Zone. I was asked to give six lectures. It will interest you to know that I was especially requested to give two of those lectures in the Yiddish language and four in Hebrew. I asked them why I should give the last four in Hebrew? They said: well, they knew enough Hebrew to follow ordinary lectures on methods of teaching, but since the first two were technical, "You had better use Yiddish."

The third function was to give a series of lectures to the people in the centers. During the two

weeks that I was in the American Military Zone, I visited some twelve centers and lectured in about ten of them, reaching a Jewish population of 50,000 men, women, and children.

The lectures in the centers were all given in Yiddish and though the series of topics included educational, historical and Jewish religious subjects, the one which was most frequently requested was an address on Jewish Humor. When I saw hundreds and, in some cases, thousands in the audience, sometimes rolling off their chairs with laughter, I felt, that if the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was responsible for bringing a little cheer into the drab lives of these people, that, in and of itself, was a worthwhile accomplishment.

And the fourth objective was to present, on the completion of my visit, a confidential plan for the reorganization of the Jewish educational work in the American Zone of Occupation. This was submitted to Rabbi Philip Bernstein, who was at that time the Advisor on Jewish Affairs to General Lucius Clay. Then I left the D. P. centers and went to France, to England, to Ireland and to Palestine.

I had, unfortunately, only one day in France before my plane left for Palestine. Since the plane returning from Palestine was 48 hours late, my three days in France were reduced to one. Fortunately, that one day happened to be Friday, so that I was able to keep the engagement of addressing the Liberal Synagogue in Paris for Rabbi Andre Zaoui. Last night the Honorable Lily H. Montagu told you of the work that the late Rabbi Germaine Levy had done, and that Rabbi Zaoui is now continuing. There is a small Liberal community in France and when Rabbi Zaoui, whom I met in Jerusalem at the Conference of Educators, asked me to address the Liberal Synagogue, I readily accepted—perhaps too readily, because later it occurred to me that I do not speak French. I turned to him and said, "What shall I speak?" And he said, "You might as well speak in Hebrew." I said, "Will they understand it?" He said, "No, but they don't understand English either; but if you speak in Hebrew I will translate for you." So this is what we did, and it was the sort of evening that made history. For the first time in the Liberal Synagogue in Paris an address was delivered in Hebrew at the Friday evening service. Paragraph by paragraph Rabbi Zaoui, who stood near me, translated the Hebrew into French. The most interesting phenomenon that evening, I think,

was to see how every time a Hebrew word or phrase occurred in my vocabulary, as in *Eretz Israel* or the word *Sh'ma* or the word *B'ruch*, faces would light up. Afterwards, quite a number commented on how pleased they were to hear greetings from the United States of America, to hear how Liberal Judaism was progressing, and to learn that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has thousands of members, and of the Federation's interest and concern for the spiritual welfare of their fellow-Jews in other countries.

In England, about which I shall not say much because you heard a bit about that last night, I delivered twelve addresses in the course of the two weeks that I was there, speaking to almost every Liberal congregation in London and all the teachers' groups which united for a series of lectures under the auspices of the two Liberal groups in England. I say two, because, as you know, there is one called the Union of Liberal and Progressive Synagogues; there is another grouping of synagogues called the Associated British Synagogues.

I want to close by saying a word about Ireland. I suppose many of you will ask: Are there any Jews in Ireland? Yes, there are 5,000 Jews in Ireland, most of whom are in Dublin. You may question: For what purpose did he go to Ireland? Well, I went to Ireland, of course, to see the Irish which is, I suppose, the reason why anybody would go to Ireland. But the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was not interested in sending me to see the Irish. The Federation had received a letter from the Dublin Progressive Congregation, the only Liberal congregation in Ireland, when it was known that I was going to be in Europe. In fact, the National Federation and the Union both received letters requesting urgently that I meet with the teachers and address the Progressive Synagogue in Dublin. We felt that that was one invitation which I should accept. So one of the notable experiences of my trip was this, that I came and saw and was conquered! We found a Progressive Congregation of about 90-100 Jewish families, including amongst them the most intelligent leading citizens of Dublin; the President of the Congregation, for example, Dr. Bethel Solomons, is an outstanding surgeon and the President of the Academy of Medicine; Mr. Lawrence Elyan, the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Progressive Synagogue in Dublin, is a distinguished actor. There was a great deal of enthusiasm. They gave

the impression of being in the stage in which we were, approximately in 1875, except that their ideas with regard to Judaism were a little more intense, a little warmer, a little more emotional.

What did I learn from this trip? I learned this story: The British were asked: "What would happen if suddenly the oceans which surround your island overflowed their banks?" And the English replied, "What could we do? We suppose we would drown, and we would disappear off the face of the earth." Then the French were asked: "What would you do if the ocean would flood over you?" And the French people replied: "What could we do? We would have no choice, we would go under." When the Jews in Palestine were asked the same question, they said: "We would learn to live under water." And that is what has happened to the Jews in Europe. Our people are learning both physically and spiritually to live under water, so to speak, and the most thrilling thing that I learned was that in these difficult circumstances, with meager rations, with poor quarters, without work, they are spiritually alive, continuing their religious idealism, continuing their tradition of Jewish education. If they can do it in adversity, surely we ought to be able to do it in prosperity.

Miss Evans then introduced Mrs. Joseph Davison, Boston, who had served during the Biennial Assembly as the NFTS Parliamentarian, for a brief discussion of some of the ABC's of Parliamentary Procedure.

Mrs. Davison began by stating that she based her remarks on the Revised Edition of "Robert's Rules of Order" which is a "must" for every Sisterhood. Mrs. Davison urged all presiding officers to discontinue using obsolete phrases and to streamline their remarks. She gave many examples and answered a number of questions concerning parliamentary procedure at Sisterhood meetings. The Parliamentarian stressed that reports are no longer submitted with the final phrase "Respectfully submitted" but are simply signed as obviously they are submitted and one hopes respectfully!

At the conclusion of Mrs. Davison's remarks, Mrs. Albert J. May asked for the floor and on behalf of the entire NFTS convention expressed deep gratitude to Miss Jane Evans not only for her splendid presentation at the Leadership Institute but also for her untiring and vigorous leadership for the past fifteen years.

Miss Evans then thanked the officers of NFTS,

the delegates, alternates and visitors to the convention and all who aided in its success. She expressed special appreciation to Mrs. Ira M. Daniels and the Boston community, especially to the three hostess Sisterhoods and their Presidents—Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Boston, Mrs. Robert Levi, President; Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom, Mrs. Milton Scheffreen, President; Temple Sinai Sisterhood, Mrs. I. K. Berger, President, and co-workers, for their gracious hospitality and cooperation in planning and carrying through the NFTS XVII Biennial Convention.

The session adjourned at 11:00 A. M. Conference periods with National Committee Chairmen were held from 11:00 A. M. - 12:30 P. M., in the rooms announced. These Conferences, according to the reports turned in by the Chairmen, were well attended and most productive in imparting information and clarifying misunderstandings.

JOINT LUNCHEON WITH UAHC

The concluding event of the NFTS XVII Biennial Assembly and the UAHC 40th General Assembly was a joint luncheon celebrating the 35th Anniversary of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at which Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y., NFTS President, was toast mistress.

The luncheon began with a tribute to the late beloved Dr. Joshua Loth Liebman, Temple Israel, Boston, by Rabbi Jacob Weinstein, K. A. M. Temple, Chicago, from which pulpit Dr. Liebman had gone to Boston. A coast-to-coast radio broadcast followed over the National Broadcasting Co., in which Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the UAHC, and the Honorable Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., of London, participated.

The Invocation was pronounced by Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, and Recollections of the First NFTS Assembly were presented by Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C., Founder and Honorary President of NFTS.

The great and renowned Rabbi Dr. Leo Baeck, formerly of Berlin, President of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, and now a Visiting Professor on the faculty of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, addressed the gathering and a great ovation was given to him as one of the world's most distinguished leaders.

Following Dr. Baeck's stirring address, Jacob Aronson, Chairman of the Executive Board of the UAHC, presented the awards to those Sister-

hoods which had reached their House of Living Judaism quota. The session was closed with the reading, by Mr. Lee Friedman, Boston, on behalf of the UAHC Executive Board, of a resolution of tribute to Dr. Eisendrath upon the completion of five years of consecrated and inspired leadership of the Union.

Among the distinguished men and women seated on the dais for this closing luncheon, in addition to speakers already mentioned and the hostess Sisterhood Presidents, Mrs. Robert Levi, Temple Israel Sisterhood; Mrs. Milton Sheffren, Ohabei Sholom Sisterhood; Mrs. Isabel Berger, Sinai Sisterhood, and some of their co-workers, were Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, Past-President of NFTS; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, newly-elected Second Vice-President, NFTS; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, Third Vice-President, NFTS; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Cleveland, Fourth Vice-President, NFTS; Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Treasurer, NFTS; Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Recording Secretary, NFTS; Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, NFTS; Miss Esther Loth Ciener, Assistant to the Director; Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, Chairman, House of Living Judaism Campaign; Miss Helen L. Strauss, Campaign Director, House of Living Judaism Project; the Honorable Marion Montagu of London, and Miss Jessie Levy, Secretary

of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, who accompanied the Honorable Lily H. Montagu on her American tour; Mrs. Gilbert Sanders, President of Temple Aaron Sisterhood, Trinidad, Colo.; Mrs. Joe Schlesinger, Brookhaven, Miss., President, Mississippi Federation of Temple Sisterhoods; Mrs. Bertram Edwards, President, Keneseth Israel Sisterhood, Allentown, Pa., who received House of Living Judaism awards for respectively the Sisterhood raising the largest percentage over its quota, the State Federation raising the largest percentage over its quota, the first Sisterhood to turn in its quota.

The Joint Luncheon and the Seventeenth Biennial Assembly of NFTS were concluded at 3:15 P.M., with the following benediction pronounced by Rabbi Dr. Theodore S. Ross, the Progressive Synagogue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

"O Lord of Israel, we are about to return to the far-flung places of our habitation. May the assurance of the seer be upon us abundantly. As you have come in peace, so may ye go hence in peace. Amen."



(MRS. LOUIS A.)

FRIEDA S. ROSETT, *President*

(MRS. HENRY)

DAISY MONSKY, *Recording Secretary*

RESOLUTIONS
 Adopted by the XVII Biennial Assembly
 OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
 TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
 BOSTON, NOVEMBER 16, 1948

THE UNITED NATIONS

WHEREAS, The United Nations, though beset by the fact that the peace treaties following World War II are not yet made, as well as by deep rifts between and among most powerful members, is still mankind's best hope for a peaceful, just and ordered world; and

WHEREAS, The United Nations has on the way numerous projects for human welfare with many successes to its credit, and

WHEREAS, Without appeasement or abandonment of basic principles of justice and freedom, but with patience and dignity, every avenue to better understanding among nations should be explored in the spirit of the United Nations Charter and every door for peaceful discussion and settlement of disputes should be kept open,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 17th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods records its deep faith in the United Nations and its continued support of the principles of the United Nations Charter, and

Further, Be It Resolved, That the 17th Biennial Assembly urges upon all its member Sisterhoods continued study of the United Nations to the end that individual members may faithfully discharge their duties as citizens of member states of the United Nations.

THE STATE OF ISRAEL

The new democratic State of Israel came into being May 15, 1948. Now that its creation is a reality which is no longer subject to ideological differences, the delegates of the 17th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened in session in Boston, Mass., hail the advent of the State of Israel among the free nations of the world and urge upon the United Nations and all its member states its acceptance as a peace-loving member of the family of nations.

HUMAN RIGHTS

WHEREAS, Jewish ethical tradition strongly affirms the equality of all men before God, and

WHEREAS, Human rights and fundamental freedoms are basic to the maintenance of peace, and

WHEREAS, Vigilance is necessary "to secure these rights" both within the nation and in international society,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the United States units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in 17th Biennial Assembly convened urges the 81st Congress of the United States to establish a permanent Commission on Civil Rights to insure a continuous survey of needs and policy as well as legislation for:

1. The abolishment of the poll tax as a voting requirement;
2. The prohibition of discrimination based on race, color or creed in public or private employment;

3. The ending of similar discriminations as well as segregation in the Armed Forces,

Further, Be It Resolved, That the 17th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods urge the adoption by the General Assembly of the United Nations of the International Declaration on Human Rights substantially as drafted by the Commission on Human Rights and the eventual adoption of appropriate measures for implementation.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ORGANIZATION CHARTER

WHEREAS, The proposed Charter of the International Trade Organization, initiated by the United States, and deriving its roots from the Lend-Lease program, the Bretton Woods Agreement and the United Nations Charter itself, is in full accord with the stated economic policies of the government of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Said Charter of the I.T.O. will come before the Eighty-first Congress in 1949 for adoption,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 17th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods on behalf of its United States units, urges upon the Congress prompt approval of the I.T.O. Charter, as promoting the best interests of the United States and affording to the nations of the world the benefits of a free flow of international trade and of economic peace.

DISPLACED PERSONS

WHEREAS, Despite the efforts by the International Refugee Organization for resettlement of Displaced Persons, there still remain in the Displaced Persons centers of Europe some 600,000 men, women and children who are being denied the right of normal life in countries of their choice, besides thousands more outside the centers who likewise desire to emigrate from the scenes of their suffering, and

WHEREAS, In the United States and other nations there are opportunities and open spaces,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 17th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, on behalf of its United States units, calls upon the 81st Congress of the United States, as well as upon all democratic countries, to admit quickly larger and more substantial numbers of Displaced Persons and refugees without distinction as to race, former nationality or creed, in order speedily to end the disgrace to mankind of continuing to deprive innocent victims of war and persecution the opportunity to reestablish themselves as normal members of society.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE

In a world in which all people need to reaffirm their faith, we as Jews should especially recall the commandment "Remember the Sabbath to keep it holy." As a day for rest of the body and refreshment for the spirit, the Sabbath should be observed at Religious Services and in the family circle, rather than in the mundane tasks and duties of the working week. The Sabbath morning is not the time for regular routines but should be reserved for religious observance. "As Israel has preserved the Sabbath, so the Sabbath has preserved Israel."

Therefore, the 17th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods calls upon its members to rededicate themselves to Sabbath holiness and peace.

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President

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It is with saddened hearts that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods mourns the passing of our beloved Past President, Mrs. Joseph Wiesenfeld. For many years she served our organization with selfless devotion and tireless loyalty. Through her efforts the cause of Judaism, which was ever close to her heart, was given guidance and spiritual impetus.

AGENDA FOR THE
Second State Presidents' Council
 OF THE
NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

ST. MORITZ HOTEL, NEW YORK
 NOVEMBER 1-2, 1949

PRESIDING: MRS. C. C. STRASBURGER, *Chairman*
NFTS Committee on State Federations

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

- 11:00 A. M. } Opening of Session by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, and
 First Discussion Period
- 12:30 P. M. —Luncheon
- 2:00 P. M. } Workshop on Parliamentary Law and Procedure
- 3:30 P. M. } Conducted by Mrs. L. Mabel Davison, Winthrop, Mass.
- 3:45 P. M. } Second Discussion Period
- 4:45 P. M. }
- 7:00 P. M. } Dinner Session
 Guest of Honor: Miss Helen L. Strauss
 Speakers: Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President, NFTS; Dr. Maurice N.
 Eisendrath, President, Union of American Hebrew Congregations

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

- 8:30 A. M. } Breakfast. Hostesses: New York State Federation of Temple Sister-
 hoods, NFTS District #3
- 9:30 A. M. } Continuation of Workshop on Parliamentary Law and Procedure—
- 11:00 A. M. } Mrs. L. Mabel Davison
- 11:15 A. M. } Third Discussion Period
- 12:45 P. M. } Presentation of NFTS Projects and Policies—Miss Jane Evans,
 Executive Director, NFTS
- 1:00 P. M. —Luncheon
- 2:30 P. M. } Closing Session
- 3:30 P. M. }

DIGEST OF

The Second NFTS State and District Presidents' Council

ST. MORITZ HOTEL, NEW YORK CITY, NOVEMBER 1-2, 1949

The Second NFTS State and District Presidents' Council convened in New York, N. Y., on November 1st and 2nd at the St. Moritz Hotel, under the chairmanship of Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, NFTS Second Vice-President and Chairman of the NFTS Committee on State Federations. Except for the four Presidents of respectively, NFTS Districts #1, 12, 16, and 22, the New England Federation, Kentucky-Tennessee, Mississippi and Texas Federations, all State and District Presidents were in attendance.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1949

The Council was called to order by the NFTS President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y., at 11:00 A.M. President Rosett and the assembled State and District Presidents recited in unison the Opening Prayer (from the NFTS *Book of Prayers*). After warmly welcoming the State and District Presidents and stressing the great need for more active participation in our religious life, Mrs. Rosett introduced Mrs. Strasburger.

Mrs. Strasburger, called attention to the New District President's leather portfolio at each President's place at the Council table. The Portfolio, prepared and owned by NFTS, is a new innovation to be of service to District Presidents. It is to be passed from one District leader to her successor in office. In addition to pages for each State or District President's notations, the portfolios contain a copy of the NFTS By-Laws, State and District Charter and other valuable information. Ample space is provided for each State or District President to add comments and suggestions, in the form of Notes, for the benefit of her successor in office. First Discussion Period.

State and District Presidents found in their portfolios Financial charts and budgetary requirements of each of the NFTS State or District Federations. Each State or District President elaborated on the number of members in her unit; per capita dues; methods of raising supplementary funds; budget amount; financial adequacy for bulletin and speakers bureau; financial support of other projects. It was interesting to note that almost all NFTS State and District Federations expressed the need to raise NFTS dues as well as State or District dues.

Upon the request of Mrs. Strasburger, State and District Presidents posed a number of problems with which they were faced in their respective and collective Federations; the need for professional programs sponsored by NFTS; need of notifying State Presidents in some manner of NFTS Executive Board candidates; the organization of new Sisterhoods within a State or District Federation; need for closer contact between Vice-Presidents of States and Districts and NFTS; need for more work with Youth; methods of closer cooperation between State and District Federations and NFTS; State and District Conventions and NFTS Biennial Con-

ventions. (The answers to these questions were given at later sessions.) The session recessed for lunch at 12:40 P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Afternoon session of the State and District Presidents' Council convened at 1:45, with Mrs. Strasburger, presiding. The assembly continued to discuss the financial needs of the individual State and District Federations and through this exchange of reports, State and District Presidents were advised of the various methods employed by the 20 NFTS State and District Federations.

Mrs. Strasburger introduced Mrs. L. Mabel Davison, Parliamentarian of NFTS at the Boston Biennial Convention last November. Each State and District President received a copy of the new NFTS aid, *A Condensed Manual on Parliamentary Law and Procedure*, by L. Mabel Davison which was recently published. In this first period devoted to Parliamentary Law and Procedure, Mrs. Davison discussed the new stream-lined wordage introduced into parliamentary procedure; order of business; recording of minutes; corresponding secretary's communications; treasurer's statement; reports of standing committees; reports of special committees; new elections, if necessary; special orders or assignments; unfinished business; new business; further business; main and subsidiary motions. Mrs. Davison's talk was informal and State and District Presidents asked questions concerning the various points raised. All of which are ably covered in the Manual.

After a fifteen-minute recess Mrs. Strasburger called the Council session to order once again at 3:45, at which time a discussion was held on Educational Activities for Better Human Relations and the possibilities of awarding prizes for outstanding Sisterhood contributions in the field. A motion was made and passed that the Chairman on State Federations, Mrs. Strasburger, take the matter to the Executive Board of NFTS for its action. The discussion stressed the difficulty of evaluating work for prizes in a field in which so many groups are outstanding.

In answer to several of the questions raised at the morning session of the Council, Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, explained:

1. When the NFTS By-Laws were revised to include the appointment of Chairman of the NFTS Biennial Convention Nominating Committee, 90 days in advance of the Biennial, the emphasis was placed upon her contacting local Sisterhoods as a step toward maximum democracy. Each local Sisterhood in the Federation is sent a candidate's blank on which to nominate a candidate for consideration by the Convention Nominating Committee. This blank calls for information on the candidates' specific contributions to Sisterhood life on the local, State or District and NFTS levels, all of which are taken into consideration by the Nominating Committee. In recent years there have been examples of every Sisterhood in a State nominating the same woman which naturally weighed heavily with the Nominating Committee. A local Sisterhood might resent having its nomination sent to the State President for the State to exercise control (or even advice) over it. Under the NFTS By-Laws the relationship on Nominations is directly from the local Sisterhood to NFTS, but the candidate's contribution to Sisterhood life at all levels—including the State or District—is carefully weighed. However, State and District Federations should make local Sisterhoods

aware that they should recommend or nominate people who are strongly active in Sisterhood work for candidates as NFTS Board members.

2. NFTS fully agrees that there is a need for more and more professional programs. However, as a result of the very low dues of forty cents per capita that NFTS members pay (dues which are lower than those of any other organization in American life), it is almost impossible to spend money on new programs. Miss Evans did stress that NFTS has spent money on professional study courses which serve Sisterhoods in a greater way than merely a program for one given meeting: Bird's-Eye View of Jewish Literature; To Unite Our Strength; The Contribution of Jewish Composers to the Music of the Modern World; The Jewish Family in the World Today. The afternoon session of the Second State and District Presidents' Council recessed at 4:55 P.M.

DINNER SESSION

The Dinner Session of the Second State and District Presidents' Council was in honor of Miss Helen L. Strauss, who had successfully terminated her temporary assignment as Director of the House of Living Judaism Campaign the day before, October 31st. Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, New York, Chairman of the NFTS Committee on House of Living Judaism, was Toastmistress and she called upon Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, Honorary Life Member of the NFTS Executive Board to give the Invocation. Mrs. Rosett greeted Miss Strauss and presented to her, on behalf of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, a lovely gold lapel watch. Another surprise of the evening was the presentation of a bronze Menorah made by the craftsmen of Israel and procured through the Palestine Art Galleries, which Miss Evans presented to Miss Strauss on behalf of the Cincinnati and New York Executive Staff. Mrs. Schulkind called on Miss Strauss to respond and she was warmly received by all the State and District Presidents, the members of the NFTS Executive Board residing in New York City, and the guests.

Those present then had the privilege of hearing Mr. Herman K. Gottlieb, a student of the Hebrew Union School of Sacred Music give a number of vocal renditions to the accompaniment of his teacher, the renowned Dr. Eric Werner, Professor of Jewish Music and Liturgy of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Mrs. Strasburger, and Mrs. Julius Mark, 3rd Vice-President of NFTS and Chairman of the Committee on Child Study and Parent Education, were called upon to give greetings. In the unavoidable sudden absence of Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, who was scheduled to address the Dinner Session but who, unfortunately, was called to the West Coast by an emergency, Mrs. Schulkind called upon Rabbi J. Kaufman, Assistant to the President of the UAHC, to address the guests. Rabbi Kaufman extended best wishes to Miss Strauss on behalf of Dr. Eisendrath and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and commented that the very project to which Miss Strauss had devoted so much time and energy, the House of Living Judaism, is almost a reality. Rabbi Kaufman made four requests of the State and District Presidents in attendance: 1.) To consider substantially raising the dues of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, to enable the Women's Division of the UAHC, NFTS, to continue with its splendid program on behalf of Liberal Judaism. 2.) To make

every effort for, and give the utmost assistance to the Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion through using Sisterhood woman power to raise the sum of \$1,875,000. This sum, requested by the central institutions of Reform Judaism, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, is the annual minimum necessary for the advancement of Reform Judaism. 3) To recognize and accept the moral responsibility as Sisterhood leaders, to attend regularly Sabbath and other Synagogue Services. 4) To make an earnest effort to know more about the Synagogue and about Judaism, thereby being better leaders of Liberal Judaism. Mrs. Schulkind called on Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Washington, President of the NFTS Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, to pronounce the benediction with which the dinner session was concluded at 10:45 P.M.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 2ND

All State and District Presidents were invited to a Breakfast Wednesday morning, November 2nd, at 8:30 A.M., at which the NFTS New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was hostess. Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y., New York State President, presided at Breakfast and introduced fellow State officers from New York.

Mrs. Strasburger, Knoxville, called the business session of the Second NFTS State and Presidents' Council to order at 9:30 A.M. and presented Mrs. Davison who conducted the second class in Parliamentary Law and Procedure. Mrs. Davison continued to discuss the various forms of Motions, the Privileged and Incidental Motions, Motions to Be Reconsidered, Rescinded and Ratified, and explained procedure for Convention meetings. State and District Presidents asked questions concerning the material covered and all Presidents found Mrs. Davison's lectures most helpful and informative.

After a 10 minute recess Mrs. Strasburger called the Business Session of the Council to order and introduced Miss Evans who clarified and answered a number of problems which arose at the Monday morning session of the Council. Miss Evans stressed the following points:

1. In accordance with the policy of NFTS, State and District Federations may not hold Conventions in the fall of the year in which there is an NFTS Biennial, prior to the NFTS Biennial. The NFTS Biennial must take precedence over State and District Conventions once in two years when it meets. The next Biennial Convention of NFTS will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, November 12-15, 1950.
2. NFTS now has available at nominal cost badges for State and District Conventions: green badges for voting delegates; yellow badges for hostesses; blue badges for Convention visitors. On the respective badge there is the NFTS monogram and "State Delegate" (or Hostess or Visitor) imprinted. The badges are available from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, Merchants Bldg., Cincinnati 2, Ohio at 20c each. They may be used for many years as the name of the delegate is written on small, changeable name cards which are inserted at the top of the badge.

3. There are also available from the NFTS Cincinnati office name tags for the "New Member," "Member," or "Visitor" which may be used at every meeting of local Sisterhoods. Every Sisterhood is entitled to 50 "New Member Tags" free of charge each year. Member Name Tags and Visitor Name Tags are 5c each.
4. It may be helpful in planning programs for State and District Conventions to send out a questionnaire prior to the Convention asking for suggestions from the local Sisterhoods. If possible, send out a second questionnaire directly after the Convention and learn of impressions and criticisms.
5. To make Conventions more helpful and informative it is suggested that they be working conventions with maximum delegate participation through "Workshops" and "Round Tables."
6. Convention time schedules should be realistically planned in advance and then strictly followed. If a session is scheduled for 10:00 A.M. it should begin exactly at 10:00 A.M.
7. To save time at Conventions, it is suggested that mimeographed sheets be set up with the main questions and points for discussion at the "Workshop" or "Round Tables." Time can be cut down in handling of reports by sending to the Convention delegates in due time advance working papers of the Convention which include the Reports.
8. Make every effort to decorate the Convention hall with NFTS posters; flags of the States represented; the flags of the 7 countries where NFTS has affiliated units (U. S., Canada, Cuba, Panama, United Kingdom, the Union of South Africa and Australia); identification cards for officers, etc.
9. Vice-Presidents of State and District Federations should carry specific responsibilities while in that office. In some States Vice-Presidents are responsible for being liaison between the President of the State or District and each of the local Sisterhoods in a given region or area of that State or District.
10. State and District Federations may wish to organize Regional Workshops so that local Sisterhood leaders may meet to learn together and report back to the local Sisterhood membership.
11. NFTS is planning a five-day School for Sisterhood Leaders, past, present and potential. The School will be held in New York City, Monday through Friday, January 23-27, 1950 inclusive, from 9:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. All who attend the 5-day School and complete successfully their assignments will receive a certificate. Courses will include Basic Judaism; History and Practices of Reform Judaism; Techniques of Leadership and Public Speaking; Projects and Problems of Sisterhoods. Further details will be announced by the NFTS office in the monthly Packets.
12. Make use of NFTS materials which are conveniently listed in the newly revised catalog "Of Books and Things." The catalog is free upon request and should be distributed to all Board members and Chairmen of State and District Federations as well as of local Sisterhoods. Promote NFTS aids for more stimulating and interesting meeting of Sisterhoods.
13. Make use of the State Charter, which was given to each State at the time of its organization, as part of Installations of Officers' ceremonies.

14. Observe Temple Attendance for Sabbath and all other Religious Services.

In conclusion, Miss Evans gave a statement of the philosophy of Sisterhood life which the Presidents asked be sent to each one of them. The statement is therefore appended to this Digest.

The Session recessed a 12:45 P.M.

LUNCHEON SESSION

At the Luncheon session of the State and District Presidents' Council, Mrs. Rosett gave an inspiring report on her recent visit to Europe. In July, Mrs. Rosett represented NFTS at the International Conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism in London and had the opportunity to confer with a number of Jewish leaders and visit Jewish communities in Holland, Belgium, France, Switzerland and Italy.

Mrs. Strasburger introduced Mrs. Schulkind who thoroughly discussed with the Presidents the House of Living Judaism project, stressing the need for the State and District Presidents to continue to urge their affiliates to complete their one-time quota of \$10 per member. The Campaign for the House of Living Judaism is now drawing to a close and Sisterhoods are asked to make every effort to attain their goal as soon as possible.

The Luncheon session recessed at 2:50 P.M.

FINAL SESSION

At the *final session* of the Second State and District Presidents' Council, the educational film, "Picture in Your Mind," was shown as a representative example of the type of films which may be shown at State and District Conventions, Regional Meetings, Local Sisterhood meetings. It was pointed out that the NFTS booklet on *Programs and Study Material* as well as the *1949-50 Supplement of Programs and Study Materials* list a number of sources of educational films which may be borrowed free of charge or rented at nominal cost.

In connection with the question of raising the dues of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, which subject will be a consideration at the November, 1950 NFTS Biennial Convention in Cleveland, a discussion evolved concerning the possibility of NFTS collecting one due which would include both NFTS dues and State or District dues. This would also mean that every Sisterhood, when it affiliated with the National Federation, would also automatically be a member of its respective State or District Federation. Although no formal vote was taken on the subject, the majority of those who spoke on the subject favored the collection by NFTS of a single annual per capita due which would include National and State dues.

The Second NFTS State and District Presidents' Council adjourned at 4:10 P.M., when the Assembly arose and pronounced in unison the benediction which, like all other blessings used at the session, was taken from the NFTS *Book of Prayers*.

A STATEMENT OF SISTERHOOD PHILOSOPHYBY JANE EVANS, *Executive Director**National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods*

AT THE STATE PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL, NEW-YORK, N. Y., NOVEMBER 1-2, 1949

We are the women's arm of American and World Reform, Liberal or Progressive Judaism. We are not a social organization; we are not a philanthropic organization; we are a religious group, dedicated to the philosophy that the congregation is the logical unit of organization in Israel, and that through congregational life the modern Jewess can most effectively exercise her influence upon Jewish and non-Jewish life. Religion is the central core of the vast contribution which we, the Jewish people, make to humanity and to ourselves. We will be better Sisterhood members, State and District leaders and officers of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, only as we understand that Judaism, the religion of our people, is the source of all our service to Jewish and humanitarian causes. From this standpoint, we must recall with some humility a few of the charges made against us. We tend to welcome women to our Boards, whether of State Federations or of local Sisterhoods, irrespective of whether or not they are really expressing their interest in our central philosophy through the acceptance of the obligations of regular temple and synagogue attendance. It is not beyond the realm of possibility that we could use State and District conventions to educate our members and ourselves upon our central philosophy of Sisterhood life. We are a fellowship of women religiously motivated, recognizing the congregation as a logical unit of organization in Jewish life, dedicated to the service of Jewish and humanitarian causes through the centrality of Judaism, the religion through which we translate our beliefs into deed for the benefit of K'lal Israel (the whole of the household of Israel) and mankind.

PROGRAM
EXECUTIVE BOARD
of the
NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

November 29-December 1, 1949

CHASE HOTEL, ST. LOUIS, MO.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

- 11:00 A.M. Board Executive Session.
Room 240. Chase Hotel.
- 1:00 P.M. Luncheon.
Zodiac Lounge. Chase Hotel.
- 2:30 P.M. Board Executive Session.
Room 240. Chase Hotel.
- 7:00 P.M. Dinner.
Columbian Club, 1124 Locust St., St. Louis.
Dress Optional.
Toastmistress: Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md.,
First Vice-President, NFTS.
Speakers:
Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y., President,
NFTS. "Report from Europe."
Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, New York, President, Union of
American Hebrew Congregations. "We Are at the Cross-
roads."

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- 9:30 A.M. Board Executive Session.
Colonial Room. Chase Hotel.
- 12:30 P.M. Luncheon.
Harris Hall. Temple Shaare Emeth, St. Louis.
Entire afternoon session will be at Harris Hall.
- 6:30 P.M. Board Dinner and Executive Session.
Colonial Room. Chase Hotel.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

- 9:00 A.M. Board Executive Session.
Room 240. Chase Hotel.
- 12:30 P.M. Luncheon.
Zodiac Lounge. Chase Hotel.

The St. Louis NFTS affiliated Sisterhoods of Temple B'nai El, Temple Israel, Temple Shaare Emeth and United Hebrew Temple, are the hostesses to the 1949 Annual Session of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Mrs. David Grosberg is Chairman of the Cooperative Committee of the four Reform Sisterhoods of St. Louis, and Mrs. Robert Aronson, Secretary. The hostess Sisterhood Presidents are: Mrs. David Kohner, B'nai El Sisterhood; Mrs. Harry Koenigsberg, Temple Israel Sisterhood; Mrs. Sol Flammer, Sisterhood of Shaare Emeth; Mrs. Ben R. Schneider, Ladies Aid Society.

The hostesses are providing a motor corps for all transportation.

Annual Meeting of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

Chase Hotel
St. Louis, Mo.
November 29, 1949.

Schulkind, N. Y., N. Y., Chairman of the NFTS Special Committee on the House of Living Judaism and Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, were present.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and the call of the President, the annual Executive Board meeting was called to order Tuesday morning, November 29, 1949, at the Chase Hotel, St. Louis, Mo., at 11:00 A.M. The President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y., was in the chair. Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia, Pa., served as Secretary Pro Tem in the absence of Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Nebr., who was ill.

The following members answered roll call: Mrs. Harold Baum, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Elmer Benesch, Oak Park, Ill.; Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky.; Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Emil Buschoff, N. Y., N. Y.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Joseph Forman, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Arthur L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Edward Hart, W. Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. David E. Jacobs, Los Angeles, Cal.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Milton Lewinsohn, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mrs. William Loebel, Toronto, Can.; Mrs. Franz J. Loewe, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Bernard Manheim, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Lawrence Mann, Baton Rouge, La.; Mrs. Julius Mark, N. Y., N. Y.; Mrs. Samuel Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Harold I. Platt, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Jack B. Pollack, San Antonio, Texas; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Evansville, Ind.; Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Ben Spinoza, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, N. Y., N. Y.; Mrs. Clarence C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, Lawrence, N. Y.; Mrs. Paul Ullman, Natchez, Miss.; Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Mrs. Edward

Mrs. Rosett led the members in a prayer from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' *Book of Prayers*. Miss Evans read letters and communications from absentee members. Appropriate acknowledgments were ordered.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

In the absence of the Treasurer, Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa., the Treasurer's Report was read by the Secretary Pro Tem.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mrs. Dalsheimer, first Vice-President, presided, while Mrs. Rosett gave her annual message. Mrs. Rosett shared with the members new information on the House of Living Judaism. The message was accepted with acclamation and appreciation for all that the President had accomplished, and the inspiration she has been.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Mrs. Rosett appointed the following committees: Committee on NFTS Financing: Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Benesch, Mrs. Dalsheimer, Mrs. Gitson, Mrs. Jacobson, Mrs. Mark, Mrs. Salm, Mrs. Schwartz, Mrs. Strasburger. Committee on Memorial Resolutions: Mrs. Goodman, Mrs. Berg, Mrs. Buschoff, Mrs. Gradison, Mrs. Mohr.

PROJECTS AND POLICIES

Mrs. Strasburger presented, as an item of Old Business, the following motion: "Through the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, a Biennial Citation is to be presented to the State or District Federation, and the local Sisterhoods, for the most outstanding accomplishments and greatest contributions in the field of education for better human relations." The motion was seconded. After a full discussion, the vote was taken. Motion lost; 11 in favor, 20 opposed. Mrs. Gitson discussed Allocations of the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, by summarizing the requests that were made for monies from the Fund. The discussion was interrupted for the meeting to recess for lunch at 1:05 P.M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Chase Hotel
St. Louis, Mo.
November 29, 1949

The Executive Board reconvened at 2:30 P.M. in the Zodiac Lounge of the Chase Hotel, St. Louis, Mo., with Mrs. Rosett presiding.

The discussion continued on allocation of monies of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. Mrs. Dalsheimer requested that the items under consideration be divided into separate motions, and voted on seriatim. It was so ordered. Mrs. Dalsheimer then requested that \$10,000 again be granted toward refurbishing the dormitory at the Hebrew Union College. Motion seconded. After discussion, further action on this motion was tabled until all other requests were considered. Mrs. Gitson moved that:

I. The \$15,000 balance for religious education work, including the Department of Youth Activities of the UAHC, be granted to the UAHC to complete the NFTS annual contribution of \$35,000 for these purposes. This motion was seconded and carried.

II. The request from the Hebrew Union College for Scholarship funds for the scholastic year ending June 30, 1949, unpaid balance of which is \$5,600, be paid. The motion was carried.

III. The maximum scholarship assistance for a student in need of such assistance on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion be advanced from \$450 per annum to \$550. The motion was seconded. An amendment was presented to make the maximum scholarship \$500. The amendment was defeated and the original motion for a grant of a maximum \$550 per student for scholarship assistance, in proportion to need, was carried.

IV. A special scholarship of \$500 was requested for Mr. Herman Gottlieb, a displaced person, for tuition at the School of Sacred Music, in New York, N. Y. The motion was seconded and carried.

V. Announcement was made that the Board had voted affirmatively by mail on a request for \$1,000, for the printing of a Song Book. The stated sum will be granted for the publication of a Book of Songs for the Jewish Festival Year. This book will be published under the auspices of Mrs. Samuel Cohon, wife of Professor Samuel Cohon, of the Hebrew Union College.

After the above motions were passed, discussion returned to Mrs. Dalsheimer's motion on the refurbishing of the dormitory. An amendment was passed to read that \$10,368.02 be allocated to the Hebrew Union College. Motion was passed.

Mrs. Hart presented the motion: Annually in June, the Hebrew Union College shall submit in writing to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, its request for scholarships for the academic year ending that month. Furthermore, any contemplated change in the scholarship award plan should be presented to NFTS in ample time for discussion and action in order that NFTS as well as the College may agree thereon. Motion was seconded and carried.

Miss Evans read communications of regrets and good wishes from absent Past Presidents.

A motion was made that all messages be suitably acknowledged, and a gift of flowers be telegraphed to Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Cincinnati, Ohio, a Past President of the Federation, on the occasion of her 87th birthday. The motion was seconded and carried.

The meeting recessed at 4:30 P.M.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION

Columbian Club
St. Louis, Mo.
November 29, 1949

A dinner session, open to the community, at which the NFTS Board were guests, was called to order by the toastmistress, Mrs. Dalsheimer, First Vice-President. Dr. Samuel Thurman, United Hebrew Temple, delivered the Invocation. Mrs. David N. Grosberg, St. Louis, Mo.,

welcomed the guests on behalf of the four Reform hostess Sisterhoods: Temple B'nai El, Temple Israel, Temple Shaare Emeth, and the United Hebrew Temple of St. Louis.

Mrs. Dalsheimer introduced the persons on the dais.

Mrs. Rosett delivered an address: "Report from Europe" in which she described her experiences at the 1949 Convention in London, England, of the World Union for Progressive Juda-

ism, and on the continent of Europe.

Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, delivered an address: "We Are at the Crossroads," in which he described the plight of the world and of the synagogue. He outlined the role the Union plays in American Jewish life, and

pleaded for an understanding of the importance of this role, and an awareness of what it means to be a Jew and a member of a Reform or Liberal Congregation, with the consequent responsibilities.

Mrs. Franz Loewe, NFTS St. Louis Executive Board member, gave the benediction.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Chase Hotel
St. Louis, Mo.
November 30, 1949

The meeting was called to order in the Colonial Room of the Chase Hotel, at 9:45 A.M., November 30th, by the President, Mrs. Rosett. The members recited in unison a prayer from the NFTS *Book of Prayers*.

BUDGET 1949-50

Mrs. Edward S. Hart, West Hartford, Conn., presented a deficit budget. After careful discussion of same, it was moved, seconded and ordered that the budget be approved as presented.

Miss Evans read a communication from Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood of Cincinnati, Ohio, requesting the distribution of the Budget of National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to each of the Sisterhoods in the organization. After discussion, it was decided that although this would not be feasible, a "pictorial type" of

budget could be compiled for general distribution. This would be helpful in giving the membership a complete picture of the many functions and expenses of the Federation. The Director was asked to prepare such a budget.

COMBINED CAMPAIGN

The Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion was explained and discussed. Resolution #8 was read. Stress was placed on the fact that this was not a campaign from the treasuries of Sisterhoods, but rather a campaign to stimulate the women of Reform Jewry, as individuals, to give their support in organizing campaign teams, and doing whatever the local campaign chairman decided would be effective in raising funds from families. Single women and others would be individual contributors through a Sisterhood Division. Further discussion was tabled until the evening.

The meeting recessed at 12:05 P.M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Temple Shaare Emeth
St. Louis, Mo.
November 30, 1949

The luncheon session was held, with the Board as guests of honor of the four St. Louis Reform Temple Sisterhoods, whose members were present in large numbers, in Harris Hall of Temple Shaare Emeth. Mrs. Rosett called upon the assembly to recite in unison a blessing from the NFTS *Book of Prayers*.

Following luncheon, at 1:55 P.M., Mrs. Rosett called the meeting to order.

Mrs. Rosett graciously thanked the hostess groups for all of their warm courtesy and introduced the members of the National Board to

the assembly.

Mrs. Loewe thanked her committees for their great efforts in making the annual NFTS Executive Board session a memorable event.

Miss Evans addressed the group. In her address, Miss Evans defined the philosophy behind the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and very vividly described how this philosophy becomes a reality in the projects and aims of the organization.

Mrs. Jerome Folkman demonstrated stereopticon slides to show how an American Jewish family celebrates the Jewish Religious Year.

The film "Picture on Your Mind" was shown to the audience.

The meeting recessed at 4:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

Chase Hotel
St. Louis, Mo.
November 30, 1949

The dinner meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Rosett, at the Chase Hotel. The members recited in unison a prayer from the *NFTS Book of Prayers*.

It was 8:00 P.M., when the official session, following dinner, was called to order. Miss Evans presented her Report. Mrs. Mark moved that the recommendations for revision of by-laws suggested in Miss Evans' report be submitted to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws. She further moved that this committee investigate all necessary revisions, and prepare them for presentation at the Biennial Convention in the Fall of 1950. Motion was seconded and carried.

SISTERHOOD LOAN FUND FOR NEW CONGREGATIONS

Mrs. Hart moved that NFTS establish a Sisterhood Loan Fund for New Congregations. The first contribution thereto having been received from the Sisterhood of Temple Israel, New York, NFTS should seek other contributions to enlarge the fund which shall be jointly administered with the UAHC for the benefit of new congregations, the parent bodies of new Sisterhoods. The motion was seconded and carried.

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

Mrs. Edward Schulkind, New York, N. Y., presented her report on the progress of the House of Living Judaism, in executive session.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Hart presented the report of the committee; namely, that the annual per capita dues of NFTS be raised from \$.40 to \$1.25, \$1.00 of which would be retained in the treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, \$.25 to be returned by NFTS to the treasuries of the respective State or District Federations. She worded her motion thusly, "that dues to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods be raised from \$.40 per capita annually to \$1.00 per capita annually." After discussion, Mrs. Hart's motion was amended to read: "Annual per capita dues to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall be raised from \$.40 to \$1.25 of which \$.25 shall be returned by

NFTS to the treasuries of the respective State or District Federations." The motion was unanimously carried as amended, with one member abstaining from voting.

COMBINED CAMPAIGN

The attitude of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods towards the Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion was thoroughly explored, with emphasis upon individual woman power and not Sisterhood treasury gifts. The motion to adopt resolution #8 on the subject was carried.

TOPICS AND TRENDS

It was suggested that *Topics and Trends*, the NFTS Bulletin, be combined with the *Jewish Layman*, NFTB publication, and *Liberal Judaism*, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations' publication, into one large inclusive magazine, representing the thoughts and activities of Liberal Judaism.

Mrs. Hart moved that when the Union of American Hebrew Congregations decides to have an all-inclusive publication, which will incorporate the magazines and papers of all of its affiliates, that then *Topics and Trends* be discontinued and incorporated into that publication. The motion was carried.

REALIGNMENT OF STATE FEDERATIONS

After full discussion, the Board voted the following:

1. Texas was granted permission to change its constitution into a District Constitution which will allow it to affiliate under its charter NFTS Sisterhoods in both Texas and Oklahoma.
2. Albuquerque, New Mexico, was granted permission to be admitted into NFTS District #20.
3. Duluth, Minnesota, was requested to hold its application for admittance into District #20 in abeyance until St. Paul and Minneapolis could be encouraged to affiliate themselves with a District also, so that all of the Sisterhoods in the State of Minnesota would belong to the same District.
4. The National Board approved the Federation of NFTS Sisterhoods in Mississippi and Arkansas into a new Mississippi-Arkansas Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

5. Mrs. Mohr requested that the Board approve the admittance of South Carolina to the Federation of Georgia, Florida and Alabama, if

it is agreeable to all of the states involved. This likewise was approved.

The meeting was recessed at 12:15 A.M.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Chase Hotel
St. Louis, Mo.

December 1, 1949

The meeting was called to order in the Zodiac Room of the Chase Hotel, at 9:25 A.M. by the President, Mrs. Rosett. The members recited in unison a prayer from the NFTS *Book of Prayers*.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Baum described the terrible conditions of Jewry abroad. She moved that a project be started, through the World Union for Progressive Judaism, that would answer some of the post-war needs of these persons the world over (educationally, spiritually, practically). This motion was carried, with the recommendation that the matter be submitted to the Committee on Post-War Activities for study, and the compiling of additional information, and with the power to act.

Mrs. Benesch stated that she thought that service to members of overseas Progressive congregations and their auxiliaries would be an excellent State project.

Mrs. Baum suggested that the Hon. Lily H. Montagu be invited to serve in a consultative capacity on the committee.

Miss Evans told of the wonderful efforts of the members of the Colorado Springs, Colo. Congregation and NFTS Sisterhood. She described their brave struggle to perpetuate their Reform Jewish convictions through their synagogue. She suggested that the Executive Committee work out a program whereby they could invite larger Sisterhoods in certain areas to adopt smaller and less fortunate Sisterhoods. This motion was seconded and carried.

UNIONGRAM COMMITTEE

It was suggested that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods print a small Uniongram Thank You Note to be purchased by Sisterhood members to acknowledge gifts and Uniongrams. Motion carried, with the price finally to be decided upon by the NFTS Uniongram Chairman and Executive Director. A plan of credit for the Sale of Uniongram Thank You Notes is to be worked out with the NFTS Uniongram Chair-

man. It was ordered that miniature Uniongrams be sold in the future for \$.25.

It was recommended that the various Honor Rolls for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and Uniongrams be left at the respective amounts which now prevail. So ordered.

Mrs. Jacobson moved that the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Committee establish a per capita figure whereby Sisterhoods, meeting such a quota, may be on the Honorable Mention List without the necessity of increasing their contribution annually 5 per cent over the previous year's contribution. The motion was carried.

A motion was moved, seconded and carried to underwrite with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, to the extent of \$1500, a joint UAHC-NFTS project to develop good phonograph records for home and school use in connection with the Jewish Festivals.

Mrs. Salm moved that the Executive Board grant a request for the appropriation of \$500 to the Jewish Peace Fellowship to be used in the publication of a pamphlet on Judaism and Peace, the sum to be taken from the Martha Levy Steinfeld Fund.

It was moved that any additional money left in the Martha Levy Steinfeld Fund (after the granting of the above stated amount to the Jewish Peace Fellowship) be given to the Committee on Peace and World Relations for disposition. These motions were carried.

JUDAICA SHOPS

It was decided that the function of the Judaica Shops was to interest persons in Jewish Ceremonials and to buy ceremonial objects for their homes. Insofar as possible, the Executive Office and the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art shall further local Sisterhood interest in the establishment of Judaica shops.

RESOLUTIONS

The Executive Board adopted resolutions pertaining to the following topics: 1. United Nations; 2. Regulations of Armaments and Control of Atomic Energy; 3. Human Rights; 4. Displaced persons; 5. Genocide; 6. The Sab-

bath; 7. Jerusalem and Its Holy Places; 8. Combined Campaign of the UAHC and the HUC-JIR.

It was moved that all resolutions adopted by the Executive Board be sent to the appropriate agencies: So ordered.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS

The assembly rose to receive the following memorial resolutions:

MRS. JOSEPH WIESENFELD

It is with saddened hearts that the members of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods mourn the passing of a beloved Past President of the Federation, Mrs. Joseph Wiesénfeld. For many years she served this organization with selfless devotion and tireless loyalty. Through her efforts the cause of Judaism, which was ever close to her heart, was given guidance and spiritual impetus.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Missouri, on December 1, 1949, pays lasting tribute to the memory of Mrs. Joseph Wiesénfeld.

DR. STEPHEN S. WISE

In the passing of Stephen S. Wise, world Jewry has lost a fearless leader, a noble soul and a zealous humanitarian:

Through his dynamic leadership and monumental achievement, generations will reap the benefit of his prophetic vision.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Missouri, on December 1, 1949, pays humble and enduring tribute to the memory of Stephen-S. Wise.

DR. JUDAH LEON MAGNES

In the death of Judah Leon Magnes, Jewry has lost a pioneering spirit, a lofty idealist, a profound scholar and educator. His position as President of the Hebrew University was a merited result of a life of fine achievement, loyal service and unusual intellectual attainments.

He was a symbol of the interchange of Jewish cultural aspirations between Israel, the United States and other lands.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in annual session assembled in St.

Louis, Missouri, on December 1, 1949, pays homage to the memory of Judah Leon Magnes.

DR. DAVID PHILIPSON

The members of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Missouri, December 1, 1949, record with deep sorrow the passing of Dr. David Philipson, the Dean of American Reform Rabbis and Rabbi Emeritus of Rockdale Avenue Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio.

He was a revered leader during his long life which was marked with devoted service to the ideals of Judaism. His dedicated spirit will ever be an inspiration to our people.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Missouri, on December 1, 1949, pays heartfelt tribute to the memory of David Philipson.

It was resolved that these expressions of esteem for those who were memorialized be sent to the members of their respective families and included in the minutes of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

THANKS

The Chairman of the Committee on Thanks expressed the deep appreciation of the NFTS Executive Board to Mrs. Franz Loewe, Mrs. David Grosberg, Mrs. Robert Aaronson, Mrs. Arthur Kahn, Mrs. Eugene Borowitz, Mrs. David Kohner, Mrs. Harry Koenigsberg, Mrs. Sol Flammer, Mrs. Ben R. Schneider, and all their co-workers in St. Louis, whose untiring efforts, gracious hospitality and unusual thoughtfulness has made the 1949 Board session so memorable.

To Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, special words of heartfelt appreciation were offered, amid a rising vote of thanks and acclamation for her unflinching leadership, lasting devotion to NFTS, graceful and just presiding at all sessions. Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, who at great personal sacrifice addressed the dinner session of the Board at the Columbian Club, was likewise offered a vote of deepest appreciation. To Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director and the members of her staff: Miss Frances Kuwent, Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Mrs. Edythe Haber, warmest appreciation was extended. The Committee on

Thanks also offered the Board's appreciation to the Chase Hotel, the Press, and all who had contributed to the significance of its sessions. So ordered.

Mrs. Rosett and Mrs. Dalsheimer left St. Louis to attend a meeting of the UAHC Board and Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Second Vice-President, assumed the Chair.

CHILD STUDY AND PARENT EDUCATION

Mrs. Mark presented the recommendations of the Committee on Child Study and Parent Education. She recommended that the name of the committee be changed from Child Study and Parent Education to the "Committee on Family Life" or to the "Committee on Family Education" because of the growth in the concept of the interaction of the members of a family as a group. The family is thought of as a unit and education must be for all its members. This motion was seconded and carried as a recommendation to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws for presentation to the 1950 Biennial Assembly.

After a discussion of the role and place of the PTA in Synagogue life, it was moved, seconded and carried that a Committee of the Board of the National Federation of Temple-Sisterhoods be appointed by the President to meet with a Committee of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, and a Committee of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, to discuss the question of the PTA, and the problem of its place and role in congregational and Sisterhood life.

JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

Mrs. Berg recommended that all contributions received be again divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., and the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse. So ordered.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Mrs. Mohr recommended that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods sponsor a re-educational program for all Sisterhoods; that the Chairman of each National Committee write, or have written, a program which best

expresses the work and purposes of her Committee; that these new programs be made into a booklet and sent to all Presidents, with the request that one or more be presented each year until the entire book has been used. This effort would increase the number of Sisterhood Programs on NFTS activities and would aid in the reeducation of Sisterhood members, which is so necessary for the continued growth of the Federation. Mrs. Friedlander recommended that for the 1950 Biennial Assembly, a professional script writer be employed to work out a program describing the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and its Committees. The fee for this script could be raised by charging an honorarium each time an individual Sisterhood used the program.

The meeting was recessed at 12:00 Noon, with the discussion tabled until after luncheon.

LUNCHEON MEETING

Following the luncheon meal, served at the Chase Hotel, with local Sisterhood leaders present as guests of honor of NFTS, Mrs. Strasburger called the Board to order at 1:10 P.M. After additional discussion on the recommendations presented by Mrs. Mohr and Mrs. Friedlander, both were formally carried.

A discussion then ensued on the introduction of the latest audio-visual aids in Religious School Education, and the financial problems involved. No action taken.

The Board accepted with deep regret the resignation of Mrs. M. Seligman, Miami, Fla., who resigned because of a failure of health and upon the advice of her physician.

There was a discussion on the problem of "feeling strange in a new city," and what techniques could be used to make convention delegates feel more at home.

The assembly rose and recited in unison a benediction from the NFTS *Book of Prayers*.

The meeting adjourned at 2 P.M.

(MRS. LOUIS A.)
FRIEDA S. ROSETT,

President

(MRS. ANTHONY)
JEAN A. SCHWARTZ;

Secretary Pro Tem



R E S O L U T I O N S

Adopted by the Executive Board of

THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

St. Louis, Mo., December 1, 1949

THE UNITED NATIONS

Secretary General Trygve Lie has said, "the ultimate alternative to a successful United Nations would be a third world war," and

Mr. Lie further says, "step by step, through trial and error, a real and solid foundation for a peacefully organized world society is being created,"

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Mo., December 1, 1949, once more records its deep faith in the United Nations and its continued support of the principles of the United Nations Charter, and

Further, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board urges upon all its affiliated units and their members loyal support and study of the United Nations in their respective countries, both as groups and as individual women.

REGULATIONS OF ARMAMENTS AND CONTROL OF ATOMIC ENERGY

Article 26 of the United Nations Charter lays upon the Security Council the duty of preparing plans for a "system for the regulation of armaments," and

It is generally recognized that the preparation of huge stocks of armaments by the nations of the world almost inevitably leads to war, and

There appears to be already under way a race in the preparation of atomic weapons, whose fearful destructiveness may ruin civilization and destroy life on a greater scale than ever known,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Mo., on December 1, 1949, urges upon the United Nations and its member governments renewed and unceasing efforts for international regulation of all armaments and for effective international control of atomic energy.

HUMAN RIGHTS

Jewish ethical tradition strongly affirms the equality of all men before God, and

Human rights and fundamental freedoms are basic to social justice and the maintenance of peace, and

Vigilance is necessary "to secure these rights" both within each nation and in international society,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Mo., on December 1, 1949, urges upon the United Nations the early adoption of appropriate measures for implementation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, approved by

the Third General Assembly of the United Nations in Paris in December, 1948, and *Be It Resolved*, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods calls upon its members not only to scrutinize with ever increasing care both legal provisions and current practices of social justice within their respective communities and countries but also to act in behalf of social justice in a manner consistent with the tradition of their Jewish heritage.

Further, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods on behalf of its United States members, calls upon the Congress of the United States to uphold the deeply cherished ideals of democracy and prevent infringement on human rights by an act of legislation which will (1) assure to all citizens the exercise of the franchise without payment of poll-tax, (2) which will outlaw the crime of lynching and (3) which will secure men and women against discrimination of employment for reasons of race, creed or color.

DISPLACED PERSONS

WHEREAS, Despite the fact in its first two years the International Refugee Organization has established in new homes over 600,000 Displaced Persons, there still remain in Europe alone thousands of men, women and children who are being denied the right of normal life in countries of their choice,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Mo., on December 1, 1949, on behalf of its United States units, calls upon the 81st Congress of the United States, speedily to enact legislation liberalizing the present provisions for admission to the United States of Displaced Persons, and

Further, Be It Resolved, That provision should be made for continuance of the International Refugee Organization beyond June, 1950, for whatever period is necessary properly to complete its humanitarian work.

GENOCIDE

The Third General Assembly of the United Nations meeting in Paris in December, 1948, adopted a Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, which is destruction of national, ethnic, racial, or religious groups, and

This Convention is now before the Senate of the United States for ratification,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Mo., on December 1, 1949, on behalf of its United States units, urges the United States Senate to ratify the Convention on Genocide without delay, to the end that this hideous crime may never again blacken the record of humanity.

THE SABBATH

In this era of tension and anxiety, members of the household of Israel are fortunate to have a tradition impelling pause, articulated at Sinai, "The seventh day is the Sabbath unto the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any manner of work!" Fortifying this Commandment is the Sabbath worship service which separates the seventh day from days of common routine. Within the walls of the Synagogue, we may soothe our harassed souls and gain new strength and refreshment of spirit with which to return to the obligations of the other days of the week.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Mo., on December 1, 1949, calls upon its members to enjoy regularly our tradition-blessed Sabbath, to appear with their families in the Synagogue each Sabbath, and to utilize their influence to remove conflicting tasks from their calendars on this holy day.

JERUSALEM AND ITS HOLY PLACES

WHEREAS, The State of Israel, having achieved its independence, has taken its rightful place among the democratic nations of the world; and

WHEREAS, The Jews of Jerusalem, having suffered greatly in the defense of their homes and holy places which are attached by historic and lawful bonds to the State of Israel; and

WHEREAS, The new city of Jerusalem is completely Jewish in its population, its economy and its institutions; and

WHEREAS, For three millennia the Jewish people have looked upon Jerusalem as a spiritual center of Judaism;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Mo., on December 1, 1949, repudiates the unworkable and morally indefensible plan of the United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission which would cut off the new city of Jerusalem from the State of Israel;

And Be It Further Resolved, That the holy places of all faiths in Jerusalem (but not the city of Jerusalem) be placed under the supervision of the United Nations.

THE COMBINED CAMPAIGN

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion are the spiritual center and voice of Reform Judaism in America, and

For 75 years they have given sustenance and strength to our congregations, our Sisterhoods, our Brotherhoods and to American Judaism as a whole, and

They are now facing an unprecedented financial crisis which threatens their ability to give continued leadership and service to the American Jewish community,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in annual session assembled in St. Louis, Mo., on December 1, 1949, on behalf of its United States and Canadian members, does hereby pledge to cooperate wholeheartedly in the current Combined Campaign on a local as well as national level, and

Be It Further Resolved, That we hereby call upon all of our affiliates and leaders to do everything possible within their communities to help achieve the national campaign goal of \$1,875,000.

The Combined Campaign, representing as it does, the needs of the over-all institutions of Reform Judaism, is our Campaign and, as such, must have our active and unanimous support, as volunteer workers and as individual contributors through a Sisterhood division.

We further recognize as Americans and Jews, that if we forget or disregard our historic Jewish traditions, we lose our spiritual reason for existence. Unless we train qualified young men for religious leadership, and unless we keep strong and vigorous the congregational life of American Judaism, we forfeit our ancient heritage.

The President's Message

New Rochelle, N. Y., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Friends:

A year has passed since last we met in executive session in Boston during our XVII Biennial convention. We are happy that at this meeting, in contrast to the schedule of a Convention, our undivided attention can be devoted constructively to NFTS affairs, and to the weighing of all phases of the many problems to which we, as members of the Executive Board, need to give our earnest thought and consideration.

Although this Executive Board is composed of women from many parts of the country as well as from Canada, England and Panama, it is not the function of a Board member merely to represent her own Sisterhood, or even her own geographic area, but rather to use her understanding and experience in the study of problems of the National Federation as a whole, and so to help secure for it the best policy for the furtherance of its total objectives. In order to do this effectively, a Board member should understand all phases of the NFTS program and must be interested and informed concerning it.

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

The first matter which I should like to call to your attention concerns the House of Living Judaism. While at this writing we have reached only half the financial goal which we have set for ourselves, the Site Committee of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, of which the Chairman of the House of Living Judaism Project, your President and Executive Director are members, has unanimously voted, after months of deliberation, to secure an option on a certain piece of land on which the House of Living Judaism can be erected. The plot was neither easy to find nor will it be easy to buy. Because for obvious reasons its location cannot be publicly disclosed until the final contract of sale has been signed, all I can state at this moment is that the House of Living Judaism will rise in a neighborhood and on a location which I am sure everyone will agree is an appropriate, beautiful, and dignified setting for the American and world center of Liberal Judaism.

With the retirement of Miss Helen L. Strauss as Director of the House of Living Judaism campaign, the most active phase of our fund-raising for this project is over. Many Sisterhoods, however, have asked that the time for their contribution be extended and the steady stream of checks from all over the country gladdens us and assures us that the House of Living Judaism will eventually include in its archives the names and the records of accomplishment of a very large percentage of our total membership.

As soon as arrangements are completed and the architectural plans accepted, be assured that we will joyfully share with all our members news of our progress as well as the inspiration which comes from participating in building.

COOPERATION WITH THE COMBINED CAMPAIGN

As your representative, I sit on the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and on the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College.

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations is our parent organization. According to our By-Laws, one of the objects of the NFTS is "to cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the execution of its aims and purposes."

The Hebrew Union College, with which the Jewish Institute of Religion has recently merged, has always held a special place in the affection of the women of the Sisterhoods, and the welfare of the students of the College has always been close to their hearts. Just as currently the women of Sisterhood have collected over \$300,000.00 toward a building to house the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, so twenty-six years ago the women of the Sisterhood provided a similar sum to be used for a dormitory for the students on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College.

Today both the Union, with the many activities necessary in its campaign of awakening and stimulating renewed interest in Jewish religious life, and the College, with its expanded program for meeting the challenge of present religious needs, are greatly handicapped by lack of funds. The reason for this lack of funds lies not in the fact that members of Liberal Jewish congregations are poor or needy and cannot help their national institutions, but largely in the fact that they have not been educated in the responsibility of adequately contributing toward their support.

The Union and the College are presently engaged in a combined campaign to raise \$1,875,000.00 for their current needs. One of the first steps in all major fund-raising campaigns is to organize a women's division. Since the woman power of Liberal Judaism is organized through the NFTS into an active, able and functioning body, to establish a new women's division for campaign purposes would seem to be a wasteful duplication of effort and to ignore the responsibility of the Sisterhood as the effective women's arm of the Union and the College. Surely there can be no doubt that the same women who actually form the strength and the backbone of many campaigns, whether for community needs, welfare funds, United Jewish Appeal, or countless other fund-raising activities, will find some means of using their influence and ability to see that funds are secured for the carrying on of their own religious program. When all is said and done, the support of the Union and the College-Institute represents a fundamental answer to day by day need, regardless of other crises and emergencies. Exactly what part the Sisterhoods can best play in the Combined Campaign will have to be explored in discussion at our Board meeting.

THE WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

As an affiliate of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods contributes to its activities through a yearly contribution and by a deep and warm interest in its program which I hope will be increasingly translated into practical assistance. After the great ovation and the promises of material assistance made to the Honorable Lily H. Montagu when she attended our Convention last Fall, I was eager to attend the Conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism in London in July and participate in the cause so very dear to her heart and ours.

The meetings of the sixth International Conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, which Mrs. Harold M. Baum of Milwaukee, a member of our Board, and I attended as your delegates, was a thrilling and in many ways a poignant experience. We are indebted and grateful to Mrs. Baum not only for agreeing to serve as a delegate but also for the sincerity and ability with which she represented us. I deeply regret however, that more of our members did not avail themselves of the opportunity of taking part in the great religious as well as deeply moving personal experience of meeting and hearing delegates from 13 countries on 5 continents. The reports from every area showed the great need for Rabbis, books, money and lay leadership. In many cases they demonstrated how the World Union, with its very limited resources, was helping to build or rebuild Jewish religious life in many stricken communities. The resolution of the Youth representatives, that young people of the world be organized within the framework of the World Union for Progressive Judaism into a Youth group to work for Judaism and its advancement, was especially thrilling to all of us:

PRESENT NEEDS AND FUTURE FINANCING OF NFTS

NFTS, like any national women's organization working in a similar field, has three fundamental needs. First, it needs devoted, enthusiastic, and informed volunteers to carry out its program and stimulate its growth. Second, it needs professional workers who will have the training, time, and ability necessary to transform the potential value of the volunteer into the dynamic and effective energy which only organization and direction can give. Third, it needs funds for a broad and useful activity and service program, including conferences, meetings and Institutes to train speakers and leaders who in turn will inspire others; to do this we need to develop a professional staff commensurate with the responsibilities involved and the type of service they are called on to render. Only in this way can we establish an endless chain in the growth and strength of the cause we would serve.

So far as membership is concerned, I believe we of the Sisterhood Federation are fortunate in having an unusual group of women in our units throughout the United States and in cities of six other countries. Our members are willing, eager, and able to do the task that is required of them. So far as professional staff is concerned, we are exceedingly fortunate in having as our Executive Director, Jane Evans, who, although equal to a host in herself, should not be expected to accomplish all that we require of her practically single-handed.

So far as our funds are concerned, I am certain that a quick and objective comparison of our total resources and our minimum requirements will convince anyone that our needs have long since outstripped our resources. Vigorous steps must be taken as soon as possible to bring our financial picture into a more realistic balance.

When the NFTS Budget Committee presents its proposed budget for the 1949-50 fiscal year, you will notice that the direct income of the Federation comes almost entirely from the 40c per capita dues. Through an appropriation in the budget of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, which last year amounted to some \$54,000 and which this year had to be cut because of insufficient funds collected by the Union itself, the salaries of certain of our staff members, overhead expenses such as rent, heat, light, etc., as well as the service of a joint workroom and other facilities, are provided. All other needs, such as the expenses of carrying on the work of NFTS

Committees, service to the Sisterhoods, Speakers Bureau, training Institutes and meetings, printing and publications, traveling expenses and other administrative needs, must be found from our direct income. With per capita dues lower than in any other organization in American life, Jewish or non-Jewish, we are woefully understaffed and painfully behind in our work. Although comparison should not be necessary where need is so obvious, it is significant to note that the total money expended by our Union of American Hebrew Congregations last year for all its activities, including Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Youth, was less than that of one Jewish women's organization, and that the budget of the New York State division of another Jewish women's group is larger than that for the total program of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

In my message to the 1948 Biennial, I emphatically called this matter of the inadequacy of NFTS financing to your attention. I now call it to your attention again, and I shall appoint a committee at the Board meeting to study the problem with me and to recommend action to you.

COUNCIL OF STATE PRESIDENTS

Having spoken at such length of one matter which is a source of worry, I should now like to comment on another matter which I believe is and will continue to be a source of joy and of inspiration. I refer to the NFTS Council of State and District Federation Presidents, which held its second meeting in New York City earlier this month. Sixteen Presidents from coast to coast attended this meeting, participating in and contributing to many constructive discussions which must certainly be helpful in carrying forward the objective of State Federations, which is to intensify the program of the National Federation.

IN APPRECIATION

When people work together in a common cause over a long period of time, it is easy to take for granted the cooperation, consideration, kindness and understanding which makes accomplishment possible and association pleasant. To all who have worked with me during the past strenuous and demanding year I should like to say that I have not been unmindful of their friendship or their help.

To Jane Evans, our Executive Director, not only I, but the entire NFTS owes a debt of gratitude and affection not only for the unending loyalty and devotion which she brings to her work, or for the many hours of extra-curricular activity which she lavishes upon our cause, but for the brilliant and resourceful manner in which she continues to weather for us our many recurring emergencies. A word of heartfelt thanks also is in order to Josephine Schoenborn, who for some time now has ably, effectively and always graciously carried on the work of the Cincinnati office. The rest of the staff I shall have to leave unnamed, but I am sure they know of my and your deep appreciation.

May they and we, and all the members of our great Federation, be granted strength and wisdom to carry forward in these critical days our far-reaching program and our inspiring task.

(MRS. LOUIS A.) FRIEDA S. ROSETT, *President*

Report of the Executive Director

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

In the face of the exciting, stimulating and, at times, almost overwhelming achievements in the realm of physical science, made possible in recent years by the mind of man, the discrepancy in social achievement is doubly tragic. In the area of both self-control and the development of creative, peaceful, communal life, modern man lags painfully behind his scientific accomplishment. While it may seem trite to emphasize this discrepancy, it is a problem of utmost concern to those who recognize religious insight and discipline as the necessary catalyst whereby the too often separate realms of scientific progress and social progress can be harmoniously united.

SIZE OF THE FEDERATION

Sisterhoods represent a philosophy of life in which we recognize the Congregation as a logical unit of organization in the household of Israel through which we translate religious idealism into practical deed. Therefore, we are humbly grateful for the tremendous increase in the size of the Federation which each annual report so encouragingly reflects. One year ago, the Federation numbered 435 affiliated units throughout the United States and in six other countries of the United Nations—Canada, Cuba, Panama, the United Kingdom, Union of South Africa and Australia. Now, one year later, the Federation numbers 451 units with several additional groups in the process of affiliating. To all our members, both old and new, we offer not only heartfelt greetings but also a warm invitation to intensify their contribution to local congregational and communal life as well as to the service of other Jewish and humanitarian causes through increased interest in our program.

THE FUNDS OF THE FEDERATION

All details of the contributions of the Federation, made possible through the monies collected for special ear-marked funds, can be found in the reports of the respective NFTS Committees, such as those on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education, on Uniongrams, on Jewish Literature for the Blind, and for the House of Living Judaism.

In addition to ear-marked funds, NFTS has an income derived from the payment of dues of 40c per capita; State Federation dues of \$10 per annum; the sale of study materials and other aids. This money, combined with an annual grant from the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, makes possible the administration of the Federation. However, even the combined sum of our own direct income, plus that allowed us in the budget of the Union, is too small for truly efficient operation and adequate servicing of the organization. This harsh reality is true despite the fact that with limited income our work does compare most favorably with that of other organizations receiving several times our per capita income.

In the report of the NFTS Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education will be found the details both of the monies collected during

the fiscal year just closed as well as allocations made therein or now to be considered by the Executive Board. It should be noted that for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund there was raised during the 1948-49 fiscal period a gross sum of \$57,899.85. Of this sum \$36,579.20 represents the Uniongram Apportionment Profit of 20c on each 25c Uniongram (the remaining 5c involved per Uniongram covers the cost of printing, distributing and bookkeeping for the project). Of the more than \$36,000 thus raised this past year from the sale of Uniongrams—the distinctive Jewish message bearer for all occasions—all but a relatively small amount will probably be allocated by the Sisterhoods to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. Monies not so allocated will be returned upon request to local Sisterhoods for their use in underwriting free religious schools for underprivileged children, which schools must be entirely separate from the regular congregational religious school.

From the General Treasury of NFTS, there has been contributed to the Union the sum of \$1,500 for the joint Union-NFTS project of Lecture Institutes for Laymen and Teachers which made possible fifty lectures in sixteen United States communities. Also, from the General Treasury there was transmitted to the Union the sum of \$2,000 for salary adjustments.

To the World Union for Progressive Judaism, as a result of our annual Silver Coin collection, we transmitted \$2,800 which was an unfortunate drop from the \$4,500 contributed a year ago for the advance of Liberal Judaism on the world scene and especially for the rehabilitation of war-torn Progressive Congregations.

Additional United States Savings Bonds were purchased in the sum of \$80,000 face value for the House of Living Judaism.

The Publication Fund for new religious school literature, established by NFTS through a total contribution of \$22,500 (made in five annual installments of \$4,500 from the General Treasury), now equals \$40,203.73.

SERVICES OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICES

While the Cincinnati executive office continues to be the main center for service items and the filling of Sisterhood orders, including those for programs, Uniongrams and related items, NFTS also has an executive office in New York from which some areas of our work are carried forward, especially those of the House of Living Judaism, the Speakers' Bureau, Institutes on Judaism for the leaders of Christian Church women, and matters related to Braille transcription. However, it should be noted that unless specifically requested otherwise, all correspondence should go only to Cincinnati where records are maintained and supplies held.

During the fiscal year just closed, in addition to the regular releases of the monthly Packets for local Presidents, State Presidents and Board members (which include copies of all correspondence released by National Committee Chairmen), the executive office prepared a number of new Sisterhood aids in response to specific requests. These have included a new edition of the catalog of all NFTS materials called *Of Books and Things* which should be in the hands of every local and State Officer and Board member; the *Condensed Manual on Parliamentary Law and Procedure*, available at 25c each, which should appeal not only to officers and Board members of local and State groups, but also to the general memberships; badges for use at State and District Conventions by delegates, visitors and hostesses; name tags for use at meet-

ings. These name tags, which formerly were available only with the marking "New Member," are now printed not only for new members, but also for members, visitors and hostesses. These tags are priced at 5c each and can be used over a long period of time. New member tags will still be available free of charge up to the number of fifty per NFTS fiscal year per unit as part of our service outlined in the excellent NFTS publication, "How to Conduct a Sisterhood Membership Campaign."

As the need arises, publications are prepared for the various NFTS Committees. This year, a second edition of the *Jewish Family in the World Today*, by Margaret Mark and Bernard Starkoff, was released for the Committee on Child Study and Parent Education. A study course on the United Nations, called *To Unite Our Strength*, by Frances Thomas, was published for the Committee on Peace and World Relations, which also published the monthly digest called *Current Copy*, likewise edited by Mrs. Thomas. New Uniongram aids in the form of posters and sample Uniongrams with a message imprinted thereon were prepared. This past year has also seen the release of the very popular NFTS *Book of Prayers* which combines original prayers by Sisterhood members with a booklet originally published some years ago by the NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Still another publication this past year has been the annual *Supplement to the Book of Program and Study Materials* released for the Committee on Programs.

Topics and Trends, the four-page news sheet which is the bulletin of the Federation, continues to go five times yearly to the home address of every member. This bulletin must not be confused with a magazine which it neither is nor pretends to be. *Liberal Judaism* is the official magazine of our movement; *Topics and Trends*, which is only a house organ, is the one direct contact between NFTS and its local members. Within the limitations of its four pages, it attempts to give a cross-section of items of Sisterhood interest.

It is only fair to comment upon the enormous burden being carried by the staff which is far too small in proportion to the work that both must and should be done. Unfortunately, there are some delays in response to correspondence which is the price we pay for an ever-expanding organization whose staff expansions have in no way kept pace with our growth in size or program. The director, with the best will in the world and the most complete concentration on work, cannot accept speaking commitments which involve extensive travel and, at the same time be at her desk to stay abreast, with the other members of the staff, of more than a thousand communications a week. Likewise, the large and complicated preparations necessary for any NFTS conference, whether it be a State and District Presidents' Council, an Annual Meeting of the Board, or a Leadership Training Institute, must, of necessity, interfere with correspondence when there are literally only a handful of staff to handle all details. Only as we come to grips through an adequate reevaluation of our work and our sources of income, will this major difficulty of a bottleneck on some correspondence and services be overcome.

NEEDS OF THE FEDERATION

The first and primary need which has been consistently indicated in recent years is adequate income in order to increase the services that the Federation should render both to its members and to Jewish and humanitarian causes. No organization any-

where operates on per capita dues of 40c per member per year, which income, even when augmented with an annual grant from the parent body, the Union, is too small for our program.

Another primary need is a wider participation of volunteer personnel in the work of the Federation, especially through the Speakers' Bureau. This matter is, in part, related to adequate Speakers' and Leaders' Training Institutes. In this connection, it is interesting to note that several State and District Federations have included a full day of such Institutes in their Convention programs. During the week of January 23, 1950, in the City of New York, NFTS will hold a one-week Training Institute for Sisterhood leaders, past, present and potential. Classes will be held daily from Monday to Friday, inclusive, from 9:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., with a faculty which will cover such subjects as Basic Concepts of Judaism, the History and Practices of Reform Judaism, Techniques of Leadership and Public Speaking, and Specific Sisterhood Projects. Called "The Sisterhood School for Leaders," the course will be open only for those women who will register for the entire five-day period. Upon successful completion of assignments and regular attendance at all classes, certificates will be awarded. While the New York session will be open to any member of NFTS who desires to attend, it is natural to presume that the majority of our members who will register for this session will be from the eastern area of the country. Gradually, it is the hope of the Director that similar one-week Training Institutes will be held in other sections of the country.

Still another primary need of the Federation, on which the Executive Board may wish to take action, is for reevaluation between now and the 1950 Biennial Convention, of our By-Laws, looking toward fundamental changes which will redound to the advance of the Federation. While under our present By-Laws the Executive Committee may be called only in emergencies, the Board may wish to consider and recommend to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws that in addition to the Annual Meeting of the Board as a whole, there be at least one meeting a year of the Executive Committee so that the responsibility for the direction of the Federation, within the framework of policy established by the Biennial General Assemblies of the Federation and the Board, can be shared by officers, Executive Committee, Executive Board and professional staff in ever-increasing and mutually beneficial manner.

Another matter for evaluation is the number of NFTS Committees. At present, there are fifteen NFTS Committees of which two are special Committees of limited duration (the House of Living Judaism and the Committee on Post-War Service) and thirteen are permanent Committees laid down in the NFTS By-Laws. While a large Sisterhood may have most, if not all, of our fifteen Committees, in addition to many purely local Committees, large numbers of our medium and smaller sized units find it impractical or impossible to appoint as many Committees as we suggest. Possibly, the departmentalization of our work through the combination of Committees into groups, ultimately with a professional staff member assigned to work under the officers and chairmen of each department, might lead to greater efficiency and economy while at the same time making our program more meaningful for all our affiliates. For example, although more than 400 units have local chairmen on Programs and on Uniongrams, with few exceptions, only from one to two hundred of our groups, or less than half of the total, have appointed local chairmen on many of our other local

projects. This does not necessarily mean that the units without such chairmen do not participate in our program, but it does mean that they find it feasible to give such participation, when it appeals to them, without formally appointing Committees corresponding with those of NFTS.

SISTERHOOD LOAN FUND FOR NEW CONGREGATIONS

Through the interest of the officers and members of the Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, whose President is Mrs. William F. Rosenblum, Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Mrs. Rosett and the NFTS Director (who had the privilege of conferring with and speaking to the leaders and members of this group), a contribution of \$2,500 was transmitted in May of this year to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to initiate a "Sisterhood Loan Fund for New Congregations." In a communication accompanying their check, the Sisterhood wrote:

"The Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, in adopting this action, feels that Reform Judaism is the way of life for American Jews; and hopes thus to help it grow and be fortified. We hope that this fund will be one of the means by which many new congregations in all parts of our land will be aided and organized. We are deeply interested in this program and its progress; and we wish always to be apprised of its results and achievements.

"Our Board of Directors in voting this gift has requested the one stipulation—that if at any time the fund outlives its usefulness, and that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods deems it wise to revise this plan and/or divert this fund to other uses, that we be consulted and informed of such a consideration in advance of any change."

If it meets with the approval of the Executive Board, a joint committee of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods will administer this loan fund from which new congregations (and it should be noted that new Sisterhoods are a concomitant of every new congregation) may borrow for a limited time a loan which is of inestimable assistance to them during the early stages of organizing. If the Board approves, it is to be hoped that some of the other larger units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods may be encouraged to add sums of money to this loan fund which, despite the excellent work it is already doing, is handicapped by its size in proportion to the needs. A very warm vote of thanks is due the Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York for their pioneer effort in this field which marks the area of greatest advance for American Liberal Judaism, that of organizing new congregations and their affiliates.

SPEAKERS' BUREAU

During the fiscal year November 1, 1948-October 31, 1949, 28 speakers, including officers and the Director, addressed audiences in 89 communities in 33 States and Canada. Of this total, in addition to her other responsibilities, the Director addressed Sisterhood groups in 31 of the 89 communities reached. In addition, both the President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett and Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, attended the International Conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, speaking before the representatives in London, England.

On behalf of the Federation, heartfelt appreciation is offered to all who have carried Sisterhood inspiration and information to our affiliates. Special appreciation is extended to the following:

Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Stanley Brav, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Beryl Cohon, Brighton, Mass.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Norman J. Kauffmann, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Arthur Lorber, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. J. C. Newman, Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Harry Rosenbaum, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Evansville, Ind.; Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. M. M. Ullman, Natchez, Miss.; Mrs. Sidney Wallens, Buffalo, N. Y.

IN APPRECIATION

Within a matter of weeks after the 1948 Biennial Convention, Miss Esther Ciener, the extremely able Assistant to the Director, resigned as she was being married. Because of her many devoted friends in the Federation, may this report include the very personal note that Colonel and Mrs. Anthony Ortenzi, within the last week, became the proud parents of a potential new member of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, Regina Ortenzi.

Following Miss Ciener's retirement to private life, Miss Josephine Schoenborn, who for more than six years had carried, with great devotion, intelligence and ability, heavy responsibility in the Cincinnati NFTS office, was invited by NFTS and its parent body, the Union, to become a member of the executive staff with the title of Administrative Assistant in charge of the NFTS Cincinnati office. Miss Schoenborn, who is well grounded in every phase of NFTS work, has continued to be a tower of strength to the officers, the Director and all the members of the Federation.

In the New York office, Miss Frances Kuwent has assumed some of Miss Ciener's former duties and is the new Assistant to the Director. Miss Kuwent, who has an excellent educational and work background in Jewish life, served with distinction overseas during an extremely difficult period in the Warsaw office of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee before her return to the States and her acceptance of an executive post with us. With the exception of Miss Schoenborn, Miss Kuwent and the Director, there are no other executive staff members to share the burden of the work and the responsibility of the Federation program which could truthfully be well handled by a dozen rather than by three executives.

We continue to have, and are intensely proud of, our interracial, interfaith staff in which persons of differing faiths and races harmoniously work together in the interest of our program of service to Jewish and humanitarian causes. They clearly understand that the advancement of one people redounds to the advancement of all peoples. To each member of the staff from the executives, Miss Kuwent and Miss Schoenborn, to other equally devoted and able co-workers of the Federation, includ-

ing Miss Elaine Jackson, who handles today the correspondence of the House of Living Judaism; Mrs. David Haber, the Director's secretary in the New York office; Mrs. Leo Irish, Miss Kuwent's secretary; Miss Bess Robbins, Mrs. Coralee Jackson, and Mrs. Esther Link, office assistants in the Cincinnati office, the Director offers not only the truly deep appreciation of the Federation for their unstinting service, but also her profound gratitude for their never failing support and cooperation. In a very real sense the Federation moves forward on the basis of their excessively hard work behind the scenes.

At the State and District Presidents' Council which will be held prior to the 1949 Annual Board Meeting, though just after the close of the fiscal year, the dinner of that session will have as its guest of honor, Miss Helen L. Strauss, who has completed, with great distinction, her splendid work as Director of the House of Living Judaism Campaign. Throughout the past two decades, in one executive capacity or another, Miss Strauss has given a total of nineteen years of distinguished service to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates. Now, as she turns to new fields of endeavor, she carries with her both the friendship and the good wishes of the officers and members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

To Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, the President of the Union, and to all my colleagues on the general secretariat of the Union, I offer both for the Federation and myself words of heartfelt appreciation for their concurrent efforts in the cause we mutually serve.

To all the members of the Federation and its officers and especially to Mrs. Rosett, our President, with whom the Director has the great privilege of working in closest cooperation and the honor of being inspired by her selfless devotion, brilliant effort and creative energy expended in our behalf, I offer humble gratitude.

CONCLUSION

In a recent volume, an American educator and philosopher, Dr. Harry A. Overstreet, has asserted: "The religious life . . . is the one in which there is a constant effort to link oneself, in joy and contribution, to all the life-giving movements of one's world." Every member of a Sisterhood, in whatever capacity she serves in local, State or National Federation, has the opportunity thereby to participate, in joy and contribution, to the life-giving movements of our turbulent, dynamic world.

JANE EVANS, *Executive Director*

REPORT OF The Treasurer

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The fiscal year of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods ends on the day this report is dated. Therefore, since monies are still in transit and obligations that affect the 1948-49 fiscal year must still be settled, a complete Treasurer's report cannot be submitted at this time. Furthermore, the audit of the NFTS 1948-49 fiscal period cannot be completed until later in the year. Under these circumstances, all figures contained herein are subject to adjustment.

This incomplete statement will cover only the Income and Expenditures of the General Fund of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The monies of all other funds, such as the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, the House of Living Judaism, and other ear-marked projects, are separate from the General Fund and reflected in the reports of the respective Committee Chairmen. Based, then, on an estimate of the probable results of the fiscal year, November 1, 1948 to October 31, 1949, and subject to adjustment and audit, the figures of the General Fund are:

Estimated Receipts	\$ 47,505.00
Estimated Disbursements	59,653.38

Probable General Fund Deficit.....	\$ 12,148.38
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It should be noted that the Income of the General Fund is approximately \$1,793.00 more than the receipts for the fiscal year that closed October 31, 1948, due largely to an increase in membership with a resultant increase in dues.

(MRS. AARON L.) LEORA L. LAMBIE, *Treasurer*

Pittsburgh, Pa., February 15, 1950

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

At the meeting of the Executive Board held in St. Louis, Mo., November 29-December 1, 1949, the Treasurer submitted a tentative report of the estimated receipts and expenditures for the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' fiscal year of November 1, 1948 to October 31, 1949. Due to the fact that certain adjustments were still in the process of being made and that the audit for the 1948-49 fiscal year was not completed, the report at that time had to be tentative.

Therefore, a final report is submitted herewith which gives the actual receipts and disbursements of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1949. The details are taken from the Auditors' Report on file in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Executive Office in Cincinnati.

NFTS GENERAL FUND

Receipts:

Income from Dues	\$ 28,857.60
State Federation Dues	180.00
20% of Uniongram Receipts	9,144.80
Sales of Materials	10,341.60
Interests on Loan and Savings Accounts.....	235.58

Total Receipts		\$48,759.58
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Expenditures:

Committees, Projects, and Administration Expenses	\$ 29,376.42
Membership Contacts, Special Services and Public Relations	7,120.34
Production of Salable Materials.....	11,922.87
Subsidies and Subventions	3,910.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	848.19

Total Direct Expenditures.....	\$ 53,177.82
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UAHC Appropriated Expenditures for

NFTS Operations	52,773.34
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Total Expenditures	\$105,951.16
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Less: Amount Paid by UAHC.....	52,773.34	53,177.82
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Operating Deficit of NFTS for year ended 10/31/49.....	\$ 4,418.24
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Non-Budgetary Expenditures for 1948-49.....	\$ 4,470.48
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Total Operating Deficit for 1948-49.....	\$ 8,888.72
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The following Bank Balances agree with the report submitted by me to the Executive Director at the office of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods:

Balance on hand in Banks, November 1, 1948, after reconciliation (Central Trust Co.; Southern Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Co.; Provident Bank and Savings Co.; Fifth-Third Union Trust Co., all of Cincinnati, Ohio; Bank of the Manhattan Co., New York City, and the

Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, Canada.....	\$126,157.54
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Received from Various Sources—November 1, to October 31.....	198,614.25
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Total	\$324,771.79
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Paid out as per Vouchers—November 1, to October 31.....	\$219,564.05
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Balance in Banks—(October 31, 1949).....	\$105,207.74
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Attached herewith is a statement of the Financial Condition of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the year ended October 31, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. AARON) LEORA L. LAMBIE, *Treasurer*

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
October 31, 1949

	Total	General Fund	HUC Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	"House of Living Judaism" Fund	Special Funds for Designated Purposes
ASSETS					
Cash in banks and on hand.....	\$105,357.74	\$ 4,558.33	\$35,328.49	\$61,978.60	\$3,492.32
Cash on deposit with Union of American Hebrew Congregations....	1,000.00	1,000.00			
Investments (at cost).....	252,654.50	12,950.00	37,000.00	202,704.50	
Demand note receivable from Union of American Hebrew Congregations (balance).....	2,250.00	2,250.00(b)			
Deposit with travel agencies.....	425.00	425.00			
Accounts and contributions receivable.....	2,160.00	1,594.50(d)	565.50		
Total Assets	\$363,847.24	\$22,777.83(a)	\$72,893.99	\$264,683.10	\$3,492.32
LIABILITIES					
Due to Union of American Hebrew Congregations.....	\$ 21,947.25	\$ 1,347.25	\$20,600.00		
Account payable (estimated).....	1,500.00	1,500.00(d)			
Deferred income—available for 1949-1950 and subsequent years..	2,228.99	7.20	2,221.79		
Due to Sisterhoods for Free Religious Schools.....	308.80		308.80		
Total Liabilities	\$ 25,985.04	\$ 2,854.45	\$23,130.59		
RESERVES AND SURPLUS					
Mrs. Martha Steinfeld Reserve.....	\$ 616.07				\$ 616.07(c)
Contributions for Braille Machine.....	40.00				40.00
Reserve for Committee on Child Study and Parent Education.....	100.00				100.00
Reserve for World Union for Progressive Judaism— Silver Coin Collection.....	236.25				236.25
Temple Israel Sisterhood Synagogue Loan Fund.....	2,500.00				2,500.00
"House of Living Judaism" Principal (exclusive of unpaid pledges of \$11,900).....	264,683.10			\$264,683.10	
Accumulated Surplus—October 31, 1949.....	69,686.78	\$19,923.38	\$49,763.40		
Total Reserves and Surplus	\$337,862.20	\$19,923.38	\$49,763.40	\$264,683.10	\$3,492.32
Total	\$363,847.24	\$22,777.83	\$72,893.99	\$264,683.10	\$3,492.32

- Notes: (a) The above assets do not include unpaid balances aggregating \$5,267.87 due on sales of Uniongrams and other articles and inventories of salable materials. Income from these sources is credited when collected.
- (b) The note receivable from U.A.H.C. is dated February 20, 1931 and bears 5% interest although 3% is being repaid by agreement. The original loan was for \$30,000; \$1,000 was repaid in 1948-49.
- (c) Interest amounting to \$12.08 has been added to the Reserve for the year ended October 31, 1949.
- (d) The sum of \$1,501.12 advanced to the Executive Director is awaiting an accounting, and the liability of \$1,500 due to the Executive Director for traveling expenses is subject to adjustment based on the submission of vouchers.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Child Study and Parent Education

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the

National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is most exciting to learn that the first printing of "The Jewish Family in the World Today" is entirely "sold out." A reprinting has been ordered. Not only has the Study Course been ordered and read—*it has been used*.

It is most gratifying to hear from all over the country of the discussion groups which have been formed, of the corollary book-shelves, workshops, ceremonial Judaica displays and the like, which have grown up along with them.

It is most heartening to see the whole concept of family life education grow in our Sisterhoods and Temples. Numerous Temples have inaugurated Family Night, and the religious education of the *whole family*, and the *family as a whole*.

The Jew was the first to say, "Religion is a way of life," and it must be apparent that more and more in our day, ways must be sought to make our religion a way of our daily life. To do so, we must know the tenets of our faith and the manner in which to translate them into every-day living.

DISCUSSION AT BIENNIAL

At the Boston Biennial we held a splendid discussion on adult education. There we discussed "target groups"—groups of homogeneous interest we might "aim at"—and then suitable "arrows" to aim at these groups. In other words, material which we thought suitable for use by the various groups.

DIRECTIVES TO LOCAL GROUPS

In presenting material to submit to groups, we have been concerned with both *Content* and *Method*; *WHAT* material we feel can be useful and *HOW* it can be transmitted to our children and made a part of their thinking, as well as our own.

The Chairman has had many satisfying experiences this last year in this connection. To quote from a typical letter from two young women in White Plains, N.Y.: "Not alone did speaking with you help clarify our thinking on the subject, but the little booklet 'The Jewish Family in the World Today' is a treasure of helpfulness."

The enthusiasm exhibited at the Convention of NFTS District Federation No. 20 by a group of young, vigorous women from the Middle West was particularly satisfying, in that in the short time that has elapsed since the Boston Biennial was held, new study groups, youth groups and Judaica shops have been established in various Sisterhoods of this and other Districts. So we see *enthusiasm* carrying over into *action*.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Based upon the best thinking in the field and within our own Committee, which was formed some thirty years ago when the "child-centered" thinking of that time was dominant, we evolved the name "Child Study" Committee. Then within the next

decade, with the realization that the problem-child was created by the problem-parent, the name was changed to "Child Study and Parent Education Committee." Now after a third decade, and consistent with the growth of the concept of our function, I recommend that the name of the Committee be changed to "*Committee on Family.*"

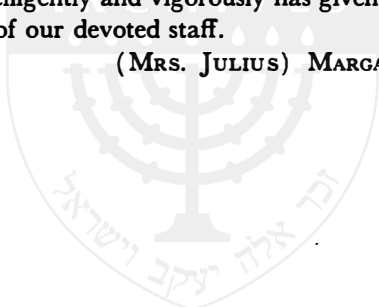
CONCLUSION

Of necessity during the last number of years, we Jews have given our major efforts to alleviate the suffering of our brethren overseas and to rehabilitate great numbers in Israel, the United States and other countries.

It seems to me apparent that we are ready for a change of emphasis. Strengthening our own Judaism on the American scene must have primacy for United States units, and in their respective lands for our other groups. The vitalizing of our faith and that of our children must be given preeminence. We must now build a strong Temple of Religion for our future in America and in the other countries where NFTS Sisterhoods are located. Thus, we and our children may have our faces turned toward the light of a new day and truly look forward to a better tomorrow.

I conclude with heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our President, who in her charming manner has carried our message to the Sisterhoods, and to Miss Jane Evans, our Director, who so intelligently and vigorously has given guidance to our work, as well as to each member of our devoted staff.

(MRS. JULIUS) MARGARET MARK, *Chairman*



REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education

Cleveland, Ohio, October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies :

To all of us, this past year has brought a growing realization of the primary importance of the need for emphasis on a religiously-centered life in our communities and in our countries. The impact of events abroad have brought a sharp awareness to us that, as a religious group, our stature and dignity are entirely dependent upon a positive approach to our spiritual heritage and tradition as a religiously-inspired people.

In a world writhing in the chaos and evil of dictatorship over the spirit of man, we can best serve both ourselves as individuals and contribute to our countries at our highest level if our lives are consciously motivated by our ancient guide-post—that the commandments of God “shall be a sign upon our hands and frontlets between our eyes.”

It is this realization that moves us ever more strongly to the support of our religious institutions and the furtherance of their aims. As members of the Reform or Liberal wing of Jewry, we implement our religious motivation by our interest and support of our religious leaders so that we may strengthen their hands in their efforts for a better world wherein the spirit of man may function at its most noble and selfless level.

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, keenly conscious of its responsibility of being the supporting arm of Reform or Liberal Jewry, has concluded a year of outstanding effort for the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. All who have contributed to the fund, whether through the sale of Uniongrams or through cash contributions, should join the Chairman in reviewing with humble pride and deep satisfaction the projects which we have thus been able to support during the 1948-1949 fiscal year:

1. A contribution of \$20,000 (on a total request of \$35,000) has been made to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations toward religious educational activities, including its Department of Youth Activities. The additional \$15,000 will be considered and undoubtedly approved at the NFTS Executive Board meeting in St. Louis, Mo., November 29-December 1, 1949.

2. A contribution of \$10,000 has been made on account to the Hebrew Union College for Scholarships for students in need of such assistance toward dormitory residence fees on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. The NFTS Board will consider a further contribution from this year's collections to meet the total request (of more than \$15,000) from the College authori-

ties for this scholarship assistance which is annually forthcoming from our Federation.

3. A Graduate Fellowship in the sum of \$1,500 has been made available for the second consecutive year to Mrs. Johanna Spector, a concentration camp survivor, who is now completing the work for her doctorate degree in Jewish musicology at the Hebrew Union College.

4. The sum of \$20,000 was made available to the Hebrew Union College for additional refurbishing of the Dormitory which was erected in 1923 as a gift from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. This sum raises to an approximate total of \$26,000 monies recently expended by NFTS from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund toward the refurbishing of the Dormitory on the Cincinnati campus of the HUC-JIR. The November, 1949, Executive Board session will consider a request from the College for additional refurbishing to complete the task.

5. The sum of \$2,000 voted in a previous year has recently been transmitted to the Honorable Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., as a memorial from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the refurbishing of the lounge of the service center known as the West Central Club. During World War II, on the night of April 16-17, 1941, the beautiful building of the West Central Club and Synagogue, whose lay minister is Miss Montagu, sustained a direct bomb hit with a resulting loss of the lives of twenty-seven young girls and women who were members or staff personnel.

**Table of Income for the Fiscal Year
November 1, 1948-October 31, 1949**

Cash Contributions including Stella Freiberg Contribution, I. M. Wise Fund, deferred income from 1947-48 and monies due from Canadian units.....	\$21,320.65
Uniongram Apportionment Profit (Net).....	36,579.20
Total 1948-49 Receipts	\$57,899.85
Deferred for 1949-50.....	2,221.79
Net Receipts for 1948-49.....	\$55,678.06
Net Receipts for Preceding Year.....	54,378.30
Gain Over Preceding Year.....	\$ 1,299.76

**Table of Expenditures During Fiscal Year*
November 1, 1948-October 31, 1949**

To the Union of American Hebrew Congregations:	
For Religious Education and Youth Work.....	\$35,000.00
Due for Hebrew Union College Scholarships Year 1948-49	15,600.00**
To Sisterhoods for Free Religious Schools (Designated Uniongram Apportionments of 1948-49).....	451.20
Fellowship	1,500.00
Refurnishing Lounge of West Central Club, London.....	2,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$54,551.20

The activities and monies listed in this report represent in a large measure the support and cooperation given to the Committee by the Uniongram Committee, the National President of NFTS, the Executive Director and the professional staff and above all else, the high priority given to the aims and work of this Committee on

*This table does not include the expenditure of an additional \$10,000 toward refurbishing needs of the Hebrew Union College, approved in 1947-48 by the NFTS Executive Board and taken from the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Reserve Fund.

**Subject to approval by the NFTS Executive Board.

the National, State, and Local Sisterhood level. To all who have contributed to our strength, a grateful Chairman extends words of heartfelt appreciation. Let us face a New Year of service to Jewish and humanitarian causes through rededication of ourselves and our resources to the ideals and the projects reflected through the work of this Committee.

(MRS. SOL) ANNE GITSON, *Chairman*

Distinguished Service List

Contributions of \$500.00 or More

		1948-49
California		
San Francisco.....	Temple Emanu-El Guild	\$ 500.00
Connecticut		
Hartford.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		500.00
District of Columbia		
Washington.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation.....	500.00
Illinois		
Chicago.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel.....	500.00
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	646.48
Louisiana		
New Orleans.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Gates of Prayer.....	500.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue.....	500.00
Maryland		
Baltimore.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	720.00
	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.....	500.00
Massachusetts		
Boston.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Oabei Shalom.....	500.00
Michigan		
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	500.00
New Jersey		
Newark.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun.....	500.00
New York		
New York.....	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El.....	516.00
Ohio		
Cincinnati.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Cleveland.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	540.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel.....	500.00
Oklahoma		
Oklahoma City.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	663.20
Pennsylvania		
Harrisburg.....	Sisterhood of Oheb Shalom.....	500.00
Pittsburgh.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	2,070.00

1948-49

South Carolina

Columbia..... Sisterhood Tree of Life.....\$ 554.40

Tennessee

Memphis..... Temple Israel Sisterhood 500.00

Texas

Dallas..... Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood 500.00

Washington

Seattle..... Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch..... 696.00

Wisconsin

Milwaukee..... Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun..... 600.00

Honor Roll

Contributions of \$350.00-\$500.00

1948-49

Alabama

Birmingham..... Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood\$ 350.00

California

Hollywood..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 350.00

San Francisco..... Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood..... 350.00

Santa Monica..... Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood..... 368.00

Georgia

Atlanta..... The Temple Sisterhood 350.00

Illinois

Chicago..... Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel..... 350.00

Temple Emanuel Sisterhood 350.00

Women of Mizpah 350.00

Temple Sholom Sisterhood 350.00

Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood..... 350.40

Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00

Glencoe..... North Shore Temple Sisterhood..... 350.40

Indiana

Indianapolis..... The Temple Sisterhood 350.00

Iowa

Davenport..... Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel..... 350.40

Kentucky

Louisville..... Adath Israel Sisterhood 350.00

Maryland

Baltimore..... Har Sinai Sisterhood 350.00

Minnesota

Minneapolis..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 350.00

St. Paul..... Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple..... 350.00

Missouri

Kansas City..... The Temple Sisterhood—B'nai Jehudah..... 350.00

Nebraska

Omaha..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 353.52

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New Jersey

New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....\$ 400.00

New York

Albany.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	450.00
Brooklyn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Shalom.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Beth Shalom People's Temple.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Union Temple.....	350.40
Buffalo.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood.....	350.00
Great Neck.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	400.80
Lawrence, L. I.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	425.00
New Rochelle.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
New York.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue.....	364.00
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		350.00

Ohio

Columbus.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	450.00
Dayton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	417.00
Toledo.....	Sisterhood of Collingwood Avenue Temple.....	350.00
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		450.00

Oregon

Portland.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.40
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Pennsylvania

Easton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Covenant of Peace.....	350.00
Philadelphia.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	354.00

Tennessee

Nashville.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood.....	412.00
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Texas

Houston.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
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West Virginia

Charleston.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood.....	350.40
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Canada

Toronto.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	352.00
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Honorable Mention

Contributions to the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
Increased by at Least 5% (but not less than \$1.00) during 1948-49

	1947-48	1948-49
Alabama		
Bessemer.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	\$ 8.00
Dothan.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	\$ 53.60 56.28
Jasper.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	25.00 26.40
Sheffield-Florence- Tuscumbia.....	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	16.00 17.00
Arizona		
Phoenix.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	52.00 60.00
Tucson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	126.40 132.80
Arkansas		
Blytheville.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	4.00 5.60
Ft. Smith.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	69.00 86.40

		1947-48	1948-49
Helena.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El.....	\$ 12.00	\$ 13.60
Jonesboro.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	12.80	13.80
Little Rock.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	184.80	195.20
Pine Bluff.....	Sisterhood Anshe Emeth	84.20	97.00

California

Alameda.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	2.40	12.00
Berkeley.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	.....	24.00
Beverly Hills.....	Emanuel Sisterhood .....	.....	40.00
Hollywood (North).....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	37.80	95.00
Long Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	157.60	165.60
Los Angeles.....	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood	17.00	33.00
	Temple Judea Sisterhood	1.00	8.00
	University Synagogue Sisterhood	45.20	48.00
Redondo Beach.....	South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood.....	32.00	33.60
Riverside.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood .....	.....	7.90
Sacramento.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	172.65	280.00
San Bernardino.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	30.00	31.50
San Gabriel.....	Temple Beth David Sisterhood.....	24.20	32.80
San Jose.....	San Jose Temple Sisterhood.....	32.00	44.00
Santa Ana.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	16.90	35.20
Santa Barbara.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith.....	.....	4.00
Stockton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	38.85	44.00
San Diego.....	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary.....	40.00	42.40

Colorado

Colorado Springs.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	48.00	56.00
Denver.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	220.00	240.00
Trinidad.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood	8.00	9.00

Connecticut

Bridgeport.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	8.00	28.00
Danbury.....	Sisterhood of United Jewish Center.....	8.00	9.00
New Haven.....	Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood.....	16.00	52.00
South Norwalk.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	.....	4.00
Waterbury.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	42.40	44.52

Delaware

Wilmington.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth.....	28.00	127.20
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Florida

Coral Gables.....	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center.....	14.40
Daytona Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	32.00	48.00
Jacksonville.....	Temple Sisterhood	80.00	84.00
Miami.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	.....	40.00
Miami Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	80.00	84.00
Pensacola.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	61.00	68.00
St. Petersburg.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El.....	28.00	29.40
Tallahassee.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	39.20	41.60
Tampa.....	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood	77.60	81.60
West Palm Beach.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	30.24	32.00

Georgia

Albany.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	8.00	9.60
Bainbridge.....	Temple Beth-El Guild .....	.....	4.00
Brunswick.....	Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood	20.40	34.00
Columbus.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society.....	85.89	90.60
Rome.....	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood	13.40	17.50
Savannah.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel.....	50.00	52.50
Thomasville.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	8.00	9.60
Waycross.....	The Daughters of Abraham.....	10.00	11.00
Dalton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	.....	8.00

Illinois

Bloomington.....	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood.....	36.00	38.40
Chicago.....	Beth Am Sisterhood	20.00	252.80
	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	48.80	54.40
	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood.....	198.39	224.30

	1947-48	1948-49
Chicago (cont'd).....		
Sisterhood of Temple Ezra.....	\$ 24.00	\$ 60.80
Temple Judea Sisterhood	60.20	63.40
Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	59.20	152.80
Danville.....		1.60
Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....		
Decatur.....		95.20
B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood.....	90.40	
Kankakee.....		78.00
B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	66.00	
Rockford.....	188.40	198.40
Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....		
Springfield.....	26.40	52.00
Sisterhood of B'rith Sholom Temple.....		

Indiana

Anderson.....	45.68	47.96
Anderson Jewish Sisterhood		
Hammond.....	85.00	191.00
Beth El Sisterhood		
Kokomo.....	16.80	18.40
Jewish Temple Sisterhood		
arion.....	44.60	46.83
Sinai Temple Sisterhood		
Michigan City.....	24.00	82.00
Sinai Temple Sisterhood		
Muncie.....	69.24	82.30
Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....		
Richmond.....		11.00
Richmond Jewish Sisterhood		
South Bend.....	196.80	206.64
Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....		
Terre Haute.....	179.28	188.24
Temple Israel Sisterhood		

Iowa

Cedar Rapids.....	31.20	62.40
Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....		
Des Moines.....	318.80	336.30
Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood.....		
Sioux City.....	140.00	160.00
Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai.....		

Kansas

Leavenworth.....	1.60	8.00
Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun		
Topeka.....	22.40	45.10
Beth Sholom Sisterhood		
Wichita.....	110.04	130.40
Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood		

Kentucky

Ashland.....	34.40	36.80
Temple Sisterhood		
Henderson.....	10.80	14.80
Adas Israel Sisterhood		
Hopkinsville.....	4.00	5.60
Adath Israel Ladies Auxiliary.....		
Lexington.....	122.24	128.40
Adath Israel Sisterhood		
Louisville.....	164.24	172.45
B'rith Sholom Sisterhood		
Paducah.....	104.32	125.53
Temple Israel Sisterhood		

Louisiana

Baton Rouge.....	37.60	39.50
Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood		
Bogalusa.....		13.00
Beth El Sisterhood		
Houma.....	32.72	34.37
Beth El Sisterhood		
Lake Charles.....	35.20	55.00
Temple Sinai Sisterhood		
Monroe.....	71.00	75.00
Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....		
Morgan City.....	14.60	23.00
The Morgan City Sisterhood.....		
New Iberia.....	8.00	16.00
Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer.....		
Shreveport.....	136.60	156.40
Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple.....		

Maryland

Cumberland.....	16.00	36.00
B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood.....		
Hagerstown.....		26.40
B'nai Abraham Sisterhood		

Massachusetts

Boston.....	140.00	147.20
Temple Sinai Sisterhood		
Brockton.....		20.00
Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....		
Lawrence.....	20.00	60.00
Sisterhood Temple Emanuel		
Pittsfield.....	28.37	29.78
Temple Sisterhood		
Worcester.....		32.80
Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....		

Michigan

Alpena.....		3.20
Sisterhood Temple Beth-El		
Battle Creek.....	12.00	22.40
Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....		
Detroit.....	136.00	195.00
Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....		
Flint.....	140.00	152.00
Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....		
Jackson.....	52.00	55.20
Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....		
Muskegon.....	143.20	160.00
Sisterhood B'nai Israel		
Petoskey.....	4.00	13.60
B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....		
Pontiac.....	221.10	232.40
Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....		
Saginaw.....	28.00	32.00
Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....		

		1947-48	1948-49
Minnesota			
Duluth	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	\$ 26.60	\$ 27.93

Mississippi			
Brookhaven.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom	19.00	20.00
Canton.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel	33.10	34.75
Clarksdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	322.00	338.40
Cleveland.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	70.40	74.40
Columbus.....	Temple Sisterhood	34.30	36.80
Drew and Ruleville.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville.....	58.63	62.00
Greenville.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood.....	128.29	134.70
Greenwood.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	14.40	16.00
Hattiesburg.....	Temple Sisterhood	20.00	21.00
Jackson.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	175.20	183.96
Laurel.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	25.60	26.88
Lexington.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood	7.20	8.20
Meridian.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	108.93	114.37
Tupelo.....	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood	20.00	28.00
Vicksburg.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood.....	179.48	188.45

Missouri			
Joplin.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	51.20	58.40
St. Joseph.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood	104.80	110.40
St. Louis.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.....	96.00	105.00
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood	318.65	334.58
	United Hebrew Ladies Aid Society.....		40.00
Springfield.....	Sisterhood of United Hebrew Congregations.....	4.80	32.00

Nebraska			
Lincoln.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood.....	23.20	24.80

Nevada			
Las Vegas.....	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center.....		20.00

New Jersey			
Hackensack.....	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	32.00	33.60
Hoopoken.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno.....	23.20	24.80
Jersey City.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	53.60	56.80
Long Branch.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood.....	16.00	24.00
Orange.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo.....	138.40	206.40
Paterson.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood	56.00	60.00
Trenton.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood	16.00	25.00

New York			
Batavia.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	33.60	36.00
Bellerose.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom.....		12.00
Brooklyn.....	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim.....	237.40	249.60
	Sisterhood of Shaari Zedek	16.00	17.60
Cortlandt.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....		16.00
Elmhurst.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanu-El of Queens.....		37.60
Elmira.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	88.00	92.40
Elmont.....	Sisterhood Temple B'nai Israel.....		20.00
Flushing.....	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	111.20	122.40
Hempstead.....	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple.....	83.67	97.80
Jamaica.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	82.40	92.00
Newburgh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	87.40	91.77
New York.....	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant.....	114.00	120.00
	Sisterhood of Ft. Washington.....		2.40
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim.....	1.60	7.20
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle.....	16.00	22.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.	127.20	140.00
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood	124.00	130.40
	Village Temple Sisterhood		4.80
	Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue		12.80
Niagara Falls.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	96.00	101.60

		1947-48	1948-49
Olean.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	\$ 36.20	\$ 52.00
Plattsburg.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood		1.60
Rochester.....	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood	72.00	80.00
Rockville Centre.....	Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County.....	114.40	140.00
Rye.....	Sisterhood of Community Synagogue.....		28.00
Schenectady.....	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven.....	15.20	16.20
Staten Island.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....		23.20
Syracuse.....	Sisterhood of Society of Concord.....	160.00	168.00
Troy.....	Sisterhood of Third Street Temple.....	38.40	40.80
White Plains.....	Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center	42.40	97.60
Yonkers.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	16.80	59.20

North Carolina

Gastonia.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	20.20	21.60
Goldsboro.....	Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....		10.00
New Bern.....	B'nai Sholem Temple Sisterhood.....		5.00
Raleigh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or.....	23.20	24.80
Rocky Mount.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	10.00	11.00
Wilmington.....	Sisterhood Ladies Concordia Society.....		4.00

North Dakota

Fargo.....	Beth El Sisterhood	40.00	42.40
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Ohio

Alliance.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	17.60	22.40
Ashtabula.....	Sisterhood of Tifereth Israel		20.00
Bellaire.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood.....	56.50	59.32
Cleveland.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	27.60	36.00
East Liverpool.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	16.80	18.40
Elyria.....	Elyria Sisterhood	10.60	34.00
Fremont.....	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple.....	4.00	16.80
Hamilton.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	78.00	82.00
Lorain.....	Lorain Temple Sisterhood	76.00	92.00
Mansfield.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	64.00	67.20
Piqua.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	27.20	28.56
Portsmouth.....	The Temple Sisterhood	70.70	74.23
Sandusky.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	17.60	20.80
Youngstown.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	182.30	191.41
Zanesville.....	Findlay Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	5.00	6.00

Oklahoma

Muskogee.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood.....	16.00	17.00
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Pennsylvania

Altoona.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	36.00	48.00
Clearfield.....	Clearfield Sisterhood	20.80	22.40
Erie.....	The Temple Sisterhood	88.00	260.00
Greensburg.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	1.00	156.20
Hazleton.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	88.00	100.80
Honesdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	16.40	17.22
Johnstown.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	132.00	139.20
McKeesport.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	80.88	84.92
New Castle.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	16.00	17.60
Philadelphia.....	Sisterhood of Beth David Reform Congregation.....	40.00	42.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea.....	100.00	140.00
Pittsburgh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	40.00	168.00
Reading.....	Sisterhood Temple Oheb Shalom.....	80.00	114.40
Scranton.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple.....	120.00	170.80
Wilkes-Barre.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith.....	16.00	19.40
Williamsport.....	Sisterhood Beth Ha-Sholom	40.00	43.20
Willow Grove.....	Old York Road Jewish Community Center Sisterhood.....		4.00

South Carolina

Bishopville.....	Hebrew Sisterhood	17.00	18.00
Camden.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	7.20	8.80
Charleston.....	K. K. B. E. Temple Sisterhood.....	103.32	108.48
Darlington.....	Temple Sisterhood	24.00	37.50

		1947-48	1948-49
Dillon.....	Temple Sisterhood	\$ 18.00	\$ 20.00
Florence.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	35.53	72.00
Georgetown.....	Temple Sisterhood	18.60	56.00
Lake City-Kingstree.....	Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood	37.06	38.91
Sumter.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple.....	74.40	78.40

South Dakota

Sioux Falls.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	18.60	53.60
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Tennessee

Brownsville.....	The Temple Sisterhood	26.68	32.60
Chattanooga.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple.....	84.00	88.80
Jackson.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	33.60	40.00
Knoxville.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	94.40	99.12

Texas

Alice.....	Jewish Sisterhood	8.40	9.40
Austin.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	36.80	40.00
Beaumont.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	49.00	52.20
Big Spring.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	8.00	17.55
Brownsville.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	8.00	9.00
Corpus Christi.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	9.00	16.00
El Paso.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	67.46	108.00
Ft. Worth.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	217.66	228.54
Houston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	263.20	276.36
Lufkin.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	27.80	30.00
Marshall.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore.....	.....	16.80
Port Arthur.....	Sisterhood of Rodef Shalom.....	21.00	25.00
San Antonio.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	176.80	186.40
Tyler.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	20.00	21.60
Wichita Falls.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	12.80	14.40

Utah

Salt Lake City.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	9.60	67.00
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Vermont

St. Johnsbury.....	Beth El Sisterhood	2.00	5.00
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Virginia

Bristol.....	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood	19.20
Charlottesville.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	26.00	27.30
Lynchburg.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue.....	113.60	120.00
Norfolk.....	The Sisterhood of Ohef Sholom Temple.....	147.00	154.40
Richmond.....	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood	117.60	123.48
Roanoke.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	72.00	85.60

Washington

Spokane.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	20.00	56.00
Tacoma.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	84.00	88.20

West Virginia

Bekley.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	28.60	30.40
Clarksburg.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood.....	72.44	80.00
Fairmont.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood	45.60	52.00
Logan.....	Temple Sisterhood	32.00	33.60
Morgantown.....	Morgantown Sisterhood	64.00	67.20
Welch.....	Emanuel Sisterhood	47.25	64.00
Wheeling.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	75.00
Williamson.....	Temple Sisterhood	52.00	54.60

Wisconsin

Appleton.....	Zion Temple Sisterhood	38.25	40.40
Madison.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	39.20	69.60
Oshkosh.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	87.92	93.00

Canada

Montreal.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	112.00	128.00
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF

Contributions to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

With the exception of Districts 23 and 25, the divisions listed in this report are State and District units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The following symbol (*) indicates groups that are not members of the District Federation under which they are listed.

DISTRICT No. 1—\$1,394.78 New England

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1948-49
Boston, Mass.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	\$ 500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom.....	500.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	147.20
Brockton, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	20.00
Lawrence, Mass.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	60.00
Lynn, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	32.00
Pittsfield, Mass.....	Temple Sisterhood	29.78
Springfield, Mass.**	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	16.00
Worcester, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	32.80
Providence, R. I.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	52.00
St. Johnsbury, Vt.*	Beth El Sisterhood	5.00

DISTRICT No. 2—\$1,137.52 Connecticut

(The Rose Zunder Memorial)

Bridgeport, Conn.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	\$ 28.00
Danbury, Conn.*	Sisterhood of United Jewish Center.....	9.00
Hartford, Conn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
New Haven, Conn.....	Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood.....	52.00
So. Norwalk, Conn.*	Sisterhood of South Norwalk.....	4.00
Waterbury, Conn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	44.52
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		500.00

DISTRICT No. 3—\$7,573.57 New York¹

Albany, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	\$ 450.00
Batavia, N. Y.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	36.00
Bellerose, N. Y.*	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom.....	12.00
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom.....	350.00
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim.....	249.60
	Sisterhood of Beth Emeth of Flatbush (In memory of Rabbi Samuel J. Levinson).....	350.00
	Sisterhood Beth Sholom People's Temple.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue.....	40.00
	Sisterhood Shaarai Zedek	17.60
	Sisterhood of Union Temple.....	350.40
Buffalo, N. Y.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood	350.00
Cortlandt, N. Y.*	Sisterhood Temple Israel	16.00
Elmhurst, N. Y.*	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel of Queens.....	37.60
Elmira, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	92.40
Elmont, N. Y.*	Sisterhood Temple B'nai Israel.....	20.00
Flushing, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	122.40
Glens Falls, N. Y.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	9.60
Great Neck, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck.....	400.80
Hempstead, N. Y.....	Nassau Community Temple	97.80
Hornell, N. Y.....	Beth El Sisterhood	6.40
Jamaica, N. Y.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	92.00

**Affiliated with the Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

(1) Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, is an affiliate of the New York State Federation. See "Foreign" listing.

	CONTRIBUTIONS
	1948-49
Kingston, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....\$ 4.00
Lawrence, L. I., N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 425.00
Long Beach, L.I., N.Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El..... 16.00
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood..... 52.80
Newburgh, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob..... 91.77
New Rochelle, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 350.00
New York, N. Y.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood (The Jonah B. Wise Contribution) 350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple of the Covenant..... 120.00
	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Temple Emanu-El..... 516.00
	Sisterhood of Ft. Washington Synagogue..... 2.40
	Women's Organization Free Synagogue*..... 12.80
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim..... 7.20
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle..... 22.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc..... 140.00
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood (The Blanche P. Goldfarb Contribution) 350.00
	Riverdale Temple Sisterhood*..... 50.00
	Rodeh Sholom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. Rudolph Grossman) 350.00
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue..... 364.00
	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx..... 30.60
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood..... 130.40
	Village Temple Sisterhood*..... 4.80
Niagara Falls, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El..... 101.60
Olean, N. Y.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood..... 52.00
Plattsburg, N. Y.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood..... 1.60
Rochester, N. Y.....	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood..... 80.00
Rockville Centre, N.Y.....	Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County..... 140.00
Rye, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood of Community Synagogue..... 28.00
Schenectady, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven..... 16.20
Staten Island, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel..... 23.20
Syracuse, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Society of Concord..... 168.00
Troy, N. Y.....	The Sisterhood of Third Street Temple..... 40.80
White Plains, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of the Jewish Community Center..... 97.60
Yonkers, N. Y.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood..... 59.20
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Sallie Kubie Glauber Memorial Contribution)	350.00

DISTRICT No. 4—\$1,446.60

New Jersey

Atlantic City, N. J.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....\$ 60.00
Hackensack, N. J.....	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood..... 33.60
Hoboken, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno..... 24.80
Jersey City, N. J.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood..... 56.80
Long Branch, N. J.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood..... 24.00
Newark, N. J.....	Women's Association of B'nai Ieshurun (Rabbi Solomon Foster Contribution)..... 500.00
New Brunswick, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple..... 24.00
Orange, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo..... 206.40
Paterson, N. J.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood..... 60.00
Plainfield, N. J.....	Temple Sholom Sisterhood..... 32.00
Trenton, N. J.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood..... 25.00
New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	400.00

DISTRICT No. 5—\$5,449.14

Pennsylvania

Allentown, Pa.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....\$ 93.60
Altoona, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel..... 48.00
Clearfield, Pa.....	Clearfield Sisterhood..... 22.40
Easton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Covenant of Peace..... 350.00
Erie, Pa.....	The Temple Sisterhood..... 260.00
Greensburg, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El..... 156.20
Harrisburg, Pa.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood..... 500.00

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1948-49
Hazleton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	\$ 100.80
Honesdale, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	17.22
Johnstown, Pa.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	139.20
Lancaster, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim.....	80.00
McKeesport, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	84.92
New Castle, Pa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	17.60
Philadelphia, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth David	42.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea.....	140.00
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood (Dr. Joseph Krauskopf Memorial)	350.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	354.00
Pittsburgh.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood (Given by Mr. and Mrs. Mayer Forst in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Falk)	350.00
	(In memory of Dr. J. Leonard Levy and commemorating his birthday, November 24).....	1,120.00
	Confirmation Class, 1947 (Honoring Dr. Solomon B. Freehof and Rabbi Floyd Fierman).....	600.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	168.00
Reading, Pa.....	Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	114.40
Scranton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple.....	170.80
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith.....	19.40
Williamsport, Pa.....	Temple Beth-Ha Sholom Sisterhood.....	43.20
Willow Grove, Pa.....	Old York Road Jewish Community Center Sisterhood.....	4.00
York, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	102.40

DISTRICT No. 6—\$4,571.12

Ohio

Alliance, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	\$ 22.40
Ashtabula, Ohio.....	Sisterhood Tifereth Israel	20.00
Bellaire, Ohio.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood.....	59.32 ²
Canton, Ohio.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	40.00
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood (The Isaac Mayer Wise Contribution)	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood (The Dr. David Philipson Contribution)	500.00
Cleveland, Ohio.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	540.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel.....	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	36.00
Columbus, Ohio.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	450.00
Dayton, Ohio.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	417.00
East Liverpool, Ohio.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	18.40
Elyria, Ohio.....	Elyria Sisterhood	34.00
Fremont, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	16.80
Hamilton, Ohio.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	82.00
Lima, Ohio.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	24.00
Lorain, Ohio.....	Lorain Temple Sisterhood	92.00
Mansfield, Ohio.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	67.20
Newark, Ohio.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society.....	15.00
Piqua, Ohio.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	28.56
Portsmouth, Ohio.....	The Temple Sisterhood	74.23
Sandusky, Ohio.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	20.80
Steubenville, Ohio.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	16.00
Toledo, Ohio.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Youngstown, Ohio.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	191.41
Zanesville, Ohio.....	Findlay Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	6.00
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In memory of Dr. Samuel Elgart).....		450.00

DISTRICT No. 7—\$1,064.80

West Virginia

Beckley, W. Va.....	Beckley Temple Sisterhood	\$ 30.40
Bluefield, W. Va.....	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood	56.00
Charleston, W. Va.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood.....	350.40
Clarksburg, W. Va.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life.....	80.00

(2) \$5.00 of this amount in memory of Rabbi Alvin Luchs and Viola Luchs.

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1948-49
Fairmont, W. Va.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood	\$ 52.00
Huntington, W. Va.....	Ohev Shalom Temple Sisterhood.....	201.60
Logan, W. Va.....	Temple Sisterhood	33.60
Morgantown, W. Va.....	Morgantown Sisterhood	67.20
Parkersburg, W. Va.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	40.00
Welch, W. Va.....	The Emanuel Sisterhood	64.00
Wheeling, W. Va.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood.....	75.00
Williamson, W. Va.....	Temple Sisterhood	54.60

DISTRICT No. 8—\$2,515.58

District of Columbia-Maryland-Delaware-Virginia-North Carolina

Washington, D. C.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation (The Dr. Abram Simon Memorial)	\$ 500.00
Baltimore, Md.....	Ohev Shalom Sisterhood (The Szold-Kaiser Contribution) ...	720.00
	Har Sinai Sisterhood (The David Einhorn Contribution)	350.00
	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.....	500.00
Cumberland, Md.....	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood.....	36.00
Hagerstown, Md.....	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood	26.40
Wilmington, Del.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth.....	127.20
Alexandria, Va.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	16.00
Bristol, Va.*.....	B'nai Shalom Sisterhood	19.20
Charlottesville, Va.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	27.30
Fredericksburg, Va.....	Beth Shalom Temple Sisterhood.....	73.60
Lynchburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue.....	120.00
Norfolk, Va.....	The Sisterhood of Ohev Shalom Temple.....	154.40
Richmond, Va.....	Temple Beth Ahabah Sisterhood.....	123.48
Roanoke, Va.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	85.60
Asheville, N. C.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila.....	20.00
Gastonia, N. C.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	21.60
Goldsboro, N. C.....	Temple Ohev Shalom Sisterhood.....	10.00
Greensboro, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	40.00
New Bern, N. C.*.....	B'nai Sholem Temple Sisterhood.....	5.00
Raleigh, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or.....	24.80
Rocky Mount, N. C.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	11.00
Wilmington, N. C.....	Sisterhood Ladies Concordia Society.....	4.00

DISTRICT No. 10—\$1,624.33

Indiana

Anderson, Ind.....	Jewish Sisterhood	\$ 47.96
Evansville, Ind.....	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	198.76
Ft. Wayne, Ind.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood.....	136.40
Gary, Ind.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel	40.00
Hammond, Ind.....	Beth El Sisterhood	191.00
Indianapolis, Ind.....	The Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Kokomo, Ind.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood	18.40
Lafayette, Ind.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	24.80
Marion, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	46.83 ³
Michigan City, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	82.00
Muncie, Ind.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	82.30
Richmond, Ind.....	Richmond Jewish Sisterhood	11.00
South Bend, Ind.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	206.64
Terre Haute, Ind.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	188.24

DISTRICT No. 11—\$1,413.00

Michigan

Alpena, Mich.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	\$ 3.20
Battle Creek, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	22.40
Bay City, Mich.....	The Temple Sisterhood	16.00

(3) \$5.00 of this amount in memory of Mrs. Hannah Zaltsberg; \$5.00 in memory of Gladys Katzenstein; \$5.00 in memory of Mrs. Ella Nelson; \$20.00 in memory of David Maidenberg, Samuel Coran, Hershell Coran and Morris Fink.

CONTRIBUTIONS
1948-49

Detroit, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El (The Yahrzeit Fund and the Paula Kahn Brown Contribution).....	\$ 500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	195.00
Flint, Mich.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	152.00
Jackson, Mich.....	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple.....	55.20
Lansing, Mich.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek.....	31.20
Muskegon, Mich.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel.....	160.00
POCOSAGUE, Mich.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	13.60
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	232.40
Saginaw, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	32.00

DISTRICT No. 12—\$2,009.30

Kentucky-Tennessee

Ashland, Ky.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 36.80
Henderson, Ky.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood.....	14.80
Hopkinsville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Ladies' Auxiliary.....	5.60
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	128.40
Louisville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Temple B'rith Sholom Sisterhood.....	172.45
Paducah, Ky.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	125.53
Brownsville, Tenn.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	32.60
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple.....	88.80
Clarksville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	3.20
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	40.00
Knoxville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	99.12 ⁴
Memphis, Tenn.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood (The Abe Wurzburg Contribution).....	500.00
Nashville, Tenn.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood.....	412.00

DISTRICT No. 13—\$1,001.29

South Carolina

(In Memory of Mrs. Rose Hirschman)

Bishopville, S. C.....	Hebrew Sisterhood.....	\$ 18.00
Camden, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	8.80
Charleston, S. C.....	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood.....	108.48
Columbia, S. C.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life.....	554.40
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	8.80
Darlington, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	37.50 ⁵
Dillon, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	20.00
Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	72.00
Georgetown, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	56.00
Lake City-Kingstree.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood.....	38.91
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	78.40

DISTRICT No. 14—\$1,774.28

Georgia-Florida-Alabama

Bessemer, Ala.....	Beth-El Sisterhood.....	\$ 8.00
Birmingham, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	350.00
Dothan, Ala.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	56.28
Gadsden, Ala.....	Temple Aid Society.....	6.40
Huntsville, Ala.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	24.00
Jasper, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	26.40
Sheffield-Florence- Tuscumbia.....	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	17.00
Coral Gables, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center.....	14.40
Daytona Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	48.00
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	18.40
Jacksonville, Fla.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	84.00
Miami, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	40.00
Miami Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	84.00

(4) \$75.00 of this amount in memory of the late Morris Reich.

(5) \$20.50 of this amount in memory of Mr. Benedict Hyman; \$2.00 in memory of Mr. Max Isaacsohn.

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1948-49
Pensacola, Fla.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	\$ 68.00
St. Petersburg, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	29.40
Tallahassee, Fla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	41.60
Tampa, Fla.....	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood.....	81.60
West Palm Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	32.00
Albany, Ga.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	9.60
Atlanta, Ga.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Augusta, Ga.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	80.00
Bainbridge, Ga.....	Temple Beth-El Guild.....	4.00
Brunswick, Ga.....	Temple Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood.....	34.00
Columbus, Ga.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid Society.....	90.60
Dalton, Ga.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	8.00
Macon, Ga.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	78.00
Rome, Ga.*.....	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.....	17.50
Savannah, Ga.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel.....	52.50
Thomasville, Ga.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	9.60
Waycross, Ga.....	The Daughters of Abraham.....	11.00

DISTRICT No. 16—\$1,315.91
Mississippi

(The Sadie Landman Geisenberger Memorial)

Brookhaven, Miss.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom.....	\$ 20.00
Canton, Miss.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	34.75
Clarksdale, Miss.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	338.40
Cleveland, Miss.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	74.40
Columbus, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	36.80
Drew and Ruleville.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville.....	62.00
Greenville, Miss.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood.....	134.70 ⁶
Greenwood, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	16.00
Hattiesburg, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	21.00
Jackson, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	183.96
Laurel, Miss.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	26.88
Lexington, Miss.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood.....	8.20
Meridian, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	114.37
Natchez, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	24.00
Riverside, Miss.....	Riverside Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	4.00
Tupelo, Miss.....	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood.....	28.00
Vicksburg, Miss.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood.....	188.45

DISTRICT No. 17—\$2,088.67
Louisiana

Alexandria, La.....	Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	\$ 103.80
Bogalusa, La.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	13.00
Bastrop, La.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop.....	13.80
Baton Rouge, La.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	50.00
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood.....	39.50
Houma, La.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	34.37
Lafayette, La.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	8.80
Lake Charles, La.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	55.00 ⁷
Monroe, La.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	75.00
Morgan City, La.....	The Morgan City Sisterhood.....	23.00
New Iberia, La.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer.....	16.00
New Orleans, La.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer.....	500.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood (James K. Gutheim Contribution).....	500.00
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue.....	500.00
Shreveport, La.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple.....	156.40

DISTRICT No. 18—\$5,134.98
Illinois

Bloomington, Ill.....	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 38.40
Champaign-Urbana.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	12.00

(6) \$10.00 of this amount in memory of Rabbi S. A. Rob'nowitz.

(7) \$10.00 of this amount in honor of Mrs. E. R. Kaufman; \$10.00 in memory of Mrs. Yetta Jacobs.

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1948-49
Chicago, Ill.....	Beth Am Sisterhood	\$ 252.80
	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	54.40
	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel.....	350.00
	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Volkman Contribution)	224.30
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	350.40
	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood (The Felix A. Levy Contribution)	350.00
	Temple Ezra Sisterhood	60.80
	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel (In memory of Dr. Joseph Stolz and Dr. Gerson B. Levi).....	500.00
	Temple Judea Sisterhood (Rabbi David Rosenbaum Memorial Contribution)	63.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah.....	152.80
	Temple Sholom Sisterhood (The Abram Hirschberg Contribution)	350.00
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood (In honor of Dr. G. George Fox)	646.48
	Washington Boulevard Temple Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Schwartz Contribution)	350.00
	Women of Mizpah (The Jacob Singer Contribution).....	350.00
Danville, Ill.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	1.60
Decatur, Ill.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood.....	95.20
Glencoe, Ill.....	North Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	350.40
Kankakee, Ill.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	78.00
Peoria, Ill.....	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood.....	248.80
Rockford, Ill.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	198.40
Springfield, Ill.....	Sisterhood of B'rith Sholom Temple.....	52.00
Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		4.80

DISTRICT No. 19—\$819.00

Wisconsin

Appleton, Wis.....	Temple Zion Sisterhood	\$ 40.40
Kenosha, Wis.....	Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	16.00
Madison, Wis.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	69.60
Milwaukee, Wis.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.....	600.00
Oshkosh, Wis.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	93.00

DISTRICT No. 20—\$2,822.30

Iowa-Missouri-Nebraska-Kansas-Colorado

(In Memory of Mrs. Maurice Steinfeld)

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....	\$ 62.40
Davenport, Iowa.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	350.40
Des Moines, Iowa.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood.....	336.30
Sioux City, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai.....	160.00
Joplin, Mo.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	58.40
Kansas City, Mo.....	The Temple Sisterhood—B'nai Jehudah.....	350.00
St. Joseph, Mo.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood	110.40
St. Louis, Mo.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.....	105.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	16.00
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood	334.58
	United Hebrew Ladies Aid Society.....	40.00
Springfield, Mo.....	Sisterhood United Hebrew Congregations.....	32.00
Lincoln, Nebr.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood.....	24.80
Omaha, Nebr.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	353.52
Leavenworth, Kan.....	Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun	8.00
Topeka, Kan.....	Sisterhood of Beth Sholom Temple.....	45.10
Wichita, Kan.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	130.40
Colo. Springs, Colo.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	56.00
Denver, Colo.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	240.00
Trinidad, Colo.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood	9.00

DISTRICT No. 21—\$1,159.80

Arkansas-Oklahoma

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1948-49
Blytheville, Ark.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	\$ 5.60
Ft. Smith, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood	86.40
Helena, Ark.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El.....	13.60
Jonesboro, Ark.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	13.80
Little Rock, Ark.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	195.20
McGehee, Ark.*.....	Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood	4.00
Pine Bluff, Ark.....	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	97.00
Ardmore, Okla.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood.....	4.00
Muskogee, Okla.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood.....	17.00
Oklahoma City, Okla.	Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel (The Fannie Blatt Contribution).....	663.20
Tulsa, Okla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	60.00

DISTRICT No. 22—\$1,991.25

Texas

Alice, Texas*.....	Jewish Sisterhood	\$ 9.40
Austin, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	40.00
Beaumont, Texas.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	52.20
Big Spring, Texas.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	17.55
Brownsville, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	9.00
Corpus Christi, Texas.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	16.00
Dallas, Texas.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood (In memory of Mrs. Victor H. Hexter and Mrs. Max J. Rosenfield).....	500.00
El Paso, Texas.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	108.00
Ft. Worth, Texas.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	228.54
Galveston, Texas.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	82.00
Houston, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	276.36
Lufkin, Texas.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	30.00
Port Arthur, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Rodef Shalom.....	25.00
San Antonio, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	186.40
Tyler, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	21.60
Waco, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Sholom.....	8.00
Wichita Falls, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	14.40
Marshall, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore.....	16.80

DISTRICT No. 23—\$87.00

Utah-New Mexico-Nevada

Salt Lake City, Utah*.	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	\$ 67.00
Las Vegas, Nev.*.....	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center.....	20.00

DISTRICT No. 24—\$4,236.20

California-Oregon-Washington-Arizona

Phoenix, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	\$ 60.00
Tucson, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	132.80
Alameda, Calif.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	12.00
Berkeley, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	24.00
Glendale, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple.....	24.00
Hollywood, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
North Hollywood, Cal.	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	95.00
Beverly Hills, Calif.....	Emanuel Sisterhood	40.00
Long Beach, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	165.60
Los Angeles, Calif.....	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood	33.00
	*Temple Judea Sisterhood	8.00
	University Synagogue Sisterhood	48.00
	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood.....	160.00
Oakland, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	76.00
Redondo Beach, Calif...	South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood.....	33.60

	CONTRIBUTIONS
	1948-49
Riverside, Calif.....Riverside Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	\$ 8.90
Sacramento, Calif.....Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	280.00
San Bernardino, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	31.50
San Diego, Calif.....Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary.....	42.40
San Francisco, Calif.....Temple Emanu-El Guild (In honor of Rabbi and Mrs. Alvin I. Fine)	500.00
Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood (In honor of Dr. Morris Goldstein receiving his Doctorate degree).....	350.00
San Gabriel, Calif..... Temple Beth David Sisterhood.....	32.80
San Jose, Calif..... San Jose Temple Sisterhood.....	44.00
Santa Ana, Calif..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	35.20
Santa Barbara, Calif...Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith.....	4.00
Santa Monica, Calif...Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	368.00
Stockton, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	44.00
Portland, Ore.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.40
Seattle, Wash.....Sisterhood Temple de Hirsch.....	696.00
Spokane, Wash.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	56.00
Tacoma, Wash.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	88.20
Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	5.00

DISTRICT No. 25—\$827.93

Minnesota-North and South Dakota-Montana

Duluth, Minn.*.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	\$ 27.93
Minneapolis, Minn.*...Sisterhood of Temple Israel (The Dr. Samuel N. Deinard Contribution)	350.00
St. Paul, Minn.*..... Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple.....	350.00
Butte, Montana*..... Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	4.00
Fargo, N. D.*..... Beth El Sisterhood	42.40
Sioux Falls, S. D.*.....Mt. Zion Sisterhood	53.60

The Stella H. Freiberg Contribution—\$27.50

(Composed of contributions from the constituent Sisterhoods, in honor of Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Past President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.)

Isaac M. Wise Memorial Fund—\$137.61

FOREIGN—\$512.20

Hamilton, Ont., Can.*..Deborah Sisterhood	\$ 7.20
Montreal, Que., Can....Temple Emanu El Sisterhood.....	128.00
Toronto, Ont., Can.*...Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	352.00
Panama City, R. P.*...Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel.....	25.00

Miscellaneous—\$51.20

**NFTS State and District Chairmen
on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education**

- New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Birdie Kaiser, New York, N. Y.
- New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. I. Jaffe, Paterson, New Jersey
- Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Elmer L. Moyer, Dayton, Ohio
- West Virginia Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
- Maryland-Virginia-District of Columbia-Delaware-North Carolina
Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Joseph Sondheim, Baltimore, Maryland
- Indiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Edward Rudin, Calumet City, Ill.
- Michigan State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Berthold Harnburger, Bay City, Michigan
- Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Harold Wein, Greenville, Kentucky
- South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Leonard Grossman, Greeleyville, S. C.
- Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Emile Hirsch, Macon, Georgia
- Mississippi Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Morris Goldstein, Greenville, Miss.
- Louisiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Irving Zoller, New Orleans, La.
- Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Tilden Levy, Chicago, Illinois
- Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Edward Eckstein, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- Missouri-Kansas-Iowa-Nebraska-Colorado Federation
of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Myron M. Meyer, St. Joseph, Mo.
- Texas Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Max Lipoff, Port Arthur, Texas
- Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Ada Sobel, Glendale, California

Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

(For action of the NFTS Board, St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 29 — Dec. 1, 1949)

I.	Request from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations toward Religious Educational projects, including the Department of Youth Activities for NFTS fiscal year ending October 31, 1949.....	\$35,000.00
	Less payment on Account.....	20,000.00*
	Net now Requested.....	\$15,000.00
II.	Request from the Hebrew Union College for Scholarship Awards for Scholastic Year ended 6/30/49.....	15,600.00
	Less payment on Account.....	10,000.00*
	Net now Requested.....	\$ 5,600.00
	2 Students @ \$550.00 (1).....	\$ 1,100.00
	26 Students @ 450.00.....	11,700.00
	2 Students @ 350.00.....	700.00
	1 Student @ 300.00.....	300.00
	8 Students @ 225.00.....	1,800.00
		\$15,600.00

Notes:

(1) Refugee Married Non-Resident—Married—Special.

18 Students who are married and do not reside at the Dormitory were given scholarships in varying amounts totalling \$3,076.00 which sum was charged against the interest from Endowed Scholarship Funds. In the past, married students were not given scholarships and the interest from the Endowed Scholarship Funds was applied against the amount requested from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

*The UAHC has received on account \$20,000.00 and the HUC on account \$10,000.00, both by action of the NFTS Executive Board through a vote taken by mail.

Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Reserve

Reserve as of October 31, 1949.....	\$58,510.14
Tentative Receipts—fiscal year 1948-49.....	55,287.17
	\$113,797.31

Expended—1948-49 as per Board Action :

To UAHC for Religious Education.....	\$20,000.00
To UAHC for HUC Scholarships.....	10,000.00
To Refurnish Lounge in England.....	2,000.00
For Fellowship	1,500.00
	33,500.00
	\$80,297.31

Requests to NFTS Executive Board subject to Board Action :

Balance due UAHC for Religious Education and HUC Scholarships..	20,600.00
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Balance in HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Reserve—10/31/49	\$59,697.31
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Additional Requests from the Hebrew Union College

- A. Completion of the Refurnishing of the Dormitory.
- B. Advance of maximum Scholarship assistance from \$450 to \$550 per student.
- C. From Professor Eric Werner, a request for a \$500 tuition scholarship for a former Displaced Person who is now a student in New York at the School of Sacred Music.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
The House of Living Judaism

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

This, my third report, will no doubt be the last one which I shall have the pleasure of presenting to you as Chairman of the House of Living Judaism Campaign. May I say how inspiring it has been to me—not only as the Project Chairman but as a Sisterhood President as well, to sense the loyalty and spiritual conviction of members of the NFTS as reflected in the tangible response to the House of Living Judaism. To review the correspondence and to learn at first hand of the innumerable obligations which Sisterhood units undertake on a local level—in addition to national and international causes, makes one proud to be affiliated with and to take part in the worthy program of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

With the precedent set a quarter of a century ago, when NFTS built and furnished the Dormitory on the campus of the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati (now known as the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion), it seemed altogether fitting that we should again have undertaken the tremendous task of raising funds for the House of Living Judaism to provide adequate, permanent quarters for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates, including our own NFTS. Our members have again evinced their religious fervor; the House of Living Judaism will stand as a monument to them just as much as it will be a landmark of the Liberal Jewish movement.

The effort put forth for this project during the past three years may be measured in concrete terms. But before the statistics are reviewed, may I dwell for another moment on the spirit of the campaign. I know that you will agree that the coming months should see the final termination of the formal campaign and the receipt of the maximum possible returns by the end of this Sisterhood season.

As you know, the services of Miss Helen L. Strauss, Director of the HLJ Campaign, terminated at the end of our fiscal year, October 31, for the sake of economy—more about Miss Strauss later in this report. Miss Elaine Jackson, who has been the efficient staff secretary since the inception of the campaign and is well acquainted with all the details, will continue to handle campaign correspondence.

It is imperative that each of us, as members of the NFTS Executive Board, do everything in our power to stimulate and encourage additional contributions to the campaign both from individuals and from Sisterhood units, not only because of the need for every potential gift but also that we may serve as conscience to those who for one reason or another have not seen fit to perpetuate for those who will follow them the name of their Sisterhood in this great tribute of Sisterhood women. This effort need not, indeed should not, be confined to your own Sisterhood, even if it is among those not yet “over-the-top”—and I am sorry to say that is the case in a number of cities—but your encouragement should be extended in all contacts with NFTS members, in your travels, speaking engagements, and at every opportunity.

Let us put forth accelerated effort and explore every possible channel for aug-

menting the campaign during the coming months to enable the House of Living Judaism to become a reality in the near future. If we, as Board members, have an added responsibility in this connection, so too, will we have added joy in witnessing the results of our work through the House of Living Judaism as a *fait accompli*.

FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE CAMPAIGN

Since the Boston Biennial, some 55 additional Sisterhoods have completed their total goals and approximately \$100,000 in contributions were received during the Sisterhood fiscal year just ended. A total of \$350,000 (in round figures) has been contributed and pledged, to date. We attempted to make a survey to learn what potential additional funds might be anticipated during the current season and we have reason to believe that we may expect another \$15,000 to \$25,000.

To summarize again, using round figures for brevity and clarity:

370 Sisterhood units participating—contributed \$350,000				
Of these:				
145	“	“	“over-the-top”	200,000*
225	“	“	not yet “over”	150,000†
(64 half-way)				

*All cash except \$11,600 from the two Cincinnati Sisterhoods—pledged and counted in total.

†Potential quota for these units—\$385,000.

(Included in the \$350,000 is \$2,250 from State Federations, the former Book of Living Judaism and \$250 miscellaneous contributions.)

During the past fiscal year, we spent \$15,678.78 of our \$25,000 budget. A total of \$58,867.70 has been spent during the entire campaign. This may sound like a goodly sum but, when it is analyzed, it is less than 17% of the total raised which, in view of fund-raising in general today, is considered highly permissible. In the case of the House of Living Judaism campaign in particular, the campaign was faced with abnormal expense in an effort to reach nearly 75,000 members through correspondence—and of conducting what amounted to 370 individual campaigns since few units followed a uniform plan of activity on a local level or had a uniform time schedule. A detailed report of the receipts and expenditures of the campaign is attached. It is only fair to add that had all our units promptly responded, for the same expenditure of money we might have raised twice the sum received to date.

HURDLES

Three of the four hurdles mentioned in our last report as deterrents to our effort and the maximum returns still remain. The major one is the lack of response in some of the metropolitan cities. Approximately 50% of Sisterhood members live in 25 communities. If Baltimore, Chicago, Cleveland, Los Angeles, Miami, St. Louis and a few other cities had met their total goal for HLJ, we could easily report another \$150,000 in contributions today. As Board members, you can be highly influential within your own Sisterhood to see that it reaches its goal. This has been admirably proved by many of the Board members who represent Sisterhoods “over-the-top,” some from the early days of the campaign. There is still time if concentrated effort is put forth to send additional contributions to achieve our and your goal.

A second factor which reduced our total may be somewhat related to the first reason, namely, large local building fund campaigns for new temples. That this is a

legitimate excuse has been disproven by several Sisterhoods which, despite local temple building campaigns, reached their HLJ goals. The nominal sum of \$10 from each Sisterhood member, which might easily have been saved in coins since 1946, when the HLJ Campaign was initiated, should have been no problem in contrast to the hundreds of other Temple drives, had the proper leadership and sense of responsibility been present. The House of Living Judaism Campaign, while a one-time project, is not a drive for the present only. A long range view must be taken into consideration in terms of the future of the program of Reform Judaism as expressed in the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. It will be a noticeable omission in the years to come if some of the largest and most influential Sisterhoods in the country are not identified in the House of Living Judaism as having made its existence possible.

The third obstacle, the indecision concerning the location of the Union headquarters, was resolved by the 40th Assembly of the Union in Boston last November. Whatever the sentiment before the Convention, we have met with little opposition since. Sisterhoods accepted with democratic grace the decision of the convention delegates. The only comment that might be added here is that the necessarily delayed decision on location was erroneously used in some cases as an excuse for lack of action.

TECHNIQUES—MATERIAL

At this late date, it seems unnecessary to describe in detail the basic campaign plans and techniques. Perhaps we were too lenient in giving free rein to Sisterhoods in permitting them to choose whatever plan best suited their needs and purposes to secure contributions. This has not made for uniform reports and records but we wanted to exercise our belief in the autonomy of NFTS units. I believe that this democratic procedure was well worth maintaining.

The change in location necessitated a revision of some of the campaign literature. A new brochure was prepared and distributed; a condensed handbook for chairmen on "Things to Know and Do" was issued; timely suggestions and Progress Reports were mailed regularly as a means of encouragement and stimulus.

HONOR ROLL

This brings me to a question on which we would like your opinion and advice. You will recall that it was our plan to have the individual names of donors and those honored appear on an Honor Roll for each Sisterhood—to be bound together in the HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM for permanent display. The trend in the past year has been for Sisterhood units to give a fund-raising affair and to send in their money with a blanket statement rather than a list of individual names. Upon inquiry from the Production Manager of the Union, we find that to recopy these names in uniform writing on rag paper would cost approximately \$1000. While it would prove less expensive if we were to use the original Honor Rolls, the handwriting is not always legible and there would be no uniformity. We have published widely the fact that names honored or memorialized would be bound and on permanent view in the House of Living Judaism, so our decision in this matter should not be colored too strongly by our interest in economy. Perhaps we can have an expression on this subject during the Board meeting and come to some decision on the final form the Honor Roll should take.

As you know, there are additional means whereby Sisterhoods will be honored.

All units which achieved their total quotas will be so identified by a plaque, glass blocks or some fitting manner to conform with the architecture. Sisterhoods which participated but which did not reach their goals will be included in the individual Honor Rolls bound in the book or books described above. In addition, for their own local use, Sisterhoods "over-the-top" received a trophy of award—a silver-banded engraved gavel—and a certificate of merit to be hung in their respective meeting room as well as a letter of congratulations signed jointly by our President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett and myself.

STATE FEDERATIONS

During the past year, practically every State Convention allotted ample time on its program for a full discussion of the House of Living Judaism and thus we reached many Sisterhood representatives. The impetus and enthusiasm of the State gatherings added to the strength of the HLJ appeal and frequently brought the desired results. To the State officers and to all who spoke at these meetings, our warm thanks.

A special word of praise is due certain State Federations: Mississippi which again leads the country, having raised 13% over its 100% goal; Connecticut which raised 1.5% over 100% (due in large measure to the fine record of Hartford); Indiana with a record of 98% and Pennsylvania with 95% of its State goal raised. A complete record of the State Federations' status is attached in an appendix to this report.

SPEAKERS

We wish to express our deep appreciation to eleven leaders who spoke on behalf of the HLJ Campaign during the year and throughout the campaign. Many Board members responded untiringly to our requests that they speak for HLJ at all types of Sisterhood meetings (local, regional, State, National) and their help has been invaluable.

Not the least of these were our President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, whose genuine enthusiasm has manifested itself wherever she has spoken, and Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director of NFTS, who is known to all of us as a dynamic speaker. Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, too, the President of the Union, was most generous in speaking for us on numerous occasions. To all who spread words of the significance of the House of Living Judaism, our deep thanks.

At just which point in this report it is fitting to touch specifically on the work of the Director, Miss Helen L. Strauss, has been puzzling me for, on reviewing the Campaign, it would seem that her influence and guiding spirit is inevitably linked with its every phase. Although it is my belief that the entire NFTS Board recognizes the outstanding work that she has done, I cannot help but add a very personal tribute to her with whom I have been so pleasantly associated for the past three years. Never once has her interest lagged nor did she fail to take a single step which might have furthered the Campaign. Never once did she hesitate, when occasion demanded it, to point out in no uncertain terms our duties as officers, Board or general members of the NFTS. Her long association with the Union and NFTS was invaluable in understanding the problems of and the approach to Sisterhood women. I know that you join with me in wishing her the very best in whatever her future undertakings may be. Her interest in Sisterhood activities will not altogether cease since, I am proud to say, she is a member of the Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El, New York.

This brings us to the present, and out of the realm of finance and participation into the enjoyment of and planning for the rewards of our labor. Shortly after the Boston Biennial, Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the UAHC, appointed a Site Committee to ascertain real estate possibilities and to consider the advisability of building versus remodeling. Your President, Mrs. Rosett, your Executive Director, Miss Evans, and your NFTS Chairman of HLJ are your representatives on this Committee which has met frequently during the year. On it sit some of the best informed men in the real estate and architectural world of the Metropolitan New York area. For your information, the list is attached to this report. Many properties have been carefully studied and debated as to location and value. Despite the temptation to make the House of Living Judaism an immediate reality, we have been mindful of the responsibility we owe to all contributors and so have avoided rushing into something that might not satisfy our long awaited dreams.

Had the HLJ realized its original announced goal, perhaps the task of the Site Committee might have been simpler. The Chairman and Director, upon assuming their duties, knew that their ultimate satisfaction would come from the knowledge that they had worked faithfully and from the extent of the cooperation they would be able to muster.

Although there is yet much to be done, I repeat that the formal campaign is drawing to a close. With your permission, I shall proceed with the final phase counting more heavily on your support because I shall not have the advice and strength of Miss Strauss to lean on. I need not remind the NFTS Executive Board that the successful outcome of any campaign cannot rest on one person or even on ten. It must be the concerted effort of every person who has potentialities of service to offer. None of us can guarantee the results of our efforts but we can be honest enough to recognize whether or not we have given of our best.

Now that the House of Living Judaism is about to become a reality, I beseech your every effort to help me on this last home stretch. I cannot close this rather lengthy report without expressing once more the joy of associations of experience and education that this campaign has brought to me and the realization that long after I am gone, the House of Living Judaism will stand as a symbol of the devotion of our Jewish womanhood to the furtherance of our central institutions of Reform Judaism.

(MRS. EDWARD B.) HELEN S. SCHULKIND, *Chairman*

APPENDIX A TO HLJ REPORT

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM SITE COMMITTEE

MR. SIMON NEWMAN, *Chairman*

MR. FRED GREENMAN

MR. AARON RABINOWITZ

MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT

MR. S. HERBERT KAUFMAN

MR. ROBERT K. RAISLER

MR. SIMON H. SCHEUER

MR. ARTHUR LUKACH

MR. SYDNEY W. ROOS

MRS. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND

MR. HARRY PRINCE

MR. IRVING I. ROSENBAUM

MR. JACK D. WELER

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

MR. JACOB ARONSON, *Chairman, UAHC Executive Board*

DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRATH, *President, UAHC*

MISS JANE EVANS, *Executive Director, NFTS*

RABBI DANIEL L. DAVIS, *Director, New York Federation Reform Synagogues of the UAHC*

APPENDIX B TO HLJ REPORT

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS STATUS OF STATE FEDERATIONS—THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

OCTOBER 26, 1949

	QUOTA	CASH RECV'D	STATE FED.	PLEDGES	TOTAL	% RAISED
Mississippi	\$ 7,330.00	\$ 8,280.00	\$100.00		\$ 8,380.00	114
Connecticut	8,356.00	8,813.05	100.00		8,913.05	106
Indiana	13,743.00	14,001.06	70.00		14,071.76	102
South Carolina	2,900.00	2,933.14	27.25		2,960.39	100.2
Kentucky-Tennessee	18,530.00	17,519.65	155.00	\$100	17,774.65	96
Pennsylvania	38,710.00	36,438.00		State Fed.	36,438.00	95
Wisconsin	6,950.00	5,783.84	10.00		5,793.85	83
West Virginia	6,550.00	4,300.00	112.00		4,412.85	67
Western Fed. (Ariz., Calif., Ore., Wash.)....	34,120.00	22,204.00			22,204.00	65
Dist. 20 (Colo., Ia., Kan., Mo., Nebr.).....	35,600.00	22,380.00	200.00		22,737.50	63
Louisiana	15,380.00	9,332.66	50.00		9,382.66	61
New York	95,730.00	55,745.79	39.00		55,784.79	60
Mass., Rhode Island.....	27,470.00	15,905.00	100.00		16,005.00	58
Ohio	56,780.00	19,170.00	*175.00		31,120.00	55
New Jersey	19,150.00	9,544.85	250.00		9,794.85	51
Southeastern Fed. (Ga., Fla., Ala.).....	27,850.00	12,559.00	57.50		12,616.50	45
Michigan	\$23,160.00	\$10,309.35	\$ 26.00		\$10,335.35	44
Dist. 8 (Del., D. C., Md., N. C., Va.).....	28,070.00	10,937.00	12.00		10,949.00	39
Texas	28,790.00	8,217.24	50.00		8,267.24	28
Illinois	65,240.00	9,690.00	250.00		9,940.00	15.3

*\$175.00 State Fed. and \$11,600.00 pledged by 2 Cincinnati units

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APPENDIX B TO HLJ REPORT (*cont'd*)
 NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
 STATUS OF STATE FEDERATIONS—THE HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

OCTOBER 26, 1949

	QUOTA	CASH RECV'D	STATE FED.	PLEDGES	TOTAL	% RAISED
NOT AFFILIATED IN STATE FEDERATIONS						
Arkansas	\$ 4,050.00	\$ 1,986.00			\$ 1,986.00	
Minnesota	8,410.00	4,612.67			4,612.67	
Montana	320.00	15.00			15.00	
Nevada	250.00					
New Mexico	680.00	350.00			350.00	
North Carolina (6 units)	2,490.00	†719.00			719.00	
North Dakota	300.00					
Oklahoma	4,550.00	2,758.00			2,758.00	
South Dakota	420.00	196.70			196.70	
Utah	1,060.00	555.00			555.00	
Vermont	90.00	90.00			90.00	
Miscellaneous U. S.		216.50			216.50	
FOREIGN						
Canada	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 3,879.43			3,879.43	
Colon, Panama	300.00	125.00			125.00	
Panama, R. P.	1,270.00	100.00			100.00	
†Asheville, Charlotte, Gastonia, Lumberton, New Bern, Raleigh						

REPORT OF THE
National Committee on Interfaith Activities

Milwaukee, Wisc., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The honor of serving in the capacity of National Chairman on Interfaith Activities is truly a distinctive one and to follow in the footsteps of the first Chairman of this Committee, Mrs. Louis I. Egelson of Cincinnati, makes this honor doubly significant. I am profoundly grateful for both and shall put forth my best endeavors to carry on the work which Mrs. Egelson so successfully started and carried through, leaving a heritage of brotherhood, understanding and knowledge of Judaism to all with whom she came in contact.

During the fiscal year, November 1, 1948 to October 31, 1949, ten Institutes on Judaism were held in various parts of the country. Although this number is less than the total of Institutes held in the previous year, this fact, by no means, denotes a diminishing of interest and enthusiasm. There were many extenuating circumstances which were accountable for less Institutes being held and in many communities there were reciprocal meetings held this year in the true spirit of enlightenment and reciprocity. These were in the form of group meetings in homes (during the summer discussion meetings were held in gardens of members or friends), union services with other faiths, Brotherhood Week participation, World Day of Prayer, panel discussions, rabbis and Sisterhood leaders addressing civic and church groups on Judaism. In some communities, Sisterhood women gave lectures before church missionary societies in order to acquaint them with the beauty of our tradition, its strength and its permanence. There were, too, interfaith teas, meetings and good will lectures, serving to bring people of all faiths together in mutual respect for their differences in the outward expression of worship, and emphasizing again the ultimate goal of all mankind—to work together for a world of justice, righteousness and peace for all of God's children—mankind.

At the International Conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism which was held in London last July and which it was my great privilege to attend with Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our President, the predominant note was the aforementioned statement—that we must all work together to solve the problems of the world. As one speaker so aptly expressed these sentiments: "The goal is for all Christians to be good Christians and all Jews to be good Jews." This is our true aim as we all work together on our Interfaith activities and sow in the hearts of man the seeds of brotherhood and amity toward all.

As Chairman, I should like to express my deep gratitude to Mrs. Rosett for her excellent leadership, outstanding qualities of insight and understanding, her dynamic and sparkling personality; to Miss Jane Evans, our highly respected and capable Executive Director, for her encouragement and kindly helpfulness in every conceivable manner and at all times; to the entire staff in both the Cincinnati and New York offices; to the members of my Committee and to the many rabbis who

participated in the Institutes on Judaism for their vast store of knowledge which they ably and comprehensibly imparted to all who were in attendance.

May the work of this Committee on Interfaith Activities continue to symbolize the true yearning to understand the ideals of all—regardless of color or creed.

(MRS. HAROLD M.) VERA BLUM BAUM, *Chairman*

INSTITUTES ON JUDAISM FOR LEADERS OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH WOMEN'S GROUPS

November 1, 1948 - October 31, 1949

SISTERHOOD OF	PRESIDING	RABBINICAL SPEAKERS
Temple Beth Zion Buffalo, New York	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson	Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein Rabbi Joseph L. Fink Rabbi Joshua O. Haberman
Collingwood Avenue Temple Toledo, Ohio	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson	Rabbi Leon I. Feuer Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof
Temple Beth El South Bend, Indiana	Mrs. Nathan Levy	Rabbi Eric Friedland Rabbi Albert M. Shulman
Temple Israel Akron, Ohio	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson	Rabbi Sidney M. Berkowitz Rabbi Samuel Silver Rabbi J. Marshall Taxay
Temple Emanu-El Dallas, Texas	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson	Rabbi J. Aaron Levy Rabbi Levi A. Olan
Temple B'nai Jehudah Kansas City, Missouri	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson	Rabbi Nathan Hershfield Rabbi Samuel S. Mayerberg
Temple Shaarai Shomayim Lancaster, Pa.	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson	Rabbi Sidney Regner Rabbi Lester W. Roubey
Temple Oheb Sholom Reading, Pa.	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson	Rabbi Sidney L. Regner Rabbi David H. Wice
B'nai Israel Temple Oshkosh, Wisc.	Mrs. Harold M. Baum	Rabbi Samuel Cook Rabbi Albert Shulman
Marion Congr. of Israel Marion, Ohio	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson	Rabbi Eugene J. Lipman Rabbi Julius Nodel

REPORT OF THE

National Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

One of the principal efforts of this Committee has been the very attractive and useful annual Art Calendar. Letters have been sent from time to time telling of the cost of the Calendar to each Sisterhood and the profit available from its sale to members. This year's Calendar was dedicated to the bi-centennial of Congregation K. K. Beth Elohim of Charleston, S. C. This Congregation, now 200 years old, is the oldest Jewish Congregation in the United States with an unbroken, continuous

history. The Calendar containing photographs and vignettes of the Congregation's historic Temple has been exceedingly popular. The edition of the Art Calendar for the year 5710, consisting of 20,000 copies, has been almost completely sold. Copies of the 5710 Calendar were distributed with a Rôsh Ha-shono message by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our President, to Jewish Chaplains in the United States and overseas, Rabbis, the New York and Cincinnati faculties and student bodies of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

The Committee also celebrated Jewish Music Week. The various Sisterhoods were encouraged to arrange programs featuring Jewish composers and musicians.

The Committee is happy to announce that the old Bernheim Library Building on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion has been converted into a museum which is most beautiful and attractive. Many of the wonderful ceremonial objects in the collection of the College have now found a permanent home. They have been taken from their packing cases where they have been stored for many years and visitors and students to Cincinnati can now view these wonderful treasures.

Another service promoted by the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art is to stimulate establishment of Jewish Gift and Bookshops by local Sisterhoods. The purpose of the Judaica or Gift Shop is twofold: to supply needed gifts of Jewish significance and to promote the sale of Jewish Art and Ceremonial objects for the home, the school and for individuals on special occasions. Full details on the operation of this venture may be secured from the NFTS office in Cincinnati.

As Chairman, may I express heartfelt appreciation to local, State and National members of the Committee for their constant interest and cooperation, and send all good wishes for the future of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and its affiliates?

(MRS. J. WALTER) STELLA H. FREIBERG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE
National Committee on
Jewish Literature for the Blind

Paducah, Ky., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The months have passed with the veritable speed of jet-propulsion, until it is once more the season of year when the Chairman of the Committee for Jewish Literature for the Blind may again assemble and evaluate the work of this segment of Sisterhood activity. It is with a feeling of gratification and pleasure that we see that during this year participation and interest in this Committee's activities have again enlarged and widened.

Many Sisterhoods have, for the first time, either made contributions to this Committee, or have incorporated work for Jewish literature for the blind into the pro-

grams of their individual units. Many new classes for Braille transcribers have been started. Programs on both the State and local levels have been given with demonstrations of Braille writing and the work of transcribers on display. It has been a joy to receive an increasing number of letters from all over our land concerning the work of this Committee, asking for means of stressing its projects either as a State or District, or in the local Sisterhood.

During the 1948-49 NFTS fiscal year, the contributions received in response to the annual appeal for funds for assistance to the blind were as follows:

1948		1949	
November	\$ 317.00	May	\$1,084.85
December	463.00	June	600.50
		July	116.00
		August	5.00
		September	81.50
		October	560.44
		Total.....	\$5,995.79
1949			
January	\$ 816.00		
February	398.00		
March	870.50		
April	633.00		

In the work of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, one of the satisfying activities has been the underwriting of issues of the *Jewish Braille Review* and the *Braille Musician*, published by the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. During the fiscal year 1948-49, issues have been underwritten, either to honor some member of their Sisterhood, as a memorial or as a gift to Sisterhood by the following:

Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood, Los Angeles, California, in memory of Mr. Haskel Kramer.

Temple Aaron Sisterhood, Trinidad, Colorado, in honor of the eightieth birthday of Leo Gottlieb, husband of the President of Temple Aaron Sisterhood.

Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., in memory of Governor Henry Horner.

Blind Service Association, Chicago, Illinois, in memory of Rabbi Joseph Stolz.

Temple Beth El Sisterhood, South Bend, Indiana, in memory of Lt. Irving Horwich, Lt. Arthur A. Simon, Lt. Phillip Levy and P.F.C. Nathan Garnitz.

Adath Israel Sisterhood, Louisville, Ky.

Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Minneapolis, Minn.

Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El, Providence, Rhode Island.

Temple Israel Sisterhood, Memphis, Tenn., in honor of Mrs. Arthur Summerfield, Past President.

Mrs. August Lorch and Mrs. Magdalene Folz, Dallas, Texas, in memory of Mr. August Lorch.

West Virginia Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in tribute to Mrs. Simon A. Moses, Charleston, W. Va.

At the meeting of the NFTS Executive Board in Boston, it was decided to continue to divide for another year the proceeds between the Palestine Lighthouse for its Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors, and the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.

The work of the Committee for European Blind Survivors has been reported to us by Mrs. Leah Weil. Aided by our contributions, special food packages, clothing and medicines have been sent to these lonely and dislocated people. Special gift packages for the holidays, containing unobtainable food and sweets, are sent individually to them.

As a group service, too, social meetings are held in Berlin, under the direction of a blind leader, where problems can be discussed and solutions explored, interesting programs heard and a social hour with refreshments can be enjoyed. These monthly meetings are a light in the darkness to those who live very much alone, and who may feel that they are forgotten and lost in the present uncertain life of Europe. Groups are being formed in other European cities as leaders can be found. These are underwritten by the Committee for European Blind Survivors—transportation expense to the meetings for the blind and their guides, rent for the building, and refreshments all being furnished. The value of such a program can be estimated only when you remember that this is one of the few contacts that these people have with any social activity after long years of darkness and fear and sorrow.

RECOMMENDATION

Because of the importance to the European blind survivors of the work being done for them—and because of the continuing need of these people for our help—both in physical and psychological areas—it is recommended that the contributions asked for by this Committee again be divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., and the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse Committee.

For their unfailing assistance, their gracious and kind response to any call for aid, thanks are extended to Miss Janè Evans, Executive Director, Miss Frances Kuwent and Miss Josephine Schoenborn of the NFTS professional staff.

Thanks and deep appreciation, too, to each officer of our Federation; to every member of the National Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, to all local and State or District Chairmen, and to every woman who has in any way contributed to a year of accomplishment and achievement. It is to them, those who work every day with devotion and self-sacrifice, that the success of the work of this Committee must be attributed.

There is an old Chinese proverb which states, "It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness." That is the aim of this Committee for Jewish Literature for the Blind: to light one candle of literature and learning for those who otherwise might walk in darkness; to kindle one small flame of hope and friendship for those of our brethren in Europe who might otherwise be lost in shadow forever. May we, during the months to come, add brilliance to our candle of service through the work of this Committee, so that through us many may find light and happiness.

(MRS. STERLING) THALIA R. BERG, *Chairman*

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE NFTS
COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

SPECIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
European Jewish Blind Survivors
of the Palestine Lighthouse

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Palestine Lighthouse desires to thank the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and to express officially its whole-hearted appreciation for most cordial cooperation.

Dedicated to the promotion of special work on behalf of European Blind Survivors of World War II, this Committee gratefully acknowledges your Sisterhood Federation's generous contributions during the past thirteen months, amounting to \$2,651.18. The Palestine Lighthouse and its Chapters expended \$13,361.00 for this Committee's work during the same period.

Why the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods?

The Palestine Lighthouse turned to you, in the dark days after World War II, when the fate of the Jewish Blind Survivors was an anxious problem, because we felt a kinship in work. We knew of your many years of sympathetic service to the Jewish blind—lifting their morale by supplying Braille literature of Judaica—and so, our call went to you, to cooperate in aid to desperate blind victims of Nazi cruelty. Your response has brought valued assistance. It should give you proud satisfaction to have underwritten so significant a part of this unique work. Please realize and remember that this Committee continues to be the only one in Europe extending care to the Jewish blind—as such. This aid gives the unfortunate blind physical care and the psychological reassurance that they are not forgotten but remembered as individuals—each in his special need. No organization nor institution remains overseas to develop any activity for the Jewish blind, as such, except the Palestine Lighthouse.

How the Committee Works

Our machinery of operation is simple; our technique, the understanding services of experienced workers among the blind. The wonderful bond of a shared Jewish background makes us trusted friends. The blind often write they can speak to us frankly.

Personal letters in six languages go to 319 blind people in eight Central and Southeastern European countries. We are careful to include addressed, stamped envelopes for their replies for even the small expense of postage is a financial consideration. Return letters, until recent date, have shown their happy emotional reaction and the strengthening of morale.

When we succeeded in contacting the Jewish blind after the disaster in Europe,

they were in a state of overwhelming desperation and despair. The inhuman atrocities suffered in concentration, deportation, and slave labor camps had paralyzed their energy and placed them in a deplorable condition. As soon as contact was established, without delaying for discussion as to the kind of help that would be the most effective, we rushed into action, by sending to each blind person a food parcel.

Not all the Jewish blind have left the Displaced Persons centers. Poland and Roumania are especially difficult to penetrate. We do communicate with the Jewish blind in countries behind the "iron curtain," but it takes months for communications and parcels to arrive. It is most heartbreaking, but we know these blind brothers and sisters need us so greatly we persevere in our approach.

The Need

All answers to our questionnaires have established the universal need for food, clothing, medical supplies, soap, blankets, knitting wool and needles. Therefore, we decided on supplying these primary necessities in our packages.

For \$10,179.00 expended for food, \$770.00 was additionally necessary for postage, \$381.00 was for blankets.

Our new service we can announce is the providing of medicines and medical supplies. Some of the items have been eye drops, vitamins, insulin, liver extract. We have also been able to fill prescriptions.

Recreation Centers

The Recreation Center started in Berlin is functioning smoothly under the leadership of blind Willy Latter. Ninety-eight blind with guides (thus doubling the number) meet regularly twice a month for a social get-together. This takes the form of a lecture, musical or some sort of entertainment with a party. We pay for guide service and mail from New York the actual refreshments—tea, coffee, chocolate, sugar, the makings for cookies, etc. This gives the meeting the warm cordiality of a social occasion. They have a regular meeting place at a club house. Arrangements for talent and other details are made locally.

Recreation Centers are in process of formation in Paris and Vienna. Paris is difficult to organize because it has been such a dumping ground for all nationalities that there is no homogeneous group. We are working to form two groups. One that will use the French language, the other uniting through Yiddish.

The Vienna Group has political complexities which we could not sanction as we can only work with non-political organizations. Even for the blind, life is not easy in Europe.

Future Plans

For the full understanding of "future plans" it is necessary to give briefly some idea of the state of mind of these unfortunate blind people. Always remembering their experiences in concentration, deportation and slave labor camps, together with the still rife anti-Semitism, it is not strange that they concentrated all their hopes and aims on emigration to Israel or to the United States. When we ventured to propose plans to guide and assist them to work that might look toward rebuilding their lives in Europe, we were told to postpone this planning and to continue sending packages of necessities.

The reason for rejecting our suggestion was their vivid dream of emigration. They believed their residence in Europe would be so temporary, they did not care for permanent work. Only in Israel or the United States of America did they believe it would be possible to regain confidence and to strengthen self-reliance.

Now the fondly cherished dream of emigration has ended for them in sudden, cruel disappointment. According to latest reports, immigration to the U.S.A. is not possible for them, and even to Israel cannot be realized for the next five or six years.

With the shock of frustration has come a realization of the correctness of our judgment. Their recent letters ask us to revert to our former plans and to help them to some activity that will bring them a livelihood. They need tools, musical instruments, wool for knitting, and items suitable for peddling.

How shall we steady them under the cruel shock? How shall we lift their shattered morale in this renewed depression? More than ever do they need the guiding hands and support of their overseas friends, lest they think our words but hollow mockery after all their torture. Shall they not be given their chance for renewed courage to make a small livelihood and earn self-respect?

New Work Questionnaire

Changed conditions have required a reevaluation of needs. A new work questionnaire has gone to eight countries in six languages. The answers are not yet summarized. But knowing blind and Jewish people, we can surmise their needs. We shall require larger funds and pray you to continue your subsidy in terms of this dynamic obligation. Here is a real job which we must continue to support, having once put our hand to the work.

In the whole of Europe there is not a single home for Jewish blind or any workshops or any organization to provide some training and employment possibilities for them. The few Jewish communities that still exist are so small and impoverished that their sighted members have a hard struggle to keep up with life. They are not ready nor able to cooperate in the social or welfare work for their blind fellow citizens. And yet, the blind residents of cities, those in the smaller places as well as those scattered all over Europe, need outside aid to build up their future life in those surroundings from which they wished so passionately to escape.

Aid to work must now be the comfort we offer to those who are compelled to pass more years under circumstances which they feel to be hostile. Poor, sick, miserable, a Nazi victim with blindness added—here is sorrow enough to appeal to anyone. Yet, I assure you, your friendship will drive away their frightful memories and fill their cheerless hours of depression with new hope for a better future.

The strength of your combined Sisterhoods can mean much light in darkness. And you remember, God Himself said, "Let there be light."

LEAH PIZA WEIL, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Peace and World Relations

Davenport, Iowa, October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is not enough to supply inspiration for those exalted moments when we meditatively aspire to a distant, vague ideal of world peace. Accordingly, the emphasis of the Peace and World Relations Committee has been on seeking in our Sisterhoods an understanding of the problems that block world peace today, problems of social tension and international dissension which must be solved if World War III is to be avoided. Only when large numbers of individuals and groups have developed social awareness, international consciousness and responsibility for action, can those problems be solved.

Therefore the Committee has underscored two facts: first, that the job of working for peace is urgent, and second, that it belongs to Sisterhood, not as an extra-curricular activity, but as an integral essential to the fulfillment of our obligations as Jewish women serving Jewish congregations and mankind.

The National Committee has been gratified by the response of many Sisterhoods to its recommendations which included setting up study and discussion groups and devoting a part of every Sisterhood meeting and one entire meeting a year to peace and world relations. The Committee has urged Sisterhoods to concern themselves with legislation. In numerous instances it has explained and advised action on certain bills, for instance, a liberalized Displaced Persons Law in the United States and ratification of the United Nations pact outlawing genocide. Sisterhoods have been encouraged to cooperate with other community organizations in the cause of social betterment because, as Nathan E. Cohen said on the subject of social action, "Getting information is only half the process—the other half is using it." Special stress has been laid on understanding the United Nations, our chief hope for world peace. A plea has been issued for education in the field of atomic energy in order that our thinking and discussion may help make the atomic age in which we live an era for good. Communications to local Peace and World Relations Chairmen, reprinted in the monthly Presidents' Packets, have suggested outlines, methods, projects and information to implement this program.

The National Committee has prepared two publications for Sisterhood use. In January it published *To Unite Our Strength, a Study Course on the United Nations*, written by Frances A. Thomas, formerly educational director of the American Association for the United Nations. Study groups have enthusiastically reported great success and interest when they used this readable eighty-page pamphlet which explains the purpose, organization and workings of the UN and includes questions for discussion, subjects for reports and reading references. The second item was *Current Copy* which appears every month except July and August. Each issue offers a digest of important news events not necessarily emphasized in the daily newspapers, suggestions for action on pending legislation and other matters and a brief

description of pertinent books. Likewise edited by Mrs. Thomas, *Current Copy* has also proved a stimulating and helpful guide to individuals, study groups and general Sisterhood meetings.

Through the monthly President's Packet, the National Committee has distributed not only *Current Copy*, but also *Foreign Affairs Highlights*, a bulletin of the United States Department of State, and other enclosures from time to time.

The National Chairman, since her appointment, has had correspondence with local Chairmen. She addressed one Sisterhood on a pattern for peace, with the result that they formed a Peace and World Relations study group. She participated in a District Sisterhood Biennial Conference at which she found opportunities to promote the activities the Committee sponsors. In her own community, through the local Sisterhood Committee, she instituted a city-wide observance of United Nations Week. At the NFTS Biennial Assembly in Boston, when she was Vice-Chairman of the National Committee, she represented it in a symposium dealing with the Sisterhood's role in the post-war period.

The National Chairman is grateful not only to all local and State or District Committees for their share in our Committee's progress but also to Miss Jane Evans for her administrative leadership and sustaining aid; to Mrs. Harrison Thomas for her expert guidance and whole-hearted cooperation; to the office staff of Miss Frances Kuwent, Miss Josephine Schoenborn and others for their ready assistance and to her predecessor, Mrs. Sidney Wallens, for helpful advice and encouragement. So well were the plans and workings of the Committee established by Mrs. Wallens and the staff that the period from Nov. 1, 1948 to Oct. 31, 1949 has shown continuous expansion of horizon, progressive clarification of purpose and marked intensification by Sisterhood women in the pursuit of peace.

Although 170 Sisterhoods listed Peace and World Relations Committees in their annual reports, a much smaller number of them described activity by those Committees. Despite the splendid achievement of some groups in the field of world affairs, the balance sheet of most Sisterhoods shows a disturbing contrast between their accomplishment in other areas of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' program and their slight attention to this phase. It is the hope and aim of the Committee that in the coming year every Sisterhood will have a Peace and World Relations Committee worthy of its other endeavors and commensurate with the needs of our time. One of the sages, Rabbi Tarphon, said, "The day is short and the work is great. The work is not upon thee to finish, nor art thou free to desist from it." Our privilege becomes our obligation to take every step we can to bring closer the cherished dream and urgent necessity of a world at peace.

(MRS. ABRAM VOSSEN) MAY F. GOODMAN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE
Special Committee on Post-War Service

West Hartford, Conn., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The S.O.S. project—Supplies for Overseas Survivors—a joint project of the J.D.C. (American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee) and national women's organizations, has accomplished its purpose and has been terminated. NFTS through the combined efforts of its many units played no small part in the achievement of the goal set and successfully attained.

There still remain two activities in which the Special Committee on Post-War Service has been participating. As you know, NFTS continues to be represented on the Executive Committee and Sub-Committees of the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board. Many of our Sisterhood units are still cooperating with its Serve-a-Camp, Serve-a-Hospital, Serve-a-Chaplain projects. In addition, many of the representatives of the Veterans Administration Voluntary Service Hospital Advisory Committee are members of NFTS Sisterhoods. This program of the Veterans Administration Voluntary Service was outlined in the report of 1948-1949. We have been informed by the Women's Organizations' Division that with the reactivation of the U.S.O. (United Service Organization) there is the possibility that NFTS may be called upon for assistance in its future program. When this call comes, it will no doubt have religious connotations, and therefore, our obligation must be accepted.

It had been the feeling of your Chairman that the two projects now in operation did not warrant the continuance of a special NFTS Committee, since they could be directed through the NFTS executive offices in memoranda included in the Presidents' Packet and Board Folio. However, with the possibility of this new phase of activity in the program, we of NFTS shall continue as usual to serve with enthusiastic effort.

(MRS. EDWARD) ADELLE WISE HART, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE
National Committee on Programs

Atlanta, Ga., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

During the 1948-49 NFTS fiscal period the *Book of Prayers* for Sisterhood meetings and special occasions was published. This book was edited by Rabbi A. Stanley Dreyfus from original manuscripts submitted by Sisterhood members. These prayers

are truly magnificent and the book is a wonderful addition for all Sisterhood libraries.

The 1949-50 *Supplement to the Book of Programs and Study Materials* was released in August, 1949. A complimentary copy was sent to each President in NFTS.

Innumerable requests for Programs listed in the *Supplement* and in the *Book of Programs and Study Materials* have been received by the office in Cincinnati. This is most gratifying.

Your Committee on Programs has written monthly-letters to all Program Chairmen.

This Committee wishes to express to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our beloved President, sincere appreciation on being asked to serve our Federation. We hope that we will be able to serve in as capable a fashion as did our predecessor. Mrs. Julian Hennig's inspiring Program leadership will long be remembered by all Sisterhoods.

To our dynamic Director, Miss Jane Evans, our gratitude for her inestimable assistance. We express also our thanks to Miss Frances Kuwent, Assistant to the Director, who has come to our help on many occasions.

To Miss Josephine Schoenborn and her staff in the Cincinnati office goes our appreciation for helpful efficiency in answering all Program requests.

RECOMMENDATION

Your Chairman wishes to offer this recommendation for the coming year: that NFTS sponsor a reeducational Program for all Sisterhoods; that the Chairman of each National Committee write, or have written, a program which best expresses the work and purpose of her Committee; that these new programs be made into a booklet and sent to all Presidents with the request that several be presented each year, until the entire book has been used. Programs on Sisterhood subjects and of Jewish content are far too few in many Sisterhoods. Reeducation is vitally important for continued growth in Sisterhood.

(MRS. SAM) MARIAN B. MOHR, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Religious Extension

Birmingham, Ala., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a pleasure to report that twenty-two Sisterhoods affiliated with us during the NFTS fiscal year of November 1, 1948 to October 31, 1949.

AFFILIATIONS

CITY	SISTERHOODS	DATE
Statén Island, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	Nov. 11, 1948
Bristol, Va.	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood	Nov. 22, 1948
Ft. Knox, Ky.	Ft. Knox Sisterhood	Jan. 7, 1949
Santa Barbara, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith	Jan. 7, 1949

Riverside, Calif.	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	Jan. 31, 1949
New York, N. Y.	Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue	Jan. 20, 1949
Coral Gables, Fla.	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center	Feb. 17, 1949
Elmhurst, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El of Queens	Mar. 2, 1949
New York, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Village Temple	Apr. 5, 1949
Bellerose, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom	Apr. 27, 1949
Sharon, Pa.	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	May 19, 1949
Rye, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Community Synagogue	May 27, 1949
Larchmont, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Larchmont Temple	July 11, 1949
Ashtabula, Ohio	Tifereth Israel Sisterhood	July 25, 1949
Chappaqua, N. Y.	Women's Guild of Temple Beth-El	Sept. 7, 1949
Ithaca, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	Sept. 7, 1949
Laurelton, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Free Synagogue of Laurelton	Sept. 9, 1949
Roslyn, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Roslyn Jewish Community Center	Oct. 7, 1949
Pueblo, Colo.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	Oct. 11, 1949
South Norwalk, Conn.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	Oct. 11, 1949
Lakewood, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	Oct. 20, 1949
Bakersfield, Calif.	Women of Temple Beth-El	Oct. 26, 1949

RESIGNATIONS

The groups which resigned from our fellowship during the 1948-49 NFTS fiscal year were six in number:

Lakeland, Fla.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	Nov. 26, 1948
Chicago, Ill.	Hyde Park Liberal Congregation Sisterhood	Dec. 29, 1948
Los Angeles, Calif.	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	Jan. 7, 1949
Fond-du-Lac, Wisc.	Khiloth Jacob Sisterhood	June 17, 1949
Los Angeles, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Kodesh	July 27, 1949
Anderson, S. C.	Anderson Temple Sisterhood	Oct. 31, 1949

As of October 31, 1949, our Federation included 451 units.

To our new units we extend a hearty welcome; to those who have resigned we send assurance that we await eagerly their early reaffiliation.

Your Chairman thanks the members of this Committee and all who have made devoted contributions in the efforts to increase the number of units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

To our beloved President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, I express appreciation for the honor of serving as Chairman under her able leadership.

To Miss Jane Evans and her staff of assistants likewise go heartfelt thanks. I could not have carried on without their wonderful consideration and cooperation.

Rabbi Albert Baum, Director of New Congregations of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, has been indefatigable in the organization of new congregations and in working with us to include Sisterhoods in them. We are deeply grateful to him.

(Mrs. MERVIN A.) LILLIAN VAN BAALEN BLACH, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Religious Schools

Los Angeles, Calif., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

As one of the newly appointed Chairmen of NFTS, it is difficult for me to submit this, my first report. I am deeply indebted to my predecessor in office, Mrs. A. A. Litin, Minneapolis, as well as to the officers and professional personnel of our Federation for the strong program of that department of our work covering religious school activities. We have gone forward splendidly during the 1948-49 NFTS fiscal year.

From time to time, letters have been released to local religious school Chairmen and State or District Chairmen, copies of which were included in the monthly packets for local Presidents, State Presidents and members of the National Board. In these communications, religious holidays and suggested activities for the better observance of them by Sisterhood members were stressed. There are two sides to the coin of religious education: the one side is the integration of the child in the religious school; the other is the cooperation of the home with the school.

To the degree that we accept the necessity of continuing as adults our own religious education, as well as to the degree we make Sisterhood a warmly cooperative agency of the Congregation in the furtherance of religious school activity, will we be making concrete contributions.

Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Director of Jewish Education of the NFTS parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, has been of invaluable aid to those religious schools and interested Sisterhood members who have called upon him and his department for guidance and advice. Sisterhoods of NFTS are particularly fortunate, in the field of religious school education, in being able to refer to the parent body, the Union, for assistance when this is necessary. Such referral is of particular importance to those of our groups in relatively isolated communities or in communities without the services of a rabbi or other trained personnel. In our larger communities the role of the Sisterhood Religious School Committee is to cooperate with the rabbi, Congregation and religious school superintendent and staff in any way that is mutually desired and feasible.

(MRS. DAVID E.) MIRIAM JACOBS, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

Tampa, Fla., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The following Revisions were adopted by the Biennial Assembly in Boston, Mass., November 14-17, 1948, with the following changes—that wherever the words “State President” or “State Presidents” appear, they shall be written “State and District Presidents.” Furthermore there was adopted a statement, “The Chairman on Revision of By-Laws, in cooperation with the NFTS Executive Office, was authorized without change in sense, to use editorial discretion in incorporating the newly adopted changes in the By-Laws in a manner consistent with their present format. There was further authorized changes in any existing sections of the By-Laws which are inconsistent with the newly adopted Revisions in order to make the By-Laws as revised consistent throughout.”

I. *Article 10, Section A*, now reads: “The Executive Board shall meet either during and/or immediately after the final adjournment of the Assembly which elected it. . . .”

Former reading: “The Executive Board shall meet immediately after the final adjournment of the Assembly which elected it. . . .”

II. *Article 10, Section K*, now reads: “The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati and/or New York.”

Former reading: “The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati.”

III. *Article 20, Addition of Section B*: “In order that State and District Federations may function more effectively as agencies of the National Federation and to achieve a better understanding of the National program on the part of State and District Presidents, there shall be a Council of State Presidents to discuss ways and means in which State and District Federations and National can be mutually helpful, and to submit such plans as they may care to recommend to the National Board. This Council of State Presidents shall meet in the interim year between Assemblies at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting.”

IV. *Article 26, Section A*, now reads: “The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, State and District Federations, the State Presidents’ Council and the Federation’s Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 41.)”

Former reading: “The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, State Federations and the Federation’s Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 40.)”

V. *Article 27* shall hereafter be known as Article 28; Article 28 shall become Article 29, and each succeeding Article will be advanced one number until the final Article 40 on amendments, which will be known as Article 41. Article 27 will then become a statement of purpose of the National Committee on Interfaith Activities, which was formerly the Special Committee on Interfaith Activities.

Article 27, now reads: "Section A. The National Committee on Interfaith Activities shall endeavor to stimulate better understanding and good will among women of all faiths: 1) through Institutes on Judaism for leaders of church women's groups, 2) through discussion groups and interfaith gatherings giving information about Judaism. Section B. The Committee shall encourage local Sisterhoods to sponsor such programs and to cooperate with non-Jewish groups in arranging interfaith meetings on an educational level."

VI. *Article 33, Section A*, now reads: "All securities, including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation, shall be deposited in a safe deposit company in Cincinnati and/or New York to be designated by the Executive Board."

Former reading: "All securities, including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation, shall be deposited in a safe deposit Company in Cincinnati to be designated by the Executive Board."

VII. *Article 36, Section A*, now reads: "During each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provisions of the By-Laws."

Former reading: "During the first week in January of each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provisions of the By-Laws."

VIII. *Article 41, Section A*, now reads: "Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a State or District Federation, the State Presidents' Council, or the Federation's Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly . . ."

Former reading: "Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a State Federation or the Federation's Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revision of the By-Laws at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly . . ."

As yet no new proposals for Revision of By-Laws at the 1950 NFTS Biennial have been presented, but undoubtedly they will be developed during the coming months. One of the most important of these may be proposed by the 1949 annual meeting of the NFTS Executive Board, in the form of a suggested raise in per capita dues, to the Federation, from the present inadequate forty cents per member to a figure consistent with the needs of our program and budget.

(Mrs. D. L.) CAROL ZIELONKA, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE

National Committee on State Federations

Knoxville, Tenn., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is with great pride that the Committee on State Federations submits its annual report for the fiscal year, November, 1948-October 31, 1949. Contrary to the two previous annual reports requesting that the recorded events of the District and State Federations be viewed as a gradually unfolding, slowly developing cyclorama, this year points to an exciting acceleration, not only in the increased number of Conventions and Executive Board meetings, but more especially to a marked increased awareness on the part of District and State personnel as to their particular and privileged positions as liaisons between NFTS and local units to: 1. interpret and to intensify for their local Units the vastly expanded religious, educational, and humanitarian program of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods; 2. to meet the shocking need of adult education for knowledge of Judaism; knowledge of NFTS program, projects, and policies; secular knowledge; 3. to develop informed, trained Sisterhood leaders through the media of Round Tables, Workshops, Leadership Training Institutes, Clinics, variously scheduled on Convention Programs, but striving to emulate the pattern of serious study established by the NFTS Boston Biennial Convention. Your Committee on State Federations believes that this new awareness and dedication to these recognized needs is sharply underlined in the developments recorded herein, as: 1. Activities of District and State Federations, which include: Conventions, new projects, unusual programs, unusual releases, recommendations, resolutions (administrative, or pertaining to important national and international legislation).

ACTIVITIES OF DISTRICT AND STATE FEDERATIONS

District #1, In the closing days of October, the New England Federation held a Convention in Brockton, Mass., full reports of which have not yet reached the NFTS office. But preliminary indications are that it was a very successful gathering.

District #2, Connecticut State Federation, held its twenty-sixth annual one-day Conference in New Haven, December 1, 1948. The reports on Youth Activities were given by representatives: Allan Lefshetz, who attended the Youth Conclave in Pennsylvania; and Miriam Platcow, who attended the Youth Biennial in Boston. The inspirational address, "How Reform Is Reform Judaism?" was given by Rabbi Abraham Feldman, Hartford. In addition to its Youth program, which is given great emphasis and support, Connecticut sponsors a \$500 annual contribution to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

District #3, New York Federation, held its Biennial Convention in Montreal, Canada, May 15, 16, 17, 1949, which marked the first time that this State Federation had met "over the border." Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, Montreal, an affiliate, was hostess for this Convention. Address at the Inspirational Services at Temple Emanu-

el, Sunday night, was given by Rabbi Edward E. Klein, Free Synagogue, New York City. The banquet addresses the following night were given by Professor John Hughes, Chairman, Department of Education, McGill University, and Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, National President, NFTS.

The three acting Presidents, Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, Mrs. Wm. Leffler presided alternately over the various sessions. A symposium, "Living Your Religion," which was also the Convention theme, was held, with the subjects, "Organized Religion," discussed by Rabbi Abraham Feinberg, Toronto; "International Relations," Mrs. Harrison Thomas, New York City; and "Psychology," Dr. Douglas J. Wilson, Montreal.

Six Round Tables were included during the Convention that brought forth provocative discussion and interchange of ideas: Round Table 1: Parent Education, Religious Schools, Youth Groups; Round Table 2: Presidents, Representatives, Ways and Means, House of Living Judaism. (The purpose of this grouping was to discuss the importance of NFTS and State Federations from point of view of local units.); Round Table 3: Publicity. (The importance of good publicity was stressed for fund-raising, interchange of ideas, increasing membership, stimulating members to activity, and for interfaith work.); Round Table 4: Service to the Sightless. (Free Religious School for blind children has been established in New York City.) Volunteers were asked to make up for deficit which will result in the planned Government reduction of allowance toward brailled books, and women with good, modulated voices were asked to volunteer for talking books at the New York Public Library, 23rd Street; Round Table 5: Religion, Ceremonials, Program, Membership.

Recommendations adopted by the General Assembly included:

1. That the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in order to obtain the best in leadership in Sisterhoods, and in order to further the work of the Parent Education Committee in having an informed and intelligent leadership, recommends: "That the State Federation sponsor a Study Course or Training Institute on the History of Ethics and Practices of Liberal Judaism for the special purpose of securing an intelligent and informed and representative leadership."

2. That there be regional or area group meetings held in late May or early June to pool ideas on program.

District #4, New Jersey State Federation, held its 27th Annual Convention in Trenton, December 2, 1948. The Convention theme was "Sisterhood's Challenge to Guide Our Youth in a Changing World." Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, one of the three acting Presidents of the New York State Federation and National Board member, addressed the Convention. At its Spring Board meeting this Federation decided to again put its accent on Youth, which was used as the theme for the past two Conventions. This State Federation has established a Youth Conclave Fund to send a worthy young boy or girl to the National Federation of Temple Youth Conclave at Decatur, Michigan. This year, the recipient of this scholarship, a seventeen-year-old girl from Trenton, will visit Sisterhoods and Youth Groups in the State to encourage more groups to affiliate with NIFTY. Braille transcribing continues to be an outstanding project. Most recently, a Newark Sisterhood member transcribed two copies of the New Jersey Constitution for two blind attorneys.

District #5, Pennsylvania State Federation, held its State Board meeting in Harrisburg, November 30, 1948. It was at this Board meeting that the Speakers' Bureau was created to meet the need of frequent contact with the twenty-seven constituent Units by State representatives. The report of the newly appointed Historian was acclaimed, as was the Program Brochure prepared by the State Program Chairman.

The Western Regional meeting was held in Johnstown; the Central Region, in Wilkes-Barre; the Eastern Regional, in Easton, with the three Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Wm. Cosel, Mrs. David Bernheim, and Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith, respectively. The Convention theme of all three regional meetings was: "The Significance of Sisterhood Projects Today—Their Religious Motivation."

The State Convention was held in Erie, October 17, 1949, with the Convention theme, "Understanding Through Leadership." A Leadership Institute was conducted by Mrs. Clarence Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn., 2nd Vice-President, NFTS and Chairman, NFTS Committee on State Federations. The luncheon address was given by Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia, NFTS Executive Board member, who used the theme of the Convention for her topic. The banquet address was given by Rabbi Jay Kaufman, Assistant to the President of the UAHC. Three Round Tables were held on Sisterhood Problems for Sisterhoods of less than 100 members; for Sisterhoods of 100-200 members; for Sisterhoods of 200 or more members. The three Vice-Presidents presided.

Recommendations adopted by the General Assembly included:

1. That all Past Presidents because of their loyalty and devoted service and continued interest in PFTS be made honorary members, of the State Executive Board with voting privilege.

2. That all State Chairmen of Committees be requested to give a summary of Sisterhood activity reports, eliminating unnecessary details.

3. That mimeographed copies of President's Message and Reports of all State Chairmen be sent to all local Sisterhood Presidents in the PFTS through a compilation by the Recording Secretary.

4. That NFTS be asked to send to Vice-Presidents of PFTS copies of the State Presidents' Packet.

5. That the State President appoint, in addition to a State Youth Chairman, one member from each region to serve on this Committee in order to stimulate Youth Activities throughout Pennsylvania.

6. That all State Chairmen send written reports to the Corresponding Secretary of PFTS thirty days prior to the Biennial State Convention.

One entire issue of its Bulletin, "Keystone Topics," was devoted to Youth, and received a special letter of commendation by the NFTY Director, Rabbi Samuel Cook. The Editor stressed the purpose of this issue: "to familiarize PFTS with the problems and accomplishments of our young people . . . Many of our Youth Groups are having a serious time continuing to exist. These young people, our leaders of tomorrow, need the spiritual impetus that we, mothers and members of this religious organization should be ready to give them."

The outgoing President, Mrs. Edward Schleisner, in her President's Message, pointed with pride to the great strength of Pennsylvania, in spite of area and geographical barriers; the State Federation is kept constantly vital through its regional

meetings and its Bulletin releases. She urged focus of attention on work for the Blind and work with Temple Youth.

District #6, Ohio State Federation, in every issue of its Bulletin placed great emphasis on its forthcoming Convention, scheduled to be held in Cleveland, November 15-17, 1949. The Convention Agenda, entitled "A Convention Custom-Made to Meet the Needs of Your Sisterhood," was released to its units several weeks in advance.

With the exception of the address by Mrs. Roy Unger, at the opening workshop service, and the inspirational banquet address by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, the Ohio President, Mrs. J. C. Newman, and the Convention Chairman, Mrs. Paul Green; stressed the fact that "the Convention has been designed for the fullest participation of the delegates in Workshops."

The three morning and three afternoon workshops were scheduled to meet simultaneously in separate rooms, and were to be reported to the general assembly in five minute resumés. The scheduled workshops were to include:

1. How Can Sisterhood Aid the Religious School Program.
2. Adult Participation in Religious Education and Cultural Activities.
3. Ways and Means and Sisterhood Projects.
4. Parliamentary Procedures.
5. Programming.
6. Youth Activities—to be combined with Workshop.
7. Interfaith.

District #7, West Virginia, held its 24th Annual Convention in Wheeling, November 28-29, 1948, with the Convention theme, "To Promote the Spirit of Religion." At the Executive Board meeting on Sunday afternoon, which opened the Convention, the following recommendations were drafted and later adopted by the General Assembly:

1. That each local Sisterhood contribute toward the cost of the Bulletin.
2. That each local Sisterhood contribute toward the State Youth Project.
3. That a Leadership Training Institute and President's Workshop, during which time the local Presidents' reports would be given, be made part of Sunday's program at every Convention, immediately following the Executive Board meeting.
4. That, since the next Convention is its 25th, a Silver Seal sale be conducted by all Sisterhoods in the State, profits to be equally divided between Local and State Treasuries.
5. That March be designated as Sisterhood Sabbath month.
6. That an original Sisterhood Sabbath Service Contest be held in 1949, and the winning Service be presented on the opening Sunday night of the Convention.
7. That the State Budget include the President's expenses to State and District Presidents' Council.
8. That Committee be appointed to study and propose necessary revisions to the Constitution and By-Laws to be voted on at the 1949 Convention.
9. That October be Convention month.

The sermon at the Religious Services was given by Leonard Cramer, Parkersburg, who had won a State and National Oratory Contest on "Significance of Palestine to American Jewry."

The luncheon address, "Living Our Judaism Through Sisterhood" was given by

Mrs. Clarence Strasburger, Knoxville, 2nd Vice-President, NFTS and Chairman on State Federations.

Mrs. S. A. Moses, State Braille Chairman, was honored for years of loyal and devoted service by having an issue of the *Jewish Braille Review* underwritten by the State Federation in her name.

The Past Presidents of West Virginia were honored by having \$100 contributed to the House of Living Judaism to inscribe their names.

District #8, Del., Maryland, Virginia, N. C., D. C., held its annual Convention in Wilmington, Del., March 23-24, with the Convention theme, "Youth." The Convention was planned to supplement the most successful Institute for Religious School Teachers, held earlier, by focusing attention on the importance of the parent-child relationship in religious education.

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, gave the inspirational luncheon address. Sisterhood Clinics were held on children of three age groups: 1. Pre-School. 2. Religious School. 3. Youth.

The President, Mrs. Joseph Hearst, issued this challenge: "We, as mothers in Israel, know that it is our duty to prepare our children for happy living, to afford them the fullness and the background of the Jewish religion, to make them well-adjusted citizens within our American democratic way of life."

District #10, Indiana, held its Convention in Gary, November 30-December 1, 1948. A Panel, "The Crisis Facing the United Nations," was held. Mrs. Harold Baum, NFTS Board and Executive Committee Member and now NFTS Chairman on Inter-faith Activities, served as Moderator. The Panelites were: Mrs. David E. Straus, Michigan City, who spoke on "Atomic Energy"; Mrs. Norman E. Wormser, Terre Haute; who discussed "Berlin Crisis." The banquet address, "World Affairs," was given by Rabbi Felix Levy, Temple Emanuel, Chicago.

The Executive Board met in May, 1949, in East Chicago, at which time the Unit Presidents were asked to submit their best programs for 1949-50 during September, so that the award could be made at the next Convention. Annually, a contest of some educational and religious value is sponsored, and to the winning Sisterhood or individual the Mildred Markun Lamp of Knowledge Trophy is awarded.

The Unit Presidents were urged to include in their annual reports which they read at each Convention: 1. Number of meetings. 2. Average attendance. 3. Projects. 4. Money raised. 5. On what spent. 6. What fields are of chief interest. 7. What means found best for stimulating interest and attendance.

The 1949 Annual Convention was held in Indianapolis, October 18-19. There were two banquet addresses given: "Sisterhood's Contribution to Reform Judaism," by Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md., 1st Vice-President, NFTS; and "A Layman's Congregation," by Mr. Max Schryer, President of the Chicago Federation of UAHC.

Four Round Tables were held, and later reported to the General Assembly: 1. Sisterhood Programs. 2. Sabbath Attendance. 3. The Religious Schools. 4. Fund-Raising.

The President, Mrs. Charles Spiegel, pointed with pride to the following State projects:

1. State Speakers' Bureau, which has functioned satisfactorily for ten years.

2. The underwriting of one issue of the Jewish Braille Review.

3. The new projects this year: a. The Public Relations Chairman is urging local units to make an effort to put into every school library good books on Intergroup relations. b. The Religious Education Chairman is planning an Institute for Religious School Teachers, particularly for the small units in the State.

District #11, Michigan, held its Board meeting in Muskegon during the month of March, 1949, and its State Convention in Flint, April 25, 26. Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President, NFTS, was the inspirational speaker at this Convention. Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, conducted a Leadership Training Institute.

A State Contest was sponsored this year for an essay which was the most original, most interesting, most unusual style, and the best handling of the theme, "Sisterhood's Place in This World." The contest was open to all Michigan Sisterhood women, and the compositions were to be judged by an impartial committee of three. The prize was awarded at the Convention luncheon.

The State dues were increased from 5c to 20c in order to expand the mailing list of the monthly Bulletin, "The Link."

The newly elected President, Mrs. I. Steinman had indicated Michigan's process of revitalization of its State's educational program through competent chairmen. A librarian has been appointed to catalogue the wealth of NFTS Program materials and to make available local Sisterhood programs through an Exchange Bureau. The Interfaith and Peace and World Relations Committees have combined their activities to create a program that will have an appeal to women of all faiths, to be used as a pattern of education for better human relations by all Sisterhoods. A State Historian has been appointed to compile a State History, which will be used for a dramatic presentation at the next Convention, May, 1950.

District #12, Kentucky-Tennessee, held its Executive Board meeting in Brownsville, Tenn., March 9, 1949. Mrs. Harold Baum, NFTS Executive Board and Committee member and now National Chairman on Interfaith Activities, gave an address, "Sisterhood—A Living Force." In her President's Message, Mrs. Sterling Berg congratulated the constituent units for the increased number of Interfaith meetings held during the past year, and urged the completion of Kentucky-Tennessee quota for the House of Living Judaism. Mrs. Clarence Strasburger, 2nd Vice-President, NFTS, conducted a "Thumbnail Sketch of Leadership."

Recommendations adopted by this State Board to be presented to the Convention in Chattanooga, Tenn., included:

1. That local Sisterhood dues to the Bi-State be increased from 12c to 20c.
2. That the Budget Committee try to set up a budget that would insure such State projects as: Youth Activities, Jewish Literature for the Blind, Kay-Tee Bulletin, and Speakers' Bureau.

The Convention was held in Chattanooga, October 30-31, at which Mrs. Jerome Salm, Evansville, NFTS Chairman on Youth Activities, was guest speaker.

In her President's Message, the outgoing President, Mrs. Sterling Berg, urged the delegates to consider a seven-point plan of principles or ideals to underline the spiritual aspect of Sisterhood work:

1. Every woman in every Reform Jewish community a member of a Sisterhood.
2. Every Sisterhood member actively participating in some Sisterhood project.

3. Every Sisterhood member fully aware of the scope of service and the breadth of vision of the program carried on by NFTS—as an international organization.

4. Every Sisterhood member a regular attendant at Sabbath services.

5. Every Sisterhood member a user of Uniongrams—the sales of which accrue toward one of the most vital functions of NFTS—the projects of the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

6. Every Kentucky-Tennessee Sisterhood over the top in the House of Living Judaism Campaign.

7. Every Kentucky-Tennessee Sisterhood the sponsor of some form of interfaith activity.

The two recommendations adopted by the General Assembly were:

1. That the annual contribution of \$25, the Clara Bauer Felsenthal Memorial, again be given to the National Committee for Jewish Literature for the Blind.

2. That because of the value which will accrue to this Federation through the attendance of its President at the State and District Presidents' Council, that a revision in By-Laws be made to include the President's transportation to these meetings.

District #13, South Carolina, held its Silver Jubilee Convention at Georgetown, November 30-December 1, 1948. Mrs. Harry L. Rosenbaum, President of District #8 was the guest speaker at the luncheon.

In her President's Message, the outgoing President, Mrs. Edgar Cohen recommended:

1. That a State Bulletin be published and mailed to each member of the local Units at least quarterly, and contain State as well as local news.

2. That SCFTS restate its interest in Youth, that its members intensify their service to Youth and that SCFTS offer its services and aid to the Rabbis and Youth Leaders:

The newly elected officers were installed by Mrs. Harry Rosenbaum.

The Executive Board meeting was held in Columbia, January 26. The morning session was devoted to an Institute on Sisterhood Activities, conducted by Mrs. Julian Hennig, a former NFTS officer. So outstanding was this Institute in the exemplification of NFTS program and projects and local Sisterhoods' responsibility to this program, that the proceedings were recorded in a Handbook, and distributed to all Units to replace the first issue of its State Bulletin. In her letter which accompanied this Handbook, Mrs. Melvin Harris, President, paid tribute to Mrs. Hennig for this experiment, and reminded the members that this stenographic report was to be used "to familiarize yourselves with the projects and goals of Sisterhood, thus enabling you to give a greater measure of devotion and service to Judaism and to your country."

This State Federation is a member of the South Carolina Council for the Common Good, and is the only organization of purely religious nature that has been invited to join this Council, organized for civic and social welfare purposes.

The State Federation encourages the children of the Religious Schools to contribute to the "Talking Books for Blind Children" at Cedar Springs, a project established to honor a Past State President, Mrs. J. M. Cohen.

The Penina Moise Fund for the Blind, a State project, named in honor of its poet, is the fund through which contributions are made to the National Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind for all phases of services to the Blind.

District #14, Southeast Federation (Georgia-Florida-Alabama), held its twenty-fifth Convention at Columbus, Georgia, February 13-14, 1948. The Convention sermon, "Living Judaism," was given by Rabbi David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Florida.

A Symposium, "Our Sisterhood Obligations," was held, with Mrs. Reba A. Daner, Miami Beach, Fla., acting as moderator. Papers were read: "Obligation to American Jewry"; "Obligation to Temple and Local Jewish Community"; "Obligation to NFTS."

The banquet address, "What Are Our Needs and Resources?" was given by Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director.

This District sponsors an annual Youth Conclave to which youth from fourteen to seventeen are invited. Contributions are also made to Youth Activities at the University of Georgia, University of Alabama, and University of Florida.

District #16, Mississippi State Federation, held its Executive Board meeting in Jackson, November 29, and reported 50 in attendance at the very successful Religious Teachers' Institute, conducted by Dr. Abraham Franzblau.

The Youth Activities Chairman proudly reported two Conclaves and one three-day summer camp among the notable activities for the Mississippi Temple Youth, and that Mississippi had been greatly praised by Rabbi Samuel Cook, Executive Director, NFTY. The themes for each day of the Summer Camp were, respectively, "Enriching Your Life"; "Enriching Your Life by Preparing for Marriage" and "Enriching Your Life by Living Your Judaism."

Robert Emmich, Vicksburg, won the State Oratorical Contest at the MTY Meeting at Greenville, with Ruleville-Drew Sisterhoods as co-hostesses. The attendance, the largest in MTY history, totaled 98 registrations.

This State Federation contributed \$1,048.82 to the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund through the Sadie Landman Geisenberger Memorial Fund. In her President's Message, Mrs. J. Schlesinger reported her attendance as representative of the Mississippi State Federation at the meeting of the newly organized Mississippi Women's Cabinet. The purpose of this organization is to assemble and channel information, exchange ideas, and coordinate efforts in affairs of public interest. These meetings had proven constructive and "could be termed as interfaith meetings as well as political."

The President's recommendations included:

1. That Mississippi have a State project month.
2. That it have Leadership Training Courses in Sisterhoods.
3. That it urge the buying of United States Bonds as security for the future.
4. That it bend every effort to keep the Mississippi State Federation among the three "top flight" Sisterhood Federations, as it has often been called.
5. That hostess Sisterhoods not finance State Conventions—and local Units be asked to take care of their own delegates' expense and the State Treasury that of its officers.

District #17, Louisiana State Federation, held its 20th Biennial Convention in New Orleans, March 27-29, with the three New Orleans Sisterhoods, Gates of Prayer, Temple Sinai, and Touro, as hostesses. Patterning their Round Table Discussions and reports on those of the National Biennial Convention, there were four Round Tables:

1. Sisterhood Raises Funds, 2. Sisterhood Makes Its Programs Vital, 3. Sisterhood Looks to Education, 4. Sisterhood Looks toward Youth.

The banquet address, "Behold Our Goodly Heritages," was given by Mrs. Clarence Strasburger, 2nd Vice-President, NFTS.

In her President's Message, Mrs. Lawrence Mann recommended that:

1. Inasmuch as this Federation sees fit to spend the very substantial sum to send its President to the National Convention, that upon her return she send a report to each Sisterhood, or that this report appear in the first issue of "Highlights," which publication includes President's Message, Officers' and State Chairmen's reports, and reports from unit Presidents.

2. That the machinery be established to make permanent such Institutes for Religious School Teachers, as were held in Shreveport, 1948, and in Baton Rouge, 1949.

The report of the Committee on Rules and Policies included:

1. So that greater interest may be stimulated and so that there can be an exchange of ideas, that at all future State Conventions sufficient time be allotted for Round Tables and for Conferences of Unit Presidents, and of State Chairmen with their Committees.

2. That the Scrap Books now being kept by Sisterhoods be submitted in yearly competition to be judged for content and attractive display and that ribbons be awarded for first and second place.

3. Names of all deceased be read at all Board meetings, and a short Memorial Service be conducted at each Convention.

4. That each Sisterhood bring its most important Jewish ceremonial objects to each Biennial Convention for display.

District #18, Illinois, held its 23rd Annual Convention at Urbana, March 29-30. The luncheon address, "National's Contribution to Sisterhoods," was given by Mrs. Albert J. May, Honorary Life Member of the NFTS Executive Board.

Workshops, again following the pattern of the National Biennial Convention, were held and later reported to the Assembly: Group 1. Projects: Child Study and Parent Education, Religious Schools, Youth Activities, Adult Education. Group 2. Projects: Programs, Jewish Ceremonials and Art, Chaplaincy, Reciprocity. Group 3. Projects: Temple Attendance, Membership, Ways and Means, HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, Uniongrams. Group 4. Projects: Interfaith, Jewish Literature for the Blind, Postwar Services, Peace and World Relations.

At the Executive Board meeting held in Peoria, June 16, in preparation for which the newly elected President, Mrs. Elmer Benesch, urged all State Chairmen to be present to discuss plans for the 1949-50 season, the following goals were set up for program guidance:

1. To promote Jewish ideas and to encourage a closer religious tie-up with Temple and Sisterhood.

2. Programs of more Jewish content, as well as those of educational, civic and entertainment content.

3. Membership participation.

4. Exchange of ideas and programs between Sisterhoods.

5. Coordination between Programs, Festivals, and Ceremonials.

The October issue of the monthly Bulletin carried such important items as: Sis-

terhoods have expressed interest in the Home for the Jewish Blind, and have asked for dates to give parties for the eighteen sightless inmates. A traditional break-the-fast dinner was served by Chicago Serve-A-Camp Committee to all men stationed at Great Lakes Naval Training Station, and appropriate gifts were given. A shipment was also made to the Veterans' Hospital at Alexandria, Va., which is being serviced by this area.

District #19, Wisconsin State Federation, held its 6th Annual Convention in Kenosha, May 25, 1949. The Convention theme was: "Sisterhood—A Creative Force in Our World of Religion." The luncheon address, "Sisterhood Symphony—A Creative Force in Our World of Religion," was given by Mrs. Max Ullman, Natchez, Miss., NFTS Executive Board member.

A Sisterhood Workshop was conducted by Mrs. Harold Baum, NFTS Board and Executive Committee member and now NFTS Chairman on Interfaith Activities. The Question Box included religious, educational, and administrative inquiries.

The unit Presidents made their annual reports entitled, "Milwaukee Looks Forward"; "Appleton Accomplishes"; "Fond du Lac Joins the State Federation"; "Madison—A Builder"; "Oshkosh—Dreams Fulfilled." In her President's Message, Mrs. Isadore Block, outgoing President, announced the gift of \$200 from the disbanded Conference of Liberal Synagogues, and recommended its use for the issuance of a much needed State Bulletin. The recommendation was adopted.

District #20 (Iowa-Kan.-Mo.-Neb.-Col.) held its Convention in Denver, October 18-20. The agenda of the first day included: Bruncheon meetings for District Board and for Sisterhood Presidents. Mrs. Julius Mark, 3rd Vice-President, NFTS, and NFTS Chairman on Child Study and Parent Education, gave the banquet address. The agenda for the second day included: Breakfast meeting of Convention Committees; and Papers on "Sisterhood Faces the World," Mrs. F. A. Alter; "The Beauty of Holiness—and the Holiness of Beauty," Mrs. M. Strauss; "For Those Who Walk in Darkness," Mrs. L. E. Cohen; "Security Through Religion," Mrs. Marx Lorig; "Helping the Religious School Serve Your Child," Mrs. Carl Dubinsky. "Parent Training and the Education of Adults" was the title of the luncheon address by Mrs. Julius Mark.

In her President's Message, Mrs. Harry Jacobson urged that: 1. A District representative be invited to unit meetings and Board meetings to serve as efficiency experts in solving local problems. 2. That the District Board meet biennially in cities too small to serve as hostess to Conventions and to make of these meetings a Sisterhood Cavalcade for the area, with workshops, institutes, and displays.

In summarizing the highlights of the Convention, Mrs. Jacobson stated: "The first assignment of the newly proposed Interim Committee is to consider as a District project the matter of granting several scholarships to young people to NFTY Conclaves." Emphasis was on the District as source of help all through the year, and not just as a Convention District. To realize the aim of the District's striving for closer relationship between NFTS and the local units, the 18th Biennial Convention adopted a new set of By-Laws, subject to the approval of NFTS Executive Board; to include:

1. A Bulletin to be issued twice a year to every member of the District.
2. A Speakers' Bureau—its Chairmen to be drawn from every area of the District.
3. Dues to be increased to 15c in order to have funds for these new projects.

4. An Interim Committee to be drawn from members of the Board, within meeting distance of the President to give the President a working group.

5. Traveling expenses of the President to District and National Conventions, and to the Presidents' Council.

District #22, Texas State Federation, in its annual Bulletin, "Texas-Brag-Ade," emphasized the importance of attendance at its Biennial Convention to be held in Houston, November 6-8, 1949. Mrs. Phillip Adelman, President, stated that only a few representatives from the constituent units can ever attend National Biennial Conventions, but that a good attendance was expected at the State Biennial especially this year when Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, was invited to conduct a Leadership Training Institute. Mrs. Adelman pointed with pride to the fact that the State Conventions attempt to emulate those of the National Biennial Conventions "to inspire, educate, and train unit leaders." Texas will vote upon the possibility, subject to final approval of the NFTS Executive Board, of admitting Oklahoma Sisterhoods into an enlarged Texas-Oklahoma District Federation.

District #24, Western Federation (Cal., Ore., Wash., Ariz.), held its Regional Convention at Sacramento, February 8-10, with the Convention theme: "To Promote the Spirit of Religion." Addresses given during the opening day of the Assembly were: "Girl Scouts Call All Sisterhoods," by Mrs. Esmond Schapiro, Member, National Jewish Advisory Board, Region 12; and "The Jewish Home—Asset or Liability?" by Dr. S. C. Kohs, Field Secretary, National Jewish Welfare Board. The luncheon address was given by Mrs. Harold Baum, NFTS Executive Board and Committee member.

During the afternoon session, twenty-six unit Presidents reported their most outstanding Sisterhood achievements of the year in two minute reports.

Breakfast meetings were held for Sisterhoods with memberships under 100, Mrs. Harold Baum, presiding; for Sisterhoods with membership over 100, Mrs. Gene Friedman, NFTS Executive Board, presiding.

An address, "Sisterhoods' Role in the Regional Organization of Liberal Judaism," was given by Rabbi Alfred Wolf, Western Regional Director, UAHC.

Four Round Tables, using the pattern of those held at the NFTS National Biennial Convention, were held and later reported to the Assembly.

The Resolutions Committee presented for reemphasis and understanding the four Resolutions which were adopted at the NFTS Biennial Convention.

ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATE FEDERATIONS

1. The continuation of the friendly, helpful Guest Presidents' letters released monthly in the Presidents' Packets.

2. The release again this year of a sample Questionnaire for the use of District and State Presidents to be sent to their constituent units for information in compiling annual Reports and Presidents' Messages.

3. The compilation of a Statistical Financial Chart, using the information from the Questionnaires on finance filled in by the District and State Presidents, to be presented for study to the second Council of Presidents. The Chart was drafted to include: 1. District membership and number of local units; 2. Per capita dues; 3. Supplementary funds; how raised; 4. Budget; amount; 5. Financial support of

other projects; 6. Comments and suggestions. Although the financial picture indicated great divergences and variances in all instances, the appraisal of financial inadequacy was unanimous in that there is a dire need for increased monies to implement more effectively NFTS' projects and to administrate more effectively District and State Federations.

4. The continuation of direct Bulletin Exchange among District and State Presidents for interchange of ideas in editing Bulletins.

5. The announcement of the meeting of the second Council of State and District Presidents, scheduled to meet in New York City, November 1-2, 1949, based upon the majority vote by mail of the District and State Presidents.

NEW STATE AND DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

We welcome into the fellowship of NFTS State and District Federation leadership the following Presidents elected during the fiscal year of 1948-1949:

District #1.	Mrs. Julia Hoffman Boston, Mass.	District #11.	Mrs. I. Steinman Pontiac, Mich.
District #2.	Mrs. Walter Midas Hamden, Conn.	District #14.	Mrs. Jacob B. Joel Athens, Georgia
District #3.	Mrs. Wm. Leffler Tuckahoe, N. Y.		(Southeast—Ga., Fla., Ala.)
District #5.	Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith Scranton, Penn.	District #17.	Mrs. Jesse P. Stern New Orleans, La.
District #7.	Mrs. Ralph Mosinter Huntington, W. Va.	District #18.	Mrs. Elmer Benesch Oak Park, Ill.
District #8.	Mrs. Joseph B. Hearst Norfolk, Va.	District #19.	Mrs. Norman Breslauer Milwaukee, Wis.
(Del., D. C., Md., N. C., Va.)		District #24.	Mrs. Walter Hardman Seattle, Wash.
District #10.	Mrs. Charles Spiegall Anderson, Ind.		(Western Federation)

APPRECIATION

To our beloved President, Mrs. Rosett, and to our unexcelled Executive Director, Miss Evans, for continuing inspiration and guidance at all times, your Chairman expresses profound gratitude.

To the Executive staff in the Cincinnati and New York offices, especially to Miss Josephine Schoenborn, and to Miss Frances Kuwent, your Chairman offers heartfelt appreciation for indispensable and expert assistance in response to every request.

To Miss Helen Strauss, Executive Director of the House of Living Judaism Campaign, whose services with NFTS terminated October 31, your Chairman extends admiration and appreciation for her loyal and devoted guidance to District and State Federations to complete quotas.

To the Presidents of the State and District Federation, for their enthusiastic cooperation, and for their personal and official dedication to the challenging program of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, your Chairman submits her wholehearted appreciation in genuine pride.

(MRS. CLARENCE C.) EMILIE E. STRASBURGER, *Chairman*

Committee on State Federations

Meetings of State and District Federations scheduled during the 1948-49 NFTS fiscal year:

CONVENTION DATES	STATE AND/OR DIST. FED.	CONVENTION CITY	PRESIDENT	GUEST SPEAKER
Nov. 28-29, 1948	West Virginia Federation	Wheeling	Mrs. Nathan Effron	Mrs. Strasburger
Nov. 30-Dec. 1/48	Indiana Federation	Gary	Mrs. Albert Shulman	Mrs. Harold Baum
Nov. 30, 1948	South Carolina Fed. Board Meeting	Georgetown	Mrs. Edgar A. Cohen	Mrs. Harry Rosenbaum
Dec. 1, 1948	South Carolina Federation	Georgetown	Mrs. Edgar A. Cohen	Mrs. Harry Rosenbaum
Dec. 1, 1948	Connecticut Federation	Woodbridge	Mrs. A. Henry Weisman	
Dec. 2, 1948	New Jersey Federation	Trenton	Mrs. Edward Siegelson	Mrs. Sol Tekulsky
Feb. 8, 9, 10, 1949	Western Federation	Sacramento	Mrs. Leo Shapiro	Mrs. Baum
Feb. 13-15, 1949	Southeast Federation	Columbus	Mrs. S. K. Simon	Miss Evans
Exec. Bd. Meet.	Ky.-Tenn. Federation	Brownsville, Tenn.	Mrs. Sterling Berg	Mrs. Baum
Mar. 9, 1949				
Mar. 23-24, 1949	Dist. #8 (Va., D. C., Del., Md., N. C.)	Wilmington, Del.	Mrs. Jos. B. Hearst	Mrs. Rosett
Mar. 27-30, 1949	Louisiana Federation	New Orleans	Mrs. Lawrence Mann	Mrs. Strasburger
Mar. 29-30, 1949	Illinois Federation	Urbana	Mrs. Elmer E. Benesch	Mrs. May
Apr. 25-26, 1949	Michigan Federation	Flint	Mrs. Harvey Steadman	Mrs. Rosett
				Miss Evans
May 15-17, 1949	New York State Federation	Montreal, Can.	Mrs. William J. Leffler	Mrs. Rosett
			Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind	
			Mrs. Sol Tekulsky	
May 25, 1949	Wisconsin Federation	Kenosha, Wis.	Mrs. Isadore M. Block	Mrs. M. M. Ullman
Oct. 17-19, 1949	Pennsylvania Federation	Erie, Pa.	Mrs. Edward W. Schleisner	Mrs. Strasburger
Oct. 18-19, 1949	Indiana State Federation	Indianapolis	Mrs. Charles H. Spiegel	Mrs. Dalsheimer
Oct. 18-20, 1949	Dist. #20 (Iowa, Kan., Mo., Neb., Col.)	Denver	Mrs. Harry Jacobson	Mrs. Mark
Oct. 23-24, 1949	West Virginia Federation	Huntington	Mrs. A. A. Seletz	Mrs. Steadman
Oct. 25, 1949	Dist. #1	Brockton	Mrs. Ira Daniels	Mrs. Beryl Cohon
Oct. 26, 1949	Connecticut Federation	Hartford	Mrs. Henry Weisman	Mrs. Rosett
Oct. 30-31, 1949	Mississippi Federation	Natchez	Mrs. Joe Schlesinger	Mrs. Baum
Oct. 30-31, 1949	Ky.-Tenn. Federation	Chattanooga	Mrs. Sterling Berg	Mrs. Salm

REPORT OF THE National Committee on Uniongrams

Columbus, Ohio, October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.
Friends:

With mingled emotions, I accepted the invitation of our esteemed President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, to become the new Chairman of the National Committee on Uniongrams. Appreciating the honor and privilege of being able to serve Sisterhood in such a capacity, nevertheless, I realized how difficult it would be to follow such an ardent promoter of Uniongram sales as my distinguished predecessor, Mrs. Harold Baum, immediate past Chairman of the Uniongram Committee.

It is, therefore, in the spirit of sincere humility that I ask your cooperation for the continuation of the splendid record of accomplishment in the past, and hope that together we shall go forward to achieve new goals. I pledge to you my sincerest efforts in promoting the work of this Committee.

On behalf of the National Committee on Uniongrams, I take pleasure in presenting the following annual report:

CALENDAR OF UNIONGRAM SALES

(Based on NFTS fiscal years: Nov. 1, 1947-Oct. 31, 1948, and
Nov. 1, 1948-Oct. 31, 1949.)

1947-48		1948-49	
November	12,164	November	17,477
December	16,380	December	11,900
1948		1949	
January	12,253	January	15,436
February	7,584	February	9,548
March	8,250	March	10,336
April	10,192	April	16,856
May	14,836	May	19,141
June	20,778	June	15,836
July	9,224	July	7,324
August	13,332	August	7,948
September	20,580	September	27,388
October	23,653	October	26,636
TOTAL	169,226	TOTAL	185,826

Thus we see that by the diligent cooperation of all members of Sisterhoods everywhere, we have topped Uniongram sales of last year by 16,600 individual Uniongrams.

CONGRATULATIONS

It is always a heart-warming experience to be able to extend congratulations on work well done. It is therefore with a feeling of great pleasure that, on behalf of the National Uniongram Committee, I am privileged to announce the three outstanding leaders of Uniongram sales for the NFTS fiscal year of Nov. 1, 1948 to Oct. 31, 1949. Top honors go to the Rodef Shalom Sisterhood, Pittsburgh, Pa., which ordered and paid for 5,600 Uniongrams. Congratulations to Mrs. Joseph H. Barach, Uniongram

Chairman, and Mrs. Nathan B. Jacobs, immediate past Uniongram Chairman, on this splendid record. Second honors go to Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., which ordered and paid for 3,600 Uniongrams. Congratulations to Mrs. David Gerber, Uniongram Chairman! Third honors go to Sisterhood of Emanuel B'ne Jeshurun, Milwaukee, Wisc., which ordered and paid for 3,000 Uniongrams. Congratulations to Mrs. Edwin Eckstein and Mrs. Robert Henden, Uniongram Co-Chairmen!

Hearty congratulations also go to Sisterhoods earning places on the Uniongram Honor Roll below, through 100% participation in National Uniongram Day, January 21, 1949, by selling to each member during January one Uniongram for use on that date or through ordering and paying for the equivalent of one book of Uniongrams per member during the NFTS fiscal year, Nov. 1, 1948-Oct. 31, 1949.

UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL

Dothan, Alabama	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Jasper, Alabama	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Phoenix, Arizona	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Fort Smith, Arkansas.....	Temple Sisterhood
Little Rock, Arkansas.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Pine Bluff, Arkansas.....	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood
Hollywood (North), California.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood
Sacramento, California	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Santa Ana, California.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom
Santa Monica, California.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Colorado Springs, Colorado.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Trinidad, Colorado	Temple Aaron Sisterhood
Washington, D. C.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation
St. Petersburg, Florida.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El
Tallahassee, Florida	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Augusta, Georgia	Temple Sisterhood
Bloomington, Illinois	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood
Chicago, Illinois	Beth Am Sisterhood
Chicago, Illinois	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel
Decatur, Illinois	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood
Kankakee, Illinois	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Peoria, Illinois	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood
Rockford, Illinois	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Anderson, Indiana	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood
Ft. Wayne, Indiana	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood
Hammond, Indiana	Beth El Sisterhood
Marion, Indiana	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Muncie, Indiana	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
South Bend, Indiana.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Terre Haute, Indiana.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Cedar Rapids, Iowa	Sisterhood of Temple Judah
Davenport, Iowa	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Des Moines, Iowa.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood
Sioux City, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai
Topeka, Kansas	Beth Sholom Sisterhood
Wichita, Kansas	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Henderson, Kentucky	Adas Israel Sisterhood
Lexington, Kentucky	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood
Paducah, Kentucky	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Alexandria, Louisiana	Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim
Bastrop, Louisiana	Sisterhood of Bastrop
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood
Lafayette, Louisiana	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood
New Iberia, Louisiana.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer
New Orleans, Louisiana.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer
New Orleans, Louisiana.....	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue
Baltimore, Maryland	Eutaw Place Temple Sisterhood
Baltimore, Maryland	Har Sinai Sisterhood
Baltimore, Maryland	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood

Flint, Michigan	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Muskegon, Michigan	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Pontiac, Michigan	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob
Saginaw, Michigan	Sisterhood Temple Beth El
Brookhaven, Mississippi	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom
Canton, Mississippi	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel
Clarksdale, Mississippi	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Cleveland, Mississippi	Adath Israel Sisterhood
Columbus, Mississippi	Columbus Temple Sisterhood
Drew-Kuleville, Mississippi	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville
Hattiesburg, Mississippi	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood
Lexington, Mississippi	Julia Lewis Sisterhood
Meridian, Mississippi	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Vicksburg, Mississippi	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood
Joplin, Missouri	Temple Aid Sisterhood
Springfield, Missouri	Sisterhood of United Hebrew Congregation
Omaha, Nebraska	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Las Vegas, Nevada.....	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center
Newark, New Jersey.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun
Orange, New Jersey.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo
Batavia, New York.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Brooklyn, New York.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom
Brooklyn, New York.....	Sisterhood of Union Temple
Elmira, New York.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel
New York, New York.....	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant
New York, New York.....	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx
Niagara Falls, New York.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Olean, New York.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Fargo, North Dakota.....	Beth El Sisterhood
Alliance, Ohio	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Bellaire, Ohio	Sisterhood Sons of Israel
Cincinnati, Ohio	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood
East Liverpool, Ohio.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Lorain, Ohio	Lorain Temple Sisterhood
Muskogee, Oklahoma	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood
Portland, Oregon	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood
Altoona, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Beth Israel
Clearfield, Pennsylvania	The Clearfield Sisterhood
Easton, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace
Erie, Pennsylvania	The Temple Sisterhood
Greensburg, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom
Hazleton, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple
Johnstown, Pennsylvania	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	The Rodef Shalom Sisterhood
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Temple Sinai Sisterhood
Reading, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom
Scranton, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple
Williamsport, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Beth Ha-Sholom
York, Pennsylvania	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Camden, South Carolina.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Charleston, South Carolina.....	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood
Columbia, South Carolina.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life
Conway, South Carolina.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway
Darlington, South Carolina.....	Darlington Temple Sisterhood
Dillon, South Carolina.....	Dillon Temple Sisterhood
Florence, South Carolina.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Georgetown, South Carolina.....	Georgetown Temple Sisterhood
Lake City-Kingstree, South Carolina.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood
Sumter, South Carolina.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Sioux Falls, South Dakota.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood
Brownsville, Tennessee	The Temple Sisterhood
Clarksville, Tennessee	Beth-El Temple Sisterhood
Jackson, Tennessee	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Memphis, Tennessee	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Nashville, Tennessee	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood
Austin, Texas	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood
Marshall, Texas	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore
San Antonio, Texas.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood

Waco, Texas	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Sholom
Charlottesville, Virginia	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple
Fredericksburg, Virginia	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Lynchburg, Virginia	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue
Roanoke, Virginia	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Seattle, Washington	Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch
Tacoma, Washington	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Beckley, West Virginia	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple
Bluefield, West Virginia	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood
Charleston, West Virginia	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood
Clarksburg, West Virginia	Tree of Life Sisterhood
Fairmont, West Virginia	Fairmont Jewish Temple Sisterhood
Huntington, West Virginia	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Logan, West Virginia	Logan Temple Sisterhood
Morgantown, West Virginia	Morgantown Sisterhood
Parkersburg, West Virginia	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Welch, West Virginia	Emanuel Sisterhood
Wheeling, West Virginia	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood
Williamson, West Virginia	Williamson Temple Sisterhood
Appleton, Wisconsin	Zion Temple Sisterhood
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun
Oshkosh, Wisconsin	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel

USES OF UNIONGRAM APPORTIONMENT PROFIT

Sometimes in our enthusiastic efforts to increase Uniongram Sales, we neglect to stress and dramatize the many and very worth while projects for which the money received from these sales is used. Uniongram Apportionment Profit (UAP) is the twenty cents of each quarter spent on a Uniongram, our distinctive Jewish message bearer for all occasions. This UAP accrues to the NFTS Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, or in a few special cases, is returned to Sisterhoods for the support of free religious schools for underprivileged children.

Very often, we assume that all of our members understand thoroughly what we are talking about when we enumerate the following projects supported in part by Uniongram Sales:

1. Scholarship assistance to rabbinic students residing in the Dormitory on the Cincinnati Campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.
2. An annual grant to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations toward its religious educational work, especially its Department of Youth Activities.
3. Refurnishing of the Hebrew Union College Dormitory.
4. A graduate fellowship in Jewish Musicology to Mrs. Johanna Spector, a concentration camp survivor, for pursuance of her studies at HUC.

These foregoing items are the vital projects of the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. Uniongram sales and cash contributions from Sisterhood treasuries or individuals combine to make the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. This is indeed an impressive list, but perhaps it will remain only words in the minds of our members unless animated descriptions and displays of various projects can be presented from time to time. This method might help the members realize all the more graphically that every time they buy Uniongrams they are helping to support many worth while projects of Sisterhood as well as of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

The more we are made aware of Sisterhood's far-reaching activities, the more all of us will know the pride of achievement and the more eagerly we shall work for its accomplishment:

AIDS FOR UNIONGRAM CHAIRMAN

Uniongram place-cards, sheaf-binders, sample Uniongrams, posters and playlets serve to keep the Uniongram project constantly in the minds of members. These aids may be obtained free of charge from the NFTS Office, Merchants Building, Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION

In conclusion, this report would not be complete without expressing, on behalf of this Committee, our sincere thanks and appreciation to:

Mrs. Rosett, our beloved and distinguished President, for her constant inspiration to all of us who are privileged to know and to work with her.

Miss Jane Evans, our very competent Executive Director, whose untiring efforts and efficient management of all Sisterhood activities has won the admiration of all of us.

The entire staff for their patience, understanding and devotion to their work.

All Chairmen of Uniongrams and their Committees for their suggestions, help and cooperation in this far-reaching work.

May the coming year find us always ready to serve Jewish and humanitarian causes, and may God grant to mankind everywhere, His most precious gift of peace.

(Mrs. Jerome D.) BESSIE FOLKMAN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE

National Committee on Youth Activities

Evansville, Ind., October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

This report covers the period November 1, 1948 through October 31, 1949, but since my appointment as Chairman of the NFTS Committee on Youth Activities is only a few months old I must give thanks to my predecessor, Mrs. Charles Cohen, for the gracious use of her files which have enabled me to compile this report.

During the fiscal year the outline for Chairmen on Youth Activities was revised and released in September, 1949. From time to time helpful letters have been released to local, State and/or District Chairmen and copies were included in the President's Packet. The response has been both surprising and gratifying for I have received many letters which indicate a need for a positive program in the field of Youth Activities, especially where the number of young people in a community is small. It is the hope of your Chairman that in the coming year this Committee can seriously consider a program to fill these needs.

The National Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) met in Cincinnati on March 26 and 27, 1949. Mrs. Sidney Weil, an NFTS Executive Board member who resides in Cincinnati, represented NFTS. The NFTY Board met again on August 21-22, at Camp Lake of the Woods in Michigan, preceding the opening of NFTY's 2nd Annual National Camp Leadership Institutes. The next Board meeting of NFTY will be in Red House, N. Y., near Buffalo, February 12-13, 1950, a meeting which I hope it will be my privilege to attend personally.

The remainder of this report will be devoted primarily to two things.

- (A) A quick summary of NFTY's chief activities and projects during the year covered by this report; and
- (B) Information concerning a new, so called "Regional" Plan of NFTY operations, being introduced this year.

(A) SUMMARY OF NFTY 1948-49 ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS

For brevity's sake, I shall merely list, without describing (1) where Youth Conventions were held during the past year. You may be surprised to realize the number and geographical coverage of these Reform Jewish Youth get-togethers. (2) The same comment applies to the extent of NFTY's Summer Camp Conferences. (3) There will be listed, without details, the major NFTY projects of the year.

1. Conventions: NFTY's Fourth Biennial Convention was held in Boston, November 11-14, 1948, with 237 delegates attending.

Regional Conventions (or Conference "Conclaves" as they are variously referred to) were held by the following NFTY Regions during the year: Northern New England Federation, Southern New England Federation, Brooklyn Federation, Bronx-Manhattan Council, Long Island Federation, Middle Atlantic Federation, South Eastern Federation, Temple Youth of Mississippi, Kentucky-Tennessee Federation, Ohio Valley Federation, Lake Erie area, St. Louis area, Chicago Federation, and Southern California Council (which also sponsored a Teen Ager's Conference for Junior Youth groups).

2. Camp Institutes and Conclaves:

The term "NFTY Camp Institutes" is reserved for Camp Conferences of national, rather than regional, scope. Last August, for 10 days, at Camp Lake of the Woods, Michigan, the 2nd Annual National Camp Leadership Institutes drew 162 youth leaders of Reform Temple groups from 43 cities, which included 24 states from border to border of the United States and from Canada. In order to attend these National Institutes, the youth must be certified by the Rabbi or group adviser as possessing leadership qualities. (In order fully to appreciate the quality and scope of these Leadership Institutes, each of you should actually peruse the Institute's "Dean's Letter" which is sent to each Instituter describing every detail of the project. Requests for copies of his letter may be addressed to the National Federation of Temple Youth, Merchants Bldg., Cincinnati 2, Ohio.)

The term "Camp Conclaves" refers to the various Regional Camp Conferences, to which any Reform Jewish youth may attend by virtue of his being a member of any Temple Youth Group. Six such Regional Camp Conclaves were held this past summer and early fall in Ohio (by the Ohio Valley Region); Connecticut (by the New England Region); Georgia (by the Southeastern Region); California (con-

ducted by West Coast Reform Rabbis); Michigan (Chicago Region); and western New York (Lake Erie Region).

3. Projects for the year included

1. the annual NFTY "Youth Sabbath" on the Sabbath of Passover, when youth services were reported by 155 Congregations;
2. the issuance of the quarterly printed newspaper, *The Messenger*;
3. the conducting of national finals of six 1948-49 National Contests (Oratorical, Essay, Sermon, Prayer, Youth Service and Group Newspaper).
4. issuance of a number of organizational appurtenances and "novelties," e.g., NFTY pins, song book, gavels, camp-shirts, charters, napkins, greeting tags, table place-cards, etc.;
5. the publication (mimeographed) of a number of educational and organizational releases (NFTY Sabbath release, NFTY Parliamentary Laws release, Radio Script on "Reform Judaism and Youth," Camp Institutes releases, and others).

At the last meeting of the NFTY Board, an over-all NFTY project was set up, called the "Nifty Fund." Out of this fund, 50% is allocated toward the purchase of a permanent Camp-Site. Ten per cent will be contributed to the combined campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion; the remaining 40% will finance special projects.

(B) NFTY'S NEW REGIONAL PLAN OF ORGANIZATION

NFTY's Boston Biennial Convention adopted a new plan of national organization, prompted by the growing number of Temple youth groups joining the Federation. Called the NFTY Regional Plan, it set up fifteen NFTY regions (of which ten were officially recognized as active Regions by the NFTY Executive Board, at a meeting following the Convention). Each Region elects two members to represent the Region on the Executive Board. Each Region, by the Plan, is to conduct its Regional affairs with full autonomy under Regional officers elected at Regional Conventions. Each Region collects Federation dues which automatically also entitle the member to an NFTY Membership Card and to receive the newspaper, *The Messenger*. The President and Adviser of each Youth group also receives a program magazine, *The Youth Leader*, from NFTY headquarters.

As the mother of the household assumes the responsibility for the rearing of the children, so Liberal Jewish womanhood, represented by the Sisterhoods, must accept the responsibility for aiding in the formulation of a Youth program which will interest our young people and retain their ties with the Temple and their religious teachings. Your National Committee on Youth Activities hopes to cooperate in every way possible so that the National Federation of Temple Youth will be able to frame a program which will serve as a guide in the field of Youth Activities. In this work, the help and cooperation of the NFTS Executive Board will be a vital and necessary factor.

The Chairman warmly thanks Rabbi Sam Cook, Director of Youth Activities of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and Director of NFTY; all officers and members as well as the staff of NFTS, for their contributions to the advancement of a program of service to Jewish youth.

(MRS. JEROME L.) HANNAH SALM, *Chairman*

Report on Correspondence Courses

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a genuine pleasure to report to you on the special fund which you established for correspondence courses. You were kind enough to grant, at my suggestions, the sum of \$3,500.00 for each of two successive years. Later you gave us a further grant of \$500.00 for this purpose, making a total of \$7,500.00 for this experiment.

We proceeded to prepare a series of correspondence courses in accordance with a plan mapped out by the Educational Director and approved by the Commission on Jewish Education and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Five courses have been prepared. They are: a course on the Jewish Festivals, a course in Jewish History, a course on the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*, a course on a *History of the Jews in the United States*, and a course on *Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World*.

Last year we had occasion to point out that some of the women who register for the courses do not complete them. In general we have found the courses more useful to people in small communities who wish to prepare themselves as teachers rather than to adults who wish to pursue a course for the sake of Jewish study. Too often they start with very good intentions, but alas, the flesh is weak, and before they go very far they give up their studies. This experience has been valuable to us in our revision of the courses. We are proceeding as follows: we are making the courses as simple as possible in the hope that the average adult who is not given to intensive study may be enticed. Furthermore, we are preparing a new course on *Present Jewish Problems and Movements* for which we have a splendid text in the newly revised edition of *Modern Jewish Problems* by Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn.

As you already know, one hundred and thirty-nine students have completed courses since the inception of this work. Many others registered and pursued some of the courses without completing them:

The financial status of our Correspondence Fund is as follows:

Balance in Correspondence Courses, 7-1-48.....	\$2,828.04
Receipts	185.79
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	\$3,013.83
Disbursements	30.34
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Balance in Correspondence Courses Account, 6-30-1949.....	\$2,983.49

On behalf of the Commission on Jewish Education I want to congratulate you for your generosity and for your vision in helping us to pioneer in Jewish education and especially in this unique and uncharted field.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Educational Director*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

REPORT OF

Institutes for Teachers and Laymen

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Cincinnati, Ohio, October 31, 1949

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Your appreciation of the importance of teacher training and adult education has made possible the bringing of lectures to many teachers and adults in various communities throughout the United States. I am, therefore, happy to report once again on the work covered during the year from November 1, 1948, to October 31, 1949.

As you know, the NFTS now gives us an annual grant of \$1,500.00 for lectures to teachers and adults. When first established, a special committee was appointed consisting of representatives both of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and of the Commission on Jewish Education to consider this activity. A memorandum was then issued which stated that the lectures were to be primarily related to "various phases of teacher training, and aim to improve textbooks and methods of instruction used in our schools. Some of the lectures, however, will be on general subjects of interest to Jewish adults, especially to members of the Sisterhoods. Wherever possible an effort will be made to arrange, at the same time, for lectures to adults as well as for lectures to teachers." This memorandum, submitted to the joint committee, was unanimously approved by them. Our lectures are being arranged along the lines agreed upon by the committee.

During this fiscal year a total of fifty lectures were delivered in sixteen communities in the United States. Of these, twenty-six were for teachers and twenty-four for adults. These lectures were attended by 1,101 teachers and 2,081 adults. Wherever it was possible a special meeting for the entire congregation was arranged, at which both the men and women were present. At times, separate meetings were also arranged with the Sisterhood of the Temple. Where evening meetings are arranged, the Sisterhood President is, of course, informed and the Sisterhood usually plays an active part in the arrangements.

The following are the cities in which lectures were delivered: Phoenix, Ariz.; Tucson, Ariz.; Hollywood, Calif.; Long Beach, Calif.; Los Angeles, Calif.; Sacramento, Calif.; San Jose, Calif.; Santa Monica, Calif.; Wilmington, Del.; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Lexington, Ky.; Minneapolis, Minn.; St. Louis, Mo.; Dayton, Ohio; Pittsburgh, Pa.; Charleston, W. Va.; and Wheeling, W. Va.

The demand for this service continues unabated in many communities as is indicated by the letters of commendation in our office concerning the work done in this field. These letters give much credit to the NFTS and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. You may feel justly proud that you are supporting this significant educational work of improving religious education throughout the United States.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Educational Director*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

Report from Europe

ADDRESS

BY

MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, *President*

THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Delivered at Dinner Session of the Annual Executive Board Meeting
at the Columbian Club, St. Louis, Mo., November 29, 1949

Madame Chairman, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:

This has been a tremendous year for Americans traveling in Europe. I do not know what the exact figures are, how many hundreds or thousands went to Europe. I do know, however, that all travelers—whether they were students or teachers, farmers or businessmen—had a deep awareness of the fact that they were unofficial ambassadors of a great democracy, representing a way of life which other peoples of the world were watching. Some were watching us with admiration, some with envy, many with hope. In turn, all of the travelers had a very great interest in the plight of their fellow beings in the rest of the world, and a very deep concern as to how they, and we, working together, were going to pull ourselves out of the aftermath of two global wars.

Each traveler has returned with a tale to tell. It happens that I am just another one of these travelers, except that in addition to the usual itinerary I also attended an international conference and visited a great many Jewish people, many Jewish organizations, in an effort to find out something of Jewish religious life in Europe.

I was away from home about five weeks. After spending ten days in England, we visited cities in Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, France and Italy. The official purpose of my journey was to attend a convention of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, which met in London in July. The World Union, as you know, is an organization of Jews all over the world who believe in the Progressive or Liberal form of Judaism. Its purpose is to combat indifference and apathy in religion by revitalizing Judaism. The World Union has done a magnificent task in all parts of the world where people have been uprooted, where religious life has been disrupted. It is especially interested in youth. As an international organization interested in human welfare, it was recently granted consultative status on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.

There were present at the World Union's conference delegates from many countries: from the United Kingdom; from Ireland; from France; Germany; Holland; from Switzerland and Sweden and Italy; from the Union of South Africa; Australia; from South American republics; from Israel.

There were 17 delegates from the United States. Of the 100 or more delegates who were present, more than $\frac{1}{3}$ were delegates from youth organizations throughout the world. Mrs. Harold Baum accompanied me on the trip as your delegate also; it was a never-to-be-forgotten experience for both of us.

The main points that came out of the discussions were three: one, that the great problems which face religion in general in the world today arise out of an attempt to

force religion without understanding; two, that there are many people in the remnants of Jewish communities all over Europe and also many persons in Israel who are unwilling and unable to accept Orthodoxy as their way of life or to follow its traditions. Nevertheless, they have a strong religious feeling, and a great desire to express their religious feeling; therefore (and this is the third point) it becomes necessary for Progressive Jews all over the world to make available to these co-religionists the possibility of a strong, Progressive Judaism which will be meaningful in their modern, daily life.

The theme of the conference was the Mission of Judaism—Its Present Day Application. The interpretation of the term "mission" was much discussed. Dr. Leo Baeck, the revered and beloved head of the World Union, interpreted the phrase very simply and very literally. According to Dr. Baeck the phrase meant just what it said and included sending missionaries to convert non-Jews to Judaism. "Because," said Dr. Baeck, "religion has been guilty of two great sins, the sin of silence and the sin of compromise." Dr. Baeck added, "No religion has the right to exclude or excuse itself from combating these two sins, wherever they may be found."

Most of the delegates felt that the "mission" of Judaism could well be accomplished if our efforts were effectively used to reach thousands and thousands of Jews who, like thousands of Christians, have strayed away from their religion.

The report from Germany was by far the saddest of any we heard. We were reminded in this report that the Jewish community of Berlin is still the largest Jewish community in all of Europe, and that a large part of it leans toward the Progressive idea of Judaism. The community is now living through grave difficulties and conflicts due to the transient nature of its population. We were told that the Jews still in Germany must not be allowed to think that we and the rest of the world have forgotten them.

The report from Israel was inspiring. It told about the educational program of Progressive Judaism in Israel, particularly the Leo Baeck School in Haifa. The Leo Baeck School is the only non-orthodox school in Israel.

At the close of the conference, Mrs. Baum and I met with the women of the British Federation of Women Societies, which is an organization corresponding with our Sisterhoods. This group is an affiliated member of our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. We also visited and attended a meeting of the North London Progressive Synagogue. We left London bearing the loving greetings of our beloved, Honorable Lily H. Montagu, to all of you here in America.

We visited museums, cathedrals, churches and synagogues, in Brussels, Amsterdam, Lausanne, Nice. In every place we were always greatly impressed at the many ways in which men have tried to express their aspirations. Paris was the only city on the continent where we were able to attend services in a Liberal Congregation. Italy was an after-thought, which was added to our itinerary when we found that we could postpone our passage home for an additional week.

We had learned in London that the Italian Jewish communities are very old and that they had included many distinguished personalities. The relationship between the Jew and non-Jew, until 1938, had been very excellent; then the Germans instigated persecution. We visited three synagogues in Italy—in Rome, Milan, and Florence. We visited in Florence a synagogue which has been called the most beautiful in

Europe. It had suffered much destruction, but the destruction had been repaired with funds from JDC and contributions from people in Florence. The organ was still not usable and when I asked the Shammass what did an orthodox congregation want with an organ, he said that it was for special occasions and weddings.

We noticed that there was a gathering of what appeared to be officials of the Florence congregation. We spoke to them and they explained that they were there because some of their scrolls and most beautiful ceremonial objects which had been sent away for safe keeping during the war were about to be returned. As we stood there, a truck drove up bringing them home and we shared in the deeply moving joy of our friends.

If anyone were to ask me what of all the things that I had seen in Europe impressed me most, I think I would choose two things—two rather simple things that would interest, probably, only a woman. First the experience of discovering for myself how small the world really is. On the plane from New York to London, one of the passengers was a little girl between 6 and 8 years old who was traveling to her home in England after visiting friends in America. On the plane from Paris to New York one of the passengers was a little boy not quite 2 years old; he was traveling from his grandmother's home in Paris to his mother's and father's home in Brooklyn, and he too was traveling alone except for the fact that his grandmother had that very day at the airport, after waiting for hours, found another passenger who agreed to be listed as officially accompanying him. Now it seems to me that when it is no longer unusual for infants to cross thousands of miles of ocean alone, we can no longer refer only to a small world. Today it is no longer a small world but rather a large neighborhood. The second thing that impressed me was how very simple it is to be a housewife in America.

All over Europe I met women of every class, rich and poor, young and old, who asked what they could do, how they could effectively insure Jewish education and Judaism for their children. They wanted to know how they could make their groups function as ours do. Among all of these women (and many of them were very able, very intelligent; some even seemed to be greatly inspired). I didn't find one of whom I could possibly say that she had time for more than the day to day needs and responsibilities of home and family. In countries in which normal life has been disrupted for years, where food and clothing are still very difficult to procure, where deep freezes, vacuum cleaners and washing machines are unknown, that truly busy women, with none of our leisure time, are deeply eager for Jewish values. It was in relation to these women, and their children and their needs, that the great challenge to us in America presents itself. After all, here in America we women *do* have time; we don't have it long, because we use it generously and we use it, I believe well. However, intelligent people must budget time, in much the same way as they budget money; they must necessarily provide for first things first. In our generation, I am sure that there is no doubt that religion is a first value. If civilization is to survive at all, it must remain first.

In a changing world, it sometimes happens that the scope and size of the task also changes. Unless we are willing to revise or, at least, review our thinking, we may find that with all the best will in the world we are not doing the task that should be done. Because of the fact that Sisterhoods in all communities are doing magnificent jobs

for their own congregations, because they are outstanding in every thing that they attempt, we have slipped into the habit of considering the Sisterhood a purely local organization. Until the day comes when every member of every Sisterhood realizes that she is a member also of a great, dynamic world movement of Liberal or Progressive or Reform Judaism, a movement that is as important to the world as it is to us, we will not be fulfilling our responsibility or our task.

In one of his deeply moving messages at the London conference, Dr. Leo Baeck addressed himself directly to the American delegation: "I am speaking to our friends from America," he said, "and through them to their congregations. We are living in a time of revolution. Revolution makes the weak weaker and the strong stronger. It is Jewish duty for the strong to help the weak."

Perhaps there is another thought that must be added to Dr. Baeck's presentation. That is the very practical thought that the strong also have the obligation to keep themselves strong and to make themselves more and more effective, if they are to continue to be able to help the weak.

Two weeks ago I attended a conference in Washington, a luncheon in honor of President Truman. At that conference the statement was made that religion, like freedom, must not be taken for granted. Religion must be worked at. Another speaker at the same session said that the greatest gift that any citizen of this country could make to his beloved country was to strengthen religion through his national organizations and through his personal service.

When we, through the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, support new congregations, support the Union's program, support all of its efforts for the advancement of Judaism, we are in fact making ourselves stronger and more effective.

When we, through the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, help to prepare Rabbis to be leaders of Jewish communities throughout the world, we are making ourselves stronger and more effective. As Americans, the world looks for us to be strong. As Jews it is not enough merely to be strong. We must use that strength so wisely that it will become a blessing not only to us as Jews but to mankind as a whole.

We Are at the Crossroads

AN ADDRESS TO THE
DINNER MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

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Madame chairman, my esteemed and cherished colleagues, fellow members of the Sisterhood and very good friends:

These are somber days calling for serious reflection regarding the kind of world in which we find ourselves. The spiritual keynote which was sounded tonight reminded me of an occurrence, in this very city, which took place just 30 years ago.

It was on Armistice Day in the year 1919, a year after the conclusion of the First World War. In this city of St. Louis, these solemn, penetrating, challenging and forboding words were spoken: "I would like to say to the boys who fought in this war, you have been betrayed. You fought for something you did not get. There will come some time in the vengeful providence of God, another struggle, in which not a few hundred thousand men from America will have to die, but as many millions as are necessary to accomplish the final freedom of the peoples of the world."

These words sound as if they might have been spoken by some rabble rouser, or some revolutionary "red" upon his soap box, or by some peek-hole peering columnist, a radio alarmist commentator or war monger. They were spoken by none of these. They were the solemn admonition sounded by the then President of the United States, who, in this city of St. Louis, one year after the conclusion of the first, great World War of 1914-1918 (and what a prophetic note he did sound that night) said there would come a time when "not a few thousand of our American boys would have to die, but when as many millions more as might be necessary to accomplish the final freedom of the peoples of the world."

Yes, how grimly prophetic those words were, and how sharply reminded I was of that prophecy, when together with Mrs. Rosett and Mrs. Baum, I too was present a week or so ago in the city of Washington, our nation's capital, on Armistice Day last, 30 years after these words were spoken, following another one of those bloody, brutal, beastly, fratricidal struggles. We laid a wreath, in Arlington cemetery, upon the tomb of the soldier whose identity is known only to God, and we heard another President of the U. S. (three decades following this utterance, and after another gruesome struggle) give almost the selfsame harrowing prophecy, in which he pointed out that overpowering forces, great mighty energies, world-wide catastrophe and destruction, hang at this very moment precariously above our heads. I listened to President Truman speak these words echoing those of Woodrow Wilson of three decades ago.

I was reminded also of another solemn warning that has been spoken to our generation, which though it seems to have ears, apparently hears not, and though it has eyes sees not the handwriting on the wall. I refer to that prophecy and admonition which are contained in that volume which, in my judgment, ought to be read by

every child in our schools. I refer to David Bradley's *No Place to Hide*, in which he writes these words to which, I fear, most of us have paid too little heed, as indifferently we go our ways, as if nothing new, nothing colossal, nothing, challenging the very foundations of our society had broken in upon our time. And yet, this sober, cautious scientist, David Bradley, who was present at the Bikini test of Operations Crossroads, tells us in plain unambiguous English, that "there is no real defense against atomic weapons. There are no satisfactory countermeasures, there are no satisfactory medical or sanitary safeguards. The devastating influence of the bomb, and its unborn relatives may affect the land and its wealth and therefore, its people for centuries"—ponder that, for centuries—"through the persistence of radioactivity."

The experiment on Bikini, he points out, was not something that took place on some remote little atoll, pin pointed on a chart and indicating some remote spot. Bikini is San Francisco Bay, the Hellespont, Puget Sound, the East River. It is the Thames, the Adriatic, the Mississippi River—with no place to hide from this sword that hangs so imminently over our heads. No place to hide, except perchance that traditional hiding place of the Jews, except mayhap, that secret rendezvous which Israel discovered years ago, and in which it has invariably, throughout the centuries, found its sole hiding place, its strength, and its stay.

No hiding place for us of this generation than that same hiding place which the Psalmist had in mind centuries ago, when he likewise was confronted with a possible collapse of his civilization, which he portrayed in words that are so strikingly appropriate to our time. When he pointed out that "though nations totter, and empires crumble, though the earth quakes and mountains sink into the depths of the sea," as well they will if the forces of atomic energy are once unloosed, "though the earths tremble, and the mountains sink into the depths of the sea, the God of Hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our tower of strength." No place to hide, except that which again the writers of the Scriptures had in mind when they forewarned, that "except the Lord build the house, they do indeed labor in vain who seek to build it." No place to hide for our entire generation except in God's house, and in His moral law and its application to every-day living of individuals and to the society of men.

No place to hide for Israel, except in the synagogue and in the Torah that is therein proclaimed: Oh, I know that this may sound as twice told tales and as the proverbial preachment of the Rabbi, and yet how real it is and how inescapable, and how irrefutable. What other message is there that I can bring to you tonight, except that this is the sole hiding place for man and particularly for Israel? Yet how utterly indifferent we are to this, the sole secret of our present survival and future persistence.

This indifference on the part of our present generation was graphically brought home to me at least, and I pray that it will be to you likewise, by a few words that I read, which were written by one of my distinguished colleagues in the American Rabbinate. In this article he pointed out that "from time to time it is our unhappy duty to listen to the complaints of older people who feel that they are being neglected by their children." On rare occasions, it is that the children, having grown prosperous, have failed to share their prosperity by making their folks a little more

comfortable. You can well imagine that there are few tasks, out of the variety that come to a Rabbi, that are more repugnant than this, of having to remind sons and daughters of their obligation to their parents. In a less personal, though no less poignant way, the synagogue today, the Mother institution in Israel, makes the same complaint. She sees her daughter institutions maintained, the charities, the welfare funds, the defense organizations, in a rich sometimes lavish fashion, while she is fed on strict economy rations. These daughter institutions take capital reserves, unemployment insurance, sickness benefits, severance pay, retirement funds in their stride, while the synagogue still for the most part finds itself outside the cycle of these modern safeguards against catastrophe. I have heard of instances where individuals give thousands, tens of thousands of dollars to these children of the synagogue, and an infinitesimal fraction thereof to the mother who gave birth to them all. Even if the synagogue were only the source of inspiration of the good works of our society, it would, on sentimental ground alone, deserve better treatment from our people. The fact is that the synagogue is still the central identifying agency for the Jewish people. Ask yourself in all sincerity, if you have done justly by the synagogue, the source of our spiritual being, the seal and sanction of your dignity, the guardian of your hopes.

Ask yourself this question and I think you will have to confess that contemporary Jews meet today in all manner of committees, councils, conclaves and conventions; rarely do we come together as the Congregation in Israel. How often do we, except perhaps once a year, truly and enthusiastically foregather as the Kingdom of Priests, a holy, sanctified, consecrated people. Yet as our Rabbis have so long pointed out, relief without religion, philosophy without faith, will prove ultimately a futile and frustrating thing. And protest too, legitimate though it may be, and though we lose patience with those Jews who place a Maxim-silencer upon the lips of those who would voice their righteous indignation against the injustices which our people have suffered and continue to suffer, not only in distant places, but also at home, here again, Jews just by protest only, Jews by grace of the enemy alone, will not endure.

And as for those who believe that now that the State of Israel has been born, our job is done as American Jews, all I need do is to repeat the word of silent warning that was spoken by no less a fervid advocate of Zion's restoration than Theodor Herzl himself, who to his followers solemnly declared that there can be no return, no abiding return to Zion, unless first there is a return to Judaism.

So there is no place to hide for contemporary Israel, either in philanthropy, or protest, or in Israel or America itself, unless it be in God, in His home, in His word and in His work. Though I thus plead for a revitalization of your local synagogue and your Sisterhoods, which I know from my own experience so frequently bring the vitality and vigor into synagogue life, though I do plead for this in every one of your communities and your congregations, may I underscore the words spoken by Mrs. Rosett, that this, too, will not prove to be binding or constructive enough for the future redemption of American Jewry if we return and revitalize our synagogues exclusively on the local level. If we retreat solely into our individual Sisterhoods or congregations, alone, isolated, sequestered, we do not have the strength which is requisite to meet such a challenging day as this. Even as isolationism has

failed nationally and internationally, economically and socially, so it will prove abortive religiously and congregationally. That is why it is no empty word which I speak when I urge a more genuine, a more consecrated devotion on the part of every congregation and every Sisterhood to your national Reform movement and its institutions.

When I begin to talk about the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, I wonder who hears me, because if people really listened, not only to myself but to my colleagues and our lay leaders, and to you ladies of the Sisterhood, who year in and year out, week after week, month after month, for many years past have talked about your Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, would it be possible then for me to hear the wearisome tale that nobody knows anything about the Union, the NFTS and the College-Institute? I am getting a little bit tired and losing patience at hearing this particular alibi substituted for rightful responsibility to these institutions which have so generously served the whole of American Reform Jewry, the whole of American Israel and America itself. Somehow or other it seems to me that "in our distress we do cry out" to these national institutions for help. Where is there a Reform Congregation in America, which, when it is without a Rabbi or when its Rabbi leaves, finds for a single moment that it is in doubt as to where to turn for a new spiritual leader? Invariably the congregational leaders have the answer and they do come to the HUC-JIR for their spiritual leaders. The illustrious tale which these Liberal Rabbis have written in the record of America can be rivaled by no other similar handful as the few, stalwart, spiritual sons of the HUC-JIR.

Many mothers, countless mothers, who examine their children's textbooks which are provided in their religious schools, must have noticed on the frontispiece that these are publications of our Union, and many of them from the Sisterhood Publication Fund for new religious school literature. Surely ladies who have served on Sisterhood Committees must know that your Rabbis and yourselves would have been helpless without the chapter which your Union has written in the story of Religious Education in America, which is unparalleled by any other religious organization. Yet, notwithstanding such good works as these, we still hear this too frequently reiterated jibe "we know nothing about the Union."

You know that for a long time past it was believed that to be a scientist meant to be at war with religion. I should like to quote the words of an eminent man of science, the head of the Department of Inorganic Chemistry at a university in the East, who happens to be President of one of our Union Congregations, in the State of New York. At the Regional conference we held recently in Albany, he said "I am nauseated by the type of person who has the effrontery to ask 'why should I support the National Institutions of Reform Judaism? What do they do for me?' I am saddened by the lay leadership which permits their congregations to use the services of these institutions, as every one of them does, and then provides either inadequate or no support. Let us be clear about this, such a congregation is not an orphan congregation, it is a parasitic congregation." And such a Sisterhood is not an orphan Sisterhood, it is a parasitic Sisterhood. It is a Sisterhood and a congregation that are not contributing to the well-being either of American Jewry, or as Mrs. Rosett pointed out, of America itself, and it is about time that we in American Israel called

a spade a spade and recognized the poignant disparity between our focusing attention elsewhere and our failure thus far to recognize adequately, at the same time, our responsibilities at home.

We would like to multiply tenfold, a hundred-fold, the kind of experience which Rabbi Borowitz and I shared at the Youth Training Institute in Decatur, Michigan. That was a lone experiment that the Union was able to finance. We ought to have such Institutes dotting our country, and yet our American Jewish Leadership pretends to believe in the future of American Jewish Youth here in this land. Then what about all this "to do" about the spiritual rehabilitation of European Jewry? Don't go away from here tonight minimizing the importance of spiritual rehabilitation in Europe. As a Rabbi how can I do otherwise than welcome rising congregations on the destroyed continent of Europe? But when I hear Dr. Joseph Schwartz make his report to the UJA and indicate that 400 synagogues have been established in Europe, I wonder what is wrong with American Jewry that permits synagogues in America to languish and die as they do, and as the correspondence in the files of the Union indicate. We are not supplying the help from our National Institutions to keep the synagogues alive, nor are we providing adequately for the establishment of synagogues in those barren, moral and spiritual wildernesses of our larger cities, which are in truth undermining not only the stability of American Israel, but of America itself.

This is evidenced by this salient word that I will read to you from a little pamphlet which was not written by an anti-Semite, not by any manner or means. You know the anti-Semite has begun to discover our real Achilles heel. He doesn't really know our weakness. Here it is revealed in a serious survey made by some consecrated Christians regarding the religious state of affairs in the City of New York. In it there is pointed out that in New York Catholic and Protestant circles there are innumerable unaffiliated to be sure, but with regards to New York Jewry, at a liberal estimate, 600,000 souls out of about 2½ million have no identification whatsoever with Jewish life, with Jewish religion, or with Jewish education. Then this solemn statement concludes with these damning words which are more damning than any anti-Semite has spoken about the Jews. "These hundred of thousands of unaffiliated are pagans." And that is what they are, and I think women are particularly concerned as to whether they are going to rear a generation of pagans, who will contribute to the paganization and materialization of American life, or whether they are going to rear a generation of servants of God and People of the Book.

That is the challenge which this hour brings us. I am appealing to the woman power of the Reform Jewish Movement, the woman power 75,000 strong, who have built a dormitory at the Hebrew Union College, who soon will bless us with a gift of a House of Living Judaism in New York, who have brought untold benefactions to their own local Sisterhoods. I am appealing to the woman power to raise our sights, and to bring true vitality and survival, through revival into our Reform Jewish fold.

Our Rabbis long since pointed out that on the day when the Tabernacle in the wilderness was dedicated, the demons that had heretofore been pursuing and plaguing those children of the wilderness suddenly took flight. Who knows but that if we truly rededicate our tabernacles, if we reconsecrate ourselves to the House of God and to His will those demons, those fears and terrible and terrifying demons

that would in truth cause "the earth to tremble and the mountains to sink into the depths of the sea," who knows but that even these will again be put to flight.

May our Sisterhood women cast those demons far from our generation, so that the generations yet unborn will in very truth rise up to call you blessed.



By-Laws

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PREAMBLE

We, the representatives of the Sisterhoods of the various congregations comprising the Union of American Hebrew Congregations believing:

That the congregation is the logical unit of organization in Israel, and

That the increased power which has come to the modern American Jewess ought to be exercised in congregational life, and

That the religious and moral development of Israel can be furthered by this cooperation,

Do hereby organize a National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the more effective carrying out of these aims.

BY-LAWS

NAME

Article 1

Section A. The name of this organization shall be the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

OBJECTS

Article 2

The objects of this Federation are:

Section A. To bring the Sisterhoods of the United States and other countries into closer cooperation and association with one another.

Section B. To quicken the religious consciousness of Israel by stimulating spiritual and educational activity.

Section C. To advance Judaism in the United States and throughout the world; to serve Jewish and humanitarian causes.

Section D. To cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the execution of its aims and purposes.

Section E. To espouse such religious causes as are particularly the work of Jewish women.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERATION

Article 3

Section A. Any organization of Jewish women engaged in religious work, either in connection with a congregation or in a community or district where there is no congregation, may become a member of this Federation by making written application to the Executive Board thereof.

DUES

Article 4

Section A. Every Sisterhood shall pay yearly into the treasury of this Federation 40 cents for each of its contributing members. A Sisterhood in arrears for two years' dues may be suspended from membership after due notice by the Executive Committee, which may, at any time, reinstate such Sisterhood to membership on such terms as the Committee may prescribe.

ASSEMBLY

Article 5

Section A. The legislative body of this Federation, which shall be composed of members of the National Executive Board and of the representatives appointed by the Sisterhoods, shall be styled "the Assembly." The Assembly shall be presided over by the officers of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods as hereinafter prescribed.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE ASSEMBLY

Article 6

Section A. Each Sisterhood shall appoint one representative to the Assembly and one additional representative for every fifty contributing members over and above the first fifty members up to 200 members, and then one additional representative for every 100 contributing members over and above the first 200 members but not to exceed a representation of six from any one Sisterhood.

MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY
Article 7

Section A. The meetings of the Assembly shall be held at the same time and place as the meeting of the Council of the Union.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS
Article 8

Section A. A Committee on Nominations shall be appointed by the President at the first session of the Assembly, excepting the Chairman who shall be appointed at least 90 days prior to the first session of the Assembly.

Section B. 1. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, immediately upon her appointment, shall notify each local Sisterhood of her appointment.

2. Each member Sisterhood may submit by mail to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, at least 30 days prior to the Assembly, the names of candidates recommended for the office of Member of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section C. This Committee shall submit to the assembly, at the beginning of the last morning session, a list of candidates for election to the Executive Board.

Section D. Section B shall neither limit nor restrict the powers of the Nominating Committee.

EXECUTIVE BOARD
Article 9

Section A. The Assembly shall elect an Executive Board of 75 members exclusive of honorary and life members. They shall serve for a period of six years, and shall not be eligible for immediate reelection.

Section B. The period of time during which a member of the Board has served as an officer shall not be included in the six years permitted for service on the Board.

Section C. Women who are not affiliated with a Congregation and who hold membership neither personally nor through their husbands shall not be eligible to membership on the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

ORGANIZATION MEETING AND POWERS OF
EXECUTIVE BOARD
Article 10

Section A. The Executive Board shall meet either during and/or immediately after the final adjournment of the Assembly which elected it,

and in the same city where the Assembly held its session, and shall organize by the election of a President; First, Second, Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents; a Recording Secretary; a Treasurer; and an Executive Director who shall not be a member of the Executive Board.

Section B. The term of office for officers shall be two years.

Section C. Officers may be elected for three successive terms. No officer may be elected to the same office for more than three terms, nor to more than two offices in succession during one continuous term of service on the Executive Board.

Section D. All past National Presidents shall be honorary life members of the Executive Board with power of voting, but they shall not be eligible to office. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall not have more than one honorary National President.

Section E. No Executive Board member shall be eligible to office until she will have served on the Executive Board for two years.

Section F. The Executive Board shall have power and authority over the affairs of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the interim between Assemblies, excepting that of amending these By-Laws or modifying any action taken at the Assembly.

Section G. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the Executive Board or any committee appointed at the Assembly or by the Board shall be filled by the Executive Board. If a vacancy shall occur in any Office, Board, or Committee in the interim between meetings of the Executive Board, the President shall fill such vacancy by appointment, which appointment shall remain in force only until the next meeting of the Executive Board.

Section H. The period of time during which a member has filled a vacancy on the Executive Board shall be included in the six years permitted for service on the Executive Board.

Section I. Twenty members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Section J. In years when there is no Assembly the Executive Board shall meet at such time and place as it shall determine. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by the President, or must be called upon written request of fifteen members.

Section K. The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati and/or New York.

Section L. Any member of the Executive Board absenting herself from two consecutive Executive Board meetings without excuse shall be dropped automatically from the Executive Board and shall be so notified.

ORGANIZATION AND POWERS OF
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 11

Section A. The Executive Board shall at its first meeting elect from its own body four members, who with the officers of the Federation shall constitute the Executive Committee.

Section B. The Executive Committee shall act for the Executive Board in any emergency, arising in the interim between the meetings of the Executive Board. It shall have the power of expending a sum not to exceed \$2,500 during the period between Assemblies.

Section C. Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be at the call of the President, or upon request of the majority of the Executive Committee, and all expenses of said meeting shall be borne by the Treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Six members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

RELATIONSHIP WITH UNION OF AMERICAN
HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

Article 12

Section A. The President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall submit once a year to the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations a report dealing with the work of the Federation; and once yearly an annual budget covering the expenditures for which the Union makes an annual appropriation.

NATIONAL STANDING COMMITTEES

Article 13

Section A. The President, in consultation with the Executive Committee, shall appoint all National Standing Committees provided for in the By-Laws and such other committees as are deemed necessary. The Executive Director shall be the Secretary of each National Standing Committee.

Section B. Each National Standing Committee shall devise methods of carrying out the work entrusted to it and shall communicate these plans to each Sisterhood through the corresponding local and State committees.

Section C. All Chairmen of National Standing Committees shall be selected from the Executive Board.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION

Article 14

Section A. The National Committee on Cooperation shall devise methods of bringing the various Sisterhoods into closer relationship with one another; shall collect and disseminate information of value to Sisterhoods; shall devise methods of executing such plans for general welfare work as the Federation may adopt.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS
EXTENSION

Article 15

Section A. The National Committee on Religious Extension shall stimulate local Sisterhood members to enter into the religious life of the congregation, shall encourage Sabbath observance, synagogue attendance and the formation of classes for the study of Jewish history, literature and religion.

Section B. The National Committee on Religious Extension shall have in charge the organization of new Sisterhoods and their affiliation with the National and shall encourage Sisterhoods in conducting campaigns for increasing their local membership.

Section C. The National Committee on Religious Extension shall establish special committees on Sisterhood activities in communities where no Sisterhood exists, due to lack of numbers.

Section D. The National Committee on Religious Extension shall urge corresponding local Chairmen to make a survey of Jewish residents in the district. Where there are children in outlying communities, the religious education of the children shall be stimulated. Jewish women living in communities remote from organized groups shall be visited by Committees on Religious Extension and invited to join the Sisterhood nearest their place of residence.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Article 16

Section A. The National Committee on Religious Schools shall furnish the Sisterhoods with information concerning the best methods in religious school education; shall encourage men and women to devote themselves to religious school teaching, and shall assist local Sisterhoods in establishing free religious schools.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON HEBREW UNION
COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION FUND

Article 17

Section A. The National Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund shall cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in all enterprises seeking to encourage students to prepare for the rabbinate at the Hebrew Union College, and in such other enterprises of religious education as the Federation shall find necessary.

Section B. The Committee shall gather funds which shall be available at the discretion of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the following purposes:

(1) Hebrew Union College Scholarships, (2) the support of the Hebrew Union College Dormitory, and (3) Religious Educational Work of national character and scope.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON JEWISH
CEREMONIALS AND ART

Article 18

Section A. The National Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, through its efforts and those of the local committees bearing the same name, shall devote itself to the interests of the Union Museum.

Section B. It shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles of Jewish art, to arrange for displays of same under proper auspices and to urge the study of Jewish customs and ceremonies.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON UNIONGRAMS

Article 19

Section A. The National Committee on Uniongrams shall have complete control of the Uniongram enterprise. It shall devise ways and means of disposing of Uniongrams through the help of local Sisterhood Uniongram Committees.

Section B. The profits of this enterprise shall at the discretion of the Executive Board be devoted to Hebrew Union College Scholarships, maintenance of the Dormitory of the Hebrew Union College, and Religious Educational Work of national character and scope.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON STATE AND DISTRICT
FEDERATIONS

Article 20

Section A. The National Committee on State and

District Federations shall have charge of all matters connected with the organization and administration of State and District Federations.

Section B. In order that State and District Federations may function more effectively as agencies of the National Federation and to achieve a better understanding of the National program on the part of State and District Presidents, there shall be a Council of State Presidents to discuss ways and means in which State and District Federations and National can be mutually helpful, and to submit such plans as they may care to recommend to the National Board. This Council of State Presidents shall meet in the interim year between Assemblies at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Article 21

Section A. The National Committee on Youth Activities shall endeavor to interest each local Sisterhood in the students attending colleges in or near that city, to encourage the Sisterhoods to invite these students to their homes, to services at the Synagogue, and to include them in the social and educational life of the congregation.

Section B. The National Committee on Youth Activities shall stimulate the organization of leagues for young people and shall assist them in the organization of their programs and meetings and shall, in such ways as they find possible, cause a closer cooperation between youth groups and the National Federation of Temple Youth.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND
WORLD RELATIONS

Article 22

Section A. The National Committee on Peace and World Relations shall encourage the establishment of study circles on the subject of Peace and World Relations, and shall cooperate with other national organizations interested in the promotion of orderly relations among nations.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON CHILD STUDY
AND PARENT EDUCATION

Article 23

Section A. The National Committee on Child Study and Parent Education shall have as its primary function the integration of the Jewish child into life.

Section B. To further this purpose, there shall be a concentration on parent education with par

ticular regard to that subject matter important in the maintenance both of an enriched spiritual life and of a strengthened home and family life. Thought and study in these fields shall be encouraged by the Committee through: (1) the formation of study classes and parent groups, (2) the preparation of study materials, (3) recommendation, and when possible, distribution of related publications, and (4) cooperation with other organizations in the field.

**NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE
FOR THE BLIND**

Article 24

Section A. The National Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind shall prepare in Braille a library of Jewish content for adult and juvenile blind readers.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMS

Article 25

Section A. The National Committee on Programs shall devise, collect and distribute programs of educational and religious value appropriate for the use of local and state Sisterhood meetings.

COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Article 26

Section A. The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, State and District Federations, the State President's Council and the Federation's Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 41.)

**NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON INTERFAITH
ACTIVITIES**

Article 27

Section A. The National Committee on Interfaith Activities shall endeavor to stimulate better understanding and good will among women of all faiths: 1) through Institutes on Judaism for leaders of church women's groups, 2) through discussion groups and interfaith gatherings giving information about Judaism.

Section B. The Committee shall encourage local Sisterhoods to sponsor such programs and to cooperate with non-Jewish groups in arranging interfaith meetings on an educational level.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Article 28

Section A. The President, Executive Director, Treasurer and each National Standing Commit-

tee Chairman shall make annual reports to the Executive Board, to the Assembly and to the Union.

OFFICIAL BONDS

Article 29

Section A. Any officer who receives and disburses funds of the Federation shall give such bonds as the Executive Board shall require. No member of the Board shall be accepted as surety thereon.

OFFICERS

Article 30

Section A. The President elected at the first meeting of the Executive Board after the Assembly shall preside at all meetings of the Board and at the following Assembly, and shall serve until her successor is elected.

Section B. The remaining officers of the Federation shall perform such duties as are usually incumbent upon officers of similar organizations.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Article 31

Section A. The Executive Director of the Federation shall be a member of the staff of the "General Secretariat" of the Union. The salary of the Executive Director, like that of all the members of the staff, shall be determined by a special committee of the Union on which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall have representation, and shall be paid by the Union. The Executive Director shall be elected by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at its Assembly meeting.

Section B. The duties of the Executive Director shall be such as usually devolve upon such an officer, including the transmission of funds to the Treasurer, and such other duties as may be designated by the President and Executive Board.

TREASURER

Article 32

Section A. The Executive Office upon receipt of monies shall without delay deposit the same to the credit of the Federation in banks designated by the Executive Board.

Section B. The Treasurer shall issue checks on funds only when presented with vouchers bearing the signature of the Executive Director or the President.

Section C. The Treasurer shall keep a record of the monies received and disbursed.

Section D. In the absence of the Treasurer, the first Vice-President or the next succeeding officer

shall be empowered to issue checks on funds when presented with vouchers duly signed.

Section E. In order to meet on short notice budgetary expenses of the Federation, a sum not to exceed \$2,000 shall be deposited in a bank designated by the Executive Board. Monies from this fund will be withdrawn upon the signature of the President or the Executive Director. Reimbursement to this account shall be made by the Treasurer upon presentation of substantiating vouchers, as in Section B of Article 32.

DEPOSIT OF SECURITIES

Article 33

Section A. All securities, including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation, shall be deposited in a safe deposit company in Cincinnati and/or New York to be designated by the Executive Board.

FISCAL YEAR

Article 34

Section A. The fiscal year shall end on the thirty-first day of October, annually, at which time all reports shall be made and the same shall be printed annually by the Executive Board and published for distribution, and shall be submitted to the Assembly at the regular meetings thereof, and to the Union.

FINANCIAL EXAMINATIONS

Article 35

Section A. The President shall appoint at the close of each fiscal year a competent public accountant, whose duty it shall be to examine the books and vouchers of the Federation and the securities belonging to the Federation.

UNIONGRAM APPORTIONMENT

Article 36

Section A. During each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provisions of the By-Laws.

EXPENSES OF THE OFFICERS TO THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 37

Section A. The railroad expenses of the following members of the Executive Board attending the annual meetings of the Board shall be paid

out of the Treasury of the Federation: the President, the Recording Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Chairman of each of the National Standing Committees. In the event that the President finds herself unable to attend, the expenses of the first Vice-President or the next Vice-President in order who is able to attend shall be paid.

SUBSIDIARY STATE AND DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 38

Section A. The Executive Board at its discretion may issue charters to State and District Federations of Sisterhoods, comprised of Sisterhoods belonging to the National Federation.

Section B. The President of the Executive Board, or her representative who shall be a member of the Executive Board, shall attend the meeting of the State and District Federations on the occasion when the charter is bestowed, and shall invest the officers with the powers conferred by the same. The railroad expenses of the President or the member designated to take her place on such an occasion shall be paid out of the Treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section C. A State or District Federation, formed by Sisterhoods affiliated with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, desiring to work in cooperation with the National, shall submit a tentative Constitution for the approval of the Executive Board. Such Constitution must conform with the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in its purposes and standing committees. The Executive Board may delegate the duties connected with the examination of constitutions and the issuing of charters to a subcommittee of the Executive Board.

Section D. Each State or District Federation shall pay annually to the Treasury of the National Federation the sum of \$10.00. State and District Federations in arrears for two years may be suspended and if in arrears for four years may have their charters recalled by the Executive Board.

Section E. The dues claimed by the State or District Federation must not be more than fifty per cent of the dues paid by each Sisterhood to the National Federation, and shall be collected by the State or District Treasurers, who shall make semi-annual reports in March and September, to the Executive Office, giving the financial status of her respective Federation.

Section F. Each State or District Federation shall elect one delegate-at-large to the Assembly.

FOREIGN POLICY

Article 39

Section A. Sisterhoods in countries other than the United States shall pay annual dues to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in the amount of \$10.00 for each Sisterhood body.

Section B. Uniongrams, Calendars, and all books published by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall be sold to foreign Sisterhoods at a price to make allowance for the duty on same.

Section C. Sisterhoods outside the United States may be invited to participate whenever possible in Sisterhood meetings in the city or cities nearest them.

GOVERNMENT OF ASSEMBLY

Article 40

Section A. The Assembly shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, in all cases not provided for in the By-Laws.

Section B. A parliamentarian shall be employed at a remuneration to be fixed by the Executive Board.

AMENDMENTS

Article 41

Section A. Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a State or District Federation, the State President's Council, or the Federation's Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly. Such proposals for amendments, in addition to any suggested by the Committee itself, must be referred by the Committee on Revisions to members of the Executive Board and to the Presidents of State or District Federations and local Sisterhoods thirty days in advance of the Assembly. The Executive Board is privileged to acquaint the Assembly with its views on all proposed amendments. If adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Assembly, the amendment shall immediately become part of the By-Laws.

State and District Federations

September, 1950

1. New England Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Massachusetts and Rhode Island)
Mrs. Irving L. Hoffman, *President*, Newton Center, Mass.
2. Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Walter Midas, *President*, Hamden, Conn.
3. New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. William J. Leffer, *President*, Tuckahoe, N. Y.
4. New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Edward Siegelson, *President*, East Orange, N. J.
5. Pennsylvania Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith, *President*, Scranton, Pa.
6. Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Elmer Moyer, *President*, Dayton, Ohio
7. West Virginia Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Ralph Masinter, *President*, Huntington, W. Va.
8. District No. 8 (Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, North Carolina and Virginia)
Mrs. Joseph B. Hearst, *President*, Norfolk, Va.
10. Indiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Charles H. Spiegel, *President*, Anderson, Ind.
11. Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, *President*, Detroit, Mich.
12. Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Hugo M. Bloomfield, *President*, Lexington, Ky.
13. South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Melvin Harris, *President*, Columbia, S. C.
14. Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Georgia, Florida and Alabama)
Mrs. Jacob B. Joel, *President*, Athens, Ga.
16. Mississippi Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. D. H. Orkin, *President*, Jackson, Miss.
17. Louisiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Jesse P. Stern, *President*, New Orleans, La.
18. Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Elmer Benesch, *President*, Elmwood Park, Ill.
19. Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Norman Breslauer, *President*, Milwaukee, Wis.
20. District No. 20 (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Colorado)
Mrs. Harry Jacobson, *President*, West Des Moines, Iowa
22. Texas-Oklahoma Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Harry Susman, *President*, Houston, Texas
24. Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (California, Oregon, Washington and Arizona)
Mrs. Walter Hardman, *President*, Seattle, Wash.

Membership List

(AS OF SEPTEMBER, 1950)

ALABAMA

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Anniston	Henrietta Sterne Sisterhood	31	Mrs. H. E. Gordon
Bessemer	Beth-El Sisterhood	39	Mrs. Nathan Greer
Birmingham	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	335	Mrs. H. S. Miller
Dothan	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	40	Mrs. Sidney Katz
Gadsden	Temple Aid Society	52	Mrs. Irving Phillilson
Huntsville	Huntsville Sisterhood	31	Mrs. Ogden H. McAnnally
Jasper	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Jerome P. Newmark
Sheffield-Florence-Tusculoosa	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood	40	Mrs. Morris Ettman
Tuscaloosa	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	33	Mrs. Bernard Brown

ARIZONA

Phoenix	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	231	Mrs. Hirsch Kaplan
Tucson	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	245	Mrs. Jack Nevins

ARKANSAS

Blytheville	Temple Israel Sisterhood	40	Mrs. Sidney Platt
Ft. Smith	Temple Sisterhood	70	Mrs. Ludwig Longfelder
Helena	Beth El Temple Aid	60	Mrs. Solomon Feldman
Hot Springs	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel	64	Mrs. Dave Burgauer
Jonesboro	Temple Aid Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Abe Hummelstein
Little Rock	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	210	Mrs. Lee Kretchmar
McGehee	Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood	27	Mrs. Seymour Fleisig
Pine Bluff	Sisterhood Anshe Emeth	96	Mrs. Hyman Soltz

CALIFORNIA

Alameda	Temple Israel Sisterhood	64	Mrs. B. M. Lewy
Bakersfield	Women of Temple Beth-El	63	Mrs. Lester M. Makoff
Berkeley	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	94	Mrs. Edward Brosler
Beverly Hills	Emanuel Sisterhood	271	Mrs. William B. Also
Glendale	Temple Sinai of Glendale Sisterhood	225	Mrs. Edward Green
Hollywood	Temple Israel Sisterhood	500	Mrs. Justin Turner
Hollywood (North)	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	176	Mrs. William Elsohn
Long Beach	Temple Israel Sisterhood	256	Mrs. Louis Ball
Los Angeles	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood	60	Mrs. Leo Gottlieb
	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood	38	Mrs. Alvin Alpert
	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood of Culver City	100	Mrs. Daniel Miller
	Wilshire Blvd. Temple Sisterhood	539	Mrs. William Roseman
Oakland	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	361	Mrs. Ad Fried
Pomona	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	85	Mrs. Esther Weinstock
Redondo Beach	Temple Menorah Sisterhood	46	Mrs. Helen Katz
Riverside	Riverside Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	79	Mrs. Barney Bauman
Sacramento	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	180	Mrs. Leo Shemansky
San Bernardino	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	126	Mrs. Sylvia Becker
San Diego	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary	144	Mrs. Carl Esenoff
San Francisco	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood	437	Mrs. Lionel Shatz
	Women's Guild of Temple Emanu-El	625	Mrs. Melvin Schwarzbaum
San Gabriel	Temple Beth David Sisterhood	90	Mrs. Elaine Pavin
San Jose	San Jose Temple Sisterhood	175	Mrs. Nathan Citron
Santa Ana	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	85	Mrs. M. Beral
Santa Barbara	Sisterhood B'nai B'rith Congregation	69	Mrs. Jerry Harwin
Santa Monica	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	152	Mrs. Ernestine Salter
Stockton	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	154	Mrs. David H. Schwartz
West Los Angeles	University Synagogue Sisterhood	166	Mrs. Jack Rogers

COLORADO

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Colorado Springs	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	32	Mrs. H. L. Reibschied
Denver	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	625	Mrs. Milton B. Lorber
Pueblo	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	40	Mrs. George Vodian
Trinidad	Temple Aaron Sisterhood	14	Mrs. Leo Gottlieb

CONNECTICUT

Bridgeport	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	191	Mrs. David A. Garbelnick
Danbury	Sisterhood of the United Jewish Center	109	Mrs. William Lebowitz
Hartford	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	431	Mrs. Harold D. Margolis
New Haven	Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood	373	Mrs. Leo Cohen
South Norwalk	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	20	Mrs. Louis Harmel
Waterbury	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	100	Mrs. Hillman Porter

DELAWARE

Wilmington	Temple Beth Emeth Sisterhood	187	Mrs. Betty Reissman
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington	Sisterhood of the Washington Hebrew Congregation	454	Mrs. Lewis Sycle
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FLORIDA

Coral Gables	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center	165	Mrs. Morris Horwitz
Daytona Beach	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	60	Mrs. A. Gran
Ft. Lauderdale	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	75	Mrs. Morris Nankin
Jacksonville	Temple Sisterhood	253	Mrs. Irving Levin
Miami	Temple Israel Sisterhood	380	Mrs. Max Meisel
Miami Beach	Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood	407	Mrs. Alexander Robbins
Orlando	Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism	31	Mrs. M. D. Gutterman
Pensacola	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	118	Mrs. Nathan Rubin
St. Petersburg	Sisterhood Temple Beth-El	35	Mrs. Maurice Hyman
Tallahassee	Temple Israel Sisterhood	41	Mrs. Sam Myers
Tampa	Temple Guild of Schaarai Zedek	156	Mrs. Nathan Rosenblatt
West Palm Beach	Beth Israel Sisterhood	117	Mrs. Alexander Gordon

GEORGIA

Albany	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	98	Mrs. E. A. Moncrief
Athens	Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel	28	Mrs. Jacob B. Joel
Atlanta	Temple Sisterhood	472	Mrs. W. H. Goldstein
Augusta	Temple Sisterhood	80	Mrs. Leopold Mothner
Bainbridge	Temple Beth-El Guild	22	Mrs. Joseph Grollman
Brunswick	Temple Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood	39	Mrs. Sam Altman
Columbus	Jewish Ladies Aid Society	111	Mrs. Carl Greentree
Dalton	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	35	Mrs. A. E. Rosen
Macon	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	115	Mrs. Emile Hirsch
Rome	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Joseph Rothman
Savannah	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel	179	Mrs. B. H. Levy
Thomasville	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	27	Mrs. Meyer Lewitt
Waycross	Daughters of Abraham Sisterhood	35	Mrs. Morris Jacobson

ILLINOIS

Benton	Benton Sisterhood	27	Mrs. H. Goldblatt
Bloomington	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood	45	Mrs. Harry Pines
Champaign-Urbana	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	90	Mrs. Kunt Gottschalk
Chicago	Beth Am	275	Mrs. Julian L. Plaut
	Beth El Sisterhood	150	Mrs. Jack Neadell
	B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood	157	Mrs. Leon Rabin
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood	1234	Mrs. Harry O. Rosenberg
	K.A.M. Temple Sisterhood	494	Mrs. Herbert Hauptman
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood	296	Mrs. Leon Sider
	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	250	Mrs. Harry B. Bernfield
	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	454	Mrs. Michael N. Harris

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
	Temple Ezra Sisterhood	185	Mrs. Davin Schoenberger
	Temple Isaiah Israel Sisterhood	558	Mrs. Lewis Coren
	Temple Judea Sisterhood	60	Mrs. Peter Fischman
	Temple Menorah Sisterhood	275	Mrs. Wilbur Motch
	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	1228	Mrs. Harry J. Isaacs
	Washington Blvd., Temple Sisterhood	405	Mrs. Alan M. Pinsky
	Women of Mizpah	308	Mrs. Richard S. Ades
Danville	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	43	Mrs. Lawrence Barnard
Decatur	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood	70	Mrs. Harold S. Friedman
Evanston	Beth Emet Sisterhood	200	Mrs. L. Merrill Henikoff
Glencoe	North Shore Temple Sisterhood	789	Mrs. Charles Melvoine
Kankakee	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	55	Mrs. Joseph Berg
Peoria	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood	170	Mrs. Hyman Markman
Rockford	Beth El Sisterhood	100	Mrs. Asher O. Finkel
Springfield	Sisterhood of Temple Brith Sholom	128	Mrs. Herman Cohn

INDIANA

Anderson	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood	26	Mrs. Joseph I. Holland
Evansville	Washington Ave. Temple Sisterhood	179	Mrs. Sol Bronstein
Fort Wayne	Achduth Vesholom Sisterhood	169	Mrs. L. M. Lebensburger
Gary	Temple Israel Sisterhood	133	Mrs. William Stern
Hammond	Beth El Sisterhood	87	Mrs. Joseph Miller
Indianapolis	The Temple Sisterhood	396	Mrs. Manuel S. Cassen
Kokomo	Jewish Temple Sisterhood	27	Mrs. Jack L. Dennis
Lafayette	Temple Israel Sisterhood	44	Mrs. Jeanette R. Neuman
Marion	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	64	Mrs. Milton Maidenberg
Michigan City	Sinai Sisterhood	80	Mrs. A. Blieden
Muncie	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	55	Mrs. Lawrence Cline
Richmond	Richmond Jewish Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Walter Raizen
South Bend	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	158	Mrs. Joseph Fischhoff
Terre Haute	Temple Women's Organization	100	Mrs. Norman E. Wormser

IOWA

Cedar Rapids	Sisterhood of Temple Judah	81	Mrs. Carl N. Ettinger
Davenport	Tri-City Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	168	Mrs. Herbert Tenenbom
Des Moines	Temple Sisterhood	210	Mrs. Sidney J. Pearlman
Sioux City	Mount Sinai Sisterhood	137	Mrs. Abe Agranoff

KANSAS

Leavenworth	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood	29	Mrs. Hillel Samisch
Topeka	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	71	Mrs. George Gordon
Wichita	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	129	Mrs. Henry Yabroff

KENTUCKY

Ashland	Ashland Temple Sisterhood	55	Mrs. W. A. Gehringer
Henderson	Adas Israel Sisterhood	18	Mrs. Sol Bernstein
Hopkinsville	Adath Israel Ladies' Auxiliary	15	Mrs. Mose Klein
Lexington	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood	107	Mrs. Herschel Weil
Louisville	Adath Israel Sisterhood	420	Mrs. Robert Simons
	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	154	Mrs. Charles Mueller
Paducah	Temple Israel Sisterhood	54	Mrs. Bernard Michelson

LOUISIANA

Alexandria	Alexandria Temple Sisterhood	141	Mrs. Alex Blackman
Bastrop	Bastrop Sisterhood	10	Mrs. Fritz Kahn
Baton Rouge	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	110	Mrs. Jake Damp
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood	47	Mrs. Sam Helfman
Bogalusa	Beth-El Sisterhood	18	Mrs. Morris Strug
Houma	Beth El Sisterhood	15	Mrs. Leopold Blum
Lafayette	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Marcus Mayers
Lake Charles	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	53	Mrs. Abner Horn
Monroe	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	111	Mrs. Sam Smith
Morgan City	Morgan City Sisterhood	16	Mrs. Ralph Loeb
New Iberia	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer	21	Mrs. Leon Slipakoff
New Orleans	Gates of Prayer Sisterhood	214	Mrs. I. Zoller, Jr.
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	455	Mrs. Lewis Moss
	Touro Synagogue Sisterhood	360	Mrs. Bernard Goldsmith
Shreveport	B'nai Zion Temple Sisterhood	208	Mrs. James Muslow

MARYLAND

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Baltimore	Baltimore Hebrew Sisterhood	590	Mrs. Ira Spear
	Har Sinai Sisterhood	600	Mrs. Edward S. Rosenthal
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	660	Mrs. Morris Rothholz
	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Shalom	30	Mrs. George E. Tasch
Cumberland Hagerstown	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood	85	Mrs. Michael Beirman
	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood	66	Mrs. Harry Kerstein

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom	750	Mrs. Otto Morningstar
	Temple Israel Sisterhood	687	Mrs. Sidney Robbins
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	278	Mrs. Joseph Schaefer
Brockton	Temple Israel Sisterhood	175	Mrs. Alfred H. Pagell
	Lawrence	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	180	Mrs. Henry Berman
Lynn	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	306	Mrs. Bernard Miller
Newton	Sisterhood of Temple Shalom	200	Mrs. Sidney Simons
Pittsfield	Temple Sisterhood	138	Mrs. Joseph Gross
Springfield Worcester	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	102	Mrs. Benjamin Klempner
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	389	Mrs. Joseph Grace

MICHIGAN

Alpena	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	22	Mrs. Isadore Isackson
	Battle Creek	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	48	Mrs. Jean Cohen
Bay City	The Temple Sisterhood	59	Mrs. B. Homburger
	Detroit	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	1126	Mrs. M. George Wayburn
Flint	Temple Israel Sisterhood	524	Mrs. William P. Greenberg
	Grand Rapids	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	150	Mrs. David Goldfarb
Jackson	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	172	Mrs. Arthur L. Siegel
	Lansing	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	74	Mrs. Fred Farkas
Muskegon	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek	125	Mrs. D. Kahn
	Petoskey	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	94	Mrs. Max Lebow
Pontiac	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	21	Mrs. Irene Gordon
	Saginaw	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	91	Mrs. Julian Levine
	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	28	Miss Lilly Lenhoff

MINNESOTA

Duluth	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	156	Mrs. Abe Krovitz
Minneapolis	Temple Israel Sisterhood	446	Mrs. Benjamin Howard
St. Paul	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple	364	Mrs. A. H. Fremland

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Canton	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	17	Miss Maude Lehman
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Cleveland	Adath Israel Sisterhood	51	Mrs. Morse Hyman
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Greenwood	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	26	Mrs. S. I. Ginsburger
Hattiesburg	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood	44	Mrs. Harry Levine
Jackson	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	87	Mrs. Maxwell D. Berman
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	Sisterhood of Shaare Emeth	550	Mrs. Sol Flammer
	Temple Israel Sisterhood	515	Mrs. Milton Frenkel

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Lincoln	South Street Temple Sisterhood	58	Mrs. William Stam
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NEVADA			
Las Vegas	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center	25	Mrs. M. H. Gordon
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Atlantic City	Beth Israel Sisterhood	300	Mrs. Jack C. Abrams
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	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth	274	Mrs. Louis Dreyfus
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	Euclid Ave. Temple Sisterhood	1200	Mrs. Martin Rosenberg
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	212	Mrs. Joseph Feldman
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Dayton	Temple Israel Sisterhood	490	Mrs. Clarence Lapedes
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Lorain	Lorain Temple Sisterhood	135	Mrs. Sol Donerkiel
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Altoona	Beth Israel Sisterhood	96	Mrs. Charles Klatzkin
Clearfield	Clearfield Sisterhood	18	Mrs. Edward Jacobson
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Greensburg	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	60	Mrs. Benjamin Ratner
Harrisburg	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Shalom	137	Mrs. Arthur Lehrman
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Honesdale	Beth Israel Sisterhood	24	Mrs. Jerome Freeman
Johnstown	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood	127	Mrs. Samuel Rapoport
Lancaster	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim	183	Mrs. Sidney Brenner
McKeesport	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	130	Mrs. Herbert Kaplan

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	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	699	Mrs. Herbert Frieder
	Temple Judea Sisterhood	340	Mrs. Albert Farber
Pittsburgh	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	1074	Mrs. Lester S. Bloch
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	254	Mrs. Nathan Holstein
Reading	Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	119	Mrs. Joseph Scherer
Scranton	Madison Ave. Temple Sisterhood	121	Mrs. Jack Druck
Sharon	Beth Israel Sisterhood	120	Mrs. Sam Gerson
Uniontown	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	88	Mrs. Samuel Weiner
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	Jewish Community Center Sisterhood	79	Mrs. Abraham Freedman
York	Beth Israel Sisterhood	100	Mrs. Jesse Chock
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Charleston	K.K.B.E. Sisterhood	90	Mrs. Milton Pearlstone
Columbia	Sisterhood Tree of Life	56	Mrs. Meyer Love
Conway	Temple Sisterhood of Conway	10	Mrs. Al Solomon
Darlington	Darlington Temple Sisterhood	12	Mrs. Sam Rogel
Dillon	Dillon Temple Sisterhood	17	Mrs. Max Richman
Florence	Beth Israel Sisterhood	32	Mrs. S. A. Greenberg
Georgetown	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood	12	Mrs. Fred Kaufman
Lake City and Kingstree	Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood	26	Mrs. S. Dubin
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	47	Mrs. Martin Rosefield
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Sioux Falls	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	46	Mrs. Morton Henkin
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Chattanooga	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple	155	Mrs. Saul T. Mallen
Clarksville	Beth-El Temple Sisterhood	16	Mrs. Max Wise
Jackson	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	32	Mrs. C. C. Glassman
Knoxville	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	104	Mrs. Walter Blaufeld
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Nashville	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood	463	Mrs. Harry Isaacs, Jr.
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Beaumont	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	121	Mrs. Samuel Sharfstein
Big Spring	Temple Israel Sisterhood	17	Mrs. B. Eckhaus
Brownsville	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	24	Mrs. Leon Perl
Corpus Christi	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	100	Mrs. Stanley Pearlle
Dallas	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	819	Mrs. Milton P. Levy
El Paso	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	181	Mrs. Harry Spitz
Fort Worth	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	200	Mrs. Richard U. Simon
Galveston	Sisterhood Temple B'nai Israel	140	Mrs. M. Wells
Harlingen	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	36	Mrs. Sol Yudesis
Houston	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel	525	Mrs. M. M. Schwartz
	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood	511	Mrs. J. W. Grogin
Lufkin	Beth Israel Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Raymond Levy
Marshall	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore	20	Mrs. H. A. Goldberg
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San Antonio	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	364	Mrs. Fred Cooper
Texarkana	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	47	Mrs. Leo Walkow
Tyler	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	62	Mrs. Leslie Adels
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Wichita Falls	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	54	Mrs. Milton Katz

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Bristol	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood	43	Mrs. J. Heller
Charlottesville	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	31	Mrs. Isaac Walters
Danville	Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood	29	Mrs. Albert Koplen
Fredericksburg	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	33	Mrs. Theresa Litman
Harrisonburg	Sisterhood of Hebrew Friendship Congregation	31	Mrs. Julius Wise
Lynchburg	Sisterhood Agudath Sholom	63	Mrs. William D. Oppleman
Norfolk	Ohef Sholom Temple Sisterhood	232	Mrs. Mervin Cooper
Richmond	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood	356	Mrs. Alan Fleischer
Roanoke	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	84	Mrs. Julian H. Meyer
Staunton	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Maurice Cohen

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Spokane	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	108	Mrs. Jack Rogel
Tacoma	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	60	Mrs. L. S. Baskin

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Bluefield	Ahavath Sholom Sisterhood	65	Mrs. J. Tomchin
Charleston	Virginia St. Temple Sisterhood	200	Mrs. A. A. Seletz
Clarksburg	Tree of Life Sisterhood	75	Mrs. Louis H. Sloan
Fairmont	Fairmont Jewish Temple Sisterhood	35	Mrs. Irvin L. Caplan
Huntington	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood	151	Mrs. Victor Wormser
Logan	Logan Temple Sisterhood	28	Mrs. Sy Bloom
Morgantown	Morgantown Sisterhood	46	Mrs. Howard R. Weiss
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Wheeling	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood	70	Mrs. Charles Stein
Williamson	Williamson Sisterhood	50	Mrs. Morris Ginsburg

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Panama City, Panama	Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel	132	Mrs. Consuelo Maduro
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² Formerly Post-War Services.

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1950 - 1952***

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Proceedings

of the

National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods



THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
November 1, 1949–October 31, 1950
AND THE EIGHTEENTH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY
November 12-15, 1950

EDITOR'S NOTE:

In the interest of urgently necessary economy, NFTS has taken the liberty of eliminating concluding paragraphs of praise and appreciation to co-workers. In the place of such paragraphs in each report, we ask all members to accept this statement that each Chairman deeply appreciates the unfailing cooperation and assistance which has been rendered to her by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President; Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director and the Executive Staff, as well as their co-workers. Furthermore, each NFTS Chairman is warmly grateful for the cooperation of her fellow members on each NFTS Committee and District and local Chairmen.



Proceedings of the Executive Board

PRE-CONVENTION MEETING

Cleveland Hotel,
Cleveland, O.
November 11, 1950.

As provided by the constitution and pursuant to the call of the President, the pre-convention meeting of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was convened Saturday evening, November 11, 1950, at 8:25 p.m. in the Empire Room of the Cleveland Hotel. Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, president of NFTS, presided and Mrs. Henry Monsky, Recording Secretary, recorded the minutes.

There were present: Mrs. Harold Baum, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Elmer Benesch, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky.; Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Emil Buschhoff, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, O.; Mrs. Joseph Forman, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Lawrence Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Gene Friedman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. Arthur L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Ia.; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Albert L. Green, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Edward A. Hart, W. Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. David E. Jacobs, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Milton Lewinsohn, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mrs. Franz J. Loewe, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Bernard Manheim, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Neb.; Mrs. Harold I. Platt, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Elmer Lentz Shaffer, Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. David R. Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. A. Herman Siskind, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Steuer, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. I. Edward

Tonkon, Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. James L. White, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mrs. Herbert Wolf, Little Rock, Ark.; Mrs. Charles Wyzanski, Boston, Mass.

EXCUSES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

Messages of regret and reasons for non-attendance were received from members not attending. A motion was unanimously carried to acknowledge all messages and send special greetings via Uniongrams to Mrs. Freiberg, Mrs. Hartmann and Miss Montagu.

REPORTS OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES

The National Chairmen presented only those sections of their reports which contained recommendations calling for action by the Executive Board.

At the request of Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, O., Chairman of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Committee, Mrs. Henry Monsky, Recording Secretary, read for Mrs. Gitson a detailed request for allocations of money from the Fund. After a full discussion, the following monies were voted:

Balance due the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for Religious Educational Projects, including Youth Activities (to complete grant of \$35,000 for year ended October 31, 1950)	\$15,000.00
Request from the Hebrew Union College to complete scholarship awards for 37 students for scholastic year ended June 30, 1950, in total sum of \$16,415.00.....	6,415.00
Completion for the Refurnishing of the Dormitory - Approximately	9,000.00
Two scholarships for two students, former Displaced Persons, in the NY School for Sacred Music.....	1,000.00

There was discussion and adoption of the recommendations presented by Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wis., Chairman of the National Committee on Interfaith Activities:

- That there be greater collaboration with the World Union for Progressive Judaism in order to stimulate interfaith activities in new areas;
- That the World Union be aided in bringing religious training to children of its constituent groups;
- That Sisterhood members, as well as children in religious schools, be encouraged to correspond with and give aid to women and children in various congregations of the World Union.

Jewish Literature for the Blind activities were discussed by the National Committee Chairman, Mrs. Sterling Berg, of Paducah, Kentucky, who presented the following recommendation which was adopted:

"Contributions to the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind again be divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse."

The Pilot courses in Liberal Judaism and Leadership Training were successfully included in the School for Sisterhood Leaders conducted by Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, in New York City in January, 1950, leading to certification for those who completed it. The highly successful nature of the course has led the Executive Director to attempt to develop it into a "correspondence course" which may be ready in 1951.

Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, New York, N. Y., Chairman of House of Living Judaism, delivered a fervent reminder of the need for more funds which had yet to be raised with the help of every Sisterhood woman.

APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR NFTS OFFICERS

The President announced the following two Board Members to serve on the Nominating Committee for Officers: Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, O., Chairman; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y. Elected by the Board were three of the five members of the Committee: Mrs. Abram Goodman, Davenport, Ia.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; and Mrs. Lawrence Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

A discussion of the reasons for increasing annual NFTS dues from forty cents per capita to

\$1.00 per capita plus an additional \$.25 per capita annually for District dues, brought a reaffirmation of the Board's previous action favoring the increase.

Further new business concerned the formation of a Great Lakes Federation comprising Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota to correspond with the lines of the Union districting. Since there was hesitation on the part of some of the States and the Union districts were not yet permanently set, the question was referred to the Committee on District Federations for further study. In the event the Committee finds all the Sisterhoods involved to be in favor of such a merger, approval will be given by the NFTS Board.

It was voted to establish a committee of NFTS, the Union and the National Federation of Temple Youth to study the advisability of purchasing one or more camp sites for purposes of institutes, retreats and encampments. The report of this committee would be referred to the Executive Board for action.

As the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. was seeking new quarters for the library sponsored by NFTS, Mrs. Leon Watters and Mrs. Sterling Berg were appointed chairmen of a committee to work with the Union in exploring the possibility of housing the Jewish Braille Library and/or Jewish Braille Institute in the new House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. The report will be presented to the next meeting of the Executive Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Rosett thanked the Board members whose terms expired at the Pre-Convention Board meeting and expressed special appreciation to Mrs. Edward Hart, Hartford, Conn., for her many years of service to NFTS.

Mrs. Albert May, New York, N. Y., voiced the thanks of the entire Board for Mrs. Rosett's devotion to her office.

A tribute was paid to Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, who, despite serious illness, had served NFTS with inspiration.

The Pre-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board was adjourned at 11:15 P.M.

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



Proceedings of the Executive Board

MID-CONVENTION MEETING

Hotel Cleveland,
Cleveland, O.
November 15, 1950.

The Mid-Convention Executive Board meeting was called to order Wednesday afternoon, November 15, 1950, at 12:40 P.M. in the Empire Room of the Hotel Cleveland by the President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett. On behalf of the secretary, Mrs. Julius Mark of New York called the roll of members whose terms had not expired and of newly elected members. There were present the following new members who were welcomed by the President:

Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Charleston, W. Va.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Jack Davis, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Leon J. Ell, Miami Beach, Fla.; Mrs. Sarah Farber, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Maurice L. Garfein, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Harry Lowenstein, South Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Harry Margolis, St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Louis S. Moss, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Jacob Rudin, Great Neck, L. I.; Mrs. Mose M. Schwartz, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Aaron Wolpert, Worcester, Mass.

Also present were the following Board members who continued in office:

Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, O.; Mrs. Joseph Forman, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Gene Friedman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. Arthur L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Albert L. Green, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. David E. Jacobs, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Milton Lewinsohn, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mrs. William Loebel, Toronto, Canada; Mrs. Franz J. Loewe, St. Louis,

Mo.; Mrs. Bernard Manheim, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Neb.; Mrs. Harold I. Platt, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Elmer Lentz Shaffer, Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. David R. Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. A. Herman Siskind, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. I. Edward Tonkon, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. James L. White, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mrs. Herbert Wolf, Little Rock, Ark.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, O., Chairman of this Committee, presented the following slate of officers who were unanimously elected for the 1950-52 Biennial period: President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; First Vice-President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md.; Second Vice-President, Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. Sol Gitson, Cleveland, O.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Neb.; Treasurer, Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa., Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director.

The Nominating Committee then presented a slate for the Executive Committee which was unanimously elected and included all officers as well as the following: Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Gene Friedman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, West Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. William Loebel, Toronto, Canada.

The Mid-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



Proceedings of the Executive Board

POST-CONVENTION MEETING

Hotel Cleveland,
Cleveland, O.
November 15, 1950.

The Post-Convention session of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened in the Empire Room of the Hotel Cleveland, Cleveland, at 4:00 P.M. Wednesday, November 15, 1950. Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President, presided and Mrs. Henry Monsky, Recording Secretary, recorded the minutes.

Mrs. Rosett again welcomed the new members of the Executive Board and urged their full support and cooperation.

There were present: Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Samuel Danto, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Jack Davis, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Leon Ell, Miami Beach, Fla.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Sarah Farber, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, O.; Mrs. Lawrence Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Gene Friedman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram Goodman, Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Willis Gradison, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. David Jacobs, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Aaron Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Milton Lewinsohn, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mrs. Franz Loewe, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Bernard Manheim, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Harry Lowenstein, South Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Neb.; Mrs. Louis Moss, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Harold Platt, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Louis Rosett,

New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Moses Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Elmer Shaffer, Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. David Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Steuer, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Edward Tonkon, Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. Leon Watters, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. James White, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mrs. Herbert Wolf, Little Rock, Ark.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET

Mrs. Leon Watters, New York, N. Y., Chairman of the Budget Committee, presented the budget for the fiscal year November 1, 1949—October 31, 1950. After the expenditures and income were explained in detail and questions answered, the budget was adopted as presented.

RESOLUTIONS

A petition was submitted to the Board requesting that all constituents be notified at least 45 days prior to each Biennial of all resolutions to be presented at said Biennial; all resolutions arising at the convention to be circulated in writing 24 hours before a vote is taken. This matter was referred to the next Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

After a vote of thanks to the president and an expression of appreciation to Miss Jane Evans, the Post-Convention session of the Executive Board was adjourned at 5:35 P.M.

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA S. ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



President's Message

New Rochelle, N. Y., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Fifty years from now it might happen that a president of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, addressing a Biennial Convention, would, with due solemnity, comment upon the fact that the year 2000, ushering in a new century, would bring to the world conflicts and crises of new and unprecedented proportions. We, in the year 1950, preoccupied with speculation as to whether there will be a world, or at any rate a free world in the year 2000, and wondering how new any crisis which might face a future generation could be, might well ask in the words and in the mood of an ancient Greek of the year 330 B.C.E., "What is there in the list of strange and unexpected events that has not occurred in our times?"

Addressing himself to the nations of the Atlantic Pact recently, Secretary of Defense Marshall pleaded with them to be "realistic in appreciation of the present critical situation . . . and to exploit their full potential in building up a force adequate to meet a crisis." Although his appeal referred to the need for military force necessary for the prevention of war, it applies with equal fitness to the need for a stronger moral and spiritual force in the world today, and offers a challenge to religion and to religious organizations to devote their best efforts to this objective.

NEW SISTERHOODS

During the past Biennium 38 Sisterhoods have been added to our roster, many of them the Sisterhoods of congregations newly established with the help of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. These congregations have sprung up in many cases from the spontaneous desire of a group of people in a community, often very young people, to become affiliated with the great and growing movement of Liberal Judaism. Much that is inspiring and challenging comes into our fellowship with these new groups, who show great enthusiasm and interest as well as a desire to understand their Judaism, and who, with the spirit of pioneers, worship in homes, in schools, in churches, in halls, in Quonset huts, and in all sorts of improvised meeting rooms which they make usable with their own hands and their own ingenuity, until such time as they are able to achieve their own buildings. Many of these groups, although they do somehow manage

to meet their obligations to us, have, nevertheless, a great struggle to do so. Building a congregation is difficult under any circumstances; building it quickly with a small number of members of extremely limited means and many responsibilities is even more difficult. We greet these new Sisterhoods with joy, and look forward to the day when they in turn will be part of the welcoming committee for other newly organized units.

An organization, however, does not grow through the increase in its members alone. It grows when its members are not only in sympathy with its objectives but when they actively and positively become part of the philosophy which it represents. Such a trend we see in NFTS in many ways and in many areas. It is encouraging to note, for instance, the many requests for study courses on Liberal Judaism, and to realize that Liberal Judaism is beginning to mean something more to our members than merely belonging to a synagogue, sending children to religious school, and attending services on the High Holy Days and for Confirmation. It is thrilling, too, to note the growth of Judaica shops in our Sisterhoods, and to realize how their influence is being reflected in our homes, through the many ceremonial objects purchased, displayed and used by our members.

A new project, a revolving fund for loans to new congregations, represents a practical and necessary way in which the cause of Liberal Judaism can be strengthened through the efforts of the women of the Sisterhood. Established with an initial gift of \$2,500 from the Sisterhood of Temple Israel, New York, the fund, which is a joint project of NFTS and its parent body, the UAHC, has added slightly to its pool, and has been able to make loans to several new and struggling congregations which have required small sums for temporary assistance.

COMBINED CAMPAIGN

For the first time in its history the women of NFTS are officially participating in the effort to raise funds for the Union and the College-Institute. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, first Vice-President, the Sisterhood Division of the Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, will cooperate with the general committee in every community, to join in the solicitation of funds, in publicizing and broadening the base of the appeal, in educating American Jewry as to the needs of the Union and the College-Institute and to acquaint them with the fine work both are doing; to help raise the "standard of giving" by arousing among the families in our congregations a greater sense of responsibility for their support.

THE SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

The Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, major project of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods since its inception, has increased slightly its receipts over last year, largely through an increased sale of Uniongrams. Though this increase is most commendable and welcome, it is the unfortunate fact that more and more requests for funds to be used for infinitely worthwhile projects continue to come to us and we are unable to provide for them. Fellowships for

rabbinical students recommended by the World Union for Progressive Judaism to attend the College-Institute for training so that they may be able to carry the message of Liberal Judaism back to their own countries in all parts of the world; fellowships for Christian students who, by living and studying with the students at our Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, become ambassadors of good will for us when they enter the ministry of their own faiths; scholarships and fellowships for students at the Jewish Institute of Religion who, until now, have not been provided for in our Scholarship Awards—all these requests, which we must unfortunately refuse, challenge us and lead us to hope that we may be able to extend our activities to meet them. Increase in cash contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and in the sale of Uniongrams, small in individual cost, but great in aggregate value, is the answer to this problem.

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

Immediately following this 18th Biennial Assembly, Officers, Executive Board members of the Union and its affiliates, together with many delegates and visitors to the Convention, will proceed to New York, where on Sunday, November 19th, at 12:30 Noon, they will participate in the ceremonies to mark the laying of the corner-stone of the House of Living Judaism.

Like the ground breaking ceremony on June 25, 1950, this will be a memorable and historic day in the annals of American Jewry—a day saddened, however, by the absence of our beloved friend and benefactor, Dr. Albert A. Berg, who passed away a few short days after witnessing with great joy and deep emotion the first spadeful of earth being turned for the building which will be a memorial to his parents. With the gift of more than \$400,000 made by Dr. Berg, and the little less than \$400,000 (gross, however!) collected by the women of the Sisterhoods, a considerable gap still remains between what we have and what we need to complete the building. It is hoped that those Sisterhoods which have not yet made their contribution will help to close that gap.

WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

During the sessions of the 1948 Biennial in Boston, it was our great happiness to have with us Dr. Leo Baeck and the Hon. Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., President and Honorable Secretary, respectively, of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. I am sure that no one who met them and heard them will ever forget the inspiration of their presence.

The World Union will celebrate its 25th anniversary at its Seventh International Biennial Conference in London, in July, 1951. It is urged and hoped that a number of NFTS members will include attendance at this historic meeting among their vacation plans for next summer.

The World Union, with its program of helping to rebuild a Progressive form of Judaism in the war torn areas of the world, its work among youth, especially unaffiliated youth in many lands, in danger of drifting away and being lost to Judaism completely, is a cause in which we are greatly interested.

The Silver Coin Collection taken each year by our Sisterhoods is transmitted to the World Union for the extension of its activities.

REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS

Because of newly-enacted laws in many countries setting a date after which they will not be permitted to depart, many Jews are being forced to leave immediately or find themselves trapped once again in recurrent waves of anti-Semitism. This has caused a new crisis in Israel and \$1,500,000,000 over a period of three years will be needed to meet the new influx of immigration caused by the situation. This money will be sought through bond issues, investment of private capital, government loans, increased support of the United Jewish Appeal (UJA), and from the people of Israel themselves. Jewish refugees and DP's must be cared for wherever they may be, and we must not forget them.

This does not mean, however, that other needs, too long neglected because of continued world emergencies and crises can be pushed aside, curtailed, or postponed. All are part of a total responsibility for every Jew and ways and means for meeting needs on every level simultaneously must be found.

PROPOSED RAISE IN NFTS DUES

In 1948 at the Biennial in Boston, it was my duty to inform you of the gravity of the NFTS financial situation, to call to your attention the fact that by 1949, after four years of deficit financing, our reserves would be entirely used up, and to remind you that the 40¢ per capita dues adopted in 1939 could not possibly meet our minimum requirements in 1950—even with the large annual allocation (\$50,000, last year) made to us by our parent body, the Union.

In St. Louis last November the Executive Board of NFTS; after careful study and thoughtful deliberation, voted unanimously to recommend that the per capita dues of 40¢ be increased to \$1.25, of which 25¢ per capita will be returned by NFTS to State and District Federations for their dues and the continued improvement of their work. Information concerning this recommendation, and charts explaining the reasons which made the change necessary were sent to the President of every Sisterhood and to the delegates registering for the convention. Copies of this information have been placed in your hands and presumably everyone is thoroughly familiar with every phase of the proposal. The question will be presented to this body for action on Monday afternoon, when ample time will be allowed so that every point of view may be thoroughly explored.

I believe we have a matter before us in which the facts speak for themselves. We are the only major Jewish or non-Jewish men's or women's organization with less than a \$2.00 per capita dues. We have been able to carry on our expanding program among our growing membership with our "1939 model" 40¢ per capita dues (insufficient even at that time!) only because we have been using our now completely vanished reserves, and because we have been, and are being carried for more than 44% of our budgetary needs by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, which is itself experiencing a severe financial crisis.

As your President, working closely with the situation, I am deeply conscious of the fact that it is imperative that we receive as dues from our members at least the amount for which the Executive Board has asked if we are to continue our program as an influential and effective force in Jewish and American and international life. I, therefore, urge you to act in favor of the recommendation.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

I wish that time permitted me to call attention in detail to all the activities of our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods through which we serve Jewish and humanitarian causes. In the field of service to the Jewish blind, in Interfaith Activities, in educating in problems of social justice and world relations, in the reactivation of Serve-a-Camp and Serve-a-Hospital programs in connection with the Women's Organizations Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board, as well as in many other areas, we make our contribution. May I urgently request that you read the reports of all the Chairmen of NFTS Committees in order to be more fully cognizant and justifiably proud of your and their accomplishments.

The past year has been an exceedingly difficult one for all of us concerned in the administration of NFTS affairs, due to many causes, but especially to the prolonged illness of our beloved Director, Jane Evans, who, nevertheless, and in spite of all obstacles, has gallantly and effectively carried on her activities in our behalf. Thank you Jane Evans for NFTS and for all of us. To Josephine Schoenborn, of the Cincinnati office, to Frances Kuwent Sosnoff in New York, who bring to their tasks devoted understanding of NFTS affairs, and to the entire staff of the Cincinnati and New York offices, all carrying their share of the load with loyalty and devotion, we also offer our appreciation.

The delegates of the Biennial, as well as the officers of the Federation, are deeply indebted to Mrs. Sol Gitson, Chairman of the Biennial Program Committee and to her Vice-Chairmen, Mrs. Alan Green and Mrs. Henry Steuer, all of Cleveland who, with other members of that and other Convention Committees have expended untiringly their energies on our behalf.

CONCLUSION

To the many friends and co-workers who have worked zealously to carry forward the program of NFTS, who have encouraged me and have helped me, I extend my deep gratitude.

It is a great joy, and a responsibility as well, for me to meet with you at this Convention, to speak to you, and through you to the women of your Sisterhoods, and to ask you to acquaint yourselves more closely during the coming days with the varied activities of NFTS and to help think through mutual problems.

Sisterhood, as an organization, holds a rather special place in our lives and in the lives of our communities, and its success is important not only to us but as part

of the total religious forces of the world. As a religious organization and as a women's organization, the conflicts of human society and the pressure of human needs have a particular appeal to our sympathy and understanding and a special call on our service; as a Jewish organization our relation to the problems of the world is unique and at the same time many-sided.

It is therefore no longer possible for us to consider ourselves as merely local units, or even as a Federation of local units. Expanding problems in the contracting world in which we live increase the areas and the sources of tension, and make it imperative that mankind speedily find a way in which to live in harmony, if it is to continue to live at all. The formula which it seeks and must find will have to be based on truth and justice and decency, on love of God and respect for the dignity of man. To find that formula and to strive for its acceptance among all peoples of the earth is the task of religion. Mindful of the gravity of the situation, let us build up our forces so that they may become adequate to meet the crisis.

(MRS. LOUIS A.) FRIEDA S. ROSETT, *President*

AMERICAN JEWISH
A REPORT OF WIVES

The Executive Director

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

A few years ago, a French man of science, the late Lecomte de Nouy, in the preface of his book *Human Destiny*, reminded his readers that all share a responsibility in the future. He then went on to state, "but this responsibility can materialize into a constructive effort only if people realize the full meaning of their lives, the significance of their endeavors and of their struggles, and if they keep their faith in the high destiny of Man." Being a religionist as well as a scientist, Mr. de Nouy expressed a summons to duty, in the form of greater self-awareness in all relations.

In its broadest aspects, the whole program of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, being both religious and educational, aids us in better orientation to ourselves, our neighbors, our society. This orientation is part of increased self-awareness.

THE GROWTH OF THE FEDERATION

In the fiscal year just closing, we have welcomed into the world-wide fellowship of the Federation 16 new affiliates. For a brief time this brought our

total number of affiliates to more than 460 units. Unfortunately, with a few resignations due primarily to shifts in Jewish population, we have suddenly dropped back, in numbers of affiliates (though not in individual members which steadily increase), to 454 units throughout the United States and in cities of Canada, Cuba, Panama, the United Kingdom, the Union of South Africa and Australia.

We note with deep satisfaction that membership campaigns in many of the older affiliates have been particularly successful and that there are today some 75,000 women enrolled in Sisterhood life. The problem for every local unit, as well as for the National Federation, is to see that membership becomes an experience of fulfillment and not a mere enrollment in name only. We need, in our broad program of service, the mobilized woman power that is ours. There is a place for every worker; what is more, there is an urgent need for her.

THE FUNDS OF THE FEDERATION

In the mimeographed booklet of Annual Reports, being distributed at the 18th Biennial Assembly, will be found full details of most of the earmarked funds of the Federation, including the major projects, such as the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, Uniongrams, the House of Living Judaism, and Jewish Literature for the Blind. For the work of the last named Committee, there was collected during the fiscal year, the sum of \$6,374.48 of which \$2,885.42 was sent to the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and \$2,851.61 was transmitted to the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse.

For the House of Living Judaism, now being erected on the Southeast corner of Fifth Avenue and 65th Street in New York, N. Y., our collections to date from Sisterhoods have reached the gross figure of \$400,000, with additional sums urgently needed.

In addition to earmarked funds, of which ten per cent of cash contributions received are deducted for the cost of fund raising,* NFTS income also includes per capita dues of 40¢ per annum; State Federation dues of \$10 per annum; and receipts from the sale of study materials and other aids. Combined with an annual grant from the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, these monies make possible the administration of the Federation. However, as every informed Sisterhood leader and delegate knows, the income of the Federation is tragically inadequate to meet essential, minimal administration needs and obligations. Therefore, it is indeed imperative that the 18th Biennial adopt the proposed raise in dues.

While the figures given herewith must necessarily be subject to some slight adjustment at the time of the final audit of the fiscal year, November 1, 1949 to October 31, 1950, we are gratefully able to record an anticipated gross income in the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund of approximately \$60,000 which, after deferments, will probably leave a net of some \$57,000. Subject to approval of the Executive Board, of this sum \$35,000 will be transmitted to the

* Exclusive of the House of Living Judaism Campaign from which expenses are directly paid.

Union for religious educational work including its Department of Youth Activities; \$16,415 will be transmitted to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, for scholarships; \$1,000 will be allotted for two special tuition fellowships for Cantorial studies at the Hebrew Union School for Sacred Music in New York; and some \$9,000 will be added to \$36,500 appropriated in recent years for refurbishing the dormitory on the Cincinnati campus of the College-Institute. It is particularly interesting to note that of the gross sum of \$60,000 raised in the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, during 1949-50, approximately \$39,500 was through Uniongram Apportionment Profit.

There has again been contributed from the general treasury of NFTS to the Union, the sum of \$1,000 for the joint Union-NFTS project of Lecture Institutes for Teachers and Laymen, which made possible fifty lectures in twelve communities of the United States. The sum of \$2,000 for salary adjustments was also transmitted to the Union from the general treasury.

The Publication Fund for New Religious School Literature, established some years ago by NFTS through a total contribution of \$22,500, today has a balance (since this a revolving fund by which profits from the sale of books are returned to it) of \$40,273.39.

By cable there has been recently transmitted to the World Union for Progressive Judaism, the sum of \$2,200 of the annual Silver Coin Collection. Once each year our affiliated units are asked to encourage their members to give a silver coin, which item is never missed by the giver, but in combination with the coins of thousands of members makes possible a substantial contribution from the American members of NFTS to the World Union for the further development of Liberal Judaism on the world scene. It is regrettable that with 75,000 members, the Silver Coin Collection does not equal \$7,500 annually, which would be a mere dime from each Sisterhood woman. Perhaps, in honor of the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the World Union for Progressive Judaism in 1951, our next Silver Coin Collection will more nearly approximate a figure commensurate with our strength and interest.

One of the most interesting and valuable new projects of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has been the Sisterhood Loan Fund for New Congregations, which is jointly administered with the Union. Started with a contribution of \$2,500 from the Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York there has been added to the Fund \$1,100 in contributions from the Sisterhood of Rodeph Sholom, also of New York. During the last fiscal year, three new Congregations of the Union have been awarded temporary loans from the Fund, on signed notes of their responsible leaders. All monies loaned will be returned with interest at the rate of 1% per annum. It is to be hoped that other Sisterhoods will become interested in this unique project and will contribute to NFTS monies for the Sisterhood Loan Fund for New Congregations. No more dramatic story of the advance of Liberal Judaism in the United States is to be told than that of new Congregations, often composed of young veterans or low-income families, who are determined, at truly great personal sacrifice and cost, to build a Congregation with Sisterhood, Men's Club and Religious School for themselves and their children.

Another unusual and unique project which was developed during the past fiscal year, through the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, also deserves special mention. There was brought to the attention of some of the officers of the Federation a request to help educate a young Israeli artist and teacher through a correspondence course prepared by a group of twelve of the most distinguished American artists. These men had banded together, for teaching purposes, to form the Institute of Commercial Art of Westport, Connecticut. For \$247.50 this Israeli artist was given a most valuable training through which he, in turn, will be able to teach other students in Israel. In the Kibbutzim, after long days of physical toil, correspondence study of art can immensely enrich the lives and greatly intensify the abilities of young men and women.

SPEAKERS' BUREAU

One of the most valuable services of the Federation is the personal contact with members and units made possible through the Speakers' Bureau. Unfortunately, we lack the funds necessary for meeting even the minimal requirements of a speaker at the expense of NFTS once every two years for the majority of our affiliates. Our lack is not only in terms of funds for travelling expenses but also in trained volunteers. Nevertheless, despite all handicaps, the Federation was able, through the devotion of the women who serve on its Speakers' Bureau, to have twenty-nine speakers address seventy-eight affiliates and seven State and District Federation Conventions throughout thirty of the forty-eight states and in cities of Canada during the 1949-50 fiscal year. Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, the National President, toured the West Coast early this year beside fulfilling all the many other arduous speaking commitments and responsibilities of her office including her regular attendance at meetings of the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. It should be noted that the President alone addressed Sisterhood groups in seventeen cities. The Federation is deeply grateful to the officers and members who have contributed so unstintingly of time, service and effort in arduous travel and speaking assignments. Most heartfelt appreciation is due to Mrs. Rosett and to:

Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Mrs. Elmer Benesch, Oak Park, Ill.; Mrs. Sterling Berg, Paducah, Ky.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Leroy Glauber, Rockville Centre, N. Y.; Mrs. Joseph Glickstein, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Joseph B. Hearst, Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Lewis B. Lefkowitz, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Lucien Lehman, San Francisco, Calif.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Samuel Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Nebr.; Mrs. Harry Rosenbaum, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Evansville, Ind.; Mrs. Elmer Shaffer, Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Jerome Stein,

Yonkers, N. Y.; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Howard Kern (formerly Mrs. M. M. Ullman), Natchez, Miss.

The Director wishes to add a very personal word of deepest thanks both to Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Mrs. Joseph M. Glanzer, New York, for their gracious substitution for her, when, during her recent illness, she was compelled to cancel a number of commitments.

THE SISTERHOOD SCHOOL FOR LEADERS

In January, 1950, in the Community House of Temple Emanu-El, New York, there was held, for an entire week, the first intensive and extended Sisterhood School for Leaders under the auspices of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. With a faculty which included Dr. Julius Mark, Senior Rabbi, Temple Emanu-El, New York; Dr. Bernard Bamburger, Rabbi of West End Synagogue, New York; Rabbi Daniel Davis, Director of the New York Federation of Reform Synagogues; Rabbi Jay Kaufman, Assistant to the President of the Union, and the NFTS Executive Director, classes were held daily from 9:30 until 1 p.m. More than forty women regularly attended, completed written homework assignments and a final examination in courses that covered such subjects as: History and Practices of Reform Judaism; The History of the Synagogue; The Union Prayer Book; The Institutions of Reform Judaism; Techniques of Leadership and Public Speaking, and Sisterhood Problems. Following the final examinations, Mrs. Rosett awarded certificates to those who had successfully completed the course. The certificate read:

THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

An Agency of

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations

Issues This Certificate to

In Recognition of Progress Made in Study toward
JEWISH LEADERSHIP

By the Completion of Training in the
SISTERHOOD SCHOOL FOR LEADERS

Dated January 27, 1950

Jane Evans

Executive Director, NFTS

At New York, New York

(Mrs. Louis A.) Frieda S. Rosett

President, NFTS

"Heaven and earth have limits of time and space but the Torah has none."

—Midrash

The success of this first School has convinced the officers of the Federation that efforts should be made to hold similar schools under NFTS auspices in other

sections of the country and ultimately to develop an advanced course for those who complete the first sessions of the school.

Meanwhile, the Director, recognizing the imperative need of making leadership training, which includes training in certain essentials of Reform Judaism, available to all women of the Federation who are both present and potential leaders, and irrespective of whether or not they will be able to attend in person a one week school, announces, with great pleasure that early in 1951, a correspondence course will be available for the training of Sisterhood leaders. This course has been prepared by Rabbi Eugene Borowitz, a teaching Fellow of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion and the Director. It is based upon the successful Sisterhood School for Leaders held earlier this year and includes the lectures given at the time by the distinguished faculty.

SERVICES OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICES

Unless otherwise directed, correspondence should still be addressed exclusively to NFTS, Merchants Building, Cincinnati 2, Ohio. However, by the summer or fall of 1951, the major portion of the staff and the services of the Federation will be housed in New York in the Union's and our House of Living Judaism. It must be fairly stated that whatever delays there may be in correspondence have been due during the last year not to divided offices, but to the illness of the Director on the one hand and, on the other, to the inefficiency that inevitably results when an organization, under inadequate financing of its administrative needs, has a truly harassed and overworked staff. The Federation urgently needs twice its present personnel as a minimum, yet, even with the proposed raise in dues, this will not be possible of attainment though some substantial improvements will, of course, result.

From the Executive Offices are prepared all releases requested by the National Chairmen; the monthly Packets for local Presidents, State Presidents and Board Members; the various Sisterhood aids listed in the NFTS Catalogue; *Topics and Trends*, the official NFTS 4-page Bulletin; the *Year Book* being distributed at the 18th Biennial; and all other publications and pamphlets of service to Sisterhood members. These include material for the *House of Living Judaism*, the monthly mimeographed digest for the Committee on Peace and World Relations, *Current Copy*; the Annual Supplement to the book of *Program and Study Materials*; new *Uniongram aids* and *Thank You cards*; the *Condensed Manual on Parliamentary Law and Procedure*, to mention only a few items.

NEW DIRECTIONS FOR THE FEDERATION

When the 18th Biennial has settled the problem of more adequate income for the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the officers and Executive Board of the Federation will be able to consider long delayed suggestions from previous reports of the Executive Director, especially those in the report presented to the Board in St. Louis in December, 1949. While at present the Executive Board meets only once a year, it might be possible to consider in the future an annual meeting of the Executive Committee in addition to the Board session, as well

as expanded training institutes; more intimate relationships and contacts between and among members of NFTS Committees; the coordination of NFTS Committees into departments with a professional staff member available for service to each one. It should be noted that for the first time in the history of the Federation, chairmen have worked during the 1948-50 Biennial period without committees. The large financial deficit of the Federation, the lack of Staff, the delays necessitated by these and other unavoidable obstacles, made it necessary for this Biennial period to appoint chairmen but not full committees. The fact that the Federation's work, despite these grave handicaps, has moved forward with striking success, even though some work has been partially delayed, is a reflection of the devotion of chairmen, officers, Board members and staff to almost overwhelming demands made upon them.

IN APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Federation as a whole, and especially for herself, the Director extends the most heartfelt appreciation to the members of the staff for their generous, selfless, devoted labor as well as for their unfailing loyalty to our program of service to Jewish and humanitarian causes. We continue to have an interracial, interfaith staff in which persons of differing backgrounds work in utmost harmony toward our goals. To Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Administrative Assistant in charge of the Cincinnati office, who carries so graciously, cooperatively and intelligently a major share of the responsibility for NFTS work; to her co-workers in Cincinnati, Miss Bess Robbins, Service Secretary; Mrs. Esther Link, Miss Patricia Finnegan and others; to Mrs. Frances Kuwent Sosnoff, Assistant to the Director in New York; to Miss Elaine Jackson, devoted secretary who services the House of Living Judaism project and the Speakers' Bureau; to Mrs. Leo Irish of the New York office; to Mrs. David Haber, formerly secretary to the Director in New York and now a part-time Editorial Assistant; to Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, new member of the New York Professional staff whom many of you will meet for the first time during the Cleveland Biennial; to Miss Gloria Silverstein, secretary to the Director, as well as to all other co-workers in the Cincinnati and New York offices of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, I offer you my deepest, warmest gratitude.

Frustrations and difficulties are unhappy components in any long period of illness, but in far richer measure than I deserve, Mrs. Rosett and other Sisterhood officers and friends gave me encouragement and support and taught me the full meaning of the term "friend in time of trouble." As for the attitude of all members of the staff who so willingly bore new burdens on my behalf, who zealously, uncomplainingly, and untiringly sought ways to help me despite the handicaps of overwork which was theirs under even normal circumstances, there are no words to express my humble and never to be fully repaid indebtedness.

To all members of the Federation and its officers and especially to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our President, with whom the Director has the continued joy of working in most intimate contact; to Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union, to all other colleagues and co-workers whose cooperation is always so promptly forthcoming, my full appreciation for the continuous inspiration which they give to me as we labor together in our common efforts.

CONCLUSION

Modern men and women need to develop every possible aptitude that will lead to fulfillment of self and service to others if we are to overcome, in time, the threats and hazards of the new atomic era. The development of spiritual attitudes, the translation of ideals into deeds, are special concerns of religion. Membership in and service through a religious fellowship, such as our Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, can be a major way in which we contribute to our society.

JANE EVANS, *Executive Director*



REPORT OF
The Treasurer

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The fiscal year of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods closed on October 31, 1950.

Due to the fact that there are a number of adjustments still to be made and monies in transit, I am unable to present a completed Treasurer's report of the financial operations of NFTS for the fiscal year November 1, 1949—October 31, 1950 at this meeting.

The following is a tentative report of operations for the 1949-50 fiscal year, subject to adjustment.

NFTS General Fund:

Estimated Receipts—Direct	\$ 49,900.00	
Estimated UAHC Appropriation for NFTS Operations	47,000.00	
Total Available Receipts		\$ 96,900.00
Estimated Expenditures	\$ 60,300.00	
UAHC Estimated Expenditures for NFTS Operations	47,000.00	
Total Estimated Expenditures		\$107,300.00
Probable General Fund Deficit for 1949-50		\$ 10,400.00
Non-Budgetary Expenditures		1,800.00
Total Probable Operating Deficit—1949-50		\$ 12,200.00

The receipts and expenditures of all funds, exclusive of the General Fund, such as the House of Living Judaism, Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, and other earmarked funds are reflected in the reports of the respective Committee Chairmen.

(MRS. AARON L.) LEORA L. LAMBIE, *Treasurer*

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
October 31, 1950

ASSETS	Total	General Fund	HUC Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	"House of Living Judaism" Fund	Special Funds for Designated Purposes
Cash in banks and on hand.....	\$ 99,270.19	\$ 125.00	\$48,300.22	\$50,844.97	
Cash on deposit with Union of American Hebrew Congreg tions....	1,000.00	1,000.00			
Investments—allocated (at cost).....	32,190.00	9,607.91	19 240.00		\$3,342.09
Demand note receivable from Union of American Hebrew Congregations (balance)	2,250.00	2 250.00 (b)			
Deposit with travel agencies.....	425.00	425.00			
Accounts, advances and contributions receivable.....	2,869.68	2,869.68 (d)			
Notes receivable from temples.....	3,500.00				3,500.00
Inter-fund loan		797.79	797.79		
Total Assets.....	\$141,504.87	\$15,479.80 (a)	\$68,338.01	\$50,844.97	\$6,842.09
LIABILITIES					
Due to Union of American Hebrew Congregations.....	\$ 22,692.25	\$ 1,277.25	\$21,415.00		
Accounts payable	56.16	56.16			
Deferred income—available for 1950-1951 and subsequent years.....	2,057.75	45.20	2,012.55		
Due to Sisterhoods for Free Religious Schools.....	354.55		354.55		
Total Liabilities.....	\$ 25,160.71	\$ 1,378.61	\$23,782.10		
RESERVES AND SURPLUS					
Mrs. Martha Steinfeld Reserve.....	\$ 628.39				\$ 628.39 (c)
Contribution for Braille Machine.....	40.00				40.00
Reserve for Committee on Child Study and Parent Education.....	100.00				100.00
Reserve for World Union for Progressive Judaism—Silver Coin Col- lection	2,473.70				2,473.70
Reserve for Sisterhoods' Synagogue Loan Funds.....	3,600.00				3,600.00
"House of Living Judaism" Principal.....	50,844.97			50,844.97	
Accumulated Surplus—October 31, 1950.....	58,657.10	\$14,101.19	\$44,555.91		
Total Reserves and Surplus.....	\$116,344.16	\$14,101.19	\$44,555.91	\$50,844.97	\$6,842.09
Total	\$141,504.87	\$15,479.80	\$68,338.01	\$50,844.97	\$6,842.09

- Notes: (a) The above assets do not include unpaid balances, aggregating \$5,726.20 due on sales of Uniongrams and other articles; and inventory of saleable materials. Income from these sources is credited when collected.
- (b) The note receivable from U. A. H. C. is dated February 20, 1931 and bears 5% interest although 3% is being repaid by agreement. The original loan was for \$30,000. No repayment was received during the fiscal year ended October 31, 1950.
- (c) Interest amounting to \$12.32 has been added to this reserve for the year ended October 31, 1950.
- (d) As of February 28, 1951, the accounting department of the Union reports that the amounts receivable from Sisterhoods and advances to employees have been collected or accounted for.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

State Federations*

Knoxville, Tenn., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

This report of your Committee on State Federations reiterates the introductory observations of the previous annual report that . . . "the events recorded herein point to an exciting acceleration . . . especially to an increased awareness on the part of District and State personnel as to their particular positions as liaisons between NFTS and local Units, so that they may: 1. interpret and intensify for their local Units the vastly expanded NFTS religious, educational, and humanitarian program; 2. meet the shocking need of adult education for knowledge of Judaism; knowledge of NFTS program, projects, and policies; secular knowledge; 3. develop informed, trained Sisterhood leaders. . . ." This 1950 report (recording such activities as Conventions, Regional Meetings, Leadership Training Institutes, Workshops, Bulletins, Presidents' Messages, Recommendations and Resolutions, Committee Reports and Projects) indicates something even more definitive and dramatic. This "something more" reflects the continuing influences of the NFTS Boston Biennial Convention, the two State Presidents' Councils, resulting in more stimulating and meaningful programs and more expeditious machinery for District and State Conventions. This "something more" reflects the significant inspiration of our National President, our Executive Director, our National Board members, who have brought thrilling messages of NFTS philosophy, program, policies, and projects to the District and State Federations. It reflects an unprecedented eagerness and dedication on the part of the District and State Federation Presidents to increase the effectiveness of their privileged liaison positions. It is with great pride that your Chairman on State Federations submits the following report:

NFTS District #2, the Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held a regular Board meeting in January, and a special Board meeting in April to plan for the annual New England Youth Conclave which was held in August. Since this is a combined group, both the New England and Connecticut State Federations are sponsors and contributors. The Connecticut President, Mrs. Walter Midas, proudly reported the completion of unit quotas for the House of Living Judaism campaign. The main item on the agenda for the Annual meeting in Waterbury was consideration of a revision in By-Laws to change the date of the annual October meeting, in keeping with NFTS policy: that there shall be no District or State Conventions prior to the National Biennial Assembly.

NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, according to its President, Mrs. William J. Leffler, has completed an enthusiastic

* Name changed to National Committee on District Federations, NFTS Biennial Assembly, November, 1950.

and exciting "reorganization in program, in direction, in cooperation," since the election of officers at the State's Biennial Convention in Montreal, May, 1949. This election terminated an unusual three-year period of stewardship by the three Vice-Presidents acting in the role of President.

At the Annual Meeting, April 26, 1950, Mrs. Leffler recorded the following items as being particularly notable in "recapturing much of the enthusiastic spirit for Sisterhood, and much of the resurgence of Sisterhood activities":

1. In an attempt to become reacquainted with Sisterhood leaders in the various vicinities, four teas were arranged in the metropolitan area during the months of June and September.

2. At a meeting on October 28, new State Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen met with the President to hear Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, explain briefly their role in the State Federation, and the role of State Federations in NFTS, and NFTS program and policies. At this meeting, the Sisterhood Leadership Institute was discussed by Miss Evans. It was decided that the first Sisterhood School for Leaders would be held in the Community House of Congregation Emanu-El, New York City, January 23-27, 1950.

3. Forty women from New York and neighboring states registered for this NFTS School for Leaders, known as a "pilot project," and attended the five-day intensive courses on: "The Union Prayer Book"; "Reform Judaism--Its Backgrounds, Ideas, and Practices"; "Institutions of Reform Judaism"; "The Development of the Synagogue"; "Leadership, Public Speaking, and Sisterhood Projects and Techniques."

4. Regional meetings in Elmira and in New York City followed the same procedural patterns. Round Tables, presided over by State Chairmen, included: Cooperation and Post-War Service, including Interfaith; Parent Education and Youth; Peace and World Relations; Program; Publicity; Religion; Religious Schools; Jewish Literature for the Blind. The luncheon sessions were addressed by Mrs. Leffler, who spoke briefly on the State Federations' affiliation with NFTS, and the affiliation of NFTS with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

5. The two-year-old Bulletin, State-Ments, published bi-annually and sent to every Board member of each Unit, was lauded by the President as having become a richer and more informative publication, and as such, one of the State's messengers of good will.

NFTS District #4, the New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its twenty-eighth annual Convention in Brunswick, November 15. The Convention theme was: "Sisterhood--A Creative Force in Our World of Religion." At the morning business session, two recipients of the Youth Conclave Fund established by the State Federation, addressed the delegates. Using the title: "Youth Speaks," these young people told of their experiences at the NFTY Conclave at Decatur, Michigan.

NFTS District #5, the Pennsylvania Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, continues its long established practice of distribution of regional responsibilities among the three Vice-Presidents:

On March 18-19, Officers of the State Federation, Rabbis, members of Congregations and Sisterhoods attended the Regional Meeting in Hershey, conducted

by the UAHC. During this meeting, Round Tables were held on congregational relationships. Mrs. William J. Leffler, President of NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, led the Round Table on "Sisterhood and Its Relationship to the Congregation."

NFTS District #6, the Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its twenty-ninth Anniversary Biennial Convention in Cleveland, November 15-17, underscoring it "A Convention Custom-Made to Meet the Needs of Your Sisterhood." The Convention opened with a Religious Service at the Temple. Six Workshops were held during the morning and afternoon sessions of the second day: Workshop A. How Can Sisterhood Aid: (1) The Religious School Program, (2) Youth Activities; Workshop B. Parliamentary Procedures for Presidents and Board Members; Workshop C. Ways and Means and Sisterhood Projects; Workshop D. Adult Participation in Religious Education and Cultural Activities; Workshop E. Programming; Workshop F. Interfaith.

The address given at the banquet was by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President.

The State Federation's 1949 annual contribution of \$450 to HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund was given in honor of the late Dr. Samuel Elgart of Cincinnati, who made "such fine contributions to his own field of science, and to the Jewish Community of Cincinnati."

Resolutions adopted by the general assembly included:

1. In response to the recent communication from the NFTS President to Sisterhood leaders urging them to enlist the woman power of their Sisterhood in the combined campaign for the UAHC and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion . . . be it resolved the women of NFTS both individually and collectively support this campaign.

2. That each woman of NFTS find it her moral and spiritual duty to attend religious devotions at least once a week, and do everything in her power to avoid social conflicts that will interfere with Divine Worship.

3. That the women of NFTS lend their assistance in whatever way possible to help adjust all newcomers from abroad to their new environment.

4. That the women of NFTS felicitate the State of Israel upon its admission into the United Nations and pray that it will carry on the religious tenets of our faith.

Since the Convention, the newly elected President, Mrs. Elmer Moyer, Dayton, and Vice-Presidents are heading a Speakers' Bureau, which will furnish a speaker for any Sisterhood meeting and will assume traveling expenses.

NFTS District #7, the West Virginia Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its twenty-fifth annual Convention in Huntington, October 23, 1949.

Resolutions included:

1. That the Executive Board designate a sum of money not to exceed \$150 to the next hostess city for the Youth Conclave, since this year's allotment was not utilized.

2. That a Symposium or Presidents' Hour become part of the Convention Program, and a Leadership and Training Workshop be emphasized.

3. That the State Federation go on record as:
 - a. Urging all Jewish children over 4 years of age to be enrolled in Sabbath School.
 - b. Urging Temple attendance by example.
4. That we continue Sisterhood Sabbath in March with mothers and daughters participating in the service.
5. That all Sisterhoods lay greater emphasis on National's projects of Temple Youth, Uniongrams, Braille, HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.
6. That we continue to stress education, Interfaith Activities, social legislation, and current Jewish events as part of our program planning.

Following the Luncheon at the Temple Center, Mrs. Harvey Steadman, President of NFTS District #11, the Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, conducted a Symposium, which considered: "The first and foremost obligation of our Sisterhoods is to promote the development and perpetuation of Judaism through the Synagogue; to foster Jewish education; and to engage in activities and projects for the furthering of Jewish causes."

The banquet address, "An Old People in a New World," was given by Dr. Jacob Marcus, Professor of History at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati. Dr. Marcus traced the exciting story of 300 years of Jews in America.

NFTS District #8, Virginia-District of Columbia-Delaware-Maryland-North Carolina, held its Board Meeting in Charlottesville, Va. on November 9. In her Message, the President, Mrs. Joseph Hearst, urged the completion of HLJ quotas, and stressed the importance of having Speakers from the District Bureau, not only in connection with HLJ Campaign, but for the purpose of close contact with District projects and personalities.

Plans were announced for the District's annual Religious School Teachers' Institute to be held in Baltimore, December 3-4, under the guidance of Rabbi Mordecai Soloff, Director of Religious Education for the three Reform Congregations in Baltimore.

The District's twenty-fourth Annual Conference was held in Washington, D. C., March 22-23. Following a business session in the morning, a Symposium was held in the afternoon, dealing with "Leadership and Parliamentary Procedure." Mrs. Ben P. Snyder discussed "Leadership from the Personal Point of View," and Mrs. Henry Robert, Jr. spoke on "What Every Member Should Know About Parliamentary Law."

A Breakfast Clinic was devoted to Discussion of "Ways and Means of Winding Up the House of Living Judaism Campaign." Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Recording Secretary of NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, gave the luncheon address: "Sisterhood's Share in the Liberal Renaissance."

NFTS District #10, the Indiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its semi-annual Executive Board Meeting in Indianapolis, April 26. Mrs. Jerome Salm, National Board member, explained the action of the NFTS Board in November which will recommend to the 1950 Biennial Assembly a much needed increase in yearly dues to \$1.25. This would include National and State dues,

25¢ of which would cover dues to District and State Federations. The members were urged to explain this increase to their Sisterhoods.

The main motion of the Board concerned a revision in By-Laws that would change Board Meetings from Spring to Fall, and that would establish Biennial State Conventions in the Spring, in the year alternate to the NFTS Biennial Assemblies.

NFTS District #11, the Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its twenty-sixth Annual Convention in Pontiac, May 2-3. An Institute on Religion was conducted by Rabbi Morton Applebaum, Flint; Rabbi Alfred Friedman, Lansing; and Rabbi Sanford S. Saperstein, Pontiac. This inspirational Symposium was followed by twilight services. The banquet address, "Where Do We Stand?" was given by Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Nebraska, NFTS Recording Secretary. The luncheon address entitled: "Liberal Judaism Comes of Age," was given by Mrs. Jerome Salm, National Chairman on Youth Activities.

The Resolutions enjoined the Michigan women as individuals and as members of NFTS units to:

1. Study and support the United Nations.
2. Scrutinize legal provisions and practices of social justice, and to act in behalf of social justice.
3. "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy"; to observe Sabbath in the homes, attend Sabbath Services regularly, encourage activities and routines in keeping with the spirit of the Sabbath.
4. Intensify, spiritually and materially, support of the entire NFTS program.
5. Encourage support in individual congregations of the combined campaign of the UAHC and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, in view of the unprecedented financial crisis threatening their ability to give continued leadership and service to the American Jewish Community.

NFTS District #12, the Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its twenty-fourth Convention in Chattanooga, October 29-31, in conjunction with the Assembly of Kentucky-Tennessee Association of UAHC and Temple Brotherhoods.

Six Round Tables were conducted to consider: 1. Adult Education. 2. Youth Activities. 3. Peace and World Relations. 4. Programs. 5. Ways and Means. 6. Social and Reconstruction Services. So helpful were the discussions and suggestions that the delegates expressed the hope that this form of discussion would be included on the agenda of future conventions.

The General Assembly approved sending \$100 to the HLJ Campaign to take the place of the non-transferable U.S. Government Bond now being held by the District for that purpose, and that the Bond be retained.

The President, Mrs. Sterling Berg, asked that \$50 a year be budgeted for the publication of Kay-Tee News, which had been temporarily discontinued, and that it be tried again.

NFTS District #13, the South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its twenty-sixth annual Convention in Kingstree, November 15-16. Recommendations included:

1. That the interest on the Edythe Lorea Trust Fund (approximately \$200) be used to bring a Regional Rabbi to the smaller communities in the State.

2. That SCFTS go on record to the National Board approving in principle a reasonable raise in NFTS dues.

3. That future Conventions be held following the NFTS Biennial Assembly, possibly the latter part of November, to allow as much time as possible between National and State Conventions, and that State Conventions be held for two days.

4. That a questionnaire be sent to each local Sisterhood President following the State Convention, asking for criticism and suggestions for future Conventions.

5. That a newsletter be sent by SCFTS President once each month to each local Sisterhood President, that it contain matters of National and State interest, and that it be read at each monthly meeting.

6. That the State Interfaith Chairman obtain copies of Rabbi Mann's last two addresses on "Message of Israel" Broadcasts to give them wide distribution among the ministers in South Carolina. The addresses were entitled: "What the Jew Owes to the Christian" and "What the Christian Owes to the Jew."

The Board voted to budget \$40 for three (September, January, May) publications of the Bulletin and monthly Newsletters for one year. Both of these projects are new.

The luncheon address, "Sisterhood Looks to National" was given by Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Georgia, National Chairman on Programs. A Round Table discussion was held following the address.

At the April Executive Board Meeting held in Columbia, the following State Chairmen made reports:

Youth Activities Chairman reported plans for the first all-day outing for Jewish Youth from post-Confirmation age through twenty-five years of age at Myrtle Beach, May 14.

House of Living Judaism Chairman reported that South Carolina had completed its quota.

Historian, Mrs. Julian Hennig, reported that minutes and records of SCFTS are filed in the Library of the University of South Carolina where they are kept as a permanent record. Any interested person may use these papers, but no one may take them from the Library.

Uniongram Chairman, Mrs. Herbert Spiers, reported that when thirty-one more Uniongrams were sold, the Columbia Sisterhood would have a total of three thousand Uniongrams sold since October, 1949.

NFTS District #14, Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in conjunction with the Southeast Council of UAHC, held its twenty-sixth Convention in Jacksonville, Florida, November 20-21.

The Convention opened at noon in joint session for discussion of matters of mutual concern, with particular interest in the problem of retaining the Dothan Regional Office of the Union.

At the afternoon business session, Mrs. Jacob B. Joel, President, gave the highlights of the District's activities. In her Message, Mrs. Joel gave praise for the very successful Youth Conclave in July. Pointing out that the House of Living Judaism "is a beacon light sending out rays of love, tolerance, and understanding

for us," the President urged completion of Unit quotas in the District, and continuing enthusiastic support of Student Activities at the Universities of Georgia, Florida, and Alabama, which is one of the District's main projects.

Mrs. Harold Baum, National Chairman on Interfaith Activities, gave the luncheon address, using the topic: "Reconstruction Must Begin Within."

An afternoon Symposium was held to discuss: "Sisterhood Looks to the Rabbi," "Sisterhood Looks to Its Congregation and Community," "Sisterhood Looks to National." Following the Symposium, Mrs. Harold Baum conducted a Sisterhood Clinic, inviting questions, comments, and suggestions.

Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President, UAHC, gave the stirring banquet address.

NFTS District #16, the Mississippi Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its sixth Biennial Convention in Natchez, October 30.

At the Pre-Convention Executive Board Meeting, the President, Mrs. J. Schleisinger, reported receipt of a letter from the NFTS Executive Director, Miss Jane Evans, suggesting the possibility of a federation of Arkansas with Mississippi.

This afternoon Board Meeting was followed by Religious Services in the Temple. The inspirational sermon: "Religious Faith in War Torn Europe" was given by Mrs. Harold Baum, National Chairman on Interfaith Activities.

In her President's Message, Mrs. Schleisinger emphasized the inspiration of the Presidents' Council and the Boston Biennial Convention. The following recommendations were included in this Message:

1. That the Executive Committee of NFTS serve with hostess Sisterhoods in planning State Conventions.
2. That local Sisterhoods set aside part of one meeting to review the Minutes of preceding State Conventions or Board Meetings so that all members can know of proceedings . . . and can keep informed of all business transacted.
3. That we keep religion in our homes, observe Holidays, attend all Temple Services, and cooperate with Rabbis and leaders.
4. That we cooperate with Religious Schools, not only by encouraging our teachers, but by inculcating into the minds of the children our ethical principles so that the Religious School may become as vital a part of the child's education as the secular school.

NFTS District #17, the Louisiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Executive Board Meeting in Bastrop, March 26. Reports of the National Board Meeting held in St. Louis in November were given by Mrs. Lawrence Mann and Mrs. Bernard Manheim, National Board members.

The Fourth Annual Religious School Institute held in Alexandria, December 2-4, was reported. Dr. Abraham N. Franzblau, Dean of the School of Religious Education and School of Sacred Music of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion conducted the Institute, giving all the lectures. The schedule included: Inspirational services held at the Temple on Friday evening, with visiting Rabbis participating; at the conclusion of services, a lecture-recital on "Jewish Music." Topics of Dr. Franzblau's three lectures on Saturday were: "How to Interest Children"; "Words As Tools of Creativity"; "Understanding Our

Changing Children." Lecture topic for the Sunday morning closing session was: "Enriching Our Religious Emotion."

The President, Mrs. Jesse Stern, reported the appointment of a State Chairman on Interfaith Activities, and the appointment of the Committee on Uniongrams combined with HUC Scholarship and Religious Education; and Religious Extension, combined with Membership, in accordance with the report of the Committee on Resolutions and Recommendations, which included:

1. That a Committee be appointed to study and recommend the consolidation of related Committees to prevent duplication of reports.
2. That each State President, after she takes office, must acquaint each local President with the services of NFTS Speakers' Bureau, which is available to Units without cost once during each biennial period.
3. As the Hebrew Union College is this year celebrating its 75th Anniversary, it is deemed proper that this Board take proper recognition of that fact, and that this body send resolutions containing felicitations as well as a pledge of continued loyalty and support to the college.

NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its twenty-fourth Annual Convention in Chicago, April 12-13, with registration at Temple Sinai Community House, and members of Temple Sinai Sisterhood acting as hostesses.

The Illinois monthly Bulletin, for months in advance of the Convention, not only publicized the Convention, but devoted its issues to records of proposed revisions in By-Laws, slate of the Nominating Committee, outline of the Convention Program, and, following the Convention, in accordance with action taken by the General Assembly, utilized the May Bulletin for Highlights of the Convention Proceedings.

At the Luncheon Session on Tuesday, the five Vice-Presidents gave three minute reports of the activities of their departments. The President, Mrs. Elmer Benesch, also gave her report, urging completion of HLJ quotas throughout the State Federation, and cooperation in the Combined Campaign of the UAHC and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

The five Workshops held on the first afternoon of the Convention were enthusiastically received by the fifty to ninety delegates in attendance at each session. The Workshops, which later presented specific recommendations, included the following topics:

1. Religious Education: Child Study, Religious Education, Youth Activities.
2. Program: Reciprocity, Jewish Ceremonials and Art Programs.
3. Fund Raising Activities: Membership, Funds, Ways and Means, HLJ Campaign, Judaica Shop.
4. Human Relations: Peace and World Relations, Interfaith, Community Affairs.
5. Welfare Department: Chaplaincy, Jewish Literature for the Blind, Post War Service.

Recommendations on Youth Activities and Program presented by the Workshop Leaders were:

1. We pledge to continue to support the Youth Conclaves and programs of

our respective groups; we stand ready and willing, insofar as we are able, to meet the specific requests of youth, and

We strongly urge NFTS and NFTY to speed the purchase of a camp site and the building of a permanent camp, and urge that a full time Youth Director be made available in the area covered by IFTS.

2. We ask NFTS to further interest itself in helping us get program material of Jewish content, and if possible, give financial backing to creative artists who are qualified to write such materials.

At the banquet, Rabbi Wendell Phillips of Washington Boulevard Temple delivered a challenging address urging Sisterhood women to pioneer the way to understanding among Orthodox, Conservative and Reform women.

A Leadership Institute was so well presented by Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, New York State Federation Recording Secretary, that NFTS will be asked for a week's Leadership Training Course in Chicago for the Illinois State Federation.

NFTS District #19, the Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its first two-day Convention when the Seventh Annual Assembly convened in Appleton, May 16-17. The Convention Theme was "Guarding Our Precious Heritage."

In her President's Message, Mrs. Babette M. Breslauer, included the inspiration of the State and District Presidents' Council in New York City, November 1-2, and news of the three State Board meetings held during the year. Mrs. Breslauer reported that ninety-five per cent of the HLJ quota had been reached; that a great deal of intra-faith work had been accomplished; and that Mrs. Harold Baum, Milwaukee, National Chairman on Interfaith Activities had received one of the three B'nai B'rith awards for outstanding work in the field of human relations. Tracing further developments and achievements in the State during the past year, Mrs. Breslauer mentioned the splendid first Bulletin, which had been published in April, in time to publicize the Convention, and concluded with this question: "What is some tangible work to accomplish?"

1. Let us try to enlarge our Wisconsin Federation by adding more groups such as Waukesha and Eau Claire.

2. Let us seriously consider the feasibility of a "Great Lakes Council of Sisterhoods," patterned after that of UAHC.

3. Let us concentrate more effort than previously on all phases of Sisterhood activity—for example, making the Youth Group include young people from cities not affiliated with Sisterhoods; continuing the publication of our Bulletin.

4. Let us have more visits by the State Board to cities in the State.

5. Let us work together, play together, and plan together so that women may be spiritual leaders in this—our religion—our precious heritage.

At the banquet, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, gave the inspirational address, entitled: "A President Speaks."

Wednesday's sessions began with a Presidents' Breakfast. Two Workshops were held: Religious Education; Religious Loyalties, for which there were three Rabbinical consultants.

Following the Luncheon Session, at which time Rabbi Schaalman spoke on "The Great Lakes Council," two summations of the morning's Workshops were

given. Presenting a summation of Rabbinical Observations, Rabbi H. B. Pastor spoke on: "How We Can Guard Our Precious Heritage." Giving a summation of Sisterhood Observations, Mrs. Rosett spoke on "Women Who Guard Our Precious Heritage."

NFTS District #20, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Colorado and New Mexico, has implemented one new project during 1950, the District Bulletin, which is to be a bi-annual publication. The President, Mrs. Harry Jacobson, announced the dedicated purpose in the first issue . . . "that the District shall make every effort to be of service not only to Unit Leaders and to those members who attend Conventions, but to every Reform Jewish woman in our area . . . that it inspire all of our members with the zeal essential to the realization of Sisterhood purposes . . . that it be fortified with a means of implementing our responsibility to bring NFTS into close relationship. . . ."

According to Mrs. Jacobson, a Talent Bureau is being set up to supplement the District's Speakers' Bureau. The District Officers have been asked to speak on the subject of Sisterhood for their own areas, and the Committee Chairmen, on the subject of Sisterhood, with special emphasis on their own departments. The District will pay expenses of Speakers for short distances, and Units will be asked to bear expenses of programs that travel long distances—or if a Unit wants a program any oftener than every other year.

Of unusual interest in the District was the joint meeting in Colorado Springs of the Sisterhoods of Colorado Springs, Pueblo, and Trinidad on the afternoon of February 22, at which time the NFTS President, Mrs. Louis A Rosett spoke. In the evening, Mrs. Rosett was guest speaker at a joint banquet of the Sisterhood and Brotherhood in Denver. Following this meeting, Mrs. Rosett addressed the Sisterhoods in Albuquerque and Phoenix.

NFTS District #22, Texas Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Fifteenth Annual Convention in Houston, November 6-8. The Convention Theme was: "Sisterhood At Work." Following the Executive Board Meeting on Sunday morning, the Convention was formally opened by Mrs. Phillip Adelman, President, in the afternoon. Evening Religious Service was held at Temple Beth Israel, and an address: "Speak Up for Sisterhood" was given by Dr. Hyman Judah Schachtel.

Following an early morning business session another Religious Service was held at Temple Emanu-El and an address: "Sisterhood At Worship" was given by Rabbi Robert L. Kahn.

Three Workshop Clinics with a Leader for each sub-topic were held in the afternoon, with choice of attendance at:

1. Fund Raising:

- a. Projects for Fund Raising: House of Living Judaism; Uniongrams.
- b. Techniques in Fund Raising.
- c. Our Most Successful Fund Raising Affairs.

2. Education:

- a. Qualifications for a Dynamic Youth Group.
- b. What I Want My Child to Learn in Sunday School.
- c. An Adult Education Program.

3. Program Planning:

- a. Entertainment in Program Planning.
- b. Outstanding Interfaith Programs.
- c. What Constitutes a Vital Sisterhood Program.

On the following morning an informative and inspirational Leadership Training Institute was conducted by Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, NFTS.

At this convention, the Texas Federation, with the approval of the NFTS Executive Board, voted to extend membership to Units in Oklahoma and to become the NFTS Texas-Oklahoma Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

NFTS District #24, the Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held three Regional Meetings this year. The National President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, on a Speaking Tour of the West and West Coast, gave inspirational addresses at each of these meetings.

ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATE FEDERATIONS

There have been no new projects this year. There is continuing warm interest in and responsiveness to the Guest Presidents' Letters, which are released in the monthly State Presidents' Packets.

The meeting of the second Council of State and District Presidents, in New York City, November 1-2, was the significant event of this year. If the glowing verbal reactions of those in attendance, many of them for the first time, could be measured or summarized, included would be:

1. Rededication to complete District and State quotas for the House of Living Judaism as soon as possible.
2. Rededication to an increased knowledge and implementation of all NFTS religious and educational projects.
3. Enthusiasm and determination to follow NFTS Convention patterns for working District and State Conventions with emphasis on adult study in Workshops and Round Tables.

The Presidents continue to extol the inspiration of our National President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, who addressed the Council several times during the two-day session, and our Executive Director, Miss Jane Evans, who conducted a Sisterhood Leadership Institute, and who extemporaneously put into words for the first time an inspiring and challenging "Statement of Sisterhood Philosophy."

The Digest of Proceedings of this Second Council, which was distributed to all State and District Presidents, will be printed in the next NFTS Year Book. The schedule of District and State Convention dates is appended to this report.

NEW DISTRICT AND STATE PRESIDENTS

Your Committee on State Federations is privileged to announce the names of District and State Federation Presidents, who have been elected to office during this fiscal year, and to extend to them a very warm welcome to the fellowship of

NFTS District and State Federation leadership:

NFTS District #6 Ohio	Mrs. Elmer Moyer Dayton, Ohio
NFTS District #11 Michigan	Mrs. Samuel Danto Detroit, Michigan
NFTS District #12 Kentucky-Tennessee	Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield Lexington, Kentucky
NFTS District #22 Texas-Oklahoma	Mrs. Harry Susman Houston, Texas

(Mrs. C. C.) EMILIE E. STRASBURGER, *Chairman*



1. Meetings of State and District Federations scheduled during the 1949-50 NFTS fiscal year.

<i>Convention Dates</i>	<i>District Federation</i>	<i>Conv. City</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Guest Speaker</i>
Nov. 6-8, 1949	Texas Federation	Houston	Mrs. Philip Adelman	Miss Jane Evans
Nov. 15-16, 1949	South Carolina Fed.	Kingstree	Mrs. Melvin Harris	Mrs. Sam Mohr
Nov. 15-17, 1949	Ohio Federation	Cleveland	Mrs. J. C. Newman	Mrs. Louis A. Rosett
Nov. 15, 1949	New Jersey Fed.	New Brunswick	Mrs. Edward Siegelson	Mrs. Elmer Lentz Shaffer
Nov. 20-21, 1949	Southeast Fed.	Jacksonville, Florida	Mrs. Jacob B. Joel	Mrs. Harold M. Baum
March 22-23, 1950	Dist. No. 8 (Del., D. C., Md., N. C., & Va.)	Washington, D. C.	Mrs. Joseph Hearst	Mrs. Joseph Glanzer
April 11-13, 1950	Illinois Fed.	Chicago	Mrs. Elmer Benesch	Mrs. Joseph Glanzer
May 2-3, 1950	Michigan Fed.	Pontiac	Mrs. I. Steinman	Mrs. Jerome L. Salm and Mrs. Henry Monsky
May 16-17, 1950	Wisconsin Fed.	Appleton	Mrs. Norman Breslauer	Mrs. Louis A. Rosett
Nov. 19-21, 1950	W. Virginia Fed.	Bluefield	Mrs. Ralph Masinter	Mrs. Harold Baum
Dec. 7, 1950	Connecticut Fed.	Waterbury	Mrs. Walter Midas	Mrs. Edward Hart

REPORT OF THE
Special Committee on Post-War Service*

West Hartford, Conn., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It had been the feeling of your Chairman, as stated in the final paragraph of the report of October 31, 1949, that the Special Committee on Post-War Service could be discontinued. Now, however, because of the tragic situation which the world is facing, and because of the attendant preparations already nationally instituted, your Chairman recognizes that in all probability there will be a great need for the extension of the NFTS program in the areas of service covered by the work of this Committee.

There still remain two important activities in which the Special Committee on Post-War Service has been participating. NFTS continues to be represented on the Executive Committee and Sub-Committee of the Women's Organizations Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board. Many of our Sisterhood units are cooperating with its Serve-a-Camp activity; many of the representatives of the Veterans' Administration Voluntary Service Hospital Committee are members of NFTS Sisterhoods. This program of the Veterans' Administration Voluntary Service was outlined in the report submitted one year ago.

Your Chairman has already been advised that as soon as national developments warrant, there will be a call for increased participation in the Serve-a-Program. The Committee is hopeful that the constituent NFTS groups will continue their local service projects and will meet with their customary efficiency and effectiveness the new demands that, unfortunately, will arise in the coming months.

(MRS. EDWARD) ADELLE WISE HART, *Chairman*

* Name changed to Special Committee on Emergency Services, by action of NFTS Executive Committee, December, 1950.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Child Study and Parent Education*

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

In reporting on the status of the National Committee on Child Study and Parent Education at mid-century we are pleased to report that we have been invited to become a participating agency in the Mid-Century White House Conference on Children and Youth which will be held in Washington, D. C., December 3-8, 1950. The focus of the Conference is so consistent with the ideals of our Federation and with the objectives of our Committee that I quote it in full:

AMERICAN JEWISH
*MID-CENTURY WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE
ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH
(DECEMBER 3-8, 1950)*

FOCUS

The Mid-Century White House Conference on Children and Youth bases its concern for children on the primacy of spiritual values, democratic practices and the dignity and worth of every individual. Accordingly, the purpose of the Conference shall be to consider how we can develop in children the mental, emotional and spiritual qualities essential to individual happiness and to responsible citizenship, and what physical, economic and social conditions are deemed necessary to this development.

To do this the Conference shall:

- a) bring together in usable form pertinent knowledge related to the development of children and indicate areas in which further knowledge is needed;
- b) examine the environment in which children are growing up, with a view to determining its influence upon them;
- c) study the ways in which the home, the school, the church, the law, welfare agencies, and other social institutions, individually and cooperatively, are serving the needs of children;
- d) formulate, through cooperative efforts of laymen and specialists, proposals for the improvement of parental, environmental and institutional influences on children;

*Name changed to National Committee on Family Education, NFTS Biennial Assembly, November, 1950.

- e) suggest means whereby these proposals may be communicated to the people and put into action.

Adopted by the National Committee
September 9, 1949
Amended December 15, 1949

SUPPLEMENT TO BIBLIOGRAPHY OF "JEWISH FAMILY IN THE WORLD TODAY"

This biennium has seen the publication of a Supplement to the Bibliography of the "Jewish Family in the World Today." It includes "New Books of Jewish Interest" and "New Books on Personality Developed and Family Relations." A copy of this book list is appended to this report.

It was further recommended that for children's literature, "Suggested Books for Home and Religious School," compiled by Dr. Emanuel Gamoran and published by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, be used.

"Books for Brotherhood," published by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, was again distributed to our units.

We recommended the use of the pamphlet "Democracy and Religion Begin at Home," by Rabbi and Mrs. Jerome Folkman, which can be procured from the Publication Committee of the Bryden Road Temple, Columbus, Ohio.

We distributed the pamphlet published by the Synagogue Council of America on the celebration of Family Living Week. It includes good suggestions for programs, projects, reading lists, resource agencies, and the like.

A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF LOCAL PROGRAM

Panels and Forums on the Family in Mid-Century and *The Place of the Religious Organization in Family Life Education* were popular throughout the country. One such Panel held at Congregation Emanu-El of the City of New York sets a pattern which is typical of many. It included "Planning for Family Life," "Education for Family Life," "Emotional Adjustment in Family Life," and "Religion in Family Life."

It is most encouraging to hear from small congregations without rabbis, such as the Sisterhood of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, where the Chairman of Child Study and Parent Education conducts a weekly program for the children, and, in addition to the regular meetings of the Sisterhood, study groups have been conducted and family festivals for occasions bring various age groups together.

Larger congregations such as Memphis, Tenn., have well coordinated the various groups such as P.T.A., Junior Congregation, Men's Club, with Sisterhood in an all-round educational and all-year-round program of study and whole family participation.

Many congregations are holding early Friday night services so that the children can participate. Often these are preceded by supper or followed by refreshments for a real "family night."

COOPERATION WITH P.T.A. AT LOCAL LEVEL.

A memorandum has gone out to all Sisterhood presidents asking the names of P.T.A. presidents so that the Parent Education Association in every Temple might have the benefit of the publications and resources of our National Committee on Child Study and Parent Education, for there can be no doubt that great mutual benefit can be attained by cooperation.

STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE

A request has also gone to local presidents asking for the names of those who have given leadership in or have contributed to the Child Study and Parent Education program so that they might be included in a formation of the next committee.

OUR TASK IN MOBILIZATION

As I write this report we have again, within the decade, taken up arms in a combat to maintain a democratic way of life for the world. As we once more enter a critical situation, and perhaps a state of war by the time this goes to print, we all must realize that there is no more important task for us than to be preparing a generation of young people to face a world in turmoil and to face it with the security and confidence which comes with faith based on knowledge and tradition. I pray that we, their elders, may have the wisdom and the courage to intelligently and courageously point the way. May our efforts be sincerely directed to this end.

(MRS. JULIUS) MARGARET MARK, *Chairman*

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Child Study and Parent Education

MRS. JULIUS MARK, *Chairman*

A SUPPLEMENT TO THE BIBLIOGRAPHY LISTED IN

"THE JEWISH FAMILY IN THE WORLD TODAY"

SOME NEW BOOKS OF JEWISH INTEREST

- Ausbel, Nathan, *A Treasury of Jewish Folklore*, Crown Pub., New York, 1948, \$4.00.
 Baeck, Leo, *The Essence of Judaism*, Schocken, New York, 1948.
 Cohon, Samuel S., *Judaism: A Way of Life*, UAHC, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1948.
 Fineman, Irving, *Ruth*, Harper, New York, 1949.
 Friedman, Lee M., *Pilgrims in a New Land*, JPSA, Philadelphia, Pa., 1948.
 Gaster, Theodor H., *Passover: Its History and Tradition*, New York, Schuman, 1949, \$2.00.
 Goodman, Philip, *The Purim Anthology*, JPSA, Philadelphia, Pa., 1949, \$4.00.
 Ish Kishor, Sulamith, *American Promise: A History of the Jews in the New World*, Behrman's, New York, 1947, \$2.50.

- Lears, Rufus, *Israel: A History*, World, New York, 1949.
 Parkes, James W., *Judaism and Christianity*, University of Chicago, 1948.
 Runes, D. D., *Letter to My Son*, Philosophical Library, New York, 1949, \$2.75.
 Schauss, Hayyim, *The Jewish Festivals: From the Beginnings to Our Own Day* (translated by Samuel Jaffe), UAHC, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1938, \$3.00. *The Lifetime of a Jew* (a sequel), UAHC, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1949.
 Segal, Samuel M., *The Sabbath Book*, Behrman's, New York, \$3.00.
 Steinberg, Milton, *The Making of the Modern Jew*, Behrman's, New York, 1948.
 Weizmann, Chaim, *Trial and Error*, Harper, New York, 1948.
 Wise, Stephen S., *Challenging Years*, Putnam, New York, 1949.

SOME NEW BOOKS ON PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT
AND FAMILY RELATIONS

- Benedict, Ruth, *Patterns of Culture*, Mentor Books, 35c.
 Kaliher, Olive V., *Life and Growth*, Appleton-Century, New York, 1942.
 Mead, Margaret, *Male and Female*, Morrow and Co., New York, 1949, \$5.00.
 Overstreet, H. A., *Mature Mind*, W. W. Norton & Co., New York, 1949.
 Peale, Norman, *A Guide to Confident Living*, Prentice Hall, New York, 1948, \$2.75.
 Richmond, Winifred V., *Making the Most of Your Personality*, Rinehart, New York, 1942, \$2.00.
 Stokes, Walter R., *Modern Patterns for Marriage*, Rinehart, New York, 1948.

Children's Literature

Please refer to "Suggested Book for Home and Religious Schools," compiled by Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, published by the UAHC, Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

A Reading List, in connection with Brotherhood Week, may be procured from the National Conference of Christians and Jews, 381 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

REPORT OF THE

House of Living Judaism—NFTS Project

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

My last report, rendered in St. Louis in December, 1949, opened optimistically with a statement that it was, undoubtedly, the last report that I would have the pleasure of presenting as Chairman of the House of Living Judaism.

It is with some conflict of emotions that I now present my fourth report. While I am honored and happy to be still serving NFTS through this great project, I am regretful that the final goal has not yet been reached and that so great a number of Sisterhoods have not yet attained a position on the House of Living Judaism Roll of Honor. Although the more formal aspects of the campaign ended a year ago in accordance with the wishes of this body, the work of what is generally known as a "mop up campaign" has gone steadily forward, though with a skeleton staff and a minimum of expenditure.

Permit me now to review the present financial status of the campaign.*

Of 360 participating Sisterhoods, 174 are "over-the-top" having contributed:	\$255,739.40
56 units have reached the "half-way mark" or more, and an additional 132 units are actively participating. These two groups (188 in all) have contributed	117,178.43
22 groups who have thus far contributed	11,471.15
have signified that they can no longer participate although their quota is lacking some \$20,328.75. Seventy-five units (including 36 new groups and four foreign ones) who have requested no further correspondence, have given	45.50
Contributions from State Federations	2,774.25
From miscellaneous sources	1,303.50
**Total receipts to date are:	\$388,512.23

Pledges, in connection with reservation of space on the fireside wall in the Sisterhood Lounge of the HLJ for names of Sisterhoods whose quotas are to be paid by October 31, 1951, total \$16,236.23.

I note here that the balance due from units still actively participating, were they to fulfill their quotas as we hope they will, would total \$192,611.57. For example, Chicago groups alone are thus far lacking \$44,764 for the fulfillment of their quotas.

I have dealt so far with that financial aspect of the campaign which pertains to the Sisterhoods. Now let us turn to the great contribution of the late Dr. Albert A. Berg, world famous surgeon, ardent bibliophile and devoted Jew. Not only did his evident sympathy with and tremendous generosity to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and our NFTS concept of a House of Living Judaism add several hundred thousand dollars to the sum collected by the Sisterhoods, but also gave inspiration and impetus to persons who, subsequent to his gift, gave liberal sums in his honor. For the great achievements of his professional life, the world of medicine is deeply indebted and because of his steadfast devotion to his religion, Liberal Judaism will be forever grateful.

A year or more ago, a Site Committee started to function. Thorough search by experts was made of all available properties, and the results were brought to the Committee for consideration. Many were the heart-breaking moments when decisions had to be made against certain buildings or locations, so eager was the Committee to choose wisely even though time was marching on. As when the dazzling sun suddenly comes through the heavy clouds, so our good fortune suddenly broke through the many disappointments when, at last, the splendid site at 65th Street and Fifth Avenue was presented for approval, at a comparatively modest sum. I mention the comparatively modest sum as being the opinion of some of the keenest real estate minds in the city of New York.

A Building Committee had, meanwhile, been formed and proceeded to consider in minute detail the drawings submitted by the Architect. You will want

* The figures given herein are as of October 12, 1950.

** Tables are appended on much of the foregoing.

to know that you were represented on every Committee and Sub-Committee by Mrs. Rosett, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Miss Evans and myself. The site, sketches and drawings met with Dr. Berg's approval and the Berg Memorial House of Living Judaism got under way, with the demolition of the old building that stood at 838 Fifth Avenue, New York.

On Sunday morning, June 25, after demolition of this structure had sufficiently progressed, ground was broken for the new. It was a religious ceremony that was impressive in its simplicity and sincerity and I hope that all of you have seen the program. I deemed it a privilege to participate and to be allowed to present, on behalf of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the deed which gave the site to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. I spoke that day of the happy chance that gave the women of American Liberal Judaism an opportunity of proving that they were equal to the task of sharing with the menfolk responsibilities and activities of synagogue life, a task which Liberal Judaism had made possible. (See Program, page 68.)

The House of Living Judaism turned over to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations the sum of \$227,500.00 for the purchase of land, and toward architect fees, taxes, insurance, demolition and miscellaneous expenses.

The balance of our fund, which remains together with Dr. Berg's magnanimous gift, is not enough to see the completion of our project. Outstanding monies must be obtained, unfulfilled quotas must be met wherever possible, even members of Sisterhoods already "over-the-top" might be induced to add contributions. My own Sisterhood, as well as several others, has continued to send in contributions though the quotas had long been met, through members who regretted not having participated earlier or who saw fit to increase their gift.

There are many who do not believe unless they see, who do not visualize the strength and unity to be derived from a permanent, adequate home for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates. Perchance they lack imagination. But when the House of Living Judaism stands ready, they will wonder why no one had convinced them of the necessity, nay of the joy derived from having helped to build it.

It is not too late. I appeal to you, members of the Executive Board and affiliated Sisterhoods of NFTS, to make one final effort to bring our message to those with whom you have contact. Tell them that *they* as well as others will reap the benefits from, and use the services of, the organizations housed within the walls of the Berg Memorial House of Living Judaism—our Union's house. Therefore every one of us must feel an obligation to share fully in bringing it into being.

You and I have lived a great part of our lives in difficult times that test our patience, our nervous systems and even our faith. We must do our part in shaping the future while we still have time. You and I who have undertaken to carry aloft the banner of Liberal Judaism have a sacred obligation of creation to fulfill in a world seemingly bent on destruction. It is our task to build, to leave behind us a monument from which will come the balm to heal and strengthen the generations to come.

(Mrs. EDWARD B.) HELEN S. SCHULKIND, *Chairman*

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM HONOR ROLL

Quotas Completed or Exceeded as of October 12, 1950.

CITY	SISTERHOOD	HLJ CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
ALABAMA				
Anniston	Henrietta Sterne	Mrs. H. E. Gordon	\$ 150.	\$ 150.00
Birmingham	Temple Emanu-El	Mrs. Nat Levine	2,760.	2,760.00
Dothan	Temple Emanu-El	Mrs. Martin Hinchin	250.	306.00
Florence	(Tri-Cities of Sheffield, Florence, Tuscumbia)	Mrs. Charles H. Weinstein	310.	310.00
Huntsville	Huntsville Temple	Mrs. Leo Cohen	320.	330.00
Jasper	Temple Emanu-El	Mrs. Herman Weinstein	200.	280.00
Tuscaloosa	Temple Emanuel	Mrs. Sam Wiesel	230.	230.00
ARKANSAS				
Jonesboro	Temple Aid	Mrs. Abe Hummelstein	170.	180.00
Little Rock	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Arthur P. Pfeifer	1,540.	1,540.00
CALIFORNIA				
Hollywood	Temple Israel	Mrs. Gene Friedman } Mrs. Myron Green }	2,180.	2,180.00
Long Beach	Temple Israel	Mrs. Grove C. Krieger	1,730.	1,730.00
Sacramento	Temple B'nai Israel	Miss Sophie Price } Mrs. M. W. Wahrhaftig }	1,000.	1,000.00
San Diego	Temple Beth Israel Aux.	Mrs. Murray Goodrich	1,100.	1,100.00
San Francisco	Temple Emanu-El Guild	Mrs. Sol Kahn	4,180.	4,180.00
Santa Monica	Beth Sholom Temple	Mrs. Ethel Rothman	1,210.	1,211.50
COLORADO				
Trinidad	Temple Aaron	Mrs. Gilbert Sanders	90.	275.50
CONNECTICUT				
Bridgeport	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Jos. G. Shapiro	1,660.	1,670.00
Hartford	Temple Beth Israel	Mrs. Francis Stern	3,180.	5,722.05
New Haven	Mishkan Israel	Mrs. I. Strauss	2,180.	2,180.00
Waterbury	Temple Israel	Mrs. Harry Liebeskind	590.	596.00
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA				
Washington	Washinton Hebrew	Mrs. Sol Scher	3,300.	3,300.00
FLORIDA				
Pensacola	Temple Beth-El	Mrs. Sidney Rosenthal	890.	1,105.00
St. Petersburg	Temple Beth El	Mrs. Jack Feist	320.	360.00
GEORGIA				
Albany	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Robert Frolkis	850.	850.00
Athens	Congregation Children	Miss Carrie Beer	210.	210.00
Columbus	Jewish Ladies' Aid	Mrs. Morris Stein	1,110.	1,136.00
Macon	Beth Israel	Mrs. Gus Small	650.	650.00

SISTERHOOD	CITY	HLJ CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
ILLINOIS				
Decatur	B'nai Abraham Temple	Mrs. Harold S. Friedman	\$ 450.	\$ 457.00
Kankakee	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Harry Spielberger	430.	430.00
Peoria	B'nai Israel	Mrs. David Grosberg	1,680.	1,680.00
Rockford	Temple Beth El	Mrs. Joseph Ellman	910.	930.00

INDIANA				
Anderson	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood	Mrs. Irving Glazer	270.	275.00
Evansville	Washington Ave. Temple	Mrs. Arthur Weil	1,330.	1,939.25
Fort Wayne	Achduth Vesholom Temple	Mrs. Harry W. Salon	1,500.	1,500.00
Gary	Temple Israel	Mrs. Harry Kahan	1,100.	1,100.00
		Mrs. Ralph Kroot		
Indianapolis	The Temple	Mrs. Louis Markun	3,880.	3,880.00
Marion	Sinai Temple	Mrs. David R. Lurie	530.	554.00
Michigan City	Sinai	Mrs. Lillian Hoodwin	790.	790.00
Muncie	Beth-El Temple	Mrs. Martin D. Schwartz	530.	539.00
South Bend	Temple Beth-El	Mrs. Eli Fink	1,400.	1,500.00
Terre Haute	Temple Israel	Mrs. David Caden	1,060.	1,061.06

IOWA				
Cedar Rapids	Temple Judah	Mrs. Carl Ettinger	650.	650.00
Davenport	Tri-City Sisterhood			
	Temple Emanuel	Mrs. Harry D. Bloch	1,120.	1,120.00
Des Moines	Temple B'nai Jeshurun	Mrs. Eugene Mannheimer	1,730.	1,735.00
Sioux City	Mt. Sinai	Mrs. Sam G. Pickus	970.	1,105.50

KENTUCKY				
Lexington	Adath Israel Temple	Mrs. Jay D. Weil	680.	710.00
Louisville	Adath Israel Temple	Mrs. Milton S. Trost	3,670.	3,905.00
Paducah	Temple, Israel	Mrs. Sterling Berg	510.	510.00

LOUISIANA				
Bastrop	Sis. of Bastrop	Mrs. Solomon Snyder	90.	100.00
Houma	Beth El	Mrs. Hannah Schild	180.	190.00
Lake Charles	Temple Sinai	Mrs. Joe Davidson	350.	405.00
Monroe	Temple B'nai Israel	Mrs. C. M. Strauss	1,110.	1,120.00
Morgan City	The Morgan City Sisterhood	Mrs. Louis Finklestein	160.	160.00
New Orleans	Gates of Prayer	Mrs. Bernard Manheim	1,500.	1,500.00
Shreveport	B'nai Zion	Mrs. Marx M. Levy	2,110.	2,110.00

MARYLAND				
Baltimore	Balt. Hebrew	Mrs. Myron Sheffler	4,890.	4,890.25

MASSACHUSETTS				
Boston	Temple Israel	Mrs. John S. Slater	7,360.	7,360.00
Boston	Temple Ohabei Shalom	Mrs. Morris Schwartz	5,000.	5,000.00

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MICHIGAN				
Bay City	The Temple	Mrs. Henry Anthony	\$ 520.	\$ 660.00
Flint	Temple Beth El	Mrs. I. H. Gutow	1,010.	1,054.00
Petoskey	B'nai Israel Temple	Mrs. G. J. Heller	180.	190.00
Grand Rapids	Temple Emanuel	Mrs. Arthur I. Siegel	1,030.	1,030.00
Pontiac	Temple Beth Jacob	Mrs. Irving Steinman	810.	904.00
Saginaw	Temple Beth El	Mrs. Leo A. Kahan	250.	257.00
MINNESOTA				
Duluth	Temple Emanuel	Mrs. Norman Cook	1,040.	1,040.00
MISSISSIPPI				
Brookhaven	B'nai-Sholem	Miss Florine Abrams	240.	240.00
Canton	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Herman Goodman	150.	177.35
Cleveland	Adath Israel	Mrs. I. A. Kamien, Jr.	400.	487.65
Columbus	Temple	Mrs. Tom Katz	290.	359.35
Drew-Ruleville	Sisterhood of Drew-Ruleville	Mrs. Ben Sklar	230.	331.75
Greenville	Hebrew Union Temple	Mrs. Morris Goldstein	880.	1,151.85
Greenwood	Beth Israel Temple	Mrs. S. I. Gensburger	230.	240.00
Hattiesburg	Temple	Mrs. Herman Shapiro	500.	543.85
Jackson	Beth Israel Temple	Mrs. I. Lehman	820.	1,007.80
Laurel	Keneseth Israel	Mrs. Harry I. Mark	100.	191.85
Lexington	Julia Lewis	Mrs. E. Cohen	160.	164.35
Meridian	Beth Israel	Mrs. William Ackerman	700.	1,519.35
Natchez	Temple	Mrs. Max Ullman	420.	532.90
Vicksburg	Anshe Chesed Temple	Mrs. Leon Fischel	1,010.	1,014.35
Riverside	Adath Israel	Mrs. I. Moskoff	120.	126.85
MISSOURI				
Kansas City	Temple B'nai Jehudah	Mrs. Paul Uhlmann	4,900.	5,100.00
NEBRASKA				
Lincoln	Temple B'nai Jeshurun	Mrs. Albert Speier	580.	580.00
Omaha	Temple Israel	Mrs. Clarence Bergman	2,000.	2,011.00
NEW JERSEY				
Newark	Women's Assn. Temple B'nai Jeshurun	Mrs. Victor Jacoby	5,160.	5,175.00
Paterson	Barnert Temple	Mrs. Forigang } Mrs. Miller }	750.	750.00
NEW YORK				
Batavia	Beth-El	Mrs. Charles J. Goldstein	200.	200.00
Brooklyn	Beth Emeth	Mrs. Joseph J. Cohen	3,250.	3,250.00
Brooklyn	Shaari Zedek	Mrs. Barrard Shefkowitz } Mrs. Louis Pelter }	810.	881.00
New Rochelle	Temple Israel	Mrs. Charles Friedman	7,240.	7,240.00
Elmira	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Jess Shapiro	980.	980.00

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CITY	SISTERHOOD	ELJ CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
Flushing	Free Synagogue	Mrs. Jack Ross	\$1,600.	\$1,610.00
Great Neck	Temple Beth El	Mrs. Max Podell	4,150.	4,150.00
New York	Central Synagogue	Mrs. Leonard J. Marx Mrs. Albert J. May	2,430.	2,430.00
New York	Women's Aux., Congregation Emanu-El	Mrs. Leon L. Watters Mrs. Naaman Glick		
New York	Temple Israel of City of N. Y. Inc.	Mrs. Walter Sichel	2,000.	2,284.50
New York	Rodéph Sholom	Mrs. Abraham Rosenberg	3,500.	3,810.00
New York	Shaarey Tefila Sist. of West End Synagogue	Mrs. Emil Buschhoff	2,250.	2,250.00
New York	Tremont Temple	Mrs. Maurice Friedman	1,600.	1,600.00
Niagara Falls	Temple Beth El	Mrs. Samuel Carl	1,200.	1,200.00
Schenéctady	Temple Gates of Heaven	Mrs. Samuel Levy	700.	713.00
Syracuse	Society of Concord	Mrs. Ralph Shulman	2,420.	2,420.00

NORTH CAROLINA

Greensboro	Temple Emanuel	Mrs. Maurice Le Bauer	950.	950.00
Lumberton	Hebrew Woman's Auxiliary	Mrs. Robert Samet	190.	194.00
Raleigh	Temple Beth Or	Mrs. Sol Hanft	450.	450.00

OHIO

Bellaire	Sist. Sons of Israel	Mrs. Louis Lando	170.	179.00
Canton	McKinley Ave. Temple	Mrs. Joseph J. Leven	1,600.	1,800.00
Cincinnati	Rockdale Ave. Temple	Mrs. Ira Abrahamson Mrs. Lester Jaffe	4,290.	5,100.00
Cincinnati	Isaac M. Wise Temple	Mrs. Sidney Weil		
East Liverpool	B'nai Israel Temple	Mrs. Maurice Rapport	400.	400.00
Youngstown	Rodef Sholem	Mrs. Harold Klivans	2,040.	2,074.00
Zanesville	Findlay Ave. Temple Sist.	Mrs. Marvín W. Lewis	70.	70.00

OKLAHOMA

Muskogee	Beth Ahaba Temple	Mrs. J. M. McEntee, Sr.	240.	279.00
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OREGON

Portland	Temple Beth Israel	Mrs. Edward Weinstein	2,980.	3,015.00
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PENNSYLVANIA

Allentown	Keneseth Israel	Mrs. Charles Kline Mrs. Joseph J. Schmidt	1,000.	1,210.00
Altoona	Beth Israel	Mrs. Jacob Miller		
Clearfield	Clearfield Sist.	Mrs. Edward Jacobson	160.	160.00
Easton	Covenant of Peace	Mrs. Dagobert Philip	540.	541.00
Erie	Anshe Hesed	Mrs. Louis Grad	1,460.	1,470.00
Greensburg	Temple Emanu-El	Mrs. Alfred Ratner	590.	600.00
Harrisburg	Temple Ohev Sholom	Mrs. Stanley Adler	1,290.	1,290.00
Hazleton	Beth Israel Temple	Mrs. John Schultz	670.	830.00
Honesdale	Beth Israel	Mrs. E. D. Katz	250.	260.00
Johnstown	Beth Zion Temple	Mrs. C. H. Samuel	920.	1,010.00

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Lancaster	Temple Shaarai Shomayim	Mrs. Sydney Brener	\$1,480.	\$1,480.00
New Castle	Temple Israel	Mrs. William Cosel	610.	610.00
Philadelphia	Keneseth Israel	Mrs. Kurt Blum	5,500.	5,500.00
Philadelphia	Rodeph Shalom	Mrs. Edward Lipschutz		
Philadelphia	Beth David	Mrs. I. Valentine Levi		
Pittsburgh	Rodef Shalom	Mrs. M. C. Gould	420.	420.00
Pittsburgh	Temple Sinai	Mrs. Edgar L. Hirsh	8,590.	8,870.00
Reading	Temple Oheb Sholom	Mrs. Oscar A. Levy	650.	650.00
Scranton	Madison Ave. Temple	Mrs. Leon Klevansky	1,100.	1,100.00
Wilkes-Barre	Temple B'nai B'rith	Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith	940.	940.00
Williamsport	Beth-Ha Sholom	Mrs. Robert Casper	620.	820.00
York	Beth Israel	Mrs. Sam Gittleman	560.	560.00
		Mrs. Samuel L. Lebovitz	890.	910.00

RHODE ISLAND

Providence	Temple Beth-El	Miss Mattie Pincus	2,500.	2,500.00
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SOUTH CAROLINA

Anderson	Temple Sist.	Mrs. Ted Fleischman	70.	70.00
Bishopville	Bishopville Sist.	Mrs. Frank Sindler	84.	90.00
Camden	Temple Beth El	Mrs. L. Lomansky	140.	165.00
Charleston	K.K.B.E.	Mrs. Jacob S. Raisin	930.	960.00
Columbia	Tree of Life	Mrs. William Kronrad	450.	460.00
Conway	Temple Sist.	Mrs. Sidney Abrams	90.	129.00
Darlington	Temple	Mrs. Maurice Lumiansky	110.	110.00
Dillon	Dillon Temple Sisterhood	Mrs. J. Bernanke	150.	150.00
Florence	Beth Israel	Mrs. Isadore Stein	170.	170.00
Georgetown	Temple	Mrs. Sydney Abrahams	120.	231.00
Lake City	Temple Beth-Or	Mrs. S. S. Aronson	180.	180.00
Sumter	Temple Sinai	Mrs. Ben E. Ness	400.	400.64

TENNESSEE

Brownsville	The Temple	Mrs. Jonas L. Sternberger	240.	305.00
Chattanooga	Mizpah Temple	Mrs. Manuel Russ	1,600.	1,600.00
Jackson	B'nai Israel Temple	Mrs. Sam Berger	270.	320.00
Knoxville	Beth El Temple	Mrs. Leo Stillpass	580.	620.00
Memphis	Temple Israel	Mrs. Leon F. Franklin	5,400.	5,409.15
Nashville	Vine Street Temple	Mrs. Phil Rosenfield	3,020.	3,241.00

TEXAS

Austin	Beth Israel	Mrs. Benj. A. Goodfriend	1,010.	1,010.00
Big Spring	Temple Israel	Mrs. Maurice Prager	140.	170.00
Dallas	Temple Emanu-El	Mrs. Max Philipson	6,410.	6,410.55
Lufkin	Beth Israel	Mrs. Sam Robinson	170.	170.00
Harlingen	Temple Beth Israel	**	260.	269.41
Marshall	Temple Moses Montefiore	Mrs. Joe Hirsch, Jr.	200.	200.00
Port Arthur	Rodef Sholom	Mrs. Albert Plettman	440.	440.00

VERMONT

St. Johnsbury	Beth-El	Mrs. Joseph Katz	90.	90.00
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VIRGINIA				
Harrisonburg	Hebrew Friendship Congr.	Mrs. J. Mintzer	\$ 202.	\$ 270.00
Norfolk	Ohef Sholom Temple	Mrs. Joseph B. Hearst	1,780.	1,780.00
Staunton	Temple House of Israel	Mrs. Maurice Cohen	220.	270.00
WASHINGTON				
Seattle	Temple De Hirsch	Mrs. Max Schoenfeld	2,700.	2,735.00
WEST VIRGINIA				
Huntington	Ohev Sholom Temple	Mrs. I. N. Schoenfeld	1,080.	1,080.00
Parkersburg	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Sidney A. Ardman	320.	320.00
Welch	Emanuel	Mrs. Ellis Roston	230.	271.40
Williamson	Temple	Mrs. Alex Preiser	290.	430.00
WISCONSIN				
Appleton	Zion Temple	Mrs. Fred S. Marshall	140.	174.00
Milwaukee	Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun	Mrs. H. Heilbranner	4,680.	4,974.34
Oshkosh	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Dan Fried		
		Mrs. J. S. Winnig	390.	465.00
UTAH				
Salt Lake City	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Adolph Fink	970.	970.00

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Additional Sisterhoods Cooperating

CITY	SISTERHOOD	HLJ CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
ALABAMA				
Bessemer	*Beth-El	Mrs. Isidore Green	\$ 390.	\$ 135.00
Gadsden	Temple Aid Soc.	Mrs. Ferd Hardwood	530.	382.00
ARIZONA				
Tucson	Temple Emanu-El	Mrs. Jack Starr	990.	400.00
ARKANSAS				
Helena	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El	Mrs. H. Cerf Straus	500.	239.00
McGehee	Southeastern Ark.	Mrs. Seymour Fleisig	260.	10.00
Pine Bluff	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	Mrs. E. B. Bloom	790.	135.00
CALIFORNIA				
Los Angeles	Temple Isaiah	Mrs. A. Herowitz	220.	104.50
Los Angeles	*Wilshire Blvd. Temple Sisterhood	Mrs. Myron Geltman	5,240.	4,010.62
San Bernardino	Temple Emanu El	Mrs. Dorothy Newman	600.	150.88

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San Francisco	Temple Sherith Israel Sist.	Mrs. Alvin Lowenbein	\$4,210.	\$ 901.14
Santa Ana	Temple Beth Sholom		390.	21.50
Stockton	Sist. of Temple Israel	Mrs. Hy Greenberg	420.	85.00
COLORADO				
Denver	*Temple Emanuel	Mrs. Maurice Snyder	5,000.	2,993.00
CONNECTICUT				
Springfield, Mass.	Sinai Temple Sist.	Mrs. Samuel G. Simons	530.	110.00
DELAWARE				
Wilmington	*Temple Beth Emeth	Mrs. Elton Resnic	1,380.	788.86
FLORIDA				
Jacksonville	Temple Ahavath Chesed Sist.	Mrs. Martin Sack	2,060.	518.50
Miami	Temple Israel Sist.	Mrs. Nat. L. Williams	2,960.	170.00
West Palm Beach	*Beth Israel Sist.	Mrs. A. Kominer	550.	284.00
Tampa	Shaarai Zedek Sist.	Mrs. Charles H. Jacobs	1,140.	430.00
GEORGIA				
Atlanta	Temple Sist.	Mrs. Ben Zussman	3,850.	1,199.50
Augusta	Temple Sist.	Mrs. Alex Furst	850.	190.00
Brunswick	*Temple Beth Tefilloh Sist.	Mrs. Morris Cohen	300.	162.00
Savannah	Temple Mickve Israel		1,800.	800.00
Waycross	The Daughters of Abraham	**	390.	35.00
ILLINOIS				
Bloomington	Moses Montefiore Temple Sist.	Mrs. Herman S. Ochs, Sr.	440.	195.00
Champaign	Sinai Temple Sist.	Mrs. Carl Greenstein	780.	350.00
Chicago	Beth Am Sist.	Mrs. Jack Goldring	980.	254.50
Chicago	Beth El Temple Sist.	Mrs. N. A. Jaffee	1,000.	305.00
Chicago	Temple Beth Israel	Mrs. William B. Levy	2,150.	515.00
Chicago	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sist.	Mrs. Frank Reinish	1,300.	285.00
Chicago	Temple Emanuel Sist.	Mrs. Walter Baim	4,050.	341.04
Chicago	Isaiah-Israel Temple Sist.	Mrs. Ralph A. Reis	5,340.	506.00
Chicago	Temple Judea Sist.	Mrs. Mary Present	550.	150.00
Chicago	KAM Sist.	Mrs. Sidney Hiken	5,330.	128.00
Chicago	Sist. of Temple Menorah	Mrs. I. M. Hirschenbein	1,200.	163.00
Chicago	Women of Mizpah	Mrs. A. C. Green	3,000.	492.00
Chicago	Temple Sholom	Mrs. Walter Goldsmith	9,950.	1,058.00
Chicago	Sinai Temple Sist.	Mrs. Max Biesenthal	9,960.	310.00

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CITY	SISTERHOOD	HLJ CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
Chicago	South Shore Temple Sist.	Mrs. Jack Graff	\$2,00.	\$ 233.69
Chicago	Wash. Blvd. Temple Sist.	Mrs. Ben Bandalin	4,100.	1,405.00
Danville	Temple Beth El Sist.	Mrs. Sam Strauss	350.	10.00
Glencoe	No. Shore Cong. Israel	Mrs. Charles Peerce	7,130.	1,257.00
Springfield	*Sist. of Temple B'rith Sholom	Mrs. Morris Myers	460.	230.00

INDIANA

Hammond	*Beth El Sist. of Hammond	Mrs. Lester Ottenheimer	700.	569.75
Kokomo	*Kokomo Temple Sist.	Mrs. Ike Baum	260.	231.00
Lafayette	*Temple Israel Sist.	Mrs. Bert Loeb	430.	260.00
Richmond	Richmond Jewish Sist.	**	110.	10.00

KANSAS

Leavenworth	*Sist. B'nai Jeshurun	**	230.	150.00
Topeka	Beth Sholom Sist.	Mrs. Harry Endlich	530.	258.03
Wichita	*Temple Em. Sist.	Mrs. Murray Mondsheim	1,080.	607.00

KENTUCKY

Ashland	Ashland Temple Sist.	Mrs. Sidney Polinski	560.	170.00
Danville	*Sist. of Blue Grass Judean Soc.	Mrs. Shirely Ware	170.	138.50
Henderson	Adath Israel Sist.	Mrs. Alexander Mayer	180.	80.00
Hopkinsville	Adath Israel Ladies Aux. of Hopkinsville	Mrs. Harold Wein	160.	25.00
Louisville	B'ritl. Sholom Sist.	Mrs. Harold Dinkelspeel	1,530.	644.50

LOUISIANA

Alexandria	*Alex. Temple Sist. Gemiluth Chassodim	Mrs. M. C. Gehr	1,220.	884.00
Baton Rouge	B'nai Israel Temple Sist.	Mrs. Charles Bombet	1,070.	502.50
Baton Rouge	Liberal Syn. Aux.	Mrs. Ben Pushiker	280.	60.00
Lafayette	Lafayette Temple Sist.	Mrs. Nat Efron	150.	38.00
New Iberia	Sist. Temple Gates of Prayer	Mrs. Justin Wormser	180.	50.00
New Orleans	Sist. of Touro Syn.	Mrs. Dan Steuer	2,750.	355.00
New Orleans	*Temple Sinai Sist.	Mrs. Simon Kahn	4,220.	3,239.16

MARYLAND

Baltimore	*Oheb Shalom	Mrs. Morris Cramer	4,770.	4,392.27
Baltimore	*Sist. of Har Sinai	Mrs. Jesse Miller	3,260.	1,782.70
Cumberland	*B'er Chayim Temple Sist.	Mrs. George Waingold	660.	402.00

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MASSACHUSETTS				
Brighton (Boston)	Temple Sinai Sist. of Boston	Mrs. S. Dane	\$2,840.	\$ 200.00
Lawrence	Sist. Temple Eman.	Mrs. Paul Goldman	1,700.	520.00
Lynn	Temple Beth El Sist.	Mrs. Murray Brown	2,410.	616.00
Pittsfield	Temple Sist.	Mrs. N. R. Herbits	1,100.	50.00
Worcester	Temple Em. Sist.	Mrs. Harold Levine	2,800.	325.00

MICHIGAN

Alpena	Temple Beth El Sist.	**	230.	35.00
Battle Creek	Temple Beth El Sist.	Mrs. Nathan Cohen	360.	50.00
Detroit	*Sist. Temple Beth El	Mrs. John Hopp	10,400.	5,523.00
Detroit	Sist. Temple Israel	Mrs. Robert Rosen	4,500.	820.00
Jackson	Sist. Temple Beth Israel	Mrs. Samuel Goldfarb	530.	193.00
Lansing	Cong. Shaarey Zadek	Mrs. Ben Marion	1,100.	178.35
Muskegon	Temple B'nai Israel	Mrs. Jerome Fisher	700.	30.00

MINNESOTA

Minneapolis	*Sist. of Temple Israel	Mrs. Henry Banks	4,070.	2,971.67
St. Paul	Mt. Zion Sist.	Mrs. W. G. Plaut	3,200.	1,501.00

MISSISSIPPI

Clarksdale	Beth Israel Sist.	Mrs. Joe Davis	720.	134.34
Tupelo	*Northeast Miss. Temple Sist.	Mrs. Marin Peltz	210.	124.35

MISSOURI

Joplin	*Temple Aid Sist.	Mrs. Robert Klein	600.	381.00
St. Joseph	Adath Joseph Sist.	Mrs. Charles Liberman	1,420.	560.00
St. Louis	Shaare Emeth Sist.	Mrs. Harry Weitzer	5,000.	2,450.00
St. Louis	B'nai El Sist.	Mrs. H. Dobinsky	1,840.	550.00
St. Louis	Temple Is. Sist.	**	5,000.	1,535.00
St. Louis	Un. Heb. Ladies' Aid Soc.	Mrs. Lew Goldworth	3,000.	850.00
Springfield	Sist. of Temple Israel	Mrs. Ben Arbeitman	290.	75.00

MONTANA

Butte	Sist. of Temple B'nai Israel	**	280.	15.00
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NEW JERSEY

Atlantic City	*Beth Israel Sist. of Atlantic City	Mrs. Albert Schwartz	3,480.	2,063.50
East Orange	Sist. of Temple Sharey Tefilo	Mrs. Allen Schiffman	2,360.	652.75

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Hackensack	Bergen Cty. Reform Temple Sist.	Mrs. M. J. Saks	\$ 250.	\$ 86.88
No. Bergen	Sist. of Cong. Adas Emuno of Hoboken	Mrs. Bernard E. Marx	650.	200.00
Jersey City	Temple Beth-El	Mrs. Louis Kagan	2,550.	1,308.00
Lakewood	Temple Beth Am	Mrs. Louis Novins		50.00
Plainfield	Temple Sholom Sist.	**	910.	124.00
Long Branch	Temple Beth Miriam	Miss Dorothy Hersh	520.	60.00
Trenton	Har Sinai Sist.	Mrs. Elmer Schaeffer	1,710.	774.60

NEW MEXICO

Albuquerque	*Temple Albert Sist.	Mrs. David Shor	680.	444.00
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NEW YORK

Albany	*Sist. of Temple Beth Emeth	Mrs. Donald Cohen	2,750.	2,511.83
Brooklyn	*Sist. of Temple Ahavath Sholom	Mrs. A. A. Steinback } Mrs. Mortimer May }	2,750.	1,900.00
Brooklyn	*Women's Aux. Cong. Beth Elohim	Mrs. Leon A. Weil	2,950.	2,441.00
Brooklyn	Sist. Beth Sholom Peop. Temple	Mrs. J. Waxberg	1,760.	577.00
Brooklyn	Sist. of Prog. Syn.	Mrs. Dora Levinson	1,050.	55.00
Brooklyn	*Sist. of Union Temple	Mrs. R. Dansker	3,300.	2,131.75
Buffalo	*Beth Zion Sist.	Mrs. Gordon Rashman	5,290.	2,737.35
Dunkirk	Hebrew Ladies' Aux.	**	180.	10.00
Glens Falls	Temple Beth-El Sist.	Mrs. Saul Silverstein	620.	80.00
Hempstead	Sist. of Nassau Community Temple	Mrs. Maurice Roth	930.	170.50
Jamaica, L. I.	Sist. of Temple Israel	Mrs. Joseph Wyler	2,130.	771.95
Kew Gardens	Sist. of Temple Isaiah	Mrs. Marcy H. Rubin	2,370.	10.00
Kingston	Temple Emanuel Sist.	**	780.	50.00
Lynbrook	Sist. Temple Emanu-El of Lynbrook	Mrs. Samuel Greenwald	1,790.	800.00
Mt. Vernon	*Sinai Temple Sist.	Mrs. Sig Weiss	1,750.	1,305.00
Newburgh	*Sist. of Temple Beth Jacob	Mrs. Samuel Golden	980.	501.00
New York	Sist. of Hebrew Tabernacle	**	1,250.	10.00
New York	Mt. Neboh Sist.	Mrs. William Gluck	4,530.	1,025.00
Olean	B'nai Israel	Mrs. Samuel Carl	430.	125.00
Plattsburg	Beth Israel	Mrs. Edward Siegle	300.	50.00
Rochester	*B'rith Kodesh Sist.	Mrs. Henry A. Reich	4,250.	2,548.00
Rockville Centre	Sist. of Central Syn. of Nassau Cty.	Mrs. William Godnick	2,500.	875.00
Spring Valley	Temple Beth El	**	600.	25.00
Troy	Sist. of 3rd St. Temple	Mrs. Julius Gutman	910.	324.00
White Plains	*Women's Guild of the W.P. Jewish Community Center	Mrs. E. Linder	3,100.	1,787.00
Yonkers	Temple Emanuel Sist.	Mrs. Jerome Stein	1,300.	607.25

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NORTH CAROLINA				
Gastonia	*Temple Em.	Mrs. Sidney Cohen	\$ 250.	\$ 225.00
Goldsboro	Temple Oheb Shalom	**	340.	20.00
Rocky Mount	Temple Beth El Sist.	**	150.	10.00
OHIO				
Akron	*Temple Israel	Mrs. S. Bear	2,740.	1,500.00
Alliance	*Sist. of Temple Israel	Mrs. Harry Lurie	260.	200.00
Shaker Heights	Temple Women's Ass'n: Tifereth Israel	Mrs. Victor Wise	11,100.	5,010.00
Columbus	*Rose E. Lazarus Sist. of Temple Israel	Mrs. Allen Gundersheimer Mrs. Ida Kobacker Mrs. Moe Glassman	3,500.	2,072.00
Dayton	Temple Israel	Mrs. Lester Emoff	3,710.	792.45
Fremont	Sist. of Beth Israel	Mrs. Harry Bereyin	450.	83.50
Hamilton	Bene Israel Temple Sist.	Mrs. Theodor Weiss	450.	20.00
Lima	Temple Beth Israel	Mrs. S. Abrahams	760.	225.00
Lorain	Lorain Temple Sist.	Mrs. Harry Haas	1,000.	301.50
Mansfield	Temple Em. Sist.	Mrs. Leonard Goler	620.	251.00
Piqua	*Anshe Emeth	Mrs. Joseph Shuchat	280.	160.00
Portsmouth	Sist. of KKBA	Mrs. Sylvan Lehman	360.	50.00
Sandusky	Oheb Shalom	Mrs. Leo Samuelson	350.	25.00
Springfield	Temple Sist. and Council of Jewish Women	Mrs. Sidney Brooks	790.	85.00
Steubenville	*Temple Beth El	Mrs. Harry Henry	890.	525.00
OKLAHOMA				
Oklahoma City	*Sist. Temple B'nai Israel	Mrs. Milton Lewinsohn	2,230.	1,892.50
Tulsa	*Temple Israel	Mrs. Sam Lewk	1,840.	1,256.00
PENNSYLVANIA				
McKeesport	Sist. of Temple B'nai Israel	Mrs. Martin Morrow	1,210.	310.00
Philadelphia	Temple Judea	Mrs. Sidney Harberg	2,120.	889.00
SOUTH DAKOTA				
Sioux Falls	*Mt. Zion	Mrs. David Sternberg	420.	255.70
TEXAS				
Beaumont	Temple Emanuel Sist.	Mrs. Clara Chinski	770.	311.50
Corpus Christi	*Temple Beth El	Mrs. Nathan Mann	1,000.	670.34
El Paso	Mt. Sinai	Mrs. Ray Shapiro	2,000.	588.40
Ft. Worth	*Beth-El	Mrs. Milton Simon	1,280.	800.00
Galveston	Temple B'nai Israel	Mrs. Dan Stein	1,400.	340.50
Houston	Beth Israel	Mrs. Abe M. Zuber	4,490.	410.00
Houston	Emanu-El Sist.	Mrs. Lewis Block	3,780.	595.00
Texarkana	Mt. Sinai	Mrs. Gus B. Ney	350.	50.00
Tyler	*Temple Beth El	Mrs. Edward Wessel	460.	362.00
Waco	*Temple Rodef Sholom	Mrs. Wolfe Macht	830.	668.00

* Sisterhoods having reached or surpassed the "half-way" mark.
 ** No HLJ Chairman reported for 1950.

CITY	SISTERHOOD	HLJ CHAIRMAN	QUOTA	CONTR.
VIRGINIA				
Alexandria	Beth El Temple	Mrs. M. Helfgott	\$ 400.	\$ 100.00
Charlottesville	*Sist. of Beth Israel	Mrs. Mortie Kaufman	270.	150.00
Danville	Temple Beth Sholem	Mrs. Albert Koplen	230.	10.00
		Mrs. Louis Berman		
Fredericksburg	Beth Sholom Temple	Mrs. Theresa Litman	240.	44.00
Richmond	*Beth Ahabah Sist.	Mrs. Dave Wolf	2,940.	1,610.00
Roanoke	*Sist. Temple Emanuel	Mrs. Andrew Shapiro	730.	440.00
WASHINGTON				
Spokane	*Temple Emanu-El	Mrs. Sam Rocklin	830.	455.40
Tacoma	Temple Beth Israel	Mrs. Homer Goldblatt	440.	100.00
WEST VIRGINIA				
Beckley	Sist. of Temple Beth El	Mrs. H. Stromberg	300.	60.00
Bluefield	*Ahavath Sholem	Mrs. Jerome Katz	450.	310.00
Clarksburg	*Tree of Life	Mrs. Marc Levine	600.	400.35
Fairmont	*Jewish Temple Sist.	Mrs. Julius Golden	300.	150.00
Morgantown	Morgantown Sist.	Mrs. Samson Finn	410.	25.00
Wheeling	Eoff St. Temple Sist.	Mrs. Joseph Dreyfuss	520.	239.00
WISCONSIN				
Kenosha	*Beth Hillel Sist.	Mrs. Ben Cohn	660.	410.00
Madison	Temple Beth El	Mrs. Melvin Sweet	520.	155.50
CANADA				
Montreal	Temple Emanu-El	Mrs. M. Margolick	3,000.	950.00
Toronto	*Holy Blossom	Mrs. William Loebel	6,000.	3,879.43
PANAMA				
Colon	Kaal Kadosh Yangakob	Mrs. Samuel T. Frankel	300.	125.00
Panama City	Kol Shearith	Mrs. Corrine Robles	1,270.	100.00
Total			\$309,790.00	\$117,178.43

* Sisterhoods having reached or surpassed the "half-way" mark.

**NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
STATEMENT OF EXPENSES AND CONTRIBUTIONS
"HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM"**

November 1, 1945 to October 31, 1950

	11/1/45 (and prior) to 10/31/46	11/1/46 to 10/31/47	11/1/47 to 10/31/48	11/1/48 to 10/31/49	Estimated 1949-50	Probable Total to 10/31/50
CAMPAIGN EXPENSES						
Salaries—director, assistant, and clerical	\$ 5,277.95	\$11,944.84	\$12,027.00	\$11,505.72	\$ 4,235.00	\$ 44,990.51
Travel expenses—director	319.79	639.78	1,181.05	592.94	—	2,733.56
Printing, paper, composition, electros, engravings, envelopes, etc.	1,712.98	2,907.77	1,666.48	1,378.55	600.00	8,265.78
Art work	279.51	465.00	—	—	—	744.51
Postage	117.57	737.15	136.46	725.42	50.00	1,766.60
Telephone service	84.59	289.99	314.33	228.93	250.00	1,167.84
Miscellaneous office expenses	65.10	356.17	1,170.16	1,247.22	750.00	3,588.65
Furniture and equipment	424.05	39.45	112.67	—	—	576.17
Meeting costs and reporting service	—	815.99	—	—	60.00	875.99
Insurance and miscellaneous expenses	—	86.22	16.87	—	150.00	253.09
Total Campaign Expenses	\$ 8,281.54	\$18,282.36	\$ 16,625.02	\$15,678.78	\$ 6,095.00	\$ 64,962.70
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,859.50	\$78,019.99	\$161,306.73	\$81,364.58	\$67,000.00	\$390,550.80

PLEDGES AS OF OCTOBER 12, 1950
 HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

CITY & STATE	AMOUNT
California	
Los Angeles (Wilshire Blvd.)	\$1,229.00
Kentucky	
Ashland	390.00
Maryland	
Baltimore (Eutaw Place)	377.73
Missouri	
Springfield	215.00
St. Joseph	860.00
New York	
Brooklyn (Beth Elohim)	509.00
Brooklyn (Union Temple) ...	1,168.00
Lynbrook	740.00
Rockville Centre	1,625.00
Mt. Vernon	445.00
New Jersey	
Atlantic City	1,421.00
Hackensack	184.00
Jersey City	1,242.00
Ohio	
Columbus	928.00
Oklahoma	
Oklahoma City	338.00
Tulsa	604.00
Texas	
San Antonio	1,546.00
Wisconsin	
Madison	364.50
Canada	
Montreal	2,050.00
	\$16,236.23

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GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONY



UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

MORITZ AND JOSEPHINE BERG MEMORIAL

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

SUNDAY, JUNE 25th, 1950

AT TWELVE NOON

838 FIFTH AVENUE

AT SIXTY-FIFTH STREET

NEW YORK CITY

Program

- America.....FREDERICK LECHNER and Congregation
- Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright
With Freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King.
- Invocation.....RABBI PHILIP BERNSTEIN, President,
Central Conference of American Rabbis
- Presentation.....MRS. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND, Chairman,
House of Living Judaism Campaign
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
- Acceptance.....JACOB ARONSON, Chairman,
Union of American Hebrew
Congregations Board
- Presentation of Spade.....MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, President,
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
- Acceptance and Consecration Prayer RABBI MAURICE N. EISENDRATH, President,
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
- Ground-Breaking.....DR. ALBERT A. BERG
- Shehecheyonu.....FREDERICK LECHNER
ALEXANDER D. RICHARDSON, Organist
- Consecration Address.....DR. SAMUEL GOLDENSON,
Rabbi Emeritus, Temple Emanu-El
- Adon Olom

The Lord of all, who reigned supreme
Ere first creation's form was framed
When all was finished by His will
His name Almighty was proclaimed.
My spirit I commit to Him,
My body, too, and all I prize;
Both when I sleep and when I wake
He is with me, I shall not fear.

- Benediction.....RABBI JONAH B. WISE, Central Synagogue
Honorary Member, UAHC Executive Board

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**GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONY
UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM-BERG MEMORIAL**

June 25, 1950

The historic ground-breaking ceremony for the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial took place at noon on Sunday, June 25, at the site of the future headquarters of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates at Fifth Avenue and 65th Street, New York.

Just one month after demolition work started on the private house at 838 Fifth Avenue, Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, Chairman of the NFTS House of Living Judaism Campaign, made the formal presentation of the ground to Mr. Jacob Aronson, Chairman of the Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, who accepted it in the name of the parent organization.

Following this part of the ceremony, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, presented the spade used in the ceremony to Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the UAHC, who recited a consecration prayer. The turning of the sod was done by Dr. Albert A. Berg, whose generous contribution to the project makes its completion in 1951 possible.

Also participating in the ceremony at the site of the proposed seven-story edifice were Rabbi Philip Bernstein, President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, who delivered the invocation; Dr. Samuel Goldenson, Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Emanu-El, who delivered the consecration address; and Cantor Frederick Lechner of Central Synagogue, who led in the singing of hymns.

After the singing of "Adon Olom," a benediction was pronounced by Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, of Central Synagogue. Executive Boards of all local New York Sisterhoods received invitations to attend the ceremonies, as did all NFTS HLJ Chairmen, Executive Board Members and other interested personnel.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Interfaith Activities

Milwaukee, Wis., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

If I were writing a college graduation thesis at this time I would title it "The Struggle that Lies Ahead." I would proceed to enumerate all of the problems that confront us, try to present plausible solutions and, in conclusion, summarize what the people can give to their country at this significant moment in history. Because this summary ties in so closely with the work that we accomplish through our Interfaith Activities, I shall relate to you these demands upon us. We must give our loyalty, our understanding of the crisis at hand, the issues at stake and the nature of the opposition which confronts us. We must have courage, together with a national unity greater than any that we have heretofore known. These are the things that you and I can do if we are to be worthy citizens in this hour of crisis.

This fiscal year was one of phenomenal growth in our Interfaith Activities. Sisterhoods throughout the Federation have sponsored such diversified interfaith programs that they symbolize a rededication to our spiritual faith and heritage. There were thirteen Institutes on Judaism for Leaders of Christian Church Women's Groups. In many cities these were followed by reciprocal Institutes on Catholicism or Protestantism. There was further reciprocity in the form of joint services with other faiths: Brotherhood Week observances; Councils on Human Relations; "The Cavalcade of Festivals" before church groups; an Interfaith fiesta; a musical program given by a negro women's choir; a lecture by a professor of education who had spent 3½ years as Director of Teacher's Education in Bavaria under the United States Military Government; active participation in the World Day of Prayer; collaboration with the Council of Church Women in many Interfaith teas, luncheons and meetings; panel discussions and radio programs; exchange pulpits between rabbis and ministers, leaders of Temple Sisterhoods and leaders of church groups. There were many book reviews given based on subjects of brotherhood, social justice and human relations. Scout troops joined on non-sectarian bases and participated in interfaith activities. Enlightening programs founded on the precepts of Judaism were presented before public school principals and teachers. Many groups worked together with Y.W.C.A. organizations for the eradication of discriminatory measures; there were Civil Rights Institutes held. Many Sisterhood Leaders were invited to give talks on Judaism before non-Jewish organizations. A most unusual and vital World Fellowship Tea and program was sponsored by one group. Invitations were sent by another group to the ministers and Sunday School teachers, to attend a program and discussion on "Ethics—Christian and Jewish." Intra-faith meetings of Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Sisterhoods were held in numerous communities. (These

programs were not only informative and interesting but also served to cement a strong bond of understanding and friendship amongst our own people.) Special Temple services were held in various parts of the country and Christian friends and neighbors were invited to attend.

Great strides have been made in our interfaith work, and more interest shown. We do not despair in our hopes for world peace because our faith is an antidote for all fears. It was King David who once said "I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree. Yet he passed away and lo, he was not." Thus it is that we know that right prevails over wrong and God is on the side of that which is right and good. Together we shall strengthen our faith and united we shall defend our cause and win.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. It is recommended that we enlarge our interfaith activities by greater collaboration with the World Union for Progressive Judaism.
2. It is also recommended that we enlarge our intra-faith work by cooperating with the World Union to aid in bringing religious training to the children of its constituent groups.
3. The recommendation is also made that Sisterhood women in the United States correspond with Sisterhood women of the World Union in order to learn the needs of and to give assistance to our fellow Jews throughout the world.
4. It is also recommended on an intra-faith basis that the children of our Religious Schools likewise correspond and give assistance to the children of congregations of the W.U.P.J.

(MRS. HAROLD M.) VERA BLUM BAUM, *Chairman*

NFTS SPONSORED INSTITUTES ON JUDAISM FOR LEADERS
OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH WOMEN'S GROUPS

November 1, 1949 — October 31, 1950

SISTERHOOD OF	PRESIDING	RABBINICAL SPEAKERS
Temple Isaiah Israel Chicago, Ill.	Mrs. Bernard Brown	Rabbi Morton M. Berman Rabbi Herman E. Schaalman
Washington Avenue Temple Evansville, Ind.	Mrs. Harold M. Baum	Rabbi Milton Greenwald Dr. Victor E. Reichert
Adath Israel Temple Lexington, Ky.	Mrs. Louis I. Egelson	Rabbi Sidney Ballon Rabbi Herbert S. Waller
Temple Sinai and Touro New Orleans, La.	Mrs. Harold M. Baum	Rabbi Leo Bergman Rabbi Julian B. Feibelman
Temple Emanuel Lawrence, Mass.	Mrs. Harry Axelrod	Rabbi H. Bruce Ehrman Rabbi Herschel Levin
Congr. Shaarey Zedek Lansing, Mich.	Mrs. Harvey Steadman	Rabbi Harry Essrig Rabbi Alfred Friedman
Temple Rodeph Shalom		Dr. Bertram W. Korn
Temple Judea		Rabbi Meir Lasker
Temple Keneseth Israel		Rabbi Samuel Markowitz
Temple Beth David		Rabbi Seymour Rosen
Old York Road Jewish Community Center		Rabbi Norbert Rosenthal
Temple Beth Israel (Mayfair, Pa.) Philadelphia, Pa.		Rabbi David Wice

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Jewish Ceremonials and Art

Cincinnati, O., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The artistic and useful Jewish Art Calendar again has been a primary project of your Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art. The 5711 edition of the Art Calendar illustrates the work of the young American artist, Elinor Mintz, 24-year-old native of Worcester, Mass. Miss Mintz, with a happy blend of modern style and deep Jewish emotion presents various scenes painted in Israel. The illustrations include: "The Rejoicing in the Law"; "The Workers' Village"; "The Sabra"; "The Passover Seder"; "Jew with Torah"; and "The Wedding."

The edition of the Art Calendar for 5711 (1949-50) consisted of 17,000 copies. Copies of the Calendar were sent with a Rosh Ha-shono Uniongram message from Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, to chaplains in the United States and overseas, rabbis, the faculties and student bodies of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati and New York, the Boards and Executive Staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates.

The attractive card giving directions for the Friday evening Kiddush Service in the home continues to be used widely by NFTS affiliates and other interested persons.

During the past year a second edition of *The Contribution of Jewish Composers to the Music of the Modern World*, by A. L. Landau, Ph. D., was published. The first edition of this study course, which was published in 1946, comprised 1,000 copies. The exhaustion of the first edition in less than four years evidenced the interest in this study and program material.

An unusual opportunity for specialized service came to NFTS during the past year. A young painter and art teacher from Israel, who is in the United States for additional study during a limited period, became interested in an unusually fine correspondence course in art. After thorough investigation, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods made available from its general treasury the sum of \$247.50 to underwrite for him this correspondence course, as a result of which he not only will be better trained himself, but also will be in a position to help others in the State of Israel develop their artistic abilities.

There is also the possibility of extending the correspondence course, which was underwritten by NFTS, to other selected art students in different parts of Israel, particularly in the kibbutzim. A few Sisterhoods of NFTS were invited to consider whether or not they wished to join the Federation in this project by underwriting the course for a few students who would be chosen in consultation with officials of Israel. Any interested Sisterhood should contact the NFTS Executive office.

Increased interest in Judaica Shops has been shown. Many NFTS units now have successfully established Judaica Shops and have thus rendered a much-needed service to Sisterhood members. The Judaica Shops, also, provide an excellent means for raising Sisterhood funds.

Rabbi and Mrs. Jerome Folkman of Columbus, O. have prepared a new set of slides depicting the observance of ceremonies in the Jewish home. In the slides, the Folkmans share their home with NFTS members. NFTS units using the Folkman slides in the past will recall that the first edition showed the young Folkman children observing the ceremonies in the home. In the new edition, the small daughter has reached adolescence and the young son is approaching manhood.

Your Committee urged NFTS units to plan special Sisterhood programs to observe Jewish Music Festival month which was celebrated February 4—March 3, 1949.

(Mrs. J. WALTER) STELLA H. FREIBERG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
 AMERICAN JEWISH
 Jewish Literature for the Blind

Paducah, Ky., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

With the Biennial period drawing to a close, it is once again the privilege of the Committee Chairman to report the activities and accomplishments of the NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind.

During the past months, we have been gratified to see the added interest in the work of this Committee in so many local Sisterhood units. There have been generous contributions to our efforts. The Braille transcribers have been very busy. New classes have been started by many Sisterhoods. Many new books have been added to the Library of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., by these tireless workers. Programs stressing the work of this Committee have been incorporated into both State or District and local meetings, and Braille demonstrations have brought added zest to these sessions.

Many State or District and Local Sisterhoods have used unique methods of stimulating interest and adding funds to their Braille monies. All of the following have been successful for their sponsors: A tea for this purpose; a dramatic reading and tea; "Bread for Braille" by which each Sisterhood member receives a cholla in return for a donation; an annual buffet luncheon to close the Sisterhood's year, and many others. Ingenuity and enthusiasm for the work of this Committee can find many means of adding interest and activity for the work for the sightless in each local unit.

The financial cooperation of NFTS groups during the NFTS fiscal period November 1, 1949—October 31, 1950, in response to the annual appeal for funds was as follows:

1949: November	\$264.50	May	\$1130.75
December	406.50	June	1010.90
1950: January	835.50	July	50.50
February	411.00	August	26.00
March	611.00	September	91.80
April	776.50	October	759.53
		Total	\$6374.48

During the past years one of the most interesting factors of the work of this Committee has been the underwriting of the issues of the publications of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., the *Jewish Braille Review* and *The Braille Musician*. During the 1949-50 fiscal period issues either to honor or to memorialize members, or simply as a part of Sisterhood activity, have been underwritten by the following:

Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood, Los Angeles, Calif., in memory of Mrs. Cora Prenzlauer, President Emeritus.

Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood, Des Moines, Ia., in honor of Mrs. Sophie Adler.

Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood, Des Moines, Ia., in honor of the seventieth birthday of Rabbi Eugene Mannheimer.

Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood, Altoona, Pa.

Williamson Temple Sisterhood, Williamson, W. Va.

Mrs. August Lorch, Mrs. Magdalene Folz, Dallas, Tex., in memory of Mr. August Lorch.

Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., in memory of Governor Henry Horner, late Honorary Director and Governor.

Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., in memory of Rabbi Joseph Stolz.

At the NFTS Executive Board Meeting in St. Louis, November 29, 1949, it was voted to divide again the contributions made to the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind between the Palestine Lighthouse for the work of its Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors and The Jewish Braille Institute of America.

The report of Mrs. Leah Weil, Chairman of this Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors, is appended to this report. We hope that you will bring this to the attention of all local groups. As a part of this great endeavor, NFTS units have helped to provide added food, special medicines, warm blankets and unattainable articles for the comfort of these homeless, lonely, sightless people in war disturbed countries of Europe. More than this, we have reached a helping hand to persons who have long since ceased to expect kindness or friendship from anyone. We have given hope and light to many who have felt themselves doomed to loneliness and darkness. For such gifts, there can be no measure in financial terms.

RECOMMENDATION

In view of the continuing need of these European Jewish Blind Survivors, not only in a physical sense, but in the way of psychological and social rehabilitation, it is recommended that the contributions asked for by this Committee again be divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., and the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse.

May we, in the months to come, continue to work for the greater growth and increased success of the Committee for Jewish Literature for the Blind. May we continue, as in years gone by, to bring the joy of learning and the torch of literature to those who turn to us for aid.

(MRS. STERLING) THALIA R. BERG, *Chairman*

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE NFTS
COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

SPECIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

European Jewish Blind Survivors
of World War II of the Palestine Lighthouse

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

The Palestine Lighthouse knows the full meaning of your kindness, for you answered the cry of the broken and forlorn European Jewish Blind when we brought it to your attention. With wise direction came action from your NFTS Executive Board. Your vote in 1948 and 1949 called upon your affiliated Sisterhoods for interest and financial help. Then followed the sympathetic spontaneous response of the individual Sisterhoods, answering the call with aid to promote specifically work of the Committee for European Jewish Blind Survivors of World War II.

STATEMENT OF WORK

It is good to be able to report that a change of spirit seems to be lifting the European Jewish Blind out of their despair. Some new tendencies are being shown, which we trust with your valued assistance to go on developing. Let us speak first of a new awakening to religion and Jewish sentiment.

RELIGION

When all else fails, as well as in happier hours, men turn to religion for strength and comfort. Thus the Jewish Blind seek now the Eternal Jewish verities for courage and hope to carry on.

Today our blind friends in Germany are asking to be provided with guides to Synagogue, for talismans to wear during divine services, and for religious music. Phonograph records are being requested, that they may hear Jewish music and songs and Jewish stories in the German language. And they enjoy the international German language Jewish newspaper we are sending regularly from New York. Only another Jew can understand these deep, religious yearnings and desire for Jewish solidarity.

REHABILITATION

This religious spirit marks a renaissance that means a revival of other interests. It, with other signs, shows the slow return to normal functioning life. This naturally is the long range purpose of this Committee's efforts.

In order to estimate what has been accomplished, let us glance back quickly. We, alone in the field, made our first big job that of finding these people. All were Nazi victims. When found, all were in the depths of extreme shock—shock caused by fear due to Nazi cruelty. Of the 324 we have set up as typical cases many had worked as slaves under deadly dangerous conditions, had miraculously managed to escape salt mines, explosions in chemical works, and other hazardous mechanical factory employment. Many had lost their sight from excessive hardships, and as forced laborers in the slave labor camps. To bring back to normal living these survivors was a huge task of rehabilitation.

In the modern science of social work, rehabilitation has two aspects, each with its own technique. The first aspect is *social*: making a man feel he still has a place in society. The second is *economic*: restoring self-respect and self-confidence by helping him to become even partially self-supporting.

Social Approach

One of the techniques for social re-adjustment is to provide a social background where a man is at home, where he feels comfortable. *This our Committee, we believe, is accomplishing.* It is necessary to recognize *recreation* as a psychological need, accepted as such by psychiatrists and social workers, for you to see why we made it our first point of attack.

The process is slow. Encouraging our blind to come into the Center we have provided, and to mingle with each other—this—for men and women in the traumatic condition of Nazi victims, is in itself a slow, delicate procedure. Immediately they experience the joy of the shared Jewish bond of fellowship. They do indeed value their long-lost, new-found friendships.

Out of the Berlin social gathering there has now grown an organized group. Coming together for cultural and recreational objectives, and for mutual help, the Berlin group has taken a step forward. Willy Latter, himself a blind man, is the leader. He has earned recognition by the Berlin Jewish community as its representative among the blind and has the confidence of all. Through him we are working on plans of employment and occupation.

This Palestine Lighthouse Committee pays the rent of a club room for the Group and supplies a monthly stipend for expenses with a special amount given

for guide service to Synagogue. There is a constant and regular attendance at the bi-monthly meetings of about 200 persons, including guides.

We continue the usual routine of giving the occasions a party atmosphere. We mail from New York for each meeting the actual refreshments to be used—coffee, chocolate, tea, sugar, candy, flour for baking, cookies, etc.

Economic Approach

The *economic* approach comes next. The procedure for this we are now studying.

Besides the personal limitations of the Blind, there are the tremendous political economic barriers within their own countries, also the U.S. restrictions as to sending money or goods abroad. Near war conditions still prevail. The temporary government body is still military, and questions of citizenship and licensing have not been stabilized. However, we are not daunted. Other difficult problems have been surmounted, and you have helped to promote much of a definite constructive nature.

WELFARE WORK AT CLOSE RANGE

There has been presented in outline how *long range plans* are working out. Now for the immediate work at *close* range. For this, the Committee continues to operate as heretofore.

Letters

Personal letters in six languages go to 323 blind in nine European countries and D. P. camps. The response to these letters provides us with information as to needs, wishes, intimate matters and conditions, which is the basis of our work. Blind correspondents are in the following countries: Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Germany, France, Poland, Roumania, Sweden and the Netherlands.

Those behind the Iron Curtain become more and more difficult to reach. Letters from Czechoslovakia and Hungary are increasingly brief and cautious. Yet they repeat—over and over, that “more than ever they need help”—and, “you will understand.”

We supply International Reply Coupons in lieu of postage to take from the blind the burden of postal expense, whether they write to us or to their friends. Each letter costs eleven cents.

Packages

In the past year this Committee of the Palestine Lighthouse has shipped to the European Jewish Blind in package form:

4965 lbs. of food
580 lbs. of clothing
95 lbs. of knitting wool

Besides: soap, cigarettes, medical supplies and medicines. We have also been able to fill prescriptions. Some of the items have been eye drops, vitamins, insulin and liver extract.

Needs

In the aroused wish for occupation to fill their dreary vacant hours, there has been an increasing demand from the women for wool and yarn for knitting. The men ask for musical instruments and work tools. Men's and women's underwear is an urgent need.

DIFFICULTIES

Ours continues to be the *only* Committee or organization working in Europe in order to extend *care* to the Jewish blind, as such. Anti-Semitism still prevails and is not limited to the sightless. So for the Jewish blind to join a Gentile organization is still difficult if not impossible.

The few Jewish communities that still exist are so small and impoverished that their sighted members have to battle with their own difficult problems. They are not able to cooperate in social or welfare work for their blind fellow citizens.

Contrast

How different is the outlook and the condition of those other Jewish blind for whom you work so ardently. How dramatic is the contrast!

The American blind enjoys a complete system of *care* supplied by Federal, State, local and voluntary agencies. There are commissions, associations, schools, libraries, Braille writers, sheltered workshops, recreation centers, in all of which public and private agencies Jewish blind participate. There is a Jewish Home in each of the free countries of America and Israel. "From the cradle to the grave" there is a chain of helpful, watchful assistance for our sightless, pouring forth every type of benefit. What riches compared to the bareness of the Europeans—who have *only* us—so limited by comparison.

These Jewish blind in European countries look toward you for every need. They turn their sightless eyes to us not only for economic aid but also for moral, cultural and spiritual leadership. Let us not fail them, but help them to even better things in the near future!

LEAH PIZA WEIL, *Chairman*

 REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Peace and World Relations

Davenport, Ia., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Increasing tensions among nations and strains on liberty both national and personal have emphasized how vital is the need for a strong peace and world

relations program in our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. During this past year the National Committee on Peace and World Relations has continued its attempt to integrate a zeal for peace into the active program of every Sisterhood within our Federation. While that zeal is traditionally ours as Jews it must be persistently worked at in the spirit expressed by Goethe's words, "What you have inherited from your fathers, earn truly so as to make it your very own."

Something of that spirit has motivated heightened enthusiasm in the growing number of Sisterhood study and discussion groups on today's problems, especially on the subject of the United Nations. Something of that urgency has stimulated interest and action on legislation such as the recently achieved liberalization of the United States Displaced Persons Act. Something of that awareness has encouraged cooperation of Sisterhoods with other community groups in such joint endeavors as observance of UN Day and participation in a neighborhood council of religious organizations to establish good race relations and justice for the underprivileged, to mention only a few of the preoccupations of our Peace and World Relations groups. Something of that truth inspired both the adoption by the NFTS Executive Board at its December, 1949 meeting of six resolutions for securing peace and human rights and the adoption of similar resolutions by several NFTS State and District Federations and affiliated local units.

During the year from November 1, 1949 to October 31, 1950, the National Committee published a supplement to the study course on the United Nations, *To Unite Our Strength*, by Frances A. Thomas, which has been used extensively and effectively by many NFTS units, and expended the residue of the Martha Levy Steinfeld Memorial Fund in a grant to the Jewish Peace Fellowship for publication of an anthology of Jewish thought and expression on peace.

The Committee continued publishing *Current Copy* monthly except July and August with Mrs. Thomas as editor. This release provided a digest of news not necessarily emphasized in the daily press but pertinent to the achievement of peace and social justice, as well as offered suggestions for action and reading, for radio and television programs. Through the monthly Packets to Local and State and District Presidents and in letters to all Peace and World Relations Chairmen, the National Committee distributed *Current Copy*; *Foreign Affairs Highlights* (a bulletin of the United States Department of State); *Proclaim Liberty to All* (The Race Relations Day statement of the Central Conference of American Rabbis); State Department pamphlets such as *Tensions between the United States and Russia* and *The United States Policy toward Asia*, and the *Statement on United States Foreign Policy* by the Conferees of the National Peace Conference, of which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is a member.

The National Chairman, through the monthly Packets, has urged groups to consider such topics as atomic energy, the Point Four Program and the Far Eastern Policy of the U. S. She has outlined methods and references for their study. She has reported interesting activities of various Peace and World Relations groups. She has recommended study and action on pending legislation such as the enactment by the United States of a liberalized Displaced Persons Act, and ratification by the United States Senate of the Genocide Convention.

She asked for the observance throughout the U. S. of Race Relations Month. She has corresponded with Local and State and District Peace and World Relations Chairmen about their plans and problems. She addressed one Sisterhood on the importance of a Peace and World Relations Committee, with the result that they established such a group at once. She worked with her own Sisterhood, the League of Women Voters and other community organizations on a civic UN Day observance and on an adult education course in atomic energy.

The National Chairman has been heartened to learn that many Sisterhoods have followed the suggestion of devoting an entire program on the Sisterhood calendar to peace and world relations and have shown great variety in those programs. She was likewise pleased to note that an increasing number of Sisterhoods have established the pattern of a brief report or discussion of some aspect of the contemporary scene at every regular and, in some instances, every Board meeting.

Because the objective of enduring, satisfying peace is inconceivable without social justice as well as international accord, your National Chairman suggests that a project the Committee might consider for the coming year is the preparation of a study course on social justice with a title such as "Ideals for the Living Present." That might include such subjects as man in society, achieving the equality of men, management and labor as partners, goals for social security and preparing youth for leadership.

It is pleasant to commend wholeheartedly the progress of certain of our units in the direction of peace and social justice. At the same time we must acknowledge the challenge presented by the apathy of many of our affiliates toward these concerns which are our goals not only by virtue of our Jewish heritage, but because they are prerequisites to the survival of the democratic way of life we cherish.

(MRS. ABRAM VOSSEN) MAY GOODMAN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Programs

Atlanta, Ga., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Again this year another Program and Study Material Supplement Book was published. A complimentary copy was sent to each local President. Many new Programs were received in Cincinnati and will be found listed in this latest Supplement. Also we have written monthly letters to all Program Chairmen. These letters are duplicated in the monthly President's Packet.

This Committee received a resolution from the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and we submit it herewith:

"WHEREAS, the representatives of the Sisterhoods comprising the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, attending the Program workshop, feel the need for additional and better program material, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods be asked to further interest itself in helping us to get program material of Jewish content, and if possible to give financial backing to creative artists who are qualified to write such material."

We wish to express our thanks to the Chairmen of other NFTS Committees for the fine programs they have sponsored, especially those written for the Committee on Interfaith Activities, whose National Chairman is Mrs. Harold M. Baum. Innumerable requests for programs have come in from all parts of the country and have been filled.

We served on the Planning Committee for the Biennial Program. It has been a privilege to have served the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the past year. We know that the combined efforts of our 454 Sisterhoods will continue to render yet greater services to Reform Judaism.

(MRS. SAM) MARIAN B. MOHR, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Religious Extension

Birmingham, Ala., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a pleasure to report that twelve Sisterhoods affiliated with us during the NFTS fiscal year of November 1, 1949 to October 31, 1950.

AFFILIATIONS

CITY	SISTERHOODS	DATE
Chillicothe, O.	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel Council	Nov. 17, 1949
Winston-Salem, N. C.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	Nov. 21, 1949
Baltimore, Md.	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom	Dec. 7, 1949
Neponsit, L. I., N. Y.	Ladies Guild of West End Temple	Jan. 31, 1950
Bay Shore, N. Y.	The Women's Club of Temple Sinai	Feb. 23, 1950
Orlando, Fla.	The Sisterhood of Cong. of Liberal Judaism	May 16, 1950
New Hyde Park, L. I., N. Y.	Sisterhood of Reform Temple of New Hyde Park Communities	May 16, 1950
New York, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	May 24, 1950
Newton, Mass.	Sisterhood of Temple Shalom of Newton	July 17, 1950
Camden, N. J.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	July 27, 1950

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CITY	SISTERHOODS	DATE
Los Angeles, Calif.	Temple Sisterhood Leo Baeck	July 31, 1950
Cleveland, O.	Suburban Temple Women's Committee	Aug. 29, 1950
Pomona, Calif.	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	Sept. 27, 1950
Utica, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	Sept. 27, 1950
Evanston, Ill.	Beth Emet Sisterhood	Oct. 2, 1950
Cleveland, O.	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Hope	Oct. 28, 1950

RESIGNATIONS

The groups which have resigned from our fellowship during the 1949-50 NFTS fiscal year are:

CITY	SISTERHOODS	DATE
Fitzgerald, Ga.	Sisterhood of Hebrew Cong. of Fitzgerald	Nov. 24, 1950
Ithaca, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	Jan. 11, 1950
Ft. Knox, Ky.	Sisterhood of Ft. Knox	Jan. 16, 1950
Los Angeles, Calif.	Temple Judea Sisterhood	May 15, 1950
Danville, Ky.	Sisterhood of the Blue Grass Judean Society	Sept. 20, 1950
Houma, La.	Beth El Sisterhood	Oct. 31, 1950
Amsterdam, N. Y.	Deborah Society of Temple Israel	Oct. 31, 1950
Daytona Beach, Fla.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	Oct. 12, 1950
Ashland, Wis.	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	Oct. 16, 1950
Richmond, Ind.	Richmond Jewish Sisterhood	Oct. 19, 1950
Santa Barbara, Calif.	B'nai B'rith Sisterhood	Oct. 30, 1950
Dunkirk, N. Y.	Dunkirk Hebrew Sisterhood	Oct. 31, 1950
Alice, Tex.	Jewish Sisterhood of Alice	Oct. 31, 1950

We now have 454 affiliates.

To our new units we extend a hearty welcome; to those who have resigned we send assurance that we await eagerly their early reaffiliation.

We have heard from many Chairmen, from far and wide. All reports were most satisfactory, but I would like to share in part the highlights of the year's activities of the Membership Committee of the Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple, West Hempstead, L. I., N. Y. The Chairman contacted real estate agents in the area and asked for the names of Jewish newcomers. As a result of this survey, a list of 225 names of prospects was compiled. Later a luncheon was tendered to all and by error, two non-Jewish women had been contacted, both of whom called and were most gracious in their praise. They had not been called by their own church, so they particularly appreciated the invitation even though it had been extended and accepted in friendly error!

(MRS. MERVIN A.) LILLIAN VAN BAALEN BLACH, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Religious Schools

Los Angeles, Calif., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Through direct correspondence, the monthly Packets to local and state Presidents and to NFTS Board members as well as through personal contacts, your Chairman has stressed the broad program of NFTS, in cooperation with the department of Jewish Education of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, that is available for Religious School Committees. As all religious schools function under the direction of a Rabbi, a Religious School Superintendent or Religious School Committee, with curricula set up by them, it is impossible to determine the influence of this direction. However, your Chairman feels that this service, with the NFTS prepared studies, plays, and stories for the celebration and observance of all our Holidays and Festivals, has been of value and guidance to Sisterhoods.

I wish it were possible to bring to you, in full, the enthusiastic and interesting reports of each Religious School Chairman. As space does not permit this, I shall report, briefly, on a few of the "Highlights" of religious school activities.

There is a vital and growing interest in Religious Schools in Parent-Youth relationships, as is shown in the full and significant programs of Room Mothers, P.T.A., and Grade Mother Groups, all concentrating on giving to both adult and student a fuller interpretation of our religious teachings, our traditions, customs and holidays. These groups, emanating from and channeled through Sisterhoods, presage much future strength and purpose in Sisterhood activities.

The following are quoted from Religious School reports: "One Friday Night a month is designated as Family Night, when parents and children attend services together. Room Mothers act as hostesses and refreshments are served after services. This Family Night has proved very successful."

Another Chairman reports, "children's services are held one Saturday of each month. The children arrive at 9:30, bringing their own friends with them. Special services are arranged for that morning."

A Chairman reports, "the interest of children in religious school is encouraged by trained teachers with attractive personalities, well equipped rooms and the use of modern teaching techniques." Another community reports, "the material and physical help of Room Mothers in a religious school of 700 children is of invaluable aid to the Rabbi and the religious school staff."

All Religious School reports tell in glowing terms of the wonderful celebrations of our Festivals and Holidays, giving new and inspirational interpretations of our great religious tradition and culture.

Many Religious School Committees cooperate in "working toward paying

salaries of religious school teachers and in support of physical needs of the religious school." Many Sisterhoods sponsor social groups for religious school students, such as Cotillions, Confirmation parties and study groups.

There is so much more to tell of our Religious School Committees that I hope to discuss when we convene at our Biennial Assembly, in Cleveland, November 12-15, 1950. I look forward to meeting our Religious School Chairmen at that time, when we will have the opportunity for interchange of ideas.

(MRS. DAVID E.) MIRIAM JACOBS, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

Tampa, Fla., October 12, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

In accordance with the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, your Chairman of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws herewith submits—thirty days in advance of the Eighteenth NFTS Biennial Assembly—the following proposed changes in the Federation's By-Laws:

I. Article 4, Section A, DUES

Shall read:

"Every Sisterhood shall pay yearly into the treasury of this Federation \$1.25 for each of its contributing members. Of this sum, \$1.00 shall be for the treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and \$.25 shall be for dues to the District Federation, said dues to be forwarded by the Federation to the Treasurers of its respective Districts within sixty days of receipt."

(Remainder of the section remains the same.)

Explanation:

A full explanation has been submitted in writing, with charts, to the Presidents of all NFTS units and to all Delegates.

II. Article 8, Section C, COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Shall read:

"This Committee shall submit to the Assembly a list of candidates for election to the Executive Board."

Explanation:

The By-Laws formerly said that the Committee shall report at the

beginning of the last morning session of the Biennial. In practice, the Committee attempts to be ready with its report earlier in the Biennial, in order for the newly elected Executive Board to hold a session during the Biennial for the election of officers. The newly elected officers can then be presented to the Biennial delegates and visitors prior to adjournment.

III. Article 10, Section E, ORGANIZATION MEETING AND POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

A new sentence shall be added to read:

"Such eligibility shall continue through the Assembly at which her term as a Board Member expires."

Explanation:

In Article 9, Section B on the Executive Board, it states that the period of time during which a member of the Board has served as an officer shall not be included in the six years permitted for service on the Board. Thus, if a woman is elected to serve as an officer, for example, after she has been on the Board four years, she still has two more years of service on the Board when her officership term expires. Similarly, a woman who has completed six years of service on the Board and, therefore, has specialized experience of advantage to the Federation should still be eligible for an officership.

IV. Article 17, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON HEBREW UNION COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

The name of the Committee shall read:

"National Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund."

Explanation:

With the merger of the Hebrew Union College with the Jewish Institute of Religion, making the name of the Institution now the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the title becomes too long and cumbersome. Furthermore, some scholarships are occasionally awarded to deserving students other than rabbinic students at the College-Institute. For example, an occasional scholarship has been granted to a concentration camp survivor for cantorial studies at the School of Sacred Music in New York. The purposes of the Committee shall remain unchanged: only the title shall be shortened.

V. Article 18, Section B, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON JEWISH CEREMONIALS AND ART

Shall read:

"It shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles

of Jewish art, to arrange for displays of same under proper auspices, to establish Judaica Shops and to urge the study of Jewish customs and ceremonies."

Explanation:

The phrase "to establish Judaica Shops" has been inserted as one of the purposes of the Committee.

VI. Article 19, Section B, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON UNION-GRAMS

Shall read:

"The profits of this enterprise shall, at the discretion of the Executive Board, be devoted to the projects of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund."

Explanation:

The change is proposed to simplify wordage as the profits are exclusively devoted to the projects enumerated in Article 17 on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. If the proposed change in name is accepted for Article 17, then the change herewith proposed logically follows.

VII. Article 20, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON STATE AND DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Shall read:

"District Federation," only, in the title of the article, and throughout its sections where the longer phrase "State and District Federations" is used.

Explanation:

The change is proposed for simplification of wording. While some District Federations of the National Federation are composed of a single State such as the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, or the Ohio Federation, etc. (and no change is proposed in these respective names of State Federations), they are all Districts of the National Federation. The change will simplify verbiage for the National Federation on badges, printed material, etc., as it will allow for the single phrase "District President," "District Federation" rather than the more cumbersome phrase, "State and/or District."

Note:

If the proposed change for Article 20 is adopted, then similarly the change shall be consistently made in Article 38.

VIII. Article 23, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON CHILD STUDY AND PARENT EDUCATION

The name of this Committee shall read:

"National Committee on Family Education."

All changes necessary for consistency in the rest of the article shall be made.

Explanation:

The trend of thought in the field is toward the family as a unit and, therefore, the proposed change has been offered.

IX. Article 38*, Section E, SUBSIDIARY STATE AND DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Shall be replaced with a new Section E to read:

"Dues in a District Federation shall be \$.25 per capita per year, collected by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and sent to the respective District treasurers within sixty days of receipt in the Executive Office. Any additional monies that a District Federation may desire to raise shall be approved by the NFTS Executive Board or a designated Committee thereof. Each District treasurer shall submit both an annual budget and an annual report to the Executive Office.

The foregoing changes will be voted upon in Cleveland at the Eighteenth NFTS Biennial Assembly. If adopted by a two-thirds vote of the delegates, they will become effective immediately in accordance with Article 41 of the By-Laws covering Amendments.

(MRS. D. L.) CAROL ZIELONKA, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
The Hebrew Union College Scholarship
and Religious Education Fund**

Cleveland, O., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The following report of the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund reflects much besides the fine work and cooperation of the NFTS Sisterhoods which have made it possible. Your Chairman takes pride in the vision of the Sisterhoods who see in the broad purposes of this Fund the implementation of the increasing direction of our parent body, the Union of American

* See "Note" under proposed change for Article 20.

** Name changed to National Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, NFTS Biennial Assembly, November, 1950.

Hebrew Congregations, toward ever greater religious rapport between our laity and rabbinate.

The primary purposes of this Fund are two-fold: scholarships in proportion to need for rabbinic students on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, and a substantial annual contribution toward the religious educational work, including the Department of Youth Activities, of our Union. In addition, other outstanding contributions are made possible by the Fund, upon specific action of the Executive Board of the Federation. For example, the sum of \$36,500 has been expended in recent years, at the rate of approximately \$10,000 per annum, toward refurbishing the Dormitory on the Cincinnati College-Institute campus. This Dormitory, as every Sisterhood woman knows, was the gift in 1925 of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to the Union for the College. Furthermore, there is a student in the School of Sacred Music in New York now training on a scholarship from our Fund to be a cantor. He, like Dr. Johanna Spector, who last June was awarded her doctorate degree at the College as the result of a special fellowship we granted her for the continuance of her studies, is a concentration camp survivor and a former Displaced Person.

The number of worthwhile activities, within the scope and purposes of the Fund which we can undertake are limited only by the support, through cash contributions and the sale of Uniongrams and Uniongram items such as thank-you cards, which we receive from our Sisterhoods.

Each affiliate of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods should see in this Fund a broadening of its purely local activities into the broad arena of the intensification of Reform religious activities both on a national and world scale. We have a sharper awareness of our status as a religiously-motivated people. Above all else, this motivation only can give us stature and dignity. In this age of violent struggle for the minds of men, we re-affirm our age-old precept for the moral validity of the conduct of both individuals and of nations—that the commandments of God shall be “a sign upon thy hand and . . . for frontlets between thine eyes.”

With pride in your past performance, and confidence in your meeting the continuing challenge, your Chairman records the following contributions which the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, in accordance with the action of the NFTS Executive Board at its December, 1949 sessions, made possible:

- 1: To the Union of American Hebrew Congregations toward religious educational work, including its Department of Youth Activities, a total contribution of \$35,000 during 1948-49.
2. To the Hebrew Union College for Dormitory Assistance Scholarships for eligible students on the Cincinnati campus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, a total contribution of \$15,600 for 1948-49.
3. To the HUC-JIR toward refurbishing the Dormitory on the Cincinnati campus, \$10,000.
4. To the Hebrew Union School for Sacred Music for a former Displaced Person, a \$500 tuition scholarship.

5. To Mrs. Samuel S. Cohon, Cincinnati, \$1,000 toward publishing a Jewish song book.
6. To the UAHC for a joint project of NFTS and the UAHC Commission on Synagogue Activities, \$1,500 for the creation of religious phonograph records.
7. To a concentration camp survivor to complete her work for a doctorate degree in Jewish musicology at HUC, a graduate fellowship of \$1,500.
8. Transmitted to the Hon. Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., London, as a memorial from NFTS for refurnishing the lounge of the service center, the West Central Club, \$2,000 voted in a previous year. (During World War II, the building of the West Central Club and Synagogue, whose lay minister is Miss Montagu, sustained a direct bomb hit, causing the death of twenty-seven young girls and women, members and staff personnel.)

This report of your Committee, its support from the Sisterhoods and the Uniongram Committee is more than a record of monies received and disbursed. It is a dynamic proof that the Sisterhoods of the Federation see their religious goal and will focus all their activities toward its fulfillment.

Report of Income and Expenditures
November 1, 1949—October 31, 1950

INCOME

	1948-49	1949-50
Deferments from Previous Year	\$ 1,498.17	\$ 2,321.79
Receipts—I. M. Wise Fund	137.61	441.85
Cash Contributions (Net)	19,684.87	17,015.55
UAP (From Uniongrams and Thank You Cards)	36,579.20	40,412.84
Totals	\$57,899.85	\$60,192.03
Less: Deferred to next year	2,321.79	2,012.55
	\$55,578.06	\$58,179.48
Less: Free Religious Schools	551.20	354.55
	\$55,026.86	\$57,824.93

EXPENDITURES:

To UAHC for Religious Education and Youth Work	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00
For HUC-JIR Scholarships	15,600.00	16,415.00
Fellowship at HUC	1,500.00	875.00
Refurnishing Lounge—London, Eng.	2,000.00	....
Scholarship—N. Y. Cantor School of Sacred Music.....	....	500.00
For Publication of Jewish Song Book .....	....	1,000.00
	\$54,100.00	\$53,790.00

It should be noted that there are no tuition charges at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. A student is responsible, however, for a dormitory fee of \$650 per annum of which a minimum of \$100 must be paid by the student. Then, depending upon his circumstances, he is eligible for a scholarship in proportion to his need, up to and including a maximum scholarship of \$550 per annum. Since students are given certain work opportunities, the scholarship required may vary with each student.

The Chairman is deeply grateful to all who have contributed to the funds of this Committee. Especially to be commended are all local and District Chair-

men both of Scholarship and Religious Education, and Uniongram Committees. The Chairman, and the Federation as a whole, are likewise indebted to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our President, for her inspiring efforts in speaking of the opportunities of service which this Fund makes possible and to the Cincinnati and New York staffs of our Federation. A very special word of thanks is also due to Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Administrative Assistant on the staff of the Federation, who handles so ably and well with Miss Jane Evans, our Director, the correspondence and details of our projects.

(MRS. SOL) ANNE B. GITSON, *Chairman*

Distinguished Service List

Contributions of \$500.00 or More

		1949-50
California		
San Francisco.....	Temple Emanu-El Guild	\$ 500.00
Connecticut		
Hartford.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	500.00
	Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	500.00
Illinois		
Chicago.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel	500.00
Indiana		
Evansville.....	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood	774.40
Louisiana		
New Orleans.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Gates of Prayer	500.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	500.00
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue	500.00
Maryland		
Baltimore.....	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood	1,171.80
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	757.60
Massachusetts		
Boston.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	500.00
Michigan		
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	500.00
New Jersey		
Newark.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun	500.00
New York		
New Rochelle.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	500.40
New York.....	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El	510.60
Ohio		
Cincinnati.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood	500.00
Cleveland.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood	500.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel	508.00
Columbus.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood	500.00
Dayton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	634.80
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods		500.00

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Oklahoma

Oklahoma City.....Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel\$ 586.40

Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh.....Rodef Shalom Sisterhood 1,845.80

South Carolina

Columbia.....Sisterhood Tree of Life 912.40

Tennessee

Memphis.....Temple Israel Sisterhood 500.00

Texas

Dallas.....Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood 500.00

Washington

Seattle.....Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch 712.20

West Virginia

Charleston.....Virginia St. Temple Sisterhood 509.60

Wisconsin

Milwaukee.....Sisterhood of Emanuel-El B'ne Jeshurun..... 554.00

Honor Roll

Contributions of \$350.00-\$500.00

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Alabama

Birmingham.....Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood\$ 350.00

California

Hollywood.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel 350.00

Los Angeles.....Wilshire Blvd. Temple 350.00

San Francisco.....Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood 350.00

Colorado

Trinidad.....Sisterhood of Temple Aaron 350.00

District of Columbia

Washington.....Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation 400.20

Georgia

Atlanta.....The Temple Sisterhood 350.00

Illinois

Chicago.....Beth Am Sisterhood 350.00

Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel 350.00

Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood 350.00

Women of Mizpah 450.00

Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood 350.80

Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood 350.00

Glencoe.....North Shore Temple Sisterhood 350.00

Peoria.....Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood 431.60

Indiana

Indianapolis.....The Temple Sisterhood 358.00

Iowa

Davenport.....Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel 350.00

Des Moines.....Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood 350.40

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Kentucky		
Louisville.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	\$ 350.00
Maryland		
Baltimore.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood	350.00
Massachusetts		
Boston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom	404.80
Minnesota		
Minneapolis.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	350.00
St. Paul.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple	350.00
Mississippi		
Clarksdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	351.40
Missouri		
Kansas City.....	The Temple Sisterhood-B'nai Jehudah	350.00
St. Louis.....	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood	350.00
Nebraska		
Omaha.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	350.00
New Jersey		
New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods		400.00
New York		
Albany.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth	450.00
Brooklyn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Shalom	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Beth Shalom People's Temple	350.00
	Sisterhood of Union Temple	355.00
Buffalo.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood	350.00
Great Neck.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	400.00
Lawrence.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	350.00
New York.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood	350.00
	Mt. Neboah Sisterhood	350.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	352.00
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue	350.00
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		350.00
Ohio		
Toledo.....	Sisterhood of Collingwood Avenue Temple	350.40
Oregon		
Portland.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	350.00
Pennsylvania		
Philadelphia.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	360.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	350.20
Rhode Island		
Providence.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	400.00
South Carolina		
Charleston.....	K. K. Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood	356.32
Tennessee		
Nashville.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood	412.00
Texas		
Houston.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	350.00

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West Virginia

Huntington.....Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood\$ 364.00

Canada

Toronto.....Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood 352.00

Honorable Mention

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Alabama

Bessemer.....Temple Aid Society 6.40 8.80
 Gadsden.....Huntsville Temple Sisterhood 24.00 28.40
 Huntsville.....Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood 26.40 28.20
 Jasper.....
 Sheffield-Florence- Sisterhood of Congr. B'nai Israel of Tri Cities..... 17.00 18.00
 Tuscumbia.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel 8.00 12.00
 Tuscaloosa.....Beth El Sisterhood 8.00 20.00

Arizona

Phoenix.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel..... 60.00 63.50

Arkansas

Ft. Smith.....Temple Sisterhood 86.40 93.00
 Helena.....Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El 13.60 31.35
 Hot Springs.....Temple Sisterhood House of Israel 78.25
 Little Rock.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood 195.20 205.60
 McGehee.....Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood 4.00 9.60
 Pine Bluff.....Sisterhood Anshe Emeth 97.00 107.40

California

Alameda.....Temple Israel Sisterhood 12.00 17.80
 Bakersfield.....Women of Temple Beth-El 7.20
 Beverly Hills.....Emanuel Sisterhood 40.00 60.00
 Glendale.....Sisterhood of Temple Sinai 24.00 56.00
 Hollywood (North).....Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood 95.00 99.75
 Los Angeles.....Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood 9.60
 Los Angeles.....Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood 8.00
 Los Angeles.....Temple Isaiah Sisterhood 33.00 38.40
 Los Angeles.....University Synagogue Sisterhood 48.00 50.40
 Oakland.....Sisterhood of Temple Sinai 76.00 120.00
 Pomona.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood 16.00
 Redondo Beach.....South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood 33.60 35.40
 Riverside.....Riverside Temple Beth-El Sisterhood 8.90 9.90
 San Diego.....Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary 42.40 121.60
 San Jose.....San Jose Temple Sisterhood 44.00 76.00
 Santa Ana.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom 35.20 37.60
 Stockton.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel 44.00 46.20

Colorado

Denver.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel 240.00 310.00

Connecticut

Bridgeport.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood 28.00 29.60
 Danbury.....Sisterhood of United Jewish Center..... 9.00 10.00
 New Haven.....Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood 52.00 55.20
 South Norwalk.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel 4.00 24.00
 Waterbury.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel 44.52 47.20

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Delaware

Wilmington.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth	\$127.20	\$134.00
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Florida

Coral Gables.....	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center.....	14.40	24.00
Ft. Lauderdale.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	18.40	19.40
Jacksonville.....	Temple Sisterhood	84.00	140.00
Miami.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	40.00	86.00
Miami Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	84.00	88.20
Orlando.....	Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism.....	.....	12.80
Pensacola.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	68.00	100.20
St. Petersburg.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	29.40	32.00
Tallahassee.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	41.60	44.00
Tampa.....	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood	81.60	85.68
West Palm Beach.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	32.00	33.60

Georgia

Albany.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	9.60	24.00
Athens.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel.....	.....	1.00
Augusta.....	Temple Sisterhood	80.00	84.00
Columbus.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society	90.60	120.80
Macon.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	78.00	82.40
Rome.....	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood	17.50	19.20
Savannah.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel	52.50	70.00

Illinois

Champaign-Urbana.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	12.00	24.00
Chicago.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ezra	60.80	86.80
	Temple Judea Sisterhood	63.40	66.57
	K.A.M. Temple Sisterhood .....	.....	1.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	152.80	291.80
Danville.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	1.60	8.00
Evanston.....	Beth Emet Sisterhood .....	.....	40.20
Springfield.....	Sisterhood of B'rith Sholom Temple	52.00	82.60

Indiana

Anderson.....	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood	47.96	50.40
Ft. Wayne.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood	136.40	313.00
Gary.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	40.00	44.00
Marion.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	46.83	180.97
Muncie.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	82.30	316.80
South Bend.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	206.64	220.36
Terre Haute.....	Temple Women's Organization	188.24	204.35

Iowa

Cedar Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah	62.40	184.80
Sioux City.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai	160.00	168.20

Kansas

Leavenworth.....	Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun	8.00	16.00
Topeka.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	45.10	70.00
Wichita.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	130.40	136.92

Kentucky

Henderson.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood	14.80	22.60
Lexington.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	128.40	135.60
Louisville.....	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	172.45	181.07

Louisiana

Alexandria.....	Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	103.80	109.40
Bastrop.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop	13.80	15.80
Baton Rouge.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	50.00	67.40
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood	39.50	88.35
Lafayette.....	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood	8.80	28.80

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Lake Charles.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	\$ 55.00	\$ 58.00
Monroe.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	75.00	79.20
New Iberia.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer	16.00	17.60
Shreveport.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple	156.40	166.20

Maryland

Baltimore.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom		1.00
Hagerstown.....	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood	26.40	94.60

Massachusetts

Brockton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	20.00	32.00
Lynn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	32.00	100.00
Pittsfield.....	Temple Sisterhood	29.78	32.00
Springfield.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	16.00	22.40
Worcester.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	32.80	52.80

Michigan

Alpena.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth-El	3.20	5.60
Battle Creek.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	22.40	29.40
Bay City.....	The Temple Sisterhood	16.00	30.40
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	195.00	204.80
Flint.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	152.00	160.00
Grand Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel		260.00
Jackson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	55.20	65.60
Lansing.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek	31.20	103.20
Petoskey.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	13.60	49.40

Minnesota

Duluth.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	27.93	29.33
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Mississippi

Brookhaven.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom	20.00	21.20
Canton.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel	34.75	36.49
Columbus.....	Temple Sisterhood	36.80	38.64
Drew and Ruleville.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville	62.00	65.10
Greenville.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood	134.70	148.64
Hattiesburg.....	Temple Sisterhood	21.00	37.00
Jackson.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	183.96	193.16
Laurel.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	26.88	28.22
Lexington.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood	8.20	9.20
Natchez.....	Natchez Temple Sisterhood	24.00	28.00

Missouri

Joplin.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	58.40	62.80
St. Joseph.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood	110.40	117.60
St. Louis.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood	105.00	110.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	16.00	80.00

Montana

Butte.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	4.00	5.60
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Nebraska

Lincoln.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood.....	24.80	26.60
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Nevada

Las Vegas.....	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center.....	20.00	21.60
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New Jersey

Atlantic City.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	60.00	120.00
Hackensack.....	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	33.60	36.00
Hoboken.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno.....	24.80	26.40
New Brunswick.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple.....	24.00	40.00
Paterson.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood	60.00	63.60
Plainfield.....	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	32.00	104.00
Trenton.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood	25.00	40.00

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New Mexico		
Albuquerque..... Temple Albert Sisterhood	\$	\$ 20.00
New York		
Bay Shore..... The Women's Club of Temple Sinai		1.60
Bellerose..... Sisterhood of Temple Sholom	12.00	13.60
Brooklyn..... Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim	249.60	262.20
..... Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue	40.00	62.40
..... Sisterhood of Shaari Zedek	17.60	29.60
Elmira..... Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	92.40	187.60
Elmont..... Sisterhood Temple B'nai Israel	20.00	60.00
Glens Falls..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood	9.60	28.80
Hempstead..... Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple	97.80	107.94
Kew Gardens..... Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah		8.00
Kingston..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	4.00	29.00
Laurelton..... Sisterhood of Free Synagogue of Laurelton		44.00
Mt. Vernon..... Women's Guild of Free Synagogue of Westchester.....		38.40
Newburgh..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	91.77	97.00
New York..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am		1.60
..... Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise		
..... Free Synagogue	12.80	37.60
..... Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle	22.00	36.00
..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the		
..... City of New York, Inc.	140.00	154.40
..... Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx	30.60	48.80
..... Tremont Temple Sisterhood	130.40	138.40
..... Village Temple Sisterhood	4.80	6.60
Plattsburg..... Beth Israel Sisterhood	1.60	25.00
Rochester..... B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood	80.00	141.00
Rockville Centre..... Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County.....	140.00	147.60
Roslyn..... Sisterhood of the Roslyn Jewish Community Center.....		9.60
Rye..... Sisterhood of Community Synagogue.....	28.00	29.60
Schenectady..... Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven	16.20	53.00
Syracuse..... Sisterhood of Society of Concord	168.00	196.80
Troy..... Sisterhood of Third Street Temple	40.80	49.00
Utica..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El		12.00
White Plains..... Women's Guild of the White Plains		
..... Jewish Community Center	97.60	151.60
Yonkers..... Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	59.20	106.40
North Carolina		
Asheville..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Ha-Tephila.....	20.00	79.20
Greensboro..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	40.00	42.40
Raleigh..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or	24.80	26.60
Winston-Salem..... Sisterhood Temple Emanuel		16.00
Ohio		
Akron..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel		200.00
Bellaire..... Sons of Israel Sisterhood	59.32	62.29
Canton..... McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood	40.00	185.60
East Liverpool..... B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	18.40	19.40
Fremont..... Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple	16.80	18.40
Hamilton..... Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood	82.00	86.80
Lima..... Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	24.00	48.00
Piqua..... Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	28.56	30.40
Portsmouth..... The Temple Sisterhood	74.23	77.94
Sandusky..... Ohel Shalom Sisterhood	20.80	21.84
Springfield..... Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women.....		32.80
Steubenville..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood	16.00	26.00
Youngstown..... Rodef Sholom Sisterhood	191.41	213.98
Oklahoma		
Ardmore..... Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood	4.00	20.00
Muskogee..... Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood	17.00	24.00
Tulsa..... Temple Israel Sisterhood	60.00	110.00

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Pennsylvania

Abington.....	Old York Road Temple Sisterhood	\$ 4.00	\$ 8.00
Allentown.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	93.60	227.20
Altoona.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel	48.00	56.00
Erie.....	The Temple Sisterhood	260.00	280.00
Harrisburg.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom	500.00	131.96
Johnstown.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood	139.20	146.16
Lancaster.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim	80.00	128.80
New Castle.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	17.60	18.60
Philadelphia.....	Sisterhood of Beth David Reform Congregation.....	42.40	47.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea	140.00	147.20
Pittsburgh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	168.00	194.00
Reading.....	Sisterhood Temple Ohev Sholom	114.40	188.20
Sharon.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood .....	.....	48.00
Uniontown.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel .....	.....	20.00
Wilkes-Barre.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith	19.40	20.40
Williamsport.....	Sisterhood Beth Ha-Sholom	43.20	46.00

South Carolina

Bishopville.....	Hebrew Sisterhood	18.00	19.00
Camden.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	8.80	9.80
Conway.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway	8.80	9.80
Dillon.....	Temple Sisterhood	20.00	22.40
Florence.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	72.00	80.00
Lake City-Kingstree.....	Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood	38.91	40.86
Sumter.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple	78.40	82.32

South Dakota

Sioux Falls.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	53.60	56.28
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Tennessee

Brownsville.....	The Temple Sisterhood	32.60	34.23
Chattanooga.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple	88.80	135.20
Jackson.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	40.00	42.00
Knoxville.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	99.12	104.08

Texas

Austin.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	40.00	42.40
Beaumont.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	52.20	55.60
Big Spring.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	17.55	23.00
Brownsville.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	9.00	13.20
Corpus Christi.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	16.00	17.60
Ft. Worth.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	228.54	239.97
Galveston.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	82.00	110.00
Harlingen.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood .....	.....	7.20
Houston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	276.36	290.18
Marshall.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore	16.80	18.40
Tyler.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	21.60	23.20
Waco.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Sholom	8.00	20.00
Wichita Falls.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	14.40	16.00

Utah

Salt Lake City.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	67.00	70.35
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Virginia

Alexandria.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	16.00	17.60
Bristol.....	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood	19.20	29.00
Harrisonburg.....	Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation.....	.....	29.00
Lynchburg.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue	120.00	126.40
Norfolk.....	The Sisterhood of Ohev Sholom Temple	154.40	162.12
Richmond.....	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood	123.48	129.65
Roanoke.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	85.60	89.88
Staunton.....	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood	8.00

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Washington		
Spokane.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	\$ 56.00	\$ 87.00
Tacoma.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	88.20	165.60
West Virginia		
Bluefield.....Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood	56.00	59.20
Fairmont.....Jewish Temple Sisterhood	52.00	54.60
Logan.....Temple Sisterhood	33.60	35.28
Welch.....Emanuel Sisterhood	64.00	74.60
Wheeling.....Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood	75.00	96.60
Wisconsin		
Appleton.....Zion Temple Sisterhood	40.40	64.60
Kenosha.....Beth Hillel Sisterhood	16.00	33.00
Madison.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	69.60	73.60
Oshkosh.....Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	93.00	98.00
Canada		
Hamilton.....Deborah Sisterhood Anshe Sholom Synagogue	7.20	36.00
Montreal.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	128.00	161.60

DETAILED STATEMENT OF

Contributions to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

With the exception of Districts 23 and 25, the divisions listed in this report are District units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The following symbol (*) indicates groups that are not members of the District Federation under which they are listed.

DISTRICT No. 1—\$1,670.80

New England

	CONTRIBUTIONS 1949-50
Boston, Mass.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	\$ 500.00
Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom	404.80
Temple Sinai Sisterhood	80.00
Brockton, Mass.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	32.00
Lawrence, Mass.....Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	46.80
Lynn, Mass.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	100.00
Pittsfield, Mass.....Temple Sisterhood	32.00
Springfield, Mass.*.....Temple Sinai Sisterhood	22.40
Worcester, Mass.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	52.80
Providence, R. I.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	400.00

** Affiliated with the Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

DISTRICT No. 2—\$1,166.00

Connecticut

(The Rose Zunder Memorial)

Bridgeport, Conn.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood	\$ 29.60
Danbury, Conn.*.....Sisterhood of United Jewish Center	10.00
Hartford, Conn.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	500.00
New Haven, Conn.....Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood	55.20
So. Norwalk, Conn.*.....Sisterhood of South Norwalk	24.00
Waterbury, Conn.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	47.20
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	500.00

DISTRICT No. 3—\$8,348.14

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New York¹

Albany, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth	\$ 450.00
Bay Shore.....	The Women's Club of Temple Sinai	1.60
Bellerose, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom	13.60
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom	350.00
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim	262.20
	Sisterhood of Beth Emeth of Flatbush (In memory of Rabbi Samuel J. Levinson)	350.00
	Sisterhood Beth Sholom People's Temple	350.00
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue	62.40
	Sisterhood Shaarai Zedek	29.60
	Sisterhood of Union Temple	355.00
Buffalo, N. Y.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood	350.00
Cortlandt, N. Y.	Sisterhood Temple Israel	8.00
Elmhurst, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel of Queens	20.00
Elmira, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	187.60
Elmont, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood Temple B'nai Israel	60.00
Flushing, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing	20.00
Glens Falls, N. Y.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	28.80
Great Neck, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck	400.00
Hempstead, N. Y.....	Nassau Community Temple	107.94
Hornell, N. Y.....	Beth El Sisterhood	4.00
Jamaica, N. Y.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica	67.20
Kew Gardens, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah	8.00
Kingston, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	29.00
Laurelton, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood of Free Synagogue of Laurelton	44.00
Lawrence, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel (In memory of Sallie Kubie Glauber)	350.00
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of Free Synagogue of Westchester	38.40
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	45.00
Newburgh, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	97.00
New Rochelle, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	500.40
New York*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	1.60
New York, N. Y.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood (The Jonah B. Wise Contribution)	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple of the Covenant	80.00
	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Temple Emanu-El	510.60
	Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue... ..	37.60
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim	4.00
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle	36.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc. (The Daniel P. Hays Contribution)	154.40
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood (The Blanche P. Goldfarb Contribution)	350.00
	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. Rudolph Grossman)	352.00
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue	350.00
	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx	48.80
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood	138.40
	Village Temple Sisterhood	6.60
Niagara Falls, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	40.00
Olean, N. Y.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	16.00
Plattsburg, N. Y.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	25.00
Rochester, N. Y.....	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood	141.00
Rockville Centre, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County.....	147.60
Roslyn*.....	Sisterhood of Roslyn Jewish Community Center	9.60
Rye, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood of Community Synagogue	29.60
Schenectady, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven	53.00
Staten Island, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	10.80
Syracuse, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Society of Concord	196.80
Troy, N. Y.....	The Sisterhood of Third Street Temple	49.00
Utica, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	12.00
White Plains, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of the Jewish Community Center.....	151.60
Yonkers, N. Y.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	106.40
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Sallie Kubie Glauber Memorial Contribution)		350.00

¹ Temple Emanuel S sterhood, Montreal, Quebec, Canada is an affiliate of the New York Federation.
See "Foreign" listing.

DISTRICT No. 4—\$1,162.00

New Jersey

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1949-50
Atlantic City, N. J.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	\$ 120.00
Hackensack, N. J.....	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood	36.00
Hoboken, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno	26.40
Jersey City, N. J.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	48.00
Newark, N. J.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun (Rabbi Solomon Foster Contribution)	500.00
New Brunswick, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple	40.00
Orange, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo	184.00
Paterson, N. J.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood	63.60
Plainfield, N. J.....	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	104.00
Trenton, N. J.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood	40.00

DISTRICT No. 5—\$4,831.05

Pennsylvania

Abington.....	Old York Road Temple Sisterhood	\$ 8.00
Allentown, Pa.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	227.20
Altoona, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel	56.00
Clearfield, Pa.....	Clearfield Sisterhood	8.00
Easton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Covenant of Peace	173.53
Erie, Pa.....	The Temple Sisterhood	280.00
Greensburg, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	52.00
Harrisburg, Pa.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood	131.96
Hazleton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	68.00
Honesdale, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	17.60
Johnstown, Pa.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood	146.16
Lancaster, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim	128.80
McKeesport, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	60.00
New Castle, Pa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	18.60
Philadelphia, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth David	47.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea	147.20
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood (Dr. Joseph Krauskopf Memorial)	360.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	350.20
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood (Given by Mr. and Mrs. Mayer Forst in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Falk)	350.00
	(In memory of Dr. J. Leonard Levy and commemorating his birthday, November 24)	645.80
	Confirmation Class, 1950 (Honoring Dr. Solomon B. Freehof and Rabbi Murray Rothman)	850.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	194.00
Reading, Pa.....	Temple Ohev Sholom Sisterhood	188.20
Scranton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple	96.00
Sharon, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	48.00
Uniontown, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	20.00
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith	20.40
Williamsport, Pa.....	Temple Beth-Ha Sholom Sisterhood	46.00
York, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	92.00

DISTRICT No. 6—\$5,159.45

Ohio

Akron, O.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	\$ 200.00
Alliance, O.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	9.60
Ashtabula, O.....	Sisterhood Tifereth Israel	12.00
Bellaire, O.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood	62.29
Canton, O.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood	185.60
Cincinnati, O.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood (The Isaac Mayer Wise Contribution)	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood (The Dr. David Philipson Contribution)	500.00
Cleveland, O.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood	500.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel	508.00

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1949-50
Cleveland, O.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	\$ 21.20
Columbus, O.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel	500.00
Dayton, O.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	684.80
East Liverpool, O.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	19.40
Elyria, O.....	Elyria Sisterhood	11.20
Fremont, O.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	18.40
Hamilton, O.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood	86.80
Lima, O.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	48.00
Lorain, O.....	Lorain Temple Sisterhood	68.80
Newark, O.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society	15.00
Piqua, O.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	30.40
Portsmouth, O.....	The Temple Sisterhood	77.94
Sandusky, O.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	21.84
Springfield, O.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women	32.80
Stuebenville, O.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	26.00
Toledo, O.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood	350.40
Youngstown, O.....	Rodef Sholom Sisterhood	213.98
Zanesville, O.....	Findlay Avenue Temple Sisterhood	5.00
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In honor of Rabbi George Lieberman, Canton, Ohio)		500.00

DISTRICT No. 7—\$1,382.81
West Virginia

Bluefield, W. Va.....	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood	\$ 59.20
Charleston, W. Va.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood	509.60
Clarksburg, W. Va.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life	40.20
Fairmont, W. Va.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood	54.60
Huntington, W. Va.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood	364.00
Logan, W. Va.....	Temple Sisterhood	35.28
Morgantown, W. Va.....	Morgantown Sisterhood	48.00
Parkersburg, W. Va.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	23.40
Welch, W. Va.....	The Emanuel Sisterhood	74.60
Wheeling, W. Va.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood	96.60
Williamson, W. Va.....	Temple Sisterhood	57.33
West Virginia Federation of Temple Sisterhoods		20.00

DISTRICT No. 8—\$3,798.15

District of Columbia-Maryland-Delaware-Virginia-North Carolina

Washington, D. C.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation (The Dr. Abram Simon Memorial)	\$ 400.20
Baltimore, Md.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom	1.00
	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood	1,171.80
	Har Sinai Sisterhood (The David Einhorn Contribution)	350.00
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood (The Szold-Kaiser Contribution)	757.60
Cumberland, Md.....	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood	32.00
Hagerstown, Md.....	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood	94.60
Wilmington, Del.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth	134.00
Alexandria, Va.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	17.60
Bristol, Va.*.....	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood	29.00
Charlottesville, Va.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	10.70
Fredericksburg, Va.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	64.80
Harrisonburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation	29.00
Lynchburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue	126.40
Norfolk, Va.....	The Sisterhood of Oheb Sholom Temple	162.12
Richmond, Va.....	Temple Beth Ahabah Sisterhood	129.65
Roanoke, Va.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	89.88
Staunton, Va.....	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood	8.00
Asheville, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila	79.20
Gastonia, N. C.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	10.00
Goldsboro, N. C.....	Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	10.00
Greensboro, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	42.40
Raleigh, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or	26.60
Wilmington, N. C.....	Sisterhood Ladies Concordia Society	5.60
Winston Salem, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	16.00

DISTRICT No. 10—\$2,662.08
Indiana

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1949-50
Anderson, Ind.....	Jewish Sisterhood	\$ 50.40
Evansville, Ind.....	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood	774.40
Ft. Wayne, Ind.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood	313.00
Gary, Ind.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel	44.00
Hammond, Ind.....	Beth El Sisterhood	114.00
Indianapolis, Ind.....	The Temple Sisterhood (In honor of Dr. Harry Jacobs)	358.00
Marion, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	180.97 ²
Michigan City, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	85.80
Muncie, Ind.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	316.80
South Bend, Ind.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	220.36
Terre Haute, Ind.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	204.35

² \$5.00 from the Marion Sinai Temple Memorial Fund in memory of George Zimmerman.

DISTRICT No. 11—\$1,716.80
Michigan

Alpena, Mich.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	\$ 5.60
Battle Creek, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	29.40
Bay City, Mich.....	The Temple Sisterhood	30.40
Detroit, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El (The Yahrzeit Fund and the Paul Kahn Brown Contribution)	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	204.80
Flint, Mich.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	160.00
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	260.00
Jackson, Mich.....	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple	65.60
Lansing, Mich.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek	103.20
Muskegon, Mich.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel	140.00
Petoskey, Mich.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	49.40
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	160.40
Saginaw, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	8.00

DISTRICT No. 12—\$2,028.78
Kentucky-Tennessee

Henderson, Ky.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood	\$ 22.60
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	135.60
Louisville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	350.00
	Temple B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	181.07
Paducah, Ky.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	58.00
Brownsville, Tenn.....	The Temple Sisterhood	34.23
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple	135.20
Clarksville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	4.00
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	42.00
Knoxville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	104.08
Memphis, Tenn.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood (In honor of Mrs. H. W. Ettelson)	500.00
Nashville, Tenn.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood	412.00
Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods		50.00

DISTRICT No. 13—\$1,602.90
South Carolina

(In Memory of Mrs. Rose Hirschman)

Bishopville, S. C.....	Hebrew Sisterhood	\$ 19.00
Camden, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	9.80
Charleston, S. C.....	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood	356.32
Columbia, S. C.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life	912.40
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	9.80
Darlington, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	40.80
Dillon, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	22.40
Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	80.00
Georgetown, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	29.20
Lake City-Kingstree.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood	40.86
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	82.32

DISTRICT No. 14—\$2,001.08
Georgia-Florida-Alabama

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1949-50
Bessemer, Ala.....	Beth-El Sisterhood	\$ 20.00
Birmingham, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	350.00
Dothan, Ala.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	24.00
Gadsden, Ala.....	Temple Aid Society	8.80
Huntsville, Ala.....	Temple Sisterhood	28.40
Jasper, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	28.20
Sheffield-Florence		
Tuscumbia.....	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood	18.00
Tuscaloosa, Ala.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	12.00
Coral Gables, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center	24.00
Daytona Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	78.40
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	19.40
Jacksonville, Fla.....	Temple Sisterhood	140.00
Miami, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	86.00
Miami Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	88.20
Orlando, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism	12.80
Pensacola, Fla.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	100.20
St. Petersburg, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	32.00
Tallahassee, Fla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	44.00
Tampa, Fla.....	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood	85.68
West Palm Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel	33.60
Albany, Ga.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	24.00
Athens, Ga.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel	1.00
Atlanta, Ga.....	The Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Augusta, Ga.....	Temple Sisterhood	84.00
Brunswick, Ga.....	Temple Beth Tefillah Sisterhood	16.00
Columbus, Ga.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid Society	120.80
Macon, Ga.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	82.40
Rome, Ga.*.....	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood	19.20
Savannah, Ga.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel	70.00

DISTRICT No. 16—\$1,723.80
Mississippi-Arkansas

(The Sadie Landman Geisenberger Memorial)

Brookhaven, Miss.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom	\$ 21.20
Canton, Miss.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	36.49
Clarksdale, Miss.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	351.40
Columbus, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood	38.64
Drew and Ruleville.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville	65.10
Greenville, Miss.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood	148.64
Hattiesburg, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood	37.00
Jackson, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	193.16
Laurel, Miss.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	28.22
Lexington, Miss.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood	9.20
Meridian, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	68.00
Natchez, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood	28.00
Riverside, Miss.....	Riverside Adath Israel Sisterhood	1.60
Vicksburg, Miss.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood	165.75
Ft. Smith, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood	93.00
Helena, Ark.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El	31.35 ³
Hot Springs, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel	78.25 ⁴
Jonesboro, Ark.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	6.20
Little Rock, Ark.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	205.60 ⁵
McGehee, Ark.....	Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood	9.60
Pine Bluff, Ark.....	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	107.40 ⁶

³\$9.60 of this amount in tribute to Regina Kaplan and to mark her recovery from serious illness.

⁴\$16.00 of this amount in tribute to Regina Kaplan and to mark her recovery from serious illness;

⁵\$50.00 from Miss Kaplan to mark her recovery.

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DISTRICT No. 17—\$2,142.75

Louisiana

	CONTRIBUTIONS 1949-50
Alexandria, La.....Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim	\$ 109.40
Bastrop, La.....Sisterhood of Bastrop	15.80
Baton Rouge, La.....B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	67.40
Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood	88.35
Bogalusa, La.....Beth El Sisterhood	4.00
Lafayette, La.....Temple Sisterhood	28.80
Lake Charles, La.....Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	58.00
Monroe, La.....Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	79.20
Morgan City, La.....The Morgan City Sisterhood	8.00
New Iberia, La.....Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer	17.60
New Orleans, La.....Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer	500.00
Temple Sinai Sisterhood (James K. Gutheim Contribution) ...	500.00
Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue	500.00
Shreveport, La.....Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple	166.20

DISTRICT No. 18—\$4,991.73

Illinois

Bloomington, Ill.....Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood	\$ 36.00
Champaign-Urbana.....Sinai Temple Sisterhood	24.00
Chicago, Ill.....Beth Am Sisterhood	350.00
Temple Beth El Sisterhood	52.80
Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel	350.00
Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Volkman Contribution)	201.80
Temple Emanuel Sisterhood (The Felix A. Levy Contribution)	350.00
Temple Ezra Sisterhood	86.80
Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel (In memory of Dr. Joseph Stolz and Dr. Gerson B. Levi)	500.00
Temple Judea Sisterhood (Rabbi David Rosenbaum Memorial Contribution)	66.57
K.A.M. Temple Sisterhood	1.00
Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	291.80
Women of Mizpah (The Jacob Singer Contribution)	450.00
Temple Sholom Sisterhood (The Abram Hirschberg Contribution)	280.00
Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood	350.80
South Shore Temple Sisterhood (In honor of Dr. G. George Fox)	154.36
Washington Boulevard Temple Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Schwartz Contribution)	350.00
Danville, Ill.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	8.00
Evanston, Ill.....Beth Emet Sisterhood	40.20
Glencoe, Ill.....North Shore Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Kankakee, Ill.....B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	26.40
Peoria, Ill.....Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood	431.60
Rockford, Ill.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	117.00
Springfield, Ill.....Sisterhood of B'rith Sholom Temple	82.60
Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	40.00

DISTRICT No. 19—\$823.20

Wisconsin

Appleton, Wis.....Temple Zion Sisterhood	\$ 64.60
Kenosha, Wis.....Beth Hillel Sisterhood	33.00
Madison, Wis.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	73.60
Milwaukee, Wis.....Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun	554.00
Oshkosh, Wis.....Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	98.00

DISTRICT No. 20—\$3,438.12

Iowa-Missouri-Nebraska-Kansas-Colorado-New Mexico

(In Memory of Mrs. Maurice Steinfeld)

**CONTRIBUTIONS
1949-50**

Cedar Rapids, Ia.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah	\$ 184.80
Davenport, Ia.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	350.00
Des Moines, Ia.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood	350.40
Sioux City, Ia.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai	168.20
Joplin, Mo.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	62.80
Kansas City, Mo.....	The Temple Sisterhood—B'nai Jehudah	350.00
St. Joseph, Mo.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood	117.60
St. Louis, Mo.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood	110.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	80.00
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood	350.00
Springfield, Mo.....	Sisterhood United Hebrew Congregations	16.00
Lincoln, Nebr.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood	26.60
Omaha, Nebr.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	350.00
Leavenworth, Kan.....	Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun	16.00
Topeka, Kan.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	70.00
Wichita, Kan.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	136.92
Colorado Springs, Colo.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	38.40
Denver, Colo.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	310.00
Trinidad, Colo.....	Sisterhood of Temple Aaron (In honor of Albert Moses' Seventieth Birthday)	350.00
Albuquerque, N. Mex.....	Temple Albert Sisterhood	20.00

DISTRICT No. 22—\$2,728.55

Texas-Oklahoma

Austin, Tex.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	\$ 42.40
Beaumont, Tex.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	55.60
Big Spring, Tex.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	23.00
Brownsville, Tex.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	13.20
Corpus Christi, Tex.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	17.60
Dallas, Tex.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	500.00
El Paso, Tex.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	100.00
Ft. Worth, Tex.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	239.97
Galveston, Tex.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	110.00
Harlingen, Tex.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	7.20
Houston, Tex.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	290.18
Lufkin, Tex.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	8.40
Marshall, Tex.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore	18.40
Port Arthur, Tex.....	Sisterhood of Rodef Shalom	13.00
San Antonio, Tex.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	140.00
Tyler, Tex.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	23.20
Waco, Tex.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Shalom	20.00
Wichita Falls, Tex.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	16.00
Ardmore, Okla.....	Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood	20.00
Muskogee, Okla.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood	24.00
Oklahoma City, Okla....	Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel (The Fannie Blatt Contribution)	586.40
Tulsa, Okla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	110.00

DISTRICT No. 23—\$91.95

Utah-Nevada

Las Vegas, Nev.*.....	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center	\$ 21.60
Salt Lake City, Utah*....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	70.35

DISTRICT No. 24—\$4,159.85

California-Oregon-Washington-Arizona

Phoenix, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	\$ 63.50
Tucson, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	132.80

		CONTRIBUTIONS 1949-50
Alameda, Calif.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	\$ 17.80
Bakersfield, Calif.....	Women of Temple Beth-El	7.20
Berkeley, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	17.60
Beverly Hills, Calif.....	Emanuel Sisterhood	60.00
Glendale, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	56.00
Hollywood, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	350.00
Hollywood (No.), Calif.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	99.75
Long Beach, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	60.00
Los Angeles, Calif.....	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood	9.60
	Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood	8.00
	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood	38.40
	University Synagogue Sisterhood	50.40
	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Oakland, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	120.00
Pomona, Calif.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	16.00
Redondo Beach, Calif.....	South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood	35.40
Riverside, Calif.....	Riverside Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	9.90
San Bernardino, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	23.00
San Diego, Calif.....	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary	121.60
San Francisco, Calif.....	Temple Emanu-El Guild (In honor of Centennial of Con- gregation Emanu-El)	500.00
	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood	350.00
San Gabriel, Calif.....	Temple Beth David Sisterhood	20.80
San Jose, Calif.....	San Jose Temple Sisterhood	76.00
Santa Ana, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	37.60
Santa Monica, Calif.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	164.80
Stockton, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	46.20
Portland, Ore.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood (The Henry J. Berkowitz Memorial Contribution)	350.00
Seattle, Wash.....	Sisterhood Temple de Hirsch	712.20
Spokane, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	87.00
Tacoma, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	165.60
Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods		2.70

DISTRICT No. 25—\$807.21

Minnesota-North and South Dakota-Montana

Duluth, Minn.*.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	\$ 29.33
Minneapolis, Minn.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel (The Dr. Samuel N. Deinard Con- tribution)	350.00
St. Paul, Minn.*.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple	350.00
Butte, Mont.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	5.60
Fargo, N. D.*.....	Beth El Sisterhood	16.00
Sioux Falls, S. D.*.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	56.28

The Stella H. Freiberg Contribution—\$33.00

(Composed of contributions from the constituent Sisterhoods, in honor of Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Past President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.)

Isaac M. Wise Memorial Fund—\$397.66

FOREIGN—\$549.60

Hamilton, Ont., Can.*.....	Deborah Sisterhood	\$ 36.00
Montreal, Que., Can.....	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood	161.60
Toronto, Ont., Can.*.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood	352.00

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on Scholarships and Religious Education**

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REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Uniongrams

Columbus, O., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Friends:

During the year that I have had the privilege of serving as Chairman of the Committee on Uniongrams, I have learned many things. Not only has it been a rewarding experience for me to have met so many interesting and interested Sisterhood members by mail, but most of all I have come to realize how tirelessly and devotedly many of our members have worked to sell Uniongrams. The enthusiastic letters I have received, as well as the constructive suggestions and new ideas, are all very heart-warming. But even more exciting than the enthusiastic letters is the concrete evidence that that enthusiasm has been translated into an increase in sales over last year by nearly 15,000 individual Uniongrams.

On behalf of the National Committee on Uniongrams, I take pleasure in presenting the following annual report:

CALENDAR OF UNIONGRAM SALES

(Based on NFTS fiscal years: Nov. 1, 1948 - Oct. 31, 1949, and
Nov. 1, 1949 - Oct. 31, 1950.)

1948-49		1949-50	
November	17,477	November	12,700
December	11,900	December	13,361
1949		1950	
January	15,436	January	16,176
February	9,548	February	8,240
March	10,336	March	13,152
April	16,856	April	18,069
May	19,141	May	27,588
June	15,836	June	14,526
July	7,324	July	7,148
August	7,948	August	13,517
September	27,388	September	20,408
October	26,636	October	35,930
Total	185,826	Total	200,815

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Uniongram Chairmen, Mrs. Myron Buxbaum and Mrs. Murray Kaufman of Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., which purchased 4,868 Uniongrams. Honors to the Sisterhood Tree of Life, Columbia, S. C., Mrs. Herbert Spiers, Uniongram Chairman, which purchased 4,560 Uniongrams. And honors to the third highest Uniongram purchaser, the Oheb Shalom Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., Miss Marianna Meyer, Uniongram Chairman, for 3,788 Uniongrams.

Because I am well aware of the great amount of time and energy that is expended by all Uniongram Chairmen and their Committees, I wish to extend congratulations to all those who have helped to make this a banner year in Uniongram activity.

1949-1950 UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL

Sisterhoods Which Participated 100% in National Uniongram Day,
January 21, 1950, or Sold the Equivalent of One Book of Uniongrams per Member
in NFTS Fiscal Year Ending October 31, 1950.

Huntsville, Ala.	Huntsville Temple Sisterhood
Ft. Smith, Ark.	Temple Sisterhood (United Hebrew)
Little Rock, Ark.	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
San Diego, Calif.	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary
Santa Ana, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom
Santa Monica, Calif.	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Colorado Springs, Colo.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Wilmington, Del.	Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth
Washington, D. C.	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation
Pensacola, Fla.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Tallahassee, Fla.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Augusta, Ga.	Temple Sisterhood
Brunswick, Ga.	Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood
Rome, Ga.	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood
Chicago, Ill.	Beth Am Sisterhood
Chicago, Ill.	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel
Chicago, Ill.	Temple Judea Sisterhood
Peoria, Ill.	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood
Rockford, Ill.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Anderson, Ind.	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood
Evansville, Ind.	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Fort Wayne, Ind.	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood
Marion, Ind.	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Michigan City, Ind.	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Muncie, Ind.	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
South Bend, Ind.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Terre Haute, Ind.	The Women's Organization
Cedar Rapids, Ia.	Sisterhood of Temple Judah
Davenport, Ia.	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Des Moines, Ia.	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood
Sioux City, Ia.	Sisterhood of Mount Sinai
Topeka, Kan.	Beth Sholom Sisterhood
Wichita, Kan.	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Henderson, Ky.	Adas Israel Sisterhood
Lexington, Ky.	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood
Bastrop, La.	Sisterhood of Bastrop
Baton Rouge, La.	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood
Lafayette, La.	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood
New Iberia, La.	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer
New Orleans, La.	Temple Sinai Sisterhood
Baltimore, Md.	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood
Baltimore, Md.	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood
Hagerstown, Md.	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood
Bay City, Mich.	The Temple Sisterhood
Flint, Mich.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Grand Rapids, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Jackson, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Muskegon, Mich.	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Pontiac, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob
	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood

Clarksdale, Miss.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Columbus, Miss.	Columbus Temple Sisterhood
Drew and Ruleville, Miss.	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville
Jackson, Miss.	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood
Meridian, Miss.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Vicksburg, Miss.	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood
Joplin, Mo.	Temple Aid Sisterhood
St. Louis, Mo.	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood
Omaha, Nebr.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Las Vegas, Nev.	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center
Newark, N. J.	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun
Orange, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Women's Auxiliary Congr. Beth Elohim
Elmira, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel
Laurelton, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Free Synagogue of Laurelton
Newburgh, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob
New York, N. Y.	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood
New York, N. Y.	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx
New York, N. Y.	Tremont Temple Sisterhood
Syracuse, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Society of Concord
Yonkers, N. Y.	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Asheville, N. C.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila
Fargo, N. D.	Beth El Sisterhood
Bellaire, O.	Sisterhood Sons of Israel
Cincinnati, O.	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Columbus, O.	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood
Dayton, O.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
East Liverpool, O.	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Piqua, O.	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood
Muskogee, Okla.	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood
Tulsa, Okla.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Allentown, Pa.	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Easton, Pa.	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace
Erie, Pa.	The Temple Sisterhood
Greensburg, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Harrisburg, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom
Hazleton, Pa.	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple
Johnstown, Pa.	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood
Lancaster, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim
New Castle, Pa.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Temple Sinai Sisterhood
Reading, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple Oheb Sholom
York, Pa.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Providence, R. I.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Charleston, S. C.	K. K. Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood
Columbia, S. C.	Sisterhood Tree of Life
Conway, S. C.	Temple Sisterhood of Conway
Darlington, S. C.	Darlington Temple Sisterhood
Dillon, S. C.	Dillon Temple Sisterhood
Florence, S. C.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Georgetown, S. C.	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood
Sumter, S. C.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Sioux Falls, S. D.	Mt. Zion Sisterhood
Brownsville, Tenn.	The Temple Sisterhood
Clarksville, Tenn.	Beth-El Temple Sisterhood
Jackson, Tenn.	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Knoxville, Tenn.	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple
Nashville, Tenn.	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood
Big Spring, Tex.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Brownsville, Tex.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El
Marshall, Tex.	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore
Fredericksburg, Va.	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Harrisonburg, Va.	Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation
Lynchburg, Va.	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue
Roanoke, Va.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Seattle, Wash.	Sisterhood of Temple De Hirsch
Spokane, Wash.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El

Tacoma, Wash.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Bluefield, W. Va.	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood
Charleston, W. Va.	Virginia St. Temple Sisterhood
Fairmont, W. Va.	Fairmont Jewish Temple Sisterhood
Huntington, W. Va.	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Morgantown, W. Va.	Morgantown Sisterhood
Welch, W. Va.	Emanuel Sisterhood
Appleton, Wis.	Zion Temple Sisterhood
Oshkosh, Wis.	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel

SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN ADDED

It is my happy privilege to announce that since the last meeting of the Executive Board, two new sources of income for the NFTS Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund have been added. One is from the Uniongram Thank-You card and the other is from the miniature Uniongram. The response has been immediate to both of these new projects and most gratifying. For each box of fifteen Thank-You cards and envelopes, available in two styles at \$1.00 per box, twenty cents is credited to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund upon behalf of the selling Sisterhood. Miniature Uniongrams, like the regular size blank, sell at twenty-five cents each of which twenty cents is credited to the Fund.

This year has been a source of inspiration to me, and I am grateful for having been given the privilege of serving as Chairman.

(MRS. JEROME D.) BESSIE FOLKMAN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Youth Activities

Evansville, Ind., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Today, with a world changing, we must constantly redefine our responsibility, our relationship and our plans for youth in order to vouchsafe the future of Liberal Judaism which resides solely in the young men and women who are the very backbone of a movement such as ours. Should we fail these young men and women, our Liberal Jewish movement loses its vigor and vitality to other and perhaps less constructive, less Jewish causes. We, the mothers in Israel, are mandated by youth itself to produce plans of social, religious and educational value which will develop a strong, unified leadership.

During this past fiscal year, the National Committee on Youth Activities has been endeavoring to formulate a concrete program that would meet the needs of all Temple youth; to give program aid to the very small, as well as the very large Sisterhood; and to foster a continuing association with the Temple,

for only in this continuing association can we give our children the security of "belonging." These times of change and crisis add to the natural difficulties and adjustments of youth.

A Seven Point program has been developed which was sent to every local, and State or District Youth Chairman, to Local Presidents, State or District Presidents and all NFTS Executive Board members: (1) A Youth Choir; (2) A Youth Sabbath; (3) A Youth Discussion Group; (4) A Youth Canteen; (5) A Sisterhood Committee on Youth Activities; (6) Youth Conclave Week-Ends; (7) Affiliation with the National Federation of Temple Youth.

In addition to this program, monthly letters went out to all the above named chairmen, presidents and Board members. Although some response was gratefully received, by and large, the majority of Sisterhoods did not comment on the merit or value of such programming. In order to evaluate the potentialities of programming at the National level, a report of local activities and the use of our Seven Point Program is necessary for any adequate future planning. To implement greater response, a questionnaire was sent out. It is the hope of the Chairman that, through the questionnaire, we will gather new information, new ideas, as well as evaluate the merit of the Seven Point Program and its use; and with these new ideas be able to increase the points of our program thus serving greater numbers of our Sisterhoods and our youth.

As your National Chairman, I represent NFTS on the National Board of the National Federation of Temple Youth. The National Federation of Temple Youth, like the world, is in a transitional period. Rabbi Samuel Cook, Director of NFTY, has been faced with growing demands for direction, programming and service, and a shrinking budget. During this past fiscal year, NFTY began a policy of decentralization whereby each NFTY Region conducted its own affairs under volunteer counsellors. The programs of each Region culminated in annual Regional Federation conventions, of which twelve were held, plus a number of sub-Regional conferences. While decentralization is not the most desirable organizational policy it has worked very well and without injury to either the National, Regional or Local Youth units. The policy will probably be continued until such time as the financial picture is stabilized and a budget increase possible.

The National Camp Institutes, sponsored by the National Federation of Temple Youth, were held in Decatur, Michigan, at Camp Lake of the Woods, from August 20 through September 1. Two hundred and seventy-five young men and women attended, representing some sixty-six different cities from California to New York. The theme of this year's Institute was "Reform Judaism—The Next 75 Years."

During this past fiscal year I attended the National Board meetings of the National Federation of Temple Youth in Buffalo, N. Y., and in Decatur, Mich. I spoke to the Chicago Federation of Temple Youth at their Week-End Conclave and attended an Institute Planning meeting in Cincinnati. I have spoken on Youth Activities in Davenport, Iowa; Lexington, Ky.; Henderson, Ky.; Newark, N. J.; Cincinnati, Ohio; and to the NFTS State and District Federation Conventions of Kentucky-Tennessee and Michigan. Through these personal contacts I have been able to crystallize the needs of local groups and to discuss with

State and District Federations the best methods of implementing service both at the State/District and the NFTS level to their affiliated units without expenditure from the State/District or National treasury. It must be stated quite clearly that though this Committee expends time, effort and planning, the financial assistance given to our Youth program comes from our Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, from which we allocate to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations \$35,000 annually. Of that \$35,000, \$15,000 is earmarked for Religious Education and Youth Activities. If we are aware of our responsibility to youth, if we wish to implement our National programming, then we must increase our contribution to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

(MRS. JEROME L.) HANNAH SALM, *Chairman*

REPORT ON

Correspondence Courses

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Cincinnati, O., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

I am happy to report to you once again on the special fund which you established for correspondence courses. You were kind enough to grant, at my suggestion, the sum of \$3,500.00 for each of two successive years. Later you gave us a further grant of \$500.00 for this purpose, making a total of \$7,500.00 for this experiment.

We proceeded to prepare a series of correspondence courses in accordance with a plan mapped out by the Educational Director and approved by the Commission on Jewish Education and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Five courses have been prepared. They are: a course on the *Jewish Festivals*, a course in *Jewish History*, a course on the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*, a course on a *History of the Jews in the United States*, and a course on *Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World*.

Some time ago we pointed out that some of the students who registered for the courses do not complete them. In general we have found the courses more useful to people in small communities who wish to prepare themselves as teachers rather than to adults who wish to engage in Jewish study for its own sake. Too often the latter start with good intentions, but before they go very far they give up their studies. Bearing the above in mind we decided to revise our courses to make them as simple as possible in the hope that the average adult

who is not given to intensive study may be interested. We are pleased to report that two of the courses have now been revised, namely, the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*, and the course on the *Jewish Festivals*. These have passed the experimental stage and will be included in our catalogue for next year and made generally available. Furthermore, we are preparing a new course on *Present Day Problems and Movements*, for which we have the newly revised edition of *Modern Jewish Problems* by Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn.

In a previous report I called your attention to the fact that 139 students completed their courses, while many others registered and pursued some of the courses without completing them.

The financial status of our Correspondence Fund is as follows:

Balance in Correspondence Courses Fund, 7-1-49*	\$2,983.49
Receipts	131.45
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	\$3,114.94
Disbursements	94.92
Balance in Correspondence Courses Account, 6-30-50.	\$3,020.02

* The fiscal year of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations is July 1-June 30

On behalf of the Commission on Jewish Education I want to congratulate you both for the devotion to Jewish education and for the vision reflected in your continuous interest in the pioneering work in Jewish education which we are doing in this unique and untried field.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Educational Director,*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

REPORT OF

Institutes for Teachers and Laymen

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Cincinnati, O., October 31, 1950

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a privilege to report to you once again on the work made possible through your generosity, namely, the bringing of lectures to teachers and adults in various communities throughout the land. The period covered by this report is from November 1, 1949, to October 31, 1950.

As you know, NFTS now gives an annual grant of \$1,500.00 for lectures to teachers and adults. When first established, a special committee was appointed consisting of representatives both of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and of the Commission on Jewish Education to consider this activity. A memorandum was then issued which stated that the lectures were to be primarily

related to "various phases of teacher training, and aim to improve textbooks and methods of instruction used in our schools. Some of the lectures, however, will be on general subjects of interest to Jewish adults, especially to members of the Sisterhoods. Wherever possible an effort will be made to arrange, at the same time, for lectures to adults as well as for lectures to teachers." This memorandum, submitted to the joint committee, was unanimously approved by them. Our lectures are being arranged along the lines agreed upon by the committee, except that from time to time, when lectures for teachers and adults are arranged, occasional lectures are also included for young people. In fact, sometimes our young people bring adults to the lectures and vice versa.

During this fiscal year a total of fifty lectures were delivered in twelve communities in the United States. Of these, thirty-eight were for teachers and twelve for adults and youth. These lectures were attended by 459 teachers and 605 adults or youth. Wherever it was possible a special meeting for the entire congregation was arranged, at which both the men and women were present. At times, separate meetings were also arranged with the Sisterhood of the Temple. Where evening meetings are arranged, the Sisterhood President is, of course, informed, and the Sisterhood usually plays an active part in the arrangements.

The following are the cities in which lectures were delivered: Miami, Fla.; Wichita, Kans.; Lexington, Ky.; Alexandria, La.; Baton Rouge, La.; Boston, Mass.; East Orange, N. J.; South Orange, N. J.; Mount Vernon, N. Y.; Cincinnati, Ohio; Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Houston, Tex.

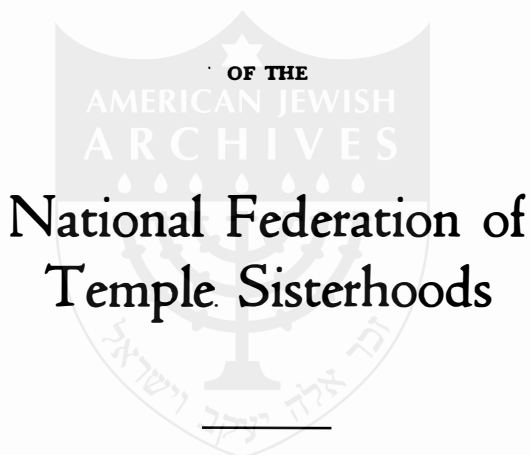
The demand for this service continues unabated in many communities, as is indicated by the letters of recommendation in our office concerning the work done in this field. These letters give much credit to NFTS and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. You have reason to feel justly proud that you are giving support to such a significant phase of educational work which helps to improve religious education throughout a wide geographic area.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Educational Director,*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

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National Federation of
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CLEVELAND, OHIO

1950

AND

CORNERSTONE LAYING CEREMONY, NOVEMBER 19, 1950
UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM—BERG MEMORIAL
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Program

EIGHTEENTH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

November 12-15, 1950, Cleveland, Ohio*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 11:30 A.M.—4:00 P.M.

OPENING SESSION (IN FORM OF "BRUNCH")—HOTEL CLEVELAND, BALLROOM
 PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y., *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

Father in Heaven, as once again we assemble, we ask Thy blessing on our undertakings. For the privilege of working together in Thy name, for health and strength, for the earnestness and zeal of our leaders, for the kindness and affection we have for one another, do we thank Thee. We are mindful of our friends who are unable to break bread with us this day. Grant that they soon again may join hands with us in our labors. Be Thou praised in the words of our fathers: *Boruch Ato Adonoi Elohenu Melech ho-olom, hamotsi lechem min ho-orets*. Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who bringest forth bread from the earth. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Greetings

Cleveland Hostess Sisterhoods Mrs. J. C. NEWMAN, Cleveland, O.
Past President, NFTS District No. 6, Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Non-U. S. Units Mrs. GEORGE HOLLINGER, Montreal, Can.
Vice-President, Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Montreal

Conference Committee, National Jewish Women's Organizations
 Mrs. ALBERT J. MAY, New York, N. Y.
NFTS Honorary Executive Board Member; Past Chairman, C.C.N.J.W.O.

Appointment of Convention Committees (Credentials; Nominations; President's Message;
 Resolutions; Rules; Thanks.)

President's Message Mrs. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y.

House of Living Judaism Mrs. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND, New York, N. Y., *Chairman*

Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations —

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion Dr. SAMUEL HOLLENDER, Chicago, Ill.

Sisterhood Life and Service in South Africa Mrs. ETHEL SMITH,
*Johannesburg, South Africa, Secretary of the United Jewish Reform Congregations,
 Johannesburg*

* NFTS Executive Board Meetings

The Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods will meet on Saturday, November 11th, at 8 P.M. in the Empire Room (Parlor Floor).

The time and place of the Mid-Convention Meeting will be announced during the Convention (this was held 12:40 P.M., Wednesday, November 15th, in the Empire Room — Yearbook Editor).

The Post-Convention Meeting will be held Wednesday, November 15th, at 4 P.M. in the Empire Room.

8:00 P.M.

JOINT SESSION WITH UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
BALLROOM, HOTEL CLEVELAND

10:00 P.M.

RECEPTION TO UAHC AND NFTS DELEGATES
BY THE REFORM JEWISH CONGREGATIONS OF CLEVELAND
RED ROOM AND BALLROOM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 8:30 A.M.—10:30 A.M.

PRESIDENTS' BREAKFASTS

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

We thank Thee, O God, for the blessing of friendship and the gift of fellowship. Watch Thou over us as we meet within these walls, and grant that as we enjoy the food that Thou dost provide, we may be moved the more willingly to share that which we have with those who suffer want. *Boruch Ato Adonoi Elohenu Melech ho-olom, hamotsi lechem min ho-orets.* Blessed be Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who bringest forth bread from the earth. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

*(To become acquainted and to discuss problems of mutual interest.
For the President or her Representative from):*

1. New Sisterhoods (Four years old or less)
Rooms 5-7

CHAIRMAN

MRS. JOSEPH GLANZER, New York, N. Y.
*Recording Secretary and Program Chairman, NFTS
District No. 3, New York State Federation of Temple
Sisterhoods; President, Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.
N. Y.*

2. Smaller Sisterhoods (Less than 100 members)
Rooms 26-28

CHAIRMAN

MRS. MELVIN HARRIS, Columbia, S. C.
*President, NFTS District No. 13, South Carolina
Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.*

3. Medium Sized Sisterhoods (100 to 400 members)
Rooms 30-32

CHAIRMAN

MRS. ARTHUR GOLDSMITH, Scranton, Pa.
*President, NFTS District No. 5, Pennsylvania Fed-
eration of Temple Sisterhoods.*

4. Large Sisterhoods (400 or more members)
Rooms 27-29

CHAIRMAN

MRS. WILLIAM J. LEFFLER, Tuckahoe, N. Y.
*President, NFTS District No. 3, New York Federa-
tion of Temple Sisterhoods.*

10:40 A.M.—12:40 P.M.

WORKSHOPS FOR PROJECTS AND PROBLEMS

1. Strengthening Jewish Family Life

(Covering the activities of the Committees on Child Study and Parent Education; Religious Schools; Youth Activities)

Ballroom

MODERATOR

MRS. NORMAN BRESLAUER, Milwaukee, Wis.
President, NFTS District No. 19, Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

RESOURCE PERSONS AND DISCUSSION LEADERS

MRS. SARAH BAKER, Cleveland, O.
Director of Religious Education, The Temple.

MRS. S. BRAVERMAN, Cleveland, O.
Director of Religious Education, Euclid Avenue Temple.

RABBI SAMUEL COOK
Executive Director, National Federation of Temple Youth.

MRS. DAVID E. JACOBS, Los Angeles, Calif.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Religious Schools.

MRS. JULIUS MARK, New York, N. Y.
Third Vice-President, NFTS; Chairman, NFTS Committee on Child Study and Parent Education.

2. Improving Human Relations

(Covering the activities of the Committee on Interfaith; Peace and World Relations; Post-War Service)

Rooms 3-5-7

MODERATOR

MRS. ELMER MOYER, Dayton, O.
President, NFTS District No. 6, Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

RESOURCE PERSONS AND DISCUSSION LEADERS

MRS. HAROLD BAUM, Milwaukee, Wis.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Interfaith Activities.

MRS. ABRAM V. GOODMAN, Davenport, Ia.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations.

MRS. EDWARD HART, W. Hartford, Conn.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Post-War Service.

3. Furthering Religious Identification

(Covering the activities of the Committees on Jewish Ceremonials and Art; Religious Extension; Jewish Literature for the Blind; Programs)

Rooms 26-28-30

MODERATOR

MRS. HARRY JACOBSON, W. Des Moines, Ia.
President, NFTS District No. 20.

RESOURCE PERSONS AND DISCUSSION LEADERS

MRS. STERLING BERG, Paducah, Ky.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind.

MRS. MERVIN BLACH, Birmingham, Ala.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Religious Extension.

MRS. SAM MOHR, Atlanta, Ga.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Programs.

MRS. MIRIAM JACKSON, New York, N. Y.
Director, Palestine Art Galleries.

4. Advancing Liberal Judaism

(Covering the activities of the Committees on Uniongrams; Scholarship and Religious Education Fund; House of Living Judaism; Silver Coin Collection for World Union for Progressive Judaism)

Assembly B

MODERATOR

MRS. WALTER HARDMAN, Seattle, Wash.
President, NFTS District No. 24, Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

RESOURCE PERSONS AND DISCUSSION LEADERS*

MRS. JEROME FOLKMAN, Columbus, O.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Uniongrams.

MRS. SOL GITSON, Cleveland, O.
Fourth Vice-President, NFTS; Chairman, NFTS Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

MRS. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND, New York, N. Y.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on House of Living Judaism.

MRS. ETHEL SMITH, Johannesburg, South Africa
Secretary of the United Jewish Reform Congregation, Johannesburg.

2:30 P.M.

ASSEMBLY SESSION

BALLROOM, HOTEL CLEVELAND

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y., *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

We ask Your blessing upon us, O Lord our God, You who are our Leader and our Source of inspiration. Help us to attain the goal which You have set for us, and give us the will to aid others to accomplish their high purposes. May this assemblage, representative of active Jewish womanhood, humble only in service to You, be filled with the flame of ambition, the harmony of love, the light of compassion and the dynamic force of creative energy. Instill within us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the love of You. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Report of Treasurer

MRS. AARON L. LAMBIE, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Report of Committee on the Revision of By-Laws MRS. DAVID ZIELONKA, Tampa, Fla., *Chairman.*

Report of Convention Committees (if ready)

Committee on Credentials

Committee on Rules

8:00 P.M.

JOINT SESSION WITH UNION OF
AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

EUCLID AVENUE TEMPLE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 8:30 A.M.—10:30 A.M.

STATE AND DISTRICT PRESIDENTS' BREAKFAST

Room 9

LEADER: MRS. C. C. STRASBURGER, Knoxville, Tenn.

NFTS 2nd Vice-President and Chairman, Committee on State Federations

* Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md., NFTS First Vice-President, Chairman Sisterhood Division, Combined Campaign, also participated, though originally not scheduled to do so. — Yearbook Editor.

10:40 A.M. — 12:40 P.M.

WORKSHOPS FOR PROJECTS AND PROBLEMS

REPETITION OF MONDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS

(By running identical workshops on Monday and Tuesday mornings, every delegate will be able to attend two out of the four workshops)

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| 1. Strengthening Jewish Family Life | EMPIRE ROOM |
| 2. Improving Human Relations | ROSE ROOM |
| 3. Furthering Religious Identification | ROOMS 3-5-7 |
| 4. Advancing Liberal Judaism | ASSEMBLY B |

Afternoon open for Committee Meetings and Sightseeing*

7:00 P.M.

BANQUET WITH UAHC

CARTER HOTEL — RAINBOW ROOM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 10:00 A.M.

ASSEMBLY SESSION

BALLROOM, HOTEL CLEVELAND

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y., *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

Our God, we rejoice in this Federation of Sisterhoods, with its blessed opportunities for wider service to our people, and to the larger family of men. Purge from our hearts all gross pride and self-seeking, that we may be the more fit for Thy service. Make us tolerant of each other, that we may live together in peace and in harmony, and labor together for the greater glory of Thy name and the greater good of mankind. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Final reports of Convention Committees
Unfinished Business
New Business

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF TWO ITEMS OF MAJOR SISTERHOOD INTEREST

1. The Relationship of the Sisterhoods and the PTA in Congregational Life.

SPEAKER

MRS. MILTON LORBER, Denver, Colo.
President, Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.

2. The Participation and Cooperation of Sisterhoods with Other Agencies and Causes**

* In order to complete NFTS Business the afternoon schedule was rearranged as follows:

1.15 P.M. — COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND SIGHTSEEING

3:40 P.M. — SPECIAL ASSEMBLY SESSION

HOTEL CLEVELAND, RED ROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y., *NFTS*.—Yearbook Editor.

**Address postponed to luncheon meeting. — Yearbook Editor.

SPEAKER

MRS. HUGO DALSHMEIER, Baltimore, Md.
NFTS 1st Vice-President.

1:00 P.M.

LUNCHEON

CARTER HOTEL — RAINBOW ROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSÉTT, New Rochelle, N. Y., *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

God of the Measureless Universe, Creator of Man's Conscience, to Thee in this, our fervent prayer for peace, we lift our voices in unison.

We, Americans of every faith, of every creed, join together, pleading for truth, justice and charity among men. We pray for Thy omnipotent aid in this hour of imperiled civilization—

That Thou shalt cast out forever from human thought that flaming intolerance which makes for war and breeds bloody aggression.

That the advocates of war shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks.

We pray to Thee for the restoration of concord and amity among all the peoples of the earth: That all persons recognize the liberty due to religion, and for the renewal of a way of life that is fruitful of great and good works.

This, O Lord, is our fervent prayer, and this our mingled tribute to Thy everlasting mercy. *Boruch Ato Adonoi Eloheinu Melech ho-olom, hamotsi lechem min ho-orets.* Blessed be Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who bringest forth bread from the earth. Amen.

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Presentation of officers for 1950-52

Address: "Social Justice and Individual Freedom:

the Religious Challenge of the World Situation"

SPEAKER

MR. GERALD BAILEY, London, Eng.

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Proceedings of the First Day

OPENING SESSION

Ballroom, Hotel Cleveland, Cleveland

November 12, 1950

The Eighteenth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was formally called to order in the Ballroom, Hotel Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio, on Sunday morning, November 12th at 11:30 A.M. by the President,

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mrs. Rosett led the delegates in the invocation, which was recited in unison.

President Rosett introduced the Sisterhood delegates who brought greetings.

Greetings

BY MRS. J. C. NEWMAN, CLEVELAND, O.

Past President, NFTS District No. 6, Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Madam President, delegates, honored guests and friends: In behalf of our five local affiliates, the Temple Women's Association, the Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood, the Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, the Gates of Prayer Sisterhood, the Suburban Temple Women's Committee, I have the honor of bringing to you cordial greetings and a very warm welcome to Cleveland—the Convention city, "the best location in the nation."

You have come to this conclave representing the Sisterhoods of this and other nations, each Sisterhood sending its most illustrious members. I, as a seasoned veteran of Biennials, am proud to see the delegations, as the sessions go on, younger, more beautiful, and more earnest.

I feel that our American Judaism and World

Liberal Judaism are safe with these magnificent women. I believe that we are singularly honored, when we meet in Ohio, because Reform Judaism had its birth in Ohio. I hope at the end of this session you will feel that we have had a rebirth of its principles and its Jewish spirit.

We stand at the great divide in human history, my friends, the deep, dark terror time between the sunset and the sunrise in human destiny. The patterns for peace which we will draft here cannot help but make for us a balance for a better world. With a sense of deep responsibility, and the joy of representing five hostess Sisterhoods, I bid you again, a hearty welcome. We gladly open house with open hearts.

Greetings

BY MRS. GEORGE HOLLINGER, MONTREAL, CANADA

Vice-President, Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Montreal

Madam Chairman, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen: I deem it an honor indeed to have been invited to bring greetings from the non-United States Units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. I am deeply moved by the privilege of participating in this wonderful and magnificent assembly.

I should like to convey special greetings from Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Montreal, Canada, whose members wish to be remembered to the many friends made there last year when NFTS District No. 3, New York Federation, held its convention in Montreal.

Since Judaism, our precious faith, is universal, physical boundaries of countries and continents do not separate us. We are sisters of one household and bound together by the conviction of a common faith, a faith upon which we believe hinges the salvation of humanity. From across the borders, we say that we rejoice in the fellowship which binds us to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

We share with you all in the good works which have caused us to band together in this Federation of Jewish women. We salute you and greet you at this great Convention, and we pray

that God may bless our deliberations and our togetherness here. May He strengthen us in this resolve: that we may return with renewed consecration to our respective communities and ren-

der unto the cause of the Synagogue such service as may bear witness to the Eternal God's moral law.

Greetings

BY MRS. ALBERT J. MAY, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Past Chairman of the Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations and Honorary Member of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Executive Board

Madam President, Madam Honorary President, officers, our guest from South Africa, hostess Sisterhoods, delegates and visitors: Mrs. Moses Isaacs, the Chairman of the Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations, unable to attend this Convention, has accorded me the happy privilege of bringing her greetings to the Eighteenth Biennial Convention of our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and wishes you many years of achievement.

If, in the course of this message, I sound much like the woman who brought this greeting in Boston at our last eventful Biennial, please forgive a repeat performance. I am indeed pleased to face so large, intelligent and charming a group of Sisterhood women gathered in this Cleveland Hotel in an old and honored community, known in our country for its unexcelled leadership, and service to Judaism and world Jewry. Its splendid Sisterhoods have been a byword in our lives.

The Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations numbers 250,000 Jewish women. Allow me now to name in rotation, our worthy constituents. Listen! Hadassah, the National Ladies' Auxiliary of the Jewish War Veterans, the National Council of Jewish Women, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the Women's Organization of the Union of Orthodox Congregations, the Women's American ORT, the Women's League of the United Synagogue of America, the Women's Division of the American Jewish Congress, the Women's Supreme Council of the B'nai B'rith, the Mizrahi Women's Organization, the United Order of True Sisterhoods through their Grand Lodge.

All are active in the Conference Committee, as have been their officers: Mrs. Moses A. Isaacs of the Orthodox Women's Group, Mrs. Ida Cook

Farber of the B'nai B'rith, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Pauline Levine of the National Council of Jewish Women, Secretary and Treasurer; our greatly respected President and our Executive Director represent us, as do I, at these meetings. The women of the Conference Committee know your projects and your program, and respect your whole-hearted service to Liberal Judaism, your consecrated efforts for the Synagogue, your splendid participation in the field of adult, youth and child education, your intelligent approach to world peace through the United Nations, your pioneering efforts through Uniongrams for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and your annual art calendars. I am glad to see these projects emulated by other Jewish women's groups. We are moved by your splendid work for the sightless. Your Sisterhoods are continually working in the fields of United Jewish Appeal, Joint Distribution Committee, and we salute your excellent work in interfaith activities.

My friends, you are unique as an organization in having built the dormitory on the Cincinnati Campus of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion and now the House of Living Judaism.

We of the Conference Committee have learned to be thoughtful of one another's convictions; we believe that unity, not uniformity, is valid. We curb some of our partisan enthusiasms and learn from one another. We arrive at written statements only after all our constituents and their boards or officers have accepted their validity and are in total agreement.

The Conference Committee, interestingly enough, is composed of Jewish women united as Jews, but differing in their approach to observance, social legislation, human and economic rehabilitation whether here in the United States, Europe or Israel. The member organizations of

the Conference Committee do not promise finally to settle the problems in a troubled and disturbed world, but humbly ask to add their bit to the development of mankind. They look with you toward the peace that human intelligence and integrity, under God, may soon bring to our "one world."

Mrs. Henry Monsky, Secretary, Omaha, Nebr., announced the names of the members of the

Committees on Credentials, Nominations, Resolutions, Rules and Thanks.

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, First Vice-President, Baltimore, Md., assumed the Chair at Mrs. Rosett's request to enable her to present the President's Message which was accepted by a rising vote of acclamation.

(Complete Message included on page 19.)

REPORT ON House of Living Judaism Project

BY MRS. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND, *Chairman*, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Madam Chairman, officers, visitors and delegates, friends of the Eighteenth Biennial Assembly:

It is just about two years since I stood before you in Boston to plead the cause of the House of Living Judaism, to tell you that we needed your help to establish a permanent and adequate home for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates, the Brotherhoods, Sisterhoods, and Youth groups. We could only ask you then to come forward in faith and hope, for we knew not where, when or how any definite plans would be or could be formulated. We knew only what our needs and dreams were made of.

And many of you did come forth because you had imagination or an understanding of a great cause, or you saw a duty to Reform Judaism or perhaps you had a great faith in the ultimate powers of women with determined hearts. These were the trail blazers who led the way.

There were others to whom the entire project seemed too vague, too nebulous. They would have to wait until it became a tangible, living thing, and this, too, was understandable. They became the great army that presently held up the arms of those first pioneers.

We came away from Boston, you and I, knowing that New York City had been chosen as the place where the House of Living Judaism was to stand and then began the search for a location suitable in accessibility, in value, in permanency and all the many other requirements of which those given the responsibility of site selection, were conscious.

Simultaneously with the finding of the ideal

site came one of the great surprises of the campaign—the announcement of a magnanimous gift by Dr. Albert A. Berg, world-renowned surgeon, philanthropist, bibliophile and devoted Jew, a life-long member of my own congregation, Emanu-El, in New York City. This gift, we were given clearly to understand, was not to replace the original sum to be given by members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, but was in addition to it in order to provide a more adequate and more beautiful home, one that could proclaim to all the world that "here stands the bulwark from whence shall flow as a healing stream the benefits and strength of Reform Judaism for all time to come." This, too, gave great impetus to the campaign, but did not lessen the responsibility of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Practical steps began to take form—demolition plans, contracts, architects' plans, and the inevitable bids to build. Committees were set up and, for the record, may I say that on each one you were represented by your President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, Miss Jane Evans and myself.

On June 25, 1950, ground was broken at the site on 65th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York opposite my own beloved Temple Emanu-El. The ceremony was impressive and simple, though somewhat tempered by the knowledge that our great benefactor, Dr. Berg, was to enter the hospital later that day. He was, however, with us on that momentous occasion and little did we know that we had seen him for the last time.

Today, I am happy to be able to tell you that 181 Sisterhoods have gone "over the top," that

20 more have pledged to do so, and that many more are still working toward the goal. In Boston, two years ago, only 88 had achieved their quota—a pleasing contrast. We have just reached the gross sum collected of \$400,000.

The women of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods have come forward once again, willingly giving of their time and service to a wonderful cause. Without their help, the splendid record of contributions to the House of Living Judaism would have been impossible.

Some months ago, it was announced that the names of all units that had filled their quotas were to be listed on the Fireplace Wall in the Sisterhood Lounge on the main floor of the building. Here, too, was an incentive to record the name of your Sisterhood in the annals of history.

Do not forget that the House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial will serve all Congregations, all Sisterhoods, all Brotherhoods, all Youth groups throughout the nation, and throughout the world. Will anyone wish to receive that service without having joined in the effort that made it possible? There is nothing in life that we enjoy or gain for which we do not sacrifice. That is a basic principle of life.

On November 19, 1950, the cornerstone of our new home will be laid with ceremony and heart-

felt gratitude. We hope many of you will be present to witness this historic event.

Those of you who have helped to bring us to this memorable day, a loud and hearty "bravo" to you. To those who have not yet succeeded in your goal, be of good courage. It is not too late. Start now with determination to conquer, obstacles in order to build for the future.

You and I are actually writing history. We belong to a great nation and a great people. We have a magnificent double heritage. We are Americans; we are slowly aroused; we proceed cautiously and at the beginning seem even to stumble on our way, but in the end we always win. We are Jews. We are long suffering. We bear our burdens patiently but we emerge in triumph, be it from the land of Egypt, the walls of the Warsaw ghetto or our own smaller problems. We always survive. You and I belong to the present. We share our responsibilities for the future, and we, like our forebears, dare not fail.

President Rosett introduced Dr. Samuel S. Hollender, Chicago, Chairman of the Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

ADDRESS

Combined Campaign of the Union and the College-Institute

BY DR. SAMUEL S. HOLLENDER, CHICAGO, ILL.

Chairman, Combined Campaign of the UAHC and the HUC-JIR

Mrs. Rosett, ladies: From Mrs. Rosett, your President, and from Mrs. Dalsheimer, the National Chairman of the Sisterhood Division of the Combined Campaign, I learn with joy and satisfaction that the members of the Sisterhood will find it possible to participate more actively this year in our overall fund-raising activities for the larger support of the Union and the College-Institute. Year in and year out the members of your great organization have demonstrated ability to raise large funds for the advancement of Liberal Judaism. Both of our national institutions have been the beneficiaries of your

generosity and your unceasing efforts. May I take this opportunity especially to thank you and congratulate you for the fruition of your greatest effort in making possible the realization of a dream of many decades—the establishment of the House of Living Judaism, the cornerstone for which will be laid one week from today.

To suggest to you how to raise funds through the Combined Campaign would be like bringing coals to New Castle. We could indeed take leaves from your own book of "know how" and learn much of value in our common endeavors. To tell of the needs of the Union and the College-

Institute respectively would likewise be unseemly. None has worked more diligently and enthusiastically each year and through the years to increase the financial support of these, our parent institutions, than you, the members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Without your generous contributions for the special projects for which you have assumed sole responsibility, the financial problems of our national institutions would be infinitely more difficult to resolve.

With all of your good work on behalf of the Union and the College-Institute and all that we have tried to do through the Combined Campaign, the serious and sometimes vexing financial problems which face these institutions have not yet been resolved. We must face realities and recognize completely that there can be no further curtailment of the programs of either the Union or the College-Institute. Budgets cannot be further slashed without serious damage being done to the Reform movement in this country of which our institutions are and must continue to be the fountainheads—the spiritual source of our religious inspiration and services.

As you know, practically all of our officiating rabbis are graduates of either the Hebrew Union College, or the Jewish Institute of Religion and all of the Liberal Jewish congregations in the country are affiliated with the Union. With a dues-paying constituency of more than 100,000 members and an ever-growing demand for American Judaism as our rabbis interpret it, as evidenced by the remarkable increase in congregations—some 100 new ones during the last four years—we dare not and must not fail to meet the great challenge that is ours. It is unthinkable for anyone to believe that each of the 420 congregations could function independently of the Union and our great theological seminary. These must derive their financial sustenance from us—from those of us positively identified with the Reform Jewish movement and none has a more important affiliation than the members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. There is no other source of revenue for the Union and the College-Institute than that which we derive from our Congregations, their members and our national affiliates.

We sometimes fail to recognize, I think, what a great religious movement we really are. We have the oldest Jewish theological seminary. We have more than 400 Congregations affiliated with and completely serviced by our Union. We have great libraries and distinguished faculties. We

are, through our forward-looking institutions, attuned to a changing world. We synthesize completely our Judaism with our beloved Americanism. We have in every community and in every Congregation the best in leadership—leaders who are recognized for every cause and movement that is worthy of their attention; leaders who are literally drafted for everything of merit on behalf of the Jews at home and abroad; everything, perhaps, except the required leadership and support of their parent institutions.

For many reasons, our efforts to raise adequate funds for the Union and College-Institute have been extremely difficult—sometimes discouraging and frustrating. We hope we have turned the corner. We have changed our fund-raising techniques. We have eagerly sought each Congregation's generous acceptance of a fair share of our modest requirements. We have tried to give our fund-raising necessities the importance they deserve in the program of each Congregation's activities. We are seeking to become fashionable, rather than the stepchild of all movements and causes which seek and usually secure endorsement and support from our own affiliates among our large and distinguished membership.

The national Combined Campaign, as it is constituted, recognizes completely that its revenue can come only through its affiliated Congregations. In every community where there is a Reform Congregation there is, I believe, a Sisterhood unit. I am told, indeed, that there are more Sisterhoods than there are Congregations. Perhaps we can hope to derive some support from sources not heretofore tapped.

It is not possible for me to overestimate the value of the contribution that members of the Sisterhoods throughout the country could make for the success of this year's campaign through the all-out cooperation of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and its local units. It is my earnest hope that in every Congregation and community the officers and members will actively associate themselves with our fund-raising activities. It is my hope that they will assume leadership and make themselves available for productive service. Mrs. Dalsheimer and her colleagues will, I know, be in the closest touch with our NFTS officers to effect a coordination in our operation on the local and area levels, as well as on the national levels.

Officers and members of your great national body can, as I envisage it, bring enthusiasm and stimulation to this vital effort such as we have never before enjoyed. Your members can bring

the message of the program and requirements of our parent institutions into every home. You can provide the flame so essentially needed this year to enlighten the entire Reform Jewish constituency on the vital services being rendered by the Union and the College-Institute. You can influence the officers, the board members and even the rabbis in your respective communities to give the fullest measure of leadership and support.

It is wonderful to know that we may count on your help—a veritable army of women devoted to the cause of Liberal Judaism. Perhaps it

would be unseemly for me to say that I welcome you with open arms. But I can assure you of our heartfelt gratitude for your joining with us this year in this great and challenging undertaking. Together we will achieve our objectives.

Mrs. Ethel Smith, Johannesburg, South Africa, Secretary of the United Jewish Reform Congregations, Johannesburg, and guest of honor of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Eighteenth Biennial Assembly, was presented by Mrs. Rosett.

ADDRESS

Sisterhood Life and Service in South Africa

MRS. ETHEL SMITH

*Secretary of the United Jewish Reform Congregation,
Johannesburg, South Africa*

The generosity and foresight of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has given me this wonderful and exciting privilege of being with you at your Eighteenth Biennial Convention. The invitation to the South African Sisterhoods to send a representative has forged a shining link of pure gold between yourselves, whose roots in the Reform Movement are five generations deep, and ourselves, just a sapling. You, the great, great grandmothers of the movement, and us, the mere child. But, as I hope to show you, a healthy, vigorous and precocious child. This health, vigor and precocity, we owe to the Father of the Movement in South Africa, Rabbi Moses Cyrus Weiler.

Seventeen years ago, this young Rabbi, convinced then as now, that Judaism has a mission, and burning with this missionary spirit—this youth, a graduate of your own Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion came to South Africa, and to its largest city, Johannesburg. Four lone souls comprised his total following. There are today Congregations in six of the largest cities and towns in South Africa, two in Johannesburg, one each in Capetown, Durban, Springs, Pretoria and Port Elizabeth.

The largest membership is in Johannesburg, where there are 3,000 in the two congregations. There are approximately 1,500 in Capetown, 400 in Durban, 100 in Springs. Pretoria and Port Elizabeth have only just held their first meet-

ings. Johannesburg, Springs, Pretoria and Port Elizabeth all need rabbis. It is when the call from these towns has to be answered, that the difficulties begin, and Rabbi Weiler has to shoulder the burden. We need your help. We must have rabbis and more rabbis. That is our one need, our plea, our prayer. Give us the spiritual tools and a great and wondrous work will be wrought. The whole South African Reform Movement has gained its strength from the source and fountainhead, Rabbi Weiler, in Johannesburg. The South African Union for Progressive Judaism has its headquarters in Johannesburg. The South African Council for Progressive Jewish Education and the South African Union of Temple Sisterhoods will also possibly have their headquarters in Johannesburg, and the organ of the movement, the "Progressive Jew," is printed and published in Johannesburg.

Let me now tell you something about our work. I want to tell you first about the children. They literally swarm in hundreds to their religious classes and the services. Five hundred attend the Sabbath morning and Festival Services in Johannesburg alone. These services are conducted entirely by themselves, in Hebrew and English, and their reverence and enthusiasm can leave no doubt that at last Judaism is being presented to them in a way that they can understand and enjoy.

Attached to all congregations of the Reform

Movement are clubs for the children, adolescents, youth, university groups and adults. All these clubs embark on some project, small or large, for the benefit of the community. Thus, the children collect clothes for the children of the native school run by the Sisterhood, the Temple Guild has "adopted" a child through the Ort-Oze Foster Parent scheme, and the University Group provides recreation for the native children during the long vacations.

The Alan Isaacs Camp, situated on ten acres of beautiful country on the Natal South Coast, affords an ideal holiday not only for the children of the Congregation, but for numbers of children from poor homes, who, but for the generosity of the United Jewish Reform Congregation of Johannesburg, would not have an opportunity for a holiday at the sea. Here, then, is the ideal of children from rich and poor homes meeting in absolute equality. And furthermore, during their stay at the camp, a full Jewish life is lived—services on Friday evening and Sabbath morning, conducted by the children, and every observance of a Jewish home. Even here, while on holiday, the idea of service for others is not neglected. Every year, the children at camp hold a concert and the funds go to the Red Cross.

The Sisterhood, the women's association of each Reform Congregation (and there is a Sisterhood in each of the towns I mentioned previously whether there is a rabbi or not), is first and foremost a parochial body, but we, in Johannesburg, have expanded to include in our program work for the Jewish and general community.

Our work over the last seventeen years can be divided into three distinct phases. The first six years were spent in establishing the movement and helping to build the Temple Israel in Johannesburg.

The second six years were the war years, when the Sisterhood War Effort was magnificent. One hundred thousand men were billeted in a mammoth scheme of providing sleeping accommodation for men on leave in the city—men of all creeds and nations, including men from these United States.

The next period, covering the last five years, is the one that I have most to tell you about, for it is during the last five years that the Sisterhood has branched out into social welfare work for every section of the Jewish and general community. All appeals and efforts on behalf of the Israeli United Appeal, the equivalent of your United Jewish Appeal, receive the full support of the Sisterhood and the Congregation. It is the

special work of a Sisterhood group to repair garments donated to the appeal. To date 15,000 garments have been made wearable for distribution to Jews in Europe and Israel. During the distressing period of the fighting in Israel, we carried through a project of sending "Glory Bags" to the men and women in the armed forces and in hospitals. These small bags were filled with toilet articles, socks, cigarettes, etc.

The occupational work for the physically and mentally handicapped takes us to the undenominational hospital for chronic sick, the Edenvale Hospital, on the outskirts of the city, as well as to the Witwatersrand Jewish Aged Home, in the oldest part of the city. Sisterhood members are met with equal warmth and appreciation in both places. The occupation and interest thus brought into drab and often hopeless lives are of the greatest benefit, and gives meaning to our Judaism. This work has further been extended in the participation with the Jewish Women's Benevolent Society, and the Witwatersrand Jewish Welfare Council, in their Rehabilitation Centre at the Sisterhood Cottage, the offices of the Sisterhood.

Through the Ort-Oze Foster Parent Scheme, five children in Italy and France receive regular monthly food and clothing parcels from the Sisterhood. A friendly correspondence is carried on, and the children have virtually become our own.

The Sisterhood in Johannesburg also administers two Nursery Schools for European children. Priority is given to the children of working mothers, and no distinction is made between Jew or Gentile, rich or poor, English or Afrikaans. It is our intention to have six such schools, at least.

But the living monument to the Reform Movement in South Africa and the Johannesburg Sisterhood, in particular, is, without doubt, the Primary School for African children at Alexandra Township. This Township is within ten miles of the center of the city, and is inhabited by 82,000 non-Europeans. Most schools for Africans are Church schools, but our school is the expression of a desire to live our Judaism. The M. C. Weiler School Centre, as it is called, having been named for its founder and Hon. Life President, Rabbi Moses Cyrus Weiler, has two hundred children, who are taught in English, Afrikaans in their native tongue, who are clothed, fed and given an opportunity to acquire those essentials of good citizenship, a love for law, order and service. The Union Government gives a subsidy

to private schools for non-Europeans as well as Europeans, but it is necessary first to build the school.

After the stress and strain of the war years, when, perhaps, one's heart and mind were more receptive to the sufferings and needs of others, the Sisterhood of Johannesburg was prevailed upon by its Rabbi, Dr. Weiler, to open the school for African children. Confirmed in his belief that Judaism can only be a living and vital religion so long as it is interested in all aspects of life, even in the life that goes beyond the confines of its own adherents, Rabbi Weiler guided, advised and encouraged the Sisterhood to proceed with this work.

With the good will of a few, and the kindness of one man who lent us the necessary money, we were able to put up a school building. We had up till then spent close to \$18,000. With the opening of the new building, the Government registered the school. This means that they give us a Grant which enables us to pay off the loan. They also pay the salaries of two teachers. We still pay the third, and when funds permit we will employ a fourth much-needed teacher. There is also a small grant for food. So the burden is slightly relieved.

The establishment of this school is no haphazard affair. The M. C. Weiler School has a Dental and Medical Clinic. Doctors and dentists in an honorary capacity attend to the needs of the children. Their health is carefully watched, and everything possible is done to keep them healthy in the most adverse surroundings. Furthermore, the school does not stop with the teaching of the three R's. Classes in domestic work are held; the girls are being taught to sew and mend their own garments, and both boys and girls clean the school and keep it in spotless condition. Adult education is to be commenced next year, and the Sisterhood intend

training the older girls to be really good domestic servants, so that they can find suitable employment when they leave school.

But this is only one school. What after all is one school? Only 200 children, when thousands require schooling. We have plans for a nursery school in one of the other non-European Townships. Several schools and larger ones will only justify our claim that we try to follow the cardinal teaching of Judaism, "And thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

This is the story of us, your South African fellow-members who join you in service through our faith.

The First Session recessed at 3:35 P.M.

JOINT SESSION

Reconvening in joint session with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations at 8:00 P.M., in the Ballroom, Hotel Cleveland, Sisterhood delegates heard an address by Admiral Stanton Salisbury, Chief of Chaplains, U. S. Navy and Chairman of the Armed Forces Chaplains' Board, and the "State of the Union" message of Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the UAHC.

Mr. Jacob Aronson, New York, Chairman of the Union Executive Board, presented citations to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, Chairman of the House of Living Judaism Campaign, Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr. and Mrs. Leon L. Watters, Past Presidents of NFTS and Honorary members of the NFTS Executive Board, and Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, for their outstanding contributions to the House of Living Judaism.

A reception followed for all delegates and visitors of the UAHC and NFTS in the Red Room and Ballroom at which the Reform Jewish Congregations of Cleveland were hosts.

Proceedings of the Second Day

NOVEMBER 13, 1950

At 8:30 A.M. each Sisterhood President or her Representative attended one of four Breakfasts, held simultaneously.

PRESIDENTS' BREAKFASTS AGENDA

I. NEW SISTERHOODS (Four years old or less)

A. Sisterhood and the Temple

1. Is it advisable for Sisterhood officers and/

or Board members to be Temple members?

2. Should a Sisterhood member be a Temple member?
3. Should the Rabbi expect Sisterhood members to attend religious services?
4. What are the advantages and disadvantages of "open" versus "closed" membership?

B. Sisterhood and NFTS

1. Why is it advisable to belong to NFTS?
2. How can we integrate material from NFTS into our individual Sisterhood work?

C. Sisterhood and Other Organizations

1. Is a Sisterhood program different from that of any other Jewish women's organization?
2. What is advisable concerning contributions from individual Sisterhood treasuries to outside causes and organizations?

D. Problems within Individual Sisterhoods

1. Membership
 - a. How can young women be urged to join Sisterhoods?
 - b. How can new members be made to feel a part of the Sisterhood?
2. Finances
 - a. What methods can be used for raising funds for our projects?
 - b. Is an annual Sisterhood budget essential?
3. Leadership Training
 - a. How can Vice-Presidents be given leadership training and opportunities?

Chairman: Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, *New York, Recording Secretary and Program Chairman, NFTS District No. 3, New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods; President, Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood, New York. Rapporteur:* Mrs. Arthur H. Dettelbach, *Cleveland, President, Suburban Temple Women's Committee.*

At this breakfast, it was generally felt that Sisterhood Board members should be Temple members. The Chairman gave a better understanding of the functions of NFTS by explaining the Loan Fund for New Congregations, the President's Packet and other essentials of Sisterhood life.

It was stated that it is NFTS policy to advise that local Sisterhood treasuries should be reserved to meet local congregational, religious school and NFTS needs and projects. The latter, which represent Sisterhood service to Jewish and humanitarian causes, are not only obligations of Sisterhoods but are responsibilities which they, and they alone, meet. Sisterhood should educate its members on all worthwhile causes but their contributions to other communal and Jewish appeals should be from individuals not from Sisterhood treasuries. However, each Sisterhood is autonomous and may accept or reject this advice.

Recommendation was made that a Vice-President should be educated by acting as a coordinator for a group of major committees and by being

given opportunities to prepare for the Presidency.

In discussing programs from NFTS, the suggestion was made that it would be more useful to mail entire skits and programs to Chairmen instead of the synopses which are in the booklet of program suggestions. (The costliness of such a procedure was explained.) Due to the inadequacy of program material, several Sisterhoods have been preparing their own programs. It was also felt that there was too much mail and duplication of material from NFTS.

II. SMALLER SISTERHOODS (Less than 100 members)

A. General Problems

1. How do you get your members to become active in Sisterhood work?
2. What is the attitude of your Sisterhood to newcomers?
3. What type of programs have you found to stimulate interest in your meetings?
 - a. Peace and World Relations
 - b. Child Study and Parent Education
 - c. Interfaith
 - d. Others
4. Do you find that your membership is unaware of the meanings and purposes of the various Committees, both National and local?
 - a. HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
 - b. Uniongrams
 - c. Youth Activities
 - d. Others

B. Sisterhood and Other Organizations

1. Are your members as active in Sisterhood as in other organizations?
2. What is the attitude of your Sisterhood towards cooperation with other organizations?

C. Sisterhood Leadership

1. Is it difficult for your Sisterhood to elect officers?
2. Do you have any type of leadership course to instruct potential candidates for office?
3. How democratic are you? Do you give your membership the privilege of deciding issues, or does your Board control all policy?
4. Do you read a resumé of the Board Meetings to the entire membership?

D. Attendance

1. Do you find that meetings in individual

homes or in the Temple bring the larger attendance?

2. Do you ever have joint meetings with the men's group?
3. What does your Sisterhood do about participating in the Religious School and at Temple Services?

Chairman: Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C., *President, NFTS District No. 13, South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.*
Rapporteur: Mrs. Martin Rosefield, *President, Temple Sinai Sisterhood, Sumter, S. C.*

Discussions at this breakfast centered on several problems.

1) *Paying expenses of delegates to National, State or District Conventions.* The consensus was that representation at Conventions is so important that this item should be included in local budgets. Several suggestions were given for raising money for this purpose, such as sale of stationery, assessing each member ten cents per month, having a series of small luncheons. One Sisterhood paid its representative's entire expenses to the Biennial; another had set up in its budget the sum of \$25 yearly toward expenses of a representative to the National Biennial Convention. The suggestion was made that local Sisterhoods undertake to pay transportation fare only, following the lead of NFTS in the case of its Chairmen.

2) *Making small Sisterhoods "National-minded."* It was generally felt that contact by visits of National speakers brought tremendous inspiration and aid to local Sisterhoods. Local Presidents were reminded that each unit is entitled to have an NFTS speaker every two years. Various plans were suggested by which local Chairmen could interpret the National Committees under which they operate. One President told of withholding all National material from her Chairmen for a short while, in order to illustrate to them their need of such material. Another mentioned a program being prepared in her Sisterhood, in which local Chairmen pretended to be National Chairmen and presented at a local meeting, a "National Board Meeting."

3) *Presenting to local groups the increase in National dues.* The suggestion was made that members must be educated to the necessity for this raise in order to further the work of NFTS. It was pointed out that education of members in the work of National Committees and the assistance given local groups by NFTS would help show the reason for the increased dues. The sug-

gestion was also made that Presidents might ask their units to think of the raise in terms of cents and dollars, not hundreds of dollars—that the increase amounted to a total of only sixty cents per member per year, or only five cents per month.

4) *Proper leadership in local Sisterhoods.* This discussion brought out the fact that many small Sisterhoods tended to give undue responsibility to their President; that the whole group should work as a unit, with the President only its leader. Several units reported that their members elected Executive Board members, who in turn selected officers; others elected officers with the expectancy of succession in office, so that they might have some training as leaders. Another suggestion was the organization of a Toastmistress' Club, whose members learned Parliamentary Procedure and became accustomed to speaking before a small group. It was announced that a correspondence course in leadership, similar to the course recently taught in New York by Miss Jane Evans, might presently be available.

5) *Membership in the Sisterhood by women of Conservative or Orthodox Congregations.* The group showed some divergence of opinion on this subject, some feeling that the Sisterhood needed all women who wished to join, and that ultimately the family might follow; others that only members of Reform Congregations should belong to Sisterhood. One unit solves this problem by accepting for membership any woman who agrees to work for the betterment of the Temple, which is stated in its constitution as the aim of that Sisterhood.

III. MEDIUM-SIZED SISTERHOODS (100 to 400 members)

A. Relationship to State and District Federations and NFTS

1. Is your Sisterhood familiar with NFTS and State and District organization and program?
2. Do your local committees correspond to those of NFTS?
3. Is NFTS material used to full advantage by your Committee Chairmen?

B. Relationship to Temple

1. What are your Sisterhood responsibilities with regard to your Congregation and congregational life?

C. Relationship to community

1. What contribution does your Sisterhood make to your community at large?

D. Individual Sisterhood Problems

1. Are programs varied and do they contain adequate Jewish content?
2. Has the problem of leadership been solved successfully?
3. Is too much emphasis placed on money raising which is a means to an end instead of giving sufficient emphasis to the end itself?
4. What is your system for attracting new members and integrating them into the group?

Chairman: Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa., *President, NFTS District No. 5, Pennsylvania Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Rap-
porteur:* Mrs. J. Reese, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

The Chairman read the preamble and objectives of NFTS By-Laws and thus acquainted the participants with the aims and purposes of NFTS.

As regards relationship to State and District Federations and NFTS, a member related that once in every two years each Sisterhood was entitled to an NFTS speaker to interpret the role of the National Federation. Complaint was made that such speakers were uninteresting, and it was suggested that this could be overcome by indicating ahead of time the topics which the local groups wished to have discussed. The NFTS viewpoint is very important and should be spread.

Several Sisterhoods reported their method of using NFTS material. One stated that material received in the President's Packet was turned over to a Chairman who gave a five-minute summary at each meeting. Another used slides to present the NFTS picture.

With regard to participation on the Board of Trustees of Congregations, six members stated that women serve on the Boards of their Congregations with a right to vote. In these cases, the President of the Sisterhood and two representatives are automatically Temple Board members, and others might be elected. Two members reported that their Congregations had permitted no women on their Boards for 75 years, but during the last four years women have served. In one Congregation an unwritten law is upheld that husband and wife should not serve simultaneously on the Board.

The Chairman emphasized that Sisterhood's first obligation is to the Temple. In very small communities, where it might be necessary, Presidents often urge participation in civic affairs. In larger communities, civic cooperation must be

left to those organizations whose prime purpose is civic work. Many Sisterhoods have incorporated this thought in their By-Laws.

It was agreed that most Sisterhood programs contain adequate Jewish content. Where Sabbath Services are well attended by the Sisterhood members, the need for Jewish programs is not too essential, it was felt. Other Sisterhoods reported that they devote five to fifteen minutes each month to religious ideas.

Most representatives agreed that too much time and effort are spent in raising money. Savannah, Ga., has overcome this by raising its dues to \$8.00 per capita and eliminating money making projects. Other members felt that the raising of money strengthens an organization.

The Chairman stressed the need for growth so that the precepts of Liberal Judaism might be implemented. Various members made suggestions concerning their activities relating to the promotion of Friday night Temple attendance and encouragement of new membership. Some Sisterhoods hire sitters in order to free members to attend services and meetings. In others, hostesses call for new members. In some, free Bridal memberships are given for one year, and in order to hold old members, honorary positions are given for the reading of prayers and other activities.

IV. LARGE SISTERHOODS (400 or more members)

A. General problems

1. Membership
 - a. How successfully do we integrate new members into our Sisterhood activities?
 - b. How do we go about doing this?
2. Programming the year's activities
 - a. Do we take into account the need for varied programs?
 - b. Are the programs reflected in: Sisterhood monthly meetings, social functions, educational program, religious activities?
 - c. Are the Sisterhood programs of Jewish content?
3. Finance
 - a. Do we have too many members in name only?
 - b. Do our members recognize the larger picture of Sisterhood and therefore willingly support NFTS projects?

B. Board Problems

1. Do we have too many specialists as Chairmen?
2. Do the Boards become overcrowded be-

cause of the length of service of Board members?

3. Do we have enough young, enthusiastic people in addition to the older members whose experience is so essential to good planning?
4. Do we recognize the need to have many different groups represented?
5. Is there an attitude of self-sufficiency among the Boards of large Sisterhoods?
 - a. What can be learned from NFTS meetings and literature?

Chairman: Mrs. William J. Leffler, *Tuckahoe, N. Y., President, NFTS District No. 3, New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Rapporteur:* Mrs. James Eppinger, *New Rochelle, N. Y., President, Sisterhood of Temple Israel.*

Concerning membership, most of those present felt that there is no growth problem; but many felt that there is a problem of attracting interested members and younger women. Several suggestions were made in this connection, i.e., to give free Bridal memberships for the first year and to place these members on committees the second year; to give transportation, for the first three meetings, to a group of four or five from one neighborhood, asking them to reciprocate for others later, and quickly assigning them to specific functions; to hold a tea at which chairmen of standing committees explain their work, meanwhile asking for assistance and passing out cards to members to sign up to help. It was found that if this is to be successful, the cards must be followed up quickly while interest is still aroused. An especially good suggestion is a post-season open Board meeting to which all members can be invited to give ideas and suggestions to Committee Chairmen. Other suggestions were "Mr. and Mrs. Groups" and "Young Women's Committees," which might have their own smaller meetings and can take over from Sisterhood such projects as ushering. Praise was given to a Sisterhood PTA Committee which recruited new members to work in the religious school and then stayed to work into Sisterhood.

On the subject of open or closed membership, that is, membership open to any interested woman or restricted to Temple families, it was noted that 90% of the Sisterhoods affiliated with NFTS have open membership.

To the question of how many members attend meetings, the President of an Atlanta, Ga., Sisterhood told that of 500 members, 350 came to the first meeting and 205 to the second. Both

were luncheon meetings. At both meetings "personnel cards" had been distributed and a Vice-President saw that the correct chairman (whose program was well organized during the summer) received these new names to add to her committee.

In discussing "Programming the Year's Activities," it was noted that an overall theme for the year is very helpful. Having one overall Chairman to assign dates to Committees which, in turn, hold meetings devoted to a program pertaining to its particular work, brings in not only the "regular member" but also those especially interested in that phase of Sisterhood. Book Reviews, Mental Health Programs and member participation meetings attract especially good attendance. It was also suggested that all Jewish women's organizations might hold a joint annual meeting and that all Sisterhoods do the same. One President had invited Presidents of all Sisterhoods in her city to tea where they discussed their problems and achieved better understanding.

Some Sisterhoods sponsor Business and Professional Workers or Career Groups which meet at night and are autonomous. Others pay dues into the regular treasury and have their expenses paid by the regular Sisterhood. Most have one joint meeting a year with the regular Sisterhood. In order to stimulate Temple interest, meetings in some Sisterhoods are held to coincide with the holidays. In addition, a regular monthly "Study Group" meeting can be held.

Some Sisterhoods hold two monthly meetings to meet the varied demands of members, but the majority of Sisterhoods have a regular monthly meeting. The work of each Committee should be brought to at least one meeting a year.

Regarding publicity, many Sisterhoods publish their own bulletins; others use the Temple bulletins, and most send out meeting notices. The Nashville annual report in the form of cartoons was mentioned.

The opinion was voiced that there was great member resistance to NFTS problems and that people want to solve local problems only. Referring to Board Problems, many presidents stated that they had "inherited" large boards—with many specialists. Some felt that one person could be expected to do only one job well while others were of the opinion that it was important for all Board members to assist all committees.

In discussing the complexion of Boards it was pointed out that in many cases only officers, and in other cases only one-half of the Executive

Boards, are elected. The rest of the Chairmen, comprising the Executive Board, are appointed by the President. Great interest was shown in the Constitution of the New Rochelle, N. Y., Sisterhood which has an advisory and honorary Board of Directors and stipulates the term of office for each Board member. It was the consensus of opinion that large Boards are unwieldy, but that Boards that change too drastically and quickly are not the answer. Rochester, N. Y., has a "Blue Book" which is a training book for all Board members and which lists the duties of each Chairman and suggestions made by previous chairmen.

To integrate members into Sisterhood work, and to look for future Board material, the following suggestion was made: Ask new members to work with old members and act as hostesses at religious school parties, Sisterhood Sabbaths, family worship Services, Oneg Shabbats, Sisterhood meetings, etc.

In summarizing, it was pointed out by the Chairman that large Sisterhoods must help smaller ones and also must aid District Federations and NFTS, unselfishly. At every meeting, one or more Committees must report on their work. President's Packets should be used and messages contained therein transmitted to the membership. A Sisterhood that does not properly explain to its members the work of NFTS is not a good Sisterhood and this is true of the President of such a group and its Board, as well.

Following the Breakfasts, at 10:40 A.M., four workshops were held at the same time and these were repeated on the next morning so that delegates would be able to participate in two of the four.

WORKSHOP AGENDA

I. STRENGTHENING JEWISH FAMILY LIFE (covering the activities of the Committees on Child Study and Parent Education, Religious Schools, Youth Activities.)

A. Children

1. How can religious schools and parents cooperate to provide stimulating classes, services and meetings for children of religious school age?
2. In what manner does the literature of the Committee on Child Study and Parent Education assist the development of the emotional security of the child? Would additional material be desirable? If so, what type?

3. How do the religious schools aid in strengthening Jewish family life?

B. Youth

1. What is the individual Sisterhood's responsibility toward its Synagogue youth groups?
2. What type of program is most successful in arousing youth interest in Jewish affairs?
3. How do youth groups prepare their members to assume their places in family life?

C. Parents

1. What is the best method for interesting parents in religious school activities and adult education?
2. What are the activities of the PTA?
3. How can the PTA and the Committee on Child Study and Parent Education cooperate?
4. In what ways can parents integrate religious school training into their children's daily lives?
5. How do NFTS committees aid parents in strengthening the Jewish concept of the family?

Moderator: Mrs. Norman Breslauer, Milwaukee, Wis., President, NFTS District No. 19, Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Resource Persons and Discussion Leaders: Mrs. Sarah Baker, Cleveland, O., Director of Religious Education, The Temple; Mrs. S. Braverman, Cleveland, O., Director of Religious Education, Euclid Avenue Temple; Rabbi Samuel Cook, Cincinnati, O., Executive Director, National Federation of Temple Youth; Mrs. Samuel Danto, Detroit, Mich., President, NFTS District No. 11, Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods; Mrs. David E. Jacobs, Los Angeles, Calif., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Religious Schools; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y., Third Vice-President NFTS; Chairman, NFTS Committee on Child Study and Parent Education.

The Moderator gave the keynote of the discussion by saying, "where there is no vision, the people perish."

As regards the instilling into children of a liking for religious school, it was agreed that this was a question of partnership between the family and teacher. The specific ideas that were taught on Sunday must be practiced in reality during the week. Actually the task starts in the cradle, and it is up to the parents to set the proper attitude before the child begins re-

ligious school. Happy and pleasant associations and pride in Judaism must be fostered. New textbooks are constantly being printed to assist in this matter, and it should be seen that these are interpreted in the appropriate manner by competent teachers. This is a problem of curriculum planning.

Frequently the PTA arouses parents who were previously uninterested in the religious aspect of their children's lives. Sometimes these groups meet at brunch on Sunday and hold a round table discussion to solve their problems. In other cases, the parents are instructed in festive manners of celebrating the holidays, and often, to lure mothers to meetings, the teachers discuss the children's personal problems with them. In still others at the start of the year, parents meet with the teachers and are given an outline of the term's work; this enables them to be of help to the child.

PTA, on the whole, should create an affirmative attitude on the part of the parents, so that they become willing to understand what the teacher is doing and attempt to create the right type of home atmosphere. Jewish education is an every-day concern. To understand wherein it differs and to have a pride in that difference is vital. Early Reform Judaism tried to make us like non-Jews; now we have "inside out Marranos," outside the individual is a Jew, inside there is no feeling or understanding.

Confirmation class and older children can be approached through youth camps. More attention should be given to the youth program by the mothers of the young people. It was agreed that NFTS should give special attention to the matter of Camp Leadership Institutes and the establishment of camps for young people throughout the United States.

Upon completion of the discussions, resolutions were prepared for presentation to the General Assembly.

The Moderator summarized this workshop by pointing out that much material comes from NFTS for religious schools, youth activities and parent education; an annual meeting on parent education and child study might be held at which a psychologist, a parent and a teacher could speak; one-day PTA Institutes, modeled after the Institutes on Judaism, might prove helpful; parents should obtain specific information concerning the curriculum of the religious school; education classes for mothers appeal to women if modern media such as visual aids, psychology, etc. are employed. Young people

attend services on the High Holy Days when they are away from home; hostesses might be appointed to welcome them. This could be a project for Sisterhoods in college towns. Establishment of camp leadership sites is one of the greatest projects ahead for NFTS, after the completion of the House of Living Judaism project.

II. IMPROVING HUMAN RELATIONS (Covering the activities of the Committees on Interfaith Activities, Peace and World Relations, Post-War Service.)

A. Define "Human Relations"

1. What can be done by the following groups to improve human relations?
 - a. Women, individually and collectively
 - b. Religious organizations
 - c. Community and Educational institutions
2. How would the following improve human relations?
 - a. Home-neighborhood festivals
 - b. Better housing, medical care, education, employment
 - c. United Nations
 - d. A "Religious United Nations"

B. Specific Problems

1. To what extent should a Sisterhood cooperate with efforts to secure FEPC (Fair Employment Practices Commission) legislation on local, state and national levels?
2. How may we aid in strengthening the United Nations as an instrument of world peace and security?
3. In terms of our Jewish, religious background how should we interpret the responsibility of the United States for raising standards of living in depressed areas of the globe?

C. Sisterhood program

1. Of what value is an Interfaith Program to the community?
 - a. How does Sisterhood approach the Christian community to interest it in an Interfaith Program?
 - b. Types of Interfaith Programs: Interfaith Institute; Interfaith meeting; Interfaith Service.
2. How does a Peace and World Relations Committee fit into the Sisterhood program?
 - a. Who should decide on subjects of discussion and where may subject material be obtained?

- b. Is it necessary to have professional leadership for study groups?
- c. Does your Sisterhood take advantage of material received from the NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations and what method is used to present the information of "Current Copy" to the Sisterhood?
- 3. In what way may Sisterhood aid in Post-War Service?

- a. Serve-A-Camp
- b. Serve-A-Hospital

Projects of the Women's Organizations Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board of which NFTS is a constituent.

Moderator: Mrs. Elmer Moyer, Dayton, Ohio, President, NFTS District No. 6, Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. *Resource Persons and Discussion Leaders:* Mrs. Harold Baum, Milwaukee, Wisc., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Interfaith Activities; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Ia., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations; Mrs. Edward Hart, W. Hartford, Conn., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Post-War Service. *Rapporteur:* Mrs. Harry Lawner, Dayton, O.

"Human relationships comprise those ways of life by which we live together. Our problem here is to discuss how women of Reform Judaism may contribute to better their relationships not only within their own religious groups but among all people. In so doing we give to others the rights and dignities we want for ourselves." With this statement, the Chairman opened this workshop.

The primary thought was that there must be unity rather than uniformity among our own groups, and that intra-Jewish relationships should be improved. Individual responses to one another are motivated by our sense of responsibility as Jewesses.

Turning from relationships among one another to relationships with others, one enters the field of Interfaith work. It was emphasized that women should keep before them the vision of unity, and translate it into constructive action, holding to the thought that "By my deed I shall live my creed." Institutes on Judaism are needed for church women, school teachers, business and professional leaders and for children. Institutes on Judaism frequently lead to similar meetings on Catholicism and Protestantism.

Thought is being devoted to educating children so that all age levels might be represented in interfaith work. Various aspects of the Jewish religion might be presented to Christian Sunday school children. Religious School children should write to DP children both on an inter- and intra-faith basis, and a child might be adopted or a religious school abroad supported through a Sisterhood. In addition, women here should communicate with women abroad who are urgently interested in learning about Interfaith work.

It was pointed out that the formation of an Inter-Racial Youth Council is an excellent idea. Study groups on comparative religion are urgently needed to promote tolerance.

After fulfilling obligations to Jewish causes it is advisable to work with our neighbors on civic projects. Relationships with the community are bettered by service to projects such as Red Cross, milk funds, care of underprivileged children, etc. We must live our religious heritage and if inspiration can be given for individual leadership in a community, we shall have accomplished much.

The process of educating our women also includes all work on Peace and World Relations. The group was reminded that the mission of Israel is peace and that the understanding of forces for peace must be fostered. As a religious group it is the Sisterhood's responsibility to be informed and to speak for social justice. Study groups with intelligent leadership are needed to meet alone or with other organizations to hear papers prepared by their own members.

It was stated that NFTS publishes "Current Copy" and also provides a study course and other material on the United Nations. The suggestion was made that there be study of social living through the relationship of man with man and of ways and means of strengthening United Nations activity. It was emphasized that our hope for peace and social justice rests with the United Nations, and we must have faith in it.

Intelligence must be supplemented by information, however. An informed public opinion must be created. Sisterhoods should open their platforms to speakers who would further inform members on national subjects. Many of the women felt that discussion of social justice is worthless without social action, and that discussion should be followed by more action.

Sisterhood program could definitely be made more effective if it advocated the strengthening of the United Nations and if work were under-

taken for better housing, medical care, full employment, education and other matters that raise the standard of living.

The discussion on Post-War Service stressed the fact that the need for such service is urgent at this time. This morale-building job is primarily projected through the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board. The need for funds for projects has increased of late. "Serve-a-camp and Serve-a-hospital" committees are being reactivated to serve our defense program. This personal touch is best supplied by women whose primary objective is peace. Knitting, kit-making, and all the other forms of service needed by men and women in service are again being graciously supplied by the women of our Sisterhoods.

The workshop closed with the hope that out of the meeting would come more than mere words, and that true Judaism would be practiced in order to bring about world peace.

III. FURTHERING RELIGIOUS IDENTIFICATION (Covering the activities of the Committees on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, Jewish Literature for the Blind, Programs, Religious Extension.)

A. What does Religious Identification Mean Today?

1. In the home?
2. In the community?
3. In the Synagogue?

B. How does Sisterhood Further Religious Identification?

1. Through Programs
 - a. How may greater Jewish interest and knowledge be stimulated?
 - b. What part can a well-planned Sisterhood play in the integration of a Jewish community?
2. Through Religious Extension
 - a. What methods do Sisterhoods use for an active extension program, especially for outlying Jewish groups?
 - b. What can a Sisterhood do to increase Synagogue attendance and encourage its members to participate in the religious life of the Congregation?
 - c. What means should be followed to extend a Synagogue's hospitality to students and others outside the Congregation?
 - d. How can Sisterhood membership be increased?
3. Through Jewish Ceremonials and Art

- a. How can the study of Jewish customs, ceremonials, art and music be encouraged?
 - b. Does a Judaica shop best serve as a fund raising project, as a service project, or as a means of intensifying the religious identification of members?
 - c. How may a Sisterhood assist its Synagogue's museum of Judaica?
4. Through Jewish Literature for the Blind
- a. What techniques can be employed to bring Jewish literature to the blind?
 - b. How are Sisterhood funds raised and allocated in its program to serve the Jewish blind?

Moderator: Mrs. Harry Jacobson, *West Des Moines, Ia., President, NFTS District No. 20 (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Colorado). Resource Persons and Discussion Leaders:* Mrs. Sterling Berg, *Paducah, Ky., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind;* Mrs. Mervin A. Blach, *Birmingham, Ala., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Religious Extension;* Mrs. Miriam Jackson, *New York, N. Y., Palestine Galleries;* Mrs. Samuel Mohr, *Atlanta, Ga., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Programs. Rapporteurs:* Mrs. Alan M. Pinsky, *Chicago, Ill., President, Washington Boulevard Temple;* Mrs. Ben Rosenthal, *St. Joseph, Mo., Vice-President, Adath Joseph Temple.*

PROGRAMS — Suggestion was made that a selected theme might be used for study by the group at meetings, using as leaders either the members or professionals in the field. One Sisterhood had four meetings on Hebrew arts — music, art, drama, literature. Membership participation attracts the best attendance.

In outlining the year's program before the beginning of the Sisterhood year, the Program Chairman must have a thorough knowledge of Sisterhood and be vitally interested in transmitting this understanding to the membership. Chairmen of Sisterhood Standing Committees might serve as program leaders during the year; for example, the Chairman of Peace and World Relations might be in charge of the February meeting. It is desirable to provide programs that stimulate Jewish interest and knowledge and it is important to bring current events to the attention of the members, utilizing NFTS aids. It is also advisable to give better understanding of NFTS projects. Finally, programs should enrich home life and provide improvement in communal life, utilizing community leadership and organizations.

RELIGIOUS EXTENSION — It was agreed that if the phrase, religious extension, were given real Sisterhood significance by having a Committee with this very name as part of every local unit, that in itself would help to further the work of extending the light of religion to all Jewish women. There may be need for defining religious intension rather than religious extension with an honest analysis of why there is so much indifference toward participating regularly in divine services. The Committee's responsibility is to encourage members to enter into the religious life of the community. Discussion was held of lighting candles on pulpit by members at Friday evening services. One Sisterhood had Friday evening fireside discussions. In order to acquaint members with hymns, another Sisterhood introduced the singing of a hymn at every Sisterhood meeting. Members of the group were urged to send for copies of "Hebrew Responses and Hymns" issued by the Commission on Synagogue Activities. There was a great deal of enthusiasm for monthly family worship services and for establishing the habit of bringing young children to Temple services.

To increase Synagogue attendance, after-Temple socials are prevalent; in some instances, members celebrating birthdays and anniversaries serve as hostesses. In one Sisterhood there is a hostess every Friday night who receives from the Temple office printed invitations which she sends to her own friends. In order to stimulate children's attendance, those with birthdays during the week can be blessed at Saturday morning Services and recognized in some manner; there have also been successful children's Oneg Shabbats. One Congregation has a Planning Committee consisting of the President of the Temple, the President of the Sisterhood, the President of the Men's Club and the Rabbi.

As regards reaching Jewish families in isolated areas, it was recognized that it is important to encourage out-of-town women to join Sisterhoods, to send their children to the religious school or to have help from the local Temple or from the UAHC to establish their own religious schools and even their own Sisterhoods if their number warrants. Even five or six or more members might have a successful Sisterhood. The correspondence course sponsored jointly by the Union and NFTS was also suggested for this purpose.

Orientation classes for new members, receptions honoring new members, schemes for drawing new members into Sisterhood activities, all

were emphasized. As means of extending congregational hospitality outside the Congregation, invitations to college students to attend services, invitations to students and service men and women to attend Temple Seder services were mentioned.

JEWISH CEREMONIALS AND ART—As regards collecting and preserving articles of Jewish art and ceremonial objects, it was explained that Sisterhoods had purchased objects of Judaica for Temple museums and kept records of donors and history of heirlooms. One Sisterhood presents a program each year for the religious school on the objects in the Temple museum. Another Sisterhood conducts a museum contest for the children and gives as prizes museum pieces. Many Sisterhoods provide pictures for the classrooms.

It was the consensus of opinion that although a Judaica Shop might be a very profitable project, its chief purpose should be to intensify the religious identification of the members. It was also agreed that Sisterhood Judaica Shops need not be considered as rivals of such shops established by other Jewish women's organizations—they all have their places in the community.

In emphasizing the study of Jewish customs and ceremonials, Jewish art and music, it was pointed out that the NFTS Committee should cooperate with the Committees on Program, Family Education and Religious School in providing displays, victrola records, books, holiday packets and workshops for holidays. The members evidenced an eagerness to have prepared for them, for presentation by their members, programs on music and dancing and expressed the desire to have made available to them the choreography for dances of Jewish themes, packets of victrola records which they might rent and use to illustrate programs on music. Emphasis was placed on the value of a musical meeting or an annual Musical Temple Service, with a pre-concert study course touching on the music to be presented in the concert.

JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND — In discussing some of the problems relating to Braille, it was stated that local groups doing Braille must be self-sustaining financially. Braille machines that do not meet standard requirements are not recommended for use by Sisterhood units. Nor are the slate and stylus suggested for those Sisterhoods that plan to buy machines when they are available. It is possible to learn Braille by correspondence through the

Library of Congress, but it is more practical to use a teacher. Any certified Grade II Brailist is a qualified instructor, and Sisterhoods with Certified Brailists might serve as instructors for other units.

A phonograph record of the Sabbath Services has been prepared by two Sisterhoods in NFTS District #12, the Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and is available from NFTS for shut-ins (sighted as well as sightless). Available also is a talking book record of the Sabbath Service. Special training is necessary for making these recordings for "talking book" machines.

NFTS funds which are used to aid the blind, either in this country or abroad, are those so designated by the donors. During the past year the portion of NFTS contributions which has gone to the Committee for European Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse has helped to provide for 324 blind survivors living in nine countries, physical care, psychological reassurance, an enlarged social program and rehabilitation. Also issues of the *Jewish Braille Review* and of the *Braille Musician* have been underwritten by local units.

Personal services are extended by local units to the blind in their area in the form of letter writing, shopping service, outings, and transcription of textbooks, music books, telephone books, cookbooks, calendars, playing cards.

IV. ADVANCING LIBERAL JUDAISM (Covering the activities of the Committees on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education, House of Living Judaism, Uniongrams, World Union for Progressive Judaism and Combined Campaign.)

INSTITUTIONS AND METHODS FOR ADVANCING LIBERAL JUDAISM

A. Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC)

1. How does the UAHC promote the advancement of Liberal Judaism?
2. What is the obligation of individual Reform Jews to the UAHC?
3. What is the relationship between Sisterhood and the UAHC?
4. What are the contributions of Sisterhood to the UAHC?
 - a. Through the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and Uniongrams:

- (1) What is the religious education program of the UAHC?
- (2) What proportion of money is allocated from the Fund towards religious education of the UAHC?
- b. Through the Combined Campaign of the Union-College-Institute?

B. Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR)

1. How does the HUC-JIR promote the advancement of Liberal Judaism?
2. What is the obligation of individual Reform Jews to the HUC-JIR?
 - a. Through the HUC Scholarship and Religious Education Fund:
 - (1) What is the method for listing contributions to the Fund?
 - (2) What details and procedures are followed concerning assistance toward student maintenance at the College, i.e., eligibility, length of assistance, etc.?
 - (3) Should Alumni of the College repay part or all of their scholarship assistance?
 - b. Through Uniongrams:
 - (1) What is Uniongram Apportionment Profit and its relationship to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund?
 - (2) May Sisterhoods conducting free religious schools receive a portion of their Uniongram Apportionment Profit for this purpose?
 - (3) How can the sale of Uniongrams be stimulated?

C. House of Living Judaism

1. How will the House of Living Judaism promote the advancement of Liberal Judaism?
2. What is the contribution of Sisterhoods to the House of Living Judaism?
3. Why should Sisterhood support the House of Living Judaism?

D. World Union for Progressive Judaism

1. How does the World Union for Progressive Judaism promote the advancement of Liberal Judaism?
2. What is the relationship between the UAHC, NFTS and the World Union for Progressive Judaism?
3. What is the Silver Coin Collection and how does it function?

4. Why was the Silver Coin Collection diverted from the project "Mothers to Mothers in Israel" to the World Union for Progressive Judaism?

Moderator: Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash., President, NFTS District No. 24, Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. *Resource Persons and Discussion Leaders:* Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Baltimore, Md., NFTS First Vice-President; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Columbus, O., Chairman, NFTS Committee on Uniongrams; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Cleveland, O., Fourth Vice-President, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education; Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, New York, N. Y., Chairman, NFTS Committee on House of Living Judaism; Mrs. Ethel Smith, Johannesburg, South Africa, Secretary, United Jewish Reform Congregation, Johannesburg, Rapporteur: Ruth L. Hirsch, Cleveland, O.

Discussion took place on the methods of encouraging Sisterhoods to meet their pledges toward the House of Living Judaism. It was hoped that the Convention would inspire some groups which had not yet gone "over the top." It was also suggested that appointing new local Chairmen might help, and that the individual contributors should be made aware that the \$10 contribution was for a four-year period, amounting to only \$2.25 a year. Special fund raising projects might be undertaken such as a sale of Judaica objects, selling chances, or making pilgrimages to points of interest. In other cases special gifts could be solicited, with large amounts offsetting smaller contributions.

Emphasis was made that it is of major importance to transmit to members the relationship of local groups to the national organization.

On the subject of scholarships and religious education, the question was raised on the advisability of assisting foreign students who wished to study at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, and it was felt that this was a problem which would have to be settled by the College. At present approximately one-half of the students on the Cincinnati campus of the HUC-JIR are on scholarships.

The recipients of these were selected by the College authorities. Tuition is free to all students. The scholarship relates to dormitory maintenance which is \$650; the maximum scholarship is \$550. When a policy with regard to foreign students is promulgated, the Sisterhoods will be notified. This Committee's funds are also used for certain religious educational work of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, including its Department of Youth Activities.

It was pointed out that most of the affiliated Sisterhoods contribute to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund through cash contributions and/or Uniongram Apportionment Profit. Groups contributing \$350 or more are listed on the Honor Roll; those contributing \$500 or more are on the Distinguished Service List; an increase of 5% in a Sisterhood's contribution over the last fiscal year earns special mention on the Honorable Mention Roll.

Concerning the stimulation of Uniongram sales, the following suggestions grew out of this meeting: (1) Make the sale of Uniongrams competitive so the smaller Sisterhoods can make a showing and put the sale on a percentage basis; (2) Educate the children to appreciate Uniongrams and send Uniongrams to children on occasions; (3) Educate Congregations more thoroughly in benefits derived through sale of Uniongrams; (4) Have lucky number Uniongram drawings at meetings; (5) Sell Uniongrams and corsages together for occasions; (6) Dramatize before Sisterhood one of the NFTS skits about Uniongrams; (7) Use Uniongram to send personal invitations to teas, dinner, etc.; (8) Charge admission (Uniongrams) for meetings; (9) Use posters to promote sale of Uniongrams; (10) Organize a limerick contest with entries submitted on Uniongrams; (11) Send Uniongrams to new parents—enclosing small one to new baby tied with pink or blue ribbon.

As regards contributions to the HUC-JIR and UAHC through the Combined Campaign, it was explained that Sisterhoods' function would be to assist the Congregations with woman-power to raise money, especially to encourage husbands to make larger contributions. This would be a yearly campaign.

ASSEMBLY SESSION—MONDAY AFTERNOON, 2:30 P.M.

The business session of the Assembly was called to order in the Ballroom of the Hotel Cleveland by the President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett. The

session was opened with all the delegates rising and repeating in unison the Invocation.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

The report of the Committee on Rules was presented by the Chairman, Mrs. Leland Lowenson, Portland, Oregon.

Herewith submitted is the report of the Committee on Rules which shall govern the deliberations and proceedings of the XVIII Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods:

I. VOTING. Only accredited delegates and ex-officio delegates shall be entitled to vote.

II. QUORUM. One-third of the voting members present and registered shall constitute a quorum.

III. NUMBER OF VOTES. Each member may vote in only one capacity, and she must, when registering, state that capacity.

IV. SEATING. Members composing the voting body of this Assembly shall occupy the front seats, visitors, the rear of the room.

V. BADGES. Each member who is entitled to vote must wear her delegate's badge at all meetings.

VI. TELLERS. The Chair shall appoint tellers to count the vote.

VII. FLOOR PRIVILEGES. All accredited and registered delegates and official visitors shall have the privilege of the floor to discuss any question that may come before the Assembly and may take part in all deliberations, but only registered delegates and ex-officio delegates may make motions and vote.

All delegates should be allowed to speak before visitors are allowed to speak.

Each member when recognized shall identify herself before speaking.

Second floor privilege: No Sisterhood may have the privilege of the floor for a second time until all Sisterhoods who desire to speak on the question have done so.

VIII. TIME ALLOTMENT. No one shall speak for more than three minutes on any motion or topic of discussion unless there shall be granted an extension of time.

Timekeeper: The Chair shall appoint timekeepers to see that the foregoing is observed.

IX. DUTY OF THE USHERS AND PAGES. It shall be the duty of these ushers and pages to preserve decorum.

All Committees shall be appointed by the Chair unless otherwise ordered.

All members shall cooperate with the President in her request to refrain from smoking during business sessions.

X. RESOLUTIONS. All Resolutions shall be reduced to writing, signed and placed in the hands of the Resolutions Chairman by Tuesday morning, November 14.

XI. TIME OF MEETINGS AND ADJOURNMENT. The meetings of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall assemble promptly and shall adjourn promptly as scheduled in the program.

MRS. LELAND LOWENSON,
Chairman

Upon motion duly seconded and carried, the report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Mrs. Mandell Bloch, Cincinnati, Ohio, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, presented the report of that Committee.

Present for the Executive Board, 32 members; State or District Federation delegates, 19; Sisterhood delegates (including the above figures), 582. Thirty-four states, with 217 Sisterhoods in 164 cities of the United States, 2 Sisterhoods in Canada and 1 in South Africa, were represented. Sixty-five official visitors were present.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Aaron Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa., NFTS Treasurer, presented her report (see p. 32).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS

The Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws was presented by Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y., NFTS Third Vice-President, in the absence of the Chairman, Mrs. D. L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla. (see page 86).

It was agreed that each proposed revision would be read and action taken before the next revision would be presented.

With regard to first revision suggestion, a motion to provide the proposed change in Article 4, Section A — DUES, was presented. It was moved to amend the first part of the proposed By-Law to read: "Every Sisterhood shall pay yearly into the Treasury of this Federation \$1.00 for each of its contributing members."

After discussion, the motion was announced as carried by a hand vote. The vote was challenged, and a standing vote called for. This time the motion failed by two votes to reach the necessary two-thirds of those present and voting to carry it, and the motion was lost. Again the vote was protested as having been

taken after many, who thought the motion had carried, had already left the room. Many who were present and who had voted on the prevailing side stated that it would be fairer to continue consideration of the raise in dues the following day. Therefore, it was agreed that for this purpose a Special Assembly Session should be held on the following day, Nov. 14.

The Business Session recessed at 5:40 P. M.

JOINT SESSION

At 8:00 P. M. Sisterhood Delegates met with the Union Council to participate in a religious service and to hear reports by Rabbi Morton Berman on "Reform Jewish Practices" and Rabbi Nelson Glueck on "Our College-Institute."

Proceedings of the Third Day

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At 8:30 A.M. a Breakfast session was held for the District Presidents.

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS' BREAKFAST AGENDA

I. District Conventions

- a. Do you have a District Convention Program Chairman, appointed or elected on the District level?
 1. What are her responsibilities?
- b. What part does your District Federation have in coordinating, programming, and financing your Convention?
- c. What part does your hostess Sisterhood have in financing, housing, programming, etc.?

II. Individual District Problems and Aids

- a. What are yours?
- b. Bulletins
- c. Contact with units
- d. District projects

III. NFTS and District Federations

- a. What additional NFTS aids does your District need other than NFTS speakers, publications, etc.?
- b. Does your District budget to send its representative to NFTS Biennial Conventions and to the District Presidents' Council?

Chairman: Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn., *Second Vice-President, NFTS, and Chairman, NFTS Committee on District Federations.*
Rapporteur: Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y., *President, NFTS District No. 3, New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.*

The significant *Statement of Sisterhood Philosophy* by Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, was read for the benefit of those who had not heard it at the State and District Presidents' Council, held in November, 1949 in New York City.

PROBLEMS OF DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

1. Dues

Question was raised as to whether dues up to 25 cents per capita per year on a state level would be adequate for administrative costs as well as projects.

2. Budgeting

Discussion was held on Districts' budgeting to send representatives to NFTS Biennial Conventions and to the District Presidents' Council.

3. Redistricting

This has been discussed many times by the Executive Board but felt to be so important that the District Presidents approved a recommendation to be sent to the NFTS Executive Committee. A motion was passed to ask the Executive Board to urge the UAHC to complete its redistricting soon. NFTS and UAHC Districts may be made to coincide.

PROJECTS OF STATE AND DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

The Talent Bureau of District #20 was described. The District allows traveling expenses every 2 years for a speaker for a local group. Members of the Talent Bureau are members of the National Board or officers in the District Federation.

In Michigan the Program Chairmen meet at the start of the year, and good programs are mimeographed and distributed. At the State Convention, four workshops were held—Religious Schools, Child Study and Parent Education, Jewish Ceremonials and Art and Youth.

TEMPLE ATTENDANCE

In Ohio, the three Vice-Presidents act as Co-Chairmen for Temple attendance and constantly urge attendance. As regards Bulletins, the Texas-Oklahoma Federation puts out four records a

year in lieu of Bulletins. Nine Districts issue Bulletins.

It was pointed out that many requests had been received for Leadership Training. It was also pointed out that a Teachers' Institute for Religious School Teachers had been sponsored by Mississippi. As a final request, the District Presidents urged immediate transmission of a questionnaire to all District Presidents to poll

votes for time and place of the next District Presidents' Council.

At 10:40 A.M. the four workshops held on the previous day were repeated. These covered: Strengthening Jewish Family Life; Improving Human Relations; Furthering Religious Identification, and Advancing Liberal Judaism.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY SESSION

Mrs. Rosett called the Special Assembly Session to order at 3:40 P.M. in the Red Room of the Hotel Cleveland.

It was moved by a member who had voted on the prevailing side the preceding day; to reconsider the question of the raise in dues. The motion was seconded and carried. The motion that "Every Sisterhood shall pay yearly into the Treasury of the Federation \$1.00 for each of its contributing members" was again fully discussed and carried by a carefully counted standing vote of 374 affirmative, 131 negative.

The Assembly moved a rising vote of confidence in the President and the Board.

The Assembly then discussed the second part of the proposed amendment, regarding State and District Dues. It was voted that "Each District Federation shall determine the amount of the dues which shall be paid by member Sisterhoods directly into the Treasury of said State or District Federation; this amount shall not be more than twenty-five cents per capita per annum."

The Special Session recessed at 5:20 P.M.

BANQUET

Sisterhood delegates joined with the Union at 7:00 P.M. in the Rainbow Room of the Carter Hotel for the Banquet at which the speakers were Mr. Louis Broido, National Vice-Chairman, Combined Campaign of the UAHC, HUC-JIR

and His Excellency, Abba Eban, Ambassador of Israel to the United States. A Testimonial was presented to Rabbi Samuel H. Goldenson, New York, on behalf of the Executive Board of the UAHC.

Proceedings of the Fourth Day

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Mrs. Rosett called the Wednesday morning business session to order at 10:05 A.M., and the Assembly recited the Invocation in unison.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Mrs. Julius Mark continued with the presentation of the Report of the Committee on By-Laws, beginning with II (see page 86).

All of these proposed revisions were adopted by the Assembly with the exception of:

IX. Article 38, Section E, SUBSIDIARY DISTRICT FEDERATIONS was not considered as a result of the vote on Revision Number I. Instead the following change was adopted: "Article 38, Section E of the present By-Laws shall

remain as it stands at present with the substitution of the phrase 'must not be more than 25 cents per capita per annum' for the phrase 'must not be more than fifty percent of the dues paid by each Sisterhood to the National Federation' and the addition of a concluding sentence, 'Any additional monies that a District Federation may desire to raise shall be approved by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods or a designated committee thereof.' "

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Mrs. Edward A. Hart, West Hartford, Conn., Chairman of the Committee on Nominations,

presented the report of that Committee:

The necessity of choosing twenty women from the Federation of many thousands for service on the Executive Board poses a task at once difficult and exacting. Long hours of conscientious effort have been given to the careful scrutiny of the candidates' blanks submitted by Sisterhoods. Moreover, your Committee has endeavored to take into consideration geographic and population distribution, former representation on the Board as well as those qualifications which will reflect upon the very best interest of NFTS.

Your Committee on Nominations, cognizant of the action of the Executive Board in recommending that the fifteen additional members of the Board voted in the revision of the By-Laws at the 1948 Biennial Assembly, be added five at a time over a period of three Biennials, has included in the Report five names in addition to those nominated to fill vacancies created by the normal completion of Board terms.

Your Committee presents in nomination the name of Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla., for a term of three years to succeed herself, to complete the maximum number of years allowed by the Constitution which is a period of six years' total service on the Board; the name of Mrs. Aaron Wolpert, Worcester, Mass., for a term of three years to succeed Mrs. Ben Spinoza of Boston; the name of Mrs. Leon J. Ell, Miami Beach, Fla., for a term of four years to succeed Mrs. Marie Seligman of Miami Beach.

For a term of six years each, your Committee on Nominations offers the names of:

Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Charleston, W. Va.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Jack Davis, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Sarah Farber, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Maurice L. Garfein, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Harry Lowenstein, South Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Harry S. Margolis, St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Lewis C. Moss, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Jacob Rudin, Great Neck, L. I., N. Y.; Mrs. Moses M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex.

MRS. EDWARD A. HART

The above report was accepted upon motion duly seconded and carried and, after a motion was made and carried to close nominations, the slate of Board members was voted as presented.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THANKS

Mrs. Jesse Stern of New Orleans, La., Chairman of the Committee on Thanks, submitted to the Biennial the following report:

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, assembled in Cleveland, Ohio, for its Eighteenth Biennial Convention, is profoundly aware of the time, trouble, thought and expense that have been unstintedly given by the hostess community and is most appreciative of the successful efforts that made the meetings outstanding and memorable events. Special recognition must be given to the Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood, Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, Temple Women's Association, Sisterhood Tifereth Israel, Suburban Temple Women's Committee and Congregation Gates of Hope Sisterhood, whose careful planning and constant graciousness eased all the mechanics of handling 2,000 people. For the generous hospitality that made each delegate feel herself to be a personal guest, for all the Convention Chairmen and their co-workers whose care for detail made the program of events a triumph of organization, we are most deeply appreciative.

Recognizing that a supremely successful Convention is achieved only through careful planning and meticulous attention to detail, we wish to express our warm thanks to the NFTS Biennial Program Committee, headed by Mrs. Sol Gitson of Cleveland, her Vice-Chairmen, Mrs. Alan Green and Mrs. Henry Steuer, and the members of their Committees, the Presidents of the hostess Sisterhoods who with their efficient aids have done so much on behalf of the Eighteenth Assembly of the Federation.

We express our thanks to the management of the Cleveland Hotel, Convention headquarters, and to all other Cleveland hotels who so hospitably catered to the needs of this Convention.

We are grateful to the representatives of the press and radio who gave so freely of their time and facilities.

Lastly the business of the Convention was inspiring and informative to all the delegates because of the dynamic leadership of our National President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett and the extraordinary efficiency of the staff under the direction of Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Mrs. Leon Sosnoff, Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, Miss Elaine Jackson and Miss Gloria Silverstein, who so well and skilfully worked out preliminary preparations for this outstanding Eighteenth Biennial Assembly.

MRS. JESSE STERN

THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE SISTERHOODS AND THE PTA IN CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

MRS. MILTON LORBER, DENVER, COLO.

President, Temple Emanuel Sisterhood

Temple Emanuel in Denver has a rather disturbing situation in that Sisterhood and PTA are two large autonomous bodies, each with its own by-laws, officers, dues, committees and fund raising. Sisterhood has a membership of a little over 600 and PTA of about 300. Naturally the memberships overlap to a great extent. Both contribute money and service to the Temple and to each other. Sisterhood's sole fund raising event is our quota party; the monies from which go to pay the Religious School teachers' salaries. Since this primarily concerns parents of children, it is a joint affair to which the PTA members contribute generously. Both contribute to our Temple Emanuel Camp for Sunday school children.

Both have Study Groups; PTA taking over the Child Study and Parent Education Department of Sisterhood. Sisterhood Study groups are very well attended also. These are book reviews given by our two rabbis six times a year. PTA has Parent-Child-Teacher Class meetings after services Friday evenings, each class attending once a year. The pupils present panel discussions of their classroom work, and the parents visit later at a coffee hour with the Teachers. PTA also concerns itself with the social functions for the children holding parties for the younger ones once a year, and a teen-age canteen for the three older classes once a month. PTA has a Mother-Daughter luncheon annually. Sisterhood gives a Chanuko party for the entire Religious School.

Both Presidents sit on the Temple Board of Trustees with full voting privileges. Both Presidents are members of the Temple Religious School Committee. The PTA President is on the Temple Camp Committee, and the Sisterhood President, on the Temple Public Relations Committee.

Sisterhood appoints one lady of the Congregation each Friday night to bless and light the candles on the pulpit, thus honoring a different person each week. Sisterhood also provides the pulpit flowers as well as allowing a generous amount towards the confirmation flowers. PTA started a new project this year, a book exchange, whereby any pupil could bring back his last

year's religious school book and exchange it for this year's.

We have one joint meeting a year aside from the Quota Party, and both Presidents officiate. Both organizations run the gift shop. Many of the PTA members help with the Sisterhood serving committee.

PTA is a tremendous project in itself, is very well organized and through the children brings the parents to services and its three meetings a year. Through the many room-mothers and committees, its carnival and other functions are always successful. Sisterhood with its thirty-six committees, as well as its communal and inter-faith activities, is very busy in itself and provides a great amount of work for its President, officers and committee chairmen.

However, all of the benefits of two separate organizations go to the PTA, Sisterhood being the loser. Two years ago Sisterhood tried in vain to have PTA join us as a part of our organization. Sisterhood needs young blood for future officer material. Most of our Board of Directors are at least post-Confirmation parents or older. We are striving to interest more and more young members in Sisterhood and succeed only to the point where we do not run into PTA devotees. Most of the PTA members pay dues to Sisterhood but do not work for us. By the time they have finished with PTA they are tired of organization work. We sell them Uniongrams and calendars, but they will not head our committees nor work toward officerships. We are striving to interest new brides, hoping that by the time they have children of Sunday School age they will have grown interested in and loyal to Sisterhood.

The situation at the present time is a harmonious one. The Sisterhood President sits on the Executive Committee and the Board of the PTA, and the PTA President holds the same privileges on the Emergency Committee and Board of Directors of the Sisterhood. We work together most pleasantly and in the friendliest manner, with great mutual respect. However, we still dream of the day when PTA will be a part of Sisterhood, with a Third Vice-President of Sisterhood (we have only two Vice-Presidents

now), whose sole and very arduous duties would be as the *head* of the PTA and who would bring into Sisterhood a large and enthusiastic group of active young mothers. This Vice-President would, if she so desired, succeed to the Presidency of Sisterhood after ascending to the Second Vice-Presidency in charge of Programs, and then the First Vice-Presidency in charge of the Board and Ways and Means. Then indeed would our Presidents be versed in all fields of religious school work. In this Utopia, which can be a

realization, Sisterhood will be a strong body, with interested and active members of all age groups.

For this we in Denver shall continue striving, but I cannot urge too strongly that other Sisterhoods keep this situation under control in other Congregations by having PTA either as a committee or under a Vice-President of Sisterhood. Thus shall one strong women's organization continue to grow in strength with its children as the years roll by.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. Harry O. Rosenberg, Chicago, Ill., Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, presented the report of that Committee. All Resolutions presented were adopted with one exception and with the suggestion that the Resolution dealing with Youth Camps be spread upon the minutes pending the action of the Committee authorized by the Executive Board of the UAHC, NFTS

and NFTY to make a careful study of the questions raised in the Resolution and report. (See Resolutions adopted by the Eighteenth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhood on pages 159-163).

The Business Session was adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

LUNCHEON SESSION

The closing Luncheon of the Assembly was held at 1:50 P.M. in the Rainbow Room of the Hotel Carter and was presided over by the President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, who presented the members seated at the head table and introduced the hostesses.

Mrs. Rosett then presented Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, First Vice-President and Chairman of the Sisterhood Steering Committee of the Combined Campaign, who explained the place of Sisterhood in the Combined Campaign:

"At the meeting of our National Board held in St. Louis last year, we went on record as saying that we would cooperate wholeheartedly with the Combined Campaign by giving our moral support and our woman-power. That is what we are going to be called upon to do.

"At the Brunch on Sunday, I announced that before the Biennial Convention was over we would appoint a Steering Committee. That Committee has been appointed. It met this morning at breakfast.

"You, who are here, certainly realize that we are a part of a world movement; we are a part of Reform Judaism, and we are primarily set up to promote and further Reform Judaism. We wish to feel that we are lending our efforts to this very worthy cause in working with the men. We are not asking any individual Sister-

hood member to give money to this Campaign, unless she desires to do so or is a widow or woman with her own income. We seek annual contributions and gifts from families, made to your own Congregations, when the Campaign takes place in your community. We are not asking Sisterhoods to give from their treasuries. However, I was told that there are some Sisterhoods who are already giving from their treasuries; certainly we are not suggesting that those Sisterhoods discontinue.

"The Steering Committee is made up of women who, we feel, have the ability to go out, into your communities to talk with you and to help you to understand what part we are to have in the Combined Campaign.

"I am sure that you will agree with me that we have an opportunity now to show what women can do in helping the men go 'over the top.' They did not do so last year; they made a tremendous step forward, but with our help the Combined Campaign for the strengthening of our movement through the maintenance of our great, worthy institutions—the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion—can be fully successful. Let us urge our husbands to give a little more and urge our friends to give a little more. We must see, with the men,

that the institutions which serve us, the Union and the College-Institute are able to get the funds that they urgently need."

Following Mrs. Dalsheimer's remarks, the Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, Cleveland, pre-

sented an original Cantata, "What Is Sisterhood."

The Honorary President of NFTS, Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C., was introduced to present the Blanche R. Stolz Trophies.

PRESENTATION OF Blanche R. Stolz Trophies

BY MRS. ABRAM SIMON, WASHINGTON, D.C., *Honorary President, NFTS*

"Madam Chairman, Delegates and Friends:

"It is with deep pleasure that I present the Blanche R. Stolz Trophies at the Eighteenth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. These trophies are presented in honor of Mrs. Joseph Stolz, devoted Jewess, who for a quarter of a century served NFTS and Liberal Judaism as National Chairman of the Committee on Hebrew Union College Scholarships and Religious Education. Her activities have been a true inspiration to all of us.

"The Blanche R. Stolz Trophies were established by action of the Thirteenth Biennial Assembly and the 1942 Executive Board meeting and have been awarded at each succeeding Biennial to the three Sisterhoods who, in proportion to their membership, have most increased their contributions to the Hebrew Union College Scholarship and Religious Education Fund during the period between Biennials. The contribution includes voluntary cash gifts together with Uniongram Apportionment Profit. I especially commend the Sisterhoods who receive the Blanche R. Stolz Trophies this year and congratulate them for their devoted service which merited this high honor.

"For Sisterhoods of 1-100 members, I award the Blanche R. Stolz Trophy to Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood, Tupelo, Miss., Mrs. Morris Royal, President. This will be accepted by Mrs. D. H. Orkin, President of NFTS District #16, the Mississippi Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

"For Sisterhoods of 101-300 members, I award the Blanche R. Stolz Trophy to Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Shalom, Harrisburg, Pa., Mrs. Arthur Lehrman, President. This will be accepted by Mrs. Lehrman.

"For Sisterhoods of 301 or more members, I award the Blanche R. Stolz Trophy to Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch, Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Isadore Stern, President. This will be accepted by Mrs. Stern.

"I would also like to mention two other Sisterhoods whose contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund have been particularly noteworthy. The Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Shalom, Pittsburgh, Pa., has, over a period of years, consistently been the greatest contributor. We again applaud Temple Rodef Shalom for its continuous and distinguished support of this project which is ever close to our hearts. For the past several years the Sisterhood Tree of Life, Columbia, S. C. has, in proportion to its membership, made outstanding contributions to the Fund through its Uniongram payments. For the past fiscal year its membership was 57; its contribution \$653.60, a remarkable and praiseworthy achievement.

"We wish that time permitted mention of every group which has, with great effort and loyalty, swelled the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. To the Blanche R. Stolz winners, to the Sisterhoods of special mention and to all the other NFTS Sisterhoods who have worked with enthusiasm and loyalty to promote the education of rabbis and lay leaders we say, *Congratulations for a task well done!*"

Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y., Past President of NFTS and member of the Executive Committee of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., presented a gold watch and special citation to Mrs. Harry Cole, Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood, Cleveland, on behalf of the Jewish Braille Institute which was brought into being and is actively supported by NFTS. The citation read:

"To Mrs. Harry Cole, Cleveland, Ohio, Brailist in the Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, this Citation is humbly expressive of our high esteem, deep admiration and lasting gratitude for the unique and splendid achievement: The expert brailing of the Master Copy in twenty encyclopedia-size volumes of the historic Hebrew

Braille Bible, a monumental work that will un-
failingly inspire and deeply enrich the lives of
blind men and women of all the world in this
and in unnumbered generations.

"Presented for the Executive Committee of
the Board of Directors of the Jewish Braille
Institute of America, Inc.

ROSE WACHTEL, *President*

LEOPOLD DUBOV, *Executive Vice-President*"

The Assembly rose in tribute to Mrs. Cole.

Mrs. Rosett presented Mr. Gerald Bailey, Guest
of Honor of the afternoon, member of the
World Committee of the Society of Friends and
Secretary of the Committee on East-West Rela-
tions of the British Society of Friends, at present
with the United Nations Assembly. Mr. Bailey
spoke on "Social Justice and Individual Freedom:
The Religious Challenge of the World Situa-
tion."

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM: THE RELIGIOUS CHALLENGE OF THE WORLD SITUATION

MR. GERALD BAILEY, LONDON, ENGLAND

*Member of the World Committee of the Society of Friends,
Secretary of the Committee on East-West Relations of the British Society of Friends*

Madam President, since there is so short a time,
and since I have had the temerity to choose a
vast and complex theme, which it is difficult to
encompass in a short time, I am going to avoid
lengthy preliminaries, but I must first express
my gratefulness to your officers for giving me
the opportunity of taking part in your Biennial
Assembly. Since I am so much in sympathy per-
sonally with the basic ideals and aims of Progres-
sive Judaism, but because as a Britisher, and as
a professing Christian, I am at least, technically,
an outsider, I deeply appreciate the invitation
which you have given me to take part in this
final gathering. And, also, the generous welcome
which you have accorded me.

Now I am going to assume that a major prob-
lem, in fact, *the* major problem of our time,
is the conflict of values between East and West,
terms which I use in an ideological sense: be-
tween the free world on the one hand, and on
the other, the world of Communist totalitarian-
ism. I am not suggesting that there are not and
cannot be other forms of totalitarianism, but
the thesis I want to present in a very short time
is in relation to the issue between the Com-
munist and the non-Communist world. I am
not suggesting either that the conflict of values
is a new phenomenon; there have been conflicts
of values since the beginnings of recorded time.
But I am suggesting that the conflict of values
which faces us today has an acuteness, a uni-
versality, and an urgency which is unprece-
dented in its scope and in its importance.

I want to examine quite briefly the challenge
which this conflict of values presents to those of

us who belong to the free world, and those of
us as do here, who approach this problem from
the standpoint of personal and corporate re-
ligious responsibility. What are the obligations
which we must accept for ourselves and for the
free societies to which we belong if we are to
fulfill our religious purpose and so to resolve
this tension as to advance the Kingdom of God,
the unity and the peace of mankind?

The first and essential obligation, I believe, is
that we should not minimize the gulf that at
present separates Western from Eastern values.
And remember that when I say "Western and
Eastern" I am using ideological and not geo-
graphical terms. The issue is not merely an
academic one; it is a difference between two
textures of life. Democratic institutions, as we
understand the word "democratic," are not
merely a matter of convenience and of ex-
pediency; they are a profoundly significant
transcription, at the political level, of religious
insight and religious principles.

Let me put it more symbolically: In the
Russian view might truly be said: It doesn't
matter if a sparrow falls to the ground. In our
view it does. Let's be quite clear about this:
the impersonal principle is the degradation of
man; man is not, in the view of Judaism or
Christianity a means to an end, however de-
sirable the end. He is an end in himself. The
child of God. The inheritor of a promise of
Eternal Life. Belief in the inviolable sacredness
of human personality is absolutely basic to our
Western moral and humanistic tradition.

The next obligation confronting us, I believe,

is to recognize that the gravest hazard to which we could submit these essential values of our Western civilization would be to get ourselves into the position where we are forced to seek their vindication in war. I believe that those values will be hardly less imperilled by a prolonged and virtually unlimited preparation for war in the name of defense, but certainly we can assume that at least for our generation the values of a free society would not survive war itself, if we permit that cosmic arson to descend upon us. If there could be any beneficiary from World War III, World War III fought with atomic weapons on a universal scale, it would be much more likely to be World Fascism or World Communism than Democracy of the Western kind. We have the obligation therefore, Madam President, if we cherish these values of our Western Civilization, to seek their defense by other than violent means.

It is true, the peoples that follow a Western democratic tradition are in something of a dilemma in this matter. There isn't any gilded security for us in the West. But surely the best way, the only way to resolve that dilemma, surely the best hope for the Western democracies today, and those who share their ideals of a free society, is that they should strengthen their own democratic practice in obedience to their own principles, and incidentally, I believe it is the best means of resisting the penetrating power of Communism. We do not defend our values, that is, by submitting them to the fatal test of war, or by proclaiming them as theoretically desirable, but by practicing them, by living them, by living them much more effectively than hitherto. Both for your country and mine it would seem to me to involve certain inescapable things which I will put into the broadest and most inelaborate terms: first, the calling of a halt at the earliest moment to large scale rearmament, and all the paraphernalia of unlimited war preparation, through a vigorous and determined peace poll, peace leadership aimed at securing a general and radical disarmament; second, the ending of any imperialism, overt or covert, of which we may still be guilty; third, the avoidance of measures to defend civil liberties which in fact only serve to destroy them; fourth, the consistent and courageous attempt to make a reality of our social democracy at home (how often do we knowingly and unknowingly outrage the human person); fifth and lastly, a readiness to make a maximum contribution to

the point of greater sacrifice if need be to a cooperative war against human want and human misery wherever it may be found.

Now that, Madam President, is a formidable agenda, I know, I am confident it is one that could and should absorb our devotion and our energy for a long time to come. But there are two other and related obligations to which I want to refer, and these bring the challenge to the deeper level of our religious and personal responsibility. I have argued that there is a formidable gulf between the ideals if not the practices of free societies of the West on the one hand and the practices, if not the precepts of Marxist Communism on the other. But, we must believe that in the process of time and the purposes of God, men can and will achieve and establish a world society that is better and nobler than anything we have yet seen or even envisaged in East or West.

I want to suggest that the antithesis between the social and collective justice which Communists emphasize, and the individual freedoms which we emphasize, is in reality a false antithesis.

What we need, after all, is a sort of synthesis which takes the best of both ideologies, which combines the social consciousness of Communism, with its emphasis on the liberation of the masses from economic penury, and economic servitude, which combines that principle with the concept of the supremacy and the freedom of the human spirit, the respect for man as man, which is the basic principle, and where we are faithful to it, the continuing justification of our Western tradition. If we could make the best of both worlds, we might be measurably nearer our ideal society—the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth, and at a point, I believe, where the risk of the fatal conflict between East and West would have disappeared.

The realization of that synthesis is, I submit, fundamentally a spiritual, if not a religious task. To wed the truth of one world to the truth of the other, to spiritualize and ennoble the social movement that becomes inevitable, that I want to suggest is a striking summary of the fundamental task which confronts us in reconciling East and West, in realizing not merely one world, but the best one world which is the condition of our survival and of our peace.

It is a challenge to all the theistic non-Communist religious groups of our time, but it is a challenge above all to the individual person with a religious loyalty and a religious affiliation,

whatever it may be. Obviously we here can only help to spiritualize and ennoble the social movements that become inevitable, as we more nearly spiritualize and ennoble ourselves.

Peace does not require a revolution, but the evolution that peace requires is an evolution in attitudes, a change of values, in individual persons. The basic problem after all in the world today is not—say—the dollar gap, though that is a very serious problem for my country, nor even the gap between East and West which is a serious problem for the whole world; it is the bridging of the gap between man's power and man's wisdom. The root problem facing man today is: How is he going to find the wisdom that will fit him to meet the challenge of his power?

A famous Quaker, not entirely unknown in this country, William Penn, put it much more cogently 250 years ago when he said, "Those who would mend the world must first mend themselves."

The final session of the Eighteenth Biennial Assembly was adjourned at 3:30 P.M. after the Benediction was recited in unison:

"O Thou Eternal One, Thou wast with us in the beginning; Thou wilt be with us in the end.

"Our thinking has been clarified by our deliberations here; we pray that through them our purposes may have been strengthened. Be Thou with each of us as we return to our homes; cause Thy spirit to enter our hearts that we may be truly united to do Thy will. Amen."

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA S. ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the XVIIIth Biennial Assembly

OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

CLEVELAND, OHIO, NOVEMBER 15, 1950

DR. ALBERT A. BERG

In the passing of Dr. Albert A. Berg, American Jewry has lost a great humanitarian, an eminent scientist and a renowned scholar; Dr. Berg was a devoted son of his parents, Josephine and Moritz Berg, in whose memory he has helped make possible the realization of a home for Reform Jewry.

Through his vision and devotion to the cause of Liberal Judaism, future generations will derive inspiration and benefit from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations' House of Living Judaism which he has helped create.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Convention assembled in Cleveland, Ohio, on November 12-15, 1950, pays heartfelt and humble tribute to the memory of Dr. Albert A. Berg.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that this expression of esteem be sent to the members of Dr. Berg's family and be recorded in the minutes of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

ESTABLISHMENT OF YOUTH CAMPS*

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is the Mother Arm of Reform Judaism. It has either initiated or wholeheartedly supported every endeavor of our movement to educate our children and transmit to them the meaningful heritage which is ours.

Mindful of the unique role which the summer camp has assumed in the field of education and of the unlimited potentialities of the camp program as a means of inspiring our youth in the Liberal Jewish way of life;

WE HEREBY RESOLVE that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods adopt as its next national project, immediately upon the completion of the House of Living Judaism project, the acquisition and establishment of camps for Reform Jewish youth;

That this project be implemented, wherever possible, through the instrumentality of the Regional or State Federations of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods;

That the Eighteenth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods establish a Committee for Youth Camps and direct this Committee to begin its work immediately, in conjunction with our youth organization, the child of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the National Federation of Temple Youth.

* *NOTE*: This resolution was ordered spread upon the minutes *without action* as the NFTS Executive Board, at its pre-convention session, had voted to have a Committee of the NFTS Board meet with representatives of the Boards of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the National Federation of Temple Youth to discuss all phases of the subject of a youth camp or camps.

COMBINED CAMPAIGN OF THE UAHC AND THE HUC-JIR

WHEREAS, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion are the religious centers through which the voice of Reform Judaism in America speaks; and,

WHEREAS, these agencies for more than 75 years have sustained our congregations, our Sisterhoods, our Brotherhoods and American Judaism as a whole; and,

WHEREAS, they are now confronted with a severe financial problem which is a threat to the continuance of their leadership of the American Jewish community,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 18th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in convention assembled in Cleveland, Ohio, November 12-15, 1950, on behalf of its entire membership, does hereby pledge to cooperate wholeheartedly in the current Combined Campaign, to raise the amount necessary for the continuance and maintenance of the works of the Union and the College-Institute.

RELIGIOUS SERVICE

WHEREAS, the first and central purpose of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations is the strengthening and deepening of religious life in Liberal Judaism; and

WHEREAS, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was called into being to unite the women of the Liberal Jewish community in support of this sacred purpose,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 18th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, convened in Cleveland, Ohio, November 12-15, 1950, as a National Federation and as individual Sisterhoods, rededicate themselves to the religious service of the Synagogue, and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that efforts be redoubled to further the religious education of children and parents in our Congregations by strengthening the bonds that unite home and Synagogue.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS

WHEREAS, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has among its important functions Child Study and Parent Education, the strengthening of the Religious School, as well as the strengthening of Jewish Family Life; and

WHEREAS, there is great strength in parent-teacher association; and

WHEREAS, the effectiveness of the Sisterhood and the PTA can be mutually increased by a close cooperation,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we seek techniques to implement this goal, that Sisterhood shall be the mother body of which PTA shall be a part and that we ask the cooperation of the Central Conference of American Rabbis and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in achieving this objective.

CIVIL RIGHTS

WHEREAS, The United States was founded upon the Judeo-Christian premise of liberty and justice for all men; and

WHEREAS, We would share the ideals of American democracy with the whole world; and

WHEREAS, Discrimination in the field of employment on the basis of race, creed and national origin exists in violation of these honored principles,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 18th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Convention assembled in Cleveland, Ohio, on November 12-15, 1950, advocates on behalf of the NFTS units located in the United States, passage of legislation to set up fair employment practices, and commissions at local, state and national levels, these to assure equality of opportunity in employment based solely on merit, and furthermore,

WHEREAS, the President's Committee on Civil Rights established in 1947 appealed to the conscience of the American people by presenting a proposal for the correction of injustice and of racial discrimination in American practices, and

WHEREAS, the challenge of segregation and other forms of injustice have been only partially eradicated from the American community,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NFTS 18th Biennial, on behalf of its units located in the United States, calls upon the Congress of the United States to establish a Federal Commission on Civil Rights, that it create a civil rights division in the Department of Justice and that it strengthen the provisions of the Criminal Code which deal with the violation of human rights, and furthermore

WHEREAS, the menace of Communism has created a spirit of hysteria in many quarters of the United States,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bill of Rights and other American institutions shall be maintained intact during these critical years as they have been at all times.

GENOCIDE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods approve the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide which is destructive of national, ethnic, racial or religious groups, and recommends and urges, on behalf of its United States units, that the United States Senate now ratify this Convention; further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Federation recommends to each of its constituent Sisterhoods that the members of such Sisterhoods urge ratification of the Convention upon their respective representatives; further

BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of the first resolving clause of this resolution, together with an appropriate letter of transmittal from the Federation, be forwarded to the President of the United States and to the Presiding Officer and each of the members of the Senate of the United States; further

BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of the entire resolution be forwarded to each of the constituent Sisterhoods.

THE UNITED NATIONS AND KOREA

WHEREAS, the United Nations, the world's best hope for peace, has acted in the Korean crisis with promptness and decisiveness, and in accordance with its Charter; and

WHEREAS, as the result of Security Council action, United Nations forces from various member states are fighting in Korea under the United Nations flag, to check aggression and restore peace,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 18th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, convened in Cleveland, Ohio, November 12-15, 1950, heartily approves the course of action taken by the United Nations, and urges upon the governments of member states continued strong support of the United Nations in the Korean case, or in any similar breach of the peace that may occur; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods urges the United Nations to carry forward diligently the rehabilitation of Korea, both North and South, so that "just as Korea has become the symbol of resistance to aggression," it may "become also, the vibrant symbol of the renewal of life."

NEGOTIATIONS FOR PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the United Nations, as stated in its Charter, is "to bring about by peaceful means . . . settlement of international disputes or situations which might lead to a breach of the peace"; and

WHEREAS, the mounting tensions between certain of the Great Powers threaten to erupt into open war unless the present trend is reversed,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 18th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, convened in Cleveland, Ohio, November 12-15, 1950, urges upon all governments that the process of negotiation for peaceful settlement be used to the full, both in and outside of the United Nations, that invective be avoided, and that every effort be made to find just and peaceful settlement of points of disagreement; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that, even while it is necessary at the moment to build up military security, plans should continue to be made for universal regulation and limitation of armaments, and that in particular, an effective system for international control of atomic energy, acceptable to all, be continuously sought.

ECONOMIC AID TO UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS

WHEREAS, hundreds of millions of people in Asia, Africa, and elsewhere are demanding "better standards of life in larger freedom," and

WHEREAS, unless the poverty, ignorance and misery of these millions is relieved, they may turn to Communism, as offering their only hope of change; and

WHEREAS, lasting peace cannot be built in a world where the unfortunate so greatly outnumber the fortunate,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 18th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, convened in Cleveland, Ohio, November 12-15, 1950, urges the United Nations to speed its expanded program for technical and other economic assistance to underdeveloped areas, and records its hope that every member state will participate in this program to the full extent of its ability.

EFFECTIVE ACTION AGAINST AGGRESSION

WHEREAS, it has become obvious that, in case Security Council action against aggression is prevented or delayed, the United Nations must find other ways to maintain or restore peace; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly under articles 11 and 14 of the Charter has ample "authority and responsibility for matters affecting international peace,"

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 18th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, convened in Cleveland, Ohio, November 12-15, 1950, records its approval of the action of the Fifth General Assembly in adopting, under the general head "The United Action for Peace," the following measures: (1) that provision be made for immediate calling of an emergency session of the General Assembly, when needed, to recommend collective action against aggression, (2) that a peace observation commission be established to watch over and report on areas where aggression threatens, (3) that each member state designate certain units of its armed forces for United Nations use, and maintain them in readiness for service, and (4) that the General Assembly appoint a Committee to study and report on the implementation of these measures.



CORNERSTONE LAYING CEREMONY



UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

Moritz and Josephine Berg Memorial

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1950

AT TWELVE-THIRTY P.M.

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AT SIXTY-FIFTH STREET

NEW YORK CITY

Program

INVOCATION

Rabbi of our neighbor sanctuary
 Temple Emanu-El of the City of New York.....RABBI NATHAN A. PERILMAN

AMERICA.....CANTOR FREDERICK LECHNER AND CONGREGATION

Our fathers' God, to Thee,
 Author of liberty,
 To Thee we sing;
 Long may our land be bright
 With freedom's holy light;
 Protect us by Thy might,
 O Great God, our King.

PROCESSION OF CONGREGATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

(led by Jonathon Wise, great-grandson of Isaac Mayer Wise)

The preacher was wise, he taught the people knowledge
 President of the New York Board of Rabbis.....RABBI SIMON G. KRAMER

Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself
 Representing our Christian neighbors.....DR. RALPH W. SOCKMAN

SH'MA YISROEL

These women of valor—their price is above rubies

President of the National Federation of
 Temple SisterhoodsMRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT

By this I know ye are men of God
 President of the National Federation
 of Temple Brotherhoods.....S. HERBERT KAUFMAN

And our young men shall see visions
 President of the National Federation of Temple Youth.....PAUL FRIEDBERG

"MAY THE WORDS OF MY MOUTH"

The study of the law precedes all else

President of the Hebrew Union College —

Jewish Institute of Religion.....RABBI NELSON GLUECK

I have put my spirit upon them — to make the right go forth to the people

President of the Central Conference

of American Rabbis.....RABBI PHILIP S. BERNSTEIN

Separate not thyself from thy congregation

President of the Union of American

Hebrew Congregations.....RABBI MAURICE N. EISENDRATH

KODOSH, KODOSH, KODOSH

Until the knowledge of God shall cover the earth as the water covers the sea

President of the World Union for Progressive Judaism.....RABBI LEO BAËCK

SHEHECHEYONU

During the rendition of the Shehecheyonu, the cornerstone shall be set by Jacob Aronson, Honorary Chairman and Dr. Samuel S. Hollender, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

ADON OLOM

The Lord of all, who reigned supreme
Ere first creation's form was framed
When all was finished by His will
His name Almighty was proclaimed.
My spirit I commit to Him,
My body, too, and all I prize;
Both when I sleep and when I wake
He is with me I shall not fear.

BENEDICTION

President of the Alumni Association of the Hebrew Union

College-Jewish Institute of Religion.....RABBI FERDINAND M. ISSERMAN

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CORNERSTONE LAYING CEREMONY
UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM
MORITZ AND JOSEPHINE BERG MEMORIAL

New York, New York, November 19, 1950

At the cornerstone laying ceremony of the House of Living Judaism—Moritz and Josephine Berg Memorial, which took place at the corner of Fifth Avenue and East 65th Street, New York, N. Y. (opposite Temple Emanu-El), on the afternoon of Sunday, November 19, 1950, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, asserted in addressing more than 500 congregational leaders from all parts of the country who came to New York for the ceremony:

"It is a great and treasured privilege for me once again to bring a message from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to a gathering celebrating another step toward the completion of our House of Living Judaism.

"When we celebrate the laying of the cornerstone of a new building we rejoice because to the eyes of those of us who are mere onlookers in the actual building process, the days of digging are over, the building has progressed to a point where the street level has been regained—and from now on we shall be able to see the house grow! And when, according to custom, we deposit in a cornerstone mementoes appropriate to the occasion, we are striving, in our feeble human way, to project something of ourselves, our hopes, our ideals, our experiences into the future; to make contact with generations to come; to communicate to them something of what is in our minds and our hearts and why we struggle to achieve objectives which we consider important. Representatives of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, therefore, have deposited today in this cornerstone several articles which to them seemed most symbolic of our history and our purpose.

"The first is a copy of the deed to the land on which this building will stand—the land which was one of the first items paid for from funds contributed by the women of the Sisterhoods through the House of Living Judaism Campaign. From this a future generation may gather that we were a practical group of women; that we realized that an organization, like a family, cannot do its best day to day job unless it has an adequate and a permanent home.

"The second is a copy of the resolution presented by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in appreciation of its part in making this home possible. From this a future generation will learn that the House of Living Judaism, to be a center for the Union and its affiliates, was the dream of the Sisterhoods, and that through the gifts of the members, together with the magnificent and inspirational generosity of the late Dr. Albert A. Berg, the dream became a reality.

"The third was a Uniongram, from which that future generation can understand that our preoccupation with the collection of funds for this building was merely an incidental activity in our program, a matter which had to be taken.

care of and completed, and which in nowise excused us at any time from our primary and continuing task of furthering religious education through the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for rabbinic students and laymen, including a program for Temple Youth.

"The fourth article, which I am to have the honor of placing in the cornerstone, is the beautiful and distinctive NFTS Art Calendar. This calendar is different from all other calendars, even as the Sisterhood itself is different from all other women's organizations. Dedicated each year to some topic of Jewish interest, illustrated each year by some Jewish artist, it carries us not from January to January as most calendars do, but from September to September, and from one Holy Day season to another. It marks the Jewish festivals as well as the secular holidays and notes the weekly Torah portions to be read on each Sabbath. From this could be gathered not only that we loved beauty and sponsored Jewish art, but also that we were deeply aware of the ceremony and tradition of our Jewish heritage through which we made a contribution that added warmth, richness and meaning to our lives as Jews, as Americans and as members of a world community.

"As we place these symbols in this cornerstone today, we do so thinking not only of the judgment of the future, but in the fervent hope that as the ideals which these symbols represent become part of this physical structure which we call the *House of Living Judaism*, so may they become an evermore powerful force in our own lives and in our efforts toward the strengthening of that vital and living Judaism for which we strive."

Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, declared:

"Religion must confront the threat of atomic war and the inequities of our day with a positive program based upon the precepts of justice and universal brotherhood. . . . This imposing edifice rising on the very mainstreet of America is intended to be no mere structure of steel and stone, no museum of antiquities, but rather a House of Living Judaism, the very dynamic center of Jewish religious life in America whence will flow instruction to our children, guidance to our youth and a challenge to the men and women of our time. . . . The challenge is to to apply the moral mandate of our faith to the immoral conditions of our generation, to confront the inequities and iniquities of our day with justice as envisioned by our Hebrew prophets, to eradicate the racial and religious prejudices of this world with the ancient Hebraic teaching and reality of God's fatherhood and man's universal and all-inclusive brotherhood; to buttress the slow and painfully plodding, yet heartening, recent progress of the United Nations whose glorious home is likewise rising majestically but a stone's throw away from our own House of Living Judaism; to fortify and to fulfill its crucial and indispensable task of bringing immediate and abiding peace to a world even now teetering on the abyss of hideous devastating war by insisting upon the prophetic behest from the past 'Peace unto him who is near and unto him who is afar.'"

At the conclusion of his remarks, Dr. Eisendrath placed a small Torah and an English translation of it in the cornerstone. Just before the actual setting of

the cornerstone, Dr. Eisendrath read from the Bible and offered a prayer of thanksgiving in which he praised and thanked the valiant women of Sisterhoods of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for their contributions to the House of Living Judaism.

Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, Minister of Christ Church, Methodist, welcoming the new national center of Liberal Judaism to New York City on behalf of the Christian community, stated:

"I assure you that the New York churches will watch the work of this House with prayerful interest and I am confident that its future will command our admiration. After these bricks and stones shall have crumbled to dust, the foundations of God will stand secure.

"We meet in a time which is testing the principles of freedom and democracy. This ceremony gains double significance from this fact. We are hereby revealing to the world that we are determined to perpetuate the foundations laid by our fathers. This national home of Liberal Judaism will ever be strengthened by the memory that it was built in a day when material things are being shaken and spiritual things are showing their endurance."

Dr. Sockman, who is also Minister of the National Radio Pulpit, then laid a copy of the United Nations Charter in the cornerstone.

Dr. Leo Baeck, President of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, warned that the rehabilitation of mankind—"rehabilitation in God"—is the great common task of all religions. "Jewish genius, which is primarily a religious genius, must not withhold itself from humanity." When Dr. Baeck concluded his address, he deposited in the cornerstone the records of the Conference of Liberal Judaism, held in London, England, twenty-four years previous, which laid the foundation of the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

Speaking for Mrs. Samuel Levy, sister of the late Dr. Albert A. Berg, Miss Grace McCormack told of Dr. Berg's life which was patterned after the Fifth Commandment, "Honor thy father and thy mother."

Jacob Aronson, Honorary Chairman of the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, read a resolution of gratitude to the late Dr. Berg, whose extraordinary gift in memory of his parents, plus contributions from Sisterhoods of NFTS, makes possible construction of the new building. The resolution and a UAHC Yearbook were then deposited in the cornerstone by Mr. Aronson and Dr. Samuel S. Hollender, Chairman of the Executive Board, UAHC, both of whom wielded the silver trowel which set the cornerstone in place.

A message from the President of the United States was read by Judge Charles Griffiths, lifelong friend of Dr. Berg:

"Please give my cordial good wishes to all who are attending the cornerstone ceremony for the Union House of Living Judaism. The world needs the living spirit of religion as never before. If the teachings of the prophets could be brought into the daily lives of each of us, we could realize quickly our fondest dreams of human brotherhood. May the blessing of the Almighty fall upon this house and all who enter here.—Harry S. Truman."

Highlight of the ceremony was a procession of congregational representatives from all parts of the United States and Canada who filed past the cornerstone and

deposited in it individually inscribed scrolls. The procession was led by three and one-half year old Jonathon Wise, great-grandson of Isaac Mayer Wise, founder of Reform Judaism in America. Following him were Dr. Jonah Wise, Rabbi of Central Synagogue, New York (a son of Isaac Mayer Wise) and his twin sister, Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, Honorary Life Member of the Board of NFTS; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, a past NFTS President in whose administration the gathering of funds for a permanent house for the Union and its affiliates was initiated; Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, New York, Chairman of the NFTS House of Living Judaism Committee and Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, who first envisaged the project. Colonel Frederick F. Greenman, President of the New York Federation of Reform Synagogues headed the procession of congregational representatives.

Other speakers who addressed the ceremony included: Rabbi Simon G. Kramer, President of the New York Board of Rabbis, who placed a review of the last few years of the New York Board of Rabbis in the cornerstone; S. Herbert Kaufman, President of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods, who deposited in the cornerstone a copy of the *Jewish Layman*; Paul Friedberg, President of the National Federation of Temple Youth, who placed a pin of the NFTY in the cornerstone; Dr. Nelson Glueck, President of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, who deposited a copy of the catalog of the newly merged Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and the first report presented by the Hebrew Union College to the Executive Board of the UAHC in 1876; and Rabbi Joseph Fink, Vice-President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, who placed a copy of the *Union Prayerbook* in the cornerstone.

Rabbi Nathan A. Perilman of Temple Emanu-El delivered the Invocation, and Dr. Ferdinand M. Isserman, Rabbi of Temple Israel, St. Louis, Mo., President of the Alumni Association of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, delivered the Benediction.

Following the ceremony, a luncheon was served out-of-town visitors and officers in the Isaac M. Wise Hall of the Community House of Temple Emanu-El.

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THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

November 1, 1950—October 31, 1951

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
Executive Committee
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Cincinnati, Ohio

May 31-June 1, 1951

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 31, 1951, in Parlor A of the Terrace Plaza Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio, by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y., NFTS President. After the invocation, read in unison, the following persons answered the roll call by Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Nebr., Recording Secretary: Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Alabama; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, First Vice-President, Pikesville, Maryland; Mrs. Gene Friedman, Los Angeles, California; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Fourth Vice-President, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, West Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Julius Mark, Third Vice-President, New York, New York; Mrs. Monsky; Mrs. Rosett; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Second Vice-President, Knoxville, Tennessee; Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, Cincinnati and New York. Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Administrative Assistant and Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, Assistant to the Director, were likewise present.

Mrs. Rosett explained that she had called the meeting of the Executive Committee in order to think through ideas for the Executive Board sessions in the fall. The Executive Board frequently did not have time to discuss thoroughly matters of good and welfare, and certain items needed to be considered in these fields.

The following Resolutions and recommendations were adopted by the Executive Committee:

(1) SCHOLARSHIP AID TO PRE-RABBINIC STUDENTS:—

Reform or Liberal Judaism is a religious movement dedicated to the service of God and man. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the women's arm of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, is the national and international women's organization of Liberal Judaism. One of its major objectives is the advancement of Liberal Judaism in the United States and throughout the world. Toward this latter end it is affiliated with the World Union for Progressive Judaism whose headquarters are in London, England but whose work extends to every continent of the world, where it stimulates

Reform or Liberal or Progressive Judaism through the development of congregations, religious schools, youth activities and women's groups. Its fine and essential work has been tragically handicapped not only by the dread cataclysms of world-wide wars which have twice swept across the face of the earth in recent decades, but also by the lack of funds for Liberal Rabbis and spiritual leaders who can interpret Liberal or Progressive Judaism to others.

Therefore, as *one* step in the development of a far-visioned program through the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and its Special Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities, the Executive Committee recommends to the NFTS Executive Board, the use of not more than \$5000.00 annually from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund for off-campus student aid to pre-rabbinic students recommended through the World Union for Progressive Judaism and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. This student aid, which shall be granted in proportion to need and shall in no one case exceed more than \$1200.00 per annum, may also be extended to pre-rabbinic candidates recommended by the HUC-JIR who may be former Displaced Persons or similar special students now resident in the United States. Further, it shall be understood that any student granted such aid as is herein outlined, who fails to continue his rabbinic studies through personal choice, shall be expected to consider the aid granted as a loan to be repaid without interest.

Through the foregoing effort and other activities to be recommended to the constituent units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the women of Reform Judaism in the New World shall be able to clasp hands in service with their co-religionists overseas. Thus shall they demonstrate their personal dedication to Reform or Liberal or Progressive Judaism not only through the advancement of their own congregation and the program of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations but also through the world-wide advance of our faith through the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

This was to be circulated for approval by the Executive Board and it was recommended that a copy be sent to each local Sisterhood.

(2) **BONDS FOR ISRAEL:**—The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is in sympathy with the plan for the Bond Drive for Israel. We will give that plan our full moral support. But we would find it difficult, if not impossible, to harness our organization, as an organization, to an active selling campaign. We have our own immediate and inescapable commitments for which we alone are responsible, and we recognize that our primary privilege and obligation is to further and support Jewish and humanitarian causes through Liberal Judaism, in America and throughout the world. We endorse moral and material support for Israel, and recommend to our constituency individual cooperation in the Bond Drive for Israel.

(3) **NFTS BANK ACCOUNTS:**—Since the Cincinnati office was to be moved to New York during the summer, it was voted that the funds in the NFTS Cincinnati bank accounts and the contents of the NFTS Cincinnati safe deposit box were to be transferred to the Bank of the Manhattan Company, 64th Street and Madison Avenue Branch, and the Bank of the Manhattan Company Safe Deposit Company respectively, in New York.

(4) **TRIBUTE TO DR. EISENDRATH:**—The Executive Director was authorized to draft a statement of tribute from NFTS to Dr. Eisen-drath in honor of his 25th Anniversary in the Rabbinate.

(5) **MERGER OF MAGAZINES:**—The Executive agreement relating to the merger of *Topics & Trends*, official bulletin of NFTS, *The Jewish Layman*, Publication of NFTB, and *Liberal Judaism*, magazine of the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, which had in principle been approved by the NFTS Executive Board in 1949. Strong recommendation was to be made to the Union for retention of the name *Liberal Judaism*, together with inclusion of a feature section for Sisterhoods once a year.

(6) **CHAIRMEN OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**—Since many Sisterhood members did not understand the reasoning behind appointment of non-board members as Chairmen of Committees, it was agreed that explanation would be made when the By-Laws were distributed in the fall President's Packets. Such appointments were made in the case where members were specially qualified.

(7) **WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM ACTIVITIES:**—A tentative outline for the Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities was adopted with the instruction that financing of these activities should be discussed at a later date and that a definite policy be adopted in the near future. The program would be more fully discussed at the October Board Meeting after the London meeting of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. It was further agreed that as long as NFTS belongs to the World Union, the Executive Director and President should attend its meetings at NFTS expense.

(8) **JEWISH BRAILLE INSTITUTE OF AMERICA:**—Discussion was held on the possibility of NFTS assuming responsibility for the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., and for housing its library. It was decided that this question would have to be settled by the Executive Board in consultation with the Union.

(9) **GOOD AND WELFARE:**—In order to decrease the gap between NFTS, Board Members and local units, the following recommendations were made, following presentation by the President and full discussion by the Executive Committee:

(a) **AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING** in the spring, and **AN EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING** in the fall shall be held annually with consideration given to extending Board Meetings an extra day if necessary so that indoctrination workshops could be held on the last day. The President had recommended two annual Board Meetings; after discussion and amendment, the vote was taken in favor of one Executive Committee Meeting and one Executive Board Meeting annually.

(b) **A COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE** shall be appointed. This Committee shall have a more adequate opportunity to review the budget than it has had in the past; quarterly budget reports shall be sent to each Executive Board member.

(c) **APPOINTMENT OF A COMMITTEE ON EVALUATION** to study NFTS function and structure, including possible realignment of committees, was authorized. Its first progress report is to be made at the Executive Board Meeting in October, 1951.

(d) **THE SPEAKERS BUREAU** was to be enlarged to a **DEPARTMENT OF FIELD SERVICE** through a new Special Committee on Field Service, with NFTS representatives oriented to working with Sisterhoods not only

speaking to them. Material was to be prepared for speakers' training and plans for the entire year should be mapped out in the spring.

(e) A sub-committee of the Union, NFTS, and NFTY had met to discuss YOUTH CAMP questions, but definite recommendations would not be offered until after the June 16 meeting of the full joint Camp Committee.

(f) DUES payments at \$1.00 per capita were being met by most Sisterhoods and it was agreed that the staff should continue to handle dues problems on the basis of policy outlined at the Biennial Assembly, Cleveland, 1950.

(g) Consideration was to be given to activating the RESOLUTIONS and NOMINATIONS COMMITTEES earlier than three months before the next Biennial if it seemed advisable; also thought should be given to the length of terms of the Board Members. These matters would involve revisions of By-Laws.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 P.M., June 1, 1951.

In addition to the foregoing business which was conducted in morning, afternoon and even-

ing sessions on May 31 and morning and afternoon sessions on June 1, the Executive Committee had been entertained for luncheon by the Executive Boards of the Rockdale Avenue and I. M. Wise Temple Sisterhoods of Cincinnati, in the Dormitory at the Hebrew Union College; were the guests of the College at the ordination services of the Class of 1951 on June 2 and the following luncheon at the College and ordination banquet at the Netherland Plaza Hotel; were the guests for dinner Friday evening, June 1, at the residence of Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, a Past President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods; and had entertained at dinner certain local officers and past and present Cincinnati NFTS Board members prior to the evening business session on May 31.

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA S. ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



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Special Convocation and

Dedication of the

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Special Convocation Events



THURSDAY, October 25th

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| 11:00 a.m. | <i>District Presidents' Council</i> NFTS | BARBIZON PLAZA HOTEL |
| 8:00 p.m. | <i>Executive Board</i> , UAHC | <i>Board Room</i> , UNION HOUSE |

FRIDAY, October 26th

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| 9:30 a.m. | <i>Executive Board</i> , UAHC (cont'd) | <i>Board Room</i> , UNION HOUSE |
| 10:00 a.m. | <i>District Presidents' Council</i> ,
NFTS (cont'd) | BARBIZON PLAZA HOTEL |
| 8:00 p.m. | DEDICATION SERVICE | TEMPLE EMANU-EL |
| 10:00 p.m. | Formal ceremony of opening doors of Union House
Followed by "open house" for out-of-town guests. | UNION HOUSE |
| 10:00 p.m. | Reception to out-of-town guests
By the New York Federation of the Union. | <i>Isaac M. Wise Hall</i> ,
TEMPLE EMANU-EL |

SATURDAY, October 27th

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| 10:30 a.m. | DEDICATION SERVICE | CENTRAL SYNAGOGUE |
| 2:30 p.m. | ONEG SHABBAT | ASSEMBLY HALL, TEMPLE EMANU-EL |
| 7:00 p.m. | DEDICATION BANQUET | HOTEL STATLER |
| 11:30 p.m. | SPECIAL DEDICATION BROADCAST | NBC NETWORK |

SUNDAY, October 28th

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| 9:00 a.m. | WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM, <i>Governing Body</i>
<i>Conference Room</i> , UNION HOUSE |
| 9:00 a.m. | NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE BROTHERHOODS BOARD
<i>Board Room</i> , UNION HOUSE |

- 10:00 a.m. Special "MESSAGE OF ISRAEL" broadcast ABC NETWORK
- 10:30 a.m. *Conference of Union Presidents and Regional Chairmen*
HUC-JIR, 40 W. 68TH ST.
- 1:00 p.m. Luncheon Opening XIV Biennial Convention of the NATIONAL
FEDERATION OF TEMPLE BROTHERHOODS
Terrace Room, HOTEL NEW YORKER
- 3 to 6:00 p.m. OPEN HOUSE The general public is invited UNION HOUSE

MONDAY, October 29th

- 9:30 a.m. *XIV Biennial Convention, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF*
TEMPLE BROTHERHOODS HOTEL NEW YORKER
- 9:30 a.m. *Meeting of Board of Governors, HEBREW UNION COLLEGE-JEWISH*
INSTITUTE OF RELIGION HUC-JIR, 40 W. 68TH ST.
- 9:30 a.m. *Meeting of COMMITTEE ON CEREMONIES* UNION HOUSE
- 10:00 a.m. *Executive Board, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS*
Board Room, UNION HOUSE
- 10:00 a.m. *Executive Committee, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN*
RABBIS *Conference Room, UNION HOUSE*
- 7:00 p.m. *Executive Board, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE YOUTH*
- 8:00 p.m. *Open session of NFTS Executive Board to which all sisterhood*
members are invited. RODEPH SHOLOM TEMPLE, 7 WEST 83RD ST.

TUESDAY, October 30th

- 9:30 a.m. *XIV Biennial Convention, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE*
BROTHERHOODS HOTEL NEW YORKER
- 9:30 a.m. *Meeting, COMMITTEE ON CEREMONIES (cont'd)* UNION HOUSE
- 9:30 a.m. *Meeting of Executive Board of ALUMNI ASSOCIATION,*
HEBREW UNION COLLEGE-JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
UNION HOUSE
- 10:00 a.m. *Executive Board, NFTS (cont'd)* BARBIZON PLAZA HOTEL



The late **ALBERT A. BERG**



In Appreciation

Pending the completion of two plaques acknowledging their invaluable contributions to the House of Living Judaism, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations records its everlasting gratitude to the late Albert A. Berg for his generous gift of the Moritz and Josephine Berg Memorial, and to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods whose devoted members helped to create the Union's House of Living Judaism.

Dedication Services

FRIDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 26, 1951 at 8:00 P.M.

TEMPLE EMANU-EL

PROCESSIONAL

"O Lord in Mercy Lead Us"

Sibelius

*Choir of Temple Emanu-El under direction of LAZARE SAMINSKY
—ARTHUR WOLFSON, Cantor—ROBERT BAKER, Organist*

INVOCATION

RABBI JOSEPH FINK

Vice President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS

SABBATH EVENING SERVICE

RABBI NATHAN A. PERILMAN

Rabbi, TEMPLE EMANU-EL, New York

GREETINGS

SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL OF AMERICA

RABBI SIMON KRAMER, *President*

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN U. S. A.

THE RT. REV. HENRY K. SHERRILL, *President*

PRESENTATIONS

ACCEPTANCES

*On behalf of National Federation of
Temple Sisterhoods*

MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, *President*

*On behalf of Union of American
Hebrew Congregations*

DR. SAMUEL S. HOLLENDER, *Chairman*

On behalf of the late Albert A. Berg

HON. CHARLES H. GRIFFITHS

On behalf of Union of American Hebrew Congregations

DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRATH, *President*

"He Watching Over Israel"

Felix Mendelssohn

DEDICATORY ADDRESSES

"Blessed be he who cometh in the name of the Lord."

RABBI JULIUS MARK

Senior Rabbi, TEMPLE EMANU-EL, New York

"We bless you out of the house of the Lord."

RABBI JAMES G. HELLER

Past President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS

"Hear My Prayer"

Saminsky

In Memoriam — ALBERT A. BERG

RABBI SAMUEL H. GOLDENSON

Rabbi Emeritus, TEMPLE EMANU-EL, New York

BENEDICTION

RABBI LEO BAECK

President, WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

RECESSIONAL

"Praise Ye The Lord of Hosts"

Saint Saens

Congregation please remain at seats during Recessional

OPENING OF DOORS TO UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

MRS. EDWARD B. SCHULKIND

*Chairman, HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM**A Project of THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS*

GUARD OF HONOR

MRS. ABRAM SIMON, *Founding and Honorary President of National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.*MRS. ALBERT J. MAY, *Honorary Member, Executive Board, NFTS.*MRS. HUGO DALSHIMER, *First Vice President, NFTS.*MRS. J. WALTER FREIBERG, *President NFTS 1923-1929.*MRS. HUGO HARTMANN, *President NFTS 1941-1946.*MRS. LEON. L. WATTERS, *President NFTS 1935-1941.*

The New York Federation of the Union cordially invites our out-of-town guests to a reception in the Isaac M. Wise Hall of Temple Emanu-El following this service.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 27, 1951, 10:30 A.M.

CENTRAL SYNAGOGUE

PROCESSIONAL "Let There Be Light" J. S. Mombach, *Words by Isaac M. Wise*
 Choir under direction of LAZAR WEINER—FREDERICK LECHNER, *Cantor*—ALEXANDER D. RICHARDSON, *Organist*

INVOCATION

RABBI EMIL LEIPZIGER *Past President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS*

SABBATH MORNING SERVICE

RABBI DAVID J. SELIGSON *Ass't. Rabbi, CENTRAL SYNAGOGUE, New York City*
President, NEW YORK ASSOCIATION OF REFORM RABBIS

DEDICATION ADDRESSES

"The glory of the children shall be their fathers."

RABBI JONAH B. WISE *Rabbi, CENTRAL SYNAGOGUE, New York City*
 "From Heaven's Heights the Thunder Peals" *Reiman, Words by Isaac M. Wise*

"An inheritance for your children after you forever."

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF *Past President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS*
 "In Mercy Lord, Incline Thine Ear" *A. W. Binder; Words by Isaac M. Wise*

In Memoriam — JACOB ARONSON

RABBI BARNETT R. BRICKNER *Rabbi, ANSHE CHESED CONGREGATION, Cleveland, Ohio*
 "Amen Hallelujah" *George F. Haendel*

BENEDICTION

RABBI DAVID LEFKOWITZ, Sr. *Past President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS*

RECESSIONAL "Yigdal" *Traditional*

Institute on Judaism
 FOR NATIONAL JEWISH LEADERS
 ASSEMBLY HALL, TEMPLE EMANU-EL

INVOCATION	RABBI B. BENEDICT GLAZER	<i>Executive Board, UAHC</i>
CHAIRMAN	JUDGE JOSEPH LEVINE	<i>Vice-Chairman of Board of Governors, HUC-JIR</i>
"THE FATE AND FUTURE OF AMERICAN JUDAISM"		
	RABBI FELIX LEVY	<i>Past President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS</i>

DISCUSSANTS:

HAROLD DUBINSKY	<i>First Vice-President, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE BROTHERHOODS</i>
RABBI ABRAHAM J. FELDMAN	<i>Past President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS</i>
DR. HAROLD FAIGENBAUM	<i>Executive Board, UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS</i>
RABBI JACOB R. MARCUS	<i>Past President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS</i>

GENERAL DISCUSSION

BENEDICTION	RABBI LOUIS WOLSEY	<i>Past President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE, AMERICAN RABBIS</i>
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Dedication Banquet

SATURDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 27, 1951, 7:00 P.M.

HOTEL STATLER

STAR SPANGLED BANNER	LINCOLN NEWFIELD	<i>Accompanied by ESTHER LUNDELI</i>
INVOCATION	RABBI MORTON M. BERMAN	<i>President, HEBREW UNION COLLEGE- JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION ALUMNI ASS'N.</i>
PRESENTATION OF TOASTMASTER	DR. SAMUEL S. HOLLENDER	<i>Chairman, Executive Board, UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS</i>
TOASTMASTER	MR. LOUIS BROIDO	<i>National Chairman, Dedication Committee</i>

GREETINGS FROM OUR AFFILIATES

MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT	<i>President, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS</i>
S. HERBERT KAUFMAN	<i>President, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE BROTHERHOODS</i>
PAUL FRIEDBERG	<i>President, NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE YOUTH</i>

MESSAGES

RABBI PHILIP S. BERNSTEIN	<i>President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS</i>
RABBI NELSON GLUECK	<i>President, HEBREW UNION COLLEGE-JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION</i>
RABBI LEO BAECK	<i>President, WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM</i>

ADDRESS

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER *Past President, CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS*

BENEDICTION RABBI JULIAN MORGENSTERN
President Emeritus, HEBREW UNION COLLEGE-JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

Conference

OF PRESIDENTS OF CONGREGATIONS AND REGIONAL COUNCILS
SUNDAY MORNING, 10:30 A.M.
ASSEMBLY HALL, COLLEGE-INSTITUTE

INVOCATION RABBI GEORGE ZEPIN
Honorary Secretary, Executive Board, UAHC

CHAIRMAN DR. GEORGE PINESS
Vice Chairman, Executive Board of UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE CONTEMPORARY SYNAGOGUE

<p>J. S. ACKERMAN, WILLIAM L. BUSH, EDWARD H. CUSHMAN, HERMAN A. MOSHER, SYDNEY W. ROOS, DR. LEON SAKS, BENJAMIN H. SWIG, HERSCHEL WEIL, LOUIS WELLHOUSE, LEO WERTGAME, BENEDICTION</p>	<p><i>President, CHICAGO FEDERATION UAHC</i> <i>President, MID-ATLANTIC COUNCIL</i> <i>President, PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL</i> <i>President, GREAT LAKES COUNCIL</i> <i>President, NEW YORK FEDERATION UAHC</i> <i>Vice President, OHIO VALLEY COUNCIL</i> <i>WESTERN COUNCIL UAHC</i> <i>President, KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE COUNCIL</i> <i>Past President, SOUTHEAST COUNCIL</i> <i>President, MID-WEST COUNCIL</i> HUC, <i>Class of 1890</i></p>
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All out of town congregational leaders, lay and rabbinical, are cordially invited to attend this conference.

Luncheon

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, 1 P.M.
HOTEL NEW YORKER

Luncheon of NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE BROTHERHOODS, marking the close of the Dedication Exercises and the Opening of NFTB XIVth Biennial Convention.

Open House

FOR GENERAL PUBLIC, 3-6 P.M.
UNION HOUSE

Officers of Union and Affiliates

Union of American Hebrew Congregations

DR. S. S. HOLLENDER, *Chairman, Executive Board*

RABBI MAURICE N. EISENRATH, *President*

Vice Chairmen

JESSE COHEN

JUDGE SOLOMON ELSNER

DR. GEORGE PINES

PHILIP MEYERS

IRVIN FANE

OSCAR M. LAZRUS, *Treasurer*

DAVID F. KAHN, *Associate Treasurer*

RABBI GEORGE ZEPIN, *Honorary Secretary*

RABBI LOUIS I. EGELSON, *Administrative Secretary*

HYMAN KANTER, *Comptroller*

National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, *President*

MRS. JULIUS MARK, *Third Vice-President*

MRS. ABRAM SIMON, *Honorary President*

MRS. SOL GITSON, *Fourth Vice-President*

MRS. HUGO DALSHÉIMER, *First Vice-President*

MRS. HENRY MONSKY, *Recording Secretary*

MRS. C. C. STRASBURGER, *Second Vice-President*

MRS. AARON L. LAMBIE, *Treasurer*

MISS JANE EVANS, *Executive Director*

National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods

S. HERBERT KAUFMAN, *President*

JOSEPH F. FINKELSTEIN, *Vice-President*

HAROLD W. DUBINSKY, *Vice-President*

HARRIS S. ABRAHAMS, *Vice-President*

SAMUEL SHUCHTER, *Treasurer*

SYLVAN LEBOW, *Executive Director*

National Federation of Temple Youth

PAUL FRIEDBERG, *President*

SAMUEL FISHMAN, *Vice-President*

PAUL DONER, *Financial Sec'y.*

WILLIAM YOFFEE, *Vice-President*

JERRY DAVIDSON, *Vice-President*

JUDITH MORRISON, *Secretary*

BARRY GREENE, *Chaplain*

RABBI SAMUEL COOK, *National Director*

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

838 Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

Thursday,

October 25, 1951

District Presidents' Council

11.00 a.m.

The District Presidents' Council convenes at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel, 101 West 58th Street, New York, N. Y.

1:00 p.m.

Luncheon for District Presidents' Council at Barbizon Plaza.

2:30 p.m.

Afternoon session of the District Presidents' Council at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, 838 Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y. — in Board Room.

(Evening free)

Friday,

October 26, 1951

10:00 a.m.

District Presidents' Council resumes its sessions at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel and remains there through luncheon and afternoon session.

Members make own arrangements for dinner.

8:00 p.m.

Dedication of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial

Dedicatory Sabbath Services at Temple Emanu-El, Fifth Avenue and 65th Street, New York 21, N. Y. for the House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. Immediately following Services, symbolic opening of the doors of the House of Living Judaism and open house for out-of-town guests.

Saturday,

October 27, 1951

10:00 a.m.

Dedication Sabbath Services at Central Synagogue, 55th Street and Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y.

1:00 p.m.

Luncheon for members of the Steering Committee of the Sisterhood Division of the Combined Campaign of the UAHC and HUC-JIR. (Members of this Committee will be individually notified of place.)

3:00 p.m.

Oneg Shabbat and Institute for Jewish Lay Leaders at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial.

7:00 p.m.

Dedication banquet at the Statler Hotel, 7th Avenue and 33rd Street, New York, N. Y.

Sunday,

October 28, 1951

10:00 a.m.

Special coast-to-coast House of Living Judaism Dedication broadcast on the "Message of Israel" radio program. Listen to same at your hotel, or see broadcast originate in the Chapel of the House of Living Judaism.

- 10:40 a.m. Some NFTS Committees (members involved will be personally notified of place) convene at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial; they conclude at 12:30 p.m.
- 1:00 p.m. Joint luncheon of the UAHC and NFTB in the Terrace Room of the Hotel New Yorker, 34th Street and 8th Avenue, New York, N. Y., to mark opening of the Fourteenth Biennial Convention of the Brotherhoods.
- 3:00 p.m. "Open House" again at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial—until 6:00 p.m.
(Evening free)

Monday,

October 29, 1951

NFTS Executive Board

- 10:00 a.m. Meeting of the NFTS Executive Board at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial in the Board Room.
- 1:00 p.m. Luncheon for the Board at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel.
- 2:30 p.m. Continuation of Board Meeting at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel.
- 6:45 p.m. Dinner to the Executive Board tendered by Metropolitan New York Sisterhoods at Temple Rodeph Sholom, 7 West 83rd Street, New York, followed by open evening meeting of the Board.

Tuesday,

October 30, 1951

- 10:00 a.m. Continuation of the NFTS Executive Board meeting at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel.
- 12:30 p.m. Luncheon for the Board at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel.
- 2:00 p.m. Continuation of the Executive Board session at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, in the Board Room.
- 4:30 p.m. Closing Tea tendered to the Board in the Sisterhood Lounge of the House of Living Judaism by Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald.

PROCEEDINGS OF

The District Presidents' Council

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
October 25-26, 1951
New York, N. Y.

The District Presidents' Council met in New York, N. Y., October 25-26, 1951, at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel and the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn., NFTS Second Vice-President and Chairman of the Committee on District Federations presided. All District Presidents attended. Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash., Vice-Chairman of the Committee was absent on account of illness.

It was explained that, in accordance with Article 20 of the NFTS By-Laws, the Council of District Presidents meets biennially to aid District Federations in functioning more effectively as agencies of NFTS, to assist District Presidents in achieving a better understanding of the National program by discussing ways and means in which District Federations and NFTS can be mutually helpful and to submit recommendations to the National Board.

Upon request, Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, NFTS, read the following statement of Sisterhood philosophy, which she had first formulated extemporaneously at an earlier District Presidents' Council.

"We are not a social organization; we are not a philanthropic organization; we are a religious group, dedicated to the philosophy that the congregation is a logical unit of organization in Israel, and that through congregational life the modern Jewess can most effectively exercise her influence upon Jewish and non-Jewish life. Religion is the central core of the vast contribution which we, the Jewish people, make to humanity and to ourselves. We will be better Sisterhood members, District Leaders, and officers of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods only as we understand that Judaism, the religion of our people, is the source of all our service to Jewish and humanitarian causes. From this standpoint, we must recall with some humility a few of the charges made against us. We tend to welcome women to our Boards, whether of District Federations or of local Sisterhoods, irrespective of whether or not they are really expressing their interest in our central philosophy through the acceptance of the obli-

gations of regular Temple or Synagogue attendance. It is not beyond the realm of possibility that we could use District Conventions to educate our members and ourselves upon our central philosophy of Sisterhood life. We are a fellowship of women, religiously motivated, recognizing the congregation as a logical unit of organization in Jewish life, dedicated to the service of Jewish and humanitarian causes through the centrality of Judaism, the religion through which we translate our beliefs into deed for the benefit of K'lal Israel (the whole of the household of Israel) and mankind."

It was suggested that District Conventions be used to educate members and officers of Sisterhoods to the central philosophy of religion and that thereby religiously motivated women might be attracted to positions of leadership.

Discussion was held on a number of District problems. To secure complete and rapid replies to District correspondence, it was recommended that personal contact with local Sisterhoods be promoted, that the reasons and importance of a mailing be discussed at District Board Meetings before mailing and that whenever possible, the contents of correspondence be directed to a matter in which the recipients are vitally interested.

With regard to methods of District sponsorship of Youth Activities, it was pointed out that Districts may take an active financial role in a Youth Camp, impress upon its Sisterhoods their responsibility toward youth as well as urge them to subsidize youth camps and encourage young people to attend. In a large District, several Camps might be held.

When new Congregations are organized, Districts should be notified so the Sisterhoods of the Congregations can be assisted. Districts should inform NFTS when congregations are started. Districts should stress the services they can render units and stand ready to aid new, unaffiliated groups, as well as the affiliated. However, no Sisterhood may be a member of a District until after it is accepted into membership in NFTS. When a Sisterhood resigns from a District, NFTS may be able to work with the District officers to aid a Sisterhood in continuing its affiliation. Concentration should be placed on the idea of service to such communities, rather

than affiliation and aid should be continued even if the group cannot pay dues.

Discussion was held on the practicability of abolishing contributions from the District Treasurer to NFTS projects so that local Sisterhoods may contribute more generously to such projects. Many Districts felt this would be inadvisable because such contributions are effective media for holding a District together. In order to increase activity in a District, some areas award trophies to outstanding Sisterhoods.

Consideration was given to the role of Rabbis, District Presidents and District Chairmen. It was pointed out that frequently Rabbis can be of great assistance to local Sisterhoods and Districts. The District President owes loyalty to NFTS under the NFTS By-Laws. However, there is no conflict in loyalties because Sisterhoods, Districts and NFTS are working for the same goals. The District exists to strengthen the relationship between NFTS and the local unit. The District Chairmen, through personal contact with local Chairmen, can solve problems they might hesitate to bring to National Chairmen; they can interpret the NFTS program for Sisterhoods. National Committee members are appointed from suggestions made by local Sisterhoods with consideration to geographic distribution, Sisterhood size and other factors.

Several matters relating to joining of Districts were discussed. A Sisterhood must be a member of NFTS before it is eligible for District membership. If Sisterhoods want to join a District, but feel they cannot afford both NFTS and District affiliation, a District should stress the service that can be rendered by both NFTS and the District. The Sisterhood of a newly organized Congregation receives a year's complimentary membership from NFTS. Many Districts offer such complimentary membership, also. In this connection, it was stressed that there should be better cooperation between Union Regions and Sisterhood Districts; an attempt will again be made to correlate more closely Union Regions and NFTS Districts.

With regard to the Sisterhood position of non-Jewish women married to Jewish men, it was emphasized that local Sisterhoods set their own policy. Usually non-Jewish women may be members of local Sisterhoods, but not officers of NFTS or members of its Board. The same policy has been recommended for District and local groups because it is embarrassing for the women's arm of the Congregation to have an active member of the Christian faith representing the

Sisterhood. However, it was stressed that many non-Jewish women who have not been formally converted may frequently become devout Jewesses.

In connection with the query about the possibility of Uniongrams' netting a profit to local units as well as NFTS, it was pointed out that the NFTS Executive Board, after many full discussions, has consistently voted against this possibility. The Uniongram is the unique way in which NFTS raises funds for Jewish and humanitarian causes.

Several questions were raised concerning the NFTS Speakers' Bureau. The Special Committee on Field Services is studying various aspects of the Speakers' Bureau, and the informing of Sisterhoods of proposed speaking engagements by NFTS representatives will be stepped up to facilitate best utilization. NFTS pays all expenses of a speaker from its Speakers' Bureau; whenever possible, an NFTS speaker is available to a local Sisterhood every two years. Some Sisterhoods have not requested NFTS speakers, but they might be encouraged to do so if service aids were emphasized, speakers were sent to communities of comparable size to their own and other helpful factors were stressed. The District President or Vice-President should visit each unit in the District once during a term of office in order to secure personal contact. The members of the NFTS Executive Board should realize their responsibility to speak to local groups. Nomination of active Executive Board members should be assured and a training program set up through the Special Committee on Field Services.

Each District President should forward to NFTS copies of all reports, messages, budgets and thirty copies of Convention programs and remind her successor to do so; transfer her notebook to the incoming President and be sure to give her successor all pertinent information relating to her activities. The District Vice-Presidents are often in charge of regional activities. The District Past President usually remains on the District Board, is included on the District Speakers' Bureau and advises wherever helpful, but care should be taken that she does not have a throttle-hold on the new regime.

With regard to various meetings, it was explained that many NFTS Districts hold their Conventions at the same time and place as the Union Regions, but in alternate years they meet in small cities to give these communities the opportunity to witness such a meeting. An at-

tempt will be made to give ample advance notice of the dates of the District Presidents' Council so that District Conventions can be scheduled in advance and the new District Presidents will be in office and can attend. If this cannot be done, it might be possible for the person anticipated as the next President to attend instead of the outgoing president, since it would be of greater benefit to her in her future work.

A number of District projects were discussed. Some of these are outlined in the Report of the NFTS Committee on District Federations. At the close of the discussion, it was pointed out that many items are still needed for the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial and

that funds are vitally necessary for these: a kitchen, library, exhibit cases and office equipment. Also it was emphasized that as NFTS leaders, District Presidents have an obligation to the Combined Campaign of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Men should be encouraged to support the Campaign; the financial aid of women is asked only if they are widows or have an independent income. However, Districts are requested to organize Sisterhoods to provide woman-power to aid in the Campaign.

Suggestion was made that NFTS public relations be improved.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Nominations of Members for National Executive Board

In order to facilitate the role of the District President when consulted at Conventions on local nominations for the Executive Board and to aid the Nominating Committee by assuring a more intensive survey of the qualifications of nominees, the following recommendation was approved for transmittal to the Executive Board.

"Names of candidates for nominees for the National Board suggested by the Local Sisterhoods shall be sent to the District Presidents for the information of the District President sufficiently prior to a National Biennial Convention as to allow the District President to study the recommended names. The District President shall have the privilege of adding comments."

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
Annual Meeting of the Executive Board
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

MONDAY MORNING SESSION

Union House of Living
Judaism-Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.
October 29, 1951

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President, called the Executive Board to order in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, New York City, at 10:15 A.M., Monday, October 29. An invocation was recited in unison. The following members answered the roll call of Mrs. Henry Monsky, Recording Secretary:

Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Charleston, W. Va.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Jack Davis, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Leon J. Ell, Miami Beach, Fla.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Bexley, O.; Mrs. Joseph Forman, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Lawrence Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Maurice L. Garfein, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. Arthur L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Ia.; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. Car.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Howard Kern, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Franz J. Loewe, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Arthur Lorber, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Harry H. Lowenstein, S. Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Bernard Manheim, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Nebr.; Mrs. Lewis C. Moss, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Harold L. Platt, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Evansville, Ind.; Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Moses M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Elmer Lentz Shaffer, Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. David R. Simon, Washington, D. C.;

Mrs. A. Herman Siskind, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Paul Uhlmann, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Aaron Wolpert, Worcester, Mass.; Mrs. Charles Wyzanski, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y. Also present: Mrs. Edward A. Hart, Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, New York, N. Y.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

The tentative report of the Treasurer was read and accepted.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mrs. Rosett welcomed the Board to its new home and thanked the members and Miss Evans for their outstanding work in its behalf. She explained that the present BOOK OF LIVING JUDAISM contained the names of individual contributors to the House of Living Judaism and Sisterhoods "over the top"; that Volume II would contain the names of additional contributors of \$10 or more. Sisterhoods now "over the top" were inscribed on the Fireplace Wall of the HLJ; those which will go "over the top" will be inscribed on a beautiful plaque, a companion piece, to be hung in the Sisterhood Lounge. Money is still needed for a kitchen, an audio-visual room and a library.

Mrs. Rosett reported on activities since the last Board meeting and on action which had grown out of letters sent to her by Board Members. The Executive Committee had met in June and proposed that the Budget Committee should act as a year round committee and prepare a quarterly statement of finances. A Field Service Committee and a Committee on Evaluation were appointed. These Committees have met and will report to the Board.

At the conclusion of the President's Message, the Board rose in appreciation to Mrs. Rosett.

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Mrs. Sol Gitson, Chairman of the Scholarship

and Religious Education Committee, presented her report with an explanation that the Committee's work was being enlarged to aid the World Union for Progressive Judaism. During the summer, in accordance with a mail vote by the Board, action taken by the Executive Com-

mittee was confirmed and two pre-rabbinic students, former displaced persons, had been granted fellowships. Mrs. Gitson presented the following summary of income and expenditures of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund:

	Estimated* 11-1-50—10-31-51	Year Ended 10-31-50	Year Ended 10-31-49
INCOME:			
Scholarship and Religious Education Receipts	\$19,725.00	\$17,324.79	\$18,961.25
I.M. Wise Memorial Fund	275.00	441.85	137.61
Uniongram Apportionments	41,000.00	40,058.29	36,270.40
TOTAL INCOME	\$61,000.00	\$57,824.93	\$55,369.26
EXPENDITURES:			
For HUC Scholarships	\$20,242.50**	\$16,415.00	\$15,600.00
To Union for Religious Education, including			
Youth Work	35,000.00**	35,000.00	35,000.00
Fellowships at HUC	2,400.00	875.00	1,500.00
Tuition Scholarships — Cantorial School	1,000.00	500.00	—
Publication of Song Book	—	1,000.00	—
World Union for Progressive Judaism — Bombay Project	500.00**	—	—
TOTALS	\$59,142.50	\$53,790.00	\$52,100.00
Operating Surplus for the year	\$ 857.50	\$ 4,034.93	\$ 3,269.26

The allocation of these funds was approved as presented, after full discussion and on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried.

The meeting was recessed at 12:15 after which the Executive Board made a tour of the House of Living Judaism.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Barbizon Plaza Hotel
New York, N. Y.
October 29, 1951

The second session of the Executive Board was called to order in the Salon de Musique of the Barbizon Plaza Hotel at 3 P.M. by Mrs. Rosett, following a luncheon which had been served to the Board.

BUDGET 1951-52

Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee, presented the

functional Budget for 1951-1952 which, after full discussion, was adopted by unanimous vote.

UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM—BERG MEMORIAL

Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, Chairman of the House of Living Judaism Committee, presented the Committee's Report. The Board gave her a rising vote of thanks and requested that she continue as Chairman.

Mrs. Howard Kern suggested that the Board present a silver tea service to the HLJ in honor of the dedication of the building. It was agreed that Mrs. Kern together with Mrs. Schulkind and a committee should select a tea service or other appropriate gift for the HLJ; that Board members would be invited to send personal contributions to Mrs. Kern.

COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY SERVICES

Mrs. Edward A. Hart, Chairman of the Com-

* Receipts for fiscal year 11-1-50 — 10-31-51 are incomplete. Subject to adjustment by monies in transit, deferments to 1951-52 and Free Religious School Refunds.

** Subject to approval or adjustment by Executive Board of NFTS.

mittee on Emergency Services, reported that the Committee's main project at present was to urge members to participate in the activities of the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board in connection with civilian defense and Serve-A-Camp, Serve-A-Hospital and Serve-A-Chaplain activities.

COMBINED CAMPAIGN

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, First Vice-President and Chairman of the Sisterhood Division of the Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations — Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, spoke on behalf of the Combined Campaign. She urged Board members to work with their congregations for the Campaign and to encourage their husbands to increase their contributions to the Campaign.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXTENSION

Mrs. Mervin A. Blach, Chairman of the Religious Extension Committee, reported that eleven new Sisterhoods had joined NFTS in the past year.

The meeting recessed at 4:40 P.M.

MONDAY EVENING SESSION

Temple Rodeph Sholom
New York, N. Y.
October 29, 1951

Members of the Board were dinner guests of Sisterhoods of the Metropolitan New York area at Temple Rodeph Sholom, New York. After dinner the members of the Board and New York hostesses were introduced.

NFTS Chairmen made brief reports of Committee purposes and activities and time was given for a question and answer period. After thanking the hostesses, Mrs. Rosett recessed the meeting at 10:30 P.M.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

Barbizon Plaza Hotel
New York, N. Y.
October 30, 1951

The Tuesday Meeting convened at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel at 10:00 A.M.

It was suggested that in order to preserve the time of the Board for essential business there be closer coordination between the Hostess City and the Board with regard to entertainment. There was much value in having local Sisterhood leaders and Board members meet, but it was essential for the Board to have adequate time for discussion of business.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Mrs. Rosett presented two recommendations of the Executive Committee: (1) in addition to the annual Fall Board Meeting, an Executive Committee meeting shall be held in the spring; (2) the Budget and Finance Committee should be activated to serve throughout the year and that quarterly financial statements shall be made to Executive Board members. These recommendations were unanimously adopted by the Board.

EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Henry Monsky, Chairman of the Evaluation Committee, reported that the Committee had met on October 25, and presented the following recommendations, which, after full discussion, were approved by the Executive Board: (1) a study should be made of NFTS election procedures; (2) a study should be made of the structure of NFTS with consideration of realignment of Committees; (3) the Committee should write and send a carefully devised questionnaire to each local Sisterhood asking for an appraisal of its relations with NFTS, such appraisal to give the affiliates an opportunity to express their sources of satisfaction in dealing with NFTS and their reasons for any dissatisfaction, as well as their suggestions for measures they would like to see instituted by NFTS; (4) the NFTS President should be assured that were she to write a letter, to be sent periodically to members of the Executive Board, it would be welcome; (5) the Committee should review the type of NFTS literature that is being distributed.

FIELD SERVICES COMMITTEE

Mrs. Julian Hennig, Chairman of the Committee on Field Services, reported that members of that Committee had met on October 28. The Committee considered how best to use the combined efforts of the volunteer and professional to service Sisterhoods. The great need is to train people to interpret Sisterhood. Therefore, it was recommended that: the Committee be authorized to set up a program of service within the structure and policy of NFTS. In order to do this it was suggested that (1) a Steering Committee, small in number, be set up for the Field Service Committee, and that every speaker, District President and/or Board member be considered as a member of the larger Committee of Field Service; (2) the Committee would prepare and issue materials for use of leaders within the budget and policy of NFTS; (3) the

Committee members and volunteer Sisterhood workers would train themselves, through Institutes, to carry out a Field Service Program and speakers would be briefed; (4) a handbook for Sisterhood leaders would be issued with supplementary flyers prepared periodically to keep it up-to-date; (5) speakers or interpreters would be used to best advantage with regard to itineraries and type of service; (6) Board members should consider themselves interpreters at large in the area in which they live.

These recommendations were adopted after prolonged discussion.

MINUTES OF 1950 EXECUTIVE BOARD

The minutes of the Board meetings of the 1950 Biennial convention were accepted.

The meeting recessed at 12:35 P.M. for luncheon at which Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director, presented her report and introduced staff members.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Union House of Living Judaism
—Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.
October 30, 1951

The final session of the Executive Board meeting was called to order at 2:35 P.M. by Mrs. Rosett.

BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS

The Board considered a petition, presented to it at the post-convention session in Cleveland in November, 1950, to the effect that "all constituents be notified at least 45 days prior to each Biennial of all resolutions to be presented at said Biennial; all resolutions arising at the convention to be circulated in writing 24 hours before a vote is taken." This question was referred to the Executive Committee, with recommendation for action in time for the next Biennial.

COMMITTEE ON YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Chairman of Youth Activities, reported on the work of the Committee on Youth Activities. The Union of American Hebrew Congregations has granted permission to its Chicago Federation of Reform Synagogues to raise funds for the first National Campsite, which has been chosen at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Recently the Union granted the San Francisco area permission to raise funds for a National Campsite in the West Coast section. They will be used as year round camps for

adults and youth, primarily to train for Reform Jewish leadership.

Mrs. Salm asked that Board members look with favor on the projects, speak for them in their congregations, support them through the Union, work for the day when Sisterhood as a group can work more specifically for them. Board members were requested to aid Sisterhood Chairmen in their Youth work and when there are no local Youth Chairmen, to urge Presidents to appoint them.

COMMITTEE ON WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM ACTIVITIES

As Mrs. Harold Baum, Chairman of the Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities was ill, Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, outlined action taken by the Executive Committee with respect to the Committee on WUPJA, subject to the approval of the Executive Board. The WUPJ Committee should explore and execute a plan whereby those Sisterhoods which so desire might participate in a direct program of contact by correspondence, and occasionally by direct sending of certain types of educational packages and kits to congregations and individuals of the WUPJ in other countries, including the three Liberal congregations in Israel. After discussion, the Executive Committee action was approved.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SISTERHOOD TREASURERS

The Board reviewed an established NFTS policy concerning contributions to outside causes from Sisterhood treasuries: The primary obligation of a Sisterhood is first to the needs of its own congregation and religious school; and secondly to the projects of NFTS which are made possible solely by the Sisterhoods of the Federation. Furthermore, that local Sisterhoods are encouraged by NFTS to recognize the validity of this expression of their primary obligation, and that Sisterhood treasuries, as such, should, in so far as possible and feasible, be preserved for these primary obligations. However, it is the function of the Sisterhood to see that its members are well educated as *individuals* in all phases of Jewish and communal life and shall give, as individuals, their personal moral and financial support to those causes which they consider essential. Each Sisterhood is autonomous in making decisions with regard to disbursement of its funds. It was agreed that the NFTS policy of advice to its constituents must continue to emphasize "womanpower."

COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Mrs. David Zielonka, Chairman of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws outlined several revisions which the Committee felt were desirable. (1) The Nominations Committee for members of the Board should meet two days prior to the Biennial Assembly and make every effort to present its report in writing as soon as possible after the opening of the Assembly. (2) An officer should not be permitted to hold more than two offices in succession, except to enter the Presidency. (3) Reference to Chairmen of Special Committees should be included in the By-Laws. The sense of the Board was that the Committee should proceed under its usual authority on these matters for the next Biennial.

REDRESS OF NFTS COPYRIGHT

The Board authorized the Executive Director to continue negotiations for redress of violation of an NFTS copyright.

JEWISH BRAILLE INSTITUTE OF AMERICA, INC.

Mrs. Leon L. Watters and Miss Evans reported on the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and that it would not be possible at this time to house the Library of the Jewish Braille Institute in the HLJ, but that if it were possible in the future, it would be brought to the Board for further consideration.

DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

The Sisterhood of the Tri-Cities of Sheffield-

Florence-Tuscumbia, Ala., was granted permission to join NFTS District #12, the Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, because of geographical proximity.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR OFFICERS

The Board approved a procedural change in constituting the Nominating Committee for Officers of the Board, composed of five members of the Board, two appointed by the President and three elected by the Board. The constitution of this Nominating Committee shall take place at the annual meeting of the Board between Biennial Assemblies. It was voted that for this Biennium the Executive Committee would be empowered to suggest five members from which the Board would select three by mail.

DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRATH

Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the parent body, the UAHC, thanked the members of the Board and through them the Sisterhoods for their fine work in the creation of the House of Living Judaism.

The Board gave a rising vote of thanks to Mrs. Rosett and adjourned at 4:55 P.M.

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA S. ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



President's Message

By Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.

October 29, 1951

Madam Chairman, Friends:

I must start this report with a confession. This is the first time in the five years during which I have been your President that I have come to a Board Meeting without having prepared my message. I did try several times during the past few weeks to get some of my thoughts on paper. I even went so far as to sit before my typewriter and begin, "As I write these words on the eve of the Dedication of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial"—but I could get no further, because I felt so deeply that the mood and the background for this historic Board Meeting would grow out of the spiritual experiences of this Dedication Weekend.

We are a Board which has been especially privileged to live through a memorable experience together, and I believe that people who have shared a deep and moving experience are forever-after bound by a tie which is very strong—a tie which can overcome important differences because it highlights a common purpose. I felt, therefore, that it would have been almost presumptuous and somewhat pedantic on my part to tell you, who are quite as aware of it as am I, just what the message of this moment is—its significance and implication. I will, therefore, do the best I can and with your indulgence try to communicate to you informally and extemporaneously, what is in my heart and on my mind.

The first thought is this: we of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, which is so important a part of that Union, are entering upon a new situation. No words need be spoken to heighten our awareness of the importance of a thoughtful, intelligent and balanced approach to this new situation. We are for the first time since the early and very modest days of the Union, a family living under one roof, a family with a home. As housewives and especially as mothers, we know that there are many joys and advantages deeply appreciated and cherished in being part of a family. There are adjustments to make, inconveniences to overcome, responsibilities to share. Especially, in this period of transition, of moving from one home to another, there is need for us in the Union family to make decisions, to plan, to understand each other's problems. As housewives and mothers, I imagine there cannot be a group in the world which is better equipped to face this task of moving and getting settled, than we, who realize so well that although this task which we now face is not an easy one, it is filled with satisfaction and joy in the thought of its happy completion. As part of the great Union family, we share in a new and beautiful home, a respected place in the community; we share in the prestige of an organization, built on past achievements and with high hope and expectancy of growing success in the future.

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations represents the head of this family, and it is a family in which happily every member has something of importance to contribute. The Sisterhood has its part of the task, and I need not

stop to tell you what its task is. The Brotherhood has its special task and our Youth has not only its task, it has also its vision and hope for Liberal Judaism which it will help to strengthen. It seems very significant to me that youth has expressed itself as looking to this building, this new home, not only as a place of promise and fulfillment, but as a place where, as in all homes, it is expected that necessities will just naturally be made available. In expecting so much our young people give us a great challenge, a challenge which we must meet, not only by providing for their needs, but by holding them to their responsibilities as a growing generation, which will one day inherit that which it is helping to build.

One of the first things that I want to say on our entrance as Board Members into this building, is a word of thanks to our Jane Evans for everything she has done for us and for this building. Way back in the beginning of things it was she who pointed out, I understand, that the Sisterhoods, having given the dormitory building to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, ought to do something about a home for the Union. In these past trying years, when the struggle to collect funds and to plan for this building were major problems, Miss Evans served as secretary for the Building Committee. This was no mean job since it required that all the different opinions on the Building Committee be not only recorded but understood and satisfied. I think it is good for the record to know that Miss Evans advised us on the Building Committee to do several things which we did not accept. Some of those refusals we regret tremendously, but we did not accept for the simplest reason in the world, we did not have enough money. I hope that is a condition which sooner or later will be remedied.

A second "thank you" that I want to express is to the Sisterhoods of NFTS who under the capable chairmanship of Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind have done a magnificent job. In spite of the fact that the full goal which we set for ourselves was not reached, nobody can tell me that they have failed or fallen short in any way. The facts simply are that the task is tremendous and by no means yet complete. The beautiful Fireplace Wall, bearing the names of all those Sisterhoods which completed their full quota shows the achievement up to this point; the additional names to be placed on a companion piece on another wall will record the names of the remaining Sisterhoods as they reach their goals. Likewise the BOOK OF LIVING JUDAISM-Volume I., containing the names of individual subscribers to the House of Living Judaism Campaign, shows achievement until now, while Volume II., which has already been begun, will continue the thrilling story.

Because of the emergency of moving and the difficulty of securing records of the Sisterhoods, most of the work of collecting, correcting, proofreading and typing the names for the BOOK OF LIVING JUDAISM was done by Sisterhood women. We owe a deep debt of gratitude to Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald of this Board and Mrs. Jonas Goldberg of New York who worked for many months during the summer preparing the lists, and to Mrs. Victor Polstein, New Rochelle, N. Y., who proofread practically all of the 430 pages. Other New York Sisterhood members, who gave a tremendous amount of time to the task are Mrs. Oscar Geller, Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Mrs. Jesse Newman, and Mrs. David Nierenberg who literally worked day and night to complete the BOOK

so as to have it ready for the Dedication. The BOOK itself, as many of you have seen, is very beautiful. It is typed, not printed, because it would have been fantastically expensive to print a book of which we needed only one copy. The fact that this task was completed and completed on time demonstrates what volunteers can do for a cause which they love.

I shall speak now of the Convention which we held a year ago in Cleveland. Many people will disagree with me, but I happen to think that that convention in Cleveland was an excellent one. In spite of the fact that it brought out many undesirable and deplorable human qualities and in spite of the emotional and physical strains which it imposed on all of us, I would rather, any day, go through a convention like that with delegates so vociferous, so articulate and even so ill behaved, than to go through a polite and acquiescent meeting only to find out later that the reasons people were acquiescent were, one, because they weren't listening; two, because they didn't care; and three, because they had no thoughts or questions.

Following the Convention, I wrote a letter to every member of the NFTS Executive Board asking that all share the burden of exploring and trying to correct the many obvious defects that we knew existed and which had grown up through the years in our organization. I received many responses to that letter all pointing to the same broad and basic problems, and in some cases suggesting possible methods of dealing with them. In order to discuss these problems and to recommend a program of good and welfare for NFTS, I called a meeting of the NFTS Executive Committee on May 30th and June 1st in Cincinnati. This was, so far as I know, the first time that the Executive Committee of the National Federation has ever met, and it was, I believe, a helpful experiment and one which we shall continue as a valuable procedure.

As a basis for discussion and arising from a study of your letters I presented the following recommendations: 1. That the Budget Committee (a) instead of functioning only just prior to the Biennial Convention should operate as a year around Committee for Budget and Finance, (b) that it be furnished with a quarterly report so that it might be possible to evaluate and regulate our expenditures within the framework of the budget and according to our changing needs, 2. that a Committee on Field Service be appointed to study informational and service needs and conditions among our Sisterhoods and possible ways of meeting those needs, 3. that a Committee for Evaluation and the Study of Realignment of NFTS Structure be appointed, 4. that two Board meetings be held each year whereby Board members could become better acquainted with NFTS problems with more time and opportunity provided for discussion and planning of NFTS's business. I considered this extremely important since the annual meeting which occurs before our Biennial is of necessity a very brief one, giving us for all practical purposes only one adequate Board meeting every two years.

The Committee approved the appointment of the Budget and Finance Committee, Special Committee on Field and Membership Service and Special Committee on Evaluation and Realignment. It did not approve the holding of two Board meetings a year for several valid and practical reasons. A report of the Executive Committee meeting will be presented later.

The Budget Committee met here in New York on September 26, 1951. Mrs. Irving Hollobow, of Chicago, Ill., was designated as Chairman and will bring you its report later. Mr. Hyman Kanter, Comptroller for the Union, will be here today to answer your questions concerning it. For the Special Committee on Evaluation and Realignment, Mrs. Julius Mark of New York agreed to act as "Convener." Mrs. Henry Monsky of Omaha, Nebr. was appointed Chairman. This Committee also met in this building during the last few days. For the Committee on Field and Membership Service, I persuaded Mrs. Julian Hennig, former NFTS Vice-President, and now President of NFTS District #13, the South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, to accept the Chairmanship. Mrs. Hennig is a person of great experience in this field, and will dedicate her time and talents to it. The Committee on the Revision of By-Laws also has been activated as a year around committee. We feel we can no longer function, as many organizations do, with the Committee on Revisions receiving suggested revisions and presenting them for last minute debate at the Convention. The Committee has accepted the responsibility of functioning as an all year around committee, and it will report to you today. The problems of nominations to the National Board and nominations for officers of NFTS were thoroughly considered also. These matters will be referred to the Committee on Evaluation unless other procedures are adopted at this meeting. The matter of resolutions, as you know, which was left with us during those last moments of our Cleveland convention, was also given thoughtful consideration.

I hope that with the appointment of these new committees we have put into action many of the ideas which all of us have had in mind. Now that we have these committees, it will be up to them to keep on the job and to see that the job gets done.

I should like at this time to report to you on my impressions of the National Institute for Youth Leaders which was held in Haverford, Pa. the past summer and which I attended with the Chairman and members of the NFTS Committee on Youth Activities. I know, however, that Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, National Chairman on Youth Activities, will report to you and I do not wish to use any of her time, or steal her thunder!

Last July you sent me to London to attend the Twenty-fifth Anniversary Conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. A report that would do justice to this Convention cannot be included here today. I can only emphasize that as an affiliate of an organization concerning itself with the development and strengthening of a vibrant living Judaism throughout the world, especially among our young people, we have a great responsibility and challenge. The fact that this organization concerns itself with problems far beyond our own borders does not lessen our responsibility to it in a world which is of necessity, if for no other reason, daily becoming more world minded. Our task, like charity, may begin at home but it cannot very well end there. We are living in a world in which all peoples and their problems are closely related, and the good of one depends upon the good of all.

I have spoken much longer than I expected, but I hope that I have pictured for you the heightened obligations which our new opportunities in this our new

home must bring us. I know that our task is in good hands when it is in the hands of the thoughtful, devoted and capable members of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

As I look about me and think of those who are not here, as well as those who are, and the many who work with us as part of our organization, I realize that there are enough of us to share any burden, however great. My only worry is lest we fall into the error of thinking that since there are so many of us, perhaps the other fellow is doing it all, and our personal effort may not be needed. I hope we shall go forward knowing that our task is a task for each one of us,—knowing that we are part of a family and that in a family every one must fulfill his share of responsibility. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

REPORT OF The Executive Director

New York, N. Y., October 23, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It was a man born more than 100 years before the Common Era, the Roman Cicero, who said: "My precept to all who build is, that the owner should be an ornament to the house, and not the house to the owner." When one thinks of the word "ornament" there immediately comes to mind that which embellishes or adorns, a decoration. But among the definitions of the word there is a less well-known concept particularly meaningful to us at this joyous period of the Dedication of our Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. A person, as well as an object, may be an ornament if he is "one whose qualities confer luster on those about him." It is in this sense that we who work in the House of Living Judaism, as well as those who helped to build it with their faith, their effort and their contributions, may well determine that our home of Reform Judaism shall not be an ornament for us but rather we for it.

THE SIZE OF THE FEDERATION

From points as widely scattered as New York and Florida, Pennsylvania, Michigan and California, we have welcomed into the world-wide fellowship of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, twelve new affiliates in the fiscal year now closing. During this same twelve months' period of November 1, 1950 to date, there have been a few resignations. The total number of affiliates, however, in contrast to 454 when we convened in November, 1950 in Cleveland for a Biennial Assembly, which included on its agenda the necessary raise in annual dues for United States members to our present \$1.00 per capita, is 461 units.* In the name of all our members throughout the United States as well as in cities in Canada, Cuba, Panama, the United Kingdom, the Union of South Africa and Australia, we welcome into our fellowship of service to Jewish and humanitarian

* As of October 31, 1951, 459 units. See the Report of Committee on Religious Extension, October 31, 1951.

causes, the Sisterhoods of: Genesisters, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Temple Concord, Binghamton, N. Y.; Temple Beth El, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Temple Beth Elohim, New York, N. Y.; Temple Emanu-El of East Meadow, Hempstead, N. Y.; Levittown Reform Temple, Levittown, N. Y.; Temple Israel, Valparaiso, Ind.; Temple Emanuel, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Peninsula Temple Beth El, San Mateo, California; Temple Beth El, Benton Harbor, Mich.; Temple Beth Sholom, Flushing, Bayside, N. Y., Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood, Kilgore, Tex.

FUNDS OF THE FEDERATION

Because this report is being prepared approximately ten days before the close of the NFTS 1950-51 fiscal year, all figures are subject to final adjustment and audit. For our Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, there has been collected through September 30 the net sum of \$4,923.76, of which \$2,461.88 was transmitted to the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and a like sum to the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse.

For the House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, our collections to date from Sisterhoods have reached the gross figure of \$430,000. However, despite the beauty of the building in its present stage of completion, additional sums are urgently needed to complete the furnishing of an audio-visual room, a library, a Chapel and a kitchen, to mention only some major expenditures still needed.

We gratefully anticipate a gross income in the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund for this fiscal year of approximately \$61,000, which, after deferments, may leave a net of some \$59,000 for allocation. Subject to approval of the Executive Board, of this sum, a total of \$35,000 will be transmitted to our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for Religious Educational work, including its Department of Youth Activities; \$20,242.50 will go to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for Scholarships; a \$500 tuition scholarship will be awarded each of two former Displaced Persons in the Hebrew Union School for Sacred Music in New York for their cantorial studies; two undergraduate fellowships of \$1,200 each have been granted to students approved by the World Union for Progressive Judaism and the College-Institute to complete their preparation for admittance to the Hebrew Union College. Also, by order of the President and the Chairman of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, subject to approval by this Board, the sum of \$500 has been allocated from the Fund, to be added to monies raised by the World Union for Progressive Judaism, to underwrite a two- or three-months' trip to Bombay, India of Rabbi Bernard Heller of the United States. Dr. Heller officiated during the High Holy Days for the Congregation of the World Union in Bombay, which is without an ordained spiritual leader; he is remaining in the community for a period of some weeks to organize religious activities.

The sum of \$1,500 has again been contributed from the general treasury to the joint Union-NFTS project of Lecture Institutes for Teachers and Laymen. Another sum of \$2,000 has also been transmitted to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations from the general treasury toward administration expenses.

The NFTS Publication Fund for New Religious School Literature, established some years ago by NFTS with a total contribution of \$22,500, today has a balance of \$40,323.44. This is a revolving fund by which profits from the sale of books are returned to it.

There has been transmitted to the World Union for Progressive Judaism the sum of \$1,500 of the annual Silver Coin Collection toward its activities. The needs of the World Union for Progressive Judaism are acute. The fortunate women of American Reform Judaism are losing a magnificent opportunity to advance Progressive Judaism throughout the world when they limit their interest and financial support to projects exclusively related to our own communities and countries. A substantial increase in the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund is imperatively needed if we are to be able to help the advance of Progressive or Liberal Judaism in many lands whose own communities are in no position to finance their beginnings.

Only one contribution of \$25.00 from the Sisterhood of Evansville, Indiana has been made in the last year to the Sisterhood Loan Fund for new congregations. This fund, practically all of which is out on loan, totals \$3,625.00. New congregations of the Union are receiving temporary loans from this fund, on signed notes of their responsible leaders. Money loaned will be returned with interest at the rate of 1% per annum. The effort of organizing new congregations moves steadily forward, and new congregations mean new Sisterhoods, but the Union's and our program in this field is sadly limited by lack of funds. There is needed a Loan Fund many, many times the present amount. If a Sisterhood has a surplus, and some Sisterhoods do, it might well consider this vital project for the advance of Reform Judaism.

In addition to earmarked funds, of which 10% of cash contributions received are deducted for the expense of fund raising (exclusive of the House of Living Judaism campaign from which all expenses are directly paid), NFTS income also includes per capita dues of \$1.00 per annum, District Federation dues of \$10.00 per annum, and receipts from the sale of study materials and other aids. The administration of the Federation is made possible through this income, combined with an annual grant from the parent body, the Union. The Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations—Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for annual maintenance of our central institutions must always be borne in mind by Sisterhood leaders and members that we use our woman power in support of them through educating ourselves and others about the program and needs of our movement.

SPEAKERS' BUREAU

Everyone is agreed that one of the most valuable services of the Federation is personal contact with the members and units made possible through the Speakers' Bureau. Despite limitation of funds for this project and the still more serious limitation of trained volunteers able and willing to contribute their time and energy to the arduous task of traveling in our behalf, we have been able during the year now closing to reach a vast Sisterhood audience in 89 communities in 31 of the 48 States and Canada. In addition, a representative of the National

Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, an officer or other member of the National Board, visited 16 NFTS District Conventions, whose delegates came from 17 States.

There are no words with which to thank Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our beloved President, who in addition to all the other responsibilities of her office, including many meetings of Boards of the Union, College-Institute, and other agencies, is selflessly generous with her time on behalf of speaking tours for the Federation. The past year for the President, as well as for Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, Chairman of our House of Living Judaism Committee, and the Executive Director, has been one of unusual responsibility and strain in connection with the wonderful but often difficult task of seeing our Union House—Berg Memorial through the last stages of construction. In addition to our deep-felt appreciation to Mrs. Rosett, for which it is difficult to find adequate words, we are likewise indebted to the following valiant, devoted band of our Speakers' Bureau: Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Mrs. Mervin Blach, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss, Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Mrs. Carl Ettinger, Mrs. Albert Farber, Mrs. Oscar Geller, Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Mrs. LeRoy Glauber, Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith, Mrs. Edgar Haas, Mrs. Edward Hart, Mrs. Julian Hennig, Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Mrs. William Leffler, Mrs. Lucien Lehmann, Mrs. Julius Lippman, Mrs. Julius Mark, Mrs. Samuel Mohr, Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, Mrs. Jerome L. Stein, Mrs. Jesse P. Stern, Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, Mrs. Aaron Wolpert, Mrs. Charles E. Wyzanski.

The Executive Director also had the privilege of a number of speaking engagements.

SERVICES OF THE FEDERATION

The Federation has continued its many services to its affiliated units and is now, under the leadership of Mrs. Rosett and other devoted officers and chairmen of both standing and special committees, beginning to strengthen its program. With the move to New York now complete, with an excellent staff both new and old being integrated one with another, with an inspiring new home from which to work, we hope in the coming year to reflect through added service, the dedication that is felt by all of us, members and staff, to the goals we mutually serve.

It is true that there have been most serious continuing bottlenecks in correspondence. The problem of closing the Cincinnati office and opening the new quarters in New York proved larger than the most experienced of us anticipated. Despite careful planning we ran into seemingly insurmountable difficulties. Happily, these are now behind us and it should not take too long a period of adjustment before our new routines will be operating more smoothly.

New literature has been prepared or is in the process of preparation. "The Story of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods," the small pamphlet which gives in outline form our history, is available free of charge in any quantity desired for distribution at Sisterhood meetings. *Topics and Trends*, the official NFTS bulletin of the past, has been discontinued in favor of the new magazine *American Judaism* in which will be found a section called "Sisterhood Topics."

A new catalog of NFTS materials and aids has been printed and is available upon request, as are all the other Sisterhood items with which you are familiar, from membership tags to dues bills and receipts, from program and study materials to the annual Art Calendar, from "Current Copy" to monthly Packets for local Presidents, District Presidents and NFTS Board members.

LOOKING BACKWARD AND FORWARD

In some ways it is difficult to appreciate that a full decade has passed since first I discussed with Rabbi George Zepin, then the Executive head of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and Mrs. Leon L. Watters, our NFTS President in 1941, my idea and hope that the women of our Federation might in our generation, as their predecessors had a generation before, gather funds for a building. Early in 1920 NFTS had made possible the erection of the dormitory on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College. Twenty years later the time had come, so it seemed to me, for us to meet the equally urgent need of a permanent home of its own for our Reform Jewish movement, for our parent body, the Union, and all its affiliates including our Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Mrs. Watters, with her usual vision, accepted the task of initiating the project at our 1941 NFTS Biennial Assembly for its approval. Later, under the presidential leadership of Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, a Special Committee composed of Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind and Mrs. Emil Buschhoff proposed an intensification of the project and the inscribing of names in a book which I suggested, and they enthusiastically agreed, might be called "The Book of Living Judaism." (Later, Mrs. Rosett developed the apt phrasing that the "Book of Living Judaism" was for a "House of Living Judaism.") This matter of the intensification of the project was presented in Mrs. Hartmann's Presidents' Message to the 1943 Biennial Assembly and was voted first by the Biennial Committee on President's Message, whose Chairman was Mrs. Julius Mark, and then accepted by the Biennial Assembly itself. Mrs. Schulkind became, as you know, the devoted Chairman of the project, and Miss Helen L. Strauss with Miss Elaine Jackson as her secretary, the Campaign Director.

Despite World War II, the obligations which fell upon the American community and which we strove to meet in service to our people overseas during dark years of Jewish history, despite misunderstanding of the project and in some quarters even forceful opposition to it, the long awaited day of fulfillment has come. Through our Federation's efforts and the magnanimous contribution of the late Dr. Albert A. Berg, the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial stands dedicated to the glory of God and the service of man.

In one year, in November, 1952, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods will again meet in Biennial Assembly. In the coming twelve-months' period, with the inspiration of our new home of Reform Judaism ever with us, members of the Federation will have the opportunity to plan and execute not only a Biennial program which we hope will be of unusual merit, but also other extensions of our activities of service to Jewish and humanitarian causes.

The work of the Federation is an ever interrelated effort between and among local Sisterhoods, District Federations and the National Federation. To make

this possible, the efforts of leaders in every rank are needed. To all who contribute to the Federation and its goals, to members, Committee Chairmen, Officers and Board, and especially to our President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, I offer most heartfelt appreciation.

Not only for myself but also for the Federation as a whole I extend deepest thanks to the devoted group of my fellow workers on the staff. To each of them and especially to Miss Josephine Schoenborn, our most able, devoted Administrative Assistant, who has just made the transition with us from Cincinnati to New York, we extend not only best wishes but most warm gratitude. To Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, Assistant to the Director; to Mrs. Tessie Okin, Program and Public Relations Assistant; to Miss Gloria Silverstein, Secretary to the Director; and to Miss Anne Wasserstein, Secretary to Miss Wachenheimer who, during Miss Wachenheimer's recent long illness, has been such a tower of strength, as well as to every other co-worker, we express again our warmest thanks for untiring effort in our services. We eagerly look forward to Miss Wachenheimer's return, in health and strength, to her work.

The Director is always mindful of the inspiration that is hers through the cooperation of all members of the staff family of our Union of American Hebrew Congregations and especially through the devoted interest in our welfare of Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, our gifted leader.

CONCLUSION

May God spread the shelter of His wings over our House of Living Judaism. May all who pass through its portals, may all who labor in its cause, whether member or staff, know with the Psalmist: "In the abundance of Thy loving-kindness will I come into Thy house. . . . Make my way straight before Thy face."

JANE EVANS, *Executive Director*

REPORT OF
The Treasurer

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 29, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

As I need not tell you, the fiscal year of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has not yet been concluded; it will be concluded on October 31—which is the day after tomorrow.

Since a number of adjustments must still be made, and monies are yet in transit, I am unable to present a complete Treasurer's report of the financial operations of NFTS for the fiscal year November 1, 1950—October 31, 1951 at this meeting.

Following is a tentative report of operations for the 1950-51 fiscal year, subject to adjustment:

NFTS General Fund:

Estimated Receipts—Direct	\$ 84,200.00	
Estimated UAHC Appropriation for NFTS Operations (net)	46,460.99	
Total Available Receipts		\$130,660.99
Estimated Expenditures	83,880.00	
UAHC Estimated Expenditures for NFTS Operations	46,460.99	
Total Estimated Expenditures		<u>130,340.99</u>
Probable General Fund Surplus for 1950-51....		320.00
Non-Budgetary Expenditures (Office Equip- ment)		2,000.00
Total Probable Operating Deficit—1950-51		<u>\$ 1,680.00</u>

The receipts and expenditures of all funds, exclusive of the General Fund, such as the House of Living Judaism Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, and other earmarked funds, will be reflected in the reports of the Executive Director and/or respective Committee Chairmen.

(MRS. AARON L.) LEORA L. LAMBIE, *Treasurer*

REPORT OF
The Treasurer

Pittsburgh, Pa., June 30, 1952

To the Members of the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

At the last meeting of the Executive Board of NFTS, the fiscal year of the NFTS was just closing (October 29-30, 1951). It was impossible then to submit actual figures of the financial operations of NFTS for the 1950-51 fiscal year. Tentative figures were included in the report of the Treasurer. The following is a brief report of the actual results of operations for the year ended October 31, 1951. Details of the operations are reflected in the audit report of the NFTS as submitted by our Auditors, Loeb and Troper, of New York City.

GENERAL FUND INCOME FOR 1950-51

The budget as submitted to the Board for the 1950-51 fiscal year estimated the income for the 1950-51 year to be \$82,000.00. Our actual receipts for the year amounted to \$89,502.88. The following table shows where this increase over estimates for 1950-51 occurred:

	Budget 1950-51	Actual 1950-51
National Dues	\$60,000.00	\$64,080.11
District Federation Dues	200.00	210.00
Uniongram and Thank You Notes	9,000.00	11,258.74
Sales of Calendars and Materials	10,650.00	11,044.59
Service Fee for Collections	2,000.00	2,782.80
Miscellaneous Receipts	150.00	126.64
Totals	<u>\$82,000.00</u>	<u>\$89,502.88</u>

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES FOR 1950-51

The Executive Board of NFTS approved a budget for 1950-51 in the sum of \$82,000.00 for General Fund Expenditures. Our actual expenditures for the 1950-51 fiscal year amounted to \$73,018.24. The following is an analysis of the functional expenditures for 1950-51:

NFTS Development and Administration Expenses	\$ 7,620.84
Committee Projects	16,451.06
Field and Membership Services, including Speakers Bureau....	25,279.22
Production—Saleable Materials	13,916.96
Publication and Publicity	5,126.28
Dues, Contributions, Misc.	4,623.88
Total 1950-51 Expenditures	<u>\$73,018.24</u>

RESULTS FOR 1950-51

NFTS income for 1950-51 exceeded expenditures by the sum of \$16,484.64. This was due to the fact that income was \$7,500.00 more than estimates, and actual direct expenditures were \$8,984.00 less than appropriations.

(Mrs. Aaron L.) LEORA L. LAMBIE, *Treasurer*

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES

November 1, 1950 to October 31, 1951

	Income	Expenditures	Balance or Deficit
National Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.....	\$ 60,648.06	\$ 60,181.59	\$ 466.47
General Fund — Budgetary	89,502.88	73,018.24	16,484.64
General Fund — Non-Budgetary (office equipment)		353.34	353.34
	<u>\$150,150.94</u>	<u>\$133,553.17</u>	<u>\$16,597.77</u>

FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

(ALLOCATED BY THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS)

Budgetary

Field and membership services	\$ 25,279.22
Programming	7,620.84
Committee projects	11,286.16
Production of salable materials	13,916.96
Dues, contributions, and miscellaneous	4,623.88
Administration expenses	5,518.24
Publication and publicity	5,126.28
<i>Total</i>	<u>\$ 73,371.58</u>

Oblique denotes red figures.

**NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
OCTOBER 31, 1951**

ASSETS	Total	General Fund	National Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund (d)	"House of Living Judaism" Fund	Special Funds for Designated Purposes
Cash in banks and on hand.....	\$ 70,157.81	\$15,819.50	\$42,894.94	\$10,125.41	\$1,317.96
Cash on deposit with Union of American Hebrew Congregations....	1,000.00	1,000.00			
Investments—allocated (at cost).....	32,190.00	12,950.00 (c)	19,240.00 (c)		
Demand note receivable from Union of American Hebrew Congregations (balance)	2,250.00	2,250.00 (b)			
Deposit with travel agencies.....	425.00	425.00			
Accounts, advances, and contributions receivable.....	1,336.91	1,336.91			
Notes receivable from congregations.....	3,100.00				3,100.00
Total Assets.....	\$110,459.72	\$33,781.41 (a)	\$62,134.94	\$10,125.41	\$4,417.96
LIABILITIES					
Due to Union of American Hebrew Congregations.....	\$16,427.25	\$ 1,427.25	\$15,000.00		
Due to Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion.....	10,242.50		10,242.50		
Accounts payable	1,754.87	1,754.87			
Deferred income—available for 1951-1952 and subsequent years.....	1,152.80		1,152.80		
Total Liabilities.....	\$ 29,577.42	\$ 3,182.12	\$26,395.30		
RESERVES AND BALANCES					
Mrs. Martha Levy Steinfeld Reserve (includes interest of \$12.57)	\$ 640.96				\$ 640.96
Contribution for Braille Machine.....	40.00				40.00
Reserve for Committee on Family Education.....	100.00				100.00
Reserve for Sisterhoods' Synagogue Loan Fund Capital.....	3,637.00				3,637.00
"House of Living Judaism" Principal.....	10,125.41			10,125.41	
Accumulated General Operating Fund Balances—October 31, 1951..	66,338.93	\$30,599.29	\$35,739.64		
Total Reserves and Balances.....	\$ 80,882.30	\$30,599.29	\$35,739.64	\$10,125.41	\$4,417.96
Total Liabilities, Reserves and Balances.....	\$110,459.72	\$33,781.41	\$62,134.94	\$10,125.41	\$4,417.96

- Notes: (a) The above assets do not include unpaid balances, aggregating \$9,491.68 due on sales of Uniongrams and other materials; and inventory of salable materials. Income from these sources is credited when collected.
- (b) The note receivable from U.A.H.C. is dated February 20, 1931 and bears 5% interest although 3% is being paid by agreement. No repayment was received during the fiscal year ended October 31, 1951.
- (c) The U.S. Savings Bonds, Series "F," are included at cost although they appreciate in value periodically.
- (d) Deferments and refunds for free Religious Schools, totalling \$1,756.14 are not included in this Statement.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON

Budget and Finance

Evanston, Ill., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Special Committee on Budget and Finance was activated during this past year and met to consider the NFTS budget which is being presented to the NFTS Executive Board at its current session.

This Committee has considered many phases of the budget and has prepared a Functional Budget for the approval of the Executive Board. It is anticipated that the Committee will become more active in the next fiscal year and that quarterly examination of the budget will be made and sent to Board Members.

(Mrs. Irving E.) BEATRICE HOLLOBOW, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

District Federations

Knoxville, Tenn., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

This report repeats the evaluation of the past two reports that . . . "the activities recorded herein . . . point to an exciting acceleration . . . an increased awareness by Districts of their positions as liaisons between NFTS and their constituent units to interpret and intensify the expanded NFTS program; meet the need for adult education; develop informed, trained Sisterhood leaders."

DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

NFTS District #1, the New England Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its annual meeting on September 18-19. District Chairmen reported at Round Tables on NFTS projects. Special emphasis was given the importance of contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and NFTS policy of contributing womanpower rather than Sisterhood funds to communal projects outside the realm of NFTS activities.

The meeting approved paying travelling expenses of the President to the NFTS District Presidents' Council. The President recommended the system of another NFTS District, of Executive Board meetings in a different city each month and attendance at that Sisterhood's local meeting in the afternoon.

NFTS District #2, the Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Annual Convention on December 7. In her President's Message, Mrs. Walter Midas indicated the record of Connecticut in NFTS activities such as: "100% cooperation in the Combined Campaign of the UAHC-College-Institute; completion of quota for Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial; Honor Roll listing for sales of Uniongrams."

NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods held its Biennial Convention April 20-May 1. The Convention Theme was "The Homes We Live In."

Five workshops included:

1. *The Foundation* (Jewish Ceremonials and Art, Judaica Shop, Music, Religion)
2. *The Framework* (Membership, Program, Publicity, Uniongrams, Scholarship and Religious Education, Ways and Means)
3. *The Home* (Family Education, Religious Schools, Youth Activities)
4. *The Community* (House of Living Judaism, Interfaith Activities, Emergency Services, Jewish Literature for the Blind, Peace and World Relations)
5. *President's Workshop*

In her President's Message, Mrs. William Leffler evaluated the overall program of the New York Federation, saying that "there has been an increase by local Sisterhoods to look to State Federation for assistance; to write for speakers; to respond to State inquiries and requests." There has been increased cooperation between the State and NFTS. Several State Officers and Chairmen have assisted in organizing new Sisterhoods. Many have accepted Speakers engagements for NFTS. The Federation participated in a program for the Temple Hour, a half hour New York City weekly radio broadcast, and assisted in organizing a Westchester Federation of Temple Youth. In memory of its founder, Sallie Kubie Glauber, New York Federation continues to give annually a contribution to the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

Chairman of the Committee on Music, Mrs. Morris Dreyfus urged the importance of Children's Choirs for regular services to:

Introduce varied services for the children and Congregation; Interest parents in attending services; Indoctrinate children in attending services so they will become part of their routine.

NFTS District #4, the New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Board Meeting was held on May 4th. The Youth Activities Chairman reported a Youth Meeting to be held using the theme "Judaism For Every Day Living." The Regional Youth Conclave will be held Labor Day Weekend, in conjunction with the New York and Long Island Regions. The Board urged its Sisterhoods to support these activities financially. The President reported progress in planning the November Convention, with the Theme: "To Promote the Spirit of Reform Judaism." A Leadership Training Institute will be part of the Convention.

NFTS District #5, the Pennsylvania Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held an interim Board Meeting at which the following recommendations were adopted:

1. That a budget be established for the Religious School Committee, the amount of which should be decided by the Board. (\$75 was allocated.)

2. That PFTS Sponsor Regional Religious School Teachers' Institutes for one day, the locations to be determined by geographical considerations.

3. That the report of the previous Religious School Chairman, plus a concise outline of her duties, be submitted to the new Chairman within 30 days after her appointment.

Regional Meetings during the fiscal year, with the theme: "Sisterhood Specific" were held in the Central, Western and Eastern Regions. The Vice-Presidents, responsible for the activities in their region, planned the meetings and presided over them. The same program pattern was followed in each region. Prepared questions were asked: 1. How to meet NFTS and District obligations. 2. How to raise large sums of money. 3. How to plan interesting programs. 4. How to cover all necessary business and programs in allotted meeting time. 5. How to plan efficient kitchens for Temple use.

NFTS District #6, the Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Executive Board meeting in January. A subsequent Bulletin reported naming the 1950 State contribution to the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund in honor of Rabbi George Lieberman of Canton and the 1951 contribution in memory of Rabbi Louis Witt of Dayton. The President, Mrs. Elmer Moyer, asked that every Sisterhood present an Interfaith program during the next fiscal year, and urged a State sponsored Leadership Training Institute and a Speakers' and Talent Bureau. The Board recommended support of the NFTY program by urging Units to furnish "camperships" for Youth representatives to National Youth Conclaves. The Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind reported that a Braille Workshop was being set up in Columbus in addition to the Cleveland group.

NFTS District #7, the West Virginia Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Convention November 19-20, with the theme: "Religion and Human Relations." The three papers given at the Workshop were on religious loyalties, interfaith activities, youth activities. Recommendations of the President, Mrs. Ralph Masinter, adopted by the delegates included:

1. Annual Convention be changed to Biennial to meet in years alternate to NFTS Biennial Assembly. In years of NFTS Biennial, District Federation will hold Regional meetings after the Assembly.

2. District Convention Manual shall be the responsibility of each Convention Chairman, who will add her suggestions to be passed on to the hostess President of the next Convention City.

3. District Presidents' Pins shall be presented to all Past District Presidents at next convention during ceremony of Installation of Officers.

4. All Sisterhoods shall lay greater emphasis on NFTS educational programs of Education, Interfaith and Peace and World Relations.

5. District Chairmen shall be selected as possible future officer material and shall familiarize themselves with the various departmental activities, so that on assuming office, they will be equipped with a broader knowledge of Sisterhood work and experience.

6. District President shall visit each Sisterhood at least once during her term of office, sitting in on programs, conducting meetings and discussing local problems.

7. Permanent Archives shall be established in Virginia Street Temple, Charleston for permanent and systematic filing of all past records, with a keeper of the Archives appointed.

NFTS District #8 (Virginia, D. C., Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina) held its twenty-fifth anniversary convention March 4-6. The Conference was held in conjunction with the newly formed Mid-Atlantic Council of the UAHC. It was patterned after the NFTS Biennial Assembly in Cleveland, with the Sisterhood and Congregational delegates holding separate business meetings and workshops and meeting jointly at a luncheon and banquet. According to the President, Mrs. Joseph Hearst, instead of allotting time for the usual Unit Presidents' reports, "each President was asked to bring a visual display of her Sisterhood's outstanding activities for the year. These were set up for the duration of the meetings. On the day of the Workshops, a special Round Table for Presidents was held, so that each might have the opportunity to explain her demonstration. The exhibits were divided into three groups: small, medium and large Sisterhoods, and delegates and visitors voted. At the concluding luncheon, sterling kiddush cups were awarded to the three winning Sisterhoods on the basis of originality and beauty of display, plus the worth of the project."

A Youth Conclave is the annual joint project of NFTS District #8 and the Mid-Atlantic Council of UAHC. The other District Project is the annual Teachers' Institute. Seventy-five were in attendance at the Teachers' Institute held in Richmond. Five seminars were held on: Worship, Hebrew, Homework, Curriculum and Primary Grades and a demonstration given on visual educational materials and textbooks.

NFTS District #10, the Indiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Spring Board Meeting May 10. The State Bulletin is being published again and the first Vice-President is Editor, according to the President, Mrs. Lester Ottenheimer. The Recording Secretary was asked to review the minutes of the last five years to ascertain "motions of policy." Contest Chairman asked that the award this year be given to the Religious School having the best percentage of attendance; the children to get the prizes, the Sisterhood, the trophy. It was suggested that a committee of Past Presidents help Evansville Sisterhood plan the Convention. The State Convention was held October 17-18. Round Tables were held on Religious Schools, and Sisterhood Problems.

NFTS District #11, the Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its annual Convention April 30-May 1. The Convention Theme was: "Sisterhood—A Creative Force in the World Scene." Workshops on Youth entitled "Each in His Generation" and on club leadership were held.

The Michigan Federation continues its interest and pride in its Youth Activities project. Especially invited to its Board Meeting were the Presidents, Recording Secretaries and Youth Chairmen of the fourteen Sisterhoods.

The session was devoted to expanding Youth Activities on District and local levels. The District Federation will contribute \$50 toward sponsoring the Reli-

gious School Teachers' Institute. The Religious Extension Chairman will act as coordinator. It was proposed that Unit contributions to District Speakers' Bureau be increased to \$10.

NFTS District #12, the Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Board Meeting on April 8. A Pre-Board dinner was held at the Temple which was followed by registration and a social hour. In her President's Message, Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield expressed delight that Kentucky-Tennessee Sisterhoods are presenting programs of Jewish content and that there is a reawakened interest in Youth Activities. The Youth Activities Chairman urged the sponsoring of a Youth Camp by the District. The Board voted that the Corinne Liebman Cohn Progress Cup awarded to the Sisterhood selling the greatest number of Uniongrams during a fiscal year had served its usefulness, and that a project be worked out for Temple attendance.

Recommendations from the President's Message adopted by the Board include:

1. That every constituent Sisterhood sponsor an Interfaith program.
2. That NFTS District #12 cooperate with the Kentucky-Tennessee Council of UAHC in sponsoring a Religious School Teachers' Institute with a Director furnished by UAHC and the hostess city holding actual Sunday School demonstrations.
3. That mimeographed reports be sent out in the Fall of the year when there is no Regional Convention; that only a mimeographed President's Message be presented to those attending Board Meetings.

Mrs. Jerome Salm, NFTS Chairman on Youth Activities, spoke at the banquet on "Basic Information of Sisterhood Work," emphasizing the fact that an effective Board is one of well-informed members and urged Unit Presidents to distribute to their Board members and Chairmen, the materials released by NFTS in the monthly President's Packets.

NFTS #13, the South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its annual Convention January 9-10. The District President, Mrs. Melvin Harris, explained important business of the NFTS Biennial Assembly in Cleveland.

Recommendations of the Board and Committee Chairmen adopted by the delegates included:

1. That SCFTS allot \$25 to the District Chairman on Youth Activities to help sponsor Youth Conclave activities.
2. That local Units be polled to ascertain their wishes concerning the \$1.00 per capita voluntary contributions to the State Federation Treasury.
3. That SCFTS reestablish a Speakers' Bureau to provide speakers for local Units to give information on Sisterhood activities.
4. That the Bulletin be discontinued; that the District President's monthly Newsletter include items of interest to the Units; and that each Unit President appoint someone in her Sisterhood to read the letter every month.

South Carolina continues its District projects of an annual one-day Youth Conclave and Talking Books for Blind Children.

NFTS District #14, The Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Georgia-Florida-Alabama) held its Convention January 21-23, in conjunction

with the meeting of the Executive Board of the Southeast Council of UAHC. The Convention theme was: "Living Judaism Lives." A Panel, "Sisterhood in Action" for Unit Presidents was presided over by Mrs. Jacob B. Joel, President. Following Religious Services an open Forum, "Judaism's Challenge to the World To-day" was held with the topics "Our Responsibility to Make Our Children Happy They Are Jews," "Our Responsibility in This Chaotic World." Two Sisterhood Leadership Institutes were conducted by Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, NFTS Vice-President and National Chairman on District Federations.

Projects for the District voted upon by the Assembly included:

1. That a part-time Secretary be employed by NFTS District #14, the Southeast Federation to aid in the distribution of essential communications to all Sisterhoods in the District.
2. That the Speakers' Bureau be reactivated. The three Vice-Presidents shall be responsible for their own States to insure each Sisterhood a Speaker once a year.
3. That NFTS President's Packet be sent to each of the District Vice-Presidents and be paid by the District.

Action taken by the delegate body during the concluding sessions of the Convention included the following motions:

1. That local Sisterhoods bring to future Conventions visual materials concerning Units' activities.
2. That NFTS District #14, the Southeast Federation, accept the Turner Award of \$150 to be used by Sisterhoods for Youth Activities. \$100 to be awarded the Sisterhood of more than 25 camp age children enrolled in Religious School with the greatest percentage of representation at Youth Camp; \$50 to be awarded the Sisterhood with less than 25 children of camp age enrolled in Religious School, the greatest percentage of which participate in Youth Camp. A Grandmothers' Committee will be set up to raise funds from Grandparents, to encourage youth to attend Youth Camp.

NFTS District #16, the Mississippi Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Executive Board Meeting January 21 following which a Sisterhood Leadership Training Institute was conducted. In the President's Message, Mrs. D. H. Orkin made the following recommendations which were adopted by the Board:

1. That MFTS in tribute to the memory of its founder, Rosa W. Schwartz, contribute \$100 to the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial.
2. That MFTS edit a centrally issued Bulletin financed by the reallocation of funds set up in the Budget for the travelling expenses of National Board members until such time as Mississippi shall again have a Board member.
3. That MFTS support the Combined Campaign of the UAHC, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and give of service whenever and wherever needed in its behalf.
4. That the Units of MFTS unify their elections with those of the State.

NFTS District #17, the Louisiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Conference March 18-20 with the Convention theme: "Democracy and Religion."

Using topics and procedural patterns of the Workshops of the NFTS Biennial Convention four half hour Workshops were held:

1. How Can Sisterhood Aid the Religious School Program? a. Type of organization—P.T.A. Room Mothers, Religious School Committee. b. Interpretation of Hebrew in Religious School Curriculum and its Objective. c. Holiday Observance—What Can Sisterhood do to help the Religious School Celebrate the Jewish Festivals? d. Displays and explanations of what various groups are doing to encourage celebration of the Festivals in the home.

2. Youth Activities. a. Place of Youth Activities in Temple Life. b. What Can Sisterhood do to stimulate Youth participation? c. Some successful Youth projects.

3. Ways and Means—Sisterhood Projects. a. Various Know-Hows to Raise Money. b. How to promote Uniongrams. c. Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

4. Programming. a. Programming for Small, Medium and Large Sisterhoods. b. Kinds of Programs and aids to stimulate attendance at meetings. c. Are NFTS programming helps effective? Suggestions.

5. Interfaith. a. Types of Interfaith meetings. b. Experience of various groups in Interfaith Programs. c. Problems arising out of these programs.

The annual Religious School Institute project of the District was held in December with Mrs. Jesse Stern, President, presiding over the two day meeting. Jointly sponsored by NFTS Districts #16 and #17, the First Louisiana-Mississippi Youth Conclave was held in New Orleans. The discussion by the Youth of both states included the topics: "What Our Jewish Youth Can Do—In The Synagogue; For Interfaith; For Civic Betterment; For More Jewish Learning."

NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its twenty-fifth Convention April 29-30. With the objective: To investigate together the aims and accomplishments of Sisterhood, entitled Accent the Positive in Religion-Education-Culture, five Workshops were held on:

Sisterhood's Responsibility to Itself; Sisterhood's Responsibility to the Temple; Sisterhood's Responsibility to Youth; Sisterhood's Responsibility to the Community; Sisterhood's Responsibility to the District and National Federations.

NFTS District #19, the Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Convention May 16-17. The theme was "Religion—Our First Line of Defense." In her President's Message, Mrs. Norman Breslauer noted active participation in religious education—both on the adult and child levels. Programs, she indicated, were of two types: entertainment, and those which are essentially Jewish. The latter type is growing in preference because this is one service which Sisterhood alone can give. The Wisconsin Federation will launch its first Youth Camp Conclave in the fall.

NFTS District #20 (Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico) will hold its Convention in the fall. A panel will be held on "ABC's of Sisterhood," with NFTS Executive Board members from District #20 participating.

According to an evaluation from the president, Mrs. Harry Jacobson, the District continues to strive for practical helpfulness to its Units in emphasizing NFTS projects. Unit annual reports indicate that these "efforts are paying dividends."

Four successful techniques are:

1. District Bulletin mailed to every Sisterhood member in the area.
2. Talent Bureau with a wide variety of talent; representing every section of the District.
3. All-day Workshop for an entire membership of small Sisterhoods and for the Executive Boards of Large Sisterhoods. This Workshop includes not only the generalizations which are presented at NFTS and District Workshops, but practical consideration of local projects and problems.

During the past two years, almost every Sisterhood has had a District representative at an open meeting and at a Board meeting, where a practical discussion of Sisterhood and specific local problems have received careful consideration. A great deal of help has been given by correspondence and telephone.

NFTS District #22, the Texas-Oklahoma Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, has initiated a Speakers' Bureau and has not only discovered hidden talent among its own District membership, according to the President, Mrs. Harry Susman, but has been able to better serve the constituent Sisterhoods during this period. Plans have been formulated for the Convention to be held in November.

NFTS District #24, the Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, held its Convention February 18-21 with the Convention theme (quotation from Dr. Leo Baeck) "A Judaism Full of Life and a Life Full of Judaism." Three Workshops were held: Consultation Clinic on Sisterhood Activities; Strengthening Jewish Family Life; Strengthening Human Relations.

In her President's Message, Mrs. Walter Hardman recommended:

1. That the President of the Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods be sent to the NFTS Biennial Conventions.
2. That a Digest Chairman be appointed from each Sisterhood to present to the meetings a digest of NFTS and UAHC news. In this connection, she stressed the great importance of NFTS and especially of an interchange of ideas by the various Sisterhoods through NFTS.

NEW DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

We congratulate District Presidents elected during the fiscal year:

NFTS District #10, the Indiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods—Mrs. Lester Ottenheimer, East Orange, Ind.

NFTS District #13, the South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods—Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia, S. C.

NFTS District #14, the Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods—Mrs. Montrose Edrehi, Pensacola, Fla.

NFTS District #17, the Louisiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods—Mrs. Sam Feldman, New Orleans, La.

NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods—Mrs. Milton Krensky, Glencoe, Ill.

NFTS District #19, the Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods—Mrs. Fred Marshall, Appleton, Wis.

NFTS District #24, the Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods—Mrs. Gertrude Kallin, Los Angeles, Calif.

ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE

The activities of the Committee on District Federations represent a continuing educational pattern through Guest Presidents' Letters released in the NFTS District President's Packets, District Presidents' Council and Questionnaires released to Presidents requesting Districts' budgets.

(Mrs. C. C.) EMILIE STRASBURGER, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Emergency Services

W. Hartford, Conn., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The name of this Committee was altered during the past year. Originally established as the War Services Committee, it became the Post-War Services Committee after World War II and during the past fiscal year was changed to Emergency Services. Through it NFTS is assisting men and women of the armed services and is ready to serve should service be needed during an emergency period similar to that which was in effect when the Committee was established.

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is one of the members of the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board. Most of the work of the Committee on Emergency Services has, in recent months, been in cooperation with the Jewish Welfare Board and has related primarily to "Serve-A-Camp," "Serve-A-Chaplain," and "Serve-A-Hospital" projects. We have also been asked to urge our members to cooperate in Civilian Defense whenever the need arises.

The policy of this Committee is to encourage our members to collaborate with organizations which are devoted to activities of these types; to assist as Sisterhoods rather than to initiate work in itself. In small communities where there are no established groups, however, we urge our Sisterhoods and their members to take the initiative in whatever steps are necessary to assure that essential efforts are undertaken in these fields.

We pray that an emergency will not occur. We stand to meet it, should it arise, and meanwhile we are assisting in the morale building work of the "Serve-A-Projects."

(Mrs. EDWARD A.) ADELLE HART, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON

Evaluation

Omaha, Nebraska, October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Special Committee on Evaluation which convened for the first time on October 24, 1951, enjoyed the distinction of being the first committee to meet in the beautiful Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. With awareness of its responsibilities augmented and quickened by the surroundings of the NFTS President's room, the committee offered a prayer for the "new house."

The committee approved for its basic concept a quotation brought by Miss Jane Evans from the Committee on Evaluation of the Adult Education Association, which reads as follows:

"Evaluation is the process of assessing the degree to which objectives are being achieved. The primary purpose is growth, improvement of program, methods, and the objectives themselves. Evaluation requires the assessment of actual conditions and their comparison with objectives. Dynamic evaluation is concerned with rate of change, direction and movement toward desirable conditions. It requires establishment of a base line and subsequent measurement to determine direction and amount of growth. At best, evaluation procedures should be a built-in, long-time and continuous part of the whole activity."

While appraising, and approving splendid achievements of the past, the committee concentrated on efforts to evaluate areas in which greater service can be rendered. The committee agreed in planning its procedures that:

1. Initial efforts must be explanatory only.
2. The committee will work in consultation with the NFTS President.
3. The individual committee members accept responsibility for bringing to the Committee subjects for discussion.
4. The committee will use caution, since it may, of necessity, cross many NFTS Committee lines, not to usurp their function.
5. All policies agreed on by the Committee shall be brought in the form of recommendations to the NFTS Executive Board.

Accordingly, at the October 1951 Executive Board meeting, the Committee will recommend initiating the following action: studies of election procedures; of structure, with consideration of re-alignment of committees; of un-met needs of local Sisterhoods; a periodic letter from the President to the Executive Board and a review of our literature.

Sub-committees to implement these recommendations will be appointed. A carefully devised questionnaire should be sent to every local Sisterhood President with a request that it be answered fully and frankly. The answers will be appraised and evaluated and from them, the committee believes we will be able to achieve many desirable, hoped-for objectives. The achievement of these objectives cannot be, and should not be, a rapid one. It should embody a thorough survey and appraisal, with our vision on the ultimate successful expression of our aims, "a built-in, long-time continuous part of the total activity."

(MRS. HENRY) DAISY MONSKY, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Family Education

Houston, Tex., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

At the NFTS Biennial Assembly in November, 1950, the name of the NFTS Committee on Child Study and Parent Education was changed to the NFTS Committee on Family Education, because the trend of thought in this field of activity is toward the family as a unit. Our work during the past year has been directed toward family education as such; we have concentrated on determining the specific needs that must be filled by our committee and ways in which local Family Education Committees are serving their Sisterhoods.

Through tabulation of a questionnaire mailed to local Family Education Chairmen we learned that many Sisterhoods are holding Holiday Workshops for Parents before such holidays as Chanuko, Purim and Passover. Other Sisterhoods hold lecture or discussion groups for Sisterhood members alone or with the men of their congregations. Frequently the Rabbis conduct such classes, but in other instances congregational members or outside professional speakers address the meetings.

Many groups are using the NFTS study guides that have been prepared for this committee, *The Jewish Family in the World To-day* and *Adjusting the Jewish Child to His World*. Others have developed programs around such themes as "What Religion Means to the Jewish Child" and "Ideas in Action for Jewish Parents." Some of these parent discussion groups are on monthly bases. At times, there is parent participation in the Religious School Assembly period. A number of PTA groups have been established with forums under their sponsorship several times during the winter.

We envision much progress in our work during the next year as more and more Sisterhoods participate in the vital work sponsored by this committee.

(MRS. MOSES M.) HILDA SCHWARTZ, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON

Field Services

Columbia, S. C., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

This Committee, which came into being in the Fall of 1951, is setting plans for several phases of Sisterhood work. It met in New York in October, 1951. Mrs. Henry Monsky, Omaha, Nebraska, Chairman of the Evaluation Committee, met with us in order to coordinate the activities of the two Committees.

It was decided that the first responsibility of the Committee on Field Services was the issuance of a manual for Sisterhood presidents. Mrs. Harry Jacobson had prepared such a manual when she was President of NFTS District #20, and, at the request of the Committee, will rewrite it for publication on a National level. It is hoped that the manual will be in the hands of Sisterhood presidents before the end of the 1951-52 season.

The second responsibility which the Committee accepted was to set up training centers for Sisterhood visitors. In these centers women who are going to represent NFTS will be trained so that they can be of the maximum service to the communities they visit and to the organizations they represent. In this respect, NFTS is revising its concept regarding speakers, preferring to think of them as helpful visitors. NFTS is requesting its affiliates to work out more effective means of utilizing the talents and services of such visitors. It is necessary to plan for the preservation of the visitor's time and abilities and to plan maximum contacts within the financial resources of NFTS.

(MRS. JULIAN) HELEN KOHN HENNIG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE

House of Living Judaism — NFTS Project

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Since the time of my last report as Chairman of the NFTS House of Living Judaism, our "project" has become a reality. As you know, our efforts to collect funds for the creation of an American and world-wide center of Reform Judaism

were generously supplemented by the gift of the late Dr. A. A. Berg, distinguished New York surgeon and philanthropist, in honor of his parents. While this splendid gift of Dr. Berg in no way replaced the amount to which the Sisterhoods had undertaken to subscribe, it did enable us to build a more efficient, more permanent and more beautiful building than we had originally envisioned.

During the week-end of October 26, 1951, the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, on the southeast corner of 65th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York, was dedicated in an historic and impressive ceremony, during which it was my proud privilege to open the great doors to the public. Here in a beautiful building designed by architect Harry M. Prince are the quarters of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliated organizations. NFTS members may well be proud of their role in helping to create this national religious center dedicated to the glory of God and to the advancement of Judaism.

Each Sisterhood was assigned a voluntary quota of \$10 per enrolled member at the start of the campaign. The names of the Sisterhoods which completed their quotas before the construction of the building are inscribed on the Fireplace Wall in the Sisterhood Lounge. The names of the Sisterhoods which complete their quotas later will be inscribed on a temporary plaque which is displayed in the Sisterhood Lounge. At a future date, these names and those of other Sisterhoods who fulfill their pledges, will be more permanently inscribed.

The second volume of the Book of Living Judaism is now in the process of formation, and it is my fond hope that eventually there will be a third volume, a fourth volume and a long series of volumes containing the names of the faithful.

Following is a review of contributions by Sisterhoods:

380 participating Sisterhoods contributed.....	\$426,406.90
This represents 217 Sisterhoods who fulfilled their quota; 163 Sisterhoods who have not yet fulfilled their quota, although many of these are over or nearing the half-way mark.	
Contributions from District Federations.....	2,884.25
Contributions from miscellaneous sources.....	1,303.50
<i>Total</i>	<u>\$430,594.65</u>

Would that this report were the last and that I could report that all necessary funds were completed. Those of us who have worked closely with this project know that it is imperative that all Sisterhoods successfully conclude their local campaigns in order to complete our National campaign for the House of Living Judaism.

(MRS. EDWARD B.) HELEN S. SCHULKIND, *Chairman*

APPENDIX A

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM HONOR ROLL

Quotas Completed or Exceeded November 1, 1950 - October 31, 1951

Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El, Helena, Ark.
 Temple Isaiah Sisterhood, Culver City, Calif.
 Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood, Los Angeles, Calif.
 Sisterhood of Temple Israel, South Norwalk, Conn.
 Shaarai Zedek Sisterhood, Tampa, Fla.
 Sisterhood of Temple B'rith Sholom, Springfield, Ill.
 Beth El Sisterhood, Hammond, Ind.
 Adas Israel Sisterhood, Henderson, Ky.
 Temple Sinai Sisterhood, New Orleans, La.
 Har Sinai Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md.
 Oheb Shalom Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md.
 B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood, Cumberland, Md.
 Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Beth Israel Sisterhood, Atlantic City, N. J.
 Har Sinai Sisterhood, Trenton, N. J.
 Temple Ahavath Sholom Sisterhood, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Sisterhood of Union Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El, Lynbrook, N. Y.
 Sinai Temple Sisterhood, Mount Vernon, N. Y.
 Central Synagogue of Nassau County, Rockville Centre, N. Y.
 Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Yonkers, N. Y.
 Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Gastonia, N. C.
 Temple Beth El Sisterhood, Steubenville, O.
 Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood Temple B'nai Israel, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Sisterhood of Temple Judea, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Beth Israel Sisterhood, Florence, S. C.
 Temple Beth-El Sisterhood, Ft. Worth, Tex.
 Temple Beth-El Sisterhood, Tyler, Tex.
 Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood, Wheeling, W. Va.
 Beth Hillel Sisterhood, Kenosha, Wis.
 Sisterhood Temple Beth-El, Madison, Wis.
 Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Montreal, Canada

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Interfaith Activities

Chicago, Ill., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

During the fiscal year ending October 31, 1951, nine Institutes on Judaism for leaders of Church Women's groups were presented in Milwaukee, Wis.; St. Joseph, Mo.; Kansas City, Mo.; Des Moines, Ia.; Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Lafayette, La.; New Orleans, La.; Lawrence, Mass. and Spokane, Wash.

On October 28, 1951, the National Committee on Interfaith Activities held a meeting in the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. The Committee recommended that an Institute on Judaism should not be repeated two years in succession to the same group of Christian women. In planning any Interfaith program it should be done in cooperation with the Christian women, so that we reach their needs in the program which we present to them. There must be an awareness of the need of Interfaith on a local as well as a National level.

Many fine programs from Interfaith gatherings have been sent to NFTS from Sisterhoods all over the country. There has been active participation in the World Day of Prayer; exchange of pulpits between Rabbis and Ministers. "Your Neighbor Celebrates" was a Chicago program, to interpret Christian and Jewish Holidays, including Passover, Shovuos, High Holy Days, and the Sabbath. The Christian women explained the significance of the Christmas Season and the Pentecost. A Minister and Rabbi participated in the discussion period which followed.

Ceremonial tables with liturgical music are always successful in programs. "Beliefs, Ceremonies and Ritual of Judaism" can be supplemented with a panel discussion on "Sisterhood, Its Purpose and Achievement," with a moderator and three participants, explaining the work accomplished by Sisterhood women.

A Chicago study class entitled "Common Conference for Common Concerns," with five two hour sessions, was held, in which Jewish and non-Jewish participants examined many problems at several Interfaith Teas. Each teacher was given the mimeographed program "Parade of the Jewish Holidays" for future reference. This created better understanding between Jewish school children and their teachers.

Other types of Institutes on Judaism were held on Sunday afternoons and evenings for high school and college boys and girls, with buffet suppers served by the hostess group. Small meetings were held in homes for luncheon or tea at which discussions everyone participated and a fine spirit of comradeship developed.

"Understanding Our Neighbors Through the Dance" provides an unusual

way of approaching an Interfaith program. Teachers in Baltimore, Md., derive many benefits from a three year, in-service study of their community. This is an accredited course sponsored by Harry Bard, Assistant Director, Curriculum Bureau, Baltimore City public schools. Temple Israel, Boston, Mass., presented a three day combination program, "Keeping Faith with Faith"; a Youth Program, "Living Together for a Day"; Religious School Teachers' Institute, Ministers' Institute, and as the final program: A Sisterhood Interfaith Tea.

The major objective of the Institute on Judaism and our other Interfaith Activities is to impart to non-Jewish guests information about the Jewish religion. It is hoped that the Christian women who attend will carry back to their organizations, members and friends, a better understanding of Judaism and a desire to encourage greater cooperation amongst women of all faiths.

The Committee on Interfaith Activities is deeply indebted to the Rabbis who cooperated so wholeheartedly in our educational program and grateful to all who have selflessly assisted in our work.

(Mrs. Lawrence C.) ESTHER B. FRIEDLANDER, *Chairman*

AMERICAN JEWISH ARCHIVES
 NFTS SPONSORED
 INSTITUTES ON JUDAISM FOR LEADERS OF
 CHRISTIAN CHURCH WOMEN'S GROUPS

November 1, 1950 — October 31, 1951

SISTERHOOD OF	PRESIDING	RABBINICAL SPEAKERS
Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun Milwaukee, Wis.	Mrs. Harold Baum	Rabbi Harry Pastor Cantor Anthony Scott
Adath Joseph St. Joseph, Mo.	Mrs. Harold Baum	Rabbi Samuel Baron Rabbi Nathan Hershfield Rabbi Myron Meyer
Temple B'nai Jehudah Kansas City, Mo.	Mrs. Harold Baum	Rabbi Nathan Hershfield Rabbi Samuel Mayerberg Rabbi Myron Meyer
Temple Sisterhood Des Moines, Ia.	Mrs. Lawrence Friedlander	Rabbi Eugene Mannheimer Rabbi Bernard Lavine Rabbi Abram Goodman
Temple Judah Cedar Rapids, Ia.	Mrs. Lawrence Friedlander	Rabbi Herman Schaalman Rabbi Harold Salzman
Temple Emanu-El Spokane, Wash.	Mrs. Robert Arick	Rabbi Albert Plotkin
Lafayette Temple Lafayette, La.	Mrs. Marcus Mayer	Rabbi Nathaniel Share
Temple Sinai Gates of Prayer Touro Synagogue New Orleans, La.	Mrs. Bernard Goldsmith	Rabbi Leo Bergman Rabbi Julian Feibelman Rabbi Nathaniel Share
Temple Emanuel Lawrence, Mass.	Mrs. Harry Axelrod	Rabbi Herschel Levin Rabbi Maurice Zigmond

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Jewish Ceremonials and Art

Cincinnati, O., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

During this year the Committee, both at NFTS and local levels, has been very active. It has been especially mindful of the dual purpose of the development of thriving gift shops of Judaica and the need for miniature museums to hold Jewish ceremonial objects.

The Sisterhood Art Calendar for 5712 (1951-52), which is one of the primary projects of this Committee, was devoted to glimpses of new synagogue architecture, typical of modern life and the spirit of the times. This architecture is pre-eminently functional and is distinguished by simple lines. It is at the same time noticeably Jewish and American. Six photographs were selected to illustrate this trend for large, medium and small congregations. The views include: Temple Sinai, Chicago, Ill.; Temple Beth El, Flint, Mich.; Temple Beth El, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Temple Emanu El, Houston, Tex.; Temple Beth El, South Bend, Ind.; Temple Beth Israel, Lima, O. Seventeen thousand copies of the Art Calendar were printed. These were purchased by Sisterhood members and were also sent by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, with a Uniongram message for Rosh Ha-shono, to the Boards and Executive staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates, Chaplains in the United States armed forces at home and overseas, Rabbis, faculty and student body of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati and New York.

In the field of music and art, NFTS has granted three scholarships. One was granted to a young Israeli woman to enable her to prepare to do biblical illustrations and art work for religious educational materials for children and adults in Israel. Through NFTS underwriting for the sum of \$247.50, the Famous Artists Correspondence Course (Westport, Conn.) in the art of illustration, she was enabled to prepare herself for artistic endeavors in her Kibbutz. Two \$500 tuition scholarships were granted to former displaced persons for Cantorial studies in the Hebrew Union School of Education and Sacred Music in New York.

NFTS has assisted affiliated units in preparing programs and in obtaining materials for holiday celebrations such as Jewish Music Month, Jewish Book Month, Chanuko, Purim and Passover. In addition, periodic suggestions have been mailed to Chairmen on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, suggesting sources for purchasing novel and beautiful wares for Judaica shops.

It is our hope that the display windows in our new Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial will increase interest in the possession and display of ceremonial objects. Our new Home will exhibit appropriate art objects, rare and

interesting Jewish ceremonial objects, treasured Hebrew manuscripts and illuminated volumes to be loaned from the Museum of our Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. These will be appropriate to the various seasons and holy days.

(MRS. J. WALTER) STELLA FREIBERG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Jewish Literature for the Blind

So. Orange, N. J., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Correspondence to assist local Sisterhoods is the most essential part of the activities of our NFTS Committees and I am glad to report that this Committee has maintained a spirited correspondence. Early in 1951, a questionnaire was sent to all NFTS units. The answers were acknowledged and the information tabulated. This was helpful in determining the extent of our work in transcribing, proofreading, binding and other activity for the sightless.

The monies received during the past fiscal year to aid the blind were divided, as in the past, between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and the Palestine Lighthouse for European Jewish Blind Survivors of World War II. These monies amounted to \$6,007.86.

Issues of the *Jewish Braille Review* and the *Braille Musician* were underwritten by the following groups:

Jewish Braille Review

Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood, Des Moines, Ia., in honor of Rabbi
Mannheimer

Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., in memory of Henry Horner

Women's Association Temple B'nai Jeshurun, Newark, N. J., in memory
of Sadie Levy Foster

Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., in memory of Rabbi Joseph Stolz

Mrs. August Lorch & Mrs. Magdalene Lorch Folz, Dallas, Tex., in memory
of Mr. August Lorch

Temple Israel Sisterhood, Minneapolis, Minn., in memory of Dr. Emil
C. Robitshek

Temple Beth-El Sisterhood, South Bend, Ind., in honor of New Temple

Ruth and Alan Spellman, and Robert J. Hasterlik, South Bend, Ind., in memory of Mr. Henry Hasterlik

Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood, Altoona, Pa.

An issue of the *Braille Musician* was underwritten by The Williamson Temple Sisterhood, Williamson, W. Va.

At the urging of your Chairman, the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., has prepared a dignified form to be used in acknowledging books transcribed for it. In the future, our transcribers will receive a beautifully worded and embossed certificate to serve as a constant reminder of the Institute's sincere appreciation of their great efforts.

There is attached hereto, as an appendix, a special report by the renowned and dedicated Leah Piza Weil, of the humanitarian work accomplished through the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse.

(Mrs. HARRY H.) HELAINE M. LOWENSTEIN, *Chairman*

AMERICAN JEWISH
APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE NFTS
COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

SPECIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
European Jewish Blind Survivors
of the Palestine Lighthouse

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a miracle that the blind whom we serve, now living in Central Europe, could have survived their experience during the Nazi terror. Today they are courageously fighting their way back to a normal existence. While 1,400 met death in gas chambers, the hundreds whom we know worked as slaves in labor camps, salt mines and munition factories. Hardship caused many to lose their eyesight.

Acclimated to terror, when freedom came—freedom with no more work to do—they found it a strange, frightening freedom. They decided to hide! New terror might be waiting in the darkness! And so they hid, and for three long years The Palestine Lighthouse searched for them—and found them. Our job has been their slow rehabilitation.

It is our creed that society owes these blind victims the reassurance that kind-

ness still exists in the world. For five years we have been in contact with them. We send Braille letters in six languages to eight countries. For five years these letters have brought replies from the blind. They welcomed contact with the outside world; they drew comfort from the fact that someone cared about them.

Suddenly our letters and packages, sent to countries behind the Iron Curtain, failed to be acknowledged. No communication came to us, not even the short guarded notes of former days that said, "we know you will understand. *We need you more than ever.*" These Jewish blind behind the Iron Curtain are the most tragic blind in all the world. We will keep on trying to reach them.

Over the years 31 blind have died; 46 blind have emigrated to Israel and other countries.

The Jewish blind of Belgium and Switzerland no longer need our aid; they are in prosperous countries where they are cared for locally. Most of the Jewish blind of Holland have gone to Israel. For the Jewish blind who remain in Germany, France and Austria, our vital aid must be intensified, as all the great benevolent agencies are withdrawing from Europe.

The situation in Germany is receiving special and sustained attention from us. While the Jewish blind are supported by the communities, these communities are still so impoverished that they are able to allow the Jewish blind in the American, British and French zones only \$30 to \$40 monthly—whereas it costs no less than \$75 to \$80 per month for minimum maintenance. The allowance rate is \$10 a month in Russian territory.

By Parcel Post the Committee tries to supply deficiencies. From our correspondents we learn of personal needs. The required goods are then forwarded in packages mailed to individuals in their homes. We have mailed to the blind of Europe 11,942 lbs. of food; 1,395 lbs. of clothing; 190 lbs. of knitting wool; besides cigarettes, sheets, blankets and medicines.

Individual prescriptions are filled, and medical supplies given, such as eye-drops, vitamins, insulin, and liver extract. Holy days are observed by special gift parcels.

The success of the Club we established for the Jewish blind in Berlin indicates the validity of our rehabilitation methods. About 98 blind with guides meet regularly twice a month for recreation and consultation. About 200 people are entertained; the refreshments are mailed from New York. For this Club we pay a small salary to the leader, the rent of the Center and for guide service. We also pay for guide service to Synagogue. In response to the request of the Berlin Club we recently sent a large collection of phonograph records of Hebrew and German music. This request is an expression of their newly reawakened religious and Jewish sentiments. The New York German language newspaper, *Aufbau*, is sent them regularly. This is read at meetings and keeps the blind abreast of events in the outside world.

All the blind have improved in spirits. Twenty-five have found employment. Now we are working to establish similar groups in Paris and Vienna.

The unique and unduplicated character of this work is attested by the Assistant Chairman of the Berlin community. He says, officially, that it is the *sole and only* Aid being provided in Continental Europe for the Jewish blind. This

endorsement should convince you of this work's supreme necessity, and that when you help to underwrite it, you are providing these unfortunates the difference between abject poverty and the dawn of hope.

We acknowledge with sincerest appreciation last year's contribution of \$2,227.10 from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. We earnestly request your continuing interest. In Europe, undernourished and underprivileged, the Jewish blind have only our friendship to overcome their desolation. We pray that each and every Sisterhood may continue to grant them a share in its thought and its bounty.

LEAH PIZA WEIL, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Peace and World Relations

Davenport, Ia., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

This year has been one of challenge to the NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations. We have seen the increased need for informed thinking and effort to help mankind achieve the goal of universal peace with justice which is inherent in Judaism. The Western world is assuming a gigantic program of peace time mobilization for an indefinite period; the conflict in Korea remains unresolved; inflammable tinderboxes menace other parts of the world; democratic ideals are being constricted in many quarters.

One of the chief objectives of the Committee was highlighted when our Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial was dedicated during United Nations Week. Our Committee has been intensifying its program to further greater understanding of the United Nations and to strengthen faith in it as our best hope of peace.

To gain a clear picture of what was being done in the field of Peace and World Relations by our affiliated units, a questionnaire, "What's the Score?" was sent to all Chairmen. The replies indicated that many Sisterhoods had active study groups whose subjects included the United Nations, the Far East, Israel, community problems of social welfare, education and legislation for civil rights and human rights, among others. Many were following the suggestion of the National Committee to have a brief talk by a Committee member at each Sisterhood meeting and one complete Sisterhood program devoted to world understanding. Workshops and panel discussions by members revealed concentrated application to the problems of the day. Suggestions from the National Committee on Programs were used at meetings.

The replies further showed that the materials prepared by the NFTS Peace and World Relations Committee were valuable aids. Especially widespread and effective was the use of *Current Copy*, the concise, readable digest of news events with its suggestions of what to know, what to read and what to do, edited by Mrs. Harrison Thomas, and distributed every month except July and August to all Peace and World Relations Chairmen, Sisterhood and District Presidents and Executive Board Members. A number of groups used the study outline on the United Nations, *To Unite Our Strength*, by Mrs. Thomas. *Foreign Affairs Highlights*, a publication of the United States Department of State, distributed by the Committee, was helpful to some.

There was considerable cooperation by local Sisterhood Peace and World Relations Committees with other organizations within their communities. This was especially true in regard to observance of United Nations Week and Brotherhood Week. Leadership developed in the Committees was evidenced by the number of Sisterhood women who addressed other organizations on topics that fall within the province of this committee.

Action in matters of Federal legislation by United States units was exemplified by the number who responded to the suggestion of the National Committee to write to their United States Senators urging them to vote for sending wheat to India.

Correspondence of the National Chairman with leaders of Peace and World Relations Committees brought out further elaboration of the findings of the questionnaire.

Activities of the National Chairman during the past fiscal year included the following:

In monthly letters to all Chairmen of Local and District Peace and World Relations Committees she outlined methods, suggested topics and references for study and discussion groups, answered questions and reported activities of different Sisterhoods. During the Eighteenth Biennial Assembly of the NFTS in Cleveland, in November 1950, she participated in a workshop on Improving Human Relations.

She headed the NFTS delegation at an Emergency Conference on *Our Responsibility for World Leadership*, called by the American Association for the United Nations in Chicago. There were present representatives of ninety-one national organizations. She served as a member of the Resolutions Committee of that conference. She also was your representative at the National Conference on United States Foreign Policy, sponsored by the Department of State in Washington. During the former Conference she held an informal meeting with Sisterhood Peace and World Relations leaders of the Chicago area. At the time of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial dedication she met with the members of the National Committee on Peace and World Relations who were in New York. On both occasions the opportunity to get acquainted and to exchange opinions was helpful in evaluating and planning our work.

Preliminary discussion for new Sisterhood study material to be prepared for the Committee by Mrs. Harrison Thomas was initiated at the latter meeting. This concerned launching a new study course on security for our day which

would deal with the preservation and strengthening of democratic and spiritual values that are threatened by the military preoccupation of our times. Another item considered at the close of the past fiscal year was the writing of a new supplement bringing up to date the NFTS study course written by Mrs. Thomas, *To Unite Our Strength*. It is the Chairman's firm hope that these two plans will come to fruition during the coming months to increase informed awareness and constructive action among Sisterhood members.

To make this report honest and complete it is necessary to add one regrettable fact: a program of peace and world relations is not yet a part of Sisterhood life in many of our affiliated units. The Talmud tells us that when our people were encamped at Sinai at the time of the giving of the Law, God said: "The Torah, all of it is peace. To whom can I give it? To a people that loves peace." That is our mandate for every Sisterhood to engage in the pursuit of peace and justice.

(MRS. ABRAM V.) MAY F. GOODMAN, *Chairman*



REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Programs

Atlanta, Ga., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Chairman of the Program Committee is glad to announce that a full committee has been appointed. With the addition of this very splendid personnel the Program Committee will have many new ideas to offer during the coming year. The Committee met informally prior to the October Executive Board meeting.

Due to the move from Cincinnati to New York, the Program Supplement Book is late this year. However, many of the outstanding original programs which were submitted during the year will be published soon. A complimentary copy will be sent to each local President. We are glad to report that 150 Sisterhoods ordered Programs from NFTS during the last year.

Now that the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial is a reality, the Committee is confident that it will motivate us to redouble our services to Sisterhood and Reform Judaism.

(MRS. SAM) MARIAN B. MOHR, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Religious Extension

Birmingham, Ala., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a pleasure to report that twelve Sisterhoods affiliated with us during the NFTS fiscal year 1950-51. Seven Sisterhoods resigned during this period. We now have 459 affiliates.

AFFILIATIONS

CITY	SISTERHOOD	DATE
Tuckahoe, N. Y.	Genesisters	November 8, 1950
Binghamton, N. Y.	Temple Concord Sisterhood	November 23, 1950
Daytona Beach, Fla.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	December 26, 1950
New York, N. Y.	Temple Beth Elohim Sisterhood	January 15, 1951
East Meadow, Hempstead, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel of East Meadow	February 26, 1951
Levittown, L. I., N. Y.	Sisterhood of the Levittown Reform Temple	March 5, 1951
Valparaiso, Ind.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	March 12, 1951
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	August 7, 1951
San Mateo, Calif.	Peninsula Temple Beth El Sisterhood	August 23, 1951
Benton Harbor, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	September 1, 1951
Flushing, N. Y.	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	October 18, 1951
Kilgore, Tex.	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	October 23, 1951

RESIGNATIONS

CITY	SISTERHOOD	DATE
Chillicothe, O.	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel Council	December 6, 1950
Waycross, Ga.	Sisterhood of the Daughters of Abraham	January 18, 1951
Bogalusa, La.	Beth El Sisterhood	January 29, 1951
Bainbridge, Ga.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	June 20, 1951
Tuckahoe, N. Y.	Genesisters	October 21, 1951
Pueblo, Colo.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	October 31, 1951
Morgan City, La.	The Morgan City Sisterhood	October 31, 1951

During the active season we have heard from Sisterhoods near and far. Some of the highlights of their programs are as follows:

Sisterhood of the Nassau Community Temple, Hempstead, N. Y. had a successful Membership Drive and Fashion Show. The key words put on colorful tags were "It's The Fashion To Be A Member." The Sisterhood drew the largest attendance in its history that night and through the year acquired sixty members. A two color name tag system is used by the Sisterhood, so members and guests can be distinguished at a glance. Psychologically the effect is good. Guests who

become members after attending more than one meeting turn in their yellow guest tags for white member tags. These are kept on an alphabetical board and used at all meetings.

The Wilshire Blvd. Temple Sisterhood, Los Angeles, Calif. is constantly on the alert to stimulate Temple Worship attendance. After services, an informal reception is held to greet visitors and newcomers. The children of the Sunday School participate in the Seasonal Services.

In Louisiana, the women in Sisterhoods cooperate with the Rabbis in calling on people in nearby towns. The children from neighboring towns attend Sabbath School in Monroe and attempts have been made to encourage the mothers of these children to join the Sisterhood. The New Iberia Sisterhood is doing extension work whenever possible and all eligible women are members. In St. Charles the Sisterhood sponsors the Friday night services with the men of the congregation taking turns reading the Service. They are called upon to give a short talk each week.

The Chairman of Religion of the Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle in New York City states that at every meeting preceding a holiday an article regarding the day is read. This plan, in one form or another is used in many NFTS units.

(MRS. MERVIN A.) LILLIAN VAN BAALEN BLACH, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Religious Schools

Los Angeles, Calif., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The aims and purposes of your Religious Schools Committee are to enrich the lives of children through Religious Schools, furnish Sisterhoods with information concerning the best methods in religious school education, encourage men and women to devote themselves to religious school teaching and participation, and assist local Sisterhoods in establishing free religious schools.

To intensify, implement and strengthen this vital program of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, a committee has been selected to serve with me, and I welcome the members most gratefully.

During the past year, I have received many reports from Religious School Chairmen—reviewing the many activities of their religious school programs. All reports, from religious schools whose enrollment is less than 50 pupils, to those whose enrollment is in the many hundreds, stressed the observances and celebrations of Holidays, the active parent participation groups, and cooperation with Rabbis and congregations in making more effective the spiritual values of our

great heritage. Many reports included appreciation and praise for the invaluable aid that has been rendered by our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

I wish it were possible to incorporate in this report the descriptions and stories of enthusiasm, interest and events as recounted by Religious School Chairmen. As space does not permit this, our President's Packet will bring these reports, during the coming months, that all our Constituent Sisterhoods may have the privilege of reading them. We cannot insulate our children from the uncertainties of the world to-day, but we can and must equip them with spiritual values in order to meet the problems and doubts that lie ahead for all.

(MRS. DAVID E.) MIRIAM JACOBS, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

Tampa, Fla., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The following Revisions were adopted by the NFTS Biennial Assembly in Cleveland, Ohio, November 12-15, 1950.

I. Article 4, Section A, DUES was changed and adopted as follows: Shall read:

"Every Sisterhood shall pay yearly into the Treasury of this Federation the sum of \$1.00 for each of its contributing members. Each District Federation shall determine the amount of dues which shall be paid by member Sisterhoods directly into the Treasury of said District Federation; this amount shall not be more than twenty-five cents per capita per annum."

(Remainder of the section remains the same.)

II. Article 8, Section C, COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS. Shall read: "This Committee shall submit to the Assembly a list of candidates for election to the Executive Board."

III. Article 10, Section E, ORGANIZATION MEETING AND POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. A new sentence shall be added to read: "Such eligibility shall continue through the Assembly at which her term as a Board Member expires."

IV. Article 17, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON HEBREW UNION COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND. The name of the Committee shall read: "National Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund."

V. Article 18, Section B, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON JEWISH CEREMONIALS AND ART. Shall read: "It shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles of Jewish art, to arrange for displays of same under proper auspices, to establish Judaica Shops and to urge the study of Jewish customs and ceremonies."

VI. Article 19, Section B, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON UNIONGRAMS. Shall read: "The profits of this enterprise shall, at the discretion of the Executive Board, be devoted to the projects of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund."

VII. Article 20, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON STATE AND DISTRICT FEDERATIONS. Shall read: "District Federation," only in the title of the article, and throughout its sections where the longer phrase "State and District Federations" is used.

VIII. Article 23, NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON CHILD STUDY AND PARENT EDUCATION. The name of this Committee shall read: "National Committee on Family Education." All changes necessary for consistency in the rest of the article shall be made.

IX. Article 38, Section E, SUBSIDIARY STATE AND DISTRICT FEDERATIONS. Shall be replaced with a new Section E to read: "Article 38, Section E of the present By-Laws shall remain as it stands at present with the substitution of the phrase 'must not be more than twenty-five cents per capita per annum' for the phrase 'must not be more than fifty percent of the dues paid by each Sisterhood to the National Federation' and the addition of a concluding sentence 'Any additional monies that a District Federation may desire to raise shall be approved by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods or a designated committee thereof.'"

The Committee on Revision of By-Laws has been activated as a year-round committee to receive suggestions for revisions at all times, not only immediately prior to Biennial Assemblies. This will permit it to function more effectively than hitherto by enabling its members to devote more adequate consideration to revisions before presenting them at the Assemblies.

In line with this policy, a meeting of our Committee was held on October 28, 1951 at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. Members present were: Mrs. David Zielonka, Chairman, Mrs. Leon Watters, Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Harold Charmack, Mrs. Horace Hart and Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director. Recommendation was made that the NFTS Executive Board study the following suggestions for changes in the By-Laws:

Article 10-Sec. C. No officer shall hold more than two offices in succession, except to fill the office of President.

Article 8-Sec. A and C. The Nominating Committee for the Board shall meet prior to the Biennial Assembly, and shall make every effort to present its report in writing as soon as possible after the opening of the Assembly.

(MRS. DAVID) CAROL ZIELONKA, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE
NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

The Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

Shaker Heights, O., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The work of the Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund is one of the most vital of our NFTS activities. It is supported by voluntary contributions from Sisterhoods and from Uniongram Apportionment Profit derived from the sale of Uniongrams. This year the Committee sponsored the following projects:

1. To the Cincinnati Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for scholarships for eligible students, \$20,242.50.
2. To the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, parent body of NFTS, toward religious educational activities, including its Department of Youth Activities, \$35,000.00.
3. Two under-graduate fellowships of \$1,200.00 each to students (both former Displaced Persons), approved by the World Union for Progressive Judaism and the College-Institute, for completing their under-graduate collegiate preparation for admission as rabbinic students to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.
4. Assistance, through the sum of \$500.00, of a three months' trip, under the auspices of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, to Bombay, India by Rabbi Bernard Heller of the United States. Dr. Heller officiated during the High Holy Days for the Congregation of the World Union in Bombay which is without an ordained spiritual leader, and remained in the community for several weeks to organize religious activities. Dr. Heller's trip was made possible by our Sisterhood contribution, one from Temple Emanu-El, New York, and the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

With the reestablishment of Liberal Jewish communities in devastated countries and with the ever increasing urgent needs of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and our College-Institute, the demands upon this fund will increase. These demands can be met only by far greater support from all our Sisterhoods. We urge you to increase your contributions so that "our young men may see visions and our old men may dream dreams."

(Mrs. Sol) ANNE B. GITSON, *Chairman*

1950-51

Oklahoma

Oklahoma City.....Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....\$ 562.20

Pennsylvania

Philadelphia.....Sisterhood of Keneseth Israel..... 500.20
 Pittsburgh.....Rodef Shalom Sisterhood 1,634.00

Rhode Island

Providence.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El..... 528.00

Tennessee

Memphis..... Temple Israel Sisterhood 502.60

Texas

Dallas..... Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood 780.20

Washington

Seattle.....Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch..... 637.00

West Virginia

Charleston.....Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood..... 500.00

Wisconsin

Milwaukee.....Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun..... 592.80

Honor Roll

Contributions of \$350.00-\$500.00

1950-51

California

Hollywood.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....\$ 350.00
 San Francisco.....Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood..... 350.00

Colorado

Trinidad.....Temple Aaron Sisterhood 364.60

District of Columbia

Washington.....Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation..... 400.00

Georgia

Atlanta.....The Temple Sisterhood 350.00

Illinois

Chicago.....Beth Am Sisterhood 350.00
 Temple Emanuel Sisterhood 350.00
 Women of Mizpah 350.00
 Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00
 Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00
 Glencoe.....North Shore Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00
 Peoria.....Anshai Emeth Sisterhood 447.20

Indiana

Indianapolis.....The Temple Sisterhood 350.00

Iowa

Des Moines.....Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood..... 350.40

		1950-51
Kentucky		
Louisville.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	\$ 350.00
Maryland		
Baltimore.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	350.00
Massachusetts		
Boston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Oabei Shalom	400.00
Minnesota		
Minneapolis.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	450.00
St. Paul.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple.....	350.00
Mississippi		
Clarksdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	350.40
Jackson.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	411.20
Missouri		
Kansas City.....	The Temple Sisterhood-B'nai Jehudah	350.00
St. Louis.....	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood.....	350.00
New York		
Albany.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	450.00
Brooklyn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Shalom.....	350.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush.....	350.00
Buffalo.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood	350.40
Great Neck.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	360.00
Lawrence.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
New York.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood.....	351.20
	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood	350.00
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue.....	350.00
White Plains.....	Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center.....	350.00
	New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	350.00
Ohio		
Canton.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood	480.80
Dayton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	480.20
Toledo.....	Sisterhood of Collingwood Avenue Temple.....	396.00
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		405.00
Oregon		
Portland.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
Pennsylvania		
Philadelphia.....	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	366.00
Tennessee		
Nashville.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Texas		
Houston.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
West Virginia		
Huntington.....	Ohev Shalom Temple Sisterhood.....	358.40
Canada		
Toronto.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	352.00

Honorable Mention

Contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
Increased by at Least 5% (but not less than \$1.00) During 1950-51

	1949-50	1950-51
Alabama		
Anniston.....	Henrietta Sterne Sisterhood.....\$	\$ 2.40
Dothan.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	24.00 28.00
Gadsden.....	Temple Aid Society.....	8.80 11.20
Sheffield-Florence- Tuscumbia	Sisterhood of Congr. B'nai Israel of Tri Cities.....	18.00 19.20
Tuscaloosa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	12.00 13.00
Arizona		
Phoenix.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	63.50 93.00
Tucson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	132.80 139.44
Arkansas		
Ft. Smith.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	93.00 102.00
Helena.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El.....	31.35 60.80
Jonesboro.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	6.20 7.40
Little Rock.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	205.60 216.00
Pine Bluff.....	Sisterhood Anshe Emeth.....	107.40 119.20
California		
Bakersfield.....	Women of Temple Beth-El.....	7.20 32.00
Beverly Hills.....	Emanuel Sisterhood.....	60.00 92.00
Glendale.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	56.00 59.20
Hollywood (No.).....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	99.75 104.73
Long Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	60.00 100.00
Los Angeles.....	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood.....	9.60 20.00
	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood.....	38.40 40.32
Oakland.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	120.00 126.00
Pomona.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	16.00 20.00
Riverside.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	9.90 40.10
Sacramento.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	..... 32.00
San Bernardino.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	23.00 24.80
San Diego.....	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary.....	121.60 127.68
San Gabriel.....	Temple Beth David Sisterhood.....	20.80 22.20
San Jose.....	San Jose Temple Sisterhood.....	76.00 104.00
Santa Ana.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	37.60 40.00
Stockton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	46.20 48.80
Colorado		
Colorado Springs.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	38.40 41.80
Connecticut		
Bridgeport.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	29.60 31.20
New Haven.....	Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood.....	55.20 58.60
Waterbury.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	47.20 49.60
Florida		
Daytona Beach.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	..... 8.00
Ft. Lauderdale.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	19.40 20.80
Orlando.....	Sisterhood of Cong. of Liberal Judaism.....	12.80 22.40
Pensacola.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	100.20 105.80
St. Petersburg.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El.....	32.00 33.60
Tallahassee.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	44.00 57.75
Tampa.....	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood.....	85.68 90.52

Georgia

	1949-50	1950-51
Albany.....Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	\$ 24.00	\$ 28.00
Brunswick.....Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood	16.00	26.00
Columbus.....Jewish Ladies Aid Society.....	120.80	126.84
Macon.....Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	82.40	88.00
Rome.....Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.....	19.20	20.80
Savannah.....Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel.....	70.00	88.40
Thomasville.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	.....	3.60

Illinois

Bloomington.....Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood.....	36.00	75.20
Champaign-Urbana.....Sinai Temple Sisterhood	24.00	25.60
Chicago.....Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	52.80	84.00
.....K. A. M. Temple Sisterhood	1.00	31.20
.....Sisterhood of Temple Menorah.....	291.80	325.00
.....Temple Sholom Sisterhood	280.00	294.40
Danville.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	8.00	9.60
Decatur.....B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood.....	.40	68.80
Evanston.....Beth Emet Sisterhood	40.20	42.60
Rockford.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	117.00	248.00
Springfield.....Sisterhood of B'rith Sholom Temple.....	82.60	87.20
Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	40.00	48.00

Indiana

Gary.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	44.00	142.40
Kokomo.....Jewish Temple Sisterhood .....	.....	15.20
Muncie.....Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	253.60
South Bend.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	220.36	253.00
Terre Haute.....Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	204.35	347.55

Iowa

Cedar Rapids.....Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....	184.80	312.00
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Kansas

Leavenworth.....Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun.....	16.00	19.20
Topeka.....Beth Sholom Sisterhood.....	70.00	74.00
Wichita.....Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	136.92	143.76

Kentucky

Henderson.....Adas Israel Sisterhood.....	22.60	26.00
Lexington.....Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	135.60	168.40
Louisville.....B'rith Sholom Sisterhood.....	181.07	190.12
Paducah.....Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	58.00	63.00

Louisiana

Alexandria.....Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	109.40	116.40
Bastrop.....Sisterhood of Bastrop.....	15.80	17.30
Baton Rouge.....Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood.....	88.35	120.80
Lafayette.....Lafayette Temple Sisterhood.....	28.80	34.80
Monroe.....Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	79.20	83.16
New Iberia.....Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer.....	17.60	19.20
Shreveport.....Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple.....	166.20	270.00

Maryland

Baltimore.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom.....	1.00	9.60
Cumberland.....B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood.....	32.00	56.00

Massachusetts

Lawrence.....Sisterhood Temple Emanuel.....	46.80	105.60
Lynn.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	100.00	105.60
Newton.....Sisterhood of Temple Shalom of Newton.....	.....	40.00
Springfield.....Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	22.40	24.00
Worcester.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	52.80	126.80

Michigan

	1949-50	1950-51
Battle Creek.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....\$ 29.40	\$ 42.40
Benton Harbor.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	10.00
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	204.80
Grand Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	260.00
Jackson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	65.60
Lansing.....	Auxiliary of Congr. Shaarey Zedek.....	103.20
Petoskey.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	49.40
Pontiac.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	160.40

Minnesota

Duluth.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	29.33	30.79
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Mississippi

Brookhaven.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom.....	21.20	22.40
Canton.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel.....	36.49	38.60
Cleveland.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....		34.40
Columbus.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	38.64	40.80
Drew and Ruleville.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville.....	65.10	68.35
Greenwood.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....		8.00
Hattiesburg.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	37.00	39.40
Laurel.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	28.22	29.63
Meridian.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	68.00	113.20
Natchez.....	Natchez Temple Sisterhood.....	28.00	30.00

Missouri

St. Louis.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.....	110.40	136.00
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Nebraska

Lincoln.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood.....	26.60	27.93
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New Jersey

Atlantic City.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	120.00	126.40
Camden.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....		20.00
East Orange.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo.....	184.00	193.20
Lakewood.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am.....		15.00
Long Branch.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood.....		16.00
New Brunswick.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple.....	40.00	44.20
Paterson.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood.....	63.60	93.20
Teaneck.....	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	36.00	40.80
Trenton.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood.....	40.00	48.00

New York

Batavia.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....		13.00
Bay Shore.....	Women's Club of Temple Sinai.....	1.60	13.60
Binghamton.....	Temple Concord Sisterhood.....		108.00
Brooklyn.....	Women's Auxiliary Congr. Beth Elohim.....	262.20	282.40
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue.....	62.40	65.60
	Sisterhood of Shaari Zedek.....	29.60	31.20
Cortlandt.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	8.00	9.00
Flushing.....	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	20.00	40.00
Glens Falls.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	28.80	36.80
Hempstead.....	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple.....	107.94	129.16
Jamaica.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	67.20	109.00
Kingston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	29.00	31.20
Lynbrook.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....		36.80
Mt. Kisco.....	Women's Guild of Temple Beth-El.....		25.00
Mt. Vernon.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	45.00	48.80
New Hyde Park.....	Sisterhood of Reform Temple of New Hyde Park Com- munities.....		7.60
New York.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am.....	1.60	20.80
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Elohim.....		6.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.	154.40	306.80
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood.....	138.40	200.40
	Village Temple Sisterhood.....	6.60	7.60
	Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Syna- gogue.....	37.60	51.20

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Niagara Falls.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	\$ 40.00	\$203.20
Rochester.....	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood.....	141.00	176.00
Rockville Centre.....	Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County.....	147.60	155.20
Roslyn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai of Roslyn.....	9.60	12.00
Staten Island.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	10.80	12.00
Syracuse.....	Sisterhood of Society of Concord.....	196.80	206.80
Troy.....	Sisterhood of Third St. Temple.....	49.00	54.00
Yonkers.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	106.40	140.80

North Carolina

Asheville.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila.....	79.20	95.80
Charlotte.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	.....	24.80
Gastonia.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	10.00	16.00
Goldsboro.....	Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	10.00	11.00
Greensboro.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	42.40	45.20
Winston-Salem.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel.....	16.00	17.00

North Dakota

Fargo.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	16.00	22.40
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Ohio

Akron.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	200.00	291.20
Bellaire.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood.....	62.29	65.40
Cleveland.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	21.20	24.80
	Suburban Temple Women's Committee.....	.....	1.00
East Liverpool.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	19.40	25.00
Fremont.....	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple.....	18.40	20.00
Hamilton.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	86.80	91.14
Lima.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	48.00	72.00
Newark.....	Ohev Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	15.00	18.20
Portsmouth.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	77.94	81.84
Sandusky.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	21.84	22.95
Springfield.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women.....	32.80	35.20
Steubenville.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	26.00	28.00
Youngstown.....	Rodef Sholom Sisterhood.....	213.98	224.68

Oklahoma

Muskogee.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood.....	24.00	34.00
Tulsa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	110.00	120.00

Pennsylvania

Abington.....	Old York Road Temple Sisterhood.....	8.00	19.20
Allentown.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	227.20	238.56
Altoona.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	56.00	58.80
Clearfield.....	Clearfield Sisterhood.....	8.00	9.60
Erie.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	280.00	294.40
Harrisburg.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom.....	131.96	152.00
Hazleton.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	68.00	102.40
Lancaster.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim.....	128.80	231.80
New Castle.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	18.60	74.40
Philadelphia.....	Sisterhood of Beth David Reform Congregation.....	47.40	54.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea.....	147.20	154.80
Pittsburgh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	194.00	204.00
Reading.....	Sisterhood Temple Oheb Sholom.....	188.20	197.61
Scranton.....	Sisterhood of Madison Ave. Temple.....	96.00	100.80
Sharon.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	48.00	50.40
Williamsport.....	Sisterhood Beth Ha-Sholom.....	46.00	48.80
York.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	92.00	100.60

South Carolina

Camden.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	9.80	12.40
Conway.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway.....	9.80	10.80
Dillon.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	22.40	23.52
Florence.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	80.00	88.00
Georgetown.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	29.20	30.66
Sumter.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple.....	82.32	86.68

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Tennessee

Chattanooga.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple.....	\$135.20	\$148.40
Clarksville.....	Beth-El Temple Sisterhood.....	4.00	5.60
Jackson.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	42.00	44.10
Knoxville.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	104.08	111.40

Texas

Austin.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	42.40	44.80
Beaumont.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	55.60	58.60
Big Spring.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	23.00	25.00
Corpus Christi.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	17.60	32.00
El Paso.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	100.00	105.60
Ft. Worth.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	239.97	251.96
Lufkin.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	8.40	23.20
Marshall.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore.....	18.40	19.40
Port Arthur.....	Sisterhood of Rodef Shalom.....	13.00	20.80

Vermont

St. Johnsbury.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	6.40
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Virginia

Alexandria.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	17.60	24.00
Bristol.....	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood.....	29.00	31.20
Harrisonburg.....	Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation.....	29.00	32.00
Richmond.....	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood.....	129.65	155.75
Roanoke.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	89.88	164.72
Staunton.....	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood.....	8.00	24.00

Washington

Spokane.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	87.00	92.60
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West Virginia

Beckley.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	16.00
Bluefield.....	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood.....	59.20	64.80
Clarksburg.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood.....	40.20	48.00
Fairmont.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	54.60	145.60
Morgantown.....	Morgantown Sisterhood.....	48.00	73.60
Parkersburg.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	23.40	24.80
Wheeling.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood.....	96.60	101.43

Wisconsin

Appleton.....	Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	64.60	80.00
Madison.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	73.60	77.60

Republic of Panama

Panama.....	Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel.....	41.80
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF
Contributions to the Scholarship and
Religious Education Fund

With the exception of Districts 23 and 25, the divisions listed in this report are District units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The following symbol (*) indicates groups that are not members of the District Federation under which they are listed.

DISTRICT No. 1—\$1,949.60
New England

	CONTRIBUTIONS 1950-51
Boston, Mass..... Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 500.00
Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom.....	400.00
Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	80.00
Brockton, Mass..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	33.20
Lawrence, Mass..... Sisterhood Temple Emanuel.....	105.60
Lynn, Mass..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	105.60
Newton, Mass..... Sisterhood of Temple Sholom of Newton.....	40.00
Springfield, Mass..... Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	24.00
Worcester, Mass..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	126.80
Providence, R. I..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	528.00
St. Johnsbury, Vt.*..... Beth El Sisterhood.....	6.40

DISTRICT No. 2—\$1,151.40
Connecticut

(The Rose Zunder Memorial)

Bridgeport, Conn..... B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 31.20
Hartford, Conn..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
New Haven, Conn..... Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood.....	58.60
So. Norwalk, Conn.*..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	12.00
Waterbury, Conn..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	49.60
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	500.00

DISTRICT No. 3—\$8,433.16
New York¹

Albany, N. Y..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	\$ 450.00
Batavia, N. Y..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	13.00
Bay Shore, N. Y..... Women's Club of Temple Sinai.....	13.60
Binghamton, N. Y..... Temple Concord Sisterhood.....	108.00
Brooklyn, N. Y..... Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom.....	350.40
Women's Auxiliary Congr. Beth Elohim.....	282.40
Sisterhood of Beth Emeth of Flatbush (In memory of Rabbi Samuel J. Levinson).....	350.00
Sisterhood Beth Sholem People's Temple.....	92.20
Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue.....	65.60
Sisterhood Shaari Zedek.....	31.20
Sisterhood of Union Temple.....	130.00
Buffalo, N. Y..... Beth Zion Sisterhood.....	350.40
Cortlandt, N. Y..... Sisterhood Temple Israel.....	9.00
Elmira, N. Y..... Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	40.00
Elmont, N. Y.*..... Sisterhood Temple B'nai Israel.....	36.00

(1) Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Montreal, Quebec, Canada is an affiliate of the New York Federation.
See "Foreign" listing.

	CONTRIBUTIONS 1950-51
Flushing, N. Y.....Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	\$ 40.00
Glens Falls, N. Y.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	36.80
Great Neck, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	360.00
Hempstead, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple.....	129.16
Hornell, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Beth El.....	4.00
Jamaica, N. Y.....Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	109.00
Kingston, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	31.20
Laurelton, N. Y.*.....Sisterhood of Free Synagogue of Laurelton.....	8.00
Lawrence, N. Y.....Temple Israel's Sisterhood.....	350.00
Lynbrook, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	36.80
Mt. Kisco, N. Y.*.....Women's Guild of Temple Beth-El.....	25.00
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	48.80
Newburgh, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	57.00
New Hyde Park, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Reform Temple of New Hyde Park Communities	7.60
New Rochelle, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	500.40
New York, N. Y.....*Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am.....	20.80
.....*Sisterhood of Temple Beth Elohim.....	6.00
.....Central Synagogue Sisterhood (The Jonah B. Wise Contribution)	350.00
.....Sisterhood of Temple of the Covenant.....	57.60
.....Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Temple Emanu-El.....	520.00
.....*Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue..	51.20
.....Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle.....	35.80
.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.....	306.80
.....Mt. Neboh Sisterhood (The Blanche Gilman Contribution).....	351.20
.....Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. Rudolph Grossman)	350.00
.....Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue.....	350.00
.....Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx.....	45.20
.....Tremont Temple Sisterhood.....	200.40
.....Village Temple Sisterhood.....	7.60
Niagara Falls, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	203.20
Olean, N. Y.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	10.00 ²
Rochester, N. Y.....B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood.....	176.00
Rockville Centre, N. Y. Women's Organization of Central Synagogue of Nassau County..	155.20
Roslyn, N. Y.*.....Sisterhood of Temple Sinai of Roslyn.....	12.00
Schenectady, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven.....	20.00
Staten Island, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	12.00
Syracuse, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Society of Concord.....	206.80
Troy, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Third Street Temple.....	54.00
Tuckahoe, N. Y.*.....Sisterhood of the Genesis Hebrew Center.....	25.00
White Plains, N. Y.....Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center	350.00
Yonkers, N. Y.....Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	140.80
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Sallie Kubie Glauber Memorial Contribution)	350.00

DISTRICT No. 4—\$1,718.80

New Jersey

Atlantic City, N. J.....Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 126.40
Camden, N. J.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	20.00
East Orange, N. J.....Sisterhood of Temple Shaarey Tefilo.....	193.20
Lakewood, N. J.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am.....	15.00
Long Branch, N. J.....Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood.....	16.00
Newark, N. J.....Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun (In honor of Rabbi Solomon Foster's fiftieth anniversary in rabbinate).....	500.00
New Brunswick, N. J.....Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple.....	44.20
Paterson, N. J.....Barnert Temple Sisterhood.....	93.20
Plainfield, N. J.....Temple Sholom Sisterhood.....	72.00
Teaneck, N. J.....Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	40.80
Trenton, N. J.....Har Sinai Sisterhood.....	48.00
New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	550.00

(2) In Memory of Sallie Kubie Glauber.

DISTRICT No. 5—\$4,900.21
Pennsylvania

CONTRIBUTIONS
1950-51

Abington, Pa.....	Old York Road Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 19.20
Allentown, Pa.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	238.56
Altoona, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	58.80
Clearfield, Pa.....	Clearfield Sisterhood.....	9.60
Easton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Covenant of Peace.....	80.00
Erie, Pa.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	294.40
Greensburg, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	28.00
Harrisburg, Pa.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	152.00
Hazleton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	102.40
Johnstown, Pa.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	127.44
Lancaster, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim.....	231.80
McKeesport, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	52.00
New Castle, Pa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	74.40
Philadelphia, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth David.....	54.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea.....	154.80
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood (Dr. Joseph Krauskopf Memorial)....	500.20
	Sisterhood of Rodeph Shalom.....	366.00
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood (Given by Mr. and Mrs. Mayer Forst in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Falk).....	350.00
	(In memory of Dr. J. Leonard Levy and commemorating his birthday, November 24).....	584.00
	Confirmation Class, 1951 (Honoring Dr. Solomon B. Freehof and Rabbi Murray Rothman).....	700.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	204.00
Reading, Pa.....	Temple Ohev Sholom Sisterhood.....	197.61
Scranton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple.....	100.80
Sharon, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	50.40
Uniontown, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	20.00
Williamsport, Pa.....	Temple Beth Ha-Sholom Sisterhood.....	48.80
York, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	100.60

DISTRICT No. 6—\$5,382.19
Ohio

Akron, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	\$ 291.20
Alliance, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	4.80
Bellaire, Ohio.....	Sons of Israel Sisterhood.....	65.40
Canton, Ohio.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	480.80
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood (The Isaac Mayer Wise Contribution).....	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood (The Dr. David Philipson Memorial Contribution).....	500.00
Cleveland, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	24.80
	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel.....	550.00
	Suburban Temple Women's Committee.....	1.00
Columbus, Ohio.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	500.00
Dayton, Ohio.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	480.20
East Liverpool, Ohio.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	25.00
Elyria, Ohio.....	Elyria Sisterhood.....	3.20
Fremont, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	20.00
Hamilton, Ohio.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	91.14
Lima, Ohio.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	72.00
Lorain, Ohio.....	Lorain Temple Sisterhood.....	44.80
Newark, Ohio.....	Ohev Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	18.20
Piqua, Ohio.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	16.00
Portsmouth, Ohio.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	81.84
Sandusky, Ohio.....	Ohev Shalom Sisterhood.....	22.93
Springfield, Ohio.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women.....	35.20
Stuebenville, Ohio.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	28.00
Toledo, Ohio.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	396.00
Youngstown, Ohio.....	Rodef Sholom Sisterhood.....	224.68
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In memory of Rabbi Louis Witt, Day- ton, Ohio).....		405.00

DISTRICT No. 7—\$1,431.63

West Virginia

	CONTRIBUTIONS 1950-51
Beckley, W. Va..... Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	\$ 16.00
Bluefield, W. Va..... Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood.....	64.80
Charleston, W. Va..... Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Clarksburg, W. Va..... Sisterhood Tree of Life.....	48.00
Fairmont, W. Va..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	145.60
Huntington, W. Va..... Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	358.40
Logan, W. Va..... Temple Sisterhood	25.00
Morgantown, W. Va..... Morgantown Sisterhood	73.60
Parkersburg, W. Va..... B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	24.80
Welch, W. Va..... The Emanuel Sisterhood.....	32.00
Wheeling, W. Va..... Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood.....	101.43
Williamson, W. Va..... Williamson Temple Sisterhood.....	42.00

DISTRICT No. 8—\$3,406.67

District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina

Washington, D. C..... Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation (The Dr. Abram Simon Memorial)	\$ 400.00
Baltimore, Md..... *Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom.....	9.60
Har Sinai Sisterhood (The David Einhorn Contribution)	579.80
Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.....	1,155.60
Ohev Shalom Sisterhood (The Szold-Kaiser Contribution)	350.00
Cumberland, Md..... B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood.....	56.00
Hagerstown, Md..... B'nai Abraham Sisterhood.....	24.00
Wilmington, Del..... Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth.....	44.80
Alexandria, Va..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	24.00
Bristol, Va..... B'nai Sholom Sisterhood.....	31.20
Fredericksburg, Va..... Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	11.20
Harrisonburg, Va..... Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation.....	32.00
Lynchburg, Va..... Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue.....	92.20
Norfolk, Va..... The Sisterhood of Ohev Sholom Temple.....	42.00
Richmond, Va..... Temple Beth Ahabah Sisterhood.....	155.75
Roanoke, Va..... Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	164.72
Staunton, Va..... Temple House of Israel Sisterhood.....	24.00
Asheville, N. C..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila.....	95.80
Charlotte, N. C..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	24.80
Gastonia, N. C..... Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	16.00
Goldsboro, N. C..... Temple Ohev Shalom Sisterhood.....	11.00
Greensboro, N. C..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	45.20
Winston-Salem, N. C..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	17.00

DISTRICT No. 10—\$2,264.95

Indiana

Evansville, Ind..... Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 500.20
Ft. Wayne, Ind..... Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood.....	260.40
Gary, Ind..... Sisterhood Temple Israel.....	142.40
Hammond, Ind..... Beth El Sisterhood.....	52.00
Indianapolis, Ind..... The Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Kokomo, Ind..... Kokomo Temple Sisterhood.....	15.20
Marion, Ind..... Sinai Temple Sisterhood	51.60 ³
Michigan City, Ind..... Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	39.00
Muncie, Ind..... Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	253.60
South Bend, Ind..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	253.00
Terre Haute, Ind..... The Women's Organization.....	347.55

(3) \$5.00 of this amount in memory of Meyer Savisky;
\$5.00 in honor of Mrs. Mary Bernstein.

DISTRICT No. 11—\$1,670.40
Michigan

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1950-51
Battle Creek, Mich.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	\$ 42.40
Bay City, Mich.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	11.40
Benton Harbor, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	10.00
Detroit, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El (The Yahrzeit Fund and the Paula Kahn Brown Contribution)	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	215.20
Flint, Mich.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	68.40
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	273.00
Jackson, Mich.....	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple.....	69.40
Lansing, Mich.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek	143.20
Muskegon, Mich.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel.....	60.00
Petoskey, Mich.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	82.20 ⁴
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	195.20

DISTRICT No. 12—\$1,967.62
Kentucky-Tennessee

Henderson, Ky.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood	\$ 26.00
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	168.40
Louisville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Temple B'rith Sholom Sisterhood.....	190.12
Paducah, Ky.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	63.00
Brownsville, Tenn.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	8.00
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple.....	148.40
Clarksville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	5.60
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	44.10
Knoxville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	111.40
Memphis, Tenn.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood (In Honor of Mr. Leo Bearman)	502.60
Nashville, Tenn.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00

DISTRICT No. 13—\$591.76
South Carolina

(In Memory of Mrs. Rose Hirschman)

Bishopville, S. C.....	Hebrew Sisterhood	\$ 4.80
Camden, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	12.40
Charleston, S. C.....	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood.....	105.00
Columbia, S. C.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life.....	204.40
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	10.80
Darlington, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	25.50
Dillon, S. C.....	Dillon Temple Sisterhood.....	23.52
Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	88.00
Georgetown, S. C.....	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood.....	30.66
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	86.68

DISTRICT No. 14—\$1,725.91
Georgia-Florida-Alabama

Anniston, Ala.....	Henrietta Sterne Sisterhood	\$ 2.40
Birmingham, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	500.00
Dothan, Ala.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	28.00
Gadsden, Ala.....	Temple Aid Society.....	11.20
Jasper, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	8.80
Sheffield-Florence- Tuscumbia, Ala.**.....	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	19.20
Tuscaloosa, Ala.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	13.00

** Affiliated with NFTS District #12.

(⁴) \$50.00 of this amount from the Minnie Rosenthal Memorial and Happy Day Fund.

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1950-51
Coral Gables, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center.....	\$ 4.00
Daytona Beach, Fla.* ...	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	8.00
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	20.80
Jacksonville, Fla.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	40.00
Miami, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	20.00
Orlando, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism.....	22.40
Pensacola, Fla.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	105.80
St. Petersburg, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	33.60
Tallahassee, Fla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	57.75
Tampa, Fla.....	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood.....	90.52
Albany, Ga.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	28.00
Atlanta, Ga.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Augusta, Ga.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	8.80
Brunswick, Ga.....	Temple Beth Tefillah Sisterhood.....	26.00
Columbus, Ga.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society.....	126.84
Macon, Ga.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	88.00
Rome, Ga.*.....	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.....	20.80
Savannah, Ga.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel.....	88.40
Thomasville, Ga.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	3.60

DISTRICT No. 16—\$1,835.58

Mississippi-Arkansas

(The Sadie Landman Geisenberger Memorial)

Brookhaven, Miss.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom.....	\$ 22.40
Canton, Miss.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	38.60
Clarksdale, Miss.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.40
Cleveland, Miss.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	34.40
Columbus, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	40.80
Drew and Ruleville.....	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville.....	68.35
Greenville, Miss.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood.....	9.60
Greenwood, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	8.00
Hattiesburg, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	39.40
Jackson, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	411.20
Laurel, Miss.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	29.63
Lexington, Miss.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood.....	1.60
Meridian, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	113.20
Natchez, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	30.00
Vicksburg, Miss.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood.....	121.60
Ft. Smith, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	102.00
Helena, Ark.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth-El.....	60.80
Hot Springs, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel.....	11.00
Jonesboro, Ark.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	7.40
Little Rock, Ark.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	216.00
Pine Bluff, Ark.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	119.20

DISTRICT No. 17—\$2,286.46

Louisiana

Alexandria, La.....	Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	\$ 116.40
Bastrop, La.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop.....	17.30 ⁵
Baton Rouge, La.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	44.00
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood.....	120.80
Lafayette, La.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	34.80
Lake Charles, La.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	20.00 ⁵
Monroe, La.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	83.16
Morgan City, La.....	The Morgan City Sisterhood.....	13.00

(⁵) \$3.50 of this amount from Mrs. H. I. Sigman in memory of Meyer Cohen of Columbus, Ohio; \$3.00 from Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Kahn and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Rawls in memory of Mrs. H. Madison; \$2.00 from Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Rawls in memory of Marie Epstein.

(⁶) In honor of Mrs. Fannie Hart's 80th birthday from the members of Sisterhood of Temple Sinai and the Council of Jewish Women.

CONTRIBUTIONS
1950-51

New Iberia, La.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer.....	\$ 19.20
New Orleans, La.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer.....	500.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood (James K. Gutheim Contribution)....	508.00
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue.....	539.80
Shreveport, La.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple.....	270.00

DISTRICT No. 18—\$5,363.00

Illinois

Bloomington, Ill.....	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood	\$ 75.20
Champaign-Urbana.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	25.60
Chicago, Ill.....	Beth Am Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	84.00
	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel (In honor of Rabbi S. Felix Mendelsohn)	640.80
	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood.....	149.60
	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood (The Felix A. Levy Contribution)	350.00
	Temple Ezra Sisterhood.....	78.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel (In memory of Dr. Joseph Stolz and Dr. Gerson B. Levi)	500.00
	Temple Judea Sisterhood.....	19.20
	K. A. M. Temple Sisterhood.....	31.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah.....	325.00
Chicago, Ill.....	Women of Mizpah (The Jacob Singer Contribution)	350.00
	Temple Sholom Sisterhood.....	294.40
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	85.00 ⁷
	Washington Boulevard Temple Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Schwartz Contribution)	350.00
Danville, Ill.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	9.60
Decatur, Ill.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood.....	68.80
Evanston, Ill.....	Beth Emet Sisterhood.....	42.60
Glencoe, Ill.....	North Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Kankakee, Ill.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	3.20
Peoria, Ill.....	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood.....	447.20
Rockford, Ill.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	248.00
Springfield, Ill.....	Sisterhood of B'rith Sholom Temple.....	87.20
Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		48.00

DISTRICT No. 19—\$791.40

Wisconsin

Appleton, Wis.....	Temple Zion Sisterhood.....	\$ 80.00
Kenosha, Wis.....	Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	16.00
Madison, Wis.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	77.60
Milwaukee, Wis.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.....	592.80
Oshkosh, Wis.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	25.00

DISTRICT No. 20—\$3,247.69

Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico

(In Memory of Mrs. Maurice Steinfeld)

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....	\$ 312.00
Davenport Iowa.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	548.60
Des Moines, Iowa.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood.....	350.40
Sioux City, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Mount Sinai.....	48.00
Joplin, Mo.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	18.00
Kansas City, Mo.....	The Temple Sisterhood-B'nai Jehudah.....	350.00
St. Joseph, Mo.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood.....	59.20
St. Louis, Mo.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.....	136.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	55.20
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood.....	350.00

(7) In honor of Dr. G. George Fox.

CONTRIBUTIONS
1950-51

Lincoln, Nebr.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood	\$ 27.93
Omaha, Nebr.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	136.60
Leavenworth, Kan.....	Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun.....	19.20
Topeka, Kan.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood.....	74.00
Wichita, Kan.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	143.76
Colorado Springs, Colo.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	41.80
Denver, Colo.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	192.80
Trinidad, Colo.....	Sisterhood of Temple Aaron (In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Sanders' 15th wedding anniversary)	364.60
Albuquerque, N. M.....	Temple Albert Sisterhood.....	19.60

DISTRICT No. 22—\$2,723.96

Texas-Oklahoma

Austin, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 44.80
Beaumont, Texas.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	58.60
Big Spring, Texas.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	25.00
Corpus Christi, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	32.00
Dallas, Texas.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood (In honor of Mrs. Frank Bettin)	780.20
El Paso, Texas.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	105.60
Ft. Worth, Texas.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	251.96
Galveston, Texas.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	75.20
Houston, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	200.80
Lufkin, Texas.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	23.20
Marshall, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore.....	19.40
Port Arthur, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Rodef Shalom.....	20.80
Tyler, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	8.00
Waco, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Shalom.....	12.20
Muskogee, Okla.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood.....	34.00
Oklahoma City, Okla.....	Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	62.20 ⁸
	The Fanny Blatt Memorial Contribution.....	500.00
Tulsa, Okla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	120.00

DISTRICT No. 23—\$31.65

Utah-Nevada

Salt Lake City, Utah*.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	\$ 31.65
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DISTRICT No. 24—\$4,336.07

California-Oregon-Washington-Arizona

Phoenix, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	\$ 93.00
Tucson, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	139.44
Bakersfield, Calif.....	Women of Temple Beth-El.....	32.00
Berkeley, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	6.80
Beverly Hills, Calif.....	Emanuel Sisterhood.....	92.00
Glendale, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	59.20
Hollywood, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
No. Hollywood, Calif.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	104.73
Long Beach, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	100.00
Los Angeles, Calif.....	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood.....	20.00
	Temple Beth-Or Sisterhood.....	2.00
	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood.....	40.32
	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood.....	505.20
W. Los Angeles, Calif.....	University Synagogue Sisterhood.....	8.00
Oakland, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	126.00
Pomona, Calif.*.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	20.00
Redondo Beach, Calif.....	South Bay Menorah Temple Sisterhood.....	17.80
Riverside, Calif.....	Riverside Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	40.10
Sacramento, Calif.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	32.00

(8) \$2.00 of this amount from Mrs. Thelma W. Coleman in memory of Mrs. Gus Fischl.

	CONTRIBUTIONS 1950-51
San Bernardino, Calif...Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	\$ 24.80
San Diego, Calif.....Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary.....	127.68
San Francisco, Calif.....Temple Emanu-El Guild (In honor of Rabbi and Mrs. Meyer Heller)	500.00
San Gabriel, Calif.....Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
San Jose, Calif.....Temple Beth David Sisterhood.....	22.20
San Jose, Calif.....San Jose Temple Sisterhood.....	104.00
Santa Ana, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom.....	40.00
Santa Monica, Calif.....Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	113.60
Stockton, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	48.80
Portland, Ore.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood. (The Henry J. Berkowitz Memorial Contribution)	350.00
Seattle, Wash.....Sisterhood Temple de Hirsch.....	637.00
Spokane, Wash.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	92.60
Tacoma, Wash.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	136.80

DISTRICT No. 25—\$866.51

Minnesota-North and South Dakota-Montana

Duluth, Minn.*.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	\$ 30.79
Minneapolis, Minn.*.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel (The Dr. Samuel N. Deinard Contribution)	450.00
St. Paul, Minn.*.....Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple.....	350.00
Fargo, N. D.*.....Beth El Sisterhood.....	22.40
Sioux Falls, S. D.*.....Mt. Zion Sisterhood.....	13.32

The Stella H. Freiberg Contribution—\$20.00

(Composed of contributions from the constituent Sisterhoods, in honor of Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, Past President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.)

Isaac M. Wise Memorial Fund—\$274.70

FOREIGN—\$514.60

Hamilton, Ont., Can.*.....Deborah Sisterhood	\$ 20.00
Montreal, Que., Can.....Temple Emanu El Sisterhood.....	100.80
Toronto, Ont., Can.*.....Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	352.00
Panama, R. P.*.....Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel.....	41.80

Miscellaneous—\$6.00

Deferments and Refunds for Free Religious Schools, totalling \$1,756.14, are not included in the report of Loeb and Troper, Certified Public Accountants.

**NFTS DISTRICT CHAIRMEN
ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
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Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
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Texas-Oklahoma Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
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REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Uniongrams

Columbus, O., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Our Uniongram sales have continued on approximately the same level as in the last fiscal year. The miniature Uniongram, which is especially appropriate for congratulations to new babies and occasions honoring small children, has been very popular. Many Thank You Cards have also been used to reply to Uniongrams and also for numerous other types of acknowledgments. The regular Uniongram has continued in its customary great demand.

In this connection it is a pleasure to present the following Calendar of Uniongram Sales:

CALENDAR OF UNIONGRAM SALES

(Based on NFTS fiscal years: Nov. 1, 1949 - Oct. 31, 1950, and
Nov. 1, 1950 - Oct. 31, 1951)

1949-50		1950-51	
November	12,700	November	9,536
December	13,361	December	13,876
1950		1951	
January	16,176	January	13,420
February	8,240	February	14,608
March	13,152	March	10,169
April	18,069	April	13,912
May	27,588	May	18,112
June	14,526	June	18,555
July	7,148	July	7,587
August	13,517	August	14,217
September	20,408	September	22,044
October	33,872	October	49,664
Total	198,757	Total	205,700

CONGRATULATIONS

It is also a pleasure to congratulate the following leaders in Uniongram sales for this fiscal year:

Congratulations to the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., Mrs. Murray Kaufman, Uniongram Chairman. For the second year in succession this Sisterhood leads in the purchase of Uniongrams. This year its number amounted to 5,776 individual Uniongrams. For the second place in Uniongram purchases, we congratulate the Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch, Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Ben Flaks, Uniongram Chairman for 3,180 individual Uniongrams. And third honors go to the Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun, Milwaukee, Wis., Mrs. Edwin Eckstein, Uniongram Chairman for its purchase of 2,964 individual uniongrams. To these Sisterhoods and the other NFTS affiliates which supported the Uniongram program so wholeheartedly, our many thanks.

1950-51 UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL*

Sisterhoods Which Sold the Equivalent of One Book of Uniongrams per Member in the NFTS Fiscal Year Ending October 31, 1951.

Dothan, Alabama	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Fort Smith, Arkansas	Temple Sisterhood
Helena, Arkansas	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth-El
Little Rock, Arkansas	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Hollywood, California	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Los Angeles, California	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood
Stockton, California	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Colorado Springs, Colorado	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Trinidad, Colorado	Temple Aaron Sisterhood
Washington, District of Columbia	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation
Pensacola, Florida	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood
Rome, Georgia	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood
Bloomington, Illinois	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood
Chicago, Illinois	Beth Am Sisterhood
Chicago, Illinois	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel
Chicago, Illinois	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood
Chicago, Illinois	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Chicago, Illinois	Sisterhood of Temple Ezra
Chicago, Illinois	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel
Chicago, Illinois	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah
Chicago, Illinois	Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood
Decatur, Illinois	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood
Peoria, Illinois	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood
Rockford, Illinois	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Springfield, Illinois	Sisterhood of Temple B'rith Sholom
Fort Wayne, Indiana	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood
Marion, Indiana	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Muncie, Indiana	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
Terre Haute, Indiana	The Women's Organization
Cedar Rapids, Iowa	Sisterhood of Temple Judah
Davenport, Iowa	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Des Moines, Iowa	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood
Topeka, Kansas	Beth Sholom Sisterhood
Henderson, Kentucky	Adas Israel Sisterhood
Lexington, Kentucky	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood
Louisville, Kentucky	Adath Israel Sisterhood
Bastrop, Louisiana	Sisterhood of Bastrop
Baton Rouge, Louisiana	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood
New Iberia, Louisiana	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer
New Orleans, Louisiana	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue
Baltimore, Maryland	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood
Baltimore, Maryland	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood
Cumberland, Maryland	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood
Lawrence, Massachusetts	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel
Lynn, Massachusetts	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Battle Creek, Michigan	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Detroit, Michigan	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Grand Rapids, Michigan	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El
Jackson, Michigan	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple
Lansing, Michigan	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek
Pontiac, Michigan	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob
Brookhaven, Mississippi	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom
Canton, Mississippi	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel
Clarksdale, Mississippi	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Columbus, Mississippi	Columbus Temple Sisterhood
Drew-Ruleville, Mississippi	Sisterhood of Drew and Ruleville
Laurel, Mississippi	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Vicksburg, Mississippi	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood
Binghamton, New York	Temple Concord Sisterhood
Brooklyn, New York	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom

* The Uniongram Honor Roll usually includes two listings: one for Sisterhoods which purchased one book of Uniongrams per member during the NFTS fiscal year; the other listing Sisterhoods which sold one Uniongram to every member in January for use on National Uniongram Day, January 21.

Unfortunately, in moving NFTS from Cincinnati to New York some records were lost. We deeply regret that the listing of Sisterhoods in which each member purchased one Uniongram in January, 1951 was among these and therefore must be omitted from this Year Book.

Brooklyn, New York	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim
Brooklyn, New York	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush
Hempstead, New York	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple
Jamaica, New York	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Jamaica
New York, New York	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant
New York, New York	Tremont Temple Sisterhood
Niagara Falls, New York	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Rochester, New York	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood
Syracuse, New York	Sisterhood of Society of Concord
Asheville, North Carolina	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila
Akron, Ohio	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Bellaire, Ohio	Sons of Israel Sisterhood
Canton, Ohio	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Columbus, Ohio	The Rosé E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Dayton, Ohio	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Hamilton, Ohio	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood
Toledo, Ohio	Collingwood Ave. Temple Sisterhood
Muskogee, Oklahoma	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood
Tulsa, Oklahoma	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Allentown, Pennsylvania	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Easton, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace
Erie, Pennsylvania	The Temple Sisterhood
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom
Hazleton, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple
Lancaster, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Reading, Pennsylvania	Sisterhood of Temple Oheb Sholom
York, Pennsylvania	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Providence, Rhode Island	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El
Camden, South Carolina	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Charleston, South Carolina	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood
Columbia, South Carolina	Sisterhood of Tree of Life
Conway, South Carolina	Temple Sisterhood of Conway
Dillon, South Carolina	Dillon Temple Sisterhood
Florence, South Carolina	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Georgetown, South Carolina	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood
Sumter, South Carolina	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple
Chattanooga, Tennessee	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple
Jackson, Tennessee	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Knoxville, Tennessee	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
Memphis, Tennessee	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Big Spring, Texas	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Marshall, Texas	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore
Bristol, Virginia	B'nai Shalom Sisterhood
Harrisonburg, Virginia	Sisterhood of The Hebrew Friendship Congregation
Lynchburg, Virginia	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue
Roanoke, Virginia	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Staunton, Virginia	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood
Seattle, Washington	Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch
Tacoma, Washington	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Bluefield, West Virginia	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood
Charleston, West Virginia	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood
Fairmont, West Virginia	Jewish Temple Sisterhood
Huntington, West Virginia	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Morgantown, West Virginia	Morgantown Sisterhood
Welch, West Virginia	Emanu El Sisterhood
Williamson, West Virginia	Williamson Temple Sisterhood
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun

(MRS. JEROME) BESSIE FOLKMAN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities

Milwaukee, Wis., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities has had a fruitful period, although it is still in its formulative stage. Its purpose is to extend spiritual as well as material aid, through the World Union, to overseas co-religionists.

The Silver Coin Collection has for many years been an integral part of our contribution to the work of the WUPJ. During 1950-51 the monies collected were less than the previous years; however, if enthusiastic response from the groups your chairman visited is indicative of the current year's contributions, the results should prove most encouraging and gratifying. It is the earnest hope of your chairman that we can have an Honor Roll of Sisterhoods which have donated to the Silver Coin Collection, just as we have established the Uniongram Honor Roll to give public recognition to groups answering this great humanitarian appeal. I strongly urge and recommend this plan for consideration by our Executive Board and ask for its adoption.

Many Sisterhoods have sent religious school supplies, food parcels, books of a spiritual nature, sweets appropriate for holiday celebrations, pencils, crayons, etc., to World Union constituents in Bombay, India; Paris, France; London, England; Haifa and Jerusalem in Israel and have made donations directly to the WUPJ to be used at the discretion of the executive personnel. It is the hope of your Chairman too, that an annual list be compiled of those Sisterhoods giving this type of aid to the WUPJ. Sisterhoods could adopt groups abroad and could correspond with members. They could make badly needed layettes, supply medicine, reestablish libraries, send holiday packets, augment meager food supplies. Our religious school children could encourage children in religious schools in other lands by correspondence, by sending ceremonial packages, including prayer-books and other needed supplies.

Perhaps the most acute shortage is in spiritual leadership in foreign countries. NFTS has attempted to alleviate this condition by assisting on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion, through fellowships to students from abroad who will, upon completion of their rabbinic studies, return to their native lands or to other posts assigned by the World Union, to minister to the spiritual needs of our people.

Rabbi Bernard Heller, an HUC graduate, was assisted by NFTS to go to Bombay, India for the High Holydays and reactivate the Jewish community which had requested a leader.

An outstanding plan of action has been outlined by NFTS. However, its full implementation has been delayed. With but rare exceptions the work of this

committee has been confined to words rather than to action. In the coming fiscal year our deeds must supersede our words, our actions motivated by our religious heritage.

"Man cannot live by bread alone." If we were to give spiritual sustenance as well as physical, what a lasting and glorious contribution to posterity we would make by keeping alive the dying embers of man's faith in the goodness and righteousness of his fellow men. Our co-religionists who are asking us for help have suffered greatly. We of NFTS have it within our power to create new life, new faith, new hope. Our committee has confidence that we will accept our responsibility. With God's guidance we shall together carry forward our program.

(MRS. HAROLD) VERA B. BAUM, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Youth Activities

Evansville, Ind., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The fiscal year 1950-51 opened many new and exciting vistas within the scope of this Committee. Monthly releases containing program ideas went to all Local and District Youth Chairmen. In cooperation with Rabbi Samuël Cook, Executive Director of the National Federation of Temple Youth, the major events and programming of NFTY were passed on for use by all Temple Youth. In the May Release a separate enclosure of 33 successful program suggestions was attached; these, with few exceptions, could be used by small groups of young people as well as large groups.

We continued to use the Seven Point Program as a guide until the end of this fiscal year. The development of an enlarged program which resulted from the events of August comes later in this report.

Through the year the Chairman spoke to a number of Sisterhoods and Youth Groups in Champaign, Illinois; Fargo, North Dakota; to a joint meeting of the Duluth, St. Paul and Minneapolis Sisterhoods in St. Paul, Minnesota; and to the Board meeting of NFTS District #12, the Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Henderson, Kentucky.

In December, 1950, it was my privilege to serve as one of two NFTS representatives at the Mid-Century White House Conference on Children and Youth, held in Washington, D. C. Some 7,000 people, all races, colors and creeds met to study, appraise and promulgate plans by which the children and youth of America can develop healthy personalities within this next decade. There was a spirit of unity

and comradeship that I have never witnessed before, and every walk of life, including over 500 young people, was leveled to an equality in their sincere desire to serve youth. My active participation in Work Group #20, "The Effects of Prejudice and Discrimination on the Healthy Personality Development of the Child," led by Dr. Otto Klineberg, Professor of Psychology at Columbia University, was an experience of deep significance to me.

This report does not permit the opportunity to tell you the findings of either my Work Group or the full conference, but the meat and substance of those findings substantiated the premise upon which this committee has based its program; that a healthy personality development is dependent upon a *sense of belongingness* and *group identity*. The conference reaffirmed in every session and in its formal recommendations its belief in the primacy of spiritual values and stated that the Church and Synagogue uniquely implement the essentials for healthy personality development by assuming leadership in giving youth this necessary sense of belongingness and group identity. A comprehensive but condensed report of the conference as reprinted by *Survey Magazine* was enclosed in the January release of this committee in order to give every Sisterhood chairman an opportunity to read it.

Recently, I was appointed by Governor Schricker to the Indiana Council for Children and Youth for a two year term which began on July 1, and I hope that Temple Youth can be more adequately served through my participation in this state-wide program.

The appointment of committee members to serve with me until the next National Biennial Assembly was a highlight of the Spring. Through the cooperation and vision of Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, our President, and Miss Jane Evans, our Executive Director, a meeting of this committee was called during the National Leadership Institute of the National Federation of Temple Youth at Haverford College, Haverford, Pa., on August 10, 11 and 12, 1951. Seven women responded to that call at their own expense. Those three days of sharing in the daily routine of the Institute added great importance to this meeting of the Committee on Youth Activities. The enthusiasm, dedication and unity of purpose with which 160 boys and girls studied, sang, prayed and lived our American Reform or Liberal Judaism provided an emotional stimulus to each of us in our deliberations. The Committee defined the aims and purposes of programming for youth at the NFTS level and formulated a program in the hope that our planning would help Sisterhoods to strengthen Temple Youth Groups.

As a member of the National Campsite Committee of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, I attended a meeting in Chicago in April of this year, together with Dr. Maurice Eisendrath, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, Rabbi Samuel Cook and representatives of NFTY and the Chicago Federation of Reform Congregations. We visited two proposed sites on Lake Geneva, Wisconsin and Racine, Wisconsin. Unfortunately, neither site seemed adequate for our needs. At the meeting of the UAHC in New York on June 17, the Chicago Federation of Reform Congregations was voted permission to raise funds for and purchase a suitable campsite to be turned over to the UAHC. A new site is under consideration at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

Prior to the opening of the NFTY Youth Leadership Institute on August 5 at Haverford College, I attended the National Board meeting of the NFTY. Two new Regions were accepted into NFTY, the Michigan Federation of Temple Youth and the Southwestern Federation of Temple Youth which includes Mississippi and Louisiana. Officers were elected with Paul Friedberg reelected to serve another year as President. Rabbi Eugene Borowitz, now a Chaplain in the U. S. Navy, reported on the World Union for Progressive Judaism Conference held in London, England. From the recommendations in his report, NFTY voted to aid the Leo Baeck School in Haifa in building a new classroom as its 1951-52 National project; \$2,800 is needed. English and European youth groups have promised to raise \$1,400 and NFTY is asking each of its groups to raise \$10 in order that American Temple Youth can contribute the other \$1,400. An NFTY Vice-President will act as co-editor of the World Union Youth Magazine and coordinator of the three World Union Youth projects; exchange of information internationally; exchange of holiday visits to all countries; and celebration of World Union Youth Day. An International Leadership Institute, conducted by the World Union's youth division, is scheduled to be held outside Paris, France, August 3-10, 1952.

After the NFTY Executive Board meeting, I joined the Institute faculty in order to tell these young people about NFTS and to listen while youth told me what Sisterhoods can do to help them. Through knowledge gained at these Institutes and by working cooperatively in Temple Youth Groups, the future leadership of Reform Liberal Judaism will pass into informed and capable hands.

(MRS. JEROME L.) HANNAH SALM, *Chairman*

REPORT ON

Correspondence Courses

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a privilege to report to you again on the special fund which you established for correspondence courses. You were kind enough to grant, at my suggestion, the sum of \$3,500.00 for each of two successive years. Later you gave us a further grant of \$500.00 for this purpose, making a total of \$7,500.00 for this experiment.

We proceeded to prepare a series of correspondence courses in accordance with a plan mapped out by the Director of Education and approved by the Commission on Jewish Education and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Five courses have been prepared. They are: on the *Jewish Festivals*; on *Jewish History*; on the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*; on a *History of the Jews in the United States*, and on *Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World*.

Some time ago we pointed out that some of the students who registered for the courses do not complete them. In general we have found the courses more useful to people in small communities, who wish to prepare themselves as teachers, rather than to adults who wish to engage in Jewish study for its own sake. Too often the latter start with good intentions, but before they go very far they give up their studies. Bearing the above in mind, we decided to revise our courses to make them as simple as possible in the hope that the average adult who is not given to intensive study may be interested. We are pleased to report that two of the courses have now been revised, namely, the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*, and the *Jewish Festivals*. These have passed the experimental stage, and one of them, the *Jewish Festivals*, has already been included in our catalog for the year 1951-52 and has been made generally available.

In a previous report I called your attention to the fact that 139 students completed their courses, while many others registered and pursued some of the courses without completing them.

The financial status of our Correspondence Fund is as follows:

Balance in Correspondence Courses Fund, 7-1-50.....	\$3,020.02
Receipts	143.99
	\$3,164.01
Disbursements	193.93
	\$2,970.08
Balance in Correspondence Courses Account, 6-30-51.....	\$2,970.08

On behalf of the Commission on Jewish Education I want to congratulate you for the devotion to Jewish education and for the vision reflected in your continuous interest in the pioneering work in Jewish education which we are doing in this unique and untried field.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Director of Education*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

REPORT OF Institutes for Teachers and Laymen

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1951

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

I am happy to report again on the work made possible through the generosity of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, namely, the bringing of lectures to teachers and adults in various communities. The period covered by this report is from November 1, 1950 to October 31, 1951.

As you know, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods now gives an annual grant of \$1,500.00 for lectures to teachers and adults. When first estab-

lished, a special committee consisting of representatives both of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and of the Commission on Jewish Education was appointed to consider this activity. A memorandum was then issued which stated that the lectures were to be primarily related to "various phases of teacher training, and aim to improve textbooks and methods of instruction used in our schools. Some of the lectures, however, will be on general subjects of interest to Jewish adults, especially to members of the Sisterhoods. Wherever possible an effort will be made to arrange, at the same time, for lectures to adults as well as for lectures to teachers." This memorandum, submitted to the joint committee, was unanimously approved by it. Our lectures are being arranged along the lines agreed upon by the committee, except that from time to time, when lectures for teachers and adults are arranged, occasional lectures are also included for young people. In fact, sometimes our young people bring adults to the lectures and vice versa.

During this fiscal year a total of fifty lectures were delivered in fifteen communities in the United States. Of these, twenty-six were for teachers and twenty-four for adults. These lectures were attended by 803 teachers and 2,525 adults. Wherever it was possible, a special meeting for the entire congregation was arranged, at which both the men and women were present. At times, separate meetings were also arranged with the Sisterhood of the Temple. Where evening meetings are arranged, the Sisterhood President is, of course, informed, and the Sisterhood usually plays an active part in the arrangements.

The following are the cities in which lectures were delivered: Hartford, Conn.; Coral Gables, Fla.; Miami, Fla.; Miami Beach, Fla.; Chicago, Ill.; Evansville, Ind.; Muncie, Ind.; Baltimore, Md.; Detroit, Mich.; Lansing, Mich.; Columbus, Ohio; Canton, Ohio; Providence, R. I.; Madison, Wis.; and Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

The demand for this service continues unabated in many communities, as is indicated by the letters of commendation in our office concerning the work done in this field. These letters give much credit to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. You have reason to feel justly proud that you are giving support to such a significant phase of educational work which helps to improve religious education throughout a wide geographic area.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Director of Education*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

Proceedings

of the

National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods



FORTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

November 1, 1951—October 31, 1952

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
Executive Committee
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Union House of Living Judaism—
Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.
May 7, 1952

The Executive Committee of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, May 7th, 1952 in the Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial, New York, N. Y. and met throughout the day. The following members were present:

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, *Chairman*, Mrs. Mervin A. Blach, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Mrs. Gene Friedman, Mrs. Sol Gitson, Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Mrs. Julius Mark, Mrs. Henry Monsky, Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Miss Jane Evans.

Miss Josephine Schoenborn and Miss Carolene Wachenheimér of the NFTS Executive staff were also present part of the day.

Mrs. Rosett welcomed the members while pointing out that the Committee must not lose sight of the fact that it represented NFTS as a whole. Last year's meeting had accomplished a great deal for NFTS and it was hoped that this year's meeting would have equally fine results.

BUDGET AND FINANCE

Explanation was made of the Statement of Functional Expenditures and Income from November 1, 1951, through April 30, 1952. It was explained that as expenses for *American Judaism* had been higher than had been anticipated, each affiliate of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations is being asked to make a larger contribution for this year. The Executive Committee approved NFTS underwriting for the UAHC for *American Judaism* its share, for this year only of the emergency deficit; this amount to be taken from the General Fund and, if necessary, paid in installments over a two-year period.

The Committee next considered several matters which had been referred to it by the Executive Board.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE PRESENTED AT BIENNIAL ASSEMBLIES

In order to carry out the request of some delegates at the 1950 Biennial Assembly, the Execu-

tive Committee adopted the following policy with regard to resolutions presented at Biennial Assemblies: The Executive Committee empowered the President to appoint a Resolutions Committee of seven members prior to a Biennial Assembly to be augmented at the Assembly by eight additional members who were delegates. Local Sisterhoods must have their resolutions in the hands of the Committee at least ninety (90) days prior to a Biennial Assembly. Resolutions arising during a Biennial Assembly shall, upon action of the Resolutions Committee, be posted on designated Convention Bulletin Boards no later than 7:00 P.M. of the evening preceding the session at which a vote shall be taken by the Assembly. It was pointed out that it might be advisable to consider formulation of resolutions which were pertinent to our cause, rather than a great number which were not too closely related.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR OFFICERS

In order to carry out the recommendation of the October, 1951, Executive Board for its Nominating Committee for Officers of the Executive Board, the Executive Committee nominated the following five persons of whom three shall be elected by the Executive Board for the Nominating Committee; two additional members are to be appointed by the President, to make a Nominating Committee of five.

Mrs. Gene Friedman, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Davenport, Ia.; Mrs. Franz J. Loewe, Clayton, Mo.; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.

WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

Mrs. Rosett explained that for several years NFTS has been on record to take increased action, as an affiliate of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, on its behalf. The Silver Coin Collection has been the major action that has been taken in this regard, together with assisting several students jointly approved by the World Union and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion to study at the College-Institute, through the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, and paying

partial expenses of sending Rabbi Bernard Heller of New York to assist temporarily the Jewish community in India. In addition it had been hoped that the World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities Committee would send Religious School and holiday supplies to our co-religionists overseas. The World Union is, however, primarily interested in receiving funds for rehabilitating Jewish communities, but NFTS felt that by personalizing the project through individual packages, more funds would result in the long run. Only a few groups had requested packages this year but it was hoped that for Chanuko and the High Holy Days, candy supplies would be provided for the Religious Schools. The World Union is also interested in our using our influence with regard to World Union projects in Israel, primarily to send a Reform rabbi or literature concerning Reform Judaism. The CCAR and the UAHC are trying to find a rabbi for this purpose.

The Executive Committee had been requested by the Executive Board to devise a project for the World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities Committee. Local Sisterhoods had been asked to appoint a Chairman for this work. They do not know what they should be doing. However, it must be remembered that NFTS must not undertake any project that would cut into contributions for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. Perhaps when the realignment of Committees is considered, the work of the WUPJA Committee and the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Committee will be dovetailed.

The following statement was approved as the sense of the discussion of the Executive Committee with regard to the NFTS Special Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities:

It is the sense of the Executive Committee of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in session assembled May 7, 1952, that Reform or Liberal or Progressive Judaism, which is dedicated to the service of God and man, is a religious movement that must move forward simultaneously locally, nationally and throughout the world. One of the objectives of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is, "To advance Judaism in the United States and throughout the world," as well as "to cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the execution of its aims and purposes." Furthermore, the Federation is the women's division of the Union of American

Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and is an affiliate, with its parent body, of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. Therefore, NFTS is vitally concerned with continuing and expanding its services to American Reform Judaism through the UAHC and to world Liberal Judaism through the WUPJ. For these ends, it has many committees, including a long established standing committee on Scholarship and Religious Education and a recently appointed Special Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities.

At the meeting of the Executive Board of the National Federation to be held in the fall of 1952, the question of greatly intensifying the entire program of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for wider service to both American Reform Judaism and the world aspects of our movement, will be explored. It may be necessary, on the basis of recommendations to be presented by the NFTS Special Committee on Evaluation, as well as through those arising from recommendations of other committees and of the Board itself, to eliminate or re-align some existing NFTS committees, both standing and special.

Meanwhile, all committees, and especially the Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education and the Special Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities, shall continue their programs. The two named Committees shall proceed in their efforts to educate and interest our members in the World Union. The Special Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities shall be of urgently needed service through the Silver Coin Collection, and through certain specialized projects (such as the providing of books, and holiday gift parcels, etc., as may be needed from time to time in certain areas) and for which particular Sisterhoods can be encouraged to accept, on a personalized basis, these responsibilities.

The Executive Committee recessed for luncheon which was served in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial.

Following luncheon, the Committee went into Executive Session for a discussion of office procedures and personnel matters raised by the Executive Director. The Committee unanimously voted to continue "in service" training of Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Administrative Assistant to the Director and authorized the

President and the Director to request the Union of American Hebrew Congregations immediately and urgently to adjust upward, as outlined by the NFTS Executive Committee, her remuneration.

The Executive Committee recessed at 4:00 P.M. for a ceremony in the Sisterhood Lounge of the Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial at which Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the parent body, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, unveiled a plaque of appreciation to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The unveiling took place in the presence of the officers and members of the Executive Committee of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, other Sisterhood leaders in the greater New York area, invited officials of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, including the members of the Senior Executive Staff. Following the unveiling ceremony, a Reception and Tea were held at which the serving table was decorated with the handsome silver Coffee and Tea Service which were gifts to the House of Living Judaism from the members of the Executive Board of NFTS. Silver candelabra were also used which were the gifts to the House of two members of the NFTS Board, Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Detroit and Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Michigan.

The plaque is now a permanent part of the North Wall of the Sisterhood Lounge, reads as follows: "The Union of American Hebrew Congregations is everlastingly grateful to its National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods whose creative vision and devoted labors helped to rear this Union House of Living Judaism."

Union House of Living Judaism—
Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.
May 8, 1952

On May 8th, the Executive Committee again met throughout the day in the Union House of Living Judaism, New York, N. Y. The following members were present:

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, *Chairman*, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Mrs. Gene Friedman, Mrs. Sol Gitson, Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Mrs. Henry Monsky, Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Miss Jane Evans.

For the Committee on Field Service, Mrs. Harry Jacobson reported.

The *Manual for Sisterhood Leaders* is practically completed, and will shortly be available. It will be a loose-leaf manual, size 6 x 9, in a plastic binder.

Plans for the completion of Training Institutes could not be achieved this spring. It is expected that Leadership Training Institutes will function in the fall approximately at the time of the meeting of the National Board, so that National Board Members may avail themselves of them, and be enabled thereby to become trainers themselves.

For the Committee on Evaluation, Mrs. Henry Monsky reported. The Committee met all day on May 6th. The main item on the agenda was consideration of the questionnaire, and its evaluation. The highlights of the evaluation of the questionnaire were presented, with discussion of the findings. The Committee on Evaluation recommended, and the Executive Committee approved that:

1. The Committee on Evaluation shall be augmented by seven additional members, three of whom shall be non-board members.
2. A recommendation be made to the Field Service Committee that the Speakers Bureau be revised to arrange:
 - a) for each speaker to include more Sisterhoods in the same or nearby areas than is done at present;
 - b) that Sisterhoods be mailed a communication not later than September of this year, and, in ensuing years, in the spring, asking if they wish an NFTS representative (when they are entitled to one) during the next Sisterhood season, and urging that such representative be given an opportunity to address the local Board.
3. That National Chairmen be requested to test their letters for the President's Packet to ascertain if they are helpful to local chairmen; that consideration might be given to have each chairman, except fund raising chairmen, write only four letters a season.
4.
 - a) That a form postal, or other means of acknowledging receipt of letters be prepared immediately so that Sisterhoods would know their letters had been received by NFTS and would get attention as soon as possible.
 - b) To facilitate the handling of communications more expeditiously, the Executive Committee approved Miss Evans' suggestion, recommended by the Evaluation Committee, that a

sub-committee of the Committee on Evaluation be appointed, to act as a Committee on Office Procedure. Mrs. Sol Gitson was made Chairman of this Committee.

5. A committee was appointed (as a sub-committee of the Evaluation Committee—Mrs. William Leffer, Chairman; Mrs. Albert J. May, Mrs. Leon L. Watters, with Mrs. Louis A. Rosett and Miss Jane Evans) to scrutinize the questionnaires, and to send an answer to those in which the respondents raise questions.
6. No later than prior to the fall Board meeting, a letter shall be sent to all affiliates, apprising them of action being taken to implement suggestions in questionnaires.
7. A meeting of the Evaluation Committee shall be held in the fall at the time of the Board meeting to consider the work of the Sub-Committees on: Structure and Re-alignment, Election Procedures, Literature.

The report of the Evaluation Committee, including the recommendations, was accepted.

On the subject of "Good and Welfare" it was voted that a membership charter or certificate or plaque, corresponding to one given by the UAHC to affiliate congregations, but not identical with it, be given to affiliated Sisterhoods.

In response to a query as to what to tell District Federations respecting dates for District

meetings, because of the change in date of the NFTS Biennial, it was recommended that Districts be advised they may hold meetings through December 31, 1952, or even very early in 1953, but shall not hold meetings prior to the Biennial, in 1953, in February—April.

During luncheon, which was served at the other end of the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial, Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, addressed the Executive Committee. Dr. Eisendrath discussed the problems of the Reform Jewish movement and of the Union, especially in the area of budget and of the Combined Campaign of the Union and the College-Institute. Dr. Eisendrath urged maximum cooperation from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in furthering the Combined Campaign through the winning of new individual contributors and through maximum assistance in reducing Union and NFTS operating costs.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M. after the recital in unison of a benediction.

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA S. ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



Annual Meeting of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

MONDAY MORNING SESSION

Hotel William Penn
Pittsburgh, Pa.
November 17, 1952

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and the call of the President, the annual Executive Board Meeting was called to order Monday morning, November 17, 1952, at the Hotel William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pa., at 11:00 A.M. in the Monongahela Room. The President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y., was in the chair. Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbia, S. C., served as Secretary Pro Tem in the absence of Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif., who was ill.

The following members were present:

Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto,* Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Bexley, Ohio; Mrs. Joseph Forman,* Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, O.; Mrs. Arthur L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Woodmere, N. Y.; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Highland Park, Ill.; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Howard Kern, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Harry H. Lowenstein, E. Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Bernard Manheim,* New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Julius Mark,* New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Salm, New York, N. Y.; Mrs.

Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Moses M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. David R. Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. I. Edward Tonkon, Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Sidney Weil, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. James L. White, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia, S. C.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y., Executive Director.

An invocation was recited in unison. Communications were read from absent members and appropriate acknowledgments were ordered.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa., Treasurer, read the final Treasurer's Report of the NFTS Fiscal Year, 1950-51 and the tentative Treasurer's Report for the NFTS Fiscal Year, 1951-52. The Treasurer's Reports were ordered filed with thanks. The Board moved that the Special Committee on Budget and Finance consider changing the date of the end of the NFTS Fiscal Year so that there will be more opportunity to prepare statistics for use of the Executive Board Meeting. A report will be made to the April, 1953 meeting of the Executive Board.

BUDGET 1952-53

Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Chairman of the Special Committee on Budget and Finance, presented the Functional Budget for the NFTS Fiscal Year, 1952-53. After full discussion, the Budget was adopted as presented.

The meeting was recessed at 12:30 for luncheon.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Hotel William Penn
Pittsburgh, Pa.
November 17, 1952

The Executive Board continued at 2:15 P.M. in the Monongahela Room of the Hotel William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pa., with Mrs. Rosett presiding.

* Delayed en route, reached Pittsburgh after start of first session.

COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Mrs. Sol Gitson, Chairman of the Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund presented comparative statements on the Fund. The Board voted to allocate for the NFTS Fiscal Year, 1952-53, \$35,000 to the Union of

American Hebrew Congregations for religious educational work, approximately \$22,500 to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for scholarship awards and \$7,200 for four fellowships for students from overseas. In order to fill these needs, it will be necessary to use more of the rapidly dwindling reserve in the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, unless income of the Fund is sharply increased.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mrs. Rosett, NFTS President, gave her annual message. Mrs. Rosett recommended in her message and in the following discussion that the Executive Committee with the Chairmen of the Committee on Scholarship and Religious Educa-

tion Fund, and the Committee on Budget and Finance, explore ways by which NFTS might *eventually* become self-supporting without allocations from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations; and, secondly, explore ways by which contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund may be markedly increased so as to meet scholarships for students at the Jewish Institute of Religion, the needs of married students, and further aid to the parent body, the Union. Board members were asked to alert congregations to the importance of the Combined Campaign. The Message was accepted with a rising vote of thanks for the President's inspiring leadership.

The meeting recessed at 4:30 P.M.

MONDAY EVENING SESSION

Hotel William Penn
Pittsburgh, Pa.
November 17, 1952

Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Mrs. Harold Redel and Mrs. Leon L. Watters. The President is directed to appoint two other members.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

After dinner in the Monongahela Room of the Hotel William Penn, Miss Evans, NFTS Executive Director, presented her Report. She recommended that scholarship aid be given to certain students on the New York Campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and to married students of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. She also suggested that Sisterhoods, in a position to do so, might contribute to the Sisterhood Loan Fund for New Congregations. The Report was accepted with a rising vote of thanks for Miss Evans' devoted service.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR OFFICERS

In accordance with the directive of the October, 1951 Board Meeting, three members were elected to serve on the Nominating Committee for Officers at the April, 1953 Biennial Assembly:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Mrs. Harry H. Lowenstein, Chairman of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, recommended closer contact and better understanding between NFTS and the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., as regards titles and circulation of books for the Jewish Braille Library. This was approved.

Mrs. Harold Baum, Chairman of the Special Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities, recommended that the Executive Board explore thoroughly the possibilities for work for the Special Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities. This was accepted as a suggestion, not as a recommendation. Members of the Board will be requested to make suggestions at the next Board Meeting.

The Board recessed at 10:15 P.M.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

Hotel William Penn
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The Meeting continued at 10:10 A.M. in the Urban Room of the Hotel William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pa.

FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Mrs. Jerome Salm, Chairman of the Committee on Youth Activities, recommended that the Board suggest to the NFTS Biennial Assembly Program Committee, the possibility of incor-

porating in the Biennial program for April, a Leadership Youth Training Course for Sisterhood women. This was accepted. It was added that in discussing assistance to young people with regard to attending Conclaves, it is preferable to use the term "Campership," rather than "Scholarship" to preclude confusion with the work of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Committee.

Mrs. Julius Mark, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Election Procedures of the Special Committee on Evaluation, explained that the Subcommittee on Election Procedures explored the question of election procedures with a view to their democratization and moved that its

views in this respect be transmitted to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws. This was approved.

Mrs. David Zielonka, Chairman of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, recommended that a By-Laws Workshop be held at the Biennial Assembly and a letter be sent to all Sisterhoods recommending that in the interest of orderly procedure as established in the By-Laws, all suggested revisions be sent to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, for forwarding to Sisterhoods instead of groups, forwarding them individually to NFTS affiliates. Mrs. Zielonka's Report was adopted. The meeting recessed for luncheon in the Urban Room at 12:15 P.M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

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ACCESS TO NFTS SAFE DEPOSIT BOX

The Board approved that access to the Safe Deposit Box of NFTS in the Bank of the Manhattan Safe Deposit Company, Madison Avenue at 64th Street, New York, shall be only in the presence of two authorized and bonded persons or their alternates.

The Meeting was called to order at 2:20 P.M. in the Monongahela Room of the Hotel William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pa. Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, immediate NFTS Past-President, greeted the Board. Mrs. Rosett appointed a Committee on Resolutions: Mrs. Albert Farber, Chairman, Mrs. Abram V. Goodman and Mrs. Joseph Forman.

NFTS CHARTERS TO SISTERHOODS

It was agreed that Charters be given to new Sisterhoods without charge and be made available at cost to Sisterhoods now in the Federation.

COMPLIMENTARY MEMBERSHIP IN NFTS TO NEW SISTERHOODS

The Board approved granting complimentary membership for one year to Sisterhoods of newly organized Congregations, providing the Sisterhoods sign the application for enrollment card within a maximum of ninety days of their first formal meeting at which they are given assistance by NFTS. This provision also includes Sisterhoods in localities where there are no Congregations.

OCTOBER 1951 MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
The October, 1951 Minutes of the Executive Board were approved.

The Meeting recessed at 5:00 P.M.

In the evening, the Board remained in recess so that members might have the opportunity of attending a dinner of Temple Rodef Shalom of Pittsburgh in honor of Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof's 60th Birthday.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Hotel William Penn
Pittsburgh, Pa.
November 19, 1952

Miss Evans, NFTS Executive Director, conducted an Institute to Train Leaders. Selected members

of the three affiliated Pittsburgh Sisterhoods participated in the Session. Mrs. Julian Hennig, Chairman of the NFTS Special Committee on Field and Membership Services, presided and Mrs. Harry Jacobson of the Committee served as blackboard scribe.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Hotel William Penn
Pittsburgh, Pa.
November 19, 1952

The Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Rosett in the Urban Room of the Hotel William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pa., at 2:30 P.M. Mrs. Rosett, on behalf of the Board, presented to Mrs. Harry Jacobson an inscribed set of the volumes, *Jewish People, Past and Present*, in recognition of her service to NFTS in preparing the *Manual for Sisterhood Leaders*.

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EVALUATION

In the absence of Mrs. Henry Monsky, Chairman, Mrs. Julius Mark presented an interim report. A full report of the progress of the Committee will be presented at the Biennial.

NFTS 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Board approved initiating a special fund during the NFTS 40th Anniversary Year of 1953 to increase contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. Such contributions would be over and above the usual amounts given by Sisterhoods. A special birthday cake-candle-lighting ceremony should be carried out in a dramatic presentation by Sisterhoods at meetings in January, 1953 to point up the needs and significance of the Fund. It was also recommended that, on the National level, an important

place on the NFTS program on the second day of the Biennial Assembly, perhaps at a luncheon, should be given to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and highlighted by a specially prepared dramatic presentation.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Discussion of the Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws was continued.

The Board recessed at 5:00 P.M.

In the evening, members of the Board were guests of the three affiliated Pittsburgh Sisterhoods at a dinner at Temple Rodef Shalom. The rabbis of the Pittsburgh Congregations participated in the program with Dr. Solomon B. Freehof of Temple Rodef Shalom and Dr. Burton E. Levinson of Temple Sinai giving addresses and Rabbi Philip Frankel of Temple Emanuel delivering the Invocation and Rabbi Harold Silver of Temple Rodef Shalom delivering the Benediction. A gift of a chairside model radio-phonograph was presented by the Board to Miss Josephine Schoenborn, NFTS Administrative Assistant, in appreciation of her ten years of devoted service. Mrs. Howard Kern gave a message from Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS First Vice-President and Chairman, Sisterhood Division, Combined Campaign, who could not be present because of family illness.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Hotel William Penn
Pittsburgh, Pa.
November 20, 1952

Miss Evans conducted the second half of the

Leadership Training Institute, in which representatives of the three Pittsburgh Sisterhoods affiliated with NFTS, again joined the Board members.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Hotel William Penn
Pittsburgh, Pa.
November 20, 1952

Mrs. Rosett called the meeting to order at 1:45 P.M. in the Monongahela Room of the Hotel William Penn.

RESERVE IN THE SCHOLARSHIP AND
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

The report was given of a breakfast meeting held last May at which Dr. Nelson Glueck and

Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath made the request to Mrs. Rosett, Mrs. Dalsheimer, Mrs. Gitson and Miss Evans that the total reserve of the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, amounting at that time to approximately \$25,000, be divided equally between the UAHC and the HUC-JIR to help alleviate their present stringent financial situation. Since the amount remaining in the reserve October 31, 1953, after NFTS meets this year's commitments, may be only \$12,000-\$13,000, and inasmuch as this is the very

beginning of the fiscal year and it is very early to make any estimate on collections, it was unanimously voted "that NFTS should retain the reserve amount in the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund with the *stipulation that sympathetic reconsideration* be given to the needs of the College-Institute and the UAHC at the Executive Board session of the Biennial Assembly in April, 1953."

ALLOCATION OF MONEY TO YOUTH CAMPS FROM THE SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

A letter from Mrs. Elmer Benesch, former Board member, requesting allocation of a sum to Youth camps from the Scholarship and Religious Edu-

cation Fund was read. It was regretfully felt that this type of allocation would not be possible.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was adopted unanimously. The resolutions are appended herewith.

Mrs. Rosett thanked the Board for its diligent and devoted work, and was warmly thanked in turn.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M.



(Mrs. LOUIS A.) FRIEDA S. ROSETT,
President

(Mrs. MELVIN) GLADYS HARRIS
Recording Secretary, Pro-tem



RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the Executive Board
OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
PITTSBURGH, PA., NOVEMBER 20, 1952

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

As a result of the inspiration of the deliberations of annual meeting of the Executive Board in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, November 17-20, 1952, at which sessions there were emphasized the increased needs for enlarging the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

Be It Resolved, That the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods intensify all efforts toward assuming greater responsibilities in this essential area of our program of service to Jewish and humanitarian causes. We urge each member of the Board to find some way of dramatizing these needs before the local and District Sisterhoods with which she may be in contact so that through both the sale of Uniongrams and cash contributions our total commitments through the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund may be rapidly expanded.

THE UNITED NATIONS

We reaffirm our faith in the United Nations and our conviction that it is the best instrument and the greatest hope available at the present time for the achievement of world peace with justice.

We believe that the United Nations can succeed only through unswerving determination of its member nations to make it work.

We believe that in order for this effort to be effective, it must be backed by enlightened support of the individuals who comprise the member nations and that such support requires continuous study and discussion of the United Nations and the problems it faces, by organizations.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, which is devoted to the most lofty of all Jewish ideals, peace with justice, shall continue to encourage its member units to be interested in and enlightened supporters of the United Nations, through study and discussion.

GENOCIDE

WHEREAS, The Third General Assembly of the United Nations meeting in Paris in December, 1948, adopted the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, meaning the destruction of national, ethnic, racial or religious groups, and

WHEREAS, In the four years that have elapsed since the United Nations adopted this Convention, while forty states have approved it, thus bringing the Convention into effect for those states, the Senate of the United States has failed to ratify,

Be It Resolved, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in annual session assembled in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on behalf of its United States units urges upon the 83rd U. S. Senate that early in its forthcoming session, it ratify the Genocide Convention without further inexcusable delay, and

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the newly elected President and Vice-President of the United States and to appropriate Committee Chairmen of the Senate.

THANKS

In deep appreciation for the stimulating sessions and additional functions which were part of the program of the annual meeting of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, November 17-20, 1952, the following expression of thanks is resolved:

To Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, beloved President, who led and inspired the Board through thoughtful, constructive deliberations, and who once again endeared herself to us by her understanding, her sincerity, her fairness, kindness, patience and sense of humor;

To Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Treasurer of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, for so capably and graciously acting as liaison between NFTS and the Pittsburgh community in arranging for the meeting;

To Mrs. Melvin Harris, for assuming the difficult duties of secretary pro tem and discharging them so efficiently;

To Mrs. Julian Hennig, for arranging the Leadership Training Institute from which all benefited;

To Miss Jane Evans, for sharing with us her vast fund of information; for inspiring us through the Leadership Training Institute which she conducted; for providing us with spiritual stimulus and for furnishing us with ready assistance at every session;

To Miss Josephine Schoenborn, Miss Carolene Wachenheimer and Miss Anne Wasserstein, who served with devotion both in preparation for and in the implementation of the Executive Board meetings;

To the three hostess NFTS Sisterhoods of Temples Emanuel, Rodef Shalom and Sinai for their warm hearted hospitality which contributed so graciously to the enjoyment of our stay in Pittsburgh, and particularly for the dinner, transportation and fellowship accorded us Wednesday evening;

To The William Penn Hotel, both management and staff, for the excellent accommodations for our members, for the efficient planning, for comfortable meeting places and for courteous service at all times;

To the local press for its interest and cooperation;

To all these, we reiterate our deep appreciation and record same upon the minutes of the organization.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS**DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN**

We pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, the first President of the State of Israel. This man who was a rare combination of scientist and statesman will remain as a symbol of hope and inspiration to oppressed people everywhere. We mourn with the rest of the democratic forces in the world the loss of one of its most distinguished leaders.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That this expression of our sentiment be spread upon the minutes of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and a copy of this resolution be sent to the members of his family and to the Prime Minister of the State of Israel.

MRS. MAURICE L. GARFEIN

In this its first Board Session since the tragic and untimely death of Mrs. Maurice L. Garfein, a member of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, a Past President of B'rith Sholom Sisterhood of Louisville, Kentucky; and a Past Treasurer of NFTS District #12, the Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods; we pay lasting tribute for the service which she rendered so selflessly in behalf of Sisterhood activities; in this service she found expression for her faith in our Judaic concepts.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That this expression of our sentiment be spread upon the minutes of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the members of her family.

President's Message

New Rochelle, N. Y., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Dear Friends and Co-Workers:

It is a great joy to greet you at this, the first meeting of the NFTS Executive Board since the dedication last October of our Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial and our official "moving in" to our own home.

In the year that has passed so much has been happening, so many new developments have taken place, that it is important to recognize trends rather than details, and to distinguish in this period of transition between temporary problems and conditions, and those which are part of a permanent pattern.

The postponement of our Biennial from November to April has given us the opportunity for this meeting of our Board, in addition to the very brief and hasty one customarily held in convention years on the evening previous to the opening of the Assembly. In this period during which we have initiated a project of self-study and evaluation, we are grateful for the opportunity to meet face to face, as a Board, to think through our problems and discuss them long enough in advance of the Biennial, to allow for calm deliberation and thoughtful review.

I know that you who share the responsibilities of NFTS affairs with me are happy to accept this opportunity as a challenge to bring to the Assembly for its consideration, plans and proposals for the continuing growth and welfare of our Federation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Approximately ten days ago reports of NFTS Committee Chairmen were mailed to you. I trust you have read them and are familiar with their contents. Opportunity to discuss their highlights and to ask questions of the Chairmen will be provided during the course of this meeting.

From these reports there seems to be a general trend toward greater participation on the part of the Committee members as well as the Chairmen; Committee members are increasingly called upon by NFTS to visit Sisterhoods, attend and speak at meetings, and a larger participation and interest in study groups, lecture courses and workshops have been evidenced.

DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

This year continues to show an increasing awareness on the part of District Federations of their place and responsibility in the NFTS program and their relationship to National is becoming more clearly understood and defined. The chart in the report showing services of District Federations to the local groups on the one hand, and to National projects on the other, gives an excellent picture of how the Districts are functioning in their task of interpreting and intensifying the program of NFTS in the smaller geographic area. The inclusion of letters

from District Presidents in the monthly Packets has developed a fine exchange of ideas. More and more I believe that we can count on the District Presidents' Council to advise, suggest and help.

SELF-STUDY AND EVALUATION

The Committee on Evaluation and its sub-committees have met and have consulted by mail throughout the year. Evaluation must necessarily be a slow and careful process. This Committee, while diligently and constantly seeking solutions to the problems assigned to it, has understood its function well, and has contributed its thinking most constructively to our progress through self-study and evaluation.

The Committee on Field and Membership Service has likewise done an outstanding job in attempting to meet the need for a more personalized approach by NFTS to the local groups. The Leadership Training Institute, which is an integral part of this Board meeting, and the Manual for Sisterhood Leaders by Ruth Jacobson, which we had hoped would make its debut at this meeting, are activities of this Committee.

UAHC CAMP PROJECT

During the Board meeting of the Union in Chicago in October, I visited with other members of the Board the Union Camp on Lac Labelle at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

After years of searching for a camp site which NFTS could use for its Leadership Training Institutes, after considering many sites, which one after the other proved inadequate or disappointing, it suddenly seemed quite natural and appropriate to find that the dream of a permanent UAHC camp had really come to life—the answer, not to a prayer, but to many prayers.

The camp was purchased by capital contributions of a group of individuals in the Chicago Council of the UAHC and presented to the parent body, to be administered under the direction of the Union's regional rabbi in the area. Last summer, the NFTS Leadership Training Institute was held there; during the summer and early fall the camp was occupied by a succession of young peoples groups and by adults who used it as a retreat for religious study and fellowship.

As a pilot project this camp, which it is expected will be self-supporting, has heightened the enthusiasm for this type of activity in all areas of the country. There is no doubt that before long there will be Union Institutes held at Union camps in many parts of the United States.

OUR FINANCES

We have now completed the second year since the increase of NFTS dues to \$1 per member, and our financial statement shows that with these dues (our only source of appreciable income) plus the appropriation of approximately \$46,000 from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, we have managed to meet our budget with a small operating surplus for the year.

Normally it is good news to hear that a budget has been met. In this case,

however, the situation which it reflects is rather disturbing, for to rely for a major part of our annual expenses on the Union, with its \$225,000 bank debt, and its daily struggle to find funds for its own program, is, it seems to me, precarious and unrealistic. I think the time has come when the members of this Board, as responsible leaders must take into account the implications and the complications of our present method of financing and try to find ways of improving it.

RECOMMENDATION

I therefore recommend that the Executive Committee with the Chairmen of the Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education, and the Committee on Budget and Finance, be directed to explore methods by which:

1. NFTS may *eventually* become self-supporting and thereby relieve the Union of the financial burden of defraying a large portion of its expense.
2. Contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund may be so markedly increased as to make possible larger contributions to our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, toward its program of religious service and youth activities; to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for its task in educating rabbis and leaders for Liberal Judaism; and to the World Union for Progressive Judaism for the advance of our movement on the world scene.

COMBINED CAMPAIGN

At its meeting in St. Louis in 1949, the NFTS Executive Board passed a resolution approving and promising support for a Sisterhood Division of the Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

On the National level, I believe we have done everything possible to implement that resolution. There have, however, been road blocks and detours on the local level. In many areas, we have found congregations unwilling to allow an intensive effort in their community for fear of interference with their own fundraising needs, or because they were unaware of or indifferent to the great need for the UAHC and the College-Institute to be enabled adequately to carry on their expanding program for Liberal Judaism at this strategic and critical moment in history. I believe that resistance is being steadily, though slowly overcome. To hasten the process, I should like to recommend that every member of this Board accept the obligation to contact the president and rabbi of her congregation and others in her area, to alert them to this great importance of the Combined Campaign. Thus, we can emphasize that the women of the Sisterhoods are eager and able to take an active part in helping to collect the funds for the annual needs of the Union and the College-Institute.

Let us take as our objective the words of Dr. Samuel Hollender, Chairman of the Board of our UAHC:

"Let's be sure our generation does its share to strengthen and keep alive the glorious role of our Jewish faith throughout our proud history. Religious influence has never been more important."

PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL

Immediately following the Biennial in April, a group of Reform Jewish leaders will set out by plane on a three week religious pilgrimage to Israel, arriving there in time to participate in the observance of Shavuot. This festival is one of the three great pilgrim festivals on which it was the custom in ancient days for Jews to journey from all parts of Palestine to Jerusalem.

This trip will be an extraordinary and "once-in-a-lifetime" opportunity to see Israel under special conditions not likely to be duplicated at any other time. The interest and enthusiasm of the Israeli Government has been aroused since it regards this pilgrimage as having welcome significance in showing the interest of Reform Jews of America in what is happening in the religious life of Israel. Therefore, the Israeli Government has instructed through its foreign office, that all gates shall be open to this pilgrimage, every facility shall be extended for seeing many things usually closed to visitors. Top ranking officials, wherever available, including the Honorable David Ben Gurion, Moshe Sharett and others, will meet with the group.

As American Reform Jews who believe in Judaism as a living force, and as Americans devoted to democracy as a way of life, here is an unparalleled opportunity to see for ourselves what are the trends in the newest democracy in the world.

Since the number who can be included is limited, the Union has invited only members of its Executive Board and presidents of its UAHC Councils, members of NFTS and NFTB Boards, presidents of NFTS District Federations, with husbands and wives, of course.

WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

On July 2-7, 1953, the WUPJ will hold its international conference in London. The theme of the conference will be "Our Religious Approach to World Problems."

It is hoped that a large number of NFTS representatives will attend the sessions. Provision can be made for those making the Pilgrimage to Israel and planning to travel in Europe to include the World Union on their way home. It is a thrilling experience to meet Jews from every part of the world who are interested in the task of building and strengthening a meaningful Progressive Jewish religious life in their communities.

LIFE BEGINS AT FORTY

On January 21, 1953, NFTS will reach its fortieth birthday, and there is no doubt that many times during that year we will be reminded that "life begins at forty." To this widely-held contention I should like to remark that it seems to me that for an individual or any organization, if life has not begun before forty, it would indicate that a good many valuable years have been wasted and perhaps a case of arrested development has set in. To draw from life's experience, to go forward wiser and stronger and more able to cope with life's problems because of all that we have learned—this is the lesson of the years.

As we go forward toward greater achievement, may we grow in vision, in strength, and in stature. May we use for the future wisdom and understanding gathered through the years that have gone before so that each new year may add a blessing.

To Jane Evans, who by October, 1953 will have brilliantly and devotedly served NFTS through twenty of its forty years, who through all these years has kept our sights high and our goals lofty, I express on behalf of NFTS and myself deep gratitude and appreciation.

To Josephine Schoenborn who has completed ten years of an extraordinary type of service to NFTS, may I also extend the deep appreciation of every member of this Board.

To Carolene Wachenheimer for her ever willing cooperation with me in the many facets of our work; to all the members of the NFTS staff for whom our cause has become their cause, I extend for you and myself heartfelt appreciation.

May the years to come foster for each of us, lay worker and professional alike, a continuing sense of unity and devotion to our common purpose.

(MRS. LOUIS A.) FRIEDA S. ROSETT, *President*

REPORT OF THE
Executive Director

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a rare experience to have the realization of a dream become, in one brief year, even greater than it seemed in anticipation. Life in the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial is proving more stimulating than even ardent protagonists of housing our great religious center in New York could have wholly foreseen. Since New York is the crossroads of the world, we expected to see there many times the number of visitors we had greeted in our former home. Nevertheless, we were unprepared for the heart-warming influx, within our first 12 month period, of more than ten thousand men, women and young people from every corner of America, as well as from other continents.

Granting that one's first year in a new home is apt to bring more visitors, proportionately, than the succeeding years, it is still true that our monthly totals seem in no way to be decreasing. For this we are deeply grateful, as we are eager, whether we are the lay or professional leaders present in the House of Living Judaism, to meet personally as many co-workers as possible. On the other hand, it is necessary to stress the reality of this vast flow of persons to our building in order to indicate some problems that have naturally arisen from this fine gathering in our home.

First and foremost, it is obvious that with the very best will in the world, it

is a physical impossibility to operate a center in which more than a hundred staff members are employed, if all parts of the building are open to streams of visitors. Therefore, the House Committee has wisely ruled that only certain public portions of the building shall be shown to our guests, each of whom is warmly welcomed either by a staff receptionist or Sisterhood hostesses from affiliated units in the Greater New York area, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Sol Tekulsky. The building is open Monday-Friday from 9:00 A.M.—5:00 P.M. and on Sunday from 1:30—4:30 P.M. It is closed on the Sabbath and on religious holidays.

Secondly, many visitors are being disappointed in not seeing the Executive Director or other members of the staff because they drop in to the NFTS quarters without previous appointment. We are eager to hold conferences with Sisterhood members and consider it a genuine privilege to try to be of service to them. However, in a very tight schedule, it is literally impossible to keep an orderly flow of work moving if daily a score or more of beloved members drop in unannounced. If appointments are made in advance, more time can be graciously given to each person and the flow of NFTS work can be uninterrupted, which redounds to the advantage of both visitor and member at home.

Please, do not in any way misinterpret the foregoing. It is *your* House of Living Judaism and nothing should give you or us greater pleasure than to see you in its frequently. Please make it one of your New York headquarters, but also please make appointments in advance if you wish to discuss matters with Sisterhood personnel.

CONTRAST WITH ONE YEAR AGO

One year ago, the NFTS Executive Board met following the wondrously exciting week-end of the dedication of our Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. At that time, we were acutely aware of the enormous problems of our transition from Cincinnati to New York. We still had not unpacked all of the carloads of materials moved from one city to the other, and a very large proportion of our staff was not only new to every phase of our work, but also to each other; the preparations for the formal dedication of the building and the attendant meetings were even greater and more exacting than for a Biennial Assembly, so that a very new staff was nearly overwhelmed; orders for items needed by Sisterhoods were unfortunately days or even weeks delayed in being filled. Now, one year later, we can assert that we have made great strides in the direction which we mutually desire, although some difficulties still remain. This fall, at the height of our busy season, there were no serious bottlenecks in the filling of Sisterhood orders. Materials requested have flowed steadily, we are glad to say, and have been regularly shipped within one to three days of receipt of orders, unless the items were temporarily out-of-stock. We still have a staff that is new in comparison to the more stable personnel that had had many years of experience with us in Cincinnati, but each month sees the "new" worker becoming better trained and better integrated in his position. Even so, it is necessary to know that for various reasons, in this, our first exciting, but at times for staff, too hectic year in New York, we have had a larger turnover of employees than we believe will be true in the future. Of some seventy odd general clerical workers, we have more than

twenty-five who have had less than six months of experience with us. This fact is mentioned in order to help the NFTS Executive Board and all our Sisterhood members understand that patience is still required, though in far less degree than a year ago.

"THE UNION'S UNION"

As one would expect in an organization whose lay assemblies have consistently voted strongly in behalf of issues of social justice, the Executive Board of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, after prolonged debate, accepted the recommendation of its Personnel Committee to recognize the Community and Social Agencies Employees Union, Local 1707, CIO, as the collective bargaining unit of UAHC employees, provided the majority of the staff so desired. It should be noted that the NFTS President and Executive Director sit upon the Joint Personnel Committee of the UAHC; and NFTS through its President and Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, its First Vice-President, is represented on the UAHC Executive Board. In addition, the NFTS Executive Director sits as a member of the Management Personnel Committee composed of certain professional leaders of the UAHC Senior Staff under Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President.

At an election held among the UAHC-NFTS employees on September 9th under the supervision of the Honest Ballot Association, the will of the majority of the employees was clearly indicated. Of seventy-six employees eligible, by mutual agreement between management and employee representatives, sixty-two voted in favor of Local 1707, ten against and four abstained. Now, the "Union's Union" as we sometimes refer to it, has presented its contract demands which are in the process of being negotiated. On the negotiating committee for management, sit the President and Personnel Director of the UAHC, the Executive Director of NFTB and the Executive Director of NFTS, with the labor relations Attorney Consultant authorized by the UAHC Board.

It cannot be denied that negotiating this first labor union contract in our history is a very complex, troublesome and time-consuming task. Nevertheless, with objectivity on both sides, with mutual respect and good will, we trust a just labor contract will be completed and signed in the not too distant future, under which both staff and management will be strengthened in the carrying forward harmoniously of our program.

SERVICES TO THE FEDERATION

NFTS has continued and even expanded the services so urgently needed by its affiliates. The monthly Packets for members of the NFTS Board, District Presidents and local Sisterhood Presidents are being improved. Furthermore, as a check made last month indicated, they are being delivered before the first of the month for which they are intended.

Among old items which have been reprinted in new editions or new items now off the press, all prepared within this last year, there may be mentioned:

The Booklet of Suggested Uniongram Messages; Giant Uniongram; Enlarged

Uniongram and folder (folder given free of charge for more than 24 signatures); *How to Organize a New Sisterhood* by Mrs. Joseph Glanzer; *The Story of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods*; *Sisterhood Art Calendar for 5713*; *Kit for an Institute on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women's Groups*; Supplement to *To Unite Our Strength* by Mrs. Frances A. Thomas; Jewish Literature for the Blind—Acknowledgment Cards (2); HLJ Confirmation Card; Scholarship and Religious Education—Acknowledgment Cards (3); *Catalog of books and materials.*

One most important item started during the last year which we had hoped would make its debut by now, is the fine *Manual for Sisterhoods* written by Mrs. Harry Jacobson, West Des Moines, Ia. The Manual is in work and will, we are confident, prove as helpful to members as has been anticipated.

Each issue of *American Judaism* contains a section Sisterhood Topics. We strongly urge members of the Board and other leaders of District Federations and local Sisterhoods to send to NFTS worthy news items, brief articles and clear, glossy prints for consideration for inclusion in the magazine. It is surprising how many fine Sisterhood activities are successfully concluded without one word of them reaching the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and omission due no doubt to unwitting oversight.

FIELD SERVICES

The Speakers Bureau is now operated in close cooperation with the NFTS Special Committee on Field Service. There is no doubt that this is an area of our work in which the aim of the Federation must ever be to increase our personal contacts with our members. We are, therefore, proud to report that during the NFTS fiscal year November 1, 1951—October 31, 1952, the date of this report, despite all the other activities of the year and its many problems, NFTS has provided Sisterhood speakers and leaders on 104 occasions. To make this possible, 41 NFTS officers and members of the Speakers Bureau have addressed Sisterhoods in 86 cities and communities of 30 states of the United States and in the District of Columbia. 91 local Sisterhoods of our 473 affiliates have welcomed these speakers and in addition, an NFTS representative was present at 10 District Conventions; 2 District Executive Board Sessions, at both of which the Executive Director conducted a Leadership Training Institute, and one special District Regional Meeting, which was also a Leadership Training Institute under the Director. The warm appreciation of all the Federation goes to the 41 members of the Speakers Bureau, so large a proportion of whom are officers and members of the NFTS Executive Board. To conserve space, the names of these leaders who gave such loyal and distinguished service to NFTS during the last year are not included herein, but are available in our records.

As might be expected, speakers played a dominant role in the fine record of 17 new Sisterhood affiliations during the 1951-52 year. In the report of the Committee on Religious Extension, the names of these new groups of the Federation are listed with the date of their affiliation. Literally, they stretch from coast to coast and from north to south. Whether large or small in membership, they are

warmly welcome in the world-wide fellowship of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. We are strengthened by their addition to our movement and we in turn hope to strengthen them.

FEDERATION FUNDS

It must be understood that the figures given herein are tentative, subject to final adjustment and audit, for the NFTS fiscal year, 1951-52.

For our Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, there has been collected a net sum of \$5,895.78 which has been equally divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse.

For the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, our collections to date from Sisterhoods have reached the gross figure of \$448,500. Despite the great beauty of the building, additional sums are still needed to complete the furnishing of an Audio-Visual Room, a Library and a kitchen.

We gratefully have received a gross income in the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund in this fiscal year of approximately \$59,000, which, after deferments, may leave a net of some \$57,000 for allocation. Subject to approval of the Executive Board, of this sum a total of \$35,000 will be transmitted to the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, for religious educational work, including its Department of Youth Activities; \$22,180 will be transmitted to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for scholarships on the Cincinnati campus. Four fellowships of \$1800 per annum each have been granted to students from overseas, approved by the World Union for Progressive Judaism and the College-Institute to prepare for admittance to the Hebrew Union College or to complete their rabbinic studies. These students, upon ordination, will return either to their native countries or will accept appointments wherever given them in the world, by the World Union. Also, from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, the sum of \$1500 has been contributed to the joint Union-NFTS project of Lecture Institutes for Teachers and Laymen.

It should be clearly noted that at present we are still operating under the Scholarship Award plan which discriminates against students on the New York campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, despite the fact that the merger of the formerly two separate institutions has been a reality for some time. There is a grave necessity for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund to be sharply increased by larger contributions from all of our affiliates in order that we may not only meet current commitments without total depletion of our rapidly dwindling reserves, but also to extend immediate aid, in the form of Scholarships, to married students and to students of the Jewish Institute of Religion. Those of our affiliated units whose spiritual leaders are alumni of the Jewish Institute of Religion are seriously and rightfully concerned at the continuance of an NFTS Scholarship Award plan so largely raised through Uniongrams which they too use, that has not changed with changing times. The Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion is now one institution; we cannot continue to justify Scholarship awards exclusively for one part of that institution. Yet, there is not sufficient money to continue our present commitments

at the Hebrew Union College and also expand to include the Jewish Institute of Religion, unless our members quickly and urgently recognize the need of increasing, both from the sale of Uniongrams and cash contributions, the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

The NFTS Publication Fund for new Religious School literature now has a balance of \$40,393.94. The Fund, originally established by NFTS with a total contribution of \$22,500, has reached its present size through the continuance of the policy that it shall be a revolving fund to which profits from the sale of books published from it are returned to it.

A total of \$9,500 has been transmitted to the Union from the general treasury of NFTS toward administration expenses.

There has been transmitted to the World Union for Progressive Judaism the sum of \$1,000 of the annual Silver Coin Collection made on behalf of its activities and another \$1,000 will be transmitted within the coming week. It is regrettable that our members have not as yet clearly understood the significance of the work of the World Union for Progressive Judaism nor its necessarily great dependence upon the American members of the movement for financial support.

There have been no additional contributions through the last year to the Sisterhood Loan Fund for New Congregations. This Fund, all of whose monies is now out on loan, totals \$3,637. New congregations of the Union which receive temporary loans from the Fund offer signed notes of their responsible leaders to return the money at an agreed upon date with interest at the rate of 1 percent per annum. It is tragically true that the effort to organize new congregations does not move forward as rapidly as it should, not because there are no new congregations eager to be born, but because the budget of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and our very limited Loan Fund are inadequate to the demand. Once again we appeal to any Sisterhood with surplus money in its treasury to consider the possibility of a contribution to the Sisterhood Loan Fund for New Congregations, knowing that new congregations mean new Sisterhoods and that both represent a tangible advance of Reform Judaism.

The income of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in addition to earmarked funds of which 10 percent of cash contributions are deducted for the expense of fund raising (exclusive of the House of Living Judaism Campaign from which all expenses are directly paid) also includes per capita dues of \$1.00 per annum, District Federation dues of \$10 per annum and small receipts from the sale of study materials and other aids. The administration of the Federation is made possible through its own direct income and an appropriation made to it annually by its parent body, the Union. The Combined Campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations—Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion, for the annual maintenance of our central institutions, must always be borne in mind so that Sisterhood leaders and members join with their men-folk in personal support of Liberal Judaism.

IN APPRECIATION AND AN ANNIVERSARY

No one knows better than the Director how large a share of the work of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is a reflection of the devotion of its

leader. To Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, beloved President, on behalf of all of the Federation and especially for myself, I extend deepest appreciation for her never-failing inspiration, cooperation and selfless devotion. When one adds to these outstanding qualities, personal graciousness and a rare sense of humor, one has the measure of sterling worth.

It is with a very special sense of gratitude that I record the 10th Anniversary of warmest personal association and friendship with Miss Josephine Schoenborn, NFTS Administrative Assistant. Not only has she been a tower of strength to me personally, but, what is far more important, to the Federation as a whole. Rarely has there been a finer example of interfaith cooperation than the dedicated service and lasting devotion which Miss Schoenborn, a gentile, gives to her Jewish co-workers in our mutual program of humanitarian causes.

To Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, Assistant to the Director, we likewise extend deep appreciation for her ever-growing services to the Federation. One year ago, because of grave and prolonged illness, she was unable to be with us. It is with joy that we welcomed her back to full time responsibilities at the beginning of 1952, responsibilities which she gladly increases, month by month. Warm appreciation is extended likewise to Miss Anne Wasserstein, Secretary to Miss Wachenheimer, who is well known to many members of the NFTS Executive Board.

To Miss Dorothy Loeb, Program and Public Relations Assistant, who is still in her first year of employment with us, as well as to all other members of the NFTS staff, the Director records, both for the Federation and particularly for herself, very deep appreciation.

A very special word of heartfelt thanks is likewise given to Miss Gloria Silverstein, Secretary to the Director, who is carrying an unusually heavy schedule this year in which she is combining, with her usual graciousness, diverse office responsibilities with a collegiate program.

To all co-workers of the staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and especially to Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union, both the Federation and the Director extend unlimited appreciation for never-failing cooperation.

CONCLUSION

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is a religious organization. Therefore, it seems fitting indeed that we turn to the *Union Prayerbook* for words of inspiration as we move forward into our 40th Anniversary year. Both individually and collectively, may we pray: "May the consciousness of Thy presence be the music of our lives, bringing harmony into our existence and raising us to the heights of true humanity."

JANE EVANS, *Executive Director*

REPORT OF
The Treasurer

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 31, 1952

To the Members of the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The fiscal year of the NFTS closed on October 31, 1952. This report is a tentative one of the results of operations for the 1951-52 fiscal year, subject to adjustments by the Auditors. Some monies and charges for the 1951-52 fiscal year are still in transit and therefore this report will reflect estimates of General Fund receipts and disbursements.

GENERAL FUND INCOME FOR 1951-52

The budget as submitted by the Budget Committee for this fiscal year estimated our receipts as \$97,500.00 for direct income. It is now estimated that our income, after all monies are received, will amount to \$102,000.00. Included in this amount are National Dues, \$77,000.00; Uniongrams and Thank You Notes, \$11,000.00; Sales of Art Calendars and Materials, \$11,250.00; and Service Fee for Collections, \$2,500.00.

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES FOR 1951-52

After all the charges affecting the 1951-52 fiscal year are paid, the total direct NFTS expenditures should amount to \$98,300.00. The Executive Board approved a budgetary appropriation for 1951-52 amounting to \$97,435.00. Details of the probable expenditures can be found in the Budget Committee's report that will be submitted at this Board Meeting.

RESULTS FOR 1951-52—TENTATIVE

NFTS income will exceed our expenditures for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1952 by the sum of \$3,800.00.

(Mrs. AARON L.) LEORA LAMBIE, *Treasurer*

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
OCTOBER 31, 1952

ASSETS	Total	General Fund	National Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund (d)	"House of Living Judaism" Fund	Special Funds for Designated Purposes
Cash in banks.....	\$ 67,057.00	\$36,267.41		\$7,962.60	\$2,551.07
Cash on deposit with Union of American Hebrew Congregations....	1,000.00	1,000.00			
Investments—allocated (at cost).....	32,190.00	12,950.00 (c)	19,240.00 (c)		
Deposit with travel agencies.....	425.00	425.00			
Accounts, advances, and contributions receivable (net).....	1,724.32	1,374.32	350.00		
Notes receivable from congregations.....	2,700.00				2,700.00
Total Assets.....	\$105,096.32	\$52,016.73 (a)	\$39,865.92	\$7,962.60	\$5,251.07
LIABILITIES					
Due to Union of American Hebrew Congregations.....	\$ 3,315.04	\$ 3,315.04 (b)			
Due to Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion.....	7,180.00		\$ 7,180.00		
Due to Sisterhoods for Free Religious Schools.....	223.00		223.00		
Deferred income—available for 1952-53 and subsequent years.....	1,084.19		1,084.19		
Total Liabilities.....	\$ 11,802.23	\$ 3,315.04	\$ 8,487.19		
RESERVES AND BALANCES					
Mrs. Martha Levy Steinfeld Reserve.....	\$ 143.78				\$ 143.78
Contribution for Braille Machine.....	40.00				40.00
Reserve for Committee on Family Education.....	100.00				100.00
Reserve for World Union for Progressive Judaism— Silver Coin Collection.....	1,314.29				1,314.29
Reserve for Sisterhoods' Synagogue Loan Funds Capital.....	3,653.00				3,653.00
Reserve for Production of Yearbook.....	4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00			
"House of Living Judaism" Principal.....	7,962.60			\$7,962.60	
Accumulated General Operating Fund Balances—October 31, 1952..	76,080.42	44,701.69	\$31,378.73		
Total Reserves and Balances.....	\$ 93,294.09	\$48,701.69	\$31,378.73	\$7,962.60	\$5,251.07
Total Liabilities, Reserves and Balances.....	\$105,096.32	\$52,016.73	\$39,865.92	\$7,962.60	\$5,251.07

- Notes: (a) The above assets do not include unpaid balances, aggregating \$5 206.33 due on sales of Uniongrams and other materials; and inventory of salable materials. Income from these sources is credited when collected.
- (b) The note receivable of \$2,250, due from U.A.H.C. has been applied as an offset to the amount due to U.A.H.C.
- (c) The U.S. Savings Bonds, Series "F," are included at cost although they appreciate in value periodically.
- (d) Deferrals and refunds for free Religious Schools, totalling \$1756.14 and not included in this statement.

**NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES**

November 1, 1951 to October 31, 1952

	Income	Expenditures	Balance or Deficit
National Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.....	\$ 61,909.65	\$ 64,764.42	\$ 2,854.77
General Fund – Budgetary	106,349.30	90,102.25	16,247.05
General Fund – Non-Budgetary (office equipment)		944.65	944.65
	<u>\$168,258.95</u>	<u>\$155,811.32</u>	<u>\$12,447.63</u>

FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

(ALLOCATED BY THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
TEMPLE SISTERHOODS)

Budgetary

Development and administrative expenses	\$ 10,310.03
Committee projects	23,307.12
Field and membership services (including speakers bureau)	18,349.04
Production of salable materials	23,553.59
Publication and public relations	12,921.18
Dues, contributions, and miscellaneous	1,661.29
<i>- Total</i>	<u>\$ 90,102.25</u>

Oblique denotes red figures.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON Budget and Finance

Evanston, Ill., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The process of budgeting demands systematic foresight based upon past experience and anticipated conditions. It would seem that budgeting involves formulating a comprehensive financial plan and then checking the results. We are, therefore, attaching a copy of the Budget for the fiscal year 1951-52 and also a report of how we have met that Budget for the first nine months.

A careful study of the attached Budget will find that we are meeting it. Should our expenditures continue at the same rate for the final three months of the year, we will meet the Budget with a slight surplus.

The report is shown for the first nine months of the year only as it is impossible at this date to have the figures for the entire year.

(MRS. IRVING E.) BEE HOLLOBOW, *Chairman*

9/7/52

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS *Functional Expenditures & Income — 11/1/51 — 7/31/52*

	Budget 1951-52	Actual—9 months 1951-52
INCOME:		
National Dues	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 75,389.10
Sales of Uniongrams & Notes	11,500.00	7,253.39
Sales of Materials	11,050.00	7,247.84
Service Fee for Collections	2,500.00	—
Miscellaneous Income	450.00	1,271.50
Total Direct NFTS Income	<u>\$ 97,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 91,161.83</u>
U.A.H.C. Appropriation (12 months)	44,592.61	45,950.82
Total Income:	<u>\$142,092.61</u>	<u>\$136,112.65</u>
EXPENDITURES:		
Field & Membership Services	\$ 36,631.90	\$ 25,644.36
Programming	21,305.52	16,500.73
Committee Projects	26,631.90	23,398.78
Production-Saleable Materials	27,479.14	21,251.33
Dues, Contributions, Misc.	1,500.00	1,056.81
Publication & Publicity	14,000.00	8,543.45
Administration Expenses	14,479.15	12,362.30
Total Expenditures	<u>\$142,027.61</u>	<u>\$108,757.76</u>

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS—

Budgetary Requests for NFTS Fiscal Year November 1, 1952 to October 31, 1953

	Actual 1950-51	Budget 1951-52	Probable 1951-52	Requests 1952-53
NFTS INCOME:				
National Dues	\$ 64,080.11	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 77,000.00	\$ 81,000.00
District Federation Dues	210.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Uniongrams and Thank You Notes	11,258.74	11,500.00	11,000.00	12,000.00
Sales of Art Calendars	7,152.67	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Sales of Materials	3,891.92	4,050.00	4,250.00	4,000.00
*Service Fee for Collections	2,782.80	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,700.00
Interest on Savings Accounts	126.64	250.00	125.00	125.00
Total Direct NFTS Income	\$ 89,502.88	\$ 97,500.00	\$102,075.00	\$107,025.00
UAHC Appropriation for NFTS	46,460.99	44,592.61	45,950.82	49,367.18
TOTAL NFTS INCOME AND UAHC APPROPRIATION	\$135,963.87	\$142,092.61	\$148,025.82	\$156,392.18
NFTS FUNCTIONAL EXPENDITURES AND BUDGETS:				
NFTS Development and Admin- istration Expenses	\$ 20,169.96	\$ 21,305.53	\$ 21,249.36	\$ 24,923.44
Committee Projects	41,902.65	41,111.04	45,298.73	49,346.87
Field and Membership Services in- cluding Speakers Bureau	31,681.00	36,631.90	33,136.71	39,529.29
Production-Saleable Materials	23,328.80	27,479.14	28,762.02	30,067.58
Publications, Publicity and Public Relations	5,126.28	14,000.00	14,000.00	11,000.00
*Dues, Contributions and Misc.	2,270.54	1,500.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
TOTAL NFTS EXPENDITURES from Direct Income and UAHC Appropriation	\$124,479.23	\$142,027.61	\$144,246.82	\$156,667.18
SUMMARY:				
NFTS INCOME AND UAHC AP- PROPRIATION	\$135,963.87	\$142,092.61	\$148,025.82	\$156,392.18
NFTS EXPENDITURES from Direct Income and UAHC Appropriation	124,479.23	142,027.61	144,246.82	156,667.18
Total Operating Surplus	\$ 11,484.64	\$ 65.00	\$ 3,779.00	\$ —
or Operating Deficit	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 275.00

EXPLANATORY NOTES:

1. The item of income marked with an asterisk and called "Service Fee For Collections" represents a 10% service charge made by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, upon authority of its Executive Board, for the collection of funds for other agencies. For example: 10% of monies collected through NFTS for the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. is withheld to cover NFTS' cost of this fund raising.

It should be noted that 10% is a lower cost for fund raising than any single agency would need to allow in its own budget. Therefore, it is believed that this nominal 10% charge is extremely fair, not only to NFTS which is merely concerned in covering its own cost in serving other agencies, but also to the beneficiaries which have gained thereby.

2. The sum marked with an asterisk under expenditures which is listed, "Dues, Contributions and Miscellaneous" covers dues or contributions from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to various agencies as approved by the NFTS Executive Board; subscriptions to magazines as needed in the work of various Committees; reference material for the office library, etc.

For example: Within this category are dues to the National Peace Conference, Women in World Affairs, Inc., Pan-Pacific Women's Association, as well as contributions to the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Jewish Information Bureau, Marriage and Family Living, etc.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

District Federations

Knoxville, Tenn., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Before viewing the following statistical material of NFTS District activities for the year, November 1, 1951—October 31, 1952, will you envision a huge circle, with NFTS at the top? On the right side of the circle are the local Sisterhoods, with a double headed arrow pointing upward toward NFTS and around to District Federations. On the left side of the circle are the District Federations, with a double headed arrow, pointing upward toward NFTS and downward toward local Sisterhoods. As the arrow illustrates, Districts, as subsidiaries, are in a liaison position, linking together more tightly our National Federation and its local affiliates.

The attached chart includes educational services to local Sisterhoods, such as District Conventions, Regional Meetings, Workshops, Leadership Training Institutes, Bulletins, Speakers' Bureau. Through these media and others, Sisterhood leadership is being developed and the purposes and functions of NFTS Committee activities and projects are being explained and emphasized. In addition, on the District level, certain vastly important religious and educational projects are being implemented.

Not recorded, but which you will find reflected, are the Sisterhood women, themselves, their dedication and inventiveness, their thinking, planning and doing. Reflected, also, are the opportunities, on the District level, for many Sisterhood women to gather to discuss mutual Sisterhood problems, hopes, and responsibilities, to hear distinguished speakers, to be challenged and inspired. These facets are of utmost value along with the facts.

The District link between NFTS and local Sisterhoods is made stronger, year by year, and is increasing the great strength of our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

(Mrs. C. C.) EMILIE E. STRASBURGER, *Chairman*

NFTS District	Units & Members	Selected List of Educational Service to Units	Selected List of Religious and Educational Projects
1 New England (Mass. & R. I.)	11 4,118	April and September Board Meetings, Boston and Newton. Publication of new Bulletin.	Annual Regional Youth Conclave, Cape Cod, August 24-31, in cooperation with NFTS District No. 2.
2 Connecticut	4 1,140	April Board Meeting in New Haven.	Annual Regional Youth Conclave (See above). Annual contribution to NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.
3 New York	67 13,115	Annual Meeting in April, West End Synagogue, New York City. Speakers' Bureau. Bulletin, "State-Ments". Regional Meetings. Four Day Sisterhood Caravan visiting upper New York State for Leadership Training Institutes. Regional 4 sessions Study Course on United Nations sponsored by District Committee on Peace and World Relations. Publication of Holiday Home: Observance Bulletin for parents and children of Religious Schools.	Sallie Kubie Glauber Memorial Contribution to NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. Cooperation with the National Leadership Institute of NFTY, Haverford College, Pennsylvania. Annual Labor Day Regional Youth Conclave in New York State.
4 New Jersey	13 2,589	First Bulletin publication, "Newsnote". 29th Annual Convention, Atlantic City, Nov. 1-2. Theme: "To Promote The Spirit of Religion". NFTS Speaker: Mrs. Louis A. Rosett. Workshops: Fund-raising Activities, Religious Education, Child to Adult, Programs. Sisterhood Leadership Institute, conducted by Mrs. Joseph Glanzer.	Annual Regional Youth Conclave, June 7-8. Sadie Levy Foster memorial contribution to NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. Much Braille activity. Emergency services through "Serve-A-Camp", "Hospital" and "Chaplain" projects.
5 Pennsylvania	29 4,775	5th Biennial Convention, Philadelphia, Nov. 5-7. Theme: "The Sister in Sisterhood Is You". NFTS Speaker: Mrs. Louis A. Rosett. Workshops: 1. Program: Should we Compete? Changing Needs. 2. Youth: Family Education, Religious Education, PTA, The Teen-Age. 3. Membership: Growth, Retention, Religious Extension, Funds. 4. Cultural Activities: Interfaith, Peace and World Relations. Bulletin, "Keystone Topics". Speakers' Bureau. Biennial Regional Meetings, planned, programmed and presided over by the three Vice-Presidents.	Religious School traveling Chairman. Cooperation with the National Leadership Institute of NFTY Haverford College.

NFTS District	Units & Members	Selected List of Educational Service to Units	Selected List of Religious and Educational Projects
Ohio 6	29 8,134	<p>Convention, November 13-15. Workshops on Youth Activities, Program, Interfaith. NFTS Leadership Training Institute conducted by Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer.</p> <p>Speakers' Bureau. News Bulletin. 6 Neighboring Sisterhood Joint Meetings held in Fall and Spring for all units. Board Meeting in Youngstown, October 22-23. Leadership Training Institute conducted by Miss Jane Evans.</p>	Contribution to NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.
West Virginia 7	12 834	<p>State Bulletin. Speakers' Bureau. Publication of Pre-Convention Manual, Pamphlet of Vital Statistics, Compilation of Annual Reports by local Presidents and District Chairmen. Installation Scroll.</p>	<p>Religious School Teachers' Institute, Parkersburg, November 4.</p> <p>Annual Memorial Braille Contribution.</p> <p>Annual Regional Youth Conclave.</p>
Delaware Wash. D. C. Maryland North Carolina Virginia 8	26 4,499	<p>Board Meeting, Lynchburg, November 7. Panel Discussion on "Place of Ceremonials in Modern Jewish Home". Convention, Greensboro, N. C. March 22-24, held concurrently with Mid-Atlantic Conference of UAHC. Keynote Address, using Convention Theme "Today's Planning for Tomorrow's Judaism", Dr. Maurice Eisendrath. NFTS Speaker, Mrs. Jerome Salm. Convention Visual Displays of outstanding Unit Projects. Speakers' Bureau. Bulletin.</p>	<p>Contribution to House of Living Judaism.</p> <p>Annual Religious School Teachers' Institute and traveling qualified Religious School Educator to help small communities.</p>
Indiana 10	13 1,725	<p>October Board Meeting in Indianapolis. Speakers' Bureau: Mildred Markum Award.</p>	<p>Cooperation with Ohio Valley Regional Youth Conclave of MFTY, Vincennes, Indiana.</p> <p>Annual Contribution to Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.</p> <p>Contribution toward one Scholarship at NFTY Leadership Inst.</p>

11 Michigan	14 2,653	Convention, Benton Harbor, St. Joseph, April 27-28. Theme: "School for Sisterhoods". NFTS Speaker: Mrs. C. C. Strasburger. Leadership Training Institute. Sisterhood Workshop: Youth Activities, Fund Raising, Programs, Family Education, Membership. Forum: "Youth Looks To The Future". Quarterly Presidential Newsletter, "A Link With You". Annual publication of Bulletin, "The Link". Speakers' Bureau.	Winter Regional Youth Conclave at Detroit, November 23-24. Spring Regional Youth Conclave at Pontiac in March. Annual Uniongram Trophy to be presented to Sisterhood with largest increase in sales.
12 Kentucky-Tennessee	15 2,373	25th Biennial Convention held in conjunction with 14th Biennial Conference of Kentucky-Tennessee Council of UAHC, Lexington, Kentucky. Theme: "Living Dividends for Reform Judaism" Through (Workshops on) Jewish Education, Youth Activities, NFTB, UAHC, Social Services, Interfaith Activities. UAHC Banquet Speaker: Dr. Nelson Glueck. NFTS Banquet Speaker: Mrs. Joseph Glanzer. Speakers' Bureau especially for small Sisterhoods. Board Meeting, Jackson, Tennessee, October 26, Leadership Training Institute by Miss Jane Evans.	Annual Regional Youth Conclave. Confirmation Essay Award. Annual Clara Felsenthal Memorial Braille contribution. Scholarships, especially for Youth of small communities to attend NFTY Summer Camp.
13 South Carolina	11 352	Monthly Presidential Newsletter. Personal visit of President to each Unit and assistance in establishing Religious Schools in communities without Rabbis. Board Meetings in Columbia, October and January.	Annual Regional Youth Conclave. Talking Books made by Sisterhood women and Recorder for South Carolina School for Blind Children.
14 Southeast (Georgia-Florida-Alabama)	29 3,500	27th Annual Convention and 4th Biennial Conference of Southeast Council of UAHC, Miami, November 18-19. NFTS Speaker: Mrs. Irving Hollobow. Symposium: Fundamentals of Sisterhood: Membership, Programming, Ways and Means. Symposium: Congregational Problems: Religious School Training, Youth Training, Adult Jewish Education, Parochial vs. Religious School. Speakers' Bureau headed by Vice-Presidents, one from each State.	Annual Regional Youth Conclave at Sautee, Georgia. Turner W. Davis Award to Sisterhood with largest Youth representation at Conclave. Youth Activities at the Universities of Georgia, Alabama, Florida.
16 Mississippi-Arkansas	23 1,287	First Biennial Convention of Mississippi-Arkansas, Jackson, Mississippi, January 12-14. Theme: "Unifying Our Forces Through Sisterhoods". NFTS Speaker: Mrs. Louis A. Rosett. Workshops on: Strengthening Jewish Family Life,	Annual Regional Youth Conclave, Jackson, Mississippi.

NFTS District	Units & Members	Selected List of Educational Service to Units	Selected List of Religious and Educational Projects
		<p>Furthering Religious Identification, Advancing Liberal Judaism, Improving Human Relations.</p> <p>Bulletin, "The Torch". Speakers' Bureau. October Board Meeting, Clarksdale. Progress Report, giving statistical analysis of Sisterhood and Religious Schools' activities.</p>	
17 Louisiana	12 1,896	<p>State Board Meeting, Lake Charles, March 30.</p>	<p>3rd Regional Youth Conclave. (Mississippi-Louisiana), Alexandria, April 4-6. Special Services to Red Cross Blood Bank, hospitals, and Armed Forces. Annual Religious School Teachers' Institute. Youth Activities at Louisiana State University. Leper Cheer Project.</p>
18 Illinois	26 7,949	<p>Convention, Chicago, March 31. Theme: "The Dynamics of Sisterhood". NFTS Speaker: Mrs. Howard Kern.</p> <p>Bulletin. Downstate Presidents' Council for Sisterhood leaders. Survey of Relationship of PTAs, Congregations, Sisterhoods.</p>	<p>"Serve-a-Hospital"—"Camp"—"Chaplain projects."</p> <p>Four Interfaith Forums.</p> <p>Cooperation with Chicago Federation of UAHC in purchase of Camp Lac La Belle.</p>
19 Wisconsin	5 978	<p>Convention, Milwaukee, May 14. Theme: "Sisterhood-Progress Through Unity". NFTS representative, Mrs. Harold Baum. Workshops on: Religious Schools, Attendance, Programs, Ways and Means.</p> <p>October Board Meeting, Appleton.</p>	
20 Iowa- Kansas- Missouri- Nebraska- Colorado- New Mexico	21 4,193	<p>19th Biennial Conference, St. Joseph, Missouri, November 4-6. Theme: "Every Wise Woman Buildeth Her House." Prov. 14:1. Banquet Address: Mrs. Melvin Harris, NFTS. Panel: ABC's of Sisterhood. Workshops: Sisterhood serves its members, Temple, Community, Reform Judaism. "Handbook for Presidents" written by Mrs. Harry Jacobson, given to each Sisterhood President (later, to each District President, at NFTS District Presidents' Council), is being published by NFTS for all Sisterhood Presidents.</p>	<p>Second Annual Regional Winter Conclave held in Kansas City for Missouri Valley Region of Temple Youth.</p> <p>Contribution to Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial.</p>

		<p>Meeting of Interim Committee, Omaha, January 8 to plan four area meetings and Workshops; "Sisterhood Goes To School". Fall and Spring Publication of Bulletin. Talent Bureau.</p>	
<p>22 Texas- Oklahoma</p>	<p>21 3,926</p>	<p>16th Biennial Convention held, Austin, November 4-6. Theme: "Sisterhood and Judaism". NFTS Banquet Speaker: Mrs. Jerome Salm. Symposium: A Collation of Mutual Problems, Broader Scope of Jewish Education, Emergency Services, You and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Workshops: Strengthening Jewish Family Life, Improving Human Relations, Furthering Religious Identification, Advancing Liberal Judaism. Speakers' Bureau. Bulletin to be edited during interval year, when there is no Convention. Preliminary Plan Kit for District Conventions prepared by Mrs. Bertram Klausner.</p>	<p>Contribution to HLJ, in memory of Mrs. Henry Cohen. Contribution to HLJ, in honor of Mrs. Louis A. Rosett.</p>
<p>24 (California Oregon Washington Arizona)</p>	<p>33 6,918</p>	<p>Four Regional Institute-Workshops: 1. Central California at San Francisco. Topics for morning session: Sisterhood Leadership, Interfaith, Jewish Literature for Blind, Uniongrams, Membership, Program. Afternoon session: Religious School, Adult Education, Youth, Fund-raising. 2. Southern Area at Los Angeles. Activities Workshop: Membership Retention, Program, War Activities, Sisterhood's Participation in Temple, House of Living Judaism. Education Workshop: Youth Activities, Religious Schools, Adult Education, Music. 3. Northwest Workshop at Portland, Oregon: The Art of Jewish Living—USA, 1952. A Way Of Life: Sisterhood Role in The Synagogue, in the Community, in the Home. 4. Arizona Workshop at Tucson (first Workshop held in Arizona). Program of the Day, using these as bases: Uniongrams, Jewish Literature for Blind. Education—Religious Schools, Family Education, Youth Activities, Ceremonials. All Sisterhood Day in Los Angeles in January, bringing together 700 members from 15 Sisterhoods. Dr. Maurice Eisendrath, Speaker.</p>	<p>Cooperation with Western Association of Reform Rabbis in Summer Youth Camp.</p>

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
Emergency Services

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Your Committee on Emergency Services is pleased to report that it is filling a great need in a number of areas. NFTS, which is one of the organizations affiliated with the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board, has been commended for playing a most outstanding role in this work. Nearly 100 NFTS affiliates in 37 states and the District of Columbia have reported participation in the "Serve-A-Camp" Projects. Other Sisterhoods have not reported whether or not they were participating. In cities in which more than one Sisterhood is active, only one group is indicated for the entire city, so the figure of 68 actually represents more groups than that number.

In addition to this vital activity with regard to "Serve-A-Camp," NFTS affiliates are also active in "Serve-A-Chaplain" and "Serve-A-Hospital" Projects. Many packages and Ditty Bags containing basic and luxury items, requested by chaplains, have been sent overseas and to veterans in hospitals. The supporters of the "Serve-A-Projects" were described in *Redbook Magazine*, February, 1952, in the following terms: "Their patriotism is an inspiring example to all. Their act of personal effort is well worth emulation." All the "Serve-A-" projects were developed by the Women's Organizations' Division of the NJWB, which is comprised of eight national women's organizations which work together in united devotion.

We continue to urge our Sisterhoods to collaborate actively with the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board and to be ready to assist in Civilian Defense, should that need occur. We hope that our Emergency Service work will continue to meet the increasing demand, and we know we can rely on Sisterhoods to meet this responsibility now as they have in the past.

(MRS. LOUIS I.) AUGUSTA C. EGELSON, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON

Evaluation

W. Los Angeles, Calif., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The special Committee on Evaluation, subsequent to its initial meeting on October 24, 1951, at which meeting plans to evaluate areas in which greater service might be rendered, and by which functioning might be strengthened, proceeded according to those plans. The evaluation Committee recommended and the Executive board approved:

1. That a study be made of Election Procedures.
2. That a study be made of the structure of NFTS with consideration of possible realignment of NFTS Committees.
3. That the Evaluation Committee send a carefully devised questionnaire to each local Sisterhood, asking for an appraisal of its relations with NFTS and suggestions for measures it would wish to be initiated by NFTS.
4. That the NFTS President write a letter, to be sent periodically to members of the Executive Board.
5. That the Committee review the type of literature NFTS is sending out.

The fourth recommendation was implemented immediately by the President.

The Sub-Committee charged with the responsibility of implementing recommendation number three—devising a questionnaire—after much consideration, engaged, with the approval of the committee, an outstanding, experienced research consultant, who devised, with NFTS cooperation, a questionnaire, and who evaluated the results received from local Presidents, to whom the questionnaire was sent. Answers received numbered one hundred seventy-three—an unusually large percentage for returns on questionnaires.

The Evaluation Committee met on May 6th, 1952—at which meeting primary consideration of the Committee was given to the results of the questionnaire. Responses indicated great enthusiasm for, and approval of, the questionnaire, with appreciation of an opportunity to express a local point of view.

Highlights of the evaluation were many-faceted. Though most Sisterhoods have a clear idea of the value and efforts of their local Sisterhood, most members lack a clear concept of the values and efforts of the National organization.

The general attitude is that NFTS is well organized, but twenty percent of the respondents believed some national services should be curtailed—particularly in areas where other organizations function.

The major criticism was in the area of communications. One out of four Presidents recommends that formal changes in the organization be studied. Over one-third of the respondents recommend more personal contact with the National organization. Reports indicated that the smaller or middle-sized Sister-

hoods find the National program satisfactory. It is the larger Sisterhoods that complain of organizational and communication problems that are not being satisfactorily resolved.

Percentage-wise results of answers to all questions in the questionnaire were in the tabulations. These were submitted by the Chairman of the Evaluation Committee to a subsequent meeting of the NFTS Executive Committee. To facilitate implementation of the suggestions embodied in replies to the questionnaire, the Evaluation Committee recommended, and the Executive Committee approved:

1. That the Evaluation Committee be augmented by seven more members, three of which number shall be non-Board members.
2. That it be suggested to the Field Service Committee:
 - a. To revise its Speakers Bureau, and arrange for each speaker to include more Sisterhoods in nearby areas.
 - b. That Sisterhoods be contacted in September of this year, and in spring in ensuing years—to determine if a representative of NFTS shall visit them and asking that, if so, such representative be permitted to address the local Board.
3. That the "President's Packet" be altered with the aim to stimulate more interest in the contents, and that National Chairmen be requested to test their letters carefully to ascertain if they are helpful to local chairmen. It was further suggested that, excepting fund raising chairmen, each chairman write only three or four letters a season.
4. In regard to communications from the National office—the chief complaint—a recommendation was made to immediately obtain a form postal, or similar means of acknowledging receipt of letters. It was further recommended that, since present office personnel is inadequate to handle the voluminous correspondence, when the proposed realignment of committees now being studied is made, consideration be given to means of making it possible for the Executive office to handle communications more expeditiously. A member of the Executive Board, skilled in office management, agreed to assist in the present effort to improve channels of communication while realignment is pending.
5. A letter was sent to all affiliates concerning the survey, advising them that consideration is being given problems raised, and efforts are being made to implement suggestions.

Sub-Committees have met during the summer. The sub-committee on Election Procedures is giving particular consideration to length of terms of National Board members; succession in office of officers; time of appointment of nominating committee; revisions suggested to or by Committee on Revision of By-Laws.

The Sub-Committee to study structure, with consideration of realignment, is studying various suggested sub-divisions of the work, as well as relations and responsibilities of NFTS committees and staff. It is giving consideration to what other organizations have done in this area and to helpful alignment of staff functions.

The increasing extent, and the many facets of the program of this Committee cannot be outlined in a necessarily brief report. The farther one progresses in the areas in which we are instituting changes, the more keenly are we cognizant of the validity of the statement on Evaluation adopted by the initial meeting of the committee. "The primary purpose is growth. At best, evaluation procedures should be a built-in, long time, and continuous part of the total activity."

(MRS. HENRY) DAISY MONSKY, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Family Education

Houston, Texas, October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

After my stimulating trip to New York in October, 1951 for the dedication of our Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, it was my privilege to attend the Convention of NFTS District #22, the Texas-Oklahoma Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. During the symposium on "The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and What It Offers You," I presented NFTS' program in the field of Family Education and made an appeal for its implementation on a local and District level.

It has been gratifying to learn by personal contact with women of many states that enthusiasm is manifest in carrying out various programs connected with this field. Even in small communities, I found that, with the cooperation of the Rabbis, classes were being formed in Bible study or there was family participation in Temple Services. Many communities have workshops to assist families in celebrating holidays. They also have study groups and lecture series on subjects pertaining to Family Education. As an example, in Houston, Texas, both our Reform Temple Sisterhood groups have excellent programs on Family Education which take place regularly throughout the year. These are in the form of classes with discussion periods and group parties.

A number of Sisterhoods have been assisted by personal visits from members of our Committee. I hope that interest in Family Education will grow from strength to strength. Sisterhood members throughout the country appreciate the need for more education about our heritage, and I know that our Committee's work will continue to be an integral part of NFTS' program.

(MRS. MOSES M.) HILDA SCHWARTZ, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
Field Services

Columbia, S. C., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Past President of NFTS District #20, a member of this Committee, has written an extremely constructive *Manual for Sisterhood Leaders*, which will shortly be available for distribution. This book is in response to a long-felt need, for it will answer the multitudinous questions which are constantly occurring to Sisterhood leaders. It will be kept current with Sisterhood needs and policies by periodic distribution of corrections and added information to all owners of the Manual. NFTS is deeply grateful to Mrs. Jacobson for her work, which entailed months of concentrated effort. We are also deeply grateful to Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, who acted as editor of the book.

Another member of the Special Committee on Field Services, Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, President of the Sisterhood of Temple Rodeph Sholom, N. Y., and Vice-President of NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, has prepared a manual, *When You Organize a New Sisterhood*. Mrs. Glanzer's efforts will be of great service to NFTS, and we are deeply grateful to her also.

Following the November, 1952 NFTS Board meeting, this Committee will sponsor for members of the Board an Institute to train Leaders for Sisterhood Leadership Workshops. It is hoped that the Institute will prepare its "students" so that they may lead area Leadership Workshops which we hope will be organized in the very near future.

The Special Committee on Field Service is endeavoring to eliminate unnecessary loss of time and added expense by more intensive advance planning and inclusion of several speaking engagements on each NFTS representative's trip. This has been difficult. There is an inadequate number of volunteer visitors trained to carry the message of Sisterhood and to act as consultants to local units. We hope the area Leadership Institutes and other plans in formulation will help solve this and other Field Service problems.

(MRS. JULIAN) HELEN KOHN HENNIC, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE
House of Living Judaism—NFTS Project

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

As you know, the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial opened its doors during the week-end of October 26, 1951. Our vision of an American and world-wide religious center, dedicated to the glory of God and to the advancement of Reform Judaism, had at last been realized. Its creation was made possible by our Sisterhoods who subscribed \$10 per member and by the generous gift of the late Dr. A. A. Berg, distinguished New York surgeon and philanthropist, in honor of his parents.

While I am proud of the record of our Sisterhoods in helping to create this religious center, I wish that I could report that all Sisterhoods have played an equal part in it. However, there are some groups which did not contribute \$10 per member prior to the erection of the building, and whose names therefore do not appear on the famous Fireplace Wall in the Sisterhood Lounge. We are now preparing a companion piece to the Fireplace Wall. On it will be recorded the names of the Sisterhoods which have met their quotas since the erection of the House of Living Judaism. These funds will be used to complete important unfinished portions of the building. Sisterhoods which have sent us by January 1, 1953 their written pledge that they will fulfill their complete quota by October 31, 1953, will have their names listed on the companion piece in time for the 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly to be held in New York, April 19-23, 1953.

Following is a review of contributions to date:

394 participating Sisterhoods contributed	\$443,187.16
This represents 227 Sisterhoods who fulfilled their quotas; 167 Sisterhoods who have not yet fulfilled their quotas; although many are over or nearing the half-way mark.	
Contributions from District Federations	3,212.25
Contributions from miscellaneous sources	1,438.87
Contributions to Special Kitchenette Fund	705.00
Total	\$448,543.28*

I hope at the time of the 40th Anniversary Biennial, the names of all our Sisterhoods will be recorded in the Sisterhood Lounge as having fulfilled their quotas of \$10 per member, so that in days to come, they will know the joy of seeing their names among those who have helped to create our beautiful home of Living Judaism.

(MRS. EDWARD B.) HELEN S. SCHULKIND, *Chairman*

* See Addendum on next page.

Addendum

House of Living Judaism Fund

Total Receipts H.L.J. as of 11/1/51	\$430,594.65	
Receipts for 1951-52	17,948.63	
Total Receipts to October 31, 1952	\$448,543.28	
Campaign Costs thru 10/31/51	\$68,169.24	
Estimated Costs for 1951-52	4,000.00	72,169.24
Net H.L.J. Receipts thru 10/31/52	\$376,374.04	
Transmitted to UAHC for purchase of site, furnishings and payments to help complete construction costs		361,924.37
Unexpended Balance as of 10/31/52	\$	14,449.67

APPENDIX A

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM HONOR ROLL

Quotas Completed or Exceeded November 1, 1951, - October 31, 1952

- Temple Aid Society, Gadsden, Ala.
- Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel, Savannah, Ga.
- Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md.
- Adath Joseph Sisterhood, St. Joseph, Mo.
- Sisterhood of United Hebrew Congregation, Springfield, Mo.
- Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo, E. Orange, N. J.
- Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood, Hackensack, N. J.
- Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple, Hempstead, N. Y.
- Women's Guild of White Plains Jewish Community Center, White Plains, N. Y.
- Temple Women's Association Tifereth Israel, Cleveland, O.
- Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Beaumont, Tex.
- Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood, Danville, Va.
- Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood, Charleston, W. Va.

APPENDIX B

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
STATEMENT OF EXPENSES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

"HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM"

November 1, 1945 to October 31, 1952

	11/1/45 (and prior) to 10/31/46	11/1/46 to 10/31/47	11/1/47 to 10/31/48	11/1/48 to 10/31/49	11/1/49 to 10/31/50	11/1/50 to 10/31/51	11/1/51 to 10/31/52	Total To 10/31/52
CAMPAIGN EXPENSES								
Salaries—director, assistant, and clerical....	\$5,277.95	\$11,944.84	\$ 12,027.00	\$11,505.72	\$ 4,162.33	\$ 1,086.52	\$ 4,246.44	\$ 50,250.80
Travel expenses—director.....	319.79	639.78	1,181.05	592.94	—	—	—	2,733.56
Printing, paper, composition, electros, engravings, envelopes, etc.....	1,712.98	2,907.77	1,666.48	1,378.55	595.26	356.15	10.90	8,628.09
Art work.....	279.51	465.00	—	—	—	28.50	320.62	1,093.63
Postage	117.57	737.15	136.46	725.42	31.57	—	—	1,748.17
Telephone service	84.59	289.99	314.33	228.93	213.53	206.76	—	1,338.13
Miscellaneous office expenses	65.10	356.17	1,170.16	1,247.22	696.14	338.41	45.22	3,918.42
Furniture and equipment	424.05	39.45	112.67	—	—	922.43	—	1,498.60
Meeting costs and reporting service	—	815.99	—	—	60.76	—	—	876.75
Insurance and miscellaneous expenses	—	86.22	16.87	—	167.58	12.67	294.05	577.39
Office maintenance	—	—	—	—	—	422.93	20.62	443.55
Book of Living Judaism	—	—	—	—	—	—	284.22	284.22
TOTAL CAMPAIGN EXPENSES	\$8,281.54	\$18,282.36	\$ 16,625.02	\$15,678.78	\$ 5,927.17	\$ 3,374.37	\$ 5,222.07	\$ 73,391.31
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$2,859.50	\$78,019.99	\$161,306.73	\$81,364.58	\$69,589.04	\$37,454.81	\$17,958.63	\$448,553.28

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Interfaith Activities

Chicago, Ill., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Your Chairman is grateful to all Sisterhoods of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods which have presented splendid programs to leaders of Church Women's Groups.

During the fiscal year ending October 31, 1952, three Institutes on Judaism for leaders of Church Women's Groups following the NFTS suggested outline were presented in Rockville Centre, N. Y., Johnstown, Pa. and Spokane, Wash. Many other Interfaith meetings and Institutes were held throughout the country. These used material and programs suggested by NFTS but did not report following the recommended Institute Program in its entirety. A number of communities made their Interfaith Committee activities all-year projects. Invitations were sent to Christian friends to witness the Jewish Festivals in homes and Synagogues. Our Christian friends have also invited Jewish women to attend their services and programs. Many study classes have been held and several Institutes on Protestantism were presented for our Jewish women.

New programs have been added to our files and have been announced in my monthly letters in the President's Packet. *A Revised Kit on Institutes on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women's Groups* was prepared. This contains the basic program for such meetings plus entirely new sections on possible modification of this outline.

The Committee on Interfaith Activities is most grateful to the Rabbis who cooperated wholeheartedly in our educational program. Appended hereto is a list of the Institutes on Judaism for the Leaders of Christian Women's Groups which were held during this fiscal year, as well as the name of the presiding Chairman and Rabbis who participated in the programs.

It is the concern of those who are dedicated to the principles of religion to help re-educate both the young and the old that they may understand their true function as children of God.

(MRS. LAWRENCE C.) ESTHER B. FRIEDLANDER, *Chairman*

INSTITUTES ON JUDAISM FOR LEADERS OF CHURCH WOMEN'S GROUPS

November 1, 1951 - October 31, 1952

SISTERHOOD OF	PRESIDING	RABBINICAL SPEAKERS
Central Synagogue Rockville Centre, New York	Mrs. Daniel L. Stone	Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn Rabbi Eugene J. Lipman Rabbi Harold Saperstein
Beth Zion Temple Johnstown, Pennsylvania	Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander	Rabbi H. G. Perelmuter Rabbi Nathan Kaber Rabbi Phillip D. Bookstaber
Temple Emanu-El Spokane, Washington	Mrs. Gene A. Zolbert	Rabbi Albert Plotkin

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Jewish Ceremonials and Art

Cincinnati, O., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The NFTS Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art has aided Sisterhoods in promoting Judaica Shops and in obtaining information concerning sources for Gift Shop items, has encouraged Sisterhood programs of Jewish Ceremonial interest and has published the Sisterhood Art Calendar for 5713 (1952-1953).

Many Sisterhoods have established Judaica Shops during this past year and others have expanded theirs. These have provided Jewish ceremonial objects for Sisterhood homes while also furnishing income for Sisterhood treasuries. For the major Jewish holidays, this Committee has made suggestions for home decoration and for materials that might be sold in Sisterhood Gift Shops.

Twenty thousand copies of the Art Calendar were printed this year. Some were sent by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, with her Rosh Ha-shono Uniongram Message to the faculty and student body of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati and New York, Chaplains of the Armed Forces in the United States and overseas, Rabbis and Executive Staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates. Many copies of the calendar were purchased by Sisterhood members.

This year's Art Calendar contains views of our Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial: The Lobby, The Sisterhood Lounge and its Fireplace Wall, The Board of Director's Room, the NFTS President's Room, The Book of Living Judaism and also the plaques depicting the cycle of the Jewish religious year which are major features of the lobby.

(MRS. J. WALTER) STELLA H. FREIBERG, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Jewish Literature for the Blind

South Orange, N. J., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

A spirited correspondence this year between local Chairmen on Jewish Literature for the Blind and NFTS has resulted in mutual benefits, especially in increasing the awareness and interest of sighted people in this area of service.

Special cards have been prepared for the use of Sisterhoods in acknowledging local contributions for Jewish Literature for the Blind. One card is used to thank contributors, the other is designed to be sent to those honored by such contributions, or to the families of persons in whose memory donations have been given. Also, Mr. Leopold Dubov, Executive Vice-President of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., cooperated in the execution of a suitable acknowledgment form to send transcribers when books which they transcribed are received by the Jewish Braille Institute's Library.

Funds for the aid of the blind which were received this year were divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. in New York and the Palestine Lighthouse for European Jewish Blind Survivors of World War II. These funds amounted to \$6,560.87.

During the past fiscal year issues of the *Jewish Braille Review*, published by the Jewish Braille Institute of America Inc., have been underwritten by:

Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., in memory of Henry Horner.

Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Jeshurun, Des Moines, Iowa.

Wilshire Blvd. Temple Sisterhood, Los Angeles, Calif.

Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., in memory of Rabbi Stolz.

Mrs. August Lorch and daughters, Dallas, Texas.

Temple Beth-El Sisterhood, South Bend, Indiana.

Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, Tucson, Arizona.

NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

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Your Chairman represented NFTS at Har Sinai Temple Sisterhood, Trenton, N. J. and spoke on Jewish Literature for the Blind. Funds raised by the meeting comprised the Sisterhood's annual contribution to the work of the NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind.

A tremendous number of pages of braille is transcribed by a relatively few Sisterhoods. The number of Sisterhoods contributing money annually is also

small. Those Sisterhoods which show interest are most enthusiastic in their work and derive deep satisfaction from it. Your Chairman hopes to set up a program for the Biennial Assembly in April, 1953, which will be beneficial not only to those already vitally interested but also will attract potential workers.

RECOMMENDATION

Your Chairman recommends closer contact and better understanding between NFTS and the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. as regards titles and circulation.

(MRS. HARRY H.) HELAINE M. LOWENSTEIN, *Chairman*

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE NFTS COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

SPECIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse

No work the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has ever undertaken could be more rewarding in terms of human betterment than the help, spiritual and material, that you have so generously given to the blind victims of Nazi atrocities.

Our newly organized Berlin group writes:

"Our only real joy is our close contact with the Palestine Lighthouse, and its friends, and our meetings every two weeks. These are not only words but true facts, not to be disputed. Only a few of us are able to work as most of us are in failing health, the consequence of our life in the camps. What we need most is the continuous, great interest of our friends in the U. S. A. . . . We feel that to be able to talk to you in our letters freely about our life with its sorrows and joys takes the place of all we miss here."

After the War, the first step in the rehabilitation process that we inaugurated was our Braille correspondence in six languages with the blind of ten countries. These built new courage and brought to each the joy of a personal friend. This correspondence has been continued over the years; the Blind answering in Braille and using the international stamps which we send them. Their letters tell us their needs; we reply with packages mailed to them in their homes. This is a regular service.

We have mailed:

13,440 pounds of food, 1,495 pounds of clothing, 190 pounds of knitting wool, cigarettes, sheets, blankets and medicines. Individual prescriptions are filled, and medical supplies such as eye drops, vitamins, insulin, and

liver extract are given. Special gift packages are sent for the Holy Days.

Another important standing expenditure in our budget is the sum used for supplying guide service around the city. This often makes an otherwise helpless shut-in a normal functioning man or woman.

We have arranged informal gatherings tempting the timid to meet regularly to enjoy a social hour with refreshments. These we mail from New York. Gradually the Berlin Group has taken form and includes the blind from both East and West Berlin and environments. A trained social worker meets with the blind every other Tuesday to advise them on their personal problems. We continue to pay for the Hall for the large gatherings, for the Group Leader and for the refreshments.

A meager income comes to the blind from the Jewish Communities, who themselves pitifully impoverished, are able to allow the blind only a pittance: \$30 monthly for everything in West Berlin, \$10 monthly in East Berlin. Statistics show that minimum maintenance in Germany is \$75 a month. Our help must supply this difference. Packages, guide service, maintenance of the club must be carried on by us.

The blind depend on their American friends! Who can deny their appeal? We dare not let them down!

LEAH PIZA WEIL, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Peace and World Relations

Davenport, Iowa, October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The objective of the Committee on Peace and World Relations during the fiscal year ending October 31, 1952 might be summed up by a verse from the Thirty-fourth Psalm, "Seek peace and pursue it." As an old Rabbi interpreted the verse, we do not have to run after most of the Commandments to fulfill them, but we should pursue peace aggressively at all times. In that spirit, the Committee has faced the great challenge of our day.

In order that we may establish a world society to merit peace, the Committee urged local, domestic and international study and action on:

1. Social problems in home communities, for instance, housing and schools.
2. The preservation of freedoms and the safeguarding of civil liberties.
3. Avoidance of the militarized way of life even in the face of necessary rearmament.

4. Continuing study and support of the United Nations.
5. Awareness of danger spots such as Korea and the Near East.
6. Understanding approach to the ballot box.

This NFTS Committee, through its members, has been especially active, as a few examples will show: Mrs. Albert Farber of Philadelphia, Pa., our Vice-Chairman, participated as our representative in a United States Department of State Conference on Foreign Policy in Washington, D. C. and attended the Conference on the Covenant of Human Rights at the United Nations. Mrs. Jacob Weinstein of Chicago, Ill., represented us at a UN Conference of National Organizations in that city. Mrs. Leonard Golluber of Brooklyn, N. Y., was the NFTS representative among the members of the United States Women's Organizations when they presented a Statement to Ambassador Ernest Gross at the U. S. Mission to the United Nations. That Statement expressed continuing support of the United Nations and approval of the establishment of the Disarmament Commission at the Sixth Session of the UN General Assembly. Mrs. Carl Ettinger of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, gave forty-eight talks on the UN in her community.

Local Committee Chairmen and members have likewise furthered our objective, as was made clear in the replies your chairman received to the questionnaire, *What's the Score?* which she sent to each Sisterhood in the Federation. There have been more study groups with larger numbers of participants than in former years and increased cooperation with other groups in the community, especially in connection with the United Nations. While some groups have used professional speakers, most have drawn their leadership from among their members. An increasing number of Sisterhoods devoted one full program to peace and world relations during the year and had a brief report from this Committee at every regular Sisterhood meeting. The groups have concerned themselves with legislation for social benefits and for peace and have communicated with their Congressmen on such legislation as universal military training and U. S. Ratification of the Genocide pact.

Again, as in previous years, *Current Copy*, edited by Mrs. Harrison Thomas, provided a brief monthly (except in July and August) digest of news events and suggestions for reading and action. It has been used with gratifying results.

Copies of the statements on race relations and in opposition to universal military training of the Commission on Justice and Peace of the Central Conference of American Rabbis were enclosed with monthly letters to leaders. In the spring the Committee published a Supplement to "To Unite Our Strength," the UN Study pamphlet prepared by Mrs. Thomas three years ago, which brought that pamphlet up to date of January, 1952.

A new study course on security for our day, which it was hoped would be written, was delayed for lack of funds. Your Chairman wishes to consider this as a piece of unfinished business which can be completed during the coming year.

May each Sisterhood, which has been part of our program and all others which we hope will join us in our efforts in the year ahead, seek peace and pursue it.

(MRS. ABRAM V.) MAY F. GOODMAN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Programs

Atlanta, Ga., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Your NFTS Committee on Programs has been an active working Committee since our meeting in November 1951. By the end of the next year each member of the NFTS Program Committee will have written a Program letter for the President's Packet. The Program and Study Materials Book has been prepared for reprinting this year. The members of your Committee read and evaluated each program listed in the previous book and suggested changes. A number of out-dated programs were discarded.

After November 15, the members of the NFTS Program Committee will read the programs submitted by the local Sisterhoods in the NFTS Program Contest, *This Is Our Best*. Awards for the contest will be made at the NFTS Biennial Assembly in April 1953. The final judges are Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, NFTS President, Mrs. David Simon, Vice-Chairman of the NFTS Committee on Programs and Mrs. Sam Mohr, Chairman of the NFTS Committee on Programs.

During the past year, 225 Sisterhoods have requested programs. A number of these have asked for more than one program and in some instances we have assisted non-affiliated groups which later affiliated with us.

The two Cantatas on Sisterhood have been especially popular as have been our holiday programs. Our supply of Uniongram plays is more than adequate, but we are in need of programs on Peace and World Relations and new suggestions for holiday programs.

(Mrs. SAM) MARIAN B. MOHR, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Religious Extension

Birmingham, Ala., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a pleasure to report that seventeen Sisterhoods affiliated with us during the NFTS fiscal year of November 1, 1951 to October 31, 1952.

AFFILIATIONS

CITY	SISTERHOOD	DATE
Sarasota, Fla.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	November 12, 1951
Elizabeth, N. J.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	November 15, 1951
Lawrence, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	January 11, 1952
Merrick, N. Y.	Sisterhood of the Reform Jewish Congregation of Merrick	January 11, 1952
Lubbock, Tex.	Shaareth Israel Auxiliary	January 14, 1952
Los Angeles, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Westchester	January 14, 1952
Quincy, Ill.	Sisterhood Temple B'nai Shalom	January 17, 1952
Philadelphia, Pa.	Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	March 12, 1952
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Sisterhood Congregation Ner Sholom	June 5, 1952
Port Washington, N. Y.	Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue	June 12, 1952
Ithaca, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	July 9, 1952
Saranac Lake, N. Y.	Sisterhood of the Jewish Community Center of Saranac Lake	August 8, 1952
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	The Vassar Temple Sisterhood	September 15, 1952
Malden, Mass.	Temple Tifereth Israel Sisterhood	September 24, 1952
Greenville, S. C.	Temple of Israel Sisterhood	October 7, 1952
Oceanside, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Avodah	October 9, 1952
Lowell, Mass.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	October 16, 1952

RESIGNATIONS

Three groups resigned from our fellowship during the 1951-52 NFTS fiscal year:

Harlingen, Tex.	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	June 18, 1952
Brownsville, Tex.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	September 8, 1952
Los Angeles, Calif.	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood	October 9, 1952

As of October 31, 1952, our Federation included 473 units.

To our new units we extend a hearty welcome; to those who have resigned, we send assurance that we await eagerly their early re-affiliation.

Those who are chosen to serve on this Committee, as well as those in all areas of Sisterhood life, should be aware of the great importance of religious teachings in their living . . . and, of course, that means regular attendance at Temple Services.

(Mrs. MERVIN A.) LILLIAN VAN BAALEN BLACH, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Religious Schools

Los Angeles, Calif., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Through correspondence with our local and District Religious School Chairmen, reports have been received indicating a tremendous growth in the character and quality of our religious school programs.

Our NFTS study materials and the informative and stimulating booklets and pamphlets prepared by the Commission on Jewish Education of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis, have helped implement religious school programs and activities.

Some of these materials are:

1. Colorful and meaningful booklets for holiday celebrations.
2. Adult Education courses.
3. Book of religious content for all age levels.
4. Recommended book lists.

Tremendous strides have been made in workshops and training courses for teachers with the purpose of improving the quality of instruction in our religious schools. In many small communities Sisterhood members have become qualified to serve as teachers in religious schools. This was made possible in many cases through Correspondence Courses which were developed by our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, with funds provided by NFTS.

In our great chain of religious schools, whether there are 3 or 1500 children attending, it has been the aim of our Sisterhood members to give each child the opportunity of sharing the fullness and the background of our great Jewish religion and culture and to integrate religious school activities with home life.

(MRS. DAVID E.) MIRIAM JACOBS, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON
Revision of By-Laws

Tampa, Fla., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

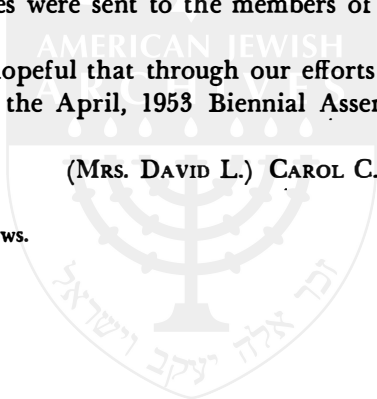
During this fiscal year, our main project has been to secure the cooperation of our Sisterhoods in suggesting revisions to our By-Laws. Letters have been included in President's Packets and the Board Folio asking for proposed revisions, but the responses have been less numerous than we had anticipated.

We are most grateful to NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Revision Committee for its splendid report, which took many months of diligent effort. Copies were sent to the members of the Revision Committee for their careful study.*

Our Committee is hopeful that through our efforts we will be able to bring an excellent report to the April, 1953 Biennial Assembly upon which action may be taken.

(MRS. DAVID L.) CAROL C. ZIELONKA, *Chairman*

* A copy of this report follows.



**ADDENDUM TO THE REPORT OF
THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS**

**Recommendations for Revision of the By-Laws of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods as passed at
the Annual Convention of the Illinois Federation,**

April, 1952

Article 6—Add to Section A

These representatives shall be accredited delegates. Only accredited delegates shall be privileged to vote at the Assembly.

Article 8—Section A—New (Delete old Section)

Within 60 days of the close of the Assembly, each State and District Federation shall submit to the National President the name of one member to serve on the Nominating Committee. This member shall not be a member of the Executive Board of the NFTS and shall have been selected by her State or District Federation. Three members of the Executive Board of NFTS, elected by said Board, shall also serve on this Committee. The Committee shall serve until its successors shall have been appointed, after the next Assembly. The President shall appoint one member of this Committee to act as Chairman. Two-thirds of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Article 8, Section B1—New (Delete former Section B, 1 and 2)

Each State and District Federation shall send to each Sisterhood in its District the name of the member selected to serve on the Nominating Committee. Each local Sisterhood may submit by mail to such member, at least 30 days prior to the Assembly, names of candidates for membership on the NFTS Executive Board. Prior to the Assembly, each member of the Nominating Committee shall meet with the Executive Committee of her State or District Federation, to consider the qualifications of the candidates for the NFTS Board.

Article 8—Section B, 2—New

Each NFTS Board member may submit by mail to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee at least 30 days prior to the Assembly, names of candidates for National Officers.

Article 8—Section C—New (Delete former Section C)

This Committee shall meet one day before the opening of the Assembly, to act upon the recommendations submitted for membership on the National Executive Board and for National Officers, and shall present its slate at the first session of the Assembly. If a quorum of the Committee is not present, the National President

shall have the privilege of appointing, from the delegate list, members to fill the vacancies, from the State or District in which these vacancies occurred.

Article 8—Section D—New (Delete former Section D)

Within 24 hours after the ticket is presented by the Nominating Committee, to the Assembly, other nominations, to fill directorships and offices may be made by petition, signed by not less than 50 accredited delegates, and presented to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee. When the ticket is uncontested, the nominees shall be elected by a majority vote of the accredited delegates present. When there is a counter ticket, a mimeographed ballot shall be provided, for each accredited delegate, for voting at the session prior to the mid-Assembly Board meeting.

Article 9—Section A—Section reworded to read:
The Assembly shall elect an Executive Board of 75 members, exclusive of honorary and life members and the Presidents of all State and District Federations. They may serve for two successive terms of two years each.

Article 9—Section A-2—New

At the time of the adoption of Section A, 1, and until all members of the Executive Board who are currently serving under former Article 9, Section A shall have completed their terms, no member of the Executive Board shall be eligible to re-election if she has served a six-year term.

Article 9—Section B—line 3. Delete "six" and substitute "two-year terms."

Article 10—Section A—Line 1. After the word, "Board" add, "including the newly elected members." Line 5, delete the words, "and shall organize by the election of a" and substitute a new sentence: "The officers shall be a President, First, Second, Third and Fourth Vice Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Executive Director who shall not be a member of the Executive Board."

Article 10—Section C—Line 1. Change "3" to "2"; line 3, change "3" to "2."

Article 10—Section E. Delete second sentence which begins "Such eligibility" and add to first

sentence, "providing that the entire time on the Board as a Director and an Officer shall not exceed ten years."

Article 10—Section G—Line 7, after the words, "Executive Board," delete to end of section, substituting, "Such vacancy shall be filled by the standing Nominating Committee." (Note: Geographically, like the U.S. Senate.)

Article 10—Section H—Line 3. Change "6" to "4."

Article 10—Section I—change "20" to "40."

Article 20—Section B. Delete up to line 5. Section to read:

The Council of State and District Presidents shall discuss ways and means in which State and District Federations and National can be mutually helpful, and to submit plans to the National Board. This Council shall meet in the interim year between Assemblies, at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting.

Article 32—Section F—New

The Treasurer shall submit annually to each affiliated Sisterhood, a statement of cash receipts and payments and a balance sheet. This report shall include both the budgeted and the actual amounts.

Article 38—Section F—add:

Each State and District Federation shall elect one delegate-at-large to the Assembly with power to vote.

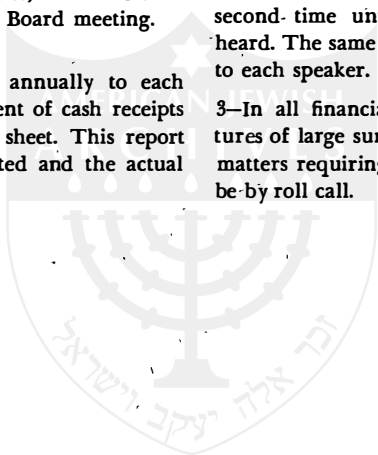
Article 41—Section A—line 12, after the words, "the Assembly" delete the following sentence: "The Executive Board is privileged to acquaint the Assembly with its views on all proposed amendments."

STANDING RULES FOR THE ASSEMBLY

1—Space shall be provided for the delegates at one part of the hall, and for visitors completely separated from the voting body.

2—More than one microphone shall be provided and the speakers shall alternate; one speaker pro, one con. No one shall be permitted to speak a second time until all who wish to speak are heard. The same amount of time shall be allotted to each speaker.

3—In all financial matters, concerning expenditures of large sums of money, raising of dues, or matters requiring a two-thirds vote, voting shall be by roll call.



REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON THE Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

Shaker Heights, O., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

In reporting this past year's activities of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Committee, your Chairman again wishes to emphasize the fact that the primary reason for being of the Sisterhoods is the banding together of religiously motivated women for the encouragement and furtherance of the ideals of Reform Judaism. There are no other projects, however fine and imperative they may be, that should take priority over our realization that the nurturing of religious life is the responsibility of Sisterhood women. As community women, we share in other projects, in other organizations and with other women in our community but only the women of Reform Sisterhoods can see and meet certain basic needs of Reform or Liberal Jewry.

Throughout this past year, your Chairman has given you progress reports of our new project—Fellowships and assistance for rabbinic and pre-rabbinic students from overseas recommended by the World Union for Progressive Judaism and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. This financial aid, which enables young men to receive their training here and then return to serve as rabbis in their far-off homelands, has been of heart-warming importance. Allocations from our funds were:

1. The customary annual contribution to our parent body, the UAHC, toward its religious educational work including its Department of Youth Activities—\$35,000.00
2. Scholarships for eligible students on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion—\$22,180.00
3. To the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for Institutes for Religious School Teachers and Laymen—\$1,500.00
4. Four pre-rabbinic and rabbinic fellowships for students from overseas (from Turkey, Czechoslovakia, Poland and South Africa) who upon ordination will serve Congregations of the World Union for Progressive Judaism outside the United States—\$7,200.00

However, we are now faced with even greater demands on our funds than ever before. These cannot be ignored and will require the cooperation of every Sisterhood in order to meet them. We now must consider the needs of a considerable number of married rabbinical students not now covered by our scholarships but whose needs may equal or even surpass those of single students. All married couples make every personal effort to maintain themselves but let it not be said of our Sisterhoods that the spirit and dignity of a Rabbi-in-training was lessened by our indifference to his fundamental needs or by allowing his financial pressures to become difficult to a point far beyond any constructive influence. Should we

ignore his legitimate claim to assistance, not only we, but the religious world of our children, will be poorer by reason of this impairment to his peace of mind.

In addition, we must also now take into account the needs of the New York students of the HUC-JIR. The amalgamation of the Hebrew Union College and the Jewish Institute of Religion took place several years ago, but, as yet, we have not been able to assist the students on the New York campus.

Over and beyond these needs is our annual contribution to certain Religious Educational work of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, including Youth Activities. All the foregoing are needs which must be met by your Fund to which you contribute. These are responsibilities of the women of the Sisterhoods and can be met only by them.

What can Sisterhoods do now to meet these needs?

1. Send in full contributions as early as possible in the year.
2. Reconsider contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund in the light of the changed situation. For example, \$350 was set as the minimum Honor Roll contribution and \$500 as the Distinguished Service minimum. Years ago \$350 covered a full HUC Dormitory Assistance Scholarship, but today a maximum Scholarship is \$550 though students receive scholarships only in proportion to need, from a few dollars up to the maximum. But from contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund must come not only scholarships and fellowships, but also our annual grant to the UAHC toward its vital work.
3. Increase contributions to the limit of present and potential Sisterhood earning power—either by direct contributions or increased sale of Uniongrams.

These are all serious questions which require serious effort to answer. The women of NFTS will meet the challenge in the same manner that they have met other needs. May your Chairman, on behalf of the entire Committee, wish you a year of peace and personal happiness in which to meet them.

(MRS. SOL) ANNE B. GITSÓN, *Chairman*

Distinguished Service List

Contributions of \$500.00 or more

	1951-52
Alabama	
Birmingham..... Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	\$ 500.00
California	
Hollywood..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	576.40
Los Angeles..... Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood.....	500.40
San Francisco..... Temple Emanu-El Guild.....	500.00
Connecticut	
Hartford..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	500.00
Illinois	
Chicago..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	555.80
..... Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel.....	500.00
..... Sisterhood of Temple Sholom.....	500.00
Indiana	
Evansville..... Sisterhood of Washington Ave. Temple.....	500.00
Ft. Wayne..... Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood.....	671.40
Iowa	
Davenport..... Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	500.00
Kentucky	
Louisville..... Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	558.80
Louisiana	
New Orleans..... Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer.....	500.00
..... Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	500.00
..... Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue.....	500.00
Maryland	
Baltimore..... Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.....	1,030.00
..... Sisterhood of Har Sinai Temple.....	509.00
Massachusetts	
Boston..... Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	500.00
Michigan	
Detroit..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	500.00
New Jersey	
Newark..... Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun.....	1,000.00
New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	560.00
New York	
New Rochelle..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	500.00
New York..... Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El.....	533.80
Ohio	
Canton..... McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Cincinnati..... Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
..... Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.20
Cleveland..... Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	540.00
..... Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel.....	500.00
Columbus..... The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	500.00
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	500.00

1951-52

Oklahoma

Oklahoma City.....Jewish Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....\$ 632.80

Oregon

Portland.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel..... 776.00

Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh.....Rodef Shalom Sisterhood..... 1,637.40

Rhode Island

Providence.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El..... 740.20

Tennessee

Memphis..... Temple Israel Sisterhood..... 500.00

Texas

Dallas..... Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood..... 500.00

Washington

Seattle.....Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch..... 560.00

West Virginia

Charleston.....Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood..... 510.00

Wisconsin

Milwaukee.....Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun..... 720.00

Honor Roll

Contributions of \$350.00-\$500.00

1951-52

California

Oakland.....Sisterhood of Temple Sinai..... \$ 350.40
 San Francisco.....Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood..... 350.00

District of Columbia

Washington.....Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation..... 402.40

Georgia

Atlanta.....The Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00

Illinois

Chicago.....Beth Am Sisterhood 350.40
 Temple Emanuel Sisterhood..... 350.00
 Women of Mizpah..... 350.00
 Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00
 Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood..... 350.00
 Glencoe.....North Shore Temple Sisterhood 350.00
 Peoria.....Anshai Emeth Sisterhood 360.40

Indiana

Indianapolis.....The Temple Sisterhood..... 442.80

Iowa

Cedar Rapids.....Sisterhood of Temple Judah..... 405.60

Louisiana

Shreveport.....Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple..... 390.00

Honorable Mention

Contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund increased by at least 5% (but not less than \$1.00) during 1951-52

	1950-51	1951-52
Alabama		
Anniston.....Henrietta Sterne Sisterhood	\$ 2.40	\$ 3.40
Bessemer.....Beth-El Sisterhood .....	.....	4.00
Dothan.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	28.00	40.00
Huntsville.....Huntsville Temple Sisterhood .....	.....	52.00
Jasper.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	8.80	41.00
Sheffield-Florence-		
Tuscumbia.....Sisterhood of Congr. B'nai Israel of Tri-Cities.....	19.20	20.80
Tuscaloosa.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	13.00	14.00
Arizona		
Phoenix.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	93.00	131.40
Tucson.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	139.44	163.00
Arkansas		
Helena.....Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El	60.80	72.20
Hot Springs.....Temple Sisterhood House of Israel	11.00	22.40
Jonesboro.....Temple Aid Sisterhood	7.40	10.40
Little Rock.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood	216.00	227.20
McGehee.....Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood .....	.....	12.00
Pine Bluff.....Sisterhood Anshe Emeth	119.20	125.25
California		
Alameda.....Temple Israel Sisterhood .....	.....	12.40
Berkeley.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	6.80	26.40
Hollywood (No.).....Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	104.73	256.20
Long Beach.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	100.00	105.20
Los Angeles.....Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood	20.00	37.80
Temple Isaiah Sisterhood	40.32	112.00
W. Los Angeles.....University Synagogue Sisterhood	8.00	92.00
Pomona.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	20.00	21.60
Redondo Beach.....South Bay Menorah Temple Sisterhood	17.80	19.20
Sacramento.....Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	32.00	156.00
San Diego.....Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary	127.68	134.40
San Gabriel.....Temple Beth David Sisterhood	22.20	24.00
San Jose.....San Jose Temple Sisterhood	104.00	205.80
San Mateo.....Peninsula Temple Beth El Sisterhood .....	.....	34.00
Stockton.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	48.80	52.00
Colorado		
Colorado Springs.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	41.80	44.20
Connecticut		
Bridgeport.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood	31.20	50.60
Danbury.....Sisterhood of United Jewish Center .....	.....	12.00
New Haven.....Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood	58.60	61.80
So. Norwalk.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	12.00	13.00
Waterbury.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	49.60	52.80
Florida		
Daytona Beach.....Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	8.00	19.20
Ft. Lauderdale.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	20.80	22.40
Jacksonville.....Temple Sisterhood	40.00	64.60
Miami.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	20.00	50.00
Miami Beach.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom .....	.80	40.00
Orlando.....Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism	22.40	58.60
Tampa.....Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood	90.52	95.20
W. Palm Beach.....Beth Israel Sisterhood .....	.....	1.60

		1950-51	1951-52
Georgia			
Augusta.....	Temple Sisterhood	\$ 8.80	\$ 10.40
Columbus.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society	126.84	141.20
Savannah.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel	88.40	93.20
Thomasville.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	3.60	4.80
Illinois			
Champaign-Urbana.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	25.60	38.40
Chicago.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	84.00	88.80
	Temple Ezra Sisterhood	78.40	82.40
	K.A.M. Temple Sisterhood	31.20	32.80
	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	325.00	341.60
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood	85.00	89.40
Danville.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	9.60	11.20
Kankakee.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	3.20	4.80
Springfield.....	Sisterhood of B'rith Sholom Temple	87.20	92.40
Indiana			
Anderson.....	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood		29.60
Gary.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel	142.40	173.60
Hammond.....	Beth El Sisterhood	52.00	113.40
Lafayette.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood		35.00
Marion.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	51.60	63.20
Michigan City.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	39.00	96.00
Iowa			
Sioux City.....	Sisterhood of Mount Sinai	48.00	69.60
Kansas			
Leavenworth.....	Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun	19.20	22.40
Kentucky			
Henderson.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood	26.00	28.00
Hopkinsville.....	Adath Israel Ladies Auxiliary		1.60
Lexington.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	168.40	179.20
Louisville.....	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	190.12	199.62
Paducah.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	63.00	66.15
Louisiana			
Alexandria.....	Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim	116.40	123.00
Bastrop.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop	17.30	44.00
Lake Charles.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	20.00	39.00
Monroe.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	83.16	87.31
New Iberia.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer	19.20	28.00
Maryland			
Baltimore.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom	9.60	10.60
Hagerstown.....	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood	24.00	39.80
Massachusetts			
Brockton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	33.20	64.20
Lawrence.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	105.60	150.00
Pittsfield.....	Temple Sisterhood		22.40
Springfield.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	24.00	28.00
Worcester.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	126.80	159.00
Michigan			
Alpena.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood		1.20
Battle Creek.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	42.40	122.20
Bay City.....	The Temple Sisterhood	11.40	15.00
Benton Harbor.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	10.00	28.80
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	215.20	226.03
Flint.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	68.40	72.20
Jackson.....	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple	69.40	147.20
Lansing.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek	143.20	150.40
Muskegon.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel	60.00	80.00
Pontiac.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	195.20	206.00
Saginaw.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El		8.00

	1950-51	1951-52
Minnesota		
Duluth.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	\$ 30.79	\$120.68
Mississippi		
Brookhaven.....Sisterhood B'nai Sholom	22.40	24.00
Cleveland.....Adath Israel Sisterhood	34.40	68.00
Greenville.....Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood	9.60	32.00
Hattiesburg.....Temple Sisterhood	39.40	41.60
Lexington.....Julia Lewis Sisterhood	1.60	3.20
Meridian.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	113.20	164.20
Ruleville-Drew.....Sisterhood of Ruleville and Drew	68.35	71.76
Tupelo.....Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood .....	.....	16.00
Vicksburg.....Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood	121.60	128.00
Missouri		
Joplin.....Temple Aid Sisterhood	18.00	68.00
St. Joseph.....Adath Joseph Sisterhood	59.20	90.40
St. Louis.....United Hebrew Ladies Aid Society .....	.....	58.60
Montana		
Butte.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel .....	.....	7.20
Nebraska		
Lincoln.....South Street Temple Sisterhood	27.93	29.60
New Jersey		
Camden.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	20.00	28.40
East Orange.....Sisterhood of Temple Shaarey Tefilo	193.20	232.00
Elizabeth.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth El .....	.....	56.00
Hoboken.....Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno .....	.....	1.60
Jersey City.....Temple Beth-El Sisterhood .....	.....	60.00
Long Branch.....Temple Miriam Sisterhood	16.00	29.20
New Brunswick.....Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple	44.20	59.80
Paterson.....Barnert Temple Sisterhood	93.20	98.40
Plainfield.....Temple Sholom Sisterhood	72.00	76.00
Teaneck.....Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood	40.80	42.84
Trenton.....Har Sinai Sisterhood	48.00	76.00
New York		
Batavia.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	13.00	20.00
Bay Shore.....Women's Club of Temple Sinai	13.60	31.80
Bellerose.....Sisterhood of Temple Sholom .....	.....	3.20
Binghamton.....Temple Concord Sisterhood	108.00	143.60
Brooklyn.....Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim	282.40	296.80
.....Sisterhood Beth Sholem People's Temple	92.20	120.00
.....Sisterhood of Community Reform Temple .....	.....	16.00
.....Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue	65.60	74.40
.....Sisterhood Shaari Zedek	31.20	39.40
Elmhurst.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El .....	.....	8.00
Elmira.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	40.00	80.00
Elmont.....Sisterhood Temple B'nai Israel	36.00	38.40
Flushing.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom .....	.....	92.00
.....Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing	40.00	42.00
Jamaica.....Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica	109.00	115.20
Kew Gardens.....Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah .....	.....	36.00
Kingston.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	31.20	33.60
Larchmont.....Sisterhood of Larchmont Temple .....	.....	4.80
Levittown.....Levittown Reform Temple .....	.80	6.40
Long Beach.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El .....	.80	14.40
Lynbrook.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	36.80	80.00
Mt. Vernon.....Women's Guild of the Free Synagogue of Westchester.....	.....	56.00
.....Sinai Temple Sisterhood	48.80	51.40
Newburgh.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	57.00	60.00
New Hyde Park.....Sisterhood of Reform Temple of New Hyde Park	.....	.....
.....Communities	7.60	31.00
New York.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	20.80	22.40
.....Sisterhood of the East End Temple .....	.....	8.00
.....Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx	45.20	48.20

	1950-51	1951-52
Tremont Temple Sisterhood	\$200.40	\$234.80
Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue	51.20	60.00
Olean..... B'nai Israel Sisterhood	10.00	40.40
Port Washington..... Sisterhood of Port Washington Synagogue		28.00
Rockville Centre..... Women's Organization of Central Synagogue of Nassau County	155.20	174.40
Roslyn..... Sisterhood of Temple Sinai of Roslyn	12.00	20.00
Rye..... Sisterhood of Community Synagogue		32.40
Schenectady..... Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven	20.00	36.00
Staten Island..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel	12.00	28.80
Syracuse..... Sisterhood of Society of Concord	206.80	252.00
Troy..... Sisterhood of Third Street Temple	54.00	56.80
Utica..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El		14.40
North Carolina		
Asheville..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila	95.80	132.80
Charlotte..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	24.80	27.60
Greensboro..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	45.20	57.00
Raleigh..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or .....	.80	20.00
Rocky Mount..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood		20.00
Winston-Salem..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	17.00	32.00
Ohio		
Akron..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel	291.20	306.40
Bellaire..... Sons of Israel Sisterhood	65.40	71.67
Cleveland..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	24.80	28.00
..... Suburban Temple Women's Committee	1.00	2.00
East Liverpool..... B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	25.00	26.25
Elyria..... Elyria Sisterhood	3.20	4.20
Hamilton..... Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood	91.14	177.06
Lima..... Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	72.00	76.00
Lorain..... Lorain Temple Sisterhood	44.80	72.00
Sandusky..... Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	22.93	24.80
Springfield..... Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women	35.20	37.60
Staubenville..... Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	28.00	51.20
Youngstown..... Rodef Sholom Sisterhood	224.68	251.20
Zanesville..... Findlay Avenue Sisterhood		1.00
Oklahoma		
Ardmore..... Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood		12.00
Tulsa..... Temple Israel Sisterhood	120.00	126.00
Pennsylvania		
Abington..... Old York Road Temple Sisterhood	19.20	32.00
Allentown..... Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	238.56	325.64
Altoona..... Sisterhood of Beth Israel	58.80	61.74
Clearfield..... Clearfield Sisterhood	9.60	12.00
Easton..... Sisterhood of Temple Covenant of Peace	80.00	280.00
Greensburg..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	28.00	49.60
Harrisburg..... Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood	152.00	159.60
Johnstown..... Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood	127.44	133.81
Lancaster..... Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim	231.80	260.00
New Castle..... Temple Israel Sisterhood	74.40	78.12
Philadelphia..... Sisterhood of Beth David	54.40	92.20
..... Sisterhood of Temple Judea	154.80	163.20
Pittsburgh..... Temple Emanuel Sisterhood		49.60
Reading..... Temple Ohev Sholom Sisterhood	197.61	250.99
Sharon..... Beth Israel Sisterhood	50.40	55.20
Uniontown..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel	20.00	36.00
Wilkes-Barre..... Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith		28.00
Williamsport..... Temple Beth Ha-Sholom Sisterhood	48.80	52.00
York..... Beth Israel Sisterhood	100.60	106.60
South Carolina		
Bishopville..... Hebrew Sisterhood	4.80	28.80
Charleston..... K. K. B. E. Temple Sisterhood	105.00	110.40
Conway..... Temple Sisterhood	10.80	12.00

		1950-51	1951-52
Darlington.....	Temple Sisterhood	\$25.50	\$48.50
Dillon.....	Dillon Temple Sisterhood	23.52	24.80
Florence.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	88.00	92.80
Lake City and Kingstree.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood		40.80
Sumter.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	86.68	92.60

South Dakota

Sioux Falls.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	13.32	16.00
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Tennessee

Brownsville.....	The Temple Sisterhood	8.00	11.20
Chattanooga.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple	148.40	173.80
Clarksville.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	5.60	7.20
Jackson.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	44.10	48.80
Knoxville.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	111.40	116.97

Texas

Beaumont.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	58.60	62.00
Big Spring.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	25.00	30.00
Corpus Christi.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	32.00	33.60
El Paso.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	105.60	111.00
Ft. Worth.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	251.96	264.55
Galveston.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	75.20	90.80
Houston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	200.80	240.00
Marshall.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore	19.40	20.40
Port Arthur.....	Sisterhood of Rodef Shalom	20.80	32.00
San Antonio.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood		160.00
Tyler.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	8.00	29.60
Waco.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Sholom	12.20	28.00
Wichita Falls.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel		1.20

Utah

Salt Lake City.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	31.65	73.60
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Vermont

St. Johnsbury.....	Beth El Sisterhood	6.40	7.40
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Virginia

Alexandria.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	24.00	38.60
Bristol.....	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood	31.20	32.80
Charlottesville.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple		4.80
Danville.....	Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood		8.40
Fredericksburg.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	11.20	34.80
Harrisonburg.....	Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation	32.00	33.60
Norfolk.....	The Sisterhood of Ohef Sholom Temple	42.00	80.00
Roanoke.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	164.72	184.80

Washington

Spokane.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	92.60	98.40
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West Virginia

Beckley.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	16.00	32.00
Clarksburg.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life	48.00	102.00
Logan.....	Temple Sisterhood	25.00	32.00
Morgantown.....	Morgantown Sisterhood	73.60	84.80
Parkersburg.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	24.80	30.40
Welch.....	The Emanuel Sisterhood	32.00	67.00
Wheeling.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood	101.43	106.80
Williamson.....	Williamson Temple Sisterhood	42.00	64.00

Wisconsin

Appleton.....	Temple Zion Sisterhood	80.00	109.80
Kenosha.....	Beth Hillel Sisterhood	16.00	19.20
Madison.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	77.60	81.60
Oshkosh.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	25.00	42.40

Canada

Hamilton.....	Deborah Sisterhood	20.00	101.60
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF
Contributions to the Scholarship and
Religious Education Fund

With the exception of Districts 23 and 25, the divisions listed in this report are District units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The following symbol (*) indicates groups that are not members of the District Federation under which they are listed.

DISTRICT No. 1—\$2,046.40
New England

	CONTRIBUTIONS 1951-52
Boston, Mass.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	\$500.00
Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom	280.00
Temple Sinai Sisterhood	40.00
Brockton, Mass.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	64.20
Lawrence, Mass.....Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	150.00
Lynn, Mass.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	52.00
Newton, Mass.....Sisterhood of Temple Sholom of Newton	3.20
Pittsfield, Mass.....The Temple Sisterhood	22.40
Springfield, Mass.....Temple Sinai Sisterhood	28.00
Worcester, Mass.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	159.00
Providence, R. I.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	740.20
St. Johnsbury, Vt.*.....Beth El Sisterhood	7.40

DISTRICT No. 2—\$1,190.20
Connecticut

(The Rose Zunder Memorial)

Bridgeport, Conn.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood	\$ 50.60
Danbury, Conn.*.....Sisterhood of United Jewish Center	12.00
Hartford, Conn.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	500.00
New Haven, Conn.....Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood.....	61.80
So. Norwalk, Conn.*.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	13.00
Waterbury, Conn.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	52.80
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	500.00

DISTRICT No. 3—\$8,546.35
New York¹

Albany, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	\$452.40
Batavia, N. Y.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	20.00
Bay Shore, N. Y.....Women's Club of Temple Sinai.....	31.80
Bellerose, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Sholom.....	3.20
Binghamton, N. Y.....Temple Concord Sisterhood.....	143.60
Brooklyn, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom.....	353.15
Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim.....	296.80
Sisterhood of Beth Emeth of Flatbush (In memory of Rabbi Samuel J. Levinson)	350.00
Sisterhood Beth Sholem People's Temple	120.00
Sisterhood of Community Reform Temple.....	16.00
Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue.....	74.40
Sisterhood Shaari Zedek.....	39.40
Sisterhood of Union Temple.....	90.00
Buffalo, N. Y.....Beth Zion Sisterhood	350.00
Cortlandt, N. Y.....Sisterhood Temple Israel	8.00
Elmhurst, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	8.00
Elmira, N. Y.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	80.00
Elmont, N. Y.....Sisterhood Temple B'nai Israel.....	38.40

¹ Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Montreal, Quebec, Canada is an affiliate of the New York Federation.
See "Foreign" listing.

	CONTRIBUTIONS
	1951-52
Flushing, N. Y.....	\$ 92.00
Sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom.....	42.00
Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	9.60
Glens Falls, N. Y.....	440.80
Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	46.00
Great Neck, N. Y.....	115.20
Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	36.00
Hempstead, N. Y.....	33.60
Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple.....	4.80
Jamaica, N. Y.....	8.00
Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	20.00
Kew Gardens, N. Y.....	6.40
Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah.....	14.40
Kingston, N. Y.....	80.00
Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	56.00
Larchmont, N. Y.*.....	51.40
Sisterhood of Larchmont Temple.....	60.00
Laurelton, N. Y.*.....	31.00
Sisterhood of Free Synagogue of Laurelton.....	500.00
Lawrence, N. Y.....	22.40
Temple Israel's Sisterhood.....	350.00
Levittown, N. Y.....	8.00
Levittown Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	533.80
Long Beach, N. Y.....	9.60
Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	350.00
Lynbrook, N. Y.....	350.00
Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	350.00
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	350.00
Women's Guild of the Free Synagogue of Westchester.....	350.00
Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	48.20
Newburgh, N. Y.....	234.80
Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	60.00
New Hyde Park, N. Y.....	120.00
Sisterhood of Reform Temple of New Hyde Park.....	40.40
New Rochelle, N. Y.....	28.00
Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	127.20
New York, N. Y.....	174.40
Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am.....	20.00
Central Synagogue Sisterhood (The Jonah B. Wise Contribution).....	32.40
Sisterhood of East End Temple.....	36.00
Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Temple Emanu-El.....	28.80
Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle.....	252.00
Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc. (The Daniel P. Hays Contribution).....	56.80
Mt. Neboh Sisterhood (The Blanche Gilman Contribution).....	14.40
Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. Rudolph Grossman).....	360.80
Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue.....	116.00
Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx.....	350.00
Tremont Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue.....	48.20
Niagara Falls, N. Y.....	234.80
Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	60.00
Olean, N. Y.....	120.00
B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	40.40
Port Washington, N. Y.*.....	28.00
Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue.....	127.20
Rochester, N. Y.....	174.40
B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood.....	20.00
Rockville Centre, N. Y.....	32.40
Women's Organization of Central Synagogue of Nassau County.....	36.00
Roslyn, N. Y.....	28.80
Sisterhood of Temple Sinai of Roslyn.....	252.00
Rye, N. Y.....	56.80
Sisterhood of Community Synagogue.....	14.40
Schenectady, N. Y.....	360.80
Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven.....	116.00
Staten Island, N. Y.....	350.00
Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
Syracuse, N. Y.....	48.20
Sisterhood of Society of Concord.....	234.80
Troy, N. Y.....	60.00
Sisterhood of Third Street Temple.....	40.40
Utica, N. Y.....	28.00
Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	127.20
White Plains, N. Y.....	174.40
Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center....	20.00
Yonkers, N. Y.....	32.40
Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	36.00
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Sallie Kubie Glauber Memorial Contribution).....	28.80

DISTRICT No. 4—\$2,408.64

New Jersey

Atlantic City, N. J.....	\$ 88.40
Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	28.40
Camden, N. J.....	232.00
Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	56.00
East Orange, N. J.....	1.60
Sisterhood of Temple Shaarey Tefilo.....	60.00
Elizabeth, N. J.....	29.20
Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	500.00
Hoboken, N. J.....	500.00
Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno.....	500.00
Jersey City, N. J.....	59.80
Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	59.80
Long Branch, N. J.....	59.80
Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood.....	59.80
Newark, N. J.....	59.80
Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun.....	59.80
Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (In honor of Rabbi Solomon Foster's fiftieth anniversary in rabbinate).....	59.80
New Brunswick, N. J.....	59.80
Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple.....	59.80

	CONTRIBUTIONS
	1951-52
Paterson, N. J.....Barnert Temple Sisterhood	\$ 98.40
Plainfield, N. J.....Temple Sholom Sisterhood	76.00
Teaneck, N. J.....Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood	42.84
Trenton, N. J.....Har Sinai Sisterhood	76.00
New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (The Sadie Foster Contribution)	560.00

DISTRICT No. 5—\$4,962.50

Pennsylvania

Abington, Pa.....Old York Road Temple Sisterhood	\$ 32.00
Allentown, Pa.....Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	325.64
Altoona, Pa.....Sisterhood of Beth Israel	61.74
Clearfield, Pa.....Clearfield Sisterhood	12.00
Easton, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple Covenant of Peace	280.00
Erie, Pa.....The Temple Sisterhood	152.00
Greensburg, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	49.60
Harrisburg, Pa.....Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	159.60
Hazleton, Pa.....Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	86.40
Johnstown, Pa.....Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood	133.81
Lancaster, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple Shaari Shomayim.....	260.00
New Castle, Pa.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	78.12
Philadelphia, Pa.....Sisterhood of Beth David	92.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood (Dr. Joseph Krauskopf Memorial)
	Sisterhood of Rodeph Shalom
Pittsburgh, Pa.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	49.60
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. J. Leonard Levy
	and commemorating his birthday, Nov. 24)
	(Given by Mrs. Jessie Forst in memory of her parents, Mr. and
	Mrs. Charles Falk)
	Confirmation Class, 1952 (In honor of Dr. Solomon B. Freehof
	and Rabbi Harold Silver)
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Reading, Pa.....Temple Ohev Sholom Sisterhood.....	250.99
Scranton, Pa.....Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple.....	48.00
Sharon, Pa.....Beth Israel Sisterhood	55.20
Uniontown, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	36.00
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith.....	28.00
Williamsport, Pa.....Temple Beth Ha-Sholom Sisterhood	52.00
York, Pa.....Beth Israel Sisterhood	106.60

DISTRICT No. 6—\$5,542.78

Ohio

Akron, Ohio.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	\$306.40
Bellaire, Ohio.....Sons of Israel Sisterhood	71.67
Canton, Ohio.....McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Cincinnati, Ohio.....Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood (The Isaac Mayer Wise	
	Contribution)
	500.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood (The Dr. David Philipson
	Memorial Contribution)
	500.20
Cleveland, Ohio.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	28.00
	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....
	540.00
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel.....
	500.00
	Suburban Temple Women's Committee.....
	2.00
Columbus, Ohio.....The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	500.00
Dayton, Ohio.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	350.60
East Liverpool, Ohio.....B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	26.25
Elyria, Ohio.....Elyria Sisterhood	4.20
Hamilton, Ohio.....Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	177.06
Lima, Ohio.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	76.00
Lorain, Ohio.....Lorain Temple Sisterhood.....	72.00
Newark, Ohio.....Ohev Israel Temple Sisterhood	18.20
Piqua, Ohio.....Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	8.00
Sandusky, Ohio.....Ohev Shalom Sisterhood.....	24.80
Springfield, Ohio.....Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women	37.60
Steubenville, Ohio.....Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	51.20

	CONTRIBUTIONS
	1951-52
Toledo, Ohio.....Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	\$496.40
Youngstown, Ohio.....Rodef Sholom Sisterhood.....	251.20
Zanesville, Ohio.....Findlay Avenue Temple Sisterhood	1.00
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In memory of Hilda Krohngold, Cleveland, Ohio)	500.00

DISTRICT No. 7—\$1,508.60

West Virginia

Beckley, W. Va.....Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	\$ 32.00
Charleston, W. Va.....Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood.....	510.00
Clarksburg, W. Va.....Sisterhood Tree of Life	102.00
Fairmont, W. Va.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	129.60
Huntington, W. Va.....Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Logan, W. Va.....Temple Sisterhood	32.00
Morgantown, W. Va.....Morgantown Sisterhood	84.80
Parkersburg, W. Va.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood	30.40
Welch, W. Va.....The Emanuel Sisterhood.....	67.00
Wheeling, W. Va.....Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood.....	106.80
Williamson, W. Va.....Williamson Temple Sisterhood.....	64.00

DISTRICT No. 8—\$3,312.40

District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina

Washington, D. C.....Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation (The Dr. Abram Simon Memorial).....	\$ 402.40
Baltimore, Md.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom.....	10.60
	Har Sinai Sisterhood (The David Einhorn Contribution)
	509.00
	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.....
	1,030.00
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood (The Szold-Kaiser Contribution)
	350.00
Cumberland, Md.....B'yer Chayim Temple Sisterhood.....	19.60
Hagerstown, Md.....B'nai Abraham Sisterhood.....	39.80
Wilmington, Del.....Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth.....	42.40
Alexandria, Va.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	38.60
Bristol, Va.....B'nai Sholom Sisterhood.....	32.80
Charlottesville, Va.....Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	4.80
Danville, Va.....Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood.....	8.40
Fredericksburg, Va.....Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	34.80
Harrisonburg, Va.....Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation.....	33.60
Lynchburg, Va.....Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue.....	84.80
Norfolk, Va.....The Sisterhood of Ohev Sholom Temple.....	80.00
Richmond, Va.....Temple Beth Ahabah Sisterhood.....	97.60
Roanoke, Va.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	184.80
Staunton, Va.....Temple House of Israel Sisterhood.....	8.00
Asheville, N. C.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila.....	132.80
Charlotte, N. C.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	27.60
Goldsboro, N. C.....Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	11.00
Greensboro, N. C.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	57.00
Raleigh, N. C.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or.....	20.00
Rocky Mount, N. C.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	20.00
Winston-Salem, N. C.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	32.00

DISTRICT No. 10—\$2,591.75

Indiana

Anderson, Ind.....Anderson Jewish Sisterhood	\$ 29.60
Evansville, Ind.....Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Ft. Wayne, Ind.....Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood.....	671.40
Gary, Ind.....Sisterhood Temple Israel.....	173.60
Hammond, Ind.....Beth El Sisterhood.....	113.40
Indianapolis, Ind.....The Temple Sisterhood	442.80 ²
Lafayette, Ind.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	35.00
Marion, Ind.....Sinai Temple Sisterhood	63.20
Michigan City, Ind.....Sinai Temple Sisterhood	96.00
Muncie, Ind.....Beth El Temple Sisterhood	70.40

²\$330.80 of this amount in memory of Essie Solomon and Betty Jacobs; \$112.00 in memory of Dr. Harry A. Jacobs.

CONTRIBUTIONS

South Bend, Ind.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	1951-52
		\$120.00
Terre Haute, Ind.....	The Women's Organization	276.35

DISTRICT No. 11—\$1,760.83

Michigan

Alpena, Mich.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	\$ 1.20
Battle Creek, Mich.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	122.20
Bay City, Mich.....	The Temple Sisterhood	15.00
Benton Harbor, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	28.80
Detroit, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El (The Yahrzeit Fund and the Paula Kahn Brown Contribution)	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	226.03
Flint, Mich.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	72.20
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	149.00
Jackson, Mich.....	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple	147.20
Lansing, Mich.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek.....	150.40
Muskegon, Mich.....	Sisterhood B'nai Israel	80.00
Petoskey, Mich.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	14.80
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	206.00
Saginaw, Mich.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	8.00
Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods		40.00

DISTRICT No. 12—\$2,241.34

Kentucky-Tennessee⁴

Henderson, Ky.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood	\$ 28.00
Hopkinsville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Ladies Auxiliary	1.60
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	179.20
Louisville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	558.80
	Temple B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	199.62
Paducah, Ky.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	66.15
Brownsville, Tenn.....	The Temple Sisterhood	11.20
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple	173.80
Clarksville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	7.20
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	48.80
Knoxville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	116.97 ³
Memphis, Tenn.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood (In honor of Mr. Leo Bearman)	500.00
Nashville, Tenn.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood	350.00

DISTRICT No. 13—\$601.50

South Carolina

(In Memory of Mrs. Rose Hirschman)

Bishopville, S. C.....	Hebrew Sisterhood	\$ 28.80
Camden, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	8.80
Charleston, S. C.....	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood	110.40
Columbia, S. C.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life	128.00
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	12.00
Darlington, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood	48.50
Dillon, S. C.....	Dillon Temple Sisterhood	24.80
Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	92.80
Georgetown, S. C.....	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood	14.00
Lake City and Kingstree, S. C.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood	40.80
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	92.60

DISTRICT No. 14—\$1,743.08

Georgia-Florida-Alabama

Anniston, Ala.....	Henrietta Sterne Sisterhood	\$ 3.40
Bessemer, Ala.....	Beth-El Sisterhood	4.00
Birmingham, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	500.00
Dothan, Ala.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	40.00
Gadsden, Ala.....	Temple Aid Society	11.40

³ \$41.97 of this amount in memory of Jennie Samuel Levy.⁴ Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood, Sheffield-Florence-Tuscumbia, Ala., is an affiliate of NFTS District #12.
See "District #14" listing.

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1951-52
Huntsville, Ala.....	Huntsville Temple Sisterhood	\$ 52.00
Jasper, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	41.00
Sheffield-Florence- Tusculumbia, Ala.**.....	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood	20.80
Tuscaloosa, Ala.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	14.00
Daytona Beach, Fla.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	19.20
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	22.40
Jacksonville, Fla.....	Temple Sisterhood	64.60
Miami, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	50.00
Miami Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	40.00
Orlando, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism	58.60
St. Petersburg, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	8.00
Tampa, Fla.....	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood	95.20
West Palm Beach, Fla.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	1.60
Albany, Ga.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	8.00
Atlanta, Ga.....	The Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Augusta, Ga.....	Temple Sisterhood	10.40
Brunswick, Ga.....	Temple Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood	8.00
Columbus, Ga.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society	141.20
Macon, Ga.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	81.28
Savannah, Ga.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel	93.20
Thomasville, Ga.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	4.80

DISTRICT No. 16—\$1,707.61

Mississippi-Arkansas

(The Sadie Landman Geisenberger Memorial)

Brookhaven, Miss.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom	\$ 24.00
Canton, Miss.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	4.80
Clarksdale, Miss.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	350.40
Cleveland, Miss.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	68.00
Columbus, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood	24.00
Greenville, Miss.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood	32.00
Hattiesburg, Miss.....	Temple Sisterhood	41.60
Jackson, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	216.60
Laurel, Miss.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	13.00
Lexington, Miss.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood	3.20
Meridian, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	164.20
Ruleville-Drew, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Ruleville and Drew	71.76
Tupelo, Miss.....	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood	16.00
Vicksburg, Miss.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood	128.00
Ft. Smith, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood	80.60
Helena, Ark.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth-El	72.20
Hot Springs, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel	22.40
Jonesboro, Ark.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	10.40
Little Rock, Ark.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	227.20
McGehee, Ark.....	Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood	12.00
Pine Bluff, Ark.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	125.25

DISTRICT No. 17—\$2,331.31

Louisiana

Alexandria, La.....	Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim	\$123.00
Bastrop, La.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop	44.00
Baton Rouge, La.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	28.00
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood	64.00
Lafayette, La.....	Temple Sisterhood	28.00
Lake Charles, La.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	39.00
Monroe, La.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	87.31
New Iberia, La.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer	28.00
New Orleans, La.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer	500.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood (James K. Gutheim Contribution)	500.00
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue	500.00
Shreveport, La.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple	390.00

** Affiliated with NFTS District #12.

DISTRICT No. 18—\$5,167.80

Illinois

CONTRIBUTIONS

	1951-52
Bloomington, Ill.....Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood	\$ 1.20
Champaign-Urbana, Ill.....Sinai Temple Sisterhood	38.40
Chicago, Ill.....Beth Am Sisterhood	350.40
.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	88.80
.....Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel (In honor of Rabbi Ernst M. Lorge)	555.80
.....Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood	111.20
.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood (The Felix A. Levy Contribution)	350.00
.....Temple Ezra Sisterhood	82.40
.....Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel (In memory of Dr. Joseph Stolz and Dr. Gerson B. Levi)	500.00
.....Temple Judea Sisterhood	19.20
.....K. A. M. Temple Sisterhood	32.80
.....Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	341.60
.....Women of Mizpah (The Jacob Singer Contribution)	350.00
.....Temple Sholom Sisterhood (The Abram Hirschberg Contribu- tion)	500.00
.....Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood	350.00
.....South Shore Temple Sisterhood	89.40 ^s
.....Washington Boulevard Temple Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Schwartz Contribution)	350.00
Danville, Ill.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	11.20
Decatur, Ill.....B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood	60.00
Evanston, Ill.....Beth Emet Sisterhood	20.00
Glencoe, Ill.....North Shore Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Kankakee, Ill.....B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	4.80
Peoria, Ill.....Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood	360.40
Rockford, Ill.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	137.60
Springfield, Ill.....Sisterhood of B'rith Sholom Temple	92.40
Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	20.20

DISTRICT No. 19—\$973.00

Wisconsin

Appleton, Wis.....Temple Zion Sisterhood	\$109.80
Kenosha, Wis.....Beth Hillel Sisterhood	19.20
Madison, Wis.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	81.60
Milwaukee, Wis.....Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun	720.00
Oshkosh, Wis.....Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	42.40

DISTRICT No. 20—\$2,751.40

Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico

(In Memory of Mrs. Maurice Steinfeld)

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....Sisterhood of Temple Judah	\$405.60
Davenport, Iowa.....Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	500.00
Des Moines, Iowa.....Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood	8.20
Sioux City, Iowa.....Sisterhood of Mount Sinai	69.60
Joplin, Mo.....Temple Aid Sisterhood	68.00
Kansas City, Mo.....The Temple Sisterhood-B'nai Jehudah	350.00
St. Joseph, Mo.....Adath Joseph Sisterhood	90.40
St. Louis Mo.....B'nai El Temple Sisterhood	120.00
.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	20.00
.....Shaare Emeth Sisterhood	350.00
.....United Hebrew Ladies Aid Society	58.60
Lincoln, Nebr.....South Street Temple Sisterhood	29.60
Omaha, Nebr.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	399.60
Leavenworth, Kan.....Sisterhood B'nai Jeshurun	22.40
Wichita, Kan.....Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	40.00
Colorado Springs, Colo.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	44.20
Denver, Colo.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	148.00
Trinidad, Colo.....Sisterhood of Temple Aaron	15.20
Albuquerque, N. M.....Temple Albert Sisterhood	12.00

5 In honor of Dr. G. George Fox.

DISTRICT No. 22—\$2,795.15

Texas-Oklahoma

	CONTRIBUTIONS
	1951-52
Austin, Texas.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	\$ 20.20
Beaumont, Texas.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	62.00
Big Spring, Texas.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	30.00
Corpus Christi, Texas...Temple Beth El Sisterhood	33.60
Dallas, Texas.....Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood (In honor of Mrs. Milton P. Levy)	500.00
El Paso, Texas.....Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	111.00
Ft. Worth, Texas.....Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	264.55
Galveston, Texas.....Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	90.80
Houston, Texas.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	366.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
	240.00
Lufkin, Texas.....Beth Israel Sisterhood	15.00
Marshall, Texas.....Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore	20.40
Port Arthur, Texas.....Sisterhood of Rodef Shalom	32.00
San Antonio, Texas.....Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	160.00
Tyler, Texas.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	29.60
Waco, Texas.....Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Sholom	28.00
Wichita Falls, Texas...Sisterhood of Temple Israel	1.20
Ardmore, Okla.*.....Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood	12.00
Muskogee, Okla.....Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood	20.00
Oklahoma City, Okla...Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel (The Fanny Blatt Memorial Contribution)	632.80
Tulsa, Okla.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	126.00

DISTRICT No. 23—\$73.60

Utah-Nevada

Salt Lake City, Utah*..B'nai Israel Sisterhood	\$ 73.60
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DISTRICT No. 24—\$5,576.60

California-Oregon-Washington-Arizona

Phoenix, Ariz.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	\$131.40
Tucson, Ariz.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	163.00
Alameda, Calif.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	12.40
Bakersfield, Calif.....Women of Temple Beth-El	13.20
Berkeley, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	26.40
Glendale, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	46.20
Hollywood, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	576.40 ⁶
No. Hollywood, Calif...Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	256.20
Long Beach, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	105.20
Los Angeles, Calif.....Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood	37.80
	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood
	112.00
	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood
	500.40
W. Los Angeles, Calif..University Synagogue Sisterhood	92.00
Oakland, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	350.40
Pomona, Calif.*.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	21.60
Redondo Beach, Calif..South Bay Menorah Temple Sisterhood	19.20
Sacramento, Calif.....Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	156.00
San Bernardino, Calif..Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	17.60
San Diego, Calif.....Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary	134.40
San Francisco, Calif.....Temple Emanu-El Guild (In honor of the Youth of Temple Emanu-El)	500.00
	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood
	350.00
San Gabriel, Calif.....Temple Beth David Sisterhood	24.00
San Jose, Calif.....San Jose Temple Sisterhood	205.80
San Mateo, Calif.....Peninsula Temple-Beth El Sisterhood	34.00
Santa Ana, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom	21.40
Santa Monica, Calif....Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	99.20
Stockton, Calif.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	52.00
Portland, Ore.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood (The Henry J. Berkowitz Memo- rial Contribution)	776.00
Seattle, Wash.....Sisterhood Temple de Hirsch	560.00
Spokane, Wash.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	98.40
Tacoma, Wash.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	84.00

⁶ \$200.00 of this amount from Temple Israel Religious School Social Service Fund.

DISTRICT No. 25—\$863.28
Minnesota-North and South Dakota-Montana

		CONTRIBUTIONS
		1951-52
Duluth, Minn.*	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	\$120.68
Minneapolis, Minn.*	Sisterhood of Temple Israel (The Dr. Samuel N. Deinard Contribution)	350.00
St. Paul, Minn.*	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple	350.20
Fargo, N. D.*	Beth El Sisterhood	19.20
Sioux Falls, S. D.*	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	16.00
Butte, Montana*	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	7.20

The Stella H. Freiberg Contribution—\$24.00

(Composed of contributions from the constituent Sisterhoods, in honor of Mrs. J Walter Freiberg, Past President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.)

Isaac M. Wise Memorial Fund—\$346.48

FOREIGN—\$812.40

Hamilton, Ont., Can.*	Deborah Sisterhood	\$101.60
Montreal, Que., Can.	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood	350.00
Toronto, Ont., Can.*	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood	352.00
Panama, R. P.*	Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel	8.80

MISCELLANEOUS—\$30.65

AMERICAN JEWISH

**NFTS DISTRICT CHAIRMEN
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- New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Bernard Krull, Teaneck, N. J.
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Mrs. Herbert Wolf, Little Rock, Ark.
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- Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
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- Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. S. C. Hollander, Kenosha, Wisc.
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Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
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- Texas-Oklahoma Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
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- Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
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REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Uniongrams

Columbus, O., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Our Uniongram sales have continued on approximately the same level as in the last fiscal year. The Miniature Uniongram has continued in great demand.

SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN ADDED

Two new members have been added to the Uniongram family, the enlarged size and the giant size. The enlarged Uniongram is perfect for an occasion when thirty-five people or less want to affix their signatures to a single message. This Uniongram lends itself to framing or may be presented in its own case and is something the recipient will cherish. The equivalent of twenty-five cents for each signature is sent by the local Chairman of Uniongrams to NFTS.

The giant Uniongram is indeed impressive, and is designed for thirty-five or more signatures. This, too, can be framed or presented as a scroll. For this newest form we are indebted to the Sisterhood of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, which surprised Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer on their wedding anniversary by having a Uniongram blown up to giant proportions and presenting it to them filled with the signatures of their many, many friends. The Sisterhood of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation then graciously presented the plate for the giant Uniongram to NFTS.

A new edition of *Suggested Messages for Your Uniongram* has been mimeographed and a copy sent to all Uniongram chairmen. Many letters of praise were received. Much credit for revising the booklet goes to my efficient Committee, who sent in many excellent ideas.

Constantly seeking new and better ways of increasing Uniongram sales, our Committee is happy to announce the newly devised order envelope which greatly facilitates the ordering of Uniongrams and related items.

CALENDAR OF UNIONGRAM SALES

(Based on NFTS fiscal years: Nov. 1, 1950 - Oct. 31, 1951, and
Nov. 1, 1951 - Oct. 31, 1952)

	1950 - 51		1951 - 52
1950		1951	
November	9,536	November }	14,536
December	13,876	December }	
1951		1952	
January	13,420	January	17,172
February	14,608	February	12,080
March	10,169	March	8,006

April	13,912	April	16,436
May	18,112	May	24,388
June	18,555	June	14,559
July	7,587	July	6,670
August	14,217	August	14,073
September	22,044	September	19,800
October	49,664	October	38,119
TOTAL	205,700	TOTAL	185,839

CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our congratulations to the three Sisterhoods which purchased the largest amount of Uniongrams in the past fiscal year: Mrs. Murray Kaufman and Mrs. Leo Hamburger, Uniongram Chairmen for Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., which has purchased the largest number of Uniongrams for the third successive year, 5120 in 1951-52; Mrs. Jacob Fogel, Uniongram Chairman of Temple Beth El, Providence, R. I., for 3,701 Uniongrams; and Mrs. Edwin Eckstein, Uniongram Chairman for Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun Sisterhood, Milwaukee, Wis., which purchased 3,600 Uniongrams. These chairmen and Sisterhoods are indeed an inspiration to all Sisterhoods.

UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL

(November 1, 1951 - October 31, 1952)

Dothan, Ala.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Helena, Ark.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El
Little Rock, Ark.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Pine Bluff, Ark.....	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood
North Hollywood, Calif.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood
Los Angeles, Calif.....	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood
Oakland, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Sacramento, Calif.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood
San Jose, Calif.....	San Jose Temple Sisterhood
Colorado Springs, Colo.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Trinidad, Colo.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood
Washington, D.C.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation
Chicago, Ill.....	Beth Am Sisterhood
Chicago, Ill.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel
Decatur, Ill.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood
Peoria, Ill.....	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood
Rockford, Ill.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Anderson, Ind.....	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood
Evansville, Ind.....	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Ft. Wayne, Ind.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood
Hammond, Ind.....	Beth El Sisterhood
Lafayette, Ind.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Marion, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Michigan City, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Muncie, Ind.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
Terre Haute, Ind.....	The Women's Organization
Cedar Rapids, Ia.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah
Davenport, Ia.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Henderson, Ky.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood
Baton Rouge, La.....	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood
Lafayette, La.....	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood
New Iberia, La.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer
New Orleans, La.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood
New Orleans, La.....	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue

Baltimore, Md.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood
Baltimore, Md.....	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood
Lawrence, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Battle Creek, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Jackson, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Lansing, Mich.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek
Muskegon, Mich.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob
St. Paul, Minn.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple
Brookhaven, Miss.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Sholom
Clarksdale, Miss.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Cleveland, Miss.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood
Hattiesburg, Miss.....	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood
Laurel, Miss.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Meridian, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Ruleville-Drew, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Ruleville-Drew
Vicksburg, Miss.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood
Joplin, Mo.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood
St. Louis, Mo.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood
Omaha, Nebr.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
East Orange, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo
Elizabeth, N. J.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Newark, N. J.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun
Bay Shore, N. Y.....	The Women's Club of Temple Sinai
Binghamton, N. Y.....	Temple Concord Sisterhood
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Sisterhood Beth Sholom Peoples Temple
Great Neck, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El of Great Neck
New York, N. Y.....	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx
New York, N. Y.....	Tremont Temple Sisterhood
Niagara Falls, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Olean, N. Y.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Asheville, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila
Rocky Mount, N. C.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Akron, O.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Bellaire, O.....	Sisterhood Sons of Israel
Canton, O.....	McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Hamilton, O.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood
Lima, O.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood
Toledo, O.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Youngstown, O.....	Rodef Sholom Sisterhood
Portland, Ore.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood
Allentown, Pa.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Easton, Pa.....	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace
Greensburg, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Harrisburg, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom
Hazleton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple
Johnstown, Pa.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood
Lancaster, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim
Reading, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom
York, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Providence, R. I.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El
Bishopville, S. C.....	Bishopville Hebrew Sisterhood
Charleston, S. C.....	K. K. B. E. Temple Sisterhood
Columbia, S. C.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway
Dillon, S. C.....	Dillon Temple Sisterhood
Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Georgetown, S. C.....	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood
Kingstree-Lake City, S. C.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood

Big Spring, Tex.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Marshall, Tex.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore
Salt Lake City, Utah.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Bristol, Va.....	B'nai Shalom Sisterhood
Fredericksburg, Va.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Harrisonburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation
Lynchburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue
Roanoke, Va.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Seattle, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch
Spokane, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Tacoma, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Beckley, W. Va.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple
Charleston, W. Va.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood
Clarksburg, W. Va.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood
Fairmont, W. Va.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Huntington, W. Va.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Logan, W. Va.....	Logan Temple Sisterhood
Morgantown, W. Va.....	Morgantown Sisterhood
Welch, W. Va.....	Emanuel Sisterhood
Wheeling, W. Va.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood
Williamson, W. Va.....	Williamson Temple Sisterhood
Appleton, Wis.....	Zion Temple Sisterhood
Milwaukee, Wis.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun
Oshkosh, Wis.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel
Hamilton, Canada.....	Deborah Sisterhood of Anshe Sholom Synagogue
Montreal, Canada.....	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood
Toronto, Canada.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood
Panama, Republic of Panama.....	Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel

May God grant that in the months ahead our work will be blessed, and we shall go forward in our endeavors on behalf of Jewish and humanitarian causes.

(MRS. JEROME D.) BESSIE FOLKMAN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities

Milwaukee, Wis., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

On July 12, 1951, in London, England, the World Union for Progressive Judaism began the celebration of its twenty-fifth anniversary. Those of us who were privileged to attend left with determination to work zealously for our fellow Jews the world over. NFTS has made progress in this field of service this year.

NFTS again sponsored fellowships through its Scholarship and Religious Education Fund for students from overseas recommended by the World Union

for Progressive Judaism for rabbinic and pre-rabbinic study connected with the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. After ordination they will return to serve Progressive Judaism in their home lands. This year there are four young men so aided:

1. Isaac Neuman, born in Poland and survivor of an Austrian Concentration Camp.
2. Hugo Green, born in Czechoslovakia and a survivor of Auschwitz.
3. Isaac Jerusalemi from Istanbul, Turkey.
4. Walter Blumenthal from Johannesburg, South Africa.

The NFTS Executive Committee, in May, recommended that the WUPJA Committee concentrate on increasing funds for the Silver Coin Collection and sending holiday packages overseas, primarily candy and sweets. A number of Sisterhoods are participating in these endeavors. Your Chairman's Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun of Milwaukee, for example, engaged in the following activities:

1. Increased Silver Coin Collection contribution.
2. Sent books to Rabbi A. C. Zaoui for use in his religious school in the Liberal Synagogue in Paris. (Sent by religious school after Sisterhood aroused interest and enthusiasm.)
3. Contributed to the Synagogue in London of which the Hon. Lily H. Montagu is the Lay Minister.
4. Sent gift packages to members of the Jewish community in Bombay, India.
5. Sent several boxes of candy to the Leo Baeck School in Haifa for the high holidays.
6. A party for foreign students was sponsored by our Sisterhood, the University of Wisconsin, the Mayor's Commission on Human Rights and the Milwaukee Jewish Council. After a buffet supper in your Chairman's home, all guests were invited on a tour of our Temple where Liberal Judaism was explained and a question and answer period was held.

There were many letters of appreciation, encouraging our endeavors to bring the knowledge of Judaism to peoples from the remote corners of the earth. As Rabbi Leo Baeck, noted President of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, has said "Judaism is not a mere creed—it is a proclamation of everything that is good—its voice must be heard again and again throughout the world." We realize that the WUPJ is building better human relations all over the world.

RECOMMENDATION

Your Chairman would like to recommend to the Executive Board that it explore thoroughly the possibilities of this Committee and extend its work even beyond the recommendations of the Executive Committee. Women of vision in all organizations are interested in promoting good international relations. This opportunity to serve, through WUPJ, has been hailed by rabbis and laymen alike as a vital humanitarian appeal—it restores souls as well as bodies.

(Mrs. Harold) Vera Blum Baum, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON Youth Activities

Evansville, Ind., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

In August it was again my privilege to represent NFTS at three major events held in Oconomowoc, Wis., at our first Union of American Hebrew Congregations camp-site. Here, the National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) held its Fifth Annual Leadership Institute for more than 200 young people who came from Reform or Liberal Congregations from nearly every state in the Union, Canada and even England. On August 14, the National Executive Board of NFTY met for a three-day session; and on Sunday, August 24, the Union camp was formally dedicated. Acquisition of our first camp-site opens the vista of more camps throughout the country and greater service to Temple Youth in the not too distant future.

During this fiscal year a questionnaire mailed to NFTS Chairmen on Youth Activities has brought gratifying results. Due to the magnitude of the task of evaluating the information, only basic findings have been compiled. A further study of these questionnaires is on the agenda of the Committee. Three main needs were stressed in the answers:—

1. Specific program aids and suggestions.
2. Personal conferences with and guidance to Youth Groups and adult advisers.
3. Specific rules on how to organize a Youth Group and keep it functioning actively and effectively.

We were also requested to reprint and redistribute the Revised Outlines sent out at the beginning of this year to all NFTS Youth Activities Chairmen.

The questionnaire also brought out the need to interpret Youth Group information on a geographic basis. Toward this end, the Executive Board of NFTY created a new National Committee on Extension, which, among other activities, will cooperate with the NFTS Committee on Youth Activities, by giving specific aid and counsel in areas in which NFTS cannot render service. It is a very tangible step forward in our cooperative program for Temple Youth.

During this fiscal year too, the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods created a National Committee on Youth. We are planning a program in which NFTS, NFTB and NFTY can all work toward the same goal.

RECOMMENDATION

In evaluating both the questionnaire and many requests to discuss youth matters, I should like to recommend to the NFTS Executive Board that it suggest to the NFTS Biennial Assembly Program Committee, the possibility of incorporating in our Biennial program for April 1953, a Leadership Youth Training Course to tell Sisterhood women how, without Professional help, they can organize a program for a local youth group regardless of size.

(MRS. JEROME L.) HANNAH SALM, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE SISTERHOOD DIVISION
of the
COMBINED CAMPAIGN OF THE
UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE
HEBREW UNION COLLEGE-JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

Pikesville, Md., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is with mixed feelings that I write this report on the Sisterhoods' response to my letter of October 2nd asking for participation and cooperation in the Combined Campaign for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for the fiscal year. Twenty-one Sisterhood Presidents have signified their desire to cooperate with the synagogues in this most important and urgent appeal, and have appointed a Chairman. It is gratifying to note that in these cases the Sisterhoods are complying to the fullest and adopting the suggestions made to them. They have wholeheartedly accepted their share of this responsibility and are meeting the challenge.

However, about twenty Sisterhood Presidents have responded in the negative for many and varied reasons. In my opinion the only legitimate excuse is in such cases as Congregations placing an assessment on all members, beyond their dues to the UAHC, to provide the revenue for the Combined Campaign. I am appalled and shocked by the fact that in some Congregations the Rabbi and the President have refused Sisterhood support and participation. Let us not give up so easily! Our Sisterhood role should be directed toward finding *new*, individual or family annual contributors. We must continue in our efforts to take our rightful place as Sisterhood women in the Campaign and to assume our share of the responsibility to strengthen and support our parent bodies—the Union and the College-Institute.

(MRS. HUGO) HELEN M. DALSHIMER, *Chairman*

REPORT ON
Correspondence Courses

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

I am happy to report to you on the special fund which you established for correspondence courses. You were kind enough to grant, at my suggestion, the sum of \$3,500.00 for each of two successive years. Later you gave us a further grant of \$500.00 for this purpose, making a total of \$7,500.00 for this experiment.

We proceeded to prepare a series of correspondence courses in accordance with a plan mapped out by the Director of Education and approved by the Commission on Jewish Education of your parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Five courses have been prepared. They are: the *Jewish Festivals*, *Jewish History*, the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*, a *History of the Jews in the United States* and *Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World*.

Some time ago we pointed out that some of the students who registered for the courses did not complete them. In general we have found the courses more useful to people in small communities who wish to prepare themselves as teachers rather than to adults who wish to engage in Jewish study for its own sake. Too often the latter start with good intentions, but before they go very far they give up their studies. Bearing the above in mind we decided to revise our courses to make them as simple as possible in the hope that the average adult who is not given to intensive study may be interested. We are pleased to report that two of the courses have now been revised, namely, the one on the *Jewish Festivals* and the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*.

These have passed the experimental stage. The course on the *Jewish Festivals* has been included in our catalog for 1951-52 and has been made generally available. The course on the *Bible and Jewish Life Today* is now undergoing final revision and should soon be available for general use.

In a previous report I called your attention to the fact that 139 students completed their courses, while many others registered and pursued some of the courses without completing them.

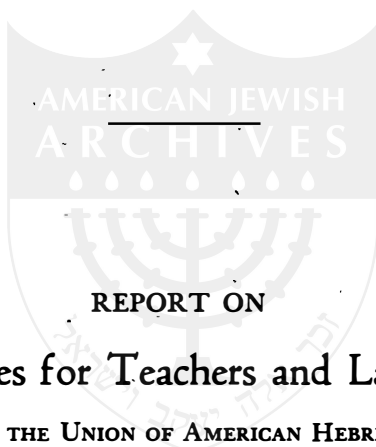
During the experimental period no charge for tuition was made to the students. When, however, the courses are issued in final form an effort will be made to charge a modest tuition sufficient to cover the cost of teaching.

The financial status of our Correspondence Fund is as follows:

Balance in Correspondence Courses Fund 7/1/51	\$2,970.08
Receipts	181.65
	<u>\$3,151.73</u>
Disbursements	189.95
Balance in Correspondence Courses Account, 6/30/52	<u>\$2,961.78</u>

On behalf of the Commission on Jewish Education I want to congratulate the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for its devotion to Jewish education and for its farsightedness in continuing its interest in experimental and pioneering work in this field, an activity which is unique and made possible for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations by your generosity.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Director of Education,*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations



REPORT ON

Institutes for Teachers and Laymen

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1952

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

It is a great pleasure to report to you again on the work made possible through your generosity, namely, the bringing of lectures to teachers and adults in various communities throughout the land.

During the period of the fiscal year ending October 31, 1952, fifty lectures were delivered in nineteen communities in the United States and Canada. Of these thirty-five were for teachers and fifteen for adults. These lectures were attended by 603 teachers and 1,332 adults. Wherever it was possible a special meeting for the entire congregation was arranged, at which both men and women were present. At times separate meetings were also arranged with the

Sisterhood of the Temple. Where evening meetings are arranged the Sisterhood President is, of course, informed, and the Sisterhood usually plays an active part in the arrangements.

The following are the cities in which lectures were delivered: Washington, D. C.; Coral Gables, Fla.; Miami Beach, Fla.; Savannah, Ga.; Baltimore, Md.; Albany, N. Y.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Long Beach, N. Y.; Newburgh, N. Y.; Rockville Centre, N. Y.; Rye, N. Y.; Schenectady, N. Y.; Easton, Pa.; Harrisburg, Pa.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; San Antonio, Texas; Huntington, W. Va.; and Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

The demand for this service continued unabated in many communities, as is indicated by the letters of commendation in our office concerning the work done in this field. These letters give much credit to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. You have reason to feel justly proud that you are giving support to such a significant phase of educational work which helps to improve religious education throughout a wide geographic area.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Director of Education,*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations



By-Laws

Revised and Adopted

November, 1950

PREAMBLE

We, the representatives of the Sisterhoods of the various congregations comprising the Union of American Hebrew Congregations believing:

That the congregation is the logical unit of organization in Israel, and

That the increased power which has come to the modern American Jewess ought to be exercised in congregational life, and

That the religious and moral development of Israel can be furthered by this cooperation,

Do hereby organize a National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the more effective carrying out of these aims.

BY-LAWS

NAME

Article 1

Section A. The name of this organization shall be the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

OBJECTS

Article 2

The objects of this Federation are:

Section A. To bring the Sisterhoods of the United States and other countries into closer cooperation and association with one another.

Section B. To quicken the religious consciousness of Israel by stimulating spiritual and educational activity.

Section C. To advance Judaism in the United States and throughout the world; to serve Jewish and humanitarian causes.

Section D. To cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the execution of its aims and purposes.

Section E. To espouse such religious causes as are particularly the work of Jewish women.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERATION

Article 3

Section A. Any organization of Jewish women engaged in religious work, either in connec-

tion with a congregation or in a community or district where there is no congregation, may become a member of this Federation by making written application to the Executive Board thereof.

DUES

Article 4

Section A. Every Sisterhood shall pay yearly into the treasury of this Federation the sum of \$1.00 for each of its contributing members. Each District Federation shall determine the amount of dues which shall be paid by member Sisterhoods directly into the treasury of said District Federation; this amount shall not be more than twenty-five cents per capita per annum. A Sisterhood in arrears for two years' dues may be suspended from membership after due notice by the Executive Committee, which may, at any time, reinstate such Sisterhood to membership on such terms as the Committee may prescribe.

ASSEMBLY

Article 5

Section A. The legislative body of this Federation, which shall be composed of members of the National Executive Board and of the representatives appointed by the Sisterhoods, shall be styled "the Assembly." The Assembly shall be presided over by the officers of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods as hereinafter prescribed.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE ASSEMBLY

Article 6

Section A. Each Sisterhood shall appoint one representative to the Assembly and one additional representative for every fifty contributing members over and above the first fifty members up to 200 members, and then one additional representative for every 100 contributing members over and above the first 200 members but not to exceed a representation of six from any one Sisterhood.

MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY

Article 7

Section A. The meetings of the Assembly shall be held at the same time and place as the meeting of the Council of the Union.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Article 8

Section A. A Committee on Nominations shall be appointed by the President at the first session of the Assembly, excepting the Chairman who shall be appointed at least 90 days prior to the first session of the Assembly.

Section B. 1. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, immediately upon her appointment, shall notify each local Sisterhood of her appointment.

2. Each member Sisterhood may submit by mail to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, at least 30 days prior to the Assembly, the names of candidates recommended for the office of Member of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section C. This Committee shall submit to the assembly a list of candidates for election to the Executive Board.

Section D. Section B shall neither limit nor restrict the powers of the Nominating Committee.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 9

Section A. The Assembly shall elect an Executive Board of 75 members exclusive of honorary and life members. They shall serve for a period of six years, and shall not be eligible for immediate reelection.

Section B. The period of time during which a member of the Board has served as an officer shall not be included in the six years permitted for service on the Board.

Section C. Women who are not affiliated with a Congregation and who hold membership neither personally nor through their husbands shall not be eligible to membership on the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

ORGANIZATION MEETING AND POWERS OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 10

Section A. The Executive Board shall meet either during and/or immediately after the final adjournment of the Assembly which elected it, and in the same city where the Assembly held

its session, and shall organize by the election of a President; First, Second, Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents; a Recording Secretary; a Treasurer; and an Executive Director who shall not be a member of the Executive Board.

Section B. The term of office for officers shall be two years.

Section C. Officers may be elected for three successive terms. No officer may be elected to the same office for more than three terms, nor to more than two offices in succession during one continuous term of service on the Executive Board.

Section D. All past National Presidents shall be honorary life members of the Executive Board with power of voting, but they shall not be eligible to office. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall not have more than one honorary National President.

Section E. No Executive Board member shall be eligible to office until she will have served on the Executive Board for two years. Such eligibility shall continue through the Assembly at which her term as a Board Member expires.

Section F. The Executive Board shall have power and authority over the affairs of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the interim between Assemblies, excepting that of amending these By-Laws or modifying any action taken at the Assembly.

Section G. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the Executive Board or any committee appointed at the Assembly or by the Board shall be filled by the Executive Board. If a vacancy shall occur in any Office, Board, or Committee in the interim between meetings of the Executive Board, the President shall fill such vacancy by appointment, which appointment shall remain in force only until the next meeting of the Executive Board.

Section H. The period of time during which a member has filled a vacancy on the Executive Board shall be included in the six years permitted for service on the Executive Board.

Section I. Twenty members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Section J. In years when there is no Assembly the Executive Board shall meet at such time and place as it shall determine. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by the President, or must be called upon written request of fifteen members.

Section K. The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati and/or New York.

Section L. Any member of the Executive Board absenting herself from two consecutive Executive Board meetings without excuse shall be dropped automatically from the Executive Board and shall be so notified.

**ORGANIZATION AND POWERS OF
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Article 11

Section A. The Executive Board shall at its first meeting elect from its own body four members, who with the officers of the Federation shall constitute the Executive Committee.

Section B. The Executive Committee shall act for the Executive Board in any emergency, arising in the interim between the meetings of the Executive Board. It shall have the power of expending a sum not to exceed \$2,500 during the period between Assemblies.

Section C. Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be at the call of the President, or upon request of the majority of the Executive Committee, and all expenses of said meeting shall be borne by the Treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Six members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

**RELATIONSHIP WITH UNION OF AMERICAN
HEBREW CONGREGATIONS**

Article 12

Section A. The President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall submit once a year to the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations a report dealing with the work of the Federation; and once yearly an annual budget covering the expenditures for which the Union makes an annual appropriation.

NATIONAL STANDING COMMITTEES

Article 13

Section A. The President, in consultation with the Executive Committee, shall appoint all National Standing Committees provided for in the By-Laws and such other committees as are deemed necessary. The Executive Director shall be the Secretary of each National Standing Committee.

Section B. Each National Standing Committee shall devise methods of carrying out the work entrusted to it and shall communicate these plans to each Sisterhood through the corresponding local and State committees.

Section C. All Chairmen of National Standing Committees shall be selected from the Executive Board.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION

Article 14

Section A. The National Committee on Cooperation shall devise methods of bringing the various Sisterhoods into closer relationship with one another; shall collect and disseminate information of value to Sisterhoods; shall devise methods of executing such plans for general welfare work as the Federation may adopt.

**NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS
EXTENSION**

Article 15

Section A. The National Committee on Religious Extension shall stimulate local Sisterhood members to enter into the religious life of the congregation, shall encourage Sabbath observance, synagogue attendance and the formation of classes for the study of Jewish history, literature and religion.

Section B. The National Committee on Religious Extension shall have in charge the organization of new Sisterhoods and their affiliation with the National and shall encourage Sisterhoods in conducting campaigns for increasing their local membership.

Section C. The National Committee on Religious Extension shall establish special committees on Sisterhood activities in communities where no Sisterhood exists, due to lack of numbers.

Section D. The National Committee on Religious Extension shall urge corresponding local Chairmen to make a survey of Jewish residents in the district. Where there are children in outlying communities, the religious education of the children shall be stimulated. Jewish women living in communities remote from organized groups shall be visited by Committees on Religious Extension and invited to join the Sisterhood nearest their place of residence.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Article 16

Section A. The National Committee on Religious Schools shall furnish the Sisterhoods with information concerning the best methods in religious school education; shall encourage men and women to devote themselves to religious school teaching, and shall assist local Sisterhoods in establishing free religious schools.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON THE SCHOLARSHIP
AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Article 17

Section A. The National Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund shall cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in all enterprises seeking to encourage students to prepare for the rabbinate at the Hebrew Union College, and in such other enterprises of religious education as the Federation shall find necessary.

Section B. The Committee shall gather funds which shall be available at the discretion of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the following purposes: (1) Hebrew Union College Scholarships, (2) the support of the Hebrew Union College Dormitory, and (3) Religious Educational Work of national character and scope.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON JEWISH
CEREMONIALS AND ART

Article 18

Section A. The National Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, through its efforts and those of the local committees bearing the same name, shall devote itself to the interests of the Union Museum.

Section B. It shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles of Jewish art, to arrange for displays of same under proper auspices, to establish Judaica Shops and to urge the study of Jewish customs and ceremonies.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON UNIONGRAMS

Article 19

Section A. The National Committee on Uniongrams shall have complete control of the Uniongram enterprise. It shall devise ways and means of disposing of Uniongrams through the help of local Sisterhood Uniongram Committees.

Section B. The profits of this enterprise shall, at the discretion of the Executive Board, be devoted to the projects of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT
FEDERATIONS

Article 20

Section A. The National Committee on District Federations shall have charge of all matters connected with the organization and administration of District Federations.

Section B. In order that District Federations may function more effectively as agencies of the National Federation and to achieve a better understanding of the National program on the part of District Presidents, there shall be a Council of District Presidents to discuss ways and means in which District Federations and National can be mutually helpful, and to submit such plans as they may care to recommend to the National Board. This Council of District Presidents shall meet in the interim year between Assemblies at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Article 21

Section A. The National Committee on Youth Activities shall endeavor to interest each local Sisterhood in the students attending colleges in or near that city, to encourage the Sisterhoods to invite these students to their homes, to services at the Synagogue, and to include them in the social and educational life of the congregation.

Section B. The National Committee on Youth Activities shall stimulate the organization of leagues for young people and shall assist them in the organization of their programs and meetings and shall, in such ways as they find possible, cause a closer cooperation between youth groups and the National Federation of Temple Youth.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND
WORLD RELATIONS

Article 22

Section A. The National Committee on Peace and World Relations shall encourage the establishment of study circles on the subject of Peace and World Relations, and shall cooperate with other national organizations interested in the promotion of orderly relations among nations.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON FAMILY EDUCATION

Article 23

Section A. The National Committee on Family Education shall have as its primary function the integration of the Jewish child into life.

Section B. To further this purpose, there shall be a concentration on family education with particular regard to that subject matter important in the maintenance both of an enriched spiritual life and of a strengthened home and family life. Thought and study in these fields shall be en-

couraged by the Committee through: (1) the formation of study classes and parent groups, (2) the preparation of study materials, (3) recommendation, and when possible, distribution of related publications, and (4) cooperation with other organizations in the field.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE
FOR THE BLIND

Article 24

Section A. The National Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind shall prepare in Braille a library of Jewish content for adult and juvenile blind readers.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMS

Article 25

Section A. The National Committee on Programs shall devise, collect and distribute programs of educational and religious value appropriate for the use of local and state Sisterhood meetings.

COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Article 26

Section A. The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, District Federations, the District President's Council and the Federation's Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 41.)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON INTERFAITH
ACTIVITIES

Article 27

Section A. The National Committee on Interfaith Activities shall endeavor to stimulate better understanding and good will among women of all faiths: 1) through Institutes on Judaism for leaders of church women's groups, 2) through discussion groups and interfaith gatherings giving information about Judaism.

Section B. The Committee shall encourage local Sisterhoods to sponsor such programs and to cooperate with non-Jewish groups in arranging interfaith meetings on an educational level.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Article 28

Section A. The President, Executive Director, Treasurer and each National Standing Committee Chairman shall make annual reports to the Executive Board, to the Assembly and to the Union.

OFFICIAL BONDS

Article 29

Section A. Any officer who receives and disburses funds of the Federation shall give such bonds as the Executive Board shall require. No member of the Board shall be accepted as surety thereon.

OFFICERS

Article 30

Section A. The President elected at the first meeting of the Executive Board after the Assembly shall preside at all meetings of the Board and at the following Assembly, and shall serve until her successor is elected.

Section B. The remaining officers of the Federation shall perform such duties as are usually incumbent upon officers of similar organizations.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Article 31

Section A. The Executive Director of the Federation shall be a member of the staff of the "General Secretariat" of the Union. The salary of the Executive Director, like that of all the members of the staff, shall be determined by a special committee of the Union on which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall have representation, and shall be paid by the Union. The Executive Director shall be elected by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at its Assembly meeting.

Section B. The duties of the Executive Director shall be such as usually devolve upon such an officer, including the transmission of funds to the Treasurer, and such other duties as may be designated by the President and Executive Board.

TREASURER

Article 32

Section A. The Executive Office upon receipt of monies shall without delay deposit the same to the credit of the Federation in banks designated by the Executive Board.

Section B. The Treasurer shall issue checks on funds only when presented with vouchers bearing the signature of the Executive Director or the President.

Section C. The Treasurer shall keep a record of the monies received and disbursed.

Section D. In the absence of the Treasurer, the first Vice-President or the next succeeding officer shall be empowered to issue checks on funds when presented with vouchers duly signed.

Section E. In order to meet on short notice budgetary expenses of the Federation, a sum not

to exceed \$2,000 shall be deposited in a bank designated by the Executive Board. Monies from this fund will be withdrawn upon the signature of the President or the Executive Director. Reimbursement to this account shall be made by the Treasurer upon presentation of substantiating vouchers, as in Section B of Article 32.

DEPOSIT OF SECURITIES

Article 33

Section A. All securities, including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation, shall be deposited in a safe deposit company in Cincinnati and/or New York to be designated by the Executive Board.

FISCAL YEAR

Article 34

Section A. The fiscal year shall end on the thirty-first day of October, annually, at which time all reports shall be made and the same shall be printed annually by the Executive Board and published for distribution, and shall be submitted to the Assembly at the regular meetings thereof, and to the Union.

FINANCIAL EXAMINATIONS

Article 35

Section A. The President shall appoint at the close of each fiscal year a competent public accountant, whose duty it shall be to examine the books and vouchers of the Federation and the securities belonging to the Federation.

UNIONGRAM APPORTIONMENT

Article 36

Section A. During each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provisions of the By-Laws.

EXPENSES OF THE OFFICERS TO THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 37

Section A. The railroad expenses of the following members of the Executive Board attending the annual meetings of the Board shall be paid out of the Treasury of the Federation: the President, the Recording Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Chairman of each of the National

Standing Committees. In the event that the President finds herself unable to attend, the expenses of the first Vice-President or the next Vice-President in order who is able to attend shall be paid.

SUBSIDIARY DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 38

Section A. The Executive Board at its discretion may issue charters to District Federations of Sisterhoods, comprised of Sisterhoods belonging to the National Federation.

Section B. The President of the Executive Board, or her representative who shall be a member of the Executive Board, shall attend the meeting of the District Federations on the occasion when the charter is bestowed, and shall invest the officers with the powers conferred by the same. The railroad expenses of the President or the member designated to take her place on such an occasion shall be paid out of the Treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section C. A District Federation, formed by Sisterhoods affiliated with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, desiring to work in cooperation with the National, shall submit a tentative Constitution for the approval of the Executive Board. Such Constitution must conform with the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in its purposes and standing committees. The Executive Board may delegate the duties connected with the examination of constitutions and the issuing of charters to a subcommittee of the Executive Board.

Section D. Each District Federation shall pay annually to the Treasury of the National Federation the sum of \$10.00. District Federations in arrears for two years may be suspended and if in arrears for four years may have their charters recalled by the Executive Board.

Section E. The dues claimed by the District Federation must not be more than 25c per capita per annum, and shall be collected by the District Treasurers, who shall make semi-annual reports in March and September, to the Executive Office, giving the financial status of her respective Federation. Any additional monies that a District Federation may desire to raise shall be approved by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods or a designated committee thereof.

Section F. Each District Federation shall elect one delegate-at-large to the Assembly.

FOREIGN POLICY

Article 39

Section A. Sisterhoods in countries other than the United States shall pay annual dues to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in the amount of \$10.00 for each Sisterhood body.

Section B. Uniongrams, Calendars, and all books published by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall be sold to foreign Sisterhoods at a price to make allowance for the duty on same.

Section C. Sisterhoods outside the United States may be invited to participate whenever possible in Sisterhood meetings in the city or cities nearest them.

GOVERNMENT OF ASSEMBLY

Article 40

Section A. The Assembly shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, in all cases not provided for in the By-Laws.

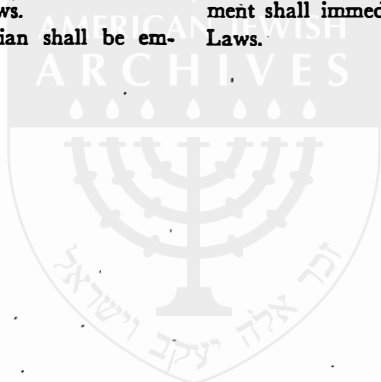
Section B. A parliamentarian shall be em-

ployed at a remuneration to be fixed by the Executive Board.

AMENDMENTS

Article 41

Section A. Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a District Federation, the District Presidents' Council, or the Federation's Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly. Such proposals for amendments, in addition to any suggested by the Committee itself, must be referred by the Committee on Revisions to members of the Executive Board and to the Presidents of District Federations and local Sisterhoods thirty days in advance of the Assembly. The Executive Board is privileged to acquaint the Assembly with its views on all proposed amendments. If adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Assembly, the amendment shall immediately become part of the By-Laws.



District Federations

February, 1953

1. New England Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Massachusetts and Rhode Island)
Mrs. Alfred H. Pagell, *President*, Brockton, Mass.
2. Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. H. L. Cohen, *President*, Bridgeport, Conn.
3. New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. William J. Leffler, *President*; Tuckahoe, N. Y.
4. New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Raymond Kramer, *President*, Paterson, N. J.
5. Pennsylvania Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Daniel S. Bernheim, *President*, Philadelphia, Pa.
6. Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Alan Green, *President*, Shaker Heights, O.
7. West Virginia Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Edward S. Fields, *President*, Morgantown, W. Va.
8. District No. 8 (Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, North Carolina and Virginia)
Mrs. A. F. Klein, *President*, Greensboro, N. C.
10. Indiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Sydney V. Romer, *President*, Indianapolis, Ind.
11. Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Marcus Lebster, *President*, Flint, Mich.
12. Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (and Florence, Sheffield and
Tuscumbia, Alabama)
Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, *President*, Lexington, Ky.
13. South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Chester Heimlich, *President*, Timmonsville, S. C.
14. Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Georgia, Florida and Alabama—except
Sheffield, Florence and Tuscumbia, Alabama)
Mrs. J. M. Edrehi, *President*, Pensacola, Fla.
16. Mississippi-Arkansas Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Alexander Kline, *President*, Clarksdale, Miss.
17. Louisiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. David Lefkowitz, Jr., *President*, Shreveport, La.
18. Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Milton J. Krensky, *President*, Glencoe, Ill.
19. Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Fred S. Marshall, *President*, Appleton, Wis.
20. District No. 20 (Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri and New Mexico)
Mrs. Milton Mayper, *President*, Omaha, Nebr.
22. Texas-Oklahoma Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Joseph N. Koch, *President*, Dallas, Tex.
24. Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (California, Oregon, Washington and Arizona)
Mrs. Gertrude L. Kallin, *President*, Los Angeles, Calif.

Membership List

(AS OF FEBRUARY, 1953)

ALABAMA

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Anniston	Henrietta Sterne Sisterhood	38	Mrs. I. P. Levi
Bessemer	Beth-El Sisterhood	39	Mrs. Jake Sarasohn
Birmingham	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	388	Mrs. Sylvan Ives
Dothan	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	35	Mrs. Nathan Kraselsky
Gadsden	Temple Aid Society	61	Mrs. Marvin Cohn
Huntsville	Huntsville Temple Sisterhood	31	Mrs. M. L. Weil, Jr.
Jasper	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Joe Engel
Sheffield-Florence-			
Tuscumbia	Tri-Cities B'nai Israel Sisterhood	35	Mrs. Louis Levi
Tuscaloosa	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	56	Mrs. Leonard Lesser

ARIZONA

Phoenix	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	263	Mrs. Jarvis Weiss
Tucson	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	245	Mrs. Phillip Sollins

ARKANSAS

Blytheville	Temple Israel Sisterhood	40	Mrs. Hyman Weinberg
Ft. Smith	Temple Sisterhood (United Hebrew)	58	Mrs. A. Laytin
Helena	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth-El	65	Mrs. Stanley Newman
Hof Springs	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel	67	Miss Regina Kaplan
Jonesboro	Temple Aid Sisterhood	26	Mrs. Julius Jacobs
Little Rock	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	230	Mrs. Albert Korenblat
McGehee	Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood	30	Mrs. Isadore Small
Pine Bluff	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	96	Mrs. Sheldon Blau

CALIFORNIA

Alameda	Temple Israel Sisterhood	51	Mrs. William Green
Bakersfield	Women of Temple Beth-El	70	Mrs. Harry Horwitz
Berkeley	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	111	Mrs. James M. Kaye
Beverly Hills	Emanuel Sisterhood	200	Mrs. Meyer Wilk
Glendale	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	180	Mrs. A. Horwitz
Hollywood	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	500	Mrs. Joseph Cooper
Hollywood			
(North)	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	305	Mrs. Edward Cherniss
Long Beach	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	275	Mrs. A. Geary Allgrim
Los Angeles	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood	110	Mrs. Paul H. Tartak
	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood	132	Mrs. Nat Sires
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Westchester	57	Mrs. Leo Seidner
Los Angeles	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	597	Mrs. Frank Kashare
(West)	University Synagogue Sisterhood	166	Mrs. Albert Meiroff
Oakland	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	361	Mrs. Herbert Hart
Pomona	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	90	Mrs. Helen Saffron
Redondo Beach	South Bay Temple Menorah Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Ada Markell
Riverside	Riverside Temple Beth El Sisterhood	54	Mrs. Nathaniel Greenwood
Sacramento	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	183	Mrs. Frank Appelbaum
San Bernardino	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	164	Mrs. Sam Isenberg
San Diego	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary	264	Mrs. Samuel Friedman
San Francisco	Temple Emanu-El Women's Guild	675	Mrs. Julian Littman
	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood	419	Mrs. Lew Tilin
San Gabriel	Temple Beth David Sisterhood	85	Mrs. William Mogiliner
San Jose	San Jose Temple Sisterhood	174	Mrs. Herbert Mann
San Mateo	Peninsula Temple Beth El	200	Mrs. Manuel Iscoff
Santa Ana	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	61	Mrs. Max Fischel
Santa Monica	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	183	Mrs. Hyman Silverman
Stockton	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	160	Mrs. Samuel Brownstein

COLORADO

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Colorado Springs	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	27	Mrs. Robert Krouse
Denver	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	600	Mrs. A. E. Bowers
Trinidad	Temple Aaron Sisterhood	18	Mrs. Leo Gottlieb

CONNECTICUT

Bridgeport	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	222	Mrs. Arnold Tower
Danbury	Sisterhood United Jewish Center	150	Mrs. Walter Werner
Hartford	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	467	Mrs. Sidney Rafal
New Haven	Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood	400	Mrs. Isadore Strauss
South Norwalk	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	73	Mrs. Louis Stern
Waterbury	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	100	Mrs. Samuel Frank

DELAWARE

Wilmington	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth	223	Mrs. Leo Blumberg
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation	549	Mrs. J. J. Goodman
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FLORIDA

Coral Gables	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center	224	Mrs. Sam Schulefand
Daytona Beach	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	73	Mrs. Sam Doliner
Ft. Lauderdale	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	102	Mrs. Harry Levy
Jacksonville	Temple Sisterhood	266	Mrs. B. J. Rothschild
Miami	Temple Israel Sisterhood	305	Mrs. Leopold Schwartz
Miami Beach	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	407	Mrs. Aaron Farr
Orlando	Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism	73	Mrs. A. Edward Beldner
Pensacola	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	117	Mrs. J. L. Kahn
St. Petersburg	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	70	Mrs. Bill Newman
Sarasota	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	55	Mrs. Joseph Greenberg
Tallahassee	Temple Israel Sisterhood	56	Mrs. Sidney Mendelson
Tampa	Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood	141	Mrs. Julian Witman
West Palm Beach	Beth Israel Sisterhood	108	Mrs. A. Gordon

GEORGIA

Albany	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	99	Mrs. George Farkas
Athens	Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel	28	Mrs. Jacob B. Joel
Atlanta	The Temple Sisterhood	500	Mrs. William Lipshutz
Augusta	Temple Sisterhood	101	Mrs. Herman Selwyn
Brunswick	Temple Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood	42	Mrs. Milton Levy
Columbus	Jewish Ladies Aid Society	107	Mrs. Maurice Rosenberg
Dalton	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	34	Mrs. Ted Rabinowitz
Macon	Beth Israel Sisterhood	116	Mrs. Gus Kaufman
Rome	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Ben Esserman
Savannah	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel	120	Mrs. Philip Cranman
Thomasville	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	24	Mrs. Samuel Segal

ILLINOIS

Benton	Benton Sisterhood	35	Mrs. H. Goldblatt
Bloomington	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood	45	Mrs. Herman Ochs, Sr.
Champaign-Urbana	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	79	Mrs. B. B. Wiese
Chicago	Beth Am Sisterhood	290	Mrs. Paul Unger
	Beth El Sisterhood	150	Mrs. M. J. Kaplan
	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel	236	Mrs. Alfred Rouske
	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood	157	Mrs. Leon Rabin
	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	401	Mrs. Philip Sobel
	Sisterhood of Temple Ezra	155	Mrs. Davin Schoenberger
	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel	600	Mrs. Leo Levi
	Temple Judea Sisterhood	54	Mrs. Theresa Berkelhamer

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
	K. A. M. Temple Sisterhood	479	Mrs. Emanuel Molner
	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	375	Mrs. Arthur Weil
	Women of Mizpah	200	Mrs. Sydney Hollander
	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	1154	Mrs. Albert Cohn
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood	369	Mrs. Manny Bobele
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood	1450	Mrs. Harry O. Rosenberg
	Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood	350	Mrs. Monroe Loeb
Danville	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	48	Mrs. Leonard Jaffe
Decatur	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood	72	Mrs. Jack Loeb
Evanston	Beth Emet Sisterhood	231	Mrs. Sidney Swartz
Glencoe	North Shore Temple Sisterhood	775	Mrs. Sydney Mandel
Kankakee	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	56	Mrs. Ernest Klein
Peoria	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood	200	Mrs. Jack Szold
Quincy	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Shalom	15	Mrs. Harry Chanan
Rockford	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	100	Mrs. Maurice Madden
Springfield	Sisterhood of Temple B'rith Sholom	144	Mrs. Benjamin Victor

INDIANA

Anderson	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood	27	Mrs. Joseph Simkin
Evanville	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood	175	Mrs. Sidney Althof
Ft. Wayne	Achduth Veshalom Temple Sisterhood	163	Mrs. Chester Leopold
Gary	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	190	Mrs. Harold Finkel
Hammond	Beth El Sisterhood	119	Mrs. L. Sandler
Indianapolis	The Temple Sisterhood	463	Mrs. A. Ebner Blatt
Kokomo	Jewish Temple Sisterhood	32	Mrs. Sam Kopelov
Lafayette	Temple Israel Sisterhood	41	Mrs. Jeanette Neuman
Marion	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	50	Mrs. Henry Fleck
Michigan City	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	98	Mrs. Milton Bankoff
Muncie	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	54	Mrs. Morton Standt
South Bend	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	200	Mrs. R. J. Fischgrund
Terre Haute	Temple Women's Organization	141	Mrs. Sam Zoll
Valparaiso	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	38	Mrs. Elsa Binzer

IOWA

Cedar Rapids	Sisterhood of Temple Judah	100	Mrs. Herbert Levin
Davenport	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	168	Mrs. Elmer Levin
Des Moines	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood	250	Mrs. Boni Druker
Sioux City	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai	142	Mrs. Bernard Lipman

KANSAS

Leavenworth	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Jeshurun	30	Mrs. Barney Berkowitz
Topeka	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	70	Mrs. Leslie Scrinopskie
Wichita	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	127	Mrs. Jerome Fisher

KENTUCKY

Ashland	Ashland Temple Sisterhood	52	Mrs. Samuel Mansbach
Henderson	Adas Israel Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Ben Bernstein
Hopkinsville	Adath Israel Ladies Auxiliary	25	Mrs. E. A. Cohen
Lexington	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood	115	Mrs. David Weil
Louisville	Adath Israel Sisterhood	455	Mrs. Mortimer Goldsmith
	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	186	Mrs. Arthur Frank
Paducah	Temple Israel Sisterhood	50	Mrs. Max Kaufman

LOUISIANA

Alexandria	Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim	131	Mrs. Rose Gewertz
Bastrop	Sisterhood of Bastrop	10	Mrs. Jeo Schendle
Baton Rouge	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	120	Mrs. Ralph Perlman
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood	55	Mrs. Leon Fellman
Lafayette	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood	21	Mrs. Marcus Mayers
Lake Charles	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	59	Mrs. Jules Reinauer
Monroe	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	101	Mrs. Stewart Doernberg
New Iberia	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer	26	Mrs. Robert Lewald
New Orleans	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer	240	Mrs. Nathan Mohre

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Shreveport	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	470	Mrs. Robert Reinfeld
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue	421	Mrs. Paul Kling, Jr.
	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple	250	Mrs. Albert Elmer

MARYLAND

Baltimore	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood	704	Mrs. Morton Goldstein
	Sisterhood Temple B'nai Shalom	33	Mrs. Estelle Beitch
	Har Sinai Sisterhood	545	Mrs. Ernest Edlow
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	725	Mrs. Benjamin Abeshouse
	Career Group of Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	89	Miss Selma Tiefenbrun
Cumberland Hagerstown	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood	79	Mrs. Joseph Goldman
	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood	64	Mrs. Ella Spector
Montgomery County	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	40	Mrs. Leslie Schmidt

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston	Temple Israel Sisterhood	806	Mrs. Nathaniel Wharton
	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom	773	Mrs. Otto Morningstar
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	255	Mrs. Israel Gesmer
Brockton	Temple Israel Sisterhood	200	Mrs. Irving Stone
	Lawrence Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	236	Mrs. George Goodman
Lowell	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	34	Mrs. Albert L. Chosiad
Lynn	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	322	Mrs. Benjamin Engleman
Malden	Temple Tifereth Israel Sisterhood	250	Mrs. Louis Permut
Newton	Sisterhood of Temple Shalom of Newton	160	Mrs. Bertram Litman
Pittsfield	Temple Sisterhood	130	Mrs. Samuel Tarover
Springfield	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	150	Mrs. Alfred Glickman
Worcester	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	454	Mrs. Nathan Satter

MICHIGAN

Alpena	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	22	Mrs. Harry Pinsky
Battle Creek	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	53	Mrs. Harold Rose
Bay City	The Temple Sisterhood	37	Mrs. J. P. Goldberg
Benton Harbor	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	70	Mrs. Ben Kohen
Detroit	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	1156	Mrs. Arthur Rice
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	635	Mrs. David Keywell
Flint	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	145	Mrs. Jack Krause
Grand Rapids	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	162	Mrs. Charles Farber
Huntington Woods	Sisterhood of the Suburban Temple of Greater Detroit	206	Mrs. Maurice Barnett
Jackson	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple	82	Dr. Edith Ahronheim
Lansing	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek	137	Mrs. D. Karpf
Muskegon	Sisterhood B'nai Israel	103	Mrs. Joseph Strifling
Petoskey	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Irene Gordon
Pontiac	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	97	Mrs. William Present
Saginaw	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	24	Miss Helen Erman

MINNESOTA

Duluth	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	186	Mrs. Sam Bikson
Minneapolis	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	447	Mrs. Jacob Grodnik
St. Paul	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple	398	Mrs. Ralph Freeman

MISSISSIPPI

Brookhaven	Sisterhood B'nai Shalom	21	Mrs. Clifford Abrams
Canton	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	16	Miss Maude Lehman
Clarksdale	Beth Israel Sisterhood	92	Mrs. Morris Binder
Cleveland	Adath Israel Sisterhood	53	Mrs. Mose Hyman
Columbus	Columbus Temple Sisterhood	30	Mrs. A. A. Solomon
Greenville	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood	100	Mrs. Leo Frankel
Greenwood	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	23	Mrs. David Pachter
Hattiesburg	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood	39	Mrs. Alvin London
Jackson	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	92	Mrs. Julius Herman

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Laurel	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	9	Mrs. Harold Matison
Lexington	Julia Lewis Sisterhood	11	Mrs. A. Flowers
Meridian	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	64	Mrs. William Lerner, Jr.
Natchez	Natchez Temple Sisterhood	55	Mrs. Lawrence Abrams
Riverside	Riverside Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood	16	Mrs. Lionel Baskind
Ruleville-Drew	Sisterhood of Ruleville and Drew	23	Mrs. N. N. Miller
Tupelo	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood	18	Mrs. Ray Bush
Vicksburg	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood	97	Mrs. Samuel Shillman

MISSOURI

Joplin	Temple Aid Sisterhood	72	Mrs. Jack Fleischaker
Kansas City	The Temple Sisterhood B'nai Jehudah	700	Mrs. Emil Haas, Jr.
St. Joseph	Adath Joseph Sisterhood	180	Mrs. Ben Rosenthal
St. Louis	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood	147	Mrs. Samuel Dorman
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	460	Mrs. Alan Ross
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood	445	Mrs. Moss Stern
	United Hebrew Ladies Aid Society	350	Mrs. George Winnerman
Springfield	Sisterhood of United Hebrew Congregation	40	Mrs. Lois Weinsaft

MONTANA

Butte	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	30	Mrs. S. M. Rafish
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NEBRASKA

Lincoln	South Street Temple Sisterhood	64	Mrs. Julian Lyons
Omaha	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	258	Mrs. Morton Hiller

NEVADA

Las Vegas	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center	25	Mrs. M. H. Gordon
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NEW JERSEY

Atlantic City	Beth Israel Sisterhood	326	Mrs. Alvin Steinberg
Camden	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	57	Mrs. Leon Strat
Closter	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El of Northern Valley	45	Mrs. Harry M. Feder
Elizabeth	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	82	Mrs. Jerome Samuels
Englewood	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	14	Mrs. Marcia Wecker
Hoboken	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno	73	Mrs. Edward Neuman
Jersey City	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	273	Mrs. Louis Steisel
Lakewood	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	120	Mrs. Jack Altman
Long Branch	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood	86	Mrs. Millard Rosenfeld
Newark	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun	600	Mrs. Israel Rachlin
New Brunswick	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple	195	Mrs. Abram Silverman
Orange	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo	228	Mrs. I. Irwin Miller
Paterson	Barnert Temple Sisterhood	221	Mrs. Philip Miller
Plainfield	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	152	Mrs. Miron Walley
Teaneck	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood	119	Mrs. Theodore Greenberg
Trenton	Har Sinai Sisterhood	270	Mrs. Samuel S. Berger

NEW MEXICO

Albuquerque	Temple Albert Sisterhood	114	Mrs. Hanni Seligman
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NEW YORK

Albany	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth	362	Mrs. Ferdinand B. Levison
Astoria	Ladies' Guild of Astoria, L. I.	150	Mrs. Lillian Gressey
Batavia	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	27	Mrs. Joseph Tannenberg
Bay Shore	The Women's Club of Temple Sinai	35	Mrs. James Burrows
Bellerose	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom	85	Mrs. Rose Geringer
Binghamton	Temple Concord Sisterhood	106	Mrs. Harry S. Koffman
Bronx	Judea Reform Temple Sisterhood	17	Mrs. Frank Reilly

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President	
Brooklyn	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom	275	Mrs. Esther Burkhardt	
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim	350	Mrs. Leon A. Weil	
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush	350	Mrs. Abe Gruber	
	Sisterhood Beth Sholom Peoples Temple	140	Mrs. Myron Popper	
	Sisterhood Congregation Ner Sholom	10	Mrs. Mildred Gelman	
	Sisterhood of Community Reform Temple	37	Mrs. Florence Granat	
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue	191	Mrs. William Goldberg	
	Sisterhood Shaari Zedek	125	Mrs. Alfred Yaffe	
	Sisterhood of Temple Shomray Sholom	88	Mrs. Dorothy Portnoy	
	Sisterhood of Union Temple	330	Mrs. Florence Friedman	
	Beth Zion Sisterhood	625	Mrs. Elmer Levy	
	Buffalo	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	68	Mrs. Max Sharkey
		Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El of East Meadow	90	Mrs. Helen Dlugatch
	Cortlandt	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El of Queens	70	Mrs. Hortense Levi
East Meadow, Hempstead	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	135	Mrs. Jesse Shapiro	
	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	350	Mrs. Marvin Newberg	
Elmhurst	Temple Beth Sholom	137	Mrs. Theodore Jacobs	
	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing	151	Mrs. Joseph Deutsch	
Glens Falls	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	105	Mrs. Sarah Cline	
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck	641	Mrs. Ralph Rose	
Hempstead	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple	250	Mrs. Harris H. Groten	
	Beth El Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Dorothy Landman	
Hornell	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Huntington	35	Mrs. Mitchell W. Alexander	
Huntington	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	80	Mrs. William A. Dicker	
Ithaca	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Jamaica	340	Mrs. Norman Hirschel	
Jamaica	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah	207	Mrs. Morey Ruvin	
Kew Gardens	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	97	Mrs. Leone Gross	
Kingston	Sisterhood of Larchmont Temple	230	Mrs. Jerome Stegel	
Larchmont	Sisterhood of Free Synagogue of Laurelton	78	Mrs. E. Zackheim	
Laurelton	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	427	Mrs. Phillip Karushaar	
Lawrence	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	181	Mrs. Leonard J. Oppenheimer	
	Levittown Reform Temple	143	Mrs. M. Zimmer	
Levittown	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	207	Mrs. George Robbins	
Long Beach	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	400	Mrs. Ira Levy	
Lynbrook	Sisterhood of the Reform Jewish Congregation of Merrick	53	Mrs. Nona Weiner	
Merrick	Women's Guild Temple Beth-El	66	Mrs. Norman Laskey	
Mt. Kisco	Women's Guild of Free Synagogue of Westchester	249	Mrs. Joseph Toonkel	
Mt. Vernon	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	203	Mrs. Jerome Srote	
Neponsit	Ladies Guild of West End Temple	200	Mrs. Lewis L. Bleier	
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	122	Mrs. Jacob Shapiro	
Newburgh	Sisterhood of Reform Temple New Hyde Park Communities	87	Mrs. Mildred Goldberg	
New Hyde Park	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	850	Mrs. Joseph Grotta	
	Beth Am Sisterhood	75	Mrs. Irwin Appel	
New Rochelle	Central Synagogue Sisterhood	271	Mrs. Henry Lambert	
	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant	125	Mrs. M. Wernick	
New York	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El	635	Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind	
	Sisterhood of East End Temple	50	Mrs. Helen Doneger	
	Sisterhood of Fort Washington Synagogue	58	Mrs. S. Liberman	
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim	47	Mrs. Hansi Pollack	
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle	175	Mrs. Florence Silverman	
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.	210	Mrs. David Weisburger	
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood	307	Mrs. Milton Hirschberger	
	Riverdale Temple Sisterhood	199	Mrs. William Heimonwitz	
	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood	440	Mrs. Joseph Glanzer	

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue	249	Mrs. Alex Cohen
	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx	93	Mrs. A. J. Silverman
	Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue	273	Mrs. J. B. Cohen
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood	154	Mrs. Fred Stein
	Sisterhood of Village Temple	29	Mrs. R. S. Ratner
Niagara Falls	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	128	Mrs. Herbert Finley
Oceanside	Temple Avodah	100	Mrs. Alvin Greenfield
Olean	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	50	Mrs. A. Misler
Plattsburg	Beth Israel Sisterhood	43	Mrs. Joel H. Scheier
Port Washington	Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue	69	Mrs. Julie Jacobs
Poughkeepsie	Vassar Temple Sisterhood	149	Mrs. Irving Kraut
Rochester	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood	531	Mrs. Harold Feltman
Rockville Centre	Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau Co.	594	Mrs. Henry Miller
Roslyn	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	378	Mrs. Edward Singer
Rye	Sisterhood of Community Synagogue	118	Mrs. M. Schneider
Saranac Lake	Sisterhood of the Jewish Community Center of Saranac Lake	22	Mrs. Philip Gingold
Schenectady	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven	122	Mrs. Louis Tischler
Spring Valley	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	90	Mrs. Ruth Begun
Staten Island	Sisterhood Temple Israel	105	Mrs. Arnold Rosenberg
Syracuse	Sisterhood of Society of Concord	251	Mrs. Theodore Pierson
Tarrytown	Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary of the Tarrytowns	152	Mrs. Mel. Gabbè
Troy	Sisterhood of Third Street Temple	91	Mrs. Harold Bellinson
Utica	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	60	Mrs. Arthur Freedman
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Charlotte	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	71	Mrs. Daniel Green
Gastonia	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	35	Mrs. Herbert Girard
Goldsboro	Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	39	Mrs. Nathan Kadis
Greensboro	Sisterhood Temple Emanu El	118	Mrs. Sol Weinstein
Lumberton	Hebrew Woman's Auxiliary	12	Mrs. George Silverton
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Raleigh	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or	59	Mrs. Arnold Jacobs
Rocky Mount	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Leon Epstein
Wilmington	Ladies' Concordia Society	46	Mrs. Abram Solomon
Winston-Salem	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	86	Mrs. Richard Backer

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Fargo	Beth El Sisterhood	61	Mrs. Seymour Landfield
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Alliance	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	20	Mrs. William Sag
Ashtabula	Tifereth Israel Sisterhood	51	Mrs. T. Grant
Bellaire	Sons of Israel Sisterhood	17	Mrs. Bert Wohlgenuth
Canton	McKinley Ave. Temple Sisterhood	260	Mrs. Ben Dreyer
Cincinnati	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood	880	Mrs. Nathan Levine
	Rockdale Ave. Temple Sisterhood	600	Mrs. Stuart Schott
Cleveland	Euclid Ave. Temple Sisterhood	1200	Mrs. Alvin Spiegel
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	355	Mrs. Phillip Kaufmann
	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Hope	160	Mrs. Joseph Herz
	Suburban Temple Women's Committee	354	Mrs. Marion Levy
	Temple Women's Association of Tifereth Israel	1250	Mrs. Sydney Galvin
Columbus	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel	523	Mrs. Herbert Wise
Dayton	Temple Israel Sisterhood	472	Mrs. David Rakietan

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Elyria	Elyria Sisterhood	78	Mrs. Charles Schwartz
Fremont	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	47	Mrs. Yale Fish
Hamilton	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood	63	Mrs. Herman Levy
Lima	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	88	Mrs. Harry Cohen
Lorain	Lorain Temple Sisterhood	135	Mrs. Nathan Wittow
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Newark	Ohev Israel Temple Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Joseph Lichtenstein
Piqua	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	29	Mrs. Elliott Mursten
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Youngstown	Rodef Sholem Sisterhood	347	Mrs. Milton Klivans
Zanesville	Findlay Ave. Temple Sisterhood	28	Mrs. Myron Freilich

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Tulsa	Temple Israel Sisterhood	239	Mrs. David Milsten

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Portland	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	457	Mrs. Louis Lubliner
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Allentown	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	150	Mrs. Harold Cohen
Altoona	Sisterhood of Beth Israel	100	Mrs. Samuel Maximon
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Easton	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace	117	Mrs. Henry Cohen
Erie	The Temple Sisterhood	217	Mrs. William M. Schuster
Greensburg	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	75	Mrs. Samuel Pittler
Harrisburg	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Shalom	149	Mrs. Charles Goodman
Hazleton	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	80	Mrs. Samuel M. Woronoff
Honesdale	Beth Israel Sisterhood	28	Mrs. Irving Newman
Johnstown	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood	130	Mrs. Sidney Jacovitz
Lancaster	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim	150	Mrs. William Barnett
McKeesport	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	120	Mrs. Marvin Wintner
New Castle	Temple Israel Sisterhood	93	Mrs. Daniel Fisher
Philadelphia	Sisterhood of Beth David Reform Congregation	120	Mrs. Nathan Kane
	Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	45	Mrs. Bernard Green
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea	424	Mrs. Norman Bram
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	508	Mrs. William Gash
	Keneseth Israel Evening Group	83	Mrs. Malvian Wirtschafer
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	697	Mrs. Herbert Frieder
Pittsburgh	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	130	Mrs. Lewis Leventon
	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood (Seniors)	1232	Mrs. J. Arthur Stein
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	292	Mrs. Benjamin Rothman
Reading	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Shalom	130	Mrs. Arthur Hammel
Scranton	Sisterhood of Madison Ave. Temple	151	Mrs. Frederick Ellenbogen
Sharon	Beth Israel Sisterhood	171	Mrs. Louis Rosenblum
Uniontown	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	90	Mrs. E. Milton Cohen
Wilkes-Barre	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith	103	Mrs. J. Reese
Williamsport	Sisterhood Beth-Ha-Shalom	65	Mrs. Nathaniel Goodman
York	Beth Israel Sisterhood	115	Mrs. Arthur Walker

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Providence	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	307	Mrs. William Matzner
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City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
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Camden	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	13	Mrs. B. H. Baum
Charleston	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood	117	Mrs. Manning Bernstein
Columbia	Sisterhood of Tree of Life	60	Mrs. Jerome Shanman
Conway	Temple Sisterhood of Conway	9	Mrs. Jerry Solomon
Darlington	Darlington Temple Sisterhood	11	Mrs. LeRoy Want
Dillon	Dillon Temple Sisterhood	10	Mrs. Samuel Schaffer
Florence	Beth Israel Sisterhood	23	Mrs. Chester Heimlich
Georgetown	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood	23	Mrs. E. G. Rubin
Greenville	Temple of Israel Sisterhood	24	Mrs. Harry Garber
Kingstree-Lake City	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood	23	Mrs. Hymie Marcus
Sumter	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple	53	Mrs. C. F. Lyon

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Sioux Falls	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	51	Mrs. Harry Marsh
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TENNESSEE

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Chattanooga	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple	159	Mrs. Harold Schwartz
Clarksville	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	19	Mrs. Maury Solomon
Jackson	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	30	Mrs. W. R. Levy
Knoxville	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	94	Mrs. George Finner
Memphis	Temple Israel Sisterhood	670	Mrs. Jacob A. Goodman
Nashville	Vine St. Temple Sisterhood	475	Mrs. Nathan Halpern

TEXAS

Austin	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	125	Mrs. Joseph Reichman
Beaumont	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	106	Mrs. Werner Steinhart
Big Spring	Temple Israel Sisterhood	22	Mrs. B. Eckhaus
Corpus Christi	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	190	Mrs. Frances Hammond
Dallas	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood	700	Mrs. Laurence S. Kahn
El Paso	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	185	Mrs. Melvin Potash
Ft. Worth	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	224	Mrs. B. E. Ellman
Galveston	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	145	Mrs. J. R. Nierman
Houston	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	550	Mrs. M. W. Lewis
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	441	Mrs. Dean Meyers
Kilgore	Beth Shalom Sisterhood	67	Mrs. Bernard Henry
Lubbock	Shaareth Israel Auxiliary	60	Mrs. Harold Alschuler
Lufkin	Beth Israel Sisterhood	19	Mrs. Harry Siegel
Marshall	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore	13	Mrs. H. A. Goldberg
Port Arthur	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	60	Mrs. Morton Mandel
San Antonio	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	367	Mrs. Alexander Lieberman
Texarkana	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	49	Mrs. Lou Sullivan
Tyler	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	77	Mrs. Samuel M. Rubin
Waco	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Shalom	112	Mrs. Irving Ginsberg
Wichita Falls	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	52	Mrs. Sidney Goldman, Jr.

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Bristol	B'nai Shalom Sisterhood	43	Mrs. David Weinstein
Charlottesville	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	31	Mrs. Charles Hyman
Danville	Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood	31	Mrs. Louis Berman
Fredericksburg	Beth Shalom Temple Sisterhood	36	Mrs. Sarah Lee Margolis
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Norfolk	The Sisterhood of Ohef Sholom Temple	247	Mrs. Mervin Cooper
Richmond	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood	404	Mrs. Lewis Markel
Roanoke	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	85	Mrs. Julien Meyer
Staunton	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood	26	Mrs. Milton Finkel

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Spokane	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	117	Mrs. Herman Walker
Tacoma	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	85	Mrs. S. Fingold

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Bluefield	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood	66	Mrs. Harry Kammer
Charleston	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood	220	Mrs. Morton Hess
Clarksburg	Tree of Life Sisterhood	76	Mrs. Murray Lerner
Fairmont	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	44	Mrs. David Bressler
Huntington	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood	143	Mrs. Leonard Lerner
Logan	Logan Temple Sisterhood	24	Mrs. Joseph Fish
Morgantown	Morgantown Sisterhood	40	Mrs. Donald Friedman
Parkersburg	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	51	Mrs. Herbert Gottlieb
Welch	Emanu El Sisterhood	26	Mrs. Julian Budnick
Wheeling	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood	67	Mrs. Sam Crone
Williamson	Williamson Temple Sisterhood	44	Mrs. W. M. Goodman

WISCONSIN

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Kenosha	Beth Hillel Sisterhood	80	Mrs. Paul Phillips
Madison	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	123	Mrs. Harry Heilprin
Milwaukee	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun	528	Mrs. George Laikin
Oshkosh	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	40	Mrs. Stanley Thomas Ginsberg

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Hamilton, Ont., Canada	Deborah Sisterhood of Anshe Sholom Synagogue	127	Mrs. Harry Gerofsky
Montreal, Que., Canada	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	400	Mrs. George Hollinger
Toronto, Ont., Canada	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood	800	Mrs. M. Toker
Havana, Cuba	Menorah Sisterhood of Havana	65	Mrs. Leon Lemberg
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Colon, Panama	Sisterhood Kaal Kadosh Yangakob	28	Mrs. Moritz Sasso
Panama City, Panama	Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel	107	Mrs. Doris de Lima
Glasgow, Scotland	Sisterhood of Glasgow Progressive Synagogue	20	Mrs. A. E. Barnett
Capetown, South Africa	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	16	Mrs. M. Nathan
Johannesburg, South Africa	Sisterhood of United Jewish Reform Congregation	350	Mrs. R. Lurie

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Los Angeles, California, February 13-16, 1955

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It should be noted that these changes do not affect the terms of those members elected to the Board previous to 1953.

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April 19-23, 1953

Proceedings of the Executive Board

PRE-CONVENTION MEETING

Hotel Roosevelt
New York, N. Y.
April 18, 1953.

The Pre-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board convened Saturday evening, April 18, 1953 at 8:15 P.M., in Vanderbilt Rooms 3-5 of the Roosevelt Hotel in New York. An invocation was recited in unison.

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President of NFTS, was in the Chair and Mrs. Henry Monsky, Recording Secretary, recorded the minutes.

The following Board members were present:

Mrs. Mervin Blach, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Jack Davis, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Bexley, Ohio; Mrs. Joseph Forman, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Arthur J. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Cedarhurst, N. Y.; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Albert L. Green, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. David E. Jacobs, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Aaron L. Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Harry N. Lowenstein, East Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Moses M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. David R. Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Steuer, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. I. Edward

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The following Chairmen of NFTS Special Committees were also present:

Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Edward H. Schulkind, New York, N. Y.

EXCUSES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

Messages of regret and reasons for non-attendance were received from members not attending. The Board voted that appropriate Uniongrams be sent to those members who could not attend, with special greetings to Past Presidents, Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg and Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr., who was ill in the hospital; and to Mr. Lee Richman, Chief Accountant of the UAHC and NFTS, whose wife had died that morning.

MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

It was unanimously agreed to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Executive Board Meeting of November, 1952.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Rosett announced that the Committee on NFTS Finances whose task was to study ways in which NFTS could eventually become self-supporting, appointed after the last Board Meeting, was not ready to report. Considerable thought was required in connection with the topics it was to consider.

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

With regard to the request from Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and Dr. Nelson Glueck, President of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, to divide the reserve in the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund between the College-Institute and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, which had been considered at the previous NFTS Board Meeting, decision was made that future consideration would have to be given to the problem after the close of the current NFTS fiscal year, October 31, 1953. It was pointed out that the special 40th Anniversary

Contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund had not met expectations and that if contributions did not increase considerably by October 31, 1953, half of the reserve funds would have to be used to meet present commitments.

Mrs. Sol Gitson, Chairman of the Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, reported on a proposed revision of the methods for achieving the Distinguished Service, Honor Roll and Honorable Mention List for the Fund. Under the proposed system, a Sisterhood could attain the Distinguished Service List by contributing \$1000 in a year to the Fund; the Honor Roll, by contributing \$500 in a year; and the Honorable Mention List by increasing its contribution 5% over a previous year until it achieved \$3 per capita, at which time it would retain a place on the Honorable Mention List by maintaining the \$3 per capita. This change was especially designed to aid the smaller Sisterhoods. The entire system, it was felt, would be more equitable, more in keeping with present realities of the Fund and also assist in increasing contributions. The report was unanimously accepted as read, with the directive that it be rephrased in certain spots for clarification before being released to Sisterhoods in the fall, to become effective as of the 1953-54 fiscal year.*

EVALUATION COMMITTEE

The report of the Sub-committee on Realignment of the Evaluation Committee was presented by Mrs. Henry Monsky, Chairman of the Evaluation Committee, which had adopted the policy that all its recommendations should be approved by the Executive Board before presentation to any other group.

The following recommendations were made and accepted on an experimental basis for re-evaluation at the 1955 NFTS Biennial Assembly:

"In the interest of service, efficiency, and economy, the Committee on Evaluation, after careful study on the part of its sub-committee on the structure of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, recommends that the activities of the National Federation, now functioning through 19 or more separate committees, be re-aligned into four departments. The detailed proposal is to be on an experimental basis for re-evaluation at the 1955 Biennial Assembly. It follows:

* Reconsidered at Post-Convention Board Meeting, April 23, 1953. See minutes of that date.

1. There will be four NFTS Departments
 1. Religion and Education
 - a) Family Education
 - b) Jewish Ceremonials and Art
 - c) Religious Extension
 - d) Religious Schools
 - e) Youth Activities
 2. Advancement of Judaism
 - a) Uniongrams
 - b) Combined Campaign UAHC-HUC-JIR
 - c) Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
 - d) World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities
 - e) House of Living Judaism
 3. Human Relations
 - a) Interfaith
 - b) Jewish Literature for the Sightless
 - c) Emergency Services
 - d) Peace and World Relations
 4. Membership and Administrative Services
 - a) Program Aids
 - b) District Federations
 - c) Field Service
 - (1) Speakers
 - d) Revision of By-Laws
 - e) Evaluation
 - f) Budget and Finance
2. Chairmen of each of these four departments will be appointed from the Executive Board.
3. The Board will be divided into these four departments. Each member of the Executive Board shall serve as an active member of one of the four departments. In addition, the President, with the NFTS Executive Committee, shall appoint to each department non-board members.
4. There shall be in each department a chairman for whichever of the projects seems necessary.
5. All form correspondence to local Sisterhoods and District Federations shall go on the letterheads of the respective departments, not of the various project chairmen.
6. Beginning with the Sisterhood season of 1954-55, NFTS form letters will be sent from the four NFTS Department Heads to local Sisterhoods and District Federations, and NFTS will no longer address its form mail to the various individual chairmen of its projects in each local Sisterhood and District Federation.

It remains, however, within the province of local Sisterhoods, if they so desire, to continue to appoint, even beyond the fall of 1954, as many local chairmen of the present NFTS committees as suit their particular needs. However, it should be understood that by the fall of 1954, any such local committees will receive their NFTS mail, aids, and services through the four departments.

7. A staff member shall be assigned by the Executive Director to work with each of the four departments."

The Executive Board also approved a recommendation of the Evaluation Committee that an Evaluation Form be distributed to members of the Biennial Assembly, and that the tabulated answers should be incorporated in the report of the Chairman of the Evaluation Committee to the Biennial Assembly.

The Evaluation Committee recommended that the Executive Board suggest to the Board of the UAHC that the next Biennial be planned to open on Sunday evening not Sunday morning, in order that the NFTS Executive Board might meet on Sunday, as well as on Saturday night, if necessary, prior to the Biennial. This suggestion was unanimously approved. It was further agreed that recommendation would be made to the Union that Biennial Assemblies always be held at the same time of year, in the spring or fall, not fluctuating from spring to fall.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Mrs. David Zielonka, Chairman of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, presented the report of the Committee for the information and comments of the Board. It was carefully discussed, section by section.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A LIBERAL JEWISH CONGREGATION IN MEXICO

Mrs. Rosett reported that Dr. Eisendrath had asked whether NFTS would grant \$2500 from the reserve of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund to help in the establishment of a Liberal Jewish Congregation in Mexico; this was the first manifestation of interest in the Liberal Movement in Central America. The motion to allocate these funds was tabled until such time as it was possible to determine more fully the situation with regard to NFTS aid to the UAHC and the HUC-JIR.

* Reconsidered at Mid-Convention Board Meeting, April 21, 1953. See minutes of that date.

REBUILDING OF WEST CENTRAL CONGREGATION, LONDON

A letter from the Honorable Lily H. Montagu, J.P., O.B.E., London, England was read to the Board. It contained a request for aid in the rebuilding of the West Central Congregation in London which had been destroyed during an enemy bombing raid in 1941. It was voted to send a letter of reply to Miss Montagu expressing the Board's pleasure at receiving her communication and its hope that assistance might be provided in the future, altho' none could be forthcoming at the present time because of the burden on NFTS of present unmet commitments.

Mrs. Harold Baum, Chairman of the Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities, suggested that during the coming year each local Sisterhood might be apprised of this specific need, and that perhaps aid might be forthcoming in this way. It was voted to postpone the discussion until after consideration of the Budget.

NFTS DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

The question of NFTS District #17, the Louisiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' joining NFTS District #22, the Texas-Oklahoma Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was raised by Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Chairman of the NFTS Committee on District Federations. It was referred to the Executive Committee for further study.*

COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND WORLD RELATIONS

It was explained by Mrs. Abram Goodman, Chairman, that the Peace and World Relations Committee had felt the need for a new study course, but that financial considerations had prevented. Suggestion was made that the Board consider the possibility of cooperating with the Joint Commission on Social Action of the CCAR and UAHC on a course entitled "Individual Freedom and National Security." It was agreed that since this topic was related to the Budget, it might best be considered by the Post-Convention Board, and Mrs. Goodman, whose term of office on the Board terminated at this Biennial, was invited to re-present the matter at the Post-Convention session of the new Executive Board.

DATE OF NFTS FISCAL YEAR

Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Finance, gave a report re-

quested by the last Board meeting with regard to changing the date of the NFTS fiscal year. It was recommended that NFTS continue with its present fiscal year, November 1—October 31. After much consideration, it had been found that it would not be advantageous to NFTS or its members to change the date of the fiscal year.

GIFT TO MRS. ROSETT

Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, on behalf of the Executive Board, presented to Mrs. Rosett, as outgoing President, a beautiful gold pin with the NFTS monogram as the center of the design, in token of esteem and gratitude for her years of indefatigable service as President of NFTS. The inscription on the pin read, "To Frieda

Rosett from your devoted Board." Mrs. Tekulsky's message said in part: ". . . Madam President, through your efforts our Sisterhoods throughout the country have made impacts on cultural and Jewish life, and every fiber of your being has always been dedicated to the performance of your duty . . ."

Mrs. Rosett thanked the Board for its thought of her and for its great cooperation at all times.

The Pre-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board adjourned at 11:45 P.M.

(Mrs. Louis A.)
FRIEDA S. ROSETT,

President

(Mrs. Henry)
DAISY MONSKY,

Recording Secretary



Proceedings of the Executive Board

MID-CONVENTION MEETING

Hotel Roosevelt
New York, N. Y.
April 21, 1953.

The Mid-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board was called to order by the President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett on Tuesday, April 21, 1953 at 4:40 P.M. in Vanderbilt Rooms 3-5 of the Roosevelt Hotel, New York. An invocation was recited in unison.

Mrs. Henry Monsky, Recording Secretary, called the roll. The following new members were presented and were welcomed by Mrs. Rosett:

Mrs. Daniel Bernheim, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Lester Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. Leo Blumberg, Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. Maurice Brown, Paterson, N. J.; Mrs. Beryl Cohon, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss, Elmira, N. Y.; Mrs. Edward Fields, Morgantown, W. Va.; Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N.Y.; Mrs. Robert Levi, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Elmer Moyer, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Albert Shulman, So. Bend, Ind.

The following Board members who continued in office were also present:

Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Samuel Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Jack Davis, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Bexley, Ohio; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Arthur L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Harry N. Lowenstein, East Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Jacob P. Rudin, Great Neck, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Moses M.

Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. David R. Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. A. Herman Siskind, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. I. Edward Tonkon, Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. James L. White, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Washington, Chairman of this Committee, read the Committee's report: "Madam President, and Ladies, The task of preparing a slate of nominees for the various offices of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has not been a simple one. Fortunately, this organization and its Executive Board, whose officers are the officers of the Federation, are blessed with many members who have given distinguished service in Sisterhood life and have amply demonstrated leadership qualities and distinctive abilities. To choose from these highly qualified members those few who may be honored with the responsibility of leading our Federation was indeed a serious undertaking. Past service, demonstrated ability, rotation of office, and a balance between new and experienced officers, as well as geographical distribution, were all points carefully and impartially studied. On the basis of hours of detailed and conscientious exploration, the Committee on Nomination of Officers submits at this time, for your action, a slate that we objectively believe to be an excellent one. Each of the women whose names will now be presented was contacted in person and her permission to stand as a candidate for the office for which she is proposed, was received. Therefore it is an honor to present the following nominees:

For President—Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer of Pikesville, Md.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Henry Monsky, West Los Angeles, Calif.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio.

Third Vice-President—Mrs. Harry Jacobson,

West Des Moines, Ia.

Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. David Zielonka,
Tampa, Fla.

Treasurer—Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston,
Ill.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Jerome L. Salm,
Houston, Tex.

Executive Director—Miss Jane Evans, New
York, N. Y.

The Executive Committee is composed of
the officers including the Honorary President,
Mrs. Abram Simon of Washington, D. C., and
the following four nominees:

Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.

Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mrs. Clarence C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.

Respectfully submitted by your Nominating
Committee which consisted of the following
members:

Mrs. Walter Hardman, Chairman, Seattle,
Wash.

Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Woodmere, N. Y.

Mrs. Joseph Forman, Roanoke, Va.

Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y."

The slate was elected by acclamation.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET

The NFTS Budget for the fiscal year Novem-
ber 1, 1953—October 31, 1954 was presented to
the Board for study by the Chairman of the
Committee on Budget and Finance, Mrs. Irving
Hollobow. Various questions were asked and
answered; all items were fully explained to
the Board. The presentation of the budget was
for information only; action on it was scheduled
for the post-convention Executive Board session,
April 23, 1953.

* Amended at Post-Convention Board Meeting, April 23, 1953. See minutes of that date.

MERGER OF NFTS DISTRICTS

Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn., Chair-
man of the Committee on District Federations,
asked reconsideration of the question discussed
at pre-convention Board meeting of approval for
the following Districts to investigate the possi-
bility of mergers:

NFTS District #17, the Louisiana Federa-
tion of Temple Sisterhoods with NFTS Dis-
trict #22, the Texas-Oklahoma Federation
of Temple Sisterhoods

NFTS District #19, the Wisconsin Federation
of Temple Sisterhoods with Minnesota

Merger investigation by these Districts was
approved.

VOTE OF THANKS TO NFTS DISTRICT #18

The Executive Board voted that a letter of
thanks be sent to NFTS District #18, the Illi-
nois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, for its
constructive interest in the progress of NFTS,
as shown through its concern with the Revision
of By-Laws.*

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, the President-elect of
NFTS, spoke briefly to the Board, mentioning
how grateful her mother, of blessed memory,
would have been to see her as President of
NFTS. The Mid-Convention Meeting of the
Executive Board was adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

(Mrs. Hugo)

HELEN M. DALSHIMER,

President

(Mrs. Jerome L.)

HANNAH SALM,

Recording Secretary



Proceedings of the Executive Board

POST-CONVENTION MEETING

Hotel Roosevelt
New York, N. Y.
April 23, 1953

The Post-Convention Luncheon Meeting of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened in the Small Ballroom of the Roosevelt Hotel on Thursday, April 23, 1953, at 1:15 P.M. Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President, presided. An invocation was read in unison.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Recording Secretary, called the roll. The following members were present:

Mrs. Daniel Bernheim, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Lester Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. Leo Blumberg, Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. Maurice Brown, Paterson, N. J.; Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Beryl Cohon, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Jack Davis, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss, Elmira, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Edward Fields, Morgantown, W. Va.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Bexley, Ohio; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Arthur L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Robert Levi, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Samuel Levy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Harry Lowenstein, East Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Elmer Moyer, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Jacob P. Rudin, Great Neck, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Salm, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Moses M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Albert Shulman, South Bend, Ind.; Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. David R. Simon,

Washington, D. C.; Mrs. A. Herman Siskind, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. I. Edward Tonkon, Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. James L. White, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y.

COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE FOR THE NEXT BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

Mrs. Dalsheimer announced that the Committee on Time and Place for the next Biennial Assembly had selected February 13-17, 1955, in Los Angeles, California. It was suggested that the dates and the place of the Convention be sent immediately to District Federation Presidents so that District Conventions can be scheduled without conflicting with the NFTS Biennial.

NFTS BUDGET

After full discussion, the budget for the NFTS fiscal year, November 1, 1953-October 31, 1954, which had been presented at the Mid-Convention Board meeting, was adopted by unanimous vote.

ISAAC M. WISE FUND

It was voted to discontinue separate mention of the Isaac M. Wise Fund as part of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund because contributions to the Isaac M. Wise Fund had shrunk since the passing of Mrs. Josiah Cohen of Pittsburgh, Pa.

FUTURE BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY BANQUET PROGRAMS

The Executive Board voted to point out to future program committees of the UAHC and NFTS the great importance of timing each portion of the program of the Convention Banquet and strictly adhering to the schedule.

COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND WORLD RELATIONS

Mrs. Abram Goodman, Immediate Past-Chairman on Peace and World Relations, by special request of the pre-convention Board, continued discussion concerning preparation of study materials which she had presented to the Pre-Convention Board Meeting. The possibility of cooperating with the Joint Commission on

Social Action of the UAHC and CCAR, in preparing certain study materials was considered. Financial cooperation might be possible, with NFTS retaining its autonomy and independence. The President will request that a member of the NFTS Executive Board meet with the Joint Commission to discuss this matter and make a recommendation to the NFTS Board.

CONTINUATION OF INTEREST OF FORMER BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Albert J. May, Honorary Member of the NFTS Board, suggested that the Executive Committee consider ways whereby former Board members might be organized into a group that would continue their interest and help in NFTS activities. It might be possible for this group to hold a special meeting at NFTS Biennial Assemblies. The matter was referred to the NFTS Executive Committee for further study.

THANKS TO NFTS DISTRICTS

It was agreed that the motion at the Mid-Convention Board Meeting to thank NFTS District #18, should be expanded to include all of the NFTS District Federations which have worked to help NFTS through revision of By-Laws.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

The Report of the Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund presented at the Pre-Convention Board Meeting, regarding changes in the quotas for the honor listings, was referred for further study to the Executive Committee in order to determine whether the system would achieve its objectives of equitability, consistency with present realities, and increasing contributions.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Mrs. Julian Miller made several suggestions with regard to the work of the Program Committee. 1. The approximately 25 best programs in the NFTS Program Contest be made available to all Sisterhoods through a specially published book for which each Sisterhood would pay. 2. The other Contest programs be listed

in a special section of the new Program Booklet. 3. Program suggestions for the year's program be distributed to Sisterhoods not later than May each year. 4. The four prize-winning plays in the Program Contest be mimeographed and sent to each Sisterhood without charge. 5. For special holidays and events, letters to Local and District Program Chairmen should suggest specific programs that have been read and evaluated. 6. A program suggestion for large and small Sisterhoods to be given during the same month be distributed. 7. The Program Committee have time to meet during the Biennial Assembly. 8. The Program Contest be an annual event. These were referred to the Budget Committee, which will, after study, return them to the Executive Committee for final action.

NFTS ART CALENDAR

Discussion was held on changing the size of the NFTS Art Calendar; it was the decision of the Board to continue publishing it in the same size as heretofore.

NFTS THANK YOU NOTES

A suggestion was made that use of the words, "Thank You" on the note-sized paper of the NFTS Uniongram Committee be discontinued. It was decided to continue the note paper in the present form as otherwise the notes might be used for messages instead of Uniongrams.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Dalsheimer explained that she would soon be leaving for a vacation in Europe. As President she requested the help, support and active cooperation of all Board members so that together they could work for the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

The Post-Convention Board Meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

(Mrs. Hugo)
HELEN M. DALSHIMER,
President
(Mrs. Jerome L.)
HANNAH SALM,
Recording Secretary



NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Roosevelt Hotel, New York, N. Y.
April 18, 1953

AGENDA—PRE-CONVENTION SESSION

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.,
Presiding

1. Invocation (in Unison)
2. Roll Call
3. Excuses for Non-Attendance, and Greetings
4. Minutes of the November, 1952, Executive Board Session, Pittsburgh, Pa.
5. Report from the President
6. Further Business
7. Adjournment

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Roosevelt Hotel, New York, N. Y.
April 21, 1953

AGENDA—MID CONVENTION SESSION

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.,
Presiding

1. Invocation (in Unison)
2. Roll Call

3. Welcome to Newly Elected Board Members
4. Report of Committee on Nomination for Officers.

Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash., Chair-
man

5. Election of Officers
 6. Presentation of Budget
- Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Evanston, Ill., Chair-
man
7. Recess until Post-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Roosevelt Hotel, New York, N. Y.
April 23, 1953

AGENDA—POST-CONVENTION SESSION

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., Presid-
ing

1. Invocation (in Unison)
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Budget for NFTS Fiscal Year 1953-54
4. Further Business
5. Adjournment



Proceedings
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OF THE
National Federation of
Temple Sisterhoods

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President's Message

New Rochelle, N. Y., April 19, 1953

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Dear Friends:

Once again it is my privilege to address the delegates of the NFTS in convention assembled, to introduce the business of this convention, and to present for your information, guidance and consideration such background as will help you to participate more fully in deliberations.

This convention, the first since the dedication of our Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial in New York, has a rather special significance. It will not only offer to those who have not visited it before the joy and the inspiration of seeing our beautiful religious center for the first time, it will also bring to our sessions a sense of being part of a new era, with new aspirations, new opportunities, new challenges for those who strive for the growth of Liberal Judaism. Since my term as your President will be completed with this convention, it is fitting also that I review, however briefly, the events, the developments and the changes of these three biennial periods during which you have entrusted me with the duties of this high and honored office.

Looking back across the years, I am happy to report a story of progress for NFTS in many areas. We have gained in numbers, we have gained in strength, we have gained in the interest and participation of our members in our program. We have perhaps gained most of all in the area of understanding and of fellowship, in a sense of the unity of our purpose and the significance of our cause in our own lives and the life of the world about us. The expanded program and the growing importance of our parent body has likewise heightened our potentialities for service, and has summoned us to a greater and more intensive effort to measure up to our responsibilities as the women's division of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

AMONG OTHER ACTIVITIES

In 1947 the *Council of District Presidents* was established and has proved of great value in clarifying the relationship between District and National Federation, in increasing understanding between local Sisterhoods and NFTS, in stimulating an exchange of ideas among the Districts and in presenting recommendations and suggestions to the NFTS Executive Board.

In 1949 the *Sisterhood Loan Fund for New Congregations* was created to aid new congregations formed by the Union until such time as they would be able to meet their own needs.

In 1950 the *Committee on Emergency Services*, formerly called Post-War Services, found the need for its work continuing; NFTS and its members responded promptly and magnificently to the call of the Women's Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board to once again do its part in the program on behalf of men and women in the Armed Forces.

Over a period of years, from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, we *refurnished the Dormitory on the Cincinnati Campus* of the HUC-JIR which was originally built and furnished through the efforts of our Federation. Further we extended assistance to students from overseas who presently, as ordained Rabbis of our College-Institute, will serve in non-United States posts assigned to them by the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

The *Sisterhood Division of the Combined Campaign* was created to add its strength to the task of increasing contributors and raising the standard of giving to the annual maintenance fund of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

Then in 1952, the NFTS, together with NFTB, became one of the sponsor organizations of RIAL, a committee made up of representatives of all faiths to strengthen *Religion in American Life*, with special emphasis on attendance at religious services.

Judaica Shops have become an increasingly important Sisterhood project as have our *Institutes on Judaism for Church Women* through which some ten thousand of our neighbors have become more aware of our mutual heritage.

These years also marked the occurrence of major events on the international scene, important not only to Jewry but to the world itself. Five years ago tomorrow, the State of Israel was established. Built from the anguish, the tears, and above all the hopes of scattered and homeless Jews the world over, it has, as a fact of history, become a demonstration of a positive, constructive approach to the age old problem of the Jew.

OUR FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY YEAR

This XIXth Biennial Assembly is dedicated to the 40th Anniversary of the founding of the NFTS and in recognition of this occasion we pay honor to past, present and future.

In our tribute to Mrs. Abram Simon of Washington, D. C., our founder and honorary President who happily is with us today, we honor our beginnings—the past which gives dignity and direction and stability—and we pray that our Federation, like its beloved founder, may never lose its spirit, its challenge, or its willingness to adjust to new situations and to progress with the times.

In the theme which has been chosen for the program of this convention, "Judaism and Life Today—The Prospect before Us," we show our concern for the present and the future—well aware that the achievement of tomorrow is the task of today.

But the achievement of tomorrow, or even the task of today, is difficult

without the complete cooperation and support that comes from an understanding of all its phases. At this fortieth anniversary convention we hope that you will be made aware of the importance and the significance of our first and major project: to provide through the *Scholarship and Religious Education Fund* scholarships for rabbinic students at the College-Institute and contributions to be used by the Union toward its education and youth program, as well as the underwriting of other religious educational projects that are national in character and scope, as approved by the NFTS Executive Board.

On January 21, *National Uniongram Day*, Sisterhoods all over the country joined in a special candlelighting service describing the four decades of NFTS service. An impressive and memorable service in honor of the occasion was held in the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial for Sisterhoods in the Metropolitan New York area. A special contribution to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, as an anniversary gift over and above the usual sums, was sought for the coming year. Reports and photographs of the occasion have been received and although only a few Sisterhoods have sent in their anniversary gift, it is hoped that others during the course of the year will follow.

SELF-STUDY AND EVALUATION

The Biennial period leading up to our 40th Anniversary has been devoted to a project of self-study and evaluation. Like other national organizations currently engaged in the same sort of self-study and evaluation, we realized at the start that we were embarking on a long-term project, that many sources and many opinions would have to be explored, and many experimental programs undertaken.

At our Biennial Convention in Cleveland in November, 1950, many phases of NFTS program, policy and procedure were discussed and debated. Because, as one member expressed it, "much of the constructive value of those sessions was obscured by the flames of controversy and contention," many have differed with the opinion which I held then as I hold now, that it was nevertheless an excellent and productive meeting. It expressed doubts, it brought to light highly controversial points of view; it also cleared the atmosphere, demonstrated many sources of strength as well as of weakness, and pointed a direction toward which to travel.

In order to consider ideas coming from many sources, without waiting for an annual meeting of the Executive Board, a special meeting of the Executive Committee was held in Cincinnati in May, 1951. Discussion was based on replies from Board members to a letter in which I asked that they direct their thinking toward the solution of some of our pressing problems.

As a first step, the Executive Board approved the appointment of a *Special Committee on Evaluation* and the sending of a questionnaire to all Sisterhood Presidents to gather information on those areas of our program in which there was satisfaction, those areas in which improvement and change were desired; and to learn more about what our Sisterhoods and their Presidents were thinking in relation to NFTS. The numerous replies to these questionnaires indicated

great interest and revealed a surprising divergence of opinions and preferences even on those points on which at the Cleveland convention it seemed as though opinion was clear cut. There will be a report and discussion of the Committee on Evaluation at the business session on Thursday morning.

A Committee to study *Field and Membership Service* was also appointed. A "Manual for Sisterhoods" is in preparation and there has been great expansion of *Leadership Training Institutes*. During the Biennial period now ending there have been 13 Leadership Institutes under NFTS auspices in many sections of the country. For this Committee a manual on "How to Organize a Sisterhood" has been published and distributed. It has already proved helpful to NFTS representatives who are participating in the exciting work extending Liberal Judaism.

The *Committee on Revision of By-Laws* was activated for year round rather than merely "pre-Convention" service so that by long term study of proposed revisions and by meeting well in advance of the convention, its members would be able more effectively to recommend to this legislative body the result of its well considered and unhurried judgment.

A *Special Committee on Budget and Finance* was appointed, likewise for year round service, to study the NFTS financial situation and in addition to presenting a budget to the Executive Board, to report at quarterly intervals, through the President's Packet, to local and District Sisterhoods. As an aid to a clearer understanding of NFTS expenditures and income, a functional budget was requested and prepared.

ELECTION PROCEDURES

In an organization numbering 85,000 members in 480 Sisterhoods scattered over an area covering thousands of miles and several countries, it is important to take into account not only the ability of candidates, but also, in accordance with the democratic process, to make certain that representation is balanced and distributed geographically.

In an effort to improve the election procedures under which we had been operating, a sub-committee of the Evaluation Committee, especially assigned to this task, and the Committee on Revisions independently, searchingly discussed our present methods and many alternative plans. The final result of their deliberations on this and many other points will be placed before you in the report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws.

CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

How to Handle Resolutions of the Convention was another matter on which we recall there was debate and dissatisfaction. One group of our members believed honestly and sincerely that resolutions passed by the NFTS Assembly should be limited almost solely to its own affairs and to those matters directly touching its program; another group equally sincere and determined, believed that it is the duty of any large, representative, national organization such as ours to speak out for or against those things which might in any way be interpreted as bearing on issues of religious or humanitarian or social justice concerns.

In the past we have struck many a snag and sacrificed time, temper and sometimes I believe even good judgment, in trying to improvise methods to reconcile these two points of view. We have therefore appointed a Resolutions Chairman and some members of this Committee in advance of this Biennial and have attempted to start the preparation and presentation of some resolutions earlier than has been our custom.

I have in this account devoted my remarks largely to the work of the special committees and new activities. This is in no way meant to minimize the excellent contributions of our standing committees who year in, year out are carrying their part of the general program. The reports of their activities will be found in your Year Book. I hope that you will consider it a part of the agenda of this meeting to carefully read and consider them, and that you will take pride as I do in the many achievements which they make possible for our Federation.

But organizations do not exist in a vacuum and their accomplishments must be judged not by their immediate results but against the circumstances and the state of the world in which they have occurred. The world we live in is a world of tension, a world which for many a weary year has been bowed under threat and danger. As a religious organization, the value of all our activities lies in the extent to which they contribute in the long run to the lessening of that tension or the minimizing of those fears and dangers.

Against these conditions in the world in which we live, how does NFTS measure up? How shall we judge the value of the Sisterhood activities on which we expend so much of our time, our energy and our devotion?

JUDGING OUR GOALS

On the Sunday in June, 1950 when ground was broken for our House of Living Judaism, just as the first spadeful of earth was being turned with the silver spade which I had the honor of presenting in your name, the little hollowed-out spot where the ceremony took place was crowded with reporters, photographers, and newsmen. Everyone shouted directions as to where to look and what to do. And I remember being somewhat weary; the day was warm and everyone of us was hot and tired. Rather impatiently I said to the person who seemed to be arranging affairs, "Isn't that enough now, do they *have* to take so many pictures?" and he replied, "Oh, Mrs. Rosett, this is history—and tomorrow it will be in all the papers and on all the newsreels. . . ."

But when "tomorrow" came, one had to search long and hard to find even a trace of the story which seemed so important the day before. For by "tomorrow" the news that President Truman had ordered troops to Korea—"not to fight a war—merely as a police action" (to be over in a few weeks, we hoped) had crowded almost all other stories from the papers.

Recently, I happened to mention this incident to my Rabbi, and he asked me whether I had ever thought about the might of the great Pharaoh in the days of the Exodus and the insignificance of the Jews who were his slaves. How Pharaoh and his smallest act must have been the big news of the day and of immeasurable importance in comparison to the departure of a band of slaves fleeing from his kingdom. Yet thousands of years later, the fate and fortunes and moral influence

of that little band has meant more to the progress of the world than all the mighty kings and despots of antiquity.

And perhaps a thousand years from now, long after the "police action" in Korea is forgotten, somewhere in the back pages of an old newspaper, posterity will read and judge that the action of a small group of people, who dreamed and worked and finally built a House of Living Judaism to express their belief in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man, will have been a greater force for peace, than the combined armies of all the countries of the world.

The House of Living Judaism stands as the symbol of the vision and the dedication of thousands of Sisterhood women. On the fireplace wall of the Sisterhood Lounge are the names, in glowing letters, of those affiliates who, prior to the dedication of the building in October, 1951, gave it their complete support. Just now, for this Biennial, on the east wall of that beautiful room we have added a new Plaque of Honor with the names of eighteen affiliates who, in the last year, have joined the roll of those who have fulfilled their responsibility to this center of Liberal Judaism. There is room for many more names on that wall and we hope that the day will come when every Sisterhood of the Federation will be inscribed.

UAHC YOUTH CAMPS

In the summer of 1952, the first National Youth Leadership Institute was held in a home of its own at the camp of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations at Oconomowoc, Wisc. This long-awaited milestone in the history of American Reform Judaism was the result of many forces and the work of many persons. The camp itself was a gift made to the Union by its Chicago Federation of Reform Synagogues. Since then, through the interest and effort of the Union leaders on the West Coast, another UAHC camp has become a reality at Saratoga, California. These two camps may become the forerunners of similar camp activities in other areas of the country. However, it must be recognized that the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its regions cannot move too quickly in the area of camp activities. Time is needed for the development of experience and the evaluation of these projects, though certainly the camp at Oconomowoc has brilliantly fulfilled the fondest hopes of its sponsors. Both the Wisconsin and California camps, as they should be, are projects of the Union and while we of NFTS are deeply interested in all phases of youth activities, it is the parent body and the National Federation of Temple Youth that set the policy.

IN APPRECIATION

For twenty of our forty NFTS years, Jane Evans has been the professional head of this Federation. As a member of the UAHC senior staff, she ranks all but two others in years of service to the Union and to NFTS in devoted, creative activity for the cause of Liberal Judaism. Her deep interest and sympathy with all Jewish and humanitarian causes have brought to our attention many fields in which NFTS, as a great and representative organization, could use its strength and influence to carry out the tradition of Judaism. Her dynamic personality and outstanding ability have earned for her not only a unique place in the professional

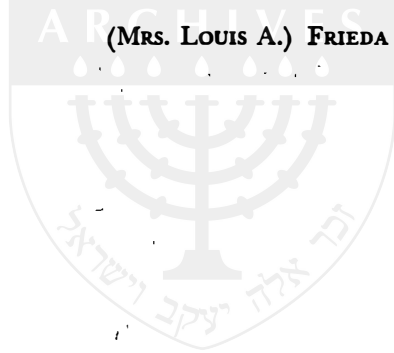
field but a warm and special place in our hearts. In your name and in mine, may I once again, as on so many occasions before, say "Thank you, Jane Evans."

To Josephine Schoenborn, Administrative Assistant and valued staff member for more than ten years, tireless worker and devoted friend of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods; to Carolene Wachenheimer and Anne Wasserstein who have worked with us throughout these difficult years of transferring and adjusting to our new home, I extend our deep appreciation.

At this point I should like to thank those many friends and co-workers without whose help my task would have been more difficult and even impossible. I have been unhappy that there has never been time nor opportunity to call their names aloud. In my heart I gratefully record those who have helped by accepting active work and responsibility, those who have given counsel and guidance; and, above all, those who whether we agreed or differed have always understood.

It has been a rare privilege to serve as your President during a period of historic moments and great achievements for Liberal Judaism. There is a saying that bonds of friendship are strongest between those who work together in a common cause. To Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath for his brilliant and inspiring leadership; to all those in the Union family with whom I have worked these many years and whose friendship I treasure, my deep appreciation for the kindness and consideration shown to NFTS and to me. May I speak for my successor, from you and from them, the same spirit of cooperation and support which have been extended to me.

(MRS. LOUIS A.) FRIEDA S. ROSETT, *President*



Program

NINETEENTH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

*April 19-23, 1953, New York, N. Y.**

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 11:00 A.M.—4:00 P.M.

OPENING SESSION (IN FORM OF "BRUNCH")—ROOSEVELT HOTEL, GRAND BALLROOM
IN HONOR OF MRS. ABRAM SIMON, Washington, D. C., *NFTS Founder and Honorary President*
PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y., *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

Father in Heaven, as once again we assemble, we ask Thy blessing on our undertakings. For the privilege of working together in Thy name, for health and strength, for the earnestness and zeal of our leaders, for the kindness and affection we have for one another, do we thank Thee. We are mindful of our friends who are unable to break bread with us this day. Grant that they soon again may join hands with us in our labors. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Greetings

New York Hostess Sisterhoods

MRS. WILLIAM J. LEFFLER, Tuckahoe, N. Y.

President, NFTS District No. 3, New York State Federation

Non U.S.-Units

MRS. LORNE GREENE, Toronto, Can.

Vice-President, Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood

Conference Committee, National Jewish Women's Organizations

MRS. HERMAN B. LEVINE, Englewood, N. J.

Chairman

The President, UAHC

DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRATH, New York, N. Y.

Appointment of Convention Committees (Rules; Credentials; Nominations; President's Message; Resolutions; Thanks)

The Brunch

Co-Hostesses—Sisterhoods of the Metropolitan New York Area and NFTS

Rules Committee Report

MRS. HUGO BLOOMFIELD, Lexington, Ky.
President—NFTS District No. 12, Kentucky-Tennessee Federation, Chairman

Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee

MRS. HERBERT HAUPTMAN, Chicago, Ill.
First Vice-President, District No. 18, Illinois Federation, Chairman

President's Message

MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Report of Treasurer

MRS. AARON L. LAMBIE, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Report of Special Committee on Budget and Finance

MRS. IRVING E. HOLLOWBOW, Evanston, Ill.
Executive Board Member, Chairman

PROGRAM ON THE 40th ANNIVERSARY OF NFTS

PRESIDING:

MRS. ABRAM V. GOODMAN, Cedarhurst, N. Y.
Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Biennial Program Committee

Unveiling of Portrait of MRS. ABRAM SIMON, *Honorary President.*

* NFTS Executive Board Meetings

The Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods will meet on Saturday, April 18th, at 8 P.M. in Vanderbilt Rooms 3, 4, 5.

The Mid-Convention Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 21st, at 4:30 P.M. in Vanderbilt Rooms 3, 4, 5. The Post-Convention Meeting will be held Thursday, April 23rd, at 1:00 P.M. in the Small Ballroom.

PRESENTATION:

Mrs. A. F. KLEIN, Greensboro, N. C.
President, NFTS District No. 8

ACCEPTANCE:

Mrs. JULIUS MARK, New York, N. Y.
Third Vice-President, NFTS

RESPONSE:

Mrs. ABRAM SIMON, Washington, D. C.
Sisterhood Haggadah written by Mrs. BERTRAM KLAUSNER, Austin, Tex.
*Presented by the Sisterhood Choral of the
Sisterhood of Temple Israel, New Rochelle, N. Y.*

ELSA J. LESSER, *Musical Director*
ANN KAHN SEGAL, *Narrator*
ELSIE STORCK, *Accompanist*
MRS. I. R. STEIN, *Chairman, Sisterhood Choral*

4:30—6:00 P.M.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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| Committee on Credentials | VANDERBILT ROOM 8
Mrs. HERBERT HAUPTMAN, Chicago, Ill.
<i>First Vice-President, District No. 18, Illinois Federation, Chairman</i> |
| Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board | STUYVESANT ROOM
Mrs. ANTHONY SCHWARTZ, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Executive Board Member, Chairman</i> |
| Committee on President's Message | VANDERBILT ROOM 2
Mrs. NAAMAN GLICK, Stamford, Conn.
<i>Second Vice-President, Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Norwalk, Chairman</i> |
| Committee on Resolutions | VANDERBILT ROOM 1
Mrs. GERTRUDE KALLIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>President, NFTS District No. 24, Western Federation, Chairman</i> |
| Committee on Thanks | VANDERBILT ROOM 6
Mrs. LOUIS LUBLINER, Portland, Ore.
<i>President, Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood, Chairman</i> |

CONFERENCES WITH CHAIRMEN OF NFTS COMMITTEES

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| Budget and Finance | LIBRARY |
| District Federations | VANDERBILT ROOM 5 |
| Emergency Services | VANDERBILT ROOM 3 |
| Evaluation | VANDERBILT ROOM 3 |
| Family Education | LIBRARY |
| Field Services | VANDERBILT ROOM 5 |
| House of Living Judaism | VANDERBILT ROOM 5 |
| Interfaith Activities | VANDERBILT ROOM 3 |
| Jewish Ceremonials and Art | VANDERBILT ROOM 4 |
| Jewish Literature for the Blind | VANDERBILT ROOM 3 |
| Peace and World Relations | LIBRARY |
| Programs | LIBRARY |
| Religious Extension | VANDERBILT ROOM 5 |
| Religious Schools | VANDERBILT ROOM 4 |
| Revision of By-Laws | VANDERBILT ROOM 4 |
| Scholarship and Religious Education Fund | ROOMS E AND F |
| Uniongrams | ROOMS E AND F |
| World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities | ROOMS E AND F |
| Youth Activities | VANDERBILT ROOM 4 |

8:00 P.M.

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

COMMODORE HOTEL—GRAND BALLROOM

10:00 P.M.

RECEPTION TO DELEGATES
BY THE NEW YORK FEDERATION OF REFORM SYNAGOGUES

GRAND BALLROOM AND WEST BALLROOM—THE COMMODORE

MONDAY, APRIL 20, 9:00—10:30 A.M.
EYE-OPENER CONFERENCES FOR PRESIDENTS

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

Almighty God, we invoke Thy blessing upon this meeting. Guide us who are privileged to lead our Sisterhood. May our deliberations be conducted with wisdom and understanding, our every word unselfish and sincere. Enlighten our minds to comprehend Thy laws, that our decisions may be just and upright. Show us Thy truth that we may make of our Sisterhood a fortress of strength, whence shall come forth truth and inspiration for all Israel, for all who honestly strive to know Thee. Unless Thou, O Lord, build the house, the builders labor but in vain. Unless Thou, O Lord, lead us, our endeavors will be to no avail. Without Thee, we needs must fail. With Thee, we cannot but succeed. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

1. New Sisterhoods (Five Years Old or less)

Vanderbilt Room 8

CHAIRMAN

MRS. HARRY JACOBSON, W. Des Moines, Ia.
*Executive Board Member, Past President, NFTS
District No. 20*

2. Smaller Sisterhoods (Less than 100 members)

Vanderbilt Rooms 3, 4, 5

CHAIRMAN

MRS. ALEXANDER KLINE, Clarksdale, Miss.
*President, NFTS District No. 16, Mississippi-Arkansas
Federation*

3. Medium Sized Sisterhoods (100 to 400 members)

Small Ballroom

CHAIRMAN

MRS. HERBERT HART, Piedmont, Calif.
President, Sisterhood Temple Sinai, Oakland, Calif.

4. Large Sisterhoods (400 or more members)

Rooms E and F

CHAIRMAN

MRS. PERRY SEGAL, Chicago, Ill.
President, NFTS District No. 18, Illinois Federation

10:40 A.M.—12:40 P.M.

WORKSHOPS: FACING COMMON PROBLEMS

1. Strengthening Home and Synagogue

(Covering the activities of the Committees on Family Education; Jewish Ceremonials and Art; Religious Extension). Including personal prayer, adult Jewish education, synagogue attendance, joy of Jewish living.

Vanderbilt Rooms 3, 4, 5

MODERATOR

MRS. JACOB P. RUDIN, Great Neck, N. Y.
Executive Board Member

RAPPORTEUR

MRS. ALBERT FARBER, Philadelphia, Pa.
Executive Board Member

DISCUSSION AND RESOURCE LEADERS

MRS. SAMUEL B. DANTO, Huntington Woods, Mich.
Executive Board Member, Past President, NFTS District No. 11, Michigan Federation

MRS. SAMUEL COVICH, River Forest, Ill.
Past Vice-President, NFTS District No. 18, Illinois Federation

MISS CAROLINE WACHENHEIMER, New York, N. Y.
NFTS Assistant to the Director

2. Working with Youth

(Covering the activities of the Committees on Youth Activities; Religious Schools)

Hendrik Hudson Room

MODERATOR

MRS. JEROME L. SALM, Houston, Tex.
Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Youth Activities

RAPPORTEUR

MRS. LEROY GLAUBER, Rockville Centre, N. Y.
Chairman, Committee on Religious Schools of NFTS District No. 3, New York Federation

DISCUSSION AND RESOURCE LEADERS

DR. ABRAHAM N. FRANZBLAU, New York, N. Y.
Dean, Hebrew Union School of Education and Sacred Music

MRS. DAVID E. JACOBS, Los Angeles, Calif.
Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Religious Schools

MRS. JULIUS LIPMAN, St. Petersburg, Fla.
Vice-Chairman, NFTS Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities

MISS ELEANOR SCHWARTZ, New York, N. Y.
Assistant Director, National Federation of Temple Youth

3. Meeting the Interests of Sisterhood Members

(Covering the activities of the Committees on Programs; Interfaith Activities)
Including activating and integrating members in the direction of Sisterhood goals.

Grand Ballroom

MODERATOR

MRS. JOSEPH N. KOCH, Dallas, Tex.
President, NFTS District No. 22, Texas-Oklahoma Federation

RAPPORTEUR

MRS. HENRY B. LEVI, Pine Bluff, Ark.
Third Vice-President, NFTS District No. 16, Mississippi-Arkansas Federation

DISCUSSION AND RESOURCE LEADERS

MRS. LAWRENCE C. FRIEDLANDER, Chicago, Ill.
Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Interfaith Activities

MRS. HORACE HART, Rochester, N. Y.
Executive Board Member

MRS. SAM MOHR, Atlanta, Ga.
Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Programs

4. Developing Techniques for Sisterhood Goals

(Covering the activities of the Committees on Uniongrams; Scholarship and Religious Education, including Ways and Means for meeting local and NFTS responsibilities, and cooperation with outside organizations.)

Small Ballroom

MODERATOR

MRS. SOL GITSON, Shaker Heights, O.
Fourth Vice-President, NFTS Chairman, NFTS

RAPPORTEUR

DISCUSSION AND RESOURCE LEADERS

Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

MRS. JOSEPH B. HEARST, Norfolk, Va.
Past President, NFTS District No. 8

MRS. NATHAN LEVINE, Cincinnati, O.
President, Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood

MRS. DANIEL LINDENBAUM, Harrison, N. Y.
President, Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center

MISS JOSEPHINE SCHOENBORN, New York, N. Y.
NFTS Administrative Assistant

2:30-4:00 P.M.

BUSINESS SESSION

GRAND BALLROOM

PRÉSIDIING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y., *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

Dear Father, touch our impure lips with the burning coal of Thy inspiration. Let it purge us of all self-seeking, all vain yearning after personal glory; let it suffuse us with strength and devotion to Thee, that we never falter in our loving service to Thee, to Thy people Israel and to all mankind. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Report of Committee on Credentials *Chairman* MRS. HERBERT HAUPTMAN, Chicago, Ill.

Report of Committee on Revision of By-Laws *Executive Board Member, Chairman* MRS. DAVID L. ZIELONKA, Tampa, Fla.

4:30-6:00 P.M.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee on Credentials	VANDERBILT ROOM 8
Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board	STUYVESANT ROOM
Committee on Resolutions	VANDERBILT ROOM 1
Committee on Thanks	VANDERBILT ROOM 6

CONFERENCES WITH CHAIRMEN OF NFTS COMMITTEES

Budget and Finance	LIBRARY
District Federations	VANDERBILT ROOM 5
Emergency Services	VANDERBILT ROOM 3
Evaluation	VANDERBILT ROOM 3
Family Education	LIBRARY
Field Services	VANDERBILT ROOM 5
House of Living Judaism	VANDERBILT ROOM 5
Interfaith Activities	VANDERBILT ROOM 3
Jewish Ceremonials and Art	VANDERBILT ROOM 4
Jewish Literature for the Blind	VANDERBILT ROOM 3
Peace and World Relations Programs	LIBRARY
Religious Extension	LIBRARY
Religious Schools	VANDERBILT ROOM 5
Revision of By-Laws	VANDERBILT ROOM 4
Scholarship and Religious Education Fund	VANDERBILT ROOM 4
Uniongrams	ROOMS E AND F
World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities	ROOMS E AND F
Youth Activities	ROOMS E AND F
	VANDERBILT ROOM 4

8:00 P.M.

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION OF
AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

COMMODORE HOTEL—GRAND BALLROOM

TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 10:00 A.M.—12:30 P.M.

BUSINESS SESSION

GRAND BALLROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y., *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(*Recite in Unison*)

We ask Your blessing upon us, O Lord our God, Thou who art our Leader and our Source of inspiration. Help us to attain the goal which Thou hast set for us, and give us the will to aid others to accomplish their high purposes. May this assemblage, representative of active Jewish womanhood, humble only in service to Thee, be filled with the flame of ambition, the harmony of love, the light of compassion and the dynamic force of creative energy. Instill within us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the love of Thee. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Report of Committee on Revision of By-Laws (continued)

Chairman: MRS. DAVID L. ZIELONKA, Tampa, Fla.

Report of Committee on Nominations and Election of Board Members

Chairman: MRS. ANTHONY SCHWARTZ, Philadelphia, Pa.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

Chairman: MRS. GERTRUDE KALLIN, Los Angeles, Calif.

Report of Committee on President's Message

Chairman: MRS. NAAMAN GLICK, Stamford, Conn.

2:30—4:00 P.M.

TOWN HALL MEETING: SISTERHOOD IN THE WORLD—BUILDING
A STRONGER MOVEMENT

GRAND BALLROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. ABRAM V. GOODMAN, Cedarhurst, N. Y., *Chairman, NFTS
Committee on Peace and World Relations*

PRAYER

(*Recite in Unison*)

Our Father in Heaven, we stand before Thee today in humility to thank Thee for all Thy blessings in the past. We pray that we may be worthy of them in the days that lie before us. May we ever exemplify the noble ideals of our religion in all our relations with our fellow men.

Thou hast watched over us and cared for us; Thou hast given us health and strength, and now we beseech Thee, O Heavenly Father, aid Thou us to become more worthy of our great heritage.

Be Thou with us in every endeavor. Illumine our path with the light of Thy wisdom. May we, through our labors, help to keep alive the flaming ideals of peace and brotherhood in the hearts of all men. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

MODERATOR

MISS JANE EVANS, New York, N. Y.
Executive Director, NFTS

1. Beyond The Seas

(Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and World Union for Progressive Judaism)

MR. HUGO GREEN, Cincinnati, O.
NFTS Fellowship Student, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Cincinnati

2. Within Our Gates

(Combined Campaign—needs of the Union and the College-Institute)

MRS. HUGO DALSHEDMER, Pikesville, Md.
First Vice-President, NFTS, Chairman, Sisterhood Division, Combined Campaign of the Union and the College-Institute

3. On New Frontiers

(Wider horizons for Sisterhood on social issues and Peace and World Relations)

RABBI ROLAND B. GITTELSON,
Rockville Centre, N. Y.
Spiritual Leader, Central Synagogue of Nassau County, Chairman, Commission on Justice and Peace of the CCAR

8:00 P.M.

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION OF
AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

COMMODORE HOTEL—GRAND BALLROOM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 9:00—10:30 A.M.

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

Almighty God, we invoke Thy blessing upon this meeting. Guide us who are privileged to lead our Sisterhood. May our deliberations be conducted with wisdom and understanding, our every word unselfish and sincere.

Enlighten our minds to comprehend Thy laws, that our decisions may be just and upright. Show us Thy truth that we may make of our Sisterhood a fortress of strength, whence shall come forth truth and inspiration for all Israel, for all who honestly strive to know Thee. Unless Thou, O Lord, build the house, the builders labor but in vain. Unless Thou, O Lord, lead us, our endeavors will be to no avail. Without Thee, we needs must fail. With Thee, we cannot but succeed. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

EYE-OPENER CONFERENCE FOR DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

VANDERBILT ROOM 8
MRS. C. C. STRASBURGER, Knoxville, Tenn.
Second Vice-President, NFTS Chairman, NFTS Committee on District Federations, Chairman

WORKSHOPS: FACING COMMON PROBLEMS

10:00 A.M.—12:00 Noon

2. Working with Youth

HENDRIK HUDSON ROOM

10:40 A.M.—12:40 P.M.

- 1. Strengthening Home and Synagogue
- 3. Meeting the Interests of Sisterhood Members
- 4. Developing Techniques for Sisterhood Goals

VANDERBILT ROOMS 3, 4, 5
GRAND BALLROOM
SMALL BALLROOM

1:00 P.M.

JOINT LUNCHEON AND YOUTH PAGEANT

COMMODORE HOTEL—EAST BALLROOM

(Tickets purchasable on Balcony Lounge—Hotel Roosevelt)

Pageant will be presented by NFTY

AFTERNOON OPEN

7:00 P.M.

THE BANQUET

COMMODORE HOTEL—GRAND BALLROOM

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 10:00 A.M.—12:45 P.M.

BUSINESS SESSION

GRAND BALLROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. LOUIS A. ROSETT, New Rochelle, N. Y., *President, NFTS*

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

We ask Thy blessing, O Lord our God, on these women upon whom the leadership of our Sisterhood Federation falls this day. Be with them, and prosper them in all they undertake. Give them understanding and the spirit of counsel, of wisdom and of might. Help them to direct our Sisterhood Federation in right paths. May they enjoy abundant health and strength. Keep far from us petty prejudices and smallness of soul. Consecrate all of us anew to the great work which we have undertaken in behalf of this Congregation, of Israel, and of all mankind. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Presentation of Sisterhood Charters

MRS. ALBERT J. MAY, New York, N. Y.
Honorary Member, Executive Board

Award of Blanche R. Stolz Trophies and Uniongram Honors

MRS. JEROME D. FOLKMAN, Bexley, O.
Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Uniongrams

Awards of Program Contest

MRS. SAM MOHR, Atlanta, Ga.
Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Programs

Rapporteurs of Workshops

Report and Discussion of Special Committee on Evaluation

MRS. HENRY MONSKY, Los Angeles, Calif.
Recording Secretary, NFTS

Installation of Officers for 1953-55

MRS. LEON L. WATTERS, New York, N. Y.
Past President, NFTS

New Business

ADJOURNMENT

PRAYER

(Recite in Unison)

O Thou Eternal One, Thou wast with us in the beginning; Thou wilt be with us in the end. Our thinking has been clarified by our deliberations here; we pray that through them our purposes may have been strengthened. Be Thou with each of us as we return to our homes; cause Thy spirit to enter our hearts that we may be truly united to do Thy will. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

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1950-53

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Proceedings of the First Day

OPENING SESSION

Ballroom, Roosevelt Hotel, New York

April 19, 1953

The fortieth anniversary Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was formally called to order in the Ballroom of the Roosevelt Hotel, New York on Sunday morning, April 19, at 11:00 a.m. by the Presi-

dent, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y. Mrs. Rosett led the delegates in the Invocation which was recited in unison. She also introduced the Sisterhood delegates who brought greetings.

Greetings

BY MRS. WILLIAM J. LEFFLER, TUCKAHOE, N. Y.

President, NFTS District No. 3, New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Madam President, officers of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, delegates and friends: It is with great joy as well as a deep sense of honor that I greet you, as the President of District 3 of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the New York State Federation, and extend to you the good wishes of the seventy-four Sisterhoods affiliated in our District Federation.

We are honored in having had New York chosen as the city in which this historic 40th Anniversary Convention meets. It is my special privilege to welcome you on behalf of the Sisterhoods in Metropolitan New York, who are your

hostesses during this Biennial session.

A genial hostess sees that her guests are well fed, comfortable and happy. With this in mind, and in this spirit we have sought to make you feel at home with us. We are looking forward to greeting old friends and to meeting new ones, for a successful convention includes not only a well-planned program, interesting business sessions and workshops, but a spirit of warmth and friendliness throughout, upon which friendships based on mutual interests last throughout the years.

A very cordial welcome to you all. We anticipate a magnificent 40th Anniversary Biennial.

Greetings

BY MRS. LORNE GREENE, TORONTO, CANADA

Vice-President, Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood

Mrs. Rosett, Mrs. Simon, honored guests, friends and neighbors: Sunday brunch to many of us is a time when the whole family sits down together to enjoy the first meal of the day in a leisurely fashion, and so it seems altogether fitting for us, the family of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, to be enjoying Sunday brunch at this, the 40th Anniversary Bienial here in New York City.

We are a family—we, the seven countries which comprise this wide-spread organization—and as a family we draw strength and comfort, inspiration and encouragement from each other. Although in our family there may be differences of language, dress or customs, basically we all believe in the same ideals and are striving toward the same goals. Geographically separated though we may be, as are many families today, we have come together at this time to learn from each other, to give and to take, and just as in a family, to share both ideas and duties, one with the other.

Though some of our 480-odd Sisterhoods are rather isolated and cannot benefit by the mutual interests and exchange of ideas that we in the

larger centers can enjoy, big or small, rural or urban, we are all sincerely appreciative of our kinship with National, the parent in this scattered family of ours. In a family reunion such as this, we have great opportunity to confirm achievements of the past and to plan for the future.

In this critical period when all humanity is striving to find a way out, and when each of our outposts is striving to keep the light of Liberal Judaism alive, Sisterhoods everywhere, with National's forty years of continuous service to Jewish and humanitarian causes as a guide, have worked and will continue to work to preserve our cultural heritage and to further the beliefs of the freedom-loving peoples of the world.

It is therefore with a deep sense of the privilege of participating in this convention, and of the pride we all feel in belonging to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, that I bring greetings from the Sisterhood members in Australia, Cuba, Panama, the Union of South Africa, the United Kingdom and my own country—Canada.

Greetings

BY MRS. HERMAN B. LEVINE, WEST ENGLEWOOD, N. J.

Chairman, Conference Committee, National Jewish Women's Organizations

Mrs. Rosett, all the guests assembled and all the delegates to this 40th Anniversary Convention: I feel very proud to have been invited to this convention to bring you the greetings of the Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations. I think it was altogether fitting that someone from that organization be here today, because in 1923 a resolution was forthcoming from the Convention of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, indicating that a Committee on Good Fellowship be organized. This was composed of seven members, two members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, two of the National Council of

Jewish Women, two from the Women's Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations and one lay person who was to be elected by the other six delegates.

In 1925, at the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the first meeting of this Committee was held, and the name was changed from the Good Fellowship Committee to the Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations. Today, the Conference Committee includes representatives from each major national Jewish women's organization in the United States.

The program is purely conference. The repre-

sentatives meet in session to exchange ideas of their organizations, and to see if possible that duplication of program and effort be avoided.

Inasmuch as the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has played a tremendous part in the Conference Committee, we are hoping it will continue to do so.

We know that you are met in convention now to deliberate on continuance of your magnificent work, of keeping Liberal Judaism alive, and we hope that the delegates will go home inspired, and helped, to do the work that they have set out to do, so that we may reach the goal of

better understanding, not only between Jew and non-Jew, but between Jew and Jew, to the end that peace and goodwill may be permanently established on this earth.

After pronouncing a blessing in unison, brunch was served, and the meeting was again called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Mrs. Rosett. Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, New York, read the names of the members of the Committees on Rules, Resolutions, Credentials. Mrs. Rosett presented the guests on the dais.

Greetings

BY MRS. ALFRED BACHRACH, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Chairman, Women's Organizations' Division, National Jewish Welfare Board

Madam Chairman and friends: I could not help but go back ten years ago, as I sit here, to the last time I spoke to one of your Conventions in New York City. At that time I was on a panel of which Mrs. Rosett was Moderator, and Mrs. Dalsheimer a participant. It was the first time I had ever met Mrs. Dalsheimer and it was the beginning of a beautiful friendship very dear to me.

I recall I came here to ask for your cooperation in a program of Sisterhood-Jewish Welfare Board War Service projects—the Women's Organization Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board. So I have come back ten years later to acknowledge the cooperation and the service that you have given; it has been given unstintingly, and it has been a wonderful experience that we have had working together with your National leaders and headquarters. Sisterhoods in every large city and in many small ones have combined their resources with those of other organizations affiliated with the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board to build Serve-a-Camp Committees. These groups have sent small morale-building gifts, averaging a million a year, to the far away and remote installations of the armed forces, bringing the affection and regard of home folk to the young people in their isolated encampments and battle stations.

Sisterhood serves steadily and without regard

for self in the Veterans Administration hospitals of this country in thousands of unglamorous jobs, to do the things that are needed for men who have sacrificed much for us. The air today is filled with pleas for a truce and peace in Korea, a peace we pray for sincerely. Yet we recognize that there will not then be an end to our particular responsibility. Peace in Korea, priceless as that gift will be, will not mean that we can terminate our military obligations, and our period of mobilization, nor eliminate our periods of military service. The loneliness of the long watches will remain; millions of men will still be training and waiting, and we must do what we can to make the waiting and training easier, with a book for a lonely night; stationery for letters home; hobbies to take up leisure hours. The things from home will be more important than ever to the young people far from home.

I know I need not tell you to keep up your fine work. You could not, being you, do otherwise. Your great efforts, not only in the cities where the Serve-a-Camp Committees are set up, but also in the many small towns where Sisterhood is the only Jewish women's organization, have meant the priceless boon of that imponderable we call morale. The thousands of ditty bags for the casualties which you have filled with small, needed comforts, are familiar items in overseas areas. The shipments of holiday food,

recreational equipment, hobby materials, have brought smiles to many faces. You may never see those smiles, but they are there, and they are there because you helped to put them there.

I should like to offer you—not from me—but from the men and women whom we serve, a deep and a heartfelt “Thank you.”

Miss Evans next announced the personnel of the remaining Convention committees; Nom-

inations for Candidates for the NFTS Executive Board, Thanks, President’s Message.

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, First Vice-President, Pikesville, Md., assumed the chair at Mrs. Rosett’s request, to enable her to present the President’s Message, which was accepted by a rising vote of thanks.

(Complete message included on p. 24).

Greetings

BY DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRATH, NEW YORK, N. Y.

President, Union of American Hebrew Congregations

Madam President and very good friends: I know you have an exceedingly crowded agenda and I will detain you very briefly.

When I see this truly magnificent gathering, I cannot help but be reminded of the title of a popular song that ran something like this, “Anything you can do, I can do better,” and I would reverse it in relation to the Sisterhood, and say very frankly, everything we assay to do in the Union, you can and do much better than we. You mobilize a larger galaxy of splendid womanhood. You have, it seems to me, a greater zeal, and devotion and dedication than we generally find elsewhere in Jewish life. You have the sensitivity and the sympathy for spiritual things to a higher and a nobler degree than one discovers elsewhere, and so quite genuinely this is a lift to one’s soul, and an exaltation to one’s heart.

I wish that I could have heard the whole of Mrs. Rosett’s stirring and challenging presidential message. I heard enough of it however, to find in it the symbol of what she has meant to our movement as a whole. I do not say specifically to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, although she has been one of its greatest leaders, but I mean to the overall Reform Jewish movement in America.

There has never been the slightest degree of provincialism that has been manifested by Mrs. Rosett as the President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. She has taken her place on the Executive Board of the Union and she has approached our problems with an objectivity and a comprehension of the totality of

our Jewish life in general, and of our Liberal Jewish cause in particular.

We are deeply indebted to her for having presided over the destinies of this great Sisterhood during that which she correctly designated as epochal and historic years.

It did my heart good likewise, not alone to hear Mrs. Rosett’s fine and sincere and most warranted tribute to Jane Evans, and again I say, I have found and the Union has found a great source of strength and sustenance in this loyal and devoted and consecrated fellow-worker, fellow-member of our Union executive staff.

I suppose that there might be a temptation during the NFTS 40th Anniversary celebration to make an analogy to the 40 years that the Israelites spent in the wilderness. That would not be precise, because you have been anything but in a sterile barren wilderness during these two score years. I think that in one sense I dare to make the analogy, and that is, we have been homeless, and at last we have come home. I am not expressing to you, the leaders and the ladies of the Sisterhoods any empty word of gratitude, just for a building, for a structure of steel and stone, although that is a magnificent gift that you have helped to make possible. But I am expressing appreciation to you; to Mrs. Leon L. Watters in whose administration I believe the concept, the dream, the vision of this magnificent home was first envisaged; to Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, as Chairman of our House of Living Judaism cause, and to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer who was Chairman of the Special Gifts; and to each and every Sisterhood whose

name is on the Fireplace Wall or Companion Plaque of the Sisterhood Lounge. In anticipation of the others, I will say this word of thanks to all those groups whose names may yet be inscribed on the Companion Plaque.

I am thanking you not merely for this magnificent edifice, but for permitting us to come home. If there are overtones that attach to that magnificent concept and reality of home, if there

is in truth no place like home sweet home, in the family circle, so likewise in an institution such as ours, the spiritual concomitants of this home of our own are being felt and will be felt for a long time still to come.

I hope to have more to say to you as well as to the Union tonight. All that I wish to say to each and every one of you at this juncture is a simple but heartfelt, thank you.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON Rules

The Report of the Committee on Rules was presented by the Chairman, Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, Lexington, Ky.:

Madam President, delegates and visitors to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods Assembly: Herewith submitted is the report of the Committee on Rules which shall govern the deliberations and proceedings of the XIX Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods:

I. VOTING: Only accredited delegates and ex-officio delegates shall be entitled to vote.

II. QUORUM: One-third (1/3) of the voting members present and registered shall constitute a quorum.

III. NUMBER OF VOTES: Each member may vote in only one capacity, and she must, when registering, state that capacity.

IV. SEATING: Members composing the voting of the Assembly shall occupy the front seats; visitors the rear of the room.

V. BADGES: Each member who is entitled to vote must wear her delegate's badge at all meetings and carry her receipted credentials card.

VI. TELLERS: The Chairman shall appoint tellers to count the vote.

VII. FLOOR PRIVILEGES: All accredited and registered delegates shall have the privilege of the floor to discuss any question that may come before the Assembly, and may take part in all its deliberations. Only registered delegates and ex-officio delegates may make motions and vote.

All delegates desiring the floor shall be allowed to speak before visitors are allowed to speak.

When possible, speakers shall alternate, one

speaker pro, one speaker con. Each member when recognized shall identify herself by name and voting capacity; that is, whether as a local Sisterhood, NFTS district, or Executive Board delegate.

Second Floor Privileges: No Sisterhood or delegate may have the floor for the second time until all Sisterhoods or delegates who desire to speak on the question have done so. If time permits after all official delegates wishing the privilege of the floor have spoken, then official visitors will be recognized.

VIII. TIME ALLOTMENT: No one shall speak for more than three minutes on any one motion or topics of discussion unless there shall be granted an extension of time.

IX. DUTY OF USHERS AND PAGES: It shall be the duty of the ushers and pages to preserve decorum. All committees shall be appointed by the Chair unless otherwise ordered.

All members shall cooperate with the President in her request to refrain from smoking during all sessions in the Grand Ballroom.

X. RESOLUTIONS: All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, signed and placed in the hands of the Resolutions Chairman, Mrs. Gertrude Kallin, as soon as possible and not later than 3 p.m. Monday, April 20.

XI. TIME OF MEETINGS AND ADJOURNMENT: The meetings of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall assemble promptly and shall adjourn promptly as scheduled in the program.

MRS. HUGO BLOOMFIELD, *Chairman.*

In accordance with parliamentary procedure, consideration of this report was postponed until the Committee on Credentials reported (see p. 62).

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Aaron Lambie, Pittsburgh, Pa., NFTS
Treasurer, presented her Report (see p. 92).

MRS. ABRAM V. GOODMAN, WOODMERE, N. Y.

Chairman, Program Committee, 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly

I would like to underline and to re-emphasize what Mrs. Rosett said before about this Program Committee. No Chairman has ever been as fortunate as I, I am sure, in the group of women she had to work with her. From all over the country they came, they telegraphed, they answered letters, and they phoned, until we think that we have the program that you want. We feel that along with the economic needs and finances for our institutions, and the cultural needs for knowledge and for understanding of our heritage, you would also like a certain spiritual hunger satisfied, to keep aglow the spark of divinity in men's hearts. We hope that has been given to you in this Biennial Program.

The theme you know: Judaism in Life Today.

The project before us is a big order. I hope we live up to it.

Mrs. Rosett presented Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, Woodmere, N. Y., Chairman, Program Committee, 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly.

I want to call your attention to the very fine displays that are outside. I hope you will budget your busy time to allow yourselves to study these. There is much in them that you can take back to your Sisterhoods.

Now we are going to have a Birthday Party—our 40th Anniversary Celebration, and as you know, a Birthday Party is not a Birthday Party without a present. We have a wonderful present being given to us by a very generous group of interested and devoted Sisterhood women, the group from NFTS District #8. That gift will be presented to us by the President of that District, Mrs. A. F. Klein of Greensboro, N. C. It is my great pleasure to present to you Mrs. A. F. Klein.

Address

BY MRS. A. F. KLEIN, GREENSBORO, N. C.

President, NFTS District #8

Each generation has had those whom it has honored and revered as outstanding examples of Jewish womanhood, whose impact upon our history has been far-reaching. We of the 20th Century, are especially fortunate in this respect.

Today, on the threshold of the 40th Anniversary Convention of the NFTS, we have set aside this particular moment of this important Biennial gathering to pay tribute to such a woman in our midst.

It was in January of 1913 that the great dream of Mrs. Abram Simon finally came to fruition—the dream of binding together the women of the growing and expanding congregations of Liberal Judaism, the dream which had developed through the years as she stood side by side with her distinguished husband, the rabbi

who was to become one of the illustrious alumni of the Hebrew Union College. Faithful wife, companion and friend, devoted mother and dedicated Jewess, Mrs. Simon recognized the fact that religion, and especially Judaism, cannot live in the abstract; that it must be personified by its leaders, its teachers, and most important, by the mothers of each rising generation. It was not an easy task which Mrs. Simon had set for herself, but what person of progressive and revolutionary ideas has ever found life easy? Many obstacles had to be gradually overcome, as Mrs. Simon went untiringly about to accomplish what we today take so much for granted.

That this dream has justified itself, has been proven a thousandfold in the organization which, from 49 Sisterhoods and 5,000 members in 1913,

has risen to nearly 500 Sisterhoods and 85,000 members throughout the world. So effective was the dream that it became necessary to create 20 district and state units, in order that Judaism could be more easily brought into every isolated corner of our country.


NFTS District #8 takes pride in the fact that Dr. and Mrs. Simon chose Washington, D. C. over fifty years ago, as the place where they were to live and work; where, during his lifetime, Dr. Simon reached out into every possible avenue of service, and where Mrs. Simon still resides, surrounded by the love of her children, and the devotion of her many "adopted daughters."

The 27 Sisterhoods of NFTS District #8 wished to honor our beloved founder and first president, by giving to the new home of the NFTS, a portrait of Mrs. Simon. After much consideration on the part of the committee, this portrait was commissioned and was recently completed.

To me, as president of NFTS District #8, has fallen the distinct honor and real privilege of presenting this portrait to you. We stand here today, happy in the thought that Mrs. Simon can be with us on this memorable occasion, and recall the words of our Book of Proverbs: "*Kamu Va-neha Va-y'ashruha.*" "Her children rise up and call her blessed."

It is our hope that for many years to come, our magnificent House of Living Judaism will be the center of Sisterhood service. It is with much pleasure and a great deal of pride that we of NFTS District #8, present this portrait, in the hope that those who are yet to come, like those who have come before us, may look at the countenance of Carrie O. Simon and be inspired to greater loyalty, to a keener sense of service, and to a deeper love of God and humanity.

Mrs. Goodman next introduced Mrs. Julius Mark, who accepted the portrait for NFTS.



Message of Thanks

BY MRS. JULIUS MARK, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Third Vice-President, NFTS

As I thought about what I might say in the two minutes allowed to me, for you who are the representatives of the 85,000 women throughout the world, I tried to think: What would I say to you that would express the thing that is in your heart? I thought of course, first, that you would want me to thank the women of NFTS District #8, who proposed this idea of having a picture of our very lovable Honorary President, our Founder, painted so that it might be hung in the House of Living Judaism. It will be placed in the President's Room there.

I have felt that you would want me to thank Mrs. Klein. I think you want me to thank each of the women who contributed so that it would be possible for this picture to be painted, and for us to have it for always in our Home. Then I thought very seriously that you would want me to thank God that through these forty years He has preserved our Carrie Simon so that she could be with us today, and personally hear the love that we have in our hearts for her. I think we need to be grateful to her son and his lovely

wife who are in this auditorium today to hear and to see the things that we know and that we feel about Carrie Simon.

I think, too, the spirit of her wonderful husband is with us, her husband, by whom she stood, and to whom she was a great, great help. His spirit is here with us today as we thank her personally for forty years ago, besides being a busy *rebbitzin* and mother of a young family, having conceived the idea of this child—the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, which is today reaching its 40th birthday and a really fine flower of maturity.

There is a very important statement that has emerged on the American scene. It is a statement that you hear in many national organizations today, and it is an important one for us to carry home from this convention. The statement goes in this way: The volunteer is the social conscience of America in action. And the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and its members have become a great force, a great social conscience of America in action largely

because our organization was founded on such broad and humanitarian and religious terms.

We are grateful that our Founder thought of it in the great terms, and in the broad terms and in the dynamic terms in which she did.

So for you, I thank NFTS District #8 for giving us this very vital and eternally young picture of Sister Carrie, and most of all, Carrie Simon, I thank you for being the wonderful, wonderful woman that you are.

Address

BY MRS. ABRAM SIMON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Honorary President and Founder of NFTS

At this moment of ecstasy and emotion, we are truly celebrating a great Anniversary. I bring to you a greeting—an exalted measure of love and gratitude.

In my youth I dreamed a dream and I had a vision, and through the mirage and the mist I reached for that pot of gold at the end of the rainbow—that pot of gold that held the effulgence and the grandeur of an exalted womanhood—a prophetic Jewish womanhood—in an era when her home was a temple and she the priestess in it. “And her husband praised her in the gates, and her children rose and called her blessed”.

And now, we have attained 40 years of fulfillment, 40 years of striving and of achieving not through the wasteland of a desert, nor yet through a wilderness, but rather in this glorious land, flowing with milk and honey, this land of great opportunity, holding within its magic possession that pot of gold if we would reach for it—the Cloud by day and the Flame by night, that carries a vision or a dream to its fulfillment! And with the pot of gold comes the iridescence of the rainbow to bless us in our effort! The rainbow of promise—the truth between God and Man, the hope of the world through which we grow in faith and strength and which today we are proud in witnessing; the acclaim by the world around us that recognizes our ideology—a living force for good.

And so we are meeting in gladness with a radiating happiness about us. We are glad and we are happy to think that we have come to this day, and we would, therefore, give our mede of thanks in upholding this truth that we are to carry on for another 40 years. And at this time of gladness and of great emotion, I would be remiss if I did not refer with all the love in my heart, to our beloved NFTS District #8, one of the strongest links in our chain of solidarity.

As I look back upon the years of the giving and the receiving and find that we today are the recipients, and NFTS District #8 is the donor, I want to say in this moment of overcoming gratitude and emotion, my heartiest thanks, my everlasting love to NFTS District #8, and to all of you, in the spirit in which you have so beautifully accepted this.

Now, as then, I am to bring you a greeting, and I would say to you as I said forty years ago, “Sholom aleichem” to those who are near. And from afar, if you will be attuned with me to that choir invisible, containing among its horde those who have gone on before, you will hear with me, a dulcet cadenza “Aleichem Sholom”, which comes back to us and is a perfect cycle of the rainbow, a perfect cycle of love.

And so in conclusion may I say to all of you, in a mood of overcoming thanksgiving, “Look down, ye gods, and upon our heads drop a blessed crown.”

The *Sisterhood Haggadah*, a dramatic presentation prepared for the special Fortieth Anniversary Celebration, by Mrs. Bertram Klausner, Austin, Tex., was presented by the Sisterhood Choral of the Sisterhood of Temple Israel, New Rochelle, N. Y. Mrs. Elsa J. Lesser was Musical Director, Mrs. Ann Kahn Segal acted as Narrator. Elsie Storck was the Accompanist, and Mrs. I. R. Stein was Chairman of the Sisterhood Choral.

The first Session recessed at 4:00 p.m.

There was Open House at the Union of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial daily from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. as well as conference periods at the Roosevelt Hotel daily through the same period for delegates to discuss problems with the Chairmen of NFTS Committees.

Joint Session

Reconvening in joint session with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations at 8:00 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Commodore Hotel, Sisterhood members participated in a religious service conducted by Jerome Davidson, Kansas City, Mo., President, NFTY. Rabbi George B. Lieberman, Canton, O., delivered the sermon, and music was rendered by the Quartet of the Hebrew Union School of Sacred Music.

Dr. S. S. Hollender, Chicago, Ill., Chairman, Executive Board, UAHC, delivered a message and Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath, New York, N. Y., delivered his message on "The State of our Union."

A reception followed for all delegates and visitors of the UAHC and NFTS in the Grand Ballroom and West Ballroom. The New York Federation of Reform Synagogues was the host.

Proceedings of the Second Day

April 20, 1953

At 9:00 a.m. each Sisterhood President or her representative attended one of four Eye-Opener Conferences for Presidents held simultaneously.

Presidents' Eye-Opener Conferences

AGENDA

A. NEW SISTERHOODS (Five Years or less).

I. General Orientation

- a. What does Sisterhood mean?
 1. On the NFTS level
 2. On the local level
- b. What should be included in program planning to explain Sisterhood aims in a simple and enjoyable manner?
- c. What are the advantages of "open" versus "closed" membership?
- d. How does the Sisterhood program differ from that of other Jewish women's organizations?

II. Participation in Sisterhood Activity

- a. How can all Sisterhood members be actively interested?
- b. In what ways can attendance at Sisterhood meetings be maintained?
- c. How can hesitation to assume responsibility be overcome?

III. Value of NFTS Affiliation

- a. As President how can you most benefit from NFTS materials?
- b. How can you most effectively transmit

NFTS suggestions to your Sisterhood officers and members?

IV. Selection of Activities

- a. How many NFTS activities and committees should a new Sisterhood assume in its first years?
- b. What purely local committees should be established?
- c. Should a new Sisterhood concentrate on fund raising to the exclusion of cultural activities?

V. Evaluation of NFTS Literature

- a. Are NFTS materials of use to you?
- b. What are your unmet needs?

Chairman: Mrs. Harry Jacobson, *W. Des Moines, Ia., Executive Board Member and Past President, NFTS District No. 20; Secretary:* Mrs. Gertrude Kallin, *Los Angeles, Calif., President, NFTS District No. 24, Western Federation.*

Mrs. Jacobson called the meeting to order and in her introductory remarks gave the philosophy of Sisterhood. All present then introduced themselves, gave the age of their groups and the number of members. Discussion took place

on the following matters:

A—PARTICIPATION IN SISTERHOOD ACTIVITY

1. Through utilizing interest of women: cooking, sewing, etc., then meeting together, coming to services, and eventually developing interest in other departments of Sisterhood. 2. Hobby evenings, for special interest groups. 3. Working through children's activities. 4. Cultural and spiritual elements are necessary in all programs.

B—HOW TO GET WOMEN ACTIVE?

1. Questionnaires on their interests. 2. Reading, drama, dance groups, with chairmen of each activity reporting back at regular meetings of the Sisterhood. 3. Signed questionnaires on accomplishments of previous year, with opportunity to express "gripes," as an evaluation for basis of next year's programming.

C—SELECTION OF ACTIVITIES

1. Local level—woman's arm of the Temple—to develop in women a religious philosophy; to become a preserver of the home as a Jewish home. 2. NFTS level—help with program so that all may benefit from the experiences of others; unite to do projects as a large group of women; work together in the field of Religious Education; have a united voice in the world for humanitarian purposes as an affiliate of the UAHC; and be able to assist our brethren overseas in liberal interpretation of Judaism, leaving the direct interpretation to them, through the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

D—SPEAKERS BUREAU

Many presidents reported that speakers caused more harm than good; those sent did not understand the problems of local Sisterhoods or NFTS ideals. One Sisterhood representative was in attendance at the Convention against the wishes of her own Sisterhood, because one of the NFTS speakers had greatly disappointed her group.

B. SMALLER SISTERHOODS (Less than 100 members)

I General Problems

- What efforts does your Sisterhood make to integrate new members into its activities?
- How well is your membership aware of the aims and purposes of NFTS?
- What is your Sisterhood's responsibility to the Religious School?
- Are study groups effective in small Sisterhoods?

- How do you arrange your interfaith activities?

II. Sisterhood and Other Organizations

- What types of intra-community relations are advisable?

III. Leadership

- How do you encourage your members to feel it is an honor to assume a Sisterhood officership?
- What proportion of your membership is active in Sisterhood?
- What type of leadership training does your Sisterhood give to encourage inexperienced women to serve?

IV. Planning

- Are your programs for the year planned in advance?
- Are your fund raising activities and budget well correlated?

V. Evaluation of NFTS Literature

- Are NFTS materials of use to you?
- What are your unmet needs?

Chairman: Mrs. Alexander Kline, Clarksdale, Miss., President, NFTS District No. 16, Mississippi-Arkansas Federation; Secretary: Mrs. Fred S. Marshall, Appleton, Wis., President, NFTS District No. 19, Wisconsin Federation.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. Alexander Kline with the invocation read in unison. She paid a tribute to the Sisterhoods in small towns. These Sisterhoods perform a function no other organization can do. Judaism in America is richer because of it.

Question: "How do you encourage your member to feel it is an honor to assume a Sisterhood officership?"

Answers: Treat it as an honor ourselves; do not complain at home about all we do and that nobody appreciates us. One's family should also know it is an honor to be a Sisterhood officer.

Attitudes 1. That's a fine job. 2. Let leadership set tone. 3. Prepare mentally for Sisterhood meetings. Have publicity campaigns; every chairmanship should be publicized by pictures and stories in papers.

Question: "How solve the problem of dividing responsibility between old members and new members?"

Answers: 1. Make installation ceremony important—the highlight. 2. Put younger girls in jobs with understanding that they are to be trained for bigger jobs. 3. Try to take away from president odious jobs. Some younger girls a little bashful. Have board meetings once a month and rotate officers.

Question: "What to do about members of Sisterhoods who are not members of Temple? And members of Temple who are not members of Sisterhood?"

Answers: President should be member of both. Husband should contribute. Have a P.T.A. for the Sunday School.

Many spoke about what various Sisterhoods do with these problems and Mrs. Kline tied the discussion up saying that it is a matter for local decision. We of the small Sisterhoods, can't be too rigid and can't draw too many lines. (NFTS has advice to offer on this subject in its Model Sisterhood Constitution which calls for "open membership" but officers who are members of the Congregation.)

Question: "What to do about getting new members active in group?"

Answers: Persuade older members to welcome them and give way so new members can become a part of group. Limit years of holding office in By-Laws. Create honorary office as a courtesy.

Question: "What to do about the younger members dividing their time among other organizations?"

Answer: Sisterhood should give a spiritual guidance that no other organization can give, which will make members eager to place Sisterhood first.

C—MEDIUM SIZED SISTERHOODS (100 to 400 members)

I. General Orientation

- How are new members integrated into your Sisterhood?
- How can a Sisterhood President best coordinate local and NFTS activities?
- What NFTS materials are most valuable in your work?

II. Leadership

- How are members of your Sisterhood trained to assume responsibility?
- Are all your members active?
- What system has been instituted for rotating Board membership?

III. Finances and Program

- Do you have an integrated year's program with Jewish content?
- How do you coordinate your budget and fund raising?

IV. Community Activities

- What is your Sisterhood's relationship to other organizations in the community?

V. Evaluation of NFTS Literature

- Are NFTS materials of use to you?

b. What are your unmet needs?

Chairman: Mrs. Herbert Hart, *Piedmont, Calif. President, Sisterhood Temple Sinai, Oakland, Calif. Secretary: Mrs. Charles Rotgin, *Charleston, W. Va. Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood.**

- General Orientation—How are new members integrated into your Sisterhood?
 - Small home teas for personal contact and explanation of Sisterhood.
 - Membership teas—corsages—mementos—mimeographed interest sheet*—immediate assignment to committees of preference.
 - Sisterhood program using political oratory with new members as delegates, membership or program chairman—keynote speech.
 - Presidential letter of welcome re: local, District and National aspects of Sisterhoods—Interest Sheet taken by Membership Chairman.

2. Leadership Suggestions:

- Study groups found to present greatest possibilities of developing leadership.
- District conventions and area workshops.
- Committee chairmen should train committee member for taking her place.
- Large boards with chairmen and co-chairmen of committees on it.
- Have Vice-President conduct Board meetings. Boards range in size from 65 to 70.

3. Finance and Programming:

Stressed need for Jewish content in programs—great need for Membership participation on programs. The time of program—beginning and ending—stressed as most important.

How do you coordinate budget and fund-raising? Fund-raising ideas used and reported included: Judaica (gift) shops, catering (at Temple) and baking (at home), individual member quotas, raffles, bazaars, dance school projects for children, supper dances, card parties, rummage sales, dramatic presentations.

4. Community Activities and Sisterhood's relationship to other organizations in the community:

Hospital work, booths, lending libraries, manning booths for civic endeavors. Clearing of dates—publish calendar at beginning of year for permanent dates to be posted—each month additional unscheduled meeting dates sent to Presidents of all organi-

* Included in NFTS booklet "How To Conduct A Membership Campaign"—Editor.

zations to bring calendar up-to-date—or person to clear dates.

5. Evaluation of NFTS Literature

Urgent request made that PROGRAM material be sent early—in May or June. Improvement in service from NFTS was noted.

It was generally noted that it is most important to send in reports to National on successful undertakings so "I can help you and you can help me."

All suggestions or criticisms should be made to the *proper source*. Complaint was made that NFTS was not making changes of Sisterhood personnel quickly enough.

NFTS Book of Prayers might be better and could include more opening prayers; others have found the book helpful and satisfactory in present form.

How to instill sense of Sisterhood consciousness in Sisterhood members:

1. Find one particular phase of Sisterhood to suit individual interest and explain her participation in those terms.
2. Point out physical advantages to Temple.
3. Explain that other organizations can draw on many—Sisterhood can only draw on few.
4. Yearbooks published in summer of inestimable help.
5. Mimeographed sheet of minutes for non-attendants.

Women want entertainment with their education. Consensus of opinion that we must "sugar-coat" our programs—it is a challenge to interest the members as we present the serious business of Sisterhood.

D—LARGE SISTERHOODS (400 or more members)

I. General Orientation

- a. How are new members integrated into your Sisterhood?
- b. How can a Sisterhood President best coordinate local and NFTS activities?
- c. What NFTS materials are most valuable in your work?
- d. How do Sisterhood activities and programming differ in the suburban and the urban Sisterhoods?

II. Leadership

- a. How are members of your Sisterhood trained to assume responsibility?
- b. Are all your members active?
- c. What system has been instituted for rotating Board membership?

III. Finances and Program

- a. Do you have an integrated year's program with Jewish content?
- b. How do you coordinate your budget and fund raising?

IV. Community Activities

- a. What is your Sisterhood's relationship to other organizations in the community?

V. Evaluation of NFTS Literature

- a. Are NFTS materials of use to you?
- b. What are your unmet needs?

Chairman: Mrs. Perry Segal, Chicago, Ill.
President, NFTS District No. 18, Illinois Federation; *Secretary:* Mrs. Harry O. Rosenberg, Chicago, Ill., *President, Sinai Temple Sisterhood.*

The audience was divided into groups of 6 for the buzz section and a list of the 5 categories of the general subject was given each participant. Each individual group discussed its topic and selected a spokesman.

Group I—General Orientation

Chairman, Mrs. Laurence Kahn, Dallas, Tex., spoke on plan used at Worcester: 1. Tea at Rabbi's home for new members—six weeks after beginning of Sisterhood season to orient them.

2. Aim of local unit must be to acquaint members with NFTS picture. Dallas gave Fair—using booths to represent different National activities, followed by Dramatic Production again emphasizing National.

3. From New Orleans: Luncheon for new members—Discover interests of new members.

4. When suburban communities are involved, Mrs. Lindenbaum, White Plains, N. Y., suggested neighborhood teas. Later luncheon for new members and Board members.

Application Blank "What's Your Line?" given by Atlanta, Ga., Sisterhood to each new member.

Mrs. May Miller, Rockville Centre, New York, suggested permanent card index file for all members stating interest of each member—each chairman given index. Index kept according to geographical location of members.

Mrs. Segal asked discussion on: How to defeat cliques? How to encourage participation of new members?

Suggestions: Honorary Council for all members serving 15 years on Board. (Worcester) What do you do with Past Presidents:—(1) Each Past President must assume definite responsibility for special committee. (2) Advisory Committee of Past Presidents.

Different limitations on time of service on Boards was discussed—limit felt a necessity.

Coordination between National and Local can be done through programming.

Mrs. Segal asked: Are Board meetings confined to local issues—or does President integrate local with NFTS at Board meetings?

Bulletins can inform general membership of National and District activities.

President's Manual — source of information condensed for general use and passed on to proper chairmen.

State's Exchange Bulletins — spread information. Mrs. Otto Morningstar (Boston) felt that State must acquaint local with State or District NFTS affairs.

Visits from National officers a help in coordination.

Group II

Work of Chairmen recorded in printed annual report. Valuable for incoming Chairmen. Projects must be keyed to individual needs and age levels.

From Indianapolis: Question of election of Boards considered. Question of training new members to be leaders stressed by presiding officers.

Younger members interested by being placed in Religious School, those with children in Confirmation Class, placed on Youth Committee.

Working Manual published yearly by Rochester, N. Y. Sisterhood. Also distributed booklet to new members (Mrs. B. Keyfetz).

Mrs. Levy (Isaiah Israel, Chicago) sponsored leadership course under trained leader.

What do you do to keep members active? Night meetings held for those "in business." These have own officers. 20 members each time asked in to "coffee." Baby sitter hired by Sisterhood increases attendance.

Rotation System discussed. New Rochelle:

Regional Directors (2 years)

Advisory Directors (Past President and others)

Honorary Directors (Served more than 10 years)

Group III

Programs of Jewish Content. Must be some at each meeting. (Skits, Tableaux, National material utilized.)

Mrs. Miller: Members must know each meeting is primarily a Sisterhood meeting.

Fund-raising (Working) keeps young members interested and integrated.

Are programs designed for quality or quantity? Question of attendance involved.

Mrs. Baron (Philadelphia): Institute on Judaism held for all city Sisterhoods.

Mrs. Oblitz: Some Sisterhoods report good attendance at cultural programs.

Chairman stressed use of local talent.

FUND RAISING — Responsibility of Sisterhood to Community Fund-raising (Mrs. Alvin Cohen, Indianapolis): Nothing from Sisterhood treasury to community but interest of Sisterhood members as individuals.

Mrs. Ives (Birmingham): Sale of Holland bulbs.

Group IV

Mrs. Palvin (Cleveland): Overlapping of membership between Sisterhood and other community organizations, and so Sisterhood interprets other organizations to Sisterhood rather than actively participating in other organizational work.

Mrs. M. Goldstein (Baltimore): Cooperate with Red Cross on Blood Bank, in cooperation with Men's Club.

Group V

Mrs. Keywell (Temple Israel, Detroit): Little material sent by National used. Different type of material felt needed (for better Programs, Youth, Interfaith).

President's Packets used but great lack of materials felt.

Delivery of catalogues on time in May necessary.

Delivery of other materials must be on time. Prompt reply to letters sent to National needed.

Special deliveries, etc., unnecessary.

Duplication of National letters, etc., must cease.

Hartford, Conn., Sisterhood feels National ignores letters and requests for help and sends useless materials.

There is a hope that National will supply State with materials and etc., and through State, locals will be supplied.

Mrs. Segal stressed importance of women to Congregation. Women are leaders—of home and Congregations.

Mrs. Robert Reifeld, (Temple Sinai, New Orleans) suggested that at next Convention this type of meeting occupy at least a full morning. Same suggested by: Mrs. Herman Baginsky (Temple Sinai), also Mrs. Nathaniel Wharton (Temple Israel, Boston).

Overwhelming number of people in attendance very enthusiastic. All wished that session need not to have been so brief. Felt this type of

session very valuable.

Mrs. Harry Baron (Philadelphia) wonders why small bills must be paid to National before material is sent. Slow delivery of material—too late to be used.

Following the Eye-Opener Conferences, at 10:40 a.m. four simultaneous Workshops were held. These were repeated on the following morning so that delegates would be able to participate in two of the four.

Workshops

A. STRENGTHENING HOME AND SYNAGOGUE (Covering the activities of the Committees on Family Education; Jewish Ceremonials and Art; Religious Extension) Including personal prayer, adult Jewish education, synagogue attendance, joy of Jewish living.

1. What should be the role of the parent in Religious School education?
 - a. At home
 - b. In the Religious School
2. What is the parent's responsibility toward Jewish education?
 - a. Adult Jewish classes to provide parent with background and training.
 - b. Workshops giving practice periods for home rituals, etc. Synagogue festival and holiday workshops for parents, i.e. Purim, Passover, Chanuko.
3. What is the parent's responsibility towards stimulating the child's interest in his Hebrew language heritage.
4. What is the synagogal responsibility in teaching parents the need to accept a maximum program of Jewish education rather than a minimal program?
5. How should adult education courses be conducted?
 - a. Brief series, self-contained
 - b. Courses set up in academic fashion over an entire school year?
6. Should the current trend of shifting the holiday and ceremonial emphasis generally from home to synagogue continue? (Seders, Sukos, Chanuko Parties, Purim.)
7. Are special services in the synagogue on Friday evening being overdone? Where should the line be drawn?
8. How can personal prayer once again resume its important place in the daily lives of our members?
9. How can we stimulate better synagogue attendance?

Moderator: Mrs. Jacob P. Rudin, *Great Neck, N. Y., Executive Board Member. Rapporteur:* Mrs. Albert Farber, *Philadelphia, Pa., Executive Board Member. Discussion and Resource Leaders:* Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, *Huntington Woods, Mich., Executive Board Member, Past President, NFTS District No. 11, Michigan Federation;* Mrs. Samuel Covich, *River Forest, Ill. Past Vice-President, NFTS District No. 18, Illinois Federation;* Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, *New York, NFTS Assistant to the Director.*

This Workshop concerned itself with the problems confronting the work of the Committees on Family Education, Jewish Ceremonials and Art, and Religious Education. All speakers were limited to three minutes. No speaker was given the floor a second time unless all others who desired to speak had been heard. Speakers were urged to limit their remarks to overall problems and to refrain from bringing in personal ones. It was a very gratifying experience to note the self-discipline exhibited by the group, the seriousness with which the problems were discussed and the number of enthusiastic participants—by actual count there were seventy-five.

- I. The group felt that parents must show an interest in the religious school and should cooperate so that what the child is taught at school he sees practiced at home. Often this necessitates Jewish religious cultural education for the parents. It was interesting to learn how this problem was met. Some Temples run concomitant classes for the parents. For example, a parent with a child in the second grade of the religious school would join a class where he would receive a second grade education. Some found a short series on Jewish education more successful than a year round course. However, no matter what the method used, those' participating in the Jewish education program of their Synagogue were very enthusiastic.
- II. Since the Hebrew language has served like cement in keeping the Jewish people together,

and since the establishment of the State of Israel has revitalized the language, it was felt that more time should be spent in learning Hebrew. Many felt that the parents should study the language in order to be able to help and inspire their children.

The general feeling of the Workshop was toward an increased and intensified program of Jewish education.

III. The current trend of shifting the holiday and ceremonial emphasis generally from the home to the synagogue met with disapproval. The group felt that the synagogue might supplement the activities of the home, but should not supplant it. Reasons for synagogue observances include:

1. Where there is no family, the synagogue activity could act as a vehicle for bringing family joyousness to lonely individuals.
2. Joyous Jewish living, expressed in community with others, gives children a pleasant association with the synagogue
3. Community participation, in addition to home celebration, may strengthen the bonds of the Jewish community.

IV. The group felt that special services in the synagogue on Friday evenings was greatly overdone. Since Jewish secular activities are only one facet of Jewish life and since there are so many Jewish organizations, the group did not feel that the Temple and the pulpit should be surrendered to the various secular activities. On the other hand, they felt that the services on special Friday evenings could be used to honor certain organizations and that the rabbi's sermon could be directed to honor the activities and valuable contributions made by such organizations. The general feeling was that special services should be reserved for the various arms of the congregation namely, the Sisterhood, the Brotherhood, and the Youth groups.

V. Many "gimmicks" for increasing synagogue attendance were contributed by the groups. Nevertheless, the final conclusion was: "The best way to increase synagogue attendance is simply to go! Get the habit of going to synagogue!"

VI. The question of personal prayer emphasized for each of us the great need we have of this personal contact and feeling of intimacy with God. The quotation "The family

that prays together, stays together" was reiterated many times. It was gratifying to learn that although there were some who feel embarrassed when called upon to pray, the general feeling was that prayer brought one into closer communion with God, that it strengthened family ties, that it aided in periods of stress, and that it directed us to conduct ourselves in such a manner that our entire lives might be as a prayer.

The genuine enthusiasm of the group was a tribute to the strength and power of our living faith.

B. WORKING WITH YOUTH (Covering the activities of the Committees on Youth Activities; Religious Schools.)

1. What should be the role of Sisterhood in work with young people?
 - a. Where a large youth group exists.
 - b. Where a very small group exists.
2. How can we best prepare our young people to become well-adjusted members of the American Jewish community?
 - a. Through religious schools (6-15)
 - b. Through youth groups (15-23)
3. What are the most recent techniques developed to secure this end?
 - a. In religious schools.
 - b. In youth groups.
4. Should membership in youth groups, especially in communities where the number of members of the Youth Group affiliated with the Temple is very small, be open?
5. On what basis should officers of youth groups be chosen?
6. How can we prevent our college age students from drifting away from synagogue life?
7. How can we instill in our children a vital interest in religious school?
8. What can we do to aid the very small religious school?
 - a. Problem of heterogeneous classes.
 - b. Programming for the very small school.
 - c. Educating the untrained teacher.
9. What further specific aids do you feel are necessary from NFTS or NFTY to aid your Sisterhood in its youth work?
10. What is the role of Sisterhood, organizationally, to youth on the District and National levels?

Moderator: Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Houston, Tex., Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Youth Activities. Rapporteurs: Mrs. LeRoy Glauber, Rockville Centre, N. Y. Chairman, Committee on Religious Schools of NFTS District No. 3, New York State Federation; Mrs. Max Maccoby, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Chairman Committee on Family Education of NFTS District No. 3, New York State Federation; Discussion and Resource Leaders: Dr. Abraham N. Franzblau, New York Dean, Hebrew Union School of Education and Sacred Music; Mrs. David E. Jacobs, Los Angeles, Calif., Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Religious Schools; Mrs. Julius Lipman, St. Petersburg, Fla., Vice-Chairman, NFTS Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities; Miss Eleanor Schwartz, New York, Assistant Director, National Federation of Temple Youth.

WORKING WITH YOUTH

By Mrs. LeRoy Glauber

Approximately 200 women attended, proving the enormous interest in the religious education of our children. Thirteen states were represented during discussion.

Mr. Grand demonstrated new devices in the field of audio-visual education and showed a film strip which could have been self-explanatory in proving the many advantages of this type of pedagogy. However, we received the benefit of Mr. Grand's excellent commentaries during the showing of the strip.

The Workshop covered two broad headings:

1. Parent Education
2. Teachers, methods and devices of teaching in the Religious School.

The second heading brought into sharp focus the problems of small congregations, isolated geographically from metropolitan areas. In these sections there are few, if any, trained teachers, no teacher training courses and a problem of receiving or correctly interpreting printed material. Many helpful suggestions were forthcoming from the floor which were summarized and implemented by suggestions from Dr. Franzblau who, through his academic knowledge and practical experience, was of immeasurable assistance.

Out of this discussion came the request that a recommendation be sent from the Workshop to Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Director of the Commission on Jewish Education, that a study be

made of the needs, and material be prepared, to help the smaller (and smallest) Religious Schools.

The first heading, Parent Education, absorbed the greater part of our discussion. The reason is obvious. The need for Parent Education does not restrict itself to the numerical size of one's congregation. It was determined that the attitude of the home is very important.

It is of paramount importance that Sisterhoods cooperate with the Religious School of the congregation by giving intensive courses to parents on home observances, the aims and purposes of the school and assist in staffing the school when professional teachers are not available. We were happy to find that discussion on model Sedorim and parties commemorating the holidays was not forthcoming but they have already been accepted as important phases of Sisterhood activities.

It was appropriately suggested that a Caravan such as the ones that NFTS District No. 3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has been sending throughout New York State to help local chapters, be instituted by the Union to help congregations educate their congregants to the vital importance of Jewish education and Jewish living. This suggestion will be forwarded.

It was agreed that the one-day-a-week school is not adequate in giving our children the education they need to become well adjusted, intelligent Jewish adults. There should be no compromise with our aims and objectives.

To conclude, we can feel that there is an ever-growing interest in the education of our children and their parents. Our time was all too short and there was much more to discuss but further help is always forthcoming from NFTS.

WORKING WITH YOUTH

By Mrs. Max Maccoby

This Workshop got under way with an introduction to Flannelgraph* techniques by Mr. Samuel Grand. He urged the delegates to purchase the equipment for their individual congregations thus returning with one concrete piece of evidence of new ideas from this convention. All Sisterhoods, said Mr. Grand, should

* The Flannelgraph is a board covered with flannel on which is painted a scenic background. Figures cut out of rough, heavy paper adhere to this background and can be moved around on it to tell a story. Flannelgraph can be ordered through the Department of Audio-Visual Aids, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, 838 Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

be interested enough in their own children as well as those of all the congregation to purchase the entire series of the Union's Department of Education film strips. These can be used to advantage in diverse programming situations of the congregation and its affiliated organizations.

Mr. Grand explained that the film strip is a teaching and learning device used with children, young people and adults. He then proceeded to the showing of the one "Within the Family of Liberal Judaism" with an appropriate running commentary, e.g. "There is strength in family unity." This showing took exactly 15 minutes.

At 10:45 the entire group was divided into 2 Workshops—Religious Education and Youth.

Mrs. Salm opened with a statement that she had sensed what was wanted on Monday was a *real program* and *techniques*. How to form a youth group? How to keep it going? Miss Schwartz proceeded with a general information talk on the history and present functioning of NFTY with answers also to specific questions.

A Temple Youth Group is not something grafted on to the Temple. Youth activities must be considered as one of the regular congregational functions. There should be a youth representative to the Board of the Temple as there should be a congregational representative to the Youth Group.

The program of the Youth Group should be equally balanced in these three parts: Religious, Educational — Cultural, and Social. This must be done in two ways. Youth can have their own original, creative activities but they must be able also to participate in services, and in the programs of the Sisterhood and Men's Club. The Temple Youth Group should reflect the congregation of which it is a part, and exhibit its own congregational activities.

Wise programming is done in advance (about August) to cover a long range period. As a base, block out our religious holidays, taking into consideration also our national holidays. Ninety-nine percent of the programs should be of the creative, imaginative variety. The young people can create programs themselves or use Synagogue resources. The congregation should spend money on Youth but not for programs as the youth are themselves imaginative, creative, resourceful. By fostering them in their own pursuits we can raise up members as well as leaders for the adult world.

NFTY and its Camp Program is the youth arm of the Union—one more expression of the Union's service to its congregations for those of

teen and college age. We minimize the national organization. It is education designed to push young people right back into the congregation; to provide them with an outlet for Jewish expression and experience in their own congregation. All the Program Materials sent from NFTY are useful. They have been tried and tested on the basis of practicability. They are not theoretical. There is a sheet of inspirational and educational areas of activities e.g., there are 303 ways of putting on any one meeting. Members are asked to write to NFTY if they have any special problems.

The 17 regional organizations of NFTY cover the United States and Canada. There is an alphabet of areas covered such as Nifty, Softy, Mafty and even Wafty—the waste land of Temple youth. There is no set formula for inclusion in any one area except the considerations of accessibility, transportation, opportunity of meeting new friends and having fun doing things together.

Regional youth conclaves are usually 3 or 4 a year—during school vacations, over Labor Day weekend, mid-winter, spring, summer. A conclave is a model youth group experience under ideal conditions for the purposes of religion, study, pleasure. The young people are inspired to go home and try out the things learned, e.g. new techniques for getting a group to mix. Conclaves are personally exciting and inspiring but also places where Youth learn specifics: How to conduct a Town Hall Discussion, a Sabbath Service, a Balloon dance.

A conclave may be in a Temple or in a camp environment for a weekend or more. Minds are set in the right direction. There are no outside interferences from other sources. Therefore, they are usually most successful. This does not guarantee exactly the same success when the young people come back to the home environment. But you must expect to work hard and sometimes suffer disappointments. A congregation which sponsors a regional conclave is making an investment in itself.

A region sponsors local activities of its leadership and membership; also accessory activities such as a newspaper, e.g. The Chatter Box of the Beth El Hi Club, Chicago. It is important for young people to know they have friends nearby. It is especially important where the Jewish population is very small—a youth may not have a date with a fellow Jew perhaps, except for the conclave, where 3, 4 or 5 communities get together for a weekend. Such gatherings extend the

area of friendship and social communion.

UAHC sponsors a Camp Program at Oconomowoc, Wisc. This is a National Leadership Institute to which we ask that you send the cream of your youth leaders. They are given an exciting, stimulating; personal Jewish experience and expected to go back home, enabled to enhance and effectuate a temple youth program. Only 160 can be accommodated. This year 2 young people are apportioned for each congregation. It is the conclave of conclaves—lasts 12 days and from the New York Metropolitan Area the cost is \$84. Here realistic goals and tools are acquired that help young people relate themselves to a congregation as adults.

The Institute is magnificent and colossal. The faculty represents the entire country as do the youth. There is a sharing of cabins by young people from different parts of the country and although they have many similarities, the differences are enormous in food, social behavior, attitudes. The adults plan the curricula, set up classes and faculty. The first night only is planned for, after that it's all up to the young people themselves. Nine hours of sleep are recommended. They have self-government. They show themselves to be more mature, wise and moderate than we generally give them credit for. They even handle their own disciplinary problems.

The first nine days the young people absorb, learn, have fun. The last three days they travel the road to reality. They have been living under perfect youth group conditions. They are prepared to anticipate possible frustrations and failures but are filled with hope and inspiration—a desire to build at home on the foundations they have gained so pleasurably at Institute.

An Assistant Rabbi could be the Youth Advisor. Do not over-burden your Rabbi.

Many personal questions relating to individual situations were resolved satisfactorily both from the floor and by Miss Schwartz. Actual, useful, helpful suggestions were given.

C. MEETING THE INTERESTS OF SISTERHOODS MEMBERS (Covering the activities of the Committees on Programs; Interfaith Activities). Including activating and integrating members in the direction of Sisterhood goals.

1. Does your Sisterhood educate new members in Sisterhood backgrounds and purposes?
2. How does your Sisterhood integrate a new member into Sisterhood activities?

3. How are your Sisterhood meetings planned?
 - a) Is there a theme for the year?
 - b) Is the program coordinated? (Use of Committees)
 - c) Is there Jewish content?
4. How much NFTS material do you use? (President's Packet, Current Copy, Manuals, etc.)
5. What programs interest the majority of your members?
6. How is an interfaith meeting planned? How is an "Institute on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women" planned?
7. How does the small Sisterhood plan programs for a membership of varying ages and interests?
8. In a community in which the Sisterhood is the only one of many Jewish organizations, both local and national, how is the problem of multitudinous demands on time, financial support and interest handled?

Moderator: Mrs. Joseph N. Koch, Dallas, Tex., President, NFTS District No. 22, Texas-Oklahoma Federation; Rapporteur: Mrs. Henry B. Levi, Pine Bluff, Ark., Third Vice-President, NFTS District No. 16, Mississippi-Arkansas Federation; Discussion and Resource Leaders: Mrs. Lawrence C. Friedlander, Chicago, Ill., Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Interfaith Activities; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y., Executive Board Member; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga., Executive Board Member, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Programs.

This Workshop stressed the need of educating new members in Sisterhood background and purpose. The Circle System is one of the best methods to utilize in acquainting the newcomer. The head of this group arranges to introduce the new member to Sisterhood. A welcoming letter from the President is another tool to use in our approach to such members. A questionnaire may be used to ascertain the specific interests of the member. A short orientation course with the Chairmen of the Standing Committees serving as instructors presents the Sisterhood Goals.

Programming is most important to keep the interest of the new member and to reeducate the old member.

NFTS provides a guide for work through the various National Committees. These may be used as the basis for programs, giving each Chairman

the responsibility of presenting one program a year. "The Theme Is the Thing" is a slogan to remember. Plans which the Program Chairman and her aides develop should always include some religious content; Sisterhood is a religious organization supporting the Temple. It is necessary to map out a year's program. NFTS supplies many good ideas in its Program Suggestion Book. Here is a clearing house for the exchange of worthwhile ideas on subjects, techniques and mechanics. If local units will please send in to NFTS those programs that have been successful so that the NFTS Committee on Programs may consider them for inclusion in the Program Material, there will be more and more material for National to give the locals. Only that which we give do we receive in turn.

The many ideas on inter- and intra-faith activities had a central thought: don't overlap other agencies. Work with all community projects in this field. Some groups have arranged through the Board of Education to present to public school teachers various phases of Jewish religious observances. Others work with Church women to have joint meetings with lecture courses given by the Rabbi and Ministers on Sacred Music. These also include music by Temple and Church Choirs.

In this communal effort to understand one another, ministers from several denominations discuss the topic "My Personal Religion." The best initial step for any Sisterhood is to use material of NFTS and our parent body the UAHC for Institutes on Judaism for the Clergy and leaders of Christian women's groups. Follow this with exchange of pulpits and services. Each group within the ranks of Judaism should learn about one another too. Our young people must be encouraged to bring their friends to our services and to go to theirs.

Again, a well planned, long range program is necessary. The program Committee Chairman must be carefully selected. She must be integrated in Sisterhood activities and able to work with each Committee. In addition to this, she is responsible for the day's agenda together with the President. It is her duty to work with the many committees responsible for the day's meeting. Where Sisterhood is one of a number of Jewish women's organizations, it is wise for a Presidents' Council to be set up to that each organization has a voice in making a Calendar to avoid conflicting events. This will also aid in distributing woman power and financial support so that none of the groups feel another has a monopoly on the time and interest of the workers.

D. DEVELOPING TECHNIQUES FOR SISTERHOOD GOALS (Covering the activities of the Committees on Uniongrams; Scholarship and Religious Education; including Ways and Means for meeting local and NFTS responsibilities, and cooperation with outside organizations.)

1. Why does the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund require more money?
2. What are techniques for increasing cash contributions to the scholarship and Religious Education Fund?
3. Why do NFTS units and their individual members have special responsibility to the Uniongram project and the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund? Who benefits from these projects?
4. How can the importance of the work of the projects be dramatically and effectively relayed to individual Sisterhood members?
5. What are some of the techniques for stimulating Uniongram sales?
6. What honors can be achieved by Sisterhood in connection with these projects?
7. What is NFTS policy, in the form of advice to its affiliated units, on the subject of cooperation with other organizations in the matter of treasury contributions to their causes?

Moderator: Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio, Fourth Vice-President, NFTS, Chairman, NFTS Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund; Rapporteur: Mrs. Joseph B. Hearst, Norfolk, Va., Past President, NFTS District No. 8; Discussion and Resource Leaders: Mrs. Nathan Levine, Cincinnati, Ohio, President, Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood; Mrs. Daniel Lindenbaum, Harrison, N. Y., President, Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center; Miss Josephine Schoenborn, New York, NFTS Administrative Assistant.

In a workshop concerned with developing techniques for Sisterhood goals we are immediately confronted by the question, which goals, the tangible or the intangible? Being human beings we can envisage the tangible with ease; if we can touch it or fashion it with our hands; if we can see it, a panorama of rare beauty; if we can hear it, musical language molded for our understanding. It excites our interest—stimulates our appetites to attack the problem, however difficult. Therefore, several hundred women came into the Small Ballroom on Monday morning with vigor and vitality. Each was eager to relate the experiences of her own Sisterhood and to ex-

change ideas with her neighbor—be she from Canada or California or Florida or Virginia. Needless to report few sections of this North American Continent lacked representation. There was so much to be said that the two hours flew by on wings. Perhaps we can attribute this to the skillful leadership of the Moderator and the understanding reticence of the resource persons.

You would have thought it unnecessary to take time for an explanation of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, for are we not all Sisterhood Presidents or leaders who have been indoctrinated into the aims and ideals of Sisterhood over a period of years? Is it not our task to infuse the lay members of our own Sisterhoods with the awareness that HUC-JIR are the institutions whence come our religious leaders? Surely you did not have to see the budgetary expenditure to recognize the validity and need of your Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. What you came to the workshop for was ideas that would fire the imagination of your constituents to want to increase the scope and extent of activity of your NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. So through open discussion we discovered there was a crying need for larger sums of money to the Fund. Whether we allocate more monies out of our annual budget or sell more Uniongrams, or enlist individual contributors, each of us must be cognizant that this is a tangible need of NFTS. We want to encourage our young men to become Reform Rabbis in America today; we want to continue our fellowships for students from abroad who will serve congregations of the World Union outside of the United States. Mrs. Vera Baum, your Chairman of the World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities Committee, vividly depicted the need for strengthening Liberal Judaism throughout the world, which can and will be accomplished through education.

The question of why 10% of monies collected, was deducted by NFTS for administration, was answered by Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, with the only response possible—"It costs money to raise money." Whatever the philanthropy—there are administrative expenses. Furthermore, a ten percent allocation for administrative costs of raising money through NFTS is far less than it would cost any agency to raise money itself. Neither the UAHC or the HUC-JIR, or any other agency, can raise money for as little as a 10% cost of fund-raising.

It was fascinating to hear the variety of ways in which Uniongrams are dramatized and pre-

sent to the local membership. To quote just one—Providence, R. I., under the leadership of a dynamic Uniongram Chairman, Mrs. Jacob Fogel, in three years increased sales of Uniongrams from under a thousand to over 3,000 per annum. This is a Sisterhood of 300 members! The success or failure of any single project seems to rest upon the quality of the leadership.

There were those who felt that insufficient time for discussion was given to Ways and Means of raising funds for local and National needs at the Monday morning workshop and therefore, on Wednesday, the agenda was reversed so that those present might present unusual and interesting ideas from their local communities. As your Rapporteur I could spend endless time enumerating schemes and original ideas, but if each Sisterhood President will procure a copy of the NFTS new fund raising booklet, "Money, Money," she may take back to her Sisterhood a permanent archive of ideas.

After your Sisterhood has raised its funds for the year and budgeted for local and National needs—then the question is how do you cooperate with other organizations? As might be expected there was a variance of opinion. There are Sisterhoods whose by-laws prohibit monetary contributions to any other national, philanthropic organization. There are those who make small token contributions. There are some organizations which have crystallized no definite policy and are awaiting a directive from NFTS. Mrs. Sol Gitson, the Moderator, succinctly stated the NFTS policy which is that National lays down no mandate but feels that local Sisterhoods should support every humanitarian need by offering service through its woman power rather than through Treasury contributions.

Thus the tangible goals of Sisterhood were laid open for scrutiny and comment until satisfactory conclusions were reached.

But what about the intangible aims and aspirations of our Sisterhood organization: those of the spirit and heart? How can we imbue our members with the spiritual quality and true meaning of Sisterhood organization? As Mrs. Julian Henig of Columbia, S. C. asked: "How can you change just Sisterhood names on the roll into active members?" And the answers were: Treat each member as an individual with a particular aptitude; orient her into the meaning of Sisterhood. As Miss Jane Evans so aptly put it: "Communication is vital"—so that she will want to serve her Judaism—her religion—through Sisterhood.

ASSEMBLY SESSION

Monday Afternoon, 2:45 p. m.

The business session of the Assembly was called to order in the Grand Ballroom of the Roosevelt Hotel by the President, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett. The delegates rose and repeated the invocation in unison. Mrs. Rosett stressed the duties of the presiding officer, saying it was her responsibility to protect the rights of those holding majority and minority opinions. She asked the delegates to keep open minds on the question before them.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill., Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, presented the preliminary report of that committee. A total

of 608 delegates were present representing 244 Sisterhoods in 37 states, 195 cities of the United States, 2 Sisterhoods in Canada. Of the delegates, there were 52 members of the Executive Board present, 20 representatives of District Federations —57 official visitors were registered.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, Lexington, Ky., Chairman of the Committee on Rules, re-read the report of the Committee on Rules that had been presented on Sunday, April 19 (see p. 46). A proposed amendment requiring a vote by roll call where expenditures of large sums of money were involved was defeated and the rules as presented were accepted.



REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Budget and Finance

MRS. IRVING E. HOLLOBOW, *Chairman*

Evanston, Ill.

Meeting in session in June, 1951, the NFTS Executive Committee approved the establishment of a year-round working committee to be known as the Special Committee on Budget and Finance. This action was further approved by the NFTS Executive Board at its next meeting. The Special Committee on Budget and Finance was instructed that its duties were to prepare an annual budget for submission to the NFTS Executive Board for approval, then to submit the budget approved by the Board to all local Sisterhoods, and to make quarterly progress reports on said budget both to the Executive Board and to all local Sisterhoods.

At the very first meeting of this Committee a careful analysis was made of the meaning—the definition of budget, and what purpose it serves.

It was determined that a budget serves a two-fold purpose: 1) it fixes a definite goal; 2) it establishes a means of control.

At the same time there was established the fact that budgeting has its limitations. Budgets are based on estimates—they require details which may increase clerical expense, and certainly a budget is not a substitute for efficient administration and management.

Now the budget of a business firm dealing in specific tangible commodities is a matter of black and red, of profit and loss in terms of dollars and cents.

The budget of an organization such as ours is also a matter of profit and loss—but not in terms of dollars and cents but rather in terms of service, for our organization is an organization of service—our commodity is service.

Having established "service" as our goal the Committee then gave consideration to the second requirement of a budget, that of establishing a means of control. This, it was decided, could best be accomplished by means of a functional budget which would show just how much of our income was being spent on each of our fields of service.

Such a functional budget was, therefore, presented to the next Executive Board meeting and, as you know, it was accepted and subsequently sent to our local Sisterhoods—and progress reports were sent out during the year.

The Committee members continued to study and explore the whole subject of budgets.

Their most recent thinking is that, while a functional budget which lists direct NFTS income plus the Union appropriation and functional expenditures has given us a clear picture of how we are meeting our goals of service, it does not give the complete picture which is desired by most of our local Sisterhoods. The Committee proposes, therefore, to include in the Budget for 1953-54, which will go before the Mid-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board tomorrow

afternoon for approval, in addition to income and functional expenditures, the direct administrative expenses of NFTS including: office supplies, postage, telephone, telegrams, shipping, office maintenance, printing and multigraphing, publications and subscriptions, travel of officers, meetings and conventions, production of Year Book, salaries and staff pensions. Certain questions have been put to members of the Committee of Budget and Finance during the past few days of this Convention which should be answered.

The question has been asked: "Is ten per cent of the cash contributions received for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund deducted from these contributions and credited to the General Fund of NFTS as a service charge?" The answer is "yes." As is common practice, a service charge of ten per cent is made for the collection of funds for other agencies.

This is cash only—the 80¢ of each \$1.00 credited to a Sisterhood on Union-grams goes completely to the Fund. This action, that of ten per cent deduction on cash contributions, is taken upon authority voted by the Executive Board. It is important to bear in mind that this ten per cent is a lower cost for fund raising than any single agency would need to allow in its own budget, and that the agency profits more even by our deducting this ten per cent because many times over this ten per cent is collected through the efforts of NFTS for this agency than the agency could hope to collect on its own direct appeal.

In the matter of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, it should be further pointed out that monies collected for this Fund go not to one agency but are divided between the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. While disposition of these funds are made on request of the Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education, approved by the Executive Board, and do not ever enter into the General Fund, and are, therefore, no part of business of Committee on Budget and Finance, since so many questions have been put to the Budget Committee regarding this, I felt it proper to include these notes in my report. I have been asked for a breakdown of the monies between the College and the Union. May I refer you to page 324 of our newest year book which is here and available to each of you. On that page are listed the exact sums going to each recipient of the Fund.

The Special Committee on Budget and Finance has tried to do a conscientious, thoughtful job commensurate with the work done by all constituent members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

As Chairman of this Committee I shall be available in the Library this afternoon from 4:30 until 6—please, if you have any questions and surely if you have any suggestions that would lead to a clearer, more comprehensive budget, do come and see me.

To paraphrase from a member of my own Sisterhood—if we think together and if we work together, we will succeed together.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

The Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws was presented by Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla., Chairman. It was decided to discuss the revisions ad seriatum and then adopt the revisions as amended as a whole.

The report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws was approved section by section with amendments as indicated, through *Executive Board Article 9, Section A*. (See Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, p. 95-110.)

Article 8, Section A, second paragraph was amended to read "the nominating committee shall meet prior to the Biennial Assembly; the transportation expenses shall be met by NFTS"—instead of "the Nominating Committee shall meet prior to the Biennial Assembly at NFTS expense."

Article 8, Section B 3, insertion of "30 days"—"names of Candidates for nominees for the Executive Board from Sisterhoods affiliated with a District Federation shall be sent by the NFTS Nominating Committee to the respective District Presidents 30 days prior to an NFTS Biennial Assembly, for the information of the District Federation."

The meeting recessed at 4:40 p.m.

JOINT SESSION

A joint meeting with the UAHC was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Commodore Hotel. A religious service was led by Rabbi Albert Martin, Bridgeport, Conn. Rabbi Jerome D. Folkman, Columbus, O., delivered the sermon and music was by the Quartet of the Hebrew Union School of Sacred Music. Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, First Vice-President of NFTS and a lay member of the Commission on Jewish Education, presided over a panel discussion on the "30th Anniversary of the Commission on Jewish Education." Participants were Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, Cleveland, O., Mortimer May, Nashville, Tenn., Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, New York, and Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein, Rochester, N. Y. Two professional leaders of the UAHC were surprised with beautiful testimonials adopted in their honor by the Executive Board of the Union and presented by Dr. S. S. Hollender: Dr. Emanuel Gamoran upon his 30 years as Director of the Commission on Jewish Education and Miss Jane Evans upon her 20th year as Executive Director of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

In the discussion period of the evening, following a comment from a person on the floor seeming to question the value of the study of Hebrew, Mrs. Albert J. May of New York, honorary life member of the Executive Board of NFTS rose

and made a stirring answer in which she said in part: "I have been thrilled and excited by tonight's panel and I felt I owe it to those who spoke to make a statement about how my father felt about Hebrew—not that I believe every child is capable of learning Hebrew, any more than every child is capable of learning higher calculus. But I do feel that the fundamentals of Hebrew are so beautifully organized for our children today, that to deprive them of the right to know that language seems to me to be cavilling about our religious faith.

I lived in Isaac M. Wise's home; I am his daughter. I never remember a time when some of the things that I have been hearing or reading today, out of context, were true of what my father thought. My father was a religious Jew. To him the Talmud and the Writings of the Fathers, and much that was published in Hebrew was sacred. He taught us sacred literature at his knee. He loved everything that was vital to Judaism, and those who dare to demean his life by challenging his statements out of context so thoroughly move and distress me that I am glad of the opportunity here to say that were Isaac Mayer Wise with us today, he would rejoice in the present development of the Reform Movement. He would say to you: "God bless you all!—but do not forget that you are Jews from beginning to end!"

Proceedings of the Third Day

April 21, 1953

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett called the Business Session to order at 10:15 a. m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Roosevelt Hotel. After the recitation of the invocation by the delegates, the discussion of the Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws continued. Mrs. David Zielonka, Chairman, presented the proposed Revisions.

The remainder of the Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws was accepted *ad seriatum* and completely by an overwhelming rising vote, with the following amendments:

Article 9, Section E amended to "the Transportation expenses (of nominating Committee for officers) shall be met by NFTS"—instead of "at the expense of NFTS." *Article 14, Section B*, amended to "The Committee shall send a copy of the budget accompanied by the complete Annual Report of the C.P.A. as submitted to the Executive Board to each local Sisterhood and District Federation," — instead of "the Committee shall communicate information regarding the Budget to all local Sisterhoods and District Federations no less than semi-annually and shall answer any inquiries from local Sisterhoods and District Federations regarding same."

The Assembly ruled that no revision of By-Laws adopted at the 40th Anniversary Assembly would be retroactive; the terms of women on the Executive Board elected in previous Biennial Assemblies will run for the full terms for which they were elected, and shall not be affected by revisions adopted; however, members elected to the Executive Board and to office during the 40th Anniversary Assembly shall be elected under the By-Laws *as revised at the Assembly*.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mrs. Naaman Glick, Stamford, Conn., Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee:

Madam Chairman: Your Committee has the privilege of commenting on the inspiring message of our President and of expressing for you the gratitude of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett for her service.

This Committee commends all the new and special activities instituted under Mrs. Rosett's presidency and makes special mention of the following projects which should be carried forward:

We endorse the significance of our major project, to quote Mrs. Rosett, "to provide through the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund scholarships for rabbinical students at the College-Institute and contributions to be used by the Union toward its education and youth program as well as the underwriting of other religious, educational projects that are national in character and scope, as approved by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Executive Board. We especially endorse special contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund as an anniversary gift over and above the usual sums during the coming year."

We approve the appointment of a Special Committee on Evaluation and its preliminary activity. We urge that its work be intensified with emphasis on local, district and national levels.

We urge the expansion of Leadership Training Institutes under the Committee on Field Services and suggest that visitors to District and Local Sisterhoods should conduct Leadership Workshops as well as addressing Sisterhoods and meeting with Boards.

This Committee heartily endorses support of all Sisterhoods in the activity of the Sisterhood Division of the Combined Campaign.

We welcome the establishment of the youth camps and express the hope that they will be the forerunners of others.

The Committee knows that each member of the organization joins us in voicing appreciation of Mrs. Rosett's leadership. She has been the source of strength and inspiration to us because her leadership embodies the unique combination of clear vision, courageous action and a consecrated spirit. Under her dynamic influence we have seen an expanding program and growing strength both in numbers and in the potentialities for service.

The Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial erected during her administration and leadership, will ever be a symbol of the untiring efforts of thousands of Sisterhood women. We join with Mrs. Rosett in noting that there is room for many more names on the Companion Plaque of the Fireplace Wall in the Sisterhood Lounge of the House of Living Judaism, and we hope that the day will come when the name of every Sisterhood in the Federation will be inscribed.

We express our gratitude to Mrs. Rosett for her significant service to our organization nationally and internationally and also for the gracious manner in which she has represented us both within and beyond the fold of Judaism. We may well be guided by her way of life which exemplifies the noblest in Jewish womanhood.

The report was accepted by the Assembly.

Mrs. Naaman Glick, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia, Pa., Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee:

Before submitting the names of the candidates suggested by the Nominating Committee for service on the Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the Committee would like the privilege of explaining to you briefly some of our problems. Firstly, as you know there are 85,000 members in our organization of nearly 500 units throughout the United States and 6 other countries. We have had 107 suggestions for 30 openings on the Board. Our primary obligation was to follow the philosophical concept set forth by the Evaluation Committee; namely, to spread the basis of membership on the Board as far as possible, giving representation to the Sisterhoods and individuals who have not recently had that opportunity.

We took a bird's eye-view of the situation, we considered it geographically, population-wise and unit-wise. We covered each geographic unit of the country, the centers of population were given proportionate representation, the different Sisterhoods balanced and the interval of time in which a particular Sisterhood or locality had been represented on the Board was weighed.

We are delighted with the number and caliber of candidates advanced; it speaks for the virility and urgency of the organization. We want you to keep on submitting candidates. If your candidate was not selected it was only because there was some balance we had to consider; a neighboring Sisterhood never had been represented, or not for a period of many years; we had a pre-dominance of representation on the Board of

Sisterhoods in your numerical group or the immediate geographical vicinity was already placed on the Board and we had to fill vacancies from locations more sparsely represented.

We would, however, urge that in submitting all candidates' names, the Sisterhoods be specific and detailed in the qualifications, that more care be taken in making out the applications so that the Committee obtains the information it needs in order to avail itself of the best material.

Please believe me that the Nominating Committee has worked earnestly, honestly, impartially and for long hours. We submit for your consideration the following names after many, many hours of continuous work, and with real regret that we could not have given NFTS the benefit of the talent of all the candidates submitted by each Sisterhood. We leave you with the thought that there is always another year.

Mrs. Philip Adelman, San Antonio, Tex., Mrs. Robert Aronson, St. Louis, Mo., Mrs. Herbert Barall, Tulsa, Okla., Mrs. R. C. Bauer, Alexandria, La., Mrs. Daniel Bernheim, Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Lester S. Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa., Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, Lexington, Ky., Mrs. Leo Blumberg, Wilmington, Del., Mrs. Maurice Brown, Patterson, N. J., Mrs. Beryl Cohon, Boston, Mass., Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss, Elmira, N. Y., Mrs. Edward Fields, Morgantown, W. Va., Mrs. Murry B. Goodrich, San Diego, Calif., Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Jessyl Jacobs, San Francisco, Calif., Mrs. Jacob J. Joel, Athens, Ga., Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, Milwaukee, Wis., Mrs. John Kruglick, Phoenix, Ariz., Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y., Mrs. Robert Levi, Boston, Mass., Mrs. Alfred Levy, Bridgeport, Conn., Mrs. Herbert Mendel, Hot Springs, Ark., Mrs. Myron Meyer, St. Joseph, Mo., Mrs. Elmer Moyer, Dayton, O., Mrs. D. H. Orkin, Jackson, Miss., Mrs. Alfred Shulman, South Bend, Ind., Mrs. Mayer Sulzberger, Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Lawrence Van Baalen, Toledo, O., Mrs. William Wolman, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, Mrs. Irwin Yoelson, Shaker Heights, O.

Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, *Chairman*

The slate as presented by the Committee on Nominations was adopted by the Assembly. The meeting was recessed at 12:40 p.m.

ASSEMBLY SESSION—TUESDAY AFTERNOON, 2:00 P.M.

The Fourth Session of the 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly was called to order by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, at 2:00 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Roosevelt Hotel.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. Gertrude Kallin, Los Angeles, Calif., Chairman, presented the report of the committee. All Resolutions presented were adopted although a few minor amendments were made before adoption (see Resolutions adopted by the Assembly, p. 89).

The business session was concluded, and the

program of the afternoon was presented after an invocation in unison.

TOWN HALL MEETING

A Town Hall Meeting on the subject **SISTERHOOD IN THE WORLD: BUILDING A STRONGER MOVEMENT** was conducted, with Mrs. Abram V. Goodman presiding. Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director of NFTS acted as moderator and introduced the speakers.

The first speaker was Mr. Hugo Green, a survivor of the horrors of Hitler's Europe, who is at present an NFTS fellowship student on the Cincinnati campus of the HUC-JIR.

ADDRESS

Beyond the Seas

BY MR. HUGO GREEN

Student, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

In order to give you today a picture of our aims and problems, I should like to outline the background of our movement and its present role in World Jewry. However, when speaking of Progressive Judaism, we must bear in mind that Progressive Judaism in this country and in England, for example, are not identical, and while there are differences, particularly in ritual and in the liturgy, we have far more in common. All over the globe, we, as members of the Progressive Jewish movement, believe firmly that we have a glorious heritage, to be cherished and fostered and to be handed enriched and vital to the generation that is to follow. To keep our religion vital we strive as best as we can, and as far as the environment will permit, to make Judaism a living experience, not merely a topic of conversation. Therefore, do we find that in some places the Reform Service is more in Hebrew than in the vernacular, that hats and *taleisim* are worn, or that youngsters are confirmed when thirteen. The founders of the movement did not want a uniform religion, but more important, a unified religion. And success has been the reward of our founders' dream. In most parts of the world there are—in varying quantity—Reform or Progressive or Liberal Jews,

convinced that we are along the right track when we follow the dicta of our prophetic past and add to it the outstanding contemporary values.

Thus we dream and plan; and as it is customary in dreams, we encounter no problems. But the problems are there, and, at times very discouraging. It is a saddening experience to read the 1953 American Jewish Yearbook. There is, in that book, a good-sized portion devoted to an analysis of world Jewry and both from what the contributors say, and more significantly yet, from what they omit, we are justifiably depressed. What is happening to the dreams of our seers? Surely they are not forgotten nor yet considered unworthy. Nevertheless, we are spiritually on the verge of bankruptcy. One would imagine that some eight years after the heavy toll of World War II of Jewish lives there would be a spiritual renaissance. But such is not the case. The writers in the Yearbook indicate unanimously, and from my own experience I wholeheartedly agree, that there is a deep-seated yearning on the part of most Jews for a more spiritual life. There is, in just about every Jewish community, a vacuum, a void that begs to be filled, and yet Temples are far from full,

religious leadership far from adequate. The maladies of our era, anxieties and tensions, long to be eased. Our brethren would eagerly lift their eyes to God, but there is this vacuum which they cannot overcome. We are, frankly, desperately short of religious leadership. In the countries other than the United States or Israel, the post-war years brought another Exodus in their wake. Responsible persons from the Jewish communities have left in large numbers, but large numbers of leaderless Jews have remained. Congregations are without rabbis, and their children, without qualified teachers.

There is a solution though, else we would throw up our hands, or merely shrug the shoulders. The World Union for Progressive Judaism is devoting all of its resources to cope with the situation. With your aid, rabbis are being trained for service in the World Union, which keeps in touch with all of its member congregations. New congregations join our ranks from all over the world. From Latin America to Alaska, from Ireland to the Iron Curtain, and regrettably only up to there, from Algiers to Johannesburg, and from Istanbul to Bombay, we hear the call: We are here and we want to be with you. It is a tremendous challenge, and an opportunity unparalleled in the annals of history, for we can now have a truly united Progressive Jewish movement. The feeling that like-minded Jews all over the world are concerned with each other, and that the problems of one community are truly the problems of all, is a comforting knowledge. That we can all of us worship the one God freely and with one voice is a spring of hope and an enduring fountain of faith. But the World Union, as its name implies, needs help, the help of every Reform, Liberal or Progressive Jew; all over the world. While help has been forthcoming, it is almost needless to say that we need more and again more. As a member body, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has a very fine record, and it can now expand its good works even further. The first need is to keep in contact with as many of our people as possible. You from the United States

are fortunately in a position from which you can help build up mechanisms for spiritual rehabilitation. All this involves money. Just as important as the money is the personal concern and benevolence of each one of us toward our fellow Jews in all parts of the world.

In the training of rabbis, the Sisterhood at present supports four of us from overseas at the College-Institute with generous fellowships. It is a privilege for me to thank you, all of you, on behalf of the recipients, whose fondest dreams can now be realized, with your help, in becoming rabbis and serving Jewish communities in countries perhaps far from here in miles, but very close in spirit and friendship. And there are many American students at the College-Institute who receive help from the Sisterhood's Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. I bring you a sincere thank you from all of us. You are helpful in providing that there be continued religious leadership both in this country and abroad.

There are so many areas where, had we but a few qualified rabbis, Reform Jewish communities would flourish and thus add considerable strength to the movement as a whole. For example, in Israel there is only one, yes one, Liberal Jewish congregation; yet we know that literally thousands of Israelis live in a religious vacuum, waiting, so to speak, for a redemption from their spiritual void.

I feel confident that with the aid and moral support of the Sisterhoods and like-minded organizations, our task in the building of a better and spiritually richer world is just beginning. We have so much to which to look forward, so many good and great things for which to hope, that our undertakings will be amply rewarded, and that we shall grow in the years ahead from strength to strength, and filled with the reverence for the tasks. We Jews realize what our religion really means. We know that there can be applied to it the words of one of the old Jewish sages: "The beginning bears witness to the end, and the end will at long last bear witness to the beginning."

ADDRESS

Within Our Gates

BY MRS. HUGO DALSHIMER, PIKESVILLE, MD.

First Vice-President, NFTS

I think that we as women have done a very fine job, but we cannot afford to rest on our laurels, we cannot afford to be moved by the compliments that are paid us, even by the President of the Union, because we must begin to set our sights higher, we must begin to think in the larger picture and remember that we, as women are not just Sisterhood women, but a part of a great movement, Liberal or Progressive or Reform Judaism, whichever you choose to call it. For many years we have thought, in my opinion, of Sisterhood and how it adapts itself to its locale, to its community problems. I think today we must begin to think of our responsibility to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

In Mrs. Goodman's introduction she said that we have grown from the 5,000 women we were when organized to 85,000 women today. We have grown from 39 units to nearly 500 Sisterhoods. That is tremendous growth in numbers, but have we grown? In my judgment we have not. Have we grown in our outlook? Have we grown in our feeling for our religion? Have we grown in our responsibility to our parent body and to the College-Institute? When letters went out from me to the nearly 500 Sisterhoods affiliated with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods—and I do not mean to give you all a verbal spanking, but I have heard so many times since I have been here in New York at this particular Biennial that your letters are not answered when you send them in to National; I would like to give you some figures—nearly 500 letters went out from the Combined Campaign offices to the Presidents of all of our local Sisterhoods. We have received 122 answers to these letters, and that was not just one letter. I am sure you received at least three communications from me during the past several years.

Of that number 48 indicated that they could not co-operate in the Combined Campaign, 74 responded that they would cooperate, and 37 of that number have already appointed Chairmen.

That is why I say that we have not really assumed our share of this responsibility and have

not set our sights high enough in assuming our rightful place in the Reform Jewish movement today.

It has been said: In the hands of the women rests the future of a country. I would like to paraphrase this and say: In the hands of the Sisterhoods rests the future of Reform Judaism. Now this may sound very dramatic to you, but I believe that women over the years have made a real and significant contribution in the field of religion. I think it is the women who set the pace for religion, and I am sure that many of you have heard your rabbis say that the Sisterhood is the main organization in a Temple structure. If that is true, let us deserve this, and let us do what we can to help our Combined Campaign.

We are not asking for money. We are not asking that Sisterhoods take money out of their treasuries, and we are not asking for individual gifts, we are asking only for woman power. And why do we need this woman power today? The Union of American Hebrew Congregations, which is celebrating its 80th birthday, has grown from a tiny handful of 36 congregations to over 460 congregations in 325 communities. That is a very significant figure because it proves that people, whether from orthodox or conservative backgrounds, are taking Reform Judaism for the kind of religion that meets their needs in this troubled world today. They are finding that Reform Judaism is the faith that meets their needs in America and the Union is gearing its program and expanding to meet this need.

You heard last night of what the College is doing about the text books that it is editing and publishing for us for the use of our religious schools. The Union also has a program to which our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods contributes. But that is not sufficient. We must do more because we must keep abreast with the expanding program of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

In addition, you know that in recent years the Hebrew Union College merged with the Jewish Institute of Religion. This too is a growth. Have we kept pace with this expanded program? I am fully aware of the fact that we do give,

and as Mr. Green has said, he is the recipient of one of our gifts, but we must do more than give money. We must give energy, we must give thought and we must use our influence. I feel definitely that we women can do a great deal to make our husbands double and triple their contributions. I speak from experience. I know that it is possible to interest your husband in religion if you yourself are interested in religion. If you are truly sold on your faith, you can sell your husband on the same faith, and so I ask you who are here today to pledge your allegiance, to pledge your support, to pledge your cooperation when the Combined Campaign seeks to raise funds in your own community and your congregation participates.

Do not be told you cannot participate. I am sure that if you say to your Board: 'We as women want to make a contribution, we want to use our influence, we want to lend women power, you will not be turned down. I realize that there are congregations that have a ten per cent assessment on their members and raise their Combined Campaign funds that way, but

there again we can do more, if you are aware of the expanding program, if you know what the Union is doing to spread Reform Judaism, to increase its program and to enrich its program, if you are aware of what is happening on the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion campus today. I wish that many of you could have been with me in my own congregation this past year when we launched our Combined Campaign drive and brought from the College a Christian minister, a man who is there studying to get his Ph.D., and heard what he had to say about what he was getting from the years he has spent at Hebrew Union College. He will go back as an emissary from the Jews, not just to a pulpit, but to a college, to a theological seminary where he will teach Christian ministers. What better way have we to create understanding? What better inter-faith program?

Please, I beg of you here assembled today, rededicate yourselves to the support of the Combined Campaign in your own community.

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ADDRESS

On New Frontiers

BY RABBI ROLAND B. GITTELSON

ROCKVILLE CENTER, NEW YORK

Spiritual Leader, Central Synagogue of Nassau County, Chairman, Commission on Justice and Peace of the Central Conference of American Rabbis

I should like to approach my part of this discussion from two basic premises, both of which I honestly believe to be quite beyond disputation within the frame of Judaism and Jewish life.

Two characteristics about Judaism at large which I think we can, all of us, greatly take for granted. The first assumption is that Judaism is pre-eminently a way of living, more than it is a way of believing, and you would expect me, as a rabbi—you are correct in that expectation—to do or say nothing to minimize or deprecate the importance of belief in Judaism, and I shall meet that expectation, I hope.

Yet I think we must also recognize that the very function and purposes of belief in Judaism has always been to lead to a course of personal behavior and action. Our rabbis were asked, you

will recall, in our tradition, what is more important—study or action? And they responded, I think, in delightfully characteristic Jewish manner: The most important Jewish thing is study, which leads to action. So I think we could very honestly and fairly say today of Judaism, by paraphrasing somewhat their remark, the most important thing is the faith which leads to action. And I dare to believe, and to express that belief that that is what Hugo Green meant in his exceptionally eloquent statement a few moments ago, when he said that Judaism must be a living experience, not a topic of conversation.

The second basic premise from which I begin is that Judaism is, above all else, a religion not particularly for rabbis but for laymen. I hope

I am not spoiling things professionally for this College and myself when I remind you, ours is one of the few major religions in the western world where a professional functionary is altogether unnecessary for the holding of religious services or worship.

Now if, ladies and gentlemen, it be true that we can probably begin with these two basic assumptions about Judaism, then it seems to me one further thing follows as the night follows the day, and that is—laymen and laywomen in Judaism, in order to live up to the high ethical and moral challenge of their Jewish faith and of Judaism as a way of life, not only can but must pay attention to every problem facing the nation or the world as long as that problem contains within it the issues of ethical or moral importance.

Judaism, my dear friends, permits us no easy escape from the vexation and problems of life. Judaism allows us no ethereal withdrawal into the mystic clouds of idle speculation. Judaism utterly and completely rejects the cheap device, because that is all it is; of passing the social buck to God. Judaism has always insisted—and so long as it be Judaism and be true to itself, always will insist—that we must apply constantly the sharp, crucial, ethical insights of the prophets to the specific social problems of our generation, just as much as we do to the personal and individual problems of our lives.

For example, I can take it for granted, I know, that there is not a single person in this room who would challenge the statement that the Ten Commandments, above all else, are the legitimate business, not just of rabbis, but of laymen and laywomen, also in Jewish life. Now you do not need me to remind you that one of those Commandments reads: "Thou shalt not steal." I think you will take it for granted with me that that Commandment was meant to prohibit and proscribe every kind of stealing. If this be so, will you think with me one step further? If this be so, then is it not equally true that anyone who would deny to a Negro full and equal rights of education, is stealing from him something which belongs to him as a part of his legitimate heritage as a child of God? That anyone who would deny to a Jew adequate medical education, just because he is a Jew, is stealing not only from that individual, but from society at large, which so desperately needs additional competent medical officers? Or that the public official who accepts bribes or conspires with gangsters or connives for tax evasion pur-

poses, is just as guilty of stealing as if he lifted a wallet from our pockets, or that the employer who refuses to pay his employees a wage properly proportionate to the amount of profit they help him earn, or conversely, the employee who fails to produce a decent day's work for an adequate day's wage, that each and every one of these is directly violating the Commandment against theft?

Now I am constrained to ask you: how can we pretend or profess that we take the Ten Commandments seriously or literally if we apply them only to the retail violations and forget, so-to-speak, these wholesale transgressions?

Or another example, another of the Ten Commandments you well know: "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor." How can you and I pretend that we mean that Commandment and yet at the same time sit by intelligently and complacently when men like McCarthy and Jenner and Velde violate that Commandment almost every time they open their mouths in public?

Or another example: surely one of the most sacred of all our Jewish religious teachings is the vision given to us by our prophets of a Messianic age of peace, the time when nations shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. What earthly right do you and I have to say that we believe in that Jewish vision of peace if we sit by idly now doing nothing while all the forces of bigotry and reaction throughout this nation are doing their level best to sabotage and torpedo the United Nations?

This is the kind of thing I mean, and let me assure you, dear friends, that in giving you these examples I am not talking politics, I am not talking sociology, I am not talking economics, I am talking religion, I am talking Jewish religion, and I am saying further that our greatest difficulty up to now has been that the rabbis understand this adequately enough and preach this eloquently enough, but that for the most part our laymen, at worst, resist our preaching, and at best, with few but notable exceptions, sit passively by, listening but doing nothing.

The time has arrived when, if we in the Reform Jewish movement and family mean to take our faith seriously and to take it in its purest and most pristine Jewish traditional way, we laymen must begin to apply the visions and ideals of our faith to practice.

Nationally, we understand that; nationally,

I am not spoiling things professionally for this month in Atlantic City, after much too long delay, reconstituted the too long defunct Joint Social Action Commission consisting in equal part of members of our Commission on Justice and Peace of the Rabbinical Conference, and of laymen and women representing the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. What we need now is to reduce this to the congregational level. I am frank in saying to you that I know of nobody within the congregational family which has better insight or greater practical possibility of reducing this to the practical congregational level than you, the members of our local Sisterhoods.

You it is, therefore, who must help us appoint and activate local social study and social action groups. You it is who must help us within our congregations to study the pertinent issues of social life wherever ethics be involved, and then to educate the balance of the congregation to these issues—then, finally, to sparkplug, as it were, such social action as may be consistent with and compelled by the high ethical visions and compulsions of the prophets.

I know what the usual objections are, and if you will permit me, Madam Moderator, to overstep my time for a moment or two, I think they ought to be mentioned.

It is usually said, why should the Sisterhoods do this when there are other groups in the community—the League of Women Voters, the National Council of Jewish Women—doing the same job. There are other such groups doing the same job, but there is no other group within Jewish life doing this job from a religious motivation and as an expression of Jewish religious tradition, and we dare not abdicate by default to the secular forces in Jewish life. I think it is a crime; I think it is a miserable indictment of organized Judaism and Christianity that so many fine and intelligent young Christians and Jews in the 1930's could find their motivation for social action only within Communism, because the synagogues and churches failed to give them the real motivation that they should have had out of the compulsions of their religion.

And it will finally be said by way of objection, this course which is here and now being advocated is difficult, dangerous and controversial. Of course it is. Whoever said religion was supposed to be anything but difficult and dangerous and controversial?

You find me a prophet of any faith, you find

me a great or venerated religious leader of any faith who did not wilfully choose a life that could be difficult and dangerous and uncomfortable and controversial because of his religious faith.

Every Jew since the day of Moses, at least who understood the true name of Judaism and who loved it deeply and dearly, made such a choice, and my plea this afternoon is that you in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods may make this choice too, that you may understand deeply within your own hearts that these matters and issues of social justice and equity are actually prerequisites, as it were, not just of Judaism, but almost of the very physical structure of the universe in which we live.

A rabbinic story with which I beg permission to close my part in this discussion illustrates what I mean: we are told in the Talmud the story of a farmer who hired workers to help harvest his crop. Unfortunately, the farmer became delayed and did not bring his workers their noon-day meal on time, so the workers, very hungry and having nothing to eat, gathered under a fig tree and complained to the farmer's son that they were hungry, that his father had brought them no food. The son lifted his eyes heavenward and prayed: "Oh fig tree, put forth figs that my father's workers may eat." And the Talmud tells us the fig tree, as if by a miracle, did put forth figs so that the workers ate.

You and I today, dear friends, no longer believe literally in miracles, but we do believe, as I strongly suspect the writer of our Talmudic story meant to teach us, that justice, even for the less significant of our fellow men, is an inherent requirement of the universe in which we live—a vital, inescapable part of God's moral law; and I submit to you that to discover that moral law, to teach it and apply it in every way we can, is an inescapable responsibility not just for Sisterhoods, but for Judaism and for Jews everywhere.

Following the addresses, there was general discussion.

The meeting recessed at 4:00 p.m.

JOINT SESSION

Sisterhood delegates joined Union delegates in the Ballroom of the Commodore Hotel at 8:00 p.m. for a Religious Service conducted by Rabbi Melvin Weinman, Waterbury, Conn. Rabbi Dudley Weinberg, Boston, Mass. delivered

the sermon and the Hebrew Union School of Sacred Music Quartet provided the music.

In observance of the Tercentenary of the arrival of the Jews in New Amsterdam, Mr. Eugene B. Strassburger, Pittsburgh, Pa., presided

over a symposium "On the Threshold of the Fourth Century of American Judaism." Rabbi Bertram W. Korn, Philadelphia, Pa., Mr. Ralph E. Samuel and Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, O., were the participating speakers.

Proceedings of the Fourth Day

April 22, 1953

At 9:00 a.m. an Eye Opener Conference for District Presidents was held.

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS' EYE-OPENER CONFERENCE AGENDA

I. Evaluation of NFTS District projects

A. Educational services to constituencies in interim between District Conventions such as:

1. Caravans, Leadership Training Institutes, Workshops
2. Regional Meetings
3. Publications: Bulletins, Religious Educational Pamphlets, Presidents' Newsletters to units.

B. Other Religious and Educational projects, such as:

1. Regional Youth Conclaves
2. Religious School Teachers' Institutes
3. Interfaith Institutes and Leadership Training Institutes in conjunction with interim Board meetings.
4. Peace and World Relations groups

II. Evaluation of NFTS District Conventions

A. Importance of District Conventions as media for NFTS

1. Information
2. Stimulation
3. Inspiration

B. Through adequate and maximum

1. Convention programming
2. " Delegates' Kits and Displays
3. " Delegate participation

C. NFTS Representative

D. Program planning aid from NFTS

III. Problems and Plans—Questions and Answers

IV. Evaluation of NFTS Literature

A. Are NFTS materials of use to you?

B. What are your unmet needs?

Chairman: Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville,

Tenn., Second Vice-President, NFTS, Chairman, NFTS Committee on District Federations; Secretary: Mrs. Edward S. Fields, Morgantown, W. Va., President, NFTS District No. 7, West Virginia Federation

I. Evaluation of NFTS District Projects

A. Educational services to constituencies in interim between District Conventions such as:

1. CARAVANS:

a. NFTS District No. 3, New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods diagrams Caravan procedure

1. Caravan should consist of
 - a. State Chairmen
 - b. One Vice-President
 - c. District President

2. Purpose

- a. Linking local and National more closely
- b. Must be medium of exchange for ideas and ideals of NFTS
- c. Implements Leadership Training Programs

3. Caravan Program

- a. One day meeting in small area to service several nearby Sisterhoods
- b. Meeting should contain workshop period in which local problems are discussed
- c. Morning session should emphasize NFTS projects
 1. Each chairman presents data on variously allied projects

- d. Afternoon session consisted mainly of presentation of background of Reform Judaism
 - 1. Union of American Hebrew Congregations
 - 2. Central Conference of American Rabbis
 - 3. National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
 - 4. National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods
 - 5. National Federation of Temple Youth
 - e. Leadership Institute
 - 1. Public Speaking principles
 - 2. Qualities of Leadership
 - f. Open discussion
 - 4. Caravan personnel and particulars
 - a. Keep expenses at a minimum
 - 1. Charge visitors nominal fee such as \$1.50 which should include luncheon. One dollar should be given hostess city and remainder used for Caravan expenses.
 - 2. Service all Sisterhoods—taking care to accent small and isolated communities that are usually not highlighted otherwise.
 - 3. Caravan personnel must be well informed.
 - 4. Use local House of Worship.
- 2. REGIONAL MEETINGS**
- a. Useful as a medium of presenting information during Biennial Convention years, serves as Workshop reaching larger numbers in smaller areas of large districts such as Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Mrs. Kallin, President of NFTS, District No. 24, reports each of her 3 Vice-Presidents is responsible for a Regional meeting in her area.
- 3. BULLETINS**
- a. Suggestion made that all District Bulletins be sent to every District as a means of presenting ideas and new methods of program indoctrination, etc.
- B. Other Religious and Educational Projects such as:**
- 1. Regional Youth Conclaves
 - a. Heartily endorsed by Conference members as a vital source of developing future leaders and inculcating ideals of Judaism.
 - b. Difficulty involved at present with geographical distribution of Youth groups not being correlated with Sisterhood districts discussed and indulgence of this problem is requested at this time.
 - 2. Interfaith Institutes and Leadership Training Institutes
 - a. Can be best met with Caravan and Regional Meeting procedures
- II. Evaluation of NFTS District Conventions**
- A. Importance of District Conventions as a media for NFTS**
- 1. Information—programming of National brought to locals
 - 2. Stimulation — Mrs. Strasburger says that “seeing with understanding the jobs that need to be done” are projected interestingly before a unified group at this time; also “this is a time to think together and share together mutual problems.”
 - 3. Inspiration—(Mrs. Strasburger!)
- B. Through Adequate and Maximum**
- 1. Convention programming—Chairman suggests District Convention follow National; use of National speaker for better-informed meeting, requesting material from National.
 - 2. Convention Delegates’ Kits and Displays—informative type can be secured from NFTS.
 - 3. Convention Delegate participation—not discussed.
- C. NFTS Representative—Stressed As Vital**
- D. Program Planning Aids From NFTS**
- Locals should be informed of services that NFTS renders at no cost, need for more directive from NFTS on this subject explained as easily accessible upon request.
- III. Problems and Plans—Questions and Answers**
- A. Districts would like to know as quickly as possible dates set for Presidents’ Council Meetings, and National Biennial, for more conveniently planning their own District Conventions.**
- B. Expression as to advisability of NFTS meeting with Union discussed.**
- C. All District Presidents would like to know when a National speaker is coming to her area so as to utilize her services in assisting programming of locals.**
- D. Question asked as to how other Districts contribute to Braille; explained that this was on**

a voluntary basis.

- E. California asked how other Districts handled per capita projects assessment—this was explained as being a District matter *AFTER* District budget, containing this extra assessment, was approved by National upon presentation of District's budget.
- F. Louisiana wanted to have clarified the Districts' responsibility re projects outside the NFTS sphere—it was explained that anything not in the NFTS curriculum of projects—however worthy the cause, should be handled on a local level, preferably by individual, not Sisterhood participation.
- G. District No. 8 desired information as to disposition of small locals who will not or cannot pay District dues: Was advised to continue servicing these locals in the hope that the education of the importance of NFTS programming might instill the locals to become more active and to induce a desire to accept their equitable responsibilities in their District towards the support of these projects.

IV. Evaluation of NFTS Literature

A. Are NFTS Materials Of Use To You?—

Obviously answered in the affirmative since the request for more directives and materials from National was the opinion of several members.

B. What Are Your Unmet Needs?

1. Unanimous opinion of Conference members was that period for this meeting be lengthened to entire morning session rather than a couple of hours.
2. It was agreed that incoming District president should receive President's Packet and should attend District presidents' meetings to be better informed as to her responsibilities in the near future.
3. Members went on record as requesting DETAILED notes of District Presidents' meeting rather than just highlights for greater comprehension and information after meeting and for successor's convenience.
4. Youth needs discussed in greater detail in order to set up Sisterhood guidance councils; and to stimulate Youth's pro-

gramming re Conclaves and Camps.

5. Need for new presidents to accent self-educating of Union's programming—for better integration with their functioning.
6. Districts should be informed that their chief purposes is to act as liaison medium between local and national—and to stimulate closer relationship between the two.

Following the District President's Eye Opener Conference, the Workshops held on Monday morning were repeated.

JOINT SESSION

At 1:00 p.m. delegates of NFTS and the Union met at a joint luncheon, at which a youth pageant was presented by the National Federation of Temple Youth in the East Ballroom of the Commodore Hotel. The afternoon was open for sight-seeing.

BANQUET

The joint NFTS-UAHC Banquet was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Commodore Hotel. Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, New York, was the toast master. Alexander Frieder presented the first Frieder Literary Award to David Weiss for his novel "The Guilt Makers," published by Rinehart and Company, Inc. The \$5,000 Frieder Literary Award, given for the best book in English on a Jewish theme, was established by Mr. Frieder in memory of his wife, Corinne Rosenberg Frieder, through the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Presentations were made to Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, the retiring President of NFTS and Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, the incoming President of NFTS. Mr. Walter Weismann, New York, Chairman of the Greater New York City Campaign of the Combined Campaign for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, spoke on the needs of these major national institutions of American Reform or Liberal Judaism.

The main address of the evening was delivered by Eric Johnston, President, Motion Picture Association of America. The Hebrew Union School of Sacred Music provided a fine musical program.

Proceedings of the Fifth Day

April 23, 1953

The closing Business Session of the 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly was opened by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett in the Grand Ballroom of the Roosevelt Hotel at 10:30 a.m. The delegates recited the invocation in unison.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill., Chairman, presented the final report of the Committee. 619 delegates were present and registered at the Convention. Of these 52 were members of the NFTS Executive Board. All 20 NFTS districts had official rerepresentation at the Convention; 37 states were represented and 199 cities. This included 248 Sisterhoods in this country and 2 in Canada; 58 official visitors were registered.

The final report of the Credentials Committee was accepted by the Assembly.

PRESENTATION OF CHARTERS

Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, Honorary Life member of the NFTS Board presented Charters to Sisterhoods which had affiliated with NFTS during the Biennial period.

Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Westchester, Los Angeles, Calif.; Peninsula Temple Beth El Sisterhood, San Mateo, Calif.; Sisterhood of Temple Beth Torah, Van Nuys, Calif.; Temple Beth El Sisterhood, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom, Sarasota, Fla.; Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom, Quincy, Ill.; Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Valparaiso, Ind.; Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, Montgomery County, Md.; Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, Lowell, Mass.; Temple Tifereth Israel Sisterhood, Malden, Mass.; Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El, Benton Harbor, Mich.; Sisterhood of the Suburban Temple of Greater Detroit, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Sisterhood of Temple Beth El of Northern Valley, Closter, N. J.; Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, Elizabeth, N. J.; Sisterhood of Temple Sinai, Englewood, N. J.; Temple Concord Sisterhood, Binghamton, N. Y.; Sisterhood Congregation Ner Sholom, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El of East Meadows, East Meadows, Hempstead, N. Y.; Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom, Flushing, N. Y.; Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Huntington, Huntington, N. Y.; Sisterhood of Temple Beth-

El, Ithaca, N. Y.; Sisterhood of Temple Sinai, Lawrence, N. Y.; Sisterhood of the Levittown Reform Temple, Levittown, N. Y.; The Sisterhood of the Reform Jewish Congregation of Merrick, Merrick, N. Y.; Judea Reform Temple Sisterhood, New York, N. Y.; Sisterhood of Temple Avodah, Oceanside, N. Y.; Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue, Port Washington, N. Y.; The Vassar Temple Sisterhood, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Sisterhood of the Jewish Community Center of Saranac Lake, Saranac Lake, N. Y.; Sisterhood of the North Shore Synagogue, Syosset, N. Y.; Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary of the Tarrytowns, Tarrytown, N. Y.; Suburban Temple Sisterhood, Wantagh, N. Y.; Boulevard Temple Sisterhood, Philadelphia, Pa.; Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Temple of Israel Sisterhood, Greenville, S. C.; Beth Sholom Sisterhood, Kilgore, Tex.; Shaareth Israel Auxiliary, Lubbock, Tex.

After presentation of the Charters Mrs. May said:

It deeply moves me to be able to present these Charters and to put them in the hands of women that I know are purposeful, desirous of serving Judaism and understanding of NFTS.

It is often said that we can live in isolation, but a vacuum is not good for any of us, nor is an isolationist policy a freedom-loving policy or a progressive one. So I consider it an honor for these women who have gathered here today, and I think they should consider it a signal honor, to take this Charter back to their groups, to make them understand why it has been presented to them and to hallow its use, because we are not a women's club, we are an organization of Jewish women, minded to understand Judaism, to love it and to see that it is fostered everywhere that we live. In that spirit, and in a spirit of love and veneration for our leaders, and those women who are a part of this great Convention, will you go back to your Sisterhoods, will you pass on this Charter? It is not your private possession. Pass on this Charter to those who follow you, as you pass on your wisdom, the wisdom that you have accumulated in office, to that woman who follows you. Make her understand our purposes, and she will be a happy mother and a happy member of every community in which she lives.

Those who are not present I am sure will receive these Charters by mail. They are framed, they are beautiful. I wish to read a Charter:

"The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, organized January 21, 1913, an agency of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and an affiliate of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, records that..... Sisterhood is a duly affiliated member entitled to the rights and responsibilities of membership which include participation in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' program of service to Jewish and humanitarian causes."

Signed, Frieda Rosett, President; Jane Evans, Executive Director.

You who are so new, who have joined us in this last Biennial Period, should be very happy and we feel signally honored at your presence here looking so beautiful and so young, but so interested and so understanding.

Mrs. Rosett called to the attention of the Assembly the new procedure in NFTS of presenting a Charter to each newly affiliated group. Any Sisterhood now in the Federation may have one of these Charters, beautifully framed, for the sum of \$7.00 upon application to NFTS.

PRESENTATION OF UNIONGRAM AWARDS AND BLANCHE R. STOLZ TROPHIES

BY MRS. JEROME D. FOLKMAN, BEXLEY, O.
Chairman, NFTS Committee on Uniongrams

As you know, in the past years these awards have been given in honor of Mrs. Joseph Stolz, who, for over a quarter of a century, served so faithfully and so well the cause of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

During the past year our beloved Blanche R. Stolz was called from our midst, and we mourn her loss. However, I believe we can find great comfort in that beautiful passage from our prayer book which says: "Needless will be our grief, not unavailing will be our grief, if it sends us back to serve and bless the living." We can find inspiration in her memory, we can find inspiration to send us back to work even harder for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, which cause serves and blesses and enriches so many lives here and overseas.

And now, if I may be permitted a personal word, all of you are really wonderful. You have worked so very hard to sell Uniongrams and to give cash contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. We love you all. Really, many of you have been most ingenious in devising ways and means of contributing to this fund. I wish it were possible that we could award each and every one of you some token of our appreciation, but, of course, you know as well as I, that that is not possible, and so I am going to ask you to join with me in congratulating those Sisterhoods which in proportion to their membership made greatest increases.

For the Sisterhood whose membership was 100 members or less, I call upon the Sisterhood of Temple Judah, Cedar Rapids, Ia., as winner of the Blanche R. Stolz Trophy. Mrs. Herbert A. Levin will accept the award.

For a Sisterhood whose membership is from 101 to 300 members the award goes to the McKinley Avenue Temple Sisterhood, Canton, O. I ask Mrs. Ben Dreyer, President, to receive the award. And now, for the Sisterhood whose membership is 300 or more, I call upon Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood of Portland, Ore. I ask Mrs. Louis Lubliner to come forward to receive the award.

Mrs. Folkman also announced the respective runners-up for the trophies. For Sisterhoods of 100 members or less, second place, Zion Temple Sisterhood, Appleton, Wis., third place, Sisterhood of Bastrop, Bastrop, La.

For Sisterhoods of 101 to 300 members second place, Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood, Fort Wayne, Ind.; third place, Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, Providence, R. I. For Sisterhoods of 301 members or more, second place, Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Akron, O., third place, Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center, White Plains, N. Y.

Mrs. Folkman also presented Uniongram plaques to those Sisterhoods which sold the largest number of Uniongrams during the fiscal year that ended October 31, 1952. The Union-

gram plaques were won by Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., which purchased the largest number of Uniongrams during the fiscal year, Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, Providence, R. I., second place, and Sister-

hood of Emanu-El B'nai Jeshurun, Milwaukee, Wis., third place. These awards were presented respectively to Mrs. Murray Kaufman and Mrs. Leo Hamburger, Baltimore, Mrs. Jacob I. Fogel, Providence, and Mrs. Edwin Eckstein, Milwaukee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THANKS

Mrs. Louis Lubliner, Portland, Ore., Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee on Thanks:

Madam President and friends: The Fortieth Anniversary, Nineteenth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Convention assembled, acknowledges with thanks its deep appreciation for the efforts of those who have given so much to make this Convention the outstanding success it has been declared by all who attended its sessions. We realize that we can name but a few of those who have given so unstintingly of their time, effort and resources. However, special thanks are due to the Program Committee and its most capable and devoted Chairman, Mrs. Abram V. Goodman, of Cedarhurst, N. Y., for preparing a stimulating and enlightening program.

To the participants in the various programs.

To the New York Sisterhoods for their hospitality throughout the Convention, for the magnificent displays which they so graciously and conscientiously manned as well as for the Opening Brunch.

To Mrs. Bertram Klausner, Austin, Tex., author of the "Sisterhood Haggadah."

To the Choral Group of the Sisterhood of

Temple Israel, New Rochelle, N. Y., and to the others who helped make this program a success.

To the New York Federation of Reform Synagogues for the Reception tendered to delegates.

To Mrs. Abram Simon of Washington, D. C., for her keen foresight, which has acted as an inspiration in the development of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods throughout the forty years of its existence.

To Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, of New Rochelle, N. Y., for her seven years of dynamic leadership, her untiring effort and her devotion to the cause of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

To Miss Jane Evans, without whose direction the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods could not have reached its present heights and to the staff of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for their unlimited cooperation.

Last, but not least, we wish to express our appreciation to the management of the Roosevelt Hotel, Convention headquarters, and to the other New York hotels, who graciously catered to the needs of an extremely large Convention.

Mrs. Louis Lubliner, *Chairman*

The Report was adopted by the Assembly.

AWARD FOR NFTS PROGRAM CONTEST THIS IS OUR BEST

BY MRS. SAM MOHR, ATLANTA, GA.

Chairman, NFTS Committee on Programs

Mrs. Mohr presented the awards to the prize-winners in the NFTS Program Contest, **THIS IS OUR BEST:**

A year ago the Program Contest, "This is Our Best," was launched in an effort to gather together all the excellent original presentations

that are constantly being produced in local Sisterhoods throughout the country. This Contest, it was hoped, would be a source of new, desirable program materials to replace many of the outdated programs that were discarded with the revision of the program book. Now that the

Program Contest is over, it is hoped that the best of the entries can be selected and the revised program book produced for the use of all Sisterhoods. Entries were sent to us from all parts of the country, from all sizes of Sisterhoods—small, medium and large. Each program was carefully read and considered by six members of the Program Committee, and the final selections were the choices of three final judges, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, Mrs. David Simon, and Mrs. Sam Mohr. Entries were submitted to all judges anonymously. All references which might in any way indicate the sender were eradicated to assure impartial, impersonal selection.

The criteria for judging were originality, feasibility for use by the greatest number of Sisterhoods, pertinence to Sisterhood activity and overall appeal. Some excellent programs which will be available to you and included in the book fell short in one of the aforementioned categories or another. It was difficult to make the final selections, and we wish we might have offered many more awards than were possible. The decision was so difficult that we are giving two Second Prizes instead of only one, and for one entry representing much skill and effort of lasting documentary value to the Sisterhood preparing the material, we are offering a special award, since it was considered to be in a class by itself. The prize-winning Sisterhoods are:

First Prize—Beth El Temple Sisterhood, Knoxville, Tenn., for its program "The Tea Party," by Mrs. Sam Good.

Second Prize—Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Shalom, Pittsburgh, Pa., for its program "The Land That Was," by Mrs. Solomon Freehof and Mrs. Meyer Sachs.

Second Prize—Har Sinai Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., for its program "The Work of Our Hands," by Mrs. Howard Kern.

Third Prize—Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Dallas, Tex., for its program "Sisterhood County Fair," by Mrs. Burton Wernick.

A Special Award was won by the Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood, Cleveland, Ohio, for a film in color covering the gamut of its activities, prepared by Mrs. A. Gitson, Mrs. A. Levin and Mrs. J. Spiegle.

Mrs. Mohr concluded:

To the winning Sisterhoods, our congratulations. To all the other Sisterhoods, we would that we might have given awards, but in a way, you each will have your reward because you may know that your programs are being used by other groups and are contributing greatly to their Sisterhoods programs.

Mrs. Rosett then presented a beautiful television set to Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director on behalf of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods "in consideration and in gratitude for creative efforts on behalf of the Federation" for her twenty years of service.

The Rapporteurs of Workshops held on Monday and Wednesday Mornings next presented their reports.

(See pp. 55-61 for reports.)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON Evaluation

The first meeting of the Evaluation Committee was held in October, 1951. The Committee agreed on the following rules of procedure.

1. Initial efforts of the Committee must be exploratory.
2. All policies agreed on by the Committee are to be brought in the form of recommendations to the Executive Board of NFTS.
3. The Committee will work in consultation with the National President.
4. Each Committee member accepts responsibility to bring to the Committee subjects for discussion.
5. Since this Committee is advisory in nature and presents its thinking in the form of recommendations, it will of necessity cross many NFTS Com-

mittee lines, but must use caution not to usurp the functions of such National Committees.

While consciously approving splendid achievements of the past, the Committee concentrated on areas in which greater service can be rendered. Accordingly, the Committee recommended, and the Executive Board approved:

1. That a study be made, by means of a carefully devised questionnaire, of unmet needs of local Sisterhoods; that this questionnaire be sent to each local Sisterhood, requesting an appraisal of its relationship with NFTS and suggestions for measures that might be integrated into the National program.
2. That a study be made of our election procedures.
3. That a study be made of structure of NFTS with special consideration of re-alignment of committees.
4. That a letter from the President be sent periodically to all Board members, apprising them of NFTS developments.
5. That a review be made by the Committee of the literature we send out.

Sub-committee to implement these recommendations began work immediately. A questionnaire was sent to all local Sisterhood Presidents in an effort to determine what unmet needs of local Sisterhoods could be more adequately satisfied. After careful consideration pro and con, the questionnaire was prepared, and the results were evaluated by an experienced research consultant. The Evaluation Committee had planned to have the questionnaire answered by all local Board members, but professional opinion convinced us that this procedure would result in confusion of interpretation, and it was, therefore, answered by local Sisterhood Presidents. Responses indicated great enthusiasm for, and approval of, the questionnaire. Answers were received from 34% of the Sisterhoods.

At the next meeting of the Committee on Evaluation, on May 6, 1952, major consideration was given to the responses to the questionnaire. Careful professional evaluation of all replies was made. Some highlights of that evaluation will, I believe, interest you.

"Most Sisterhood members lack a clear idea of the value and efforts of their local Sisterhood. On the other hand, most members do not have a clear idea of the values and efforts of the National organization."

"In spite of a general attitude that NFTS is well organized, 20% of the respondents indicated that some National services should be curtailed. Most complaints refer to duplication of services, and overlapping with other organizations."

"The major criticism of the National Organization was in the area of communications. One out of four Presidents definitely suggests that formal changes in the organization should be studied. Over $\frac{1}{3}$ of the respondents say there should be more personal contact with the National organization."

"There is very striking evidence that of all the local units it is the larger ones that are most critical of NFTS . . . One-third of these respondents feel that organizational improvements are needed on the National level."

"The Presidents of the larger Sisterhoods strongly emphasize the need for more personal communication with officials of the National organization."

"The findings indicated that the program was satisfying the needs of the typical small, or middle-sized local Sisterhood. But the large Sisterhoods have organizational and communication problems that they felt were not being satisfactorily resolved."

"An effort should be made to increase personal contact where possible; also to personalize written communications. Emphasis should be placed on increasing this between NFTS and the large units."

The percentage-wise results of the answers to the questionnaire, as well as many other conclusions too numerous to detail here, are in the tabulated returns on file at NFTS and in my own files.

In an immediate effort to implement as many as possible of the suggestions indicated in the questionnaire, the Evaluation Committee recommended, and the Executive Board approved, that:

1. The Evaluation Committee be augmented by seven additional members, three of whom shall be non-Board members.
2. That the Evaluation Committee recommend to the Field Service Committee:
 - a. Revision of the Speakers Bureau, and endeavors to arrange for each speaker to include more coverage.
 - b. Arrangements to be made each spring for visits of NFTS representatives, and request that such visitor shall address the Local Board.
3. a. That the President's Packet be altered, with the aim of stimulating more interest in the contents, and that, to this end, National Chairmen be requested to test their letters carefully to ascertain if they are actually helpful to local chairmen.
 - b. That, except for fund-raising chairmen, each chairman write only 3 or 4 letters a season.
4. Concerning communications with the National office—that a form postal be used to promptly acknowledge receipt of letters and that, since present personnel is inadequate to handle the voluminous correspondence, when the proposed re-alignment of Committee is made, means should be devised to facilitate handling of correspondence. In addition, a member of the Executive Board was requested, and agreed, to assist in endeavoring to improve channels of communication.
5. A letter was sent to all affiliates concerning the survey, and since many respondents posed questions relating to their individual Sisterhood problems, a sub-committee answered all of these questions. In this, the first project, needless to say, the work continues and must continue as a built-in procedure.

On the second project—study of election procedures—a sub-committee has studied all material, giving especial consideration to:

Length of term of office of National Board Members.

Succession in office of officers.

Time of appointment of Nominating Committees.

Pursuant to the study of these matters, recommendations were made to the

Committee on Revision of By-Laws, and those approved, submitted, in turn for your approval, and final disposition.

The third project of the Evaluation Committee—to study the structure of NFTS with consideration of re-alignment. This committee has worked assiduously, and has at a meeting on Friday, Apr. 17, recommended the following re-alignment which the Board has approved—a copy of this recommendation is in your hands. It reads as follows:

In the interest of service, efficiency, and economy, the Committee on Evaluation, after careful study on the part of its sub-committee on the structure of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, recommends that the activities of the National Federation, now functioning through 19 or more separate committees, be re-aligned into four departments. The detailed proposal is to be on an experimental basis for re-evaluation at the 1955 Biennial Assembly. It follows:

1. There will be four NFTS Departments

1. Religion and Education

- a. Family Education
- b. Jewish Ceremonials and Art
- c. Religious Extension
- d. Religious Schools
- e. Youth Activities

2. Advancement of Judaism

- a. Uniongrams—Calendars
- b. Combined Campaign UAHC—HUC—JIR
- c. Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
- d. World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities
- e. House of Living Judaism

3. Human Relations

- a. Interfaith
- b. Jewish Literature for the Sightless
- c. Emergency Services
- d. Peace and World Relations

4. Membership and Administrative Services

- a. Program Aids
- b. District Federations
- c. Field Service
 - (1) Speakers
- d. Revision of By-Laws
- e. Evaluation
- f. Budget and Finance

2. Chairmen of each of these four departments will be appointed from the Executive Board.

3. The Board will be divided into these four departments. Each member of the Executive Board shall serve as an active member of one of the four departments. In addition, the President, with the NFTS Executive Committee, shall appoint to each department non-board members.

4. There shall be in each department a chairman for whichever of the projects seems necessary.
5. All form correspondence to local Sisterhoods and District Federations shall go on the letterheads of the respective departments, not of the various project chairmen.
6. Beginning with the Sisterhood season of 1954-55, NFTS form letters will be sent from the four NFTS Department Heads to local Sisterhoods and District Federations, and NFTS will no longer address its form mail to the various individual chairmen of its projects in each local Sisterhood and District Federation.

It remains, however, within the province of local Sisterhoods, if they so desire, to continue to appoint, even beyond the fall of 1954, as many local chairmen of the present NFTS committees as suit their particular needs. However, it should be understood that, by the fall of 1954, any such local committees will receive their NFTS mail, aids, and services through the four departments.

7. A Staff member shall be assigned by the Executive Director to work with each of the four departments.

The fourth item on the agenda of the Evaluation Committee was implemented, because it was the function, solely, of an ever-zealous co-operative President. Therefore, it was implemented immediately. A periodic letter from the President to Board members has been sent, whenever circumstances indicated, apprising the Board of new developments.

On the fifth item—that the type of literature sent out be reviewed, as I have indicated, certain recommendations pertaining to the President's Packet were made, and implemented. There is more to be done in this area. The committee feels keenly that our literature should be responsive to the needs of local Sisterhoods, but those needs vary according to size, locale, and other factors. It was recommended, therefore, that at the eye-opener conferences some appraisal of our literature, with emphasis on the unmet needs of Sisterhoods, be made.

The most recent meeting of the Evaluation Committee was held last week, at which time the questionnaire enabling a quick evaluation of this Biennial was approved, recommended to, and accepted by the Board. Some of the highlights of that questionnaire follow:

210 questionnaires were returned at the specified time. 10 more were under my door at midnight last night—and one appeared at 5:30 this A.M. These last ones could not be completely tabulated for this meeting. However, I looked at them long enough to learn they were all in the category of those who enjoyed the convention very much, and who "certainly did" learn new facts and ideas. Of the 210 tabulated, 158 enjoyed the convention very much, 44 enjoyed it some, but not much—and 7 enjoyed it very little.

Displays and business sessions attracted the largest numbers of attendance. Displays 186, business sessions 185. Session involving entertainment features ran a close third—180 for Town Hall meeting—178 for evening meetings. Workshops attracted 112 of the respondents. Eye-opener conferences 114. Only 48 of the respondents availed themselves of personal conferences with chairmen.

As for learning new facts or getting new ideas, 139 certainly did, some interpolating they always did—51 thought maybe they did and 16 said not at all.

Changing of opinion seemed less prevalent—60 certainly did—73 did maybe and 59 not at all.

83 thought there was enough opportunity for discussion—95 thought there should have been more—28 thought there should have been much more.

49 thought the convention would have been better if some parts had been left out—63 thought it probably would—and 70 thought it definitely would not have been.

In written suggestions for changes, I have not had time for completely accurate tabulation and breakdown, but a general evaluation shows the most prevalent suggestion to be for more workshops—and for smaller workshops broken down according to size of Sisterhood. Perhaps 10% of the respondents want meeting separate from the Union.

A small percentage protested that registration and banquet fees are too large. A few indicated Conventions should be longer.

A few indicated Conventions should be shorter.

Several requested smaller rooms should be used because no one can hear.

Several requested larger rooms should be used, because they were crowded.

Several suggested conventions should not be held in New York, which has too many diversions but in smaller cities (we wish these would tell us how to solve the problem of adequate hotel accommodations in smaller cities).

A few suggested breakfast meetings as well as luncheon meetings, and a greater percent requested not to have luncheon meetings the same day as dinner meetings.

Further suggestions involved "individual needs, psychological needs, social needs, personal needs." "Too little discussion from National leaders" and "Too much preaching at us from National Leadership."

Then there were a number of requests for Leadership Training Institutes, and a number of protests on too much literature.

These questionnaires will be studied and evaluated further. They will be immeasurably helpful to the Evaluation Committee and to those who arrange the future Biennials.

We are grateful to you for your cooperation and hope to implement all feasible suggestions.

To the new members of the Committee who attended last week's meeting—namely Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. Arthur Fihn, Clayton, Mo.; Mrs. Albert Green, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Gertrude Kallin, Los Angeles, Calif., I am deeply grateful. The pioneer members of the Committee: Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Howard Kern, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill., and Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y. and ex-officio, Mrs. Rosett and Miss Evans have devoted themselves unstintedly to the development of this program, and carried responsibility for the work in a manner that was heartwarming to the Chairman.

The increasing extent of the program of this Committee and the many

facets of development that present themselves cannot be outlined in a report that, even though it seems lengthy to you, and to me, is in reality, a very abbreviated condensation of an extensive area of activities.

The further we progress the more keenly are we cognizant of the validity of the statement on Evaluation adopted at the initial meeting of the Committee:

"The primary purpose is growth. At least, evaluation should be a built-in, long-time and continuous part of the total activity." This we have aimed to make it, with the hope that we shall go forward together in an increasingly successful effort to translate into action the precepts and ideals of our religion.

MRS. HENRY MONSKY, *Chairman*

After discussion and questions on the realignment of NFTS Committees into departments, the Report was adopted by the Biennial. All local Sisterhoods and District Federations will be given further information about the realignment of NFTS into departments but should meanwhile familiarize themselves with the above Report and especially that part of it which deals with realignment.

A question was raised from the floor regarding the "Manual for Sisterhood Leaders" prepared by Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa, which is to be published by NFTS. Miss Evans gave an explanation as to why the Manual had not been brought out sooner, referring to the fact that the question of realignment of Committees was up for consideration at this Biennial and should be included in the Manual. The Manual is urgently desired and

assurance was given that it would be brought out as quickly as possible.

In the final moments of her administration Mrs. Louis A Rosett, retiring President, warmly thanked again all those who had worked for the Federation and with her in the service of Jewish and humanitarian causes, expressing at the same time her deep satisfaction and confidence that NFTS would continue to advance under the new officers who were now to be installed. Laying down the gavel, Mrs. Rosett called upon Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, a past President of the Federation, Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El, to install, for the term of 1953-55, the officers and members of the Executive Committee who had been elected by the Executive Board at the Mid-Convention Executive Board session.

INSTALLATION OF NFTS OFFICERS

By Mrs Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y., Past NFTS President

Madam President and Members of this Assembly:

At this time it is my deeply felt privilege to call forward for installation in office, those in whose hands has been placed a sacred trust.

As I call your name, will you please rise and stand together before us, whom you will now lead in the same spirit of dedicated service as your predecessors. I speak especially of Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, Frieda, a dear friend whose inspiring example will always enhance the pages of our Federation's history. A sincere heartfelt salute to you for your successful six years. Thank you for a task well done!

For the Presidency—Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.

The First Vice-Presidency—Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.

The Second Vice-Presidency—Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio

The Third Vice-Presidency—Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa

The Fourth Vice-Presidency—Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.

Treasurer—Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Jerome L. Salmi, Houston, Texas.

For the Executive Committee—

Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.

Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mrs. Clarence C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.

(To the new officers) Dear Co-Workers, in the forty-year lifespan of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, each succeeding administration has infused it with increased vigor, broader vision and greater accomplishments; and this is a challenge which I am sure you are qualified to meet with ability and courage.

Our organization has attained a position of effective importance, in national and international Jewish and communal affairs, far beyond the fondest expectations of its founder, Mrs. Abram Simon; a position, we feel confident, you will raise to even greater heights with devotion and loyalty to the cause of Reform Judaism. For life is enriched through loyalties—loyalty to friends, to ideals, to country, and above all, loyalty to religion and God for this transcends all other loyalties and binds them together.

I shall read to you a pledge of office. The first time I shall read it in full, and then I shall ask you to repeat it after me phrase by phrase. "I do solemnly pledge to perform faithfully, impartially, consistently and in accordance with the By-Laws of this organization, the duties of the office I now assume. I shall dedicate myself in office without fear or favor, and with integrity, to the welfare of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and to the service of Jewish and humanitarian causes through the synagogue and the Federation's program. This is my pledge, freely given, upon which I ask God's blessing. Amen."

Now, of your own free will, before us your fellow members, repeat after me this pledge. (The officers repeated the pledge in unison.)

I now place upon each of your shoulders the mantle of authority and declare each of you duly installed in the office, to which you have been elected in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

May each of you wear with dignity and understanding your mantle of authority, recalling at all times the high purposes of Sisterhood.

To you Madam President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Helen to me and my very dear friend, may I say a special word of commendation. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods feels itself honored and privileged to have you as its new leader and, if you will pardon this personal word of mine because of our long friendship, I believe it was about 12 or 13 years ago that I attended, as your National President, a meeting of NFTS District No. 8 (comprised of NFTS units in Delaware, Washington, D. C., Maryland, North Carolina and Virginia) in Wilmington, Del. There I saw Helen Dalsheimer in action for the first time. You read a paper on the causes of anti-Semitism, and the honesty, frankness and courage with which you handled your subject made me feel certain that you were

destined to be a National leader in Sisterhood. I can now say I must have been a talent scout *incognito*. The earlier reference I made to loyalties seems to apply aptly to you Helen, for your life has been so enriched by the loyalties you have embraced—loyalty to friends who have so beautifully reciprocated that loyalty by coming from Baltimore today, 40 strong, to share with you this joyful and significant event. They must be very proud of you. Then, your loyalty to ideals is exemplified by your daily pattern of living. Your magnificent civic, communal activities testify to your loyalty to country. But above all, your loyalty to religion and God transcends all other loyalties, and has qualified you for this high office you will grace in the years before you. Under your guidance we know that we shall continue our advance in building a stronger Reform Jewish movement, in which our service program clearly stresses our recognition of the primacy of religion in the life of man. And now Madam President, on behalf of the entire Federation I present you this gavel, another symbol of authority, and I offer to you and your fellow officers and the Executive Committee members the full support, prompt cooperation and the continuing respect and love of us, your co-workers. Congratulations and Godspeed.

Mrs. Dalsheimer presented a past NFTS President's pin to Mrs. Rosett and commented, "Sometimes when I see this done it seems to me that we almost put an end to something but we never can put an end to Frieda S. Rosett and what she means to us in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods." Mrs. Rosett expressed her warm appreciation and urged, "It is for all of us to rededicate ourselves to the things that we have started, the good we hope to carry on."

Mrs. Morton A. Goldstein, President of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., requested permission to come to the podium. She expressed the pride, love, respect and admiration of the members of the Sisterhood for Mrs. Dalsheimer. "You are a symbol of all that is fine and true in Jewish womanhood; we gladly share you with NFTS for we know the inspiration and guidance all will receive who work with you," she continued, and then read the following resolution of tribute from her Sisterhood:

"WHEREAS Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood is on this day, the 23rd of April, 1953, being installed as President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods,

"WHEREAS we of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood who know her best,

wish to express first our great pride in her achievements, both locally and nationally; secondly our gratitude for the nobility and generosity of her spirit and her extraordinary fidelity in the ideals and principles of our great tradition, and

"WHEREAS we wish to indicate in some tangible act our warmest affection and high esteem in which we hold Helen Dalsheimer,

"BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the sum of \$500 be set aside for a fitting tribute in the House of Living Judaism to perpetuate the memory of this meaningful day in her life and ours. May God grant that she long continue to serve her fellow men, and may she bring lasting honor to the office which today honors her."

The Assembly rose and applauded.

The final session of the 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly was adjourned at 1:00 p. m. after the Benediction was recited in unison.

"O Thou Eternal One, Thou was with us in the beginning; Thou wilt be with us in the end. Our thinking has been clarified by our deliberations here; we pray that through them our purposes may have been strengthened. Be Thou with each of us as we return to our homes; cause Thy spirit to enter our hearts that we may be truly united to do Thy will. Amen."

(MRS. HUGO) HELEN M. DALSHIMER, *President*
 (MRS. JEROME L.) HANNAH SALM, *Recording Secretary*



RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the Fortieth Anniversary Biennial Assembly

OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
NEW YORK, NEW YORK, APRIL 21, 1953
World Affairs

UNITED NATIONS

We believe that all people are equal and united to one another in the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God; and that the best interests of the world may be obtained thru mutual deliberation and consideration; that more than two-thirds of the world's people live in underdeveloped countries where there is a low living standard; and that only thru the elimination of want and starvation may all men become equal

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Convention assembled, urge upon itself, its affiliated units and their members further support of the United Nations and study of its specialized agencies, in order that it may continue in the "brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God,"

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Biennial Assembly hopes the United Nations will continue its projects of technical assistance to underdeveloped areas of the world and that the United States will continue to make available to the UN its technical knowledge and teams of experts.

UNICEF

There is an agency of the UN, namely the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, interested, as a mutual assistance agency, in the well being of the world's children and since allocations for child welfare projects have greatly depleted the resources of this very essential agency of international assistance

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Biennial Assembly urges on behalf of its United States units, that the United States Government pass without delay the appropriation already authorized for UNICEF and assume responsibility for its share of the emergency needs.

GENOCIDE

Since the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in November 1952 passed the following resolution

"WHEREAS, the Third General Assembly of the UN meeting in Paris in December, 1948, adopted the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, meaning the destruction of national, ethnic, racial or religious groups, and

WHEREAS, in the four years that have elapsed since the United Nations adopted this Convention, while forty states have approved it, thus bringing the Convention into effect for those states, the Senate of the United States has failed to ratify,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Board of the National Federation, of Temple Sisterhoods in annual session assembled in Pittsburgh, Pa., on behalf of its United States units urges upon the 83rd U. S. Senate that early in its forthcoming session, it ratify the Genocide Convention without further inexcusable delay and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the newly elected President and Vice-President of the United States and to appropriate Committee Chairmen of the Senate."

BE IT RESOLVED; that this Assembly endorse the action of the Executive Board urging the ratification of the Genocide Convention and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the President, Vice-President, and the Chairmen of appropriate Senate Committees.

POINT IV

WHEREAS, Point IV under the Mutual Security Administration of the United States has given hope to millions of unfortunate people and set them on the road to better health and to self sufficiency and

WHEREAS, we believe that well-fed, healthy populations who can sustain themselves are the best insurance for a free world

THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED** that this 19th Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods upon behalf of its United States members urges the President, the State Department, and the Congress of the United States to support the Point IV Program and strengthen it as much as possible.

HUMAN RIGHTS

The United Nations Commission on Human Rights has been laboring for four years to complete covenants based on the Declaration on Human Rights. This Declaration was unanimously approved by the Third General Assembly of the United Nations in Paris,

THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Nineteenth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods urges, on behalf of its United States units, that the Administration in Washington take favorable action in the continuing effort to draft covenants which will give greater strength to the Declaration on Human Rights so that the United States may continue to maintain its role of leadership in offering hope to the millions in need of hope of ultimate freedom from oppressions.

ISRAEL

On this, the fifth anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel, which has welcomed to its shores the oppressed and persecuted Jews of the world, and which stands as a beacon light of democracy,

THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in convention assembled on its own 40th Anniversary extends its congratulations and offers a prayer for the State's continued strength and internal growth and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the organization, and be sent to the President of the State of Israel and to its Prime Minister.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our religion of Judaism is a true and living faith; but in order to understand it we must have knowledge,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Biennial Assembly urges its affiliated units and their members to dedicate themselves to a more than ordinary interest in Religious Education through intensified interest in and effort on behalf of our Religious Schools, thru adult study groups, and Forums, and thru regular Sabbath Temple attendance.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. JOSEPH STOLZ

We pay lasting tribute to one whose devotion to Judaism will be missed because of her passing since the last Biennial. Mrs. Joseph Stolz, in whose honor and for whose work in Religious Education, the Blanche R. Stolz Trophies are awarded, was a charter member of the Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah Israel of Chicago, and of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Executive Board on which she served 1913 to 1939 and was the Recording Secretary from 1931 to 1939; for twenty five years Mrs. Stolz was the National Chairman of the Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education, as well as a devoted wife, dedicated mother and outstanding communal figure. May her memory be a revered one in Israel and may it long endure for inspiration.

BE IT RESOLVED that this expression of our sentiment be spread upon the minutes of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and a copy of it be forwarded to members of her family.

MRS. RUTH RAZ

We feel the loss at this time of Mrs. Ruth Raz of Toronto, Canada. It was Mrs. Raz who was responsible for the Canadian Uniongram accounts for in this time of monetary exchange difficulties it was she who saw to the printing, distribution, and collection of Uniongram funds, for and from the Canadian affiliates of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The memory of her interest and zeal which were so self-less, are a memorial to her and

Therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED** that this expression of our sentiment be spread upon the minutes of this Nineteenth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and a copy of this Resolution forwarded to members of her family.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Pittsburgh, Pa.
April 18, 1953

To the Members of the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

At the meeting of the NFTS Executive Board held in Pittsburgh, Pa., November 17-20, 1952, the fiscal year had just ended on October 31st. Numerous adjustments and monies in transit had to be recorded, so that the Treasurer's report presented at the November Board meeting was only tentative.

The following is a report of the actual receipts and disbursements of the NFTS General Fund for the fiscal year ended October 31, 1952. Details can be found in the auditors' report as prepared by Loeb & Troper, Certified Public Accountants of New York City.

General Fund Income for 1951-52

	Actual 1951-52
National Dues	\$ 79,665.35
District Federation Dues	200.00
Uniongram and Thank You Notes	11,265.36
Sales of Art Calendars and other Materials	12,261.82
Service Fees for Collections	2,801.35
Interest on Savings Accounts	155.42
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Total Actual Direct Income—1951-52	\$106,349.30

Our actual 1951-52 receipts exceeded our budgetary estimates for this period by over \$8,800.00.

General Fund Expenditures for 1951-52

The following is the functional breakdown of the actual direct expenditures for 1951-52:

NFTS Development and Administration Expenses	\$ 10,310.03
Committee Projects	23,307.12
Field Membership Services—including Speakers Bureau	18,349.04
Production—Saleable Materials	23,553.59
Publication, Publicity and Public Relations	12,921.18
Dues, Contributions and Miscellaneous	1,661.29
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Total General Fund Expenditures 1951-52	\$ 90,102.25

Results for 1951-52

The actual income for 1951-52 exceeded the expenditures for the year by \$16,247.05. This operating surplus was reduced by non-budgetary expenses for office equipment in the sum of \$944.65. Attached is a report of the Balance Sheet of NFTS as of October 31, 1952.

(Mrs. Aaron L.) Leora Larbie, *Treasurer.*

Suggested Revisions



MARCH 10, 1953



REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

Tampa, Fla., March 10, 1953

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Thirty days in advance of the 19th NFTS Biennial Assembly the following proposed changes in the Federation's By-Laws are submitted:

Present NFTS By-Laws

MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERATION
Article 3

Section A. Any organization of Jewish women engaged in religious work, either in connection with a congregation or in a community or district where there is no congregation, may become a member of this Federation by making written application to the Executive Board thereof.

Proposed Revisions

MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERATION
Article 3

Addition of a *new Section B.*—
Any woman living in a community without a Sisterhood and too far distant from a neighboring Sisterhood to make membership therein feasible shall, through acceptance by the Executive Board, be a member-at-large in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and its respective District Federation, if same exists in her area. A member-at-large shall pay dues of \$1.50 per annum into the NFTS treasury of which not more than twenty-five cents per annum shall be sent by NFTS to the Treasurer of its District Federation in the area where the member-at-large resides. She shall enjoy all privileges of membership but at Assemblies or conventions of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and the respective District Federation she shall be a special delegate with the power of voice, not vote.

EXPLANATION: Occasionally a Jewish woman interested in Reform or Liberal or Progressive Judaism lives in an isolated community or in a community where she might become the forerunner of interest in our movement. This is especially true in some countries of the world where as yet the Liberal movement has not been formally organized but occasionally an interested woman has expressed interest in a membership-at-large affiliation with NFTS.

Present NFTS By-Laws

DUES
Article 4

Section A. Every Sisterhood shall pay yearly into the treasury of this Federation the sum of \$1.00 for each of its contributing members. Each District Federation shall determine the amount of dues which shall be paid by member Sisterhoods directly into the treasury of said District Federation; this amount shall not be more than twenty-five cents per capita per annum. A Sisterhood in arrears for two years' dues may be suspended from membership after due notice by the Executive Committee, which may, at any time, reinstate such Sisterhood to membership on such terms as the Committee may prescribe.

Proposed Revisions

DUES
Article 4

The third sentence shall begin a new Section B which with the addition of added words, as underlined, shall read as follows: A Sisterhood in arrears for two years' dues may be suspended from membership in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods after due notice by the Executive Committee, which may, at any time, reinstate such Sisterhood to membership on such terms as the Committee may prescribe.

EXPLANATION: The revision is proposed in the interest of explicitness and clarity.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE ASSEMBLY
Article 6

Section A. Each Sisterhood shall appoint one representative to the Assembly and one additional representative for every fifty contributing members over and above the first fifty members up to 200 members, and then one additional representative for every 100 contributing members over and above the first 200 members but not to exceed a representation of six from any one Sisterhood.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE ASSEMBLY
Article 6

New sentence to be added to Section A and new Sections B and C to be added so that Section A will conclude: These representatives shall be Accredited Delegates.

Section B. All members of the NFTS Executive Board shall be Accredited Delegates to the Assembly. The local Sisterhood and District Federation are entitled to their full representation exclusive of NFTS Board members. No Delegate may be Accredited in more than one capacity.

Section C. Only Accredited Delegates shall be privileged to vote at the Assembly.

EXPLANATION: The revisions are proposed in the interest of explicitness and clarity.

Present NFTS By-Laws
COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS
Article 8

Section A. A Committee on Nominations shall be appointed by the President at the first session of the Assembly, excepting the Chairman who shall be appointed at least 90 days prior to the first session of the Assembly.

Section B. 1. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, immediately upon her appointment shall notify each local Sisterhood of her appointment.

Proposed Revisions
COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS
FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
Article 8

Change in title: Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board.

Section A is to read: A Nominating Committee shall be established at least ninety days in advance of an Assembly. It shall comprise twenty-five members of whom twelve shall be elected by the District Presidents' Council; thirteen others, including the chairman, shall be appointed by the President. Of the thirteen appointees of the President, not more than five shall be members of the Executive Board. The Nominating Committee at the succeeding Biennial Assembly shall include among the twelve members elected by the District Presidents' Council representatives of those District Federations not included on the Nominating Committee at the previous Assembly.

The Nominating Committee shall meet prior to the Biennial Assembly at NFTS expense.

EXPLANATION: This revision is a synthesis of several different proposals received by the Committee. The Committee took into account not only the proposals but some criticisms of them that had been received, practicality, and the needs of the Federation as a whole. Certain Sisterhoods pointed out that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is a Federation of autonomous local Sisterhoods, not of its Districts, and that although they belong to their respective Districts they did not wish too much power placed in the hands of District representatives in determining the qualifications of their respective nominees for the National Board; several Sisterhoods commented that they desired, at all times, their Candidate's Blanks submitted to the NFTS Nominating Committee as a whole and not to or through a District Federation. Furthermore, there are Sisterhoods in the Federation which are not members of Districts either through choice or because no District exists in their area. The District Presidents' Council meets in the year preceding the Biennial so that it is feasible for it at that time to elect its twelve representatives to the Nominating Committee, which with the additional appointees of the President will give NFTS the benefit of geographic and District coverage. To establish the Committee in toto at least three months prior to a

Biennial Assembly likewise seemed to the Committee adequate. In practice it may be established more than three months prior but three months is adequate time for the careful execution of its duties. Completely establishing the Committee too far in advance of a Biennial raises difficulties regarding changing personnel due to changing interests, possible movement of members of the Committee from one section of the country to another, etc. Unfortunately, an active member of Sisterhood in one year is not always an equally active or interested member two years later so that the Committee on Revisions felt that appointments for this Committee should not be made too far in advance. Since Biennial conventions have opened for many years on Sunday, it is impossible for the Biennial Nominating Committee to meet the day before, which is the Sabbath. Furthermore, many members find it difficult to be away from home responsibilities for the long period involved in both pre-Biennial and Biennial sessions. Therefore, the Committee on Revisions has proposed that the Nominating Committee shall meet prior to the Biennial Assembly, at NFTS expense, without particularizing whether this shall be one day before the Biennial or one month before, leaving this decision to the officers.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Article 8

2. Each member Sisterhood may submit by mail to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, at least 30 days prior to the Assembly, the names of candidates recommended for the office of Member of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section B2. To remain as now written with the exception that "thirty days prior to the Assembly" shall be changed to "at least sixty days prior to the Assembly."

EXPLANATION: This revision is self-explanatory and is to guarantee ample time for the Committee on Nominations to work prior to a Biennial.

Section C. This Committee shall submit to the assembly a list of candidates for election to the Executive Board.

Section D. Section B shall neither limit nor restrict the powers of the Nominating Committee.

Addition of a new Section B3.

Names of candidates for nominees for the Executive Board from Sisterhoods affiliated with a District Federation shall be sent by the NFTS Nominating Committee to the respective District Presidents prior to an NFTS Biennial Assembly for the information of the District Federation.

EXPLANATION: This revision has been submitted from several sources including the District Presidents' Council and a Sub-Committee of the NFTS Committee on Evaluation.

Present NFTS By-Laws

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 9

Section A. The Assembly shall elect an Executive Board of 75 members exclusive of honorary and life members. They shall serve for a period of six years and shall not be eligible for immediate reelection.

EXPLANATION: In order to develop more leadership and to allow for more rapid advancement of qualified Sisterhood leaders to the NFTS Executive Board, without encouraging so rapid a turnover in Board personnel as to be disadvantageous to a National organization, this revision is proposed. The Committee believes it reflects the desires of many units in NFTS.

Section B. The period of time during which a member of the Board has served as an officer shall not be included in the six years permitted for service on the Board.

Section C. Women who are not affiliated with a Congregation and who hold membership neither personally nor through their husbands shall not be eligible to membership on the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

EXPLANATION: Consistent with the desire to develop more leadership and to allow more rapid possibility of qualified Sisterhood members attaining membership on the Board, the Committee on Revisions believes that the proposed change is desirable. The exception of the President is made because under present Article 10, Section D, all past National Presidents become honorary life members of the Executive Board. The Committee on Revisions believes it is necessary for the good of the Federation to have the experience and wisdom of past National Presidents retained on the Board.

ORGANIZATION MEETING AND POWERS OF
EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 10

Section A. The Executive Board shall meet either during and/or immediately after the final adjournment of the Assembly which elected it, and in the same city where the Assembly held its session, and shall organize by the election

Proposed Revisions

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 9

Section A. Changing the words "for a period of six years" to "for a period of four years" so that the section reads: The Assembly shall elect an Executive Board of 75 members exclusive of honorary and life members. They shall serve for a period of four years, and shall not be eligible for immediate reelection.

A new Section B to read: The period of time a member of the Board serves as an officer shall run concurrently with her term as a member of the Board. Board membership shall terminate upon completion of years of officership, except for the Presidency.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 9 continued

Deletion of heading of Article 10 so that this Article becomes a continuation of the present Article 9. Section A thereupon becomes Section D. Section D of Article 9 (present Section A of

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Article 10 continued

of a President; First, Second, Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents; a Recording Secretary; a Treasurer; and an Executive Director who shall not be a member of the Executive Board.

Proposed Revisions

Article 9 continued

Article 10) shall read: The Executive Board shall meet during the Assembly which elected it and in the same city where the Assembly holds its session and shall organize by the election of a President; First, Second, Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents; a Recording Secretary; a Treasurer; an Executive Director who shall not be a member of the Executive Board; and four members who with the officers shall serve as an Executive Committee.

EXPLANATION: The Committee proposes combining Article 10 with Article 9 for clarity and conciseness since both cover the Executive Board. In order for officers to be installed at the Biennial, the mid-Convention Board, which elects them, must meet during and not after the Assembly. Non-officer members of the Executive Committee are presented in the same slate with officers and, therefore, should be included in this section.

A new Section E to read: At the annual meeting of the Executive Board in the year between Biennial Assemblies, members of the Board shall nominate, from the Board, five members for the Nominating Committee for Officers of whom three shall be elected by them by written ballot. Two additional members including a Chairman shall be appointed by the President. The Nominating Committee for Officers shall meet at the expense of NFTS prior to each Biennial Assembly. Its report shall be sent for purposes of information to all Sisterhoods and District Federations at least thirty days in advance of the Biennial Assembly.

EXPLANATION: The election of officers by the Board and from the Board has given the Federation, throughout its forty years, unusually well qualified leadership. This method of electing officers follows the pattern of the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Inclusion of the method of constituting the Nominating Committee for Officers in the By-Laws is the result of suggestions that originated both in the Committee on Revisions and in the

Committee on Evaluation. Releasing the official report of the Committee on Nominations for Officers well in advance of a Biennial allows this important information to be in the hands of all interested Sisterhood members so that whoever may be the newly elected members to the NFTS Board will feel prepared to take action on the official slate when same is presented at the mid-Convention Executive Board Meeting. At this Board Meeting, newly elected members of the Board are present.

Section B. The term of office for officers shall be two years.

Section C. Officers may be elected for three successive terms. No officer may be elected to the same office for more than three terms, nor to more than two offices in succession during one continuous term of service on the Executive Board.

Section B of Article 10 becomes Section F of Article 9.

Section C of Article 10 becomes Section G of Article 9 and shall be changed to read: Officers may be elected for two successive terms. No officer may be elected to the same office for more than two terms; nor to more than two offices in succession, with the exception of the office of President during one continuous term of service on the Executive Board.

EXPLANATION: The revisions are consistent with the desire to develop leadership more rapidly. An exception, however, is made for the office of President to allow, if it is so desired, advancement of a woman that may have served both as Second and as First Vice-President, or in any other two offices, into the Presidency. No organization should deprive itself of the possibility of very experienced leadership because of a technicality of not allowing a woman, otherwise qualified and desired, to enter the office of President because she has served in two other offices in succession.

Section D. All past National Presidents shall be honorary life members of the Executive Board with power of voting, but they shall not be eligible to office. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall not have more than one honorary National President.

Present Section D of Article 10 becomes Section H of Article 9.

Section E. No Executive Board member shall be eligible to office until she will have served on the Executive Board for two years. Such eligibility shall continue through the Assembly at which her term as a Board Member expires.

Present Section E of Article 10 becomes Section I of Article 9.

Section F. The Executive Board shall have power and authority over the affairs of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the in-

Present Section F of Article 10 becomes Section J of Article 9.

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Article 10 continued

terim between Assemblies, excepting that of amending these By-Laws or modifying any action taken at the Assembly.

Section G. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the Executive Board or any committee appointed at the Assembly or by the Board shall be filled by the Executive Board. If a vacancy shall occur in any Office, Board, or Committee in the interim between meetings of the Executive Board, the President shall fill such vacancy by appointment, which appointment shall remain in force only until the next meeting of the Executive Board.

EXPLANATION: The Committee on Revisions is giving to the Executive Committee, which represents all areas of the Federation, the responsibility for the filling of appointments to relieve the President and to allow for wider distribution of appointive authority.

Section H. The period of time during which a member has filled a vacancy on the Executive Board shall be included in the six years permitted for service on the Executive Board.

Section I. Twenty members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Section J. In years when there is no Assembly the Executive Board shall meet at such time and place as it shall determine. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by the President, or must be called upon written request of fifteen members.

Section K. The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati and/or New York.

Section L. Any member of the Executive Board absenting herself from two consecutive Executive Board meetings without excuse shall be dropped

Proposed Revisions

Article 9 continued

Present Section G of Article 10 becomes Section K of Article 9 and shall be changed to read: Vacancies occurring in the membership of the Executive Board or any committee appointed at the Assembly or by the Board shall be filled by the Executive Board. If a vacancy shall occur in any Office, Board, or Committee in the interim between meetings of the Executive Board, the Executive Committee shall fill such vacancy by appointment, which appointment shall remain in force only until the next meeting of the Biennial Assembly.

Present Section H of Article 10 becomes Section L of Article 9.

Present Section I of Article 10 becomes Section M of Article 9.

Present Section J of Article 10 becomes Section N of Article 9.

Present Section K of Article 10 becomes Section O of Article 9.

Present Section L of Article 10 becomes Section P of Article 9 and shall be changed to read: The period of time during which a member has filled a vacancy on the Executive Board shall

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automatically from the Executive Board and shall be so notified.

Proposed Revisions

be included in the four years permitted for service on the Executive Board. All terms of office shall begin and end at Biennial Assemblies.

EXPLANATION: The proposed revision is consistent with previous revisions. All terms of office should begin and end at Biennials to allow the Nominating Committee for the Board to nominate, and the Assembly to elect, candidates.

ORGANIZATION AND POWERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 11

Section A. The Executive Board shall at its first meeting elect from its own body four members, who with the officers of the Federation shall constitute the Executive Committee.

EXPLANATION: For conciseness present Section A is to be deleted as it is now included in proposed Article 9, Section D.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 10

Article 11 shall now become Article 10. Change of title by deletion of first line so that title is Executive Committee and deletion of Section A.

Section B. The Executive Committee shall act for the Executive Board in any emergency, arising in the interim between the meetings of the Executive Board. It shall have the power of expending a sum not to exceed \$2,500 during the period between Assemblies.

Present Section B shall become Section A and shall read: The Executive Committee shall meet annually and act for the Executive Board in any emergency, arising in the interim between the meetings of the Executive Board. It shall have the power of expending a sum not to exceed \$2,500 during the period between Assemblies.

EXPLANATION: The NFTS Executive Committee does meet annually as a result of a recommendation by Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, President, approved by the NFTS Board. It is now the practice of the Federation for the Executive Committee to meet in the Spring of the year and the Board to meet in the Fall, or vice versa. Therefore, the revision spells out present practice.

Section C. Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be at the call of the President, or upon request of the majority of the Executive Committee, and all expenses of said meeting shall be borne by the Treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Six

Present Section C shall become Section B and shall read: The annual and any other meeting shall be at the call of the President, or upon request of the majority of the Executive Committee; and all expenses of said meeting shall be borne by the Treasury of the Na-

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Article 11 continued

members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

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tional Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Six members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

EXPLANATION: The Treasury of NFTS has always borne the expenses of any called meetings of the Executive Committee. Now that an annual meeting is part of NFTS procedure the proposed revision covers both it and any additional meeting.

NATIONAL STANDING COMMITTEES

Article 13

Section A. The President, in consultation with the Executive Committee, shall appoint all National Standing Committees provided for in the By-Laws and such other committees as are deemed necessary. The Executive Director shall be the Secretary of each National Standing Committee.

Section B. Each National Standing Committee shall devise methods of carrying out the work entrusted to it and shall communicate these plans to each Sisterhood through the corresponding local and State committees.

EXPLANATION: Proposed in the interest of conciseness. An NFTS Committee is naturally a National Committee. There are distinctions between Standing and Special Committees; Standing Committees are described in the By-Laws and Special Committees are appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Board or Executive Committee for limited periods as need arises, without coverage in the By-Laws.

Section C. All Chairmen of National Standing Committees shall be selected from the Executive Board.

COMMITTEES

Article 13

Deletion of first two words from heading so that new title is Committees and deletion of words National Standing not only from this Article but consistently throughout the By-Laws.

Section C shall be changed to read: All Chairmen of Committees shall be selected from the Executive Board.

EXPLANATION: In the past, Chairmen of Special Committees have not necessarily been appointed from the Board. The Committee on Revision of By-Laws believes that Chairmen of all Committees, whether Standing or Special, should be members of the NFTS Executive Board. With a Board that may be changing more rapidly than in the past, if certain proposed revisions are adopted reducing the term of years for Board membership, it should be possible to utilize the qualifica-

tions of Board members through service as Committee Chairmen. Furthermore, with a Board of seventy-five members, exclusive of life and honorary members, Committee Chairmanships should be developed from it.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION

Article 14

Section A. The National Committee on Cooperation shall devise methods of bringing the various Sisterhoods into closer relationship with one another; shall collect and disseminate information of value to Sisterhoods; shall devise methods of executing such plans for general welfare work as the Federation may adopt.

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE

Article 14

Substitution for long inactive Committee on Cooperation of a new Committee on Budget and Finance which shall read:

Section A. The Committee on Budget and Finance shall prepare an annual budget for submission to the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. In preparation for same, the Committee shall meet in advance of each annual meeting of the Executive Board. The transportation expenses of the members of the Committee shall be paid by NFTS.

Section B. The Committee shall communicate information regarding the budget to all local Sisterhoods and District Federations no less than semi-annually and shall answer any inquiry from local Sisterhoods and District Federations regarding same.

Section C. The Committee shall gather and distribute to NFTS Sisterhoods, information regarding fund-raising activities found most feasible and successful in local Sisterhoods.

EXPLANATION: This Committee, now a Special Committee, executes work of permanent necessity which should be included in the By-Laws. The work of the Committee on Cooperation is carried out by NFTS and all its Committees which is why a separate Committee on Cooperation has long been inactive.

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON THE
SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION FUND

Article 17

Section A. The National Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund shall cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in all enterprises seeking to encourage students to prepare for the rabbinate at the Hebrew Union College, and in such other enterprises of religious education as the Federation shall find necessary.

EXPLANATION: The Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion is now one institution and the By-Laws should correctly reflect the amalgamation. If the proposed revision is adopted for this section the phrase will be changed in all other appropriate places.

Section B. The Committee shall gather funds which shall be available at the discretion of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the following purposes: (1) Hebrew Union College Scholarships, (2) the support of the Hebrew Union College Dormitory, and (3) Religious Educational Work of national character and scope.

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COMMITTEE ON THE SCHOLARSHIP
AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Article 17

Insertion of title *Jewish Institute of Religion* after Hebrew Union College in line six, Section A, so that it shall read: . . . to prepare for the rabbinate at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

Section B shall be changed to read:

The Committee shall gather funds which shall be available at the discretion of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the purposes above outlined, including Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion Scholarships and religious educational work of national character and scope. The Committee shall at the discretion of the Executive Board continue its interest in the Dormitory on the Cincinnati Campus of the HUC-JIR since this Dormitory was built by NFTS.

EXPLANATION: The revision is largely self-explanatory. Since 1933 NFTS no longer underwrites from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund the College-Institute Dormitory deficit on the Cincinnati Campus but has maintained its interest through scholarships toward residence fees in Cincinnati and has totally refurbished the Cincinnati Dormitory at a cost of more than \$40,000.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON JEWISH
CEREMONIALS AND ART

Article 18

Section A. The National Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, through

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AND ART

Article 18

Combination and revision of present sections A and B into a new Section A

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its efforts and those of the local committees bearing the same name, shall devote itself to the interests of the Union Museum.

Section B. It shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles of Jewish art, to arrange for displays of same under proper auspices, to establish Judaica Shops and to urge the study of Jewish customs and ceremonies.

EXPLANATION: The Museum is an integral part of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and is not per se an NFTS project.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT
FEDERATIONS

Article 20

Section A. The National Committee on District Federations shall have charge of all matters connected with the organization and administration of District Federations.

Section B. In order that District Federations may function more effectively as agencies of the National Federation and to achieve a better understanding of the National program on the part of District Presidents, there shall be a Council of District Presidents to discuss ways and means in which District Federations and National can be mutually helpful, and to submit such plans as they may care to recommend to the National Board. This Council of District Presidents shall meet in the interim year between Assemblies at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting.

EXPLANATION: This is one of the revisions proposed by NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. It is more concise than the original Section B.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON JEWISH
LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

Article 24

Section A. The National Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind shall prepare in braille a library of

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to read: The Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles of Jewish art, to establish Judaica shops, and to urge the study of Jewish customs and ceremonials.

Section B remains the same.

COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 20

Revision of Section B to read: There shall be a Council of District Presidents to discuss ways and means in which District Federations and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods can be mutually helpful, and to submit plans to the National Board. This Council shall meet in the interim year between Assemblies, at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting.

COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE
FOR THE BLIND

Article 24

A new section A to read: The Committee on Jewish Literature for the

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Article 24 continued

Jewish content for adult and juvenile blind readers.

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Article 24 continued

Blind shall cooperate in the area of religious and cultural services to the Jewish sightless, especially through the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., of which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is the patron body.

EXPLANATION: In 1933 NFTS brought into being the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. The Library of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., is the creation of Sisterhood braillists and in the Constitution of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. NFTS is defined as its patron body:

Revision of present Section A to form a new Section B which shall read: The Committee shall prepare in braille a library of Jewish content for adult and juvenile blind readers for the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.

EXPLANATION: As for new Section A.

OFFICERS
Article 30

Section A. The President elected at the first meeting of the Executive Board after the Assembly shall preside at all meetings of the Board and at the following Assembly, and shall serve until her successor is elected.

OFFICERS
Article 30

Minor revision of Section A: The President elected at the first meeting of the Executive Board during the Assembly shall preside at all meetings of the Board and at the following Assembly, and shall serve until her successor is elected and installed.

EXPLANATION: To be consistent with the previous revision, officers are elected at the mid-Convention Board Meeting. However, officers should not undertake their duties until officially installed.

FINANCIAL EXAMINATIONS
Article 35

Section A. The President shall appoint at the close of each fiscal year a competent public accountant whose duty it shall be to examine the books and vouchers of the Federation and the securities belonging to the Federation.

FINANCIAL EXAMINATIONS
Article 35

Insertion of one word certified before the phrase public accountant.

EXPLANATION: In reality certified public accountants audit the books of NFTS twice yearly. The word certified should appear in the By-Laws.

EXPENSES OF THE OFFICERS TO THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 37

Section A. The railroad expenses of the following members of the Executive Board attending the annual meetings of the Board shall be paid out of the Treasury of the Federation: the President, the Recording Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Chairman of each of the National Standing Committees. In the event that the President finds herself unable to attend, the expenses of the first Vice-President, or the next Vice-President in order who is able to attend shall be paid.

EXPENSES OF THE OFFICERS TO THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 37

Revision of Section A to read: The transportation expenses of the following members of the Executive Board attending the annual Board meeting shall be paid by NFTS: the officers and other members of the Executive Committee, and the Chairman of each Committee.

EXPLANATION: It is important for all Board Members to be in attendance at every meeting. Unfortunately, the NFTS budget cannot share this financial burden for all. To the previously established by-law to provide transportation expenses for Committee Chairmen, President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer, has been added the other officers and four non-officer members of the Executive Committee.

SUBSIDIARY DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 38

Section F. Each District Federation shall elect one delegate-at-large to the Assembly.

SUBSIDIARY DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 38

Section F, line two. Insertion of word accredited before "delegate-at-large."

EXPLANATION: For clarity and conciseness. The delegate-at-large of a District is accredited to the Biennial Assembly.

AMENDMENTS

Article 41

Section A. Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a District Federation, the District Presidents' Council, or the Federation's Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly. Such

AMENDMENTS

Article 41

Deletion in second last line, Section A of word "immediately" and addition at end of section of the words "at the close of the Assembly" so that the final sentence shall read: If adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Assembly, the amend-

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proposals for amendments, in addition to any suggested by the Committee itself, must be referred by the Committee on Revisions to members of the Executive Board and to the Presidents of District Federations and local Sisterhoods thirty days in advance of the Assembly. The Executive Board is privileged to acquaint the Assembly with its views on all proposed amendments. If adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Assembly, the amendment shall immediately become part of the By-Laws.

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ment shall become a part of the By-Laws at the close of the Assembly.

EXPLANATION: Revision of By-Laws occur at a business session in the middle of a Biennial Assembly and in practice have always been placed into effect at the close of a Biennial, not in the middle of one, which might lead to confusion.

It is understood that minor editorial changes for consistency, such as numbering of articles or sections, etc., will be made throughout depending upon revisions adopted.

This report cannot be closed without renewed appreciation to all who have submitted proposals and to the members of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws.

(Mrs. David L.) Carol Zielonka, *Chairman*

By-Laws
Revised and Adopted
April, 1953

PREAMBLE

We, the representatives of the Sisterhoods of the various congregations comprising the Union of American Hebrew Congregations believing:

That the congregation is the logical unit of organization in Israel, and

That the increased power which has come to the modern American Jewess ought to be exercised in congregational life, and

That the religious and moral development of Israel can be furthered by this cooperation,

Do hereby organize a National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the more effective carrying out of these aims.

BY-LAWS

NAME

Article 1

Section A. The name of this organization shall be the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

OBJECTS

Article 2

The objects of this Federation are:

Section A. To bring the Sisterhoods of the United States and other countries into closer cooperation and association with one another.

Section B. To quicken the religious consciousness of Israel by stimulating spiritual and educational activity.

Section C. To advance Judaism in the United States and throughout the world; to serve Jewish and humanitarian causes.

Section D. To cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the execution of its aims and purposes.

Section E. To espouse such religious causes as are particularly the work of Jewish women.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERATION

Article 3

Section A. Any organization of Jewish women engaged in religious work, either in connec-

tion with a congregation or in a community or district where there is no congregation, may become a member of this Federation by making written application to the Executive Board.

Section B. Any woman living in a community without a Sisterhood and too far distant from a neighboring Sisterhood to make membership therein feasible shall, through acceptance by the Executive Board, be a member-at-large in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and its respective District Federation, if same exists in her area. A member-at-large shall pay dues of \$1.50 per annum into the NFTS treasury of which not more than twenty-five cents per annum shall be sent by NFTS to the Treasurer of its District Federation in the area where the member-at-large resides. She shall enjoy all privileges of membership but at Assemblies or conventions of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and the respective District Federation she shall be a special delegate with the power of voice, not vote.

DUES

Article 4

Section A. Every Sisterhood shall pay yearly into the treasury of this Federation the sum of \$1.00 for each of its contributing members. Each District Federation shall determine the amount of dues which shall be paid by member Sisterhoods directly into the treasury of said District Federation; this amount shall not be more than twenty-five cents per capita per annum.

Section B. A Sisterhood in arrears for two years' dues may be suspended from membership in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods after due notice by the Executive Committee which may, at any time, reinstate such Sisterhood to membership on such terms as the Committee may prescribe. (See also Article 3, Section B; Article 37, Section D and E; Article 38, Section A.)

ASSEMBLY

Article 5

Section A. The legislative body of this Federation, which shall be composed of members

of the NFTS Executive Board and of the representatives appointed by the Sisterhoods, shall be styled "the Assembly." The Assembly shall be presided over by the officers of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods as hereinafter prescribed.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE ASSEMBLY

Article 6

Section A. Each Sisterhood shall appoint one representative to the Assembly and one additional representative for every fifty contributing members over and above the first fifty members up to 200 members, and then one additional representative for every 100 contributing members over and above the first 200 members but not to exceed a representation of six from any one Sisterhood. These representatives shall be Accredited Delegates.

Section B. All members of the NFTS Executive Board shall be Accredited Delegates to the Assembly. The local Sisterhood and District Federation are entitled to their full representation exclusive of NFTS Board members. No Delegate may be Accredited in more than one capacity.

Section C. Only Accredited Delegates shall be privileged to vote at the Assembly. (See also Article 3, Section B and Article 37, Section F.)

MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY

Article 7

Section A. The meetings of the Assembly shall be held at the same time and place as the meeting of the Council of the Union.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 8

Section A. A Nominating Committee shall be established at least ninety days in advance of an Assembly. It shall comprise twenty-five members of whom twelve shall be elected by the District Presidents' Council; thirteen others, including the chairman, shall be appointed by the President. Of the thirteen appointees of the President, not more than five shall be members of the Executive Board. The Nominating Committee at the succeeding Biennial Assembly shall include among the twelve members elected by the District Presidents' Council representatives of those District Federations not included on the Nominating Committee at the previous Assembly.

The Nominating Committee shall meet prior to the Biennial Assembly; the transportation expenses of the members of the Committee shall be met by NFTS.

Section B. 1. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, immediately upon her appointment, shall notify each local Sisterhood of her appointment.

2. Each member Sisterhood may submit by mail to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, at least 60 days prior to the Assembly, the names of candidates recommended for the office of member of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

3. Names of candidates for nominees for the Executive Board from Sisterhoods affiliated with a District Federation shall be sent by the NFTS Nominating Committee to the respective District Presidents 30 days prior to an NFTS Biennial Assembly for the information of the District Federation.

Section C. This Committee shall submit to the Assembly a list of candidates for election to the Executive Board.

Section D. Section B shall neither limit nor restrict the powers of the Nominating Committee.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 9

Section A. The Assembly shall elect an Executive Board of 75 members exclusive of honorary and life members. Members shall serve for a period of four years, and shall not be eligible for immediate reelection.

Section B. The period of time a member of the Board serves as an officer shall run concurrently with her term as a member of the Board. Executive Board membership shall terminate upon completion of years of officership, except for the Presidency.

Section C. Women who are not affiliated with a Congregation and who hold membership neither personally nor through their husbands shall not be eligible to membership on the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section B. The Executive Board shall meet during the Assembly which elected it and in the same city where the Assembly holds its session and shall organize by the election of a President; First, Second, Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents; Recording Secretary; Treasurer; an Executive Director who shall not be a member of the Executive Board; and four members

who with the officers shall serve as an Executive Committee.

Section E. At the annual meeting of the Executive Board in the year between Biennial Assemblies, members of the Board shall nominate from the Board five members for the Nominating Committee for Officers, of whom three shall be elected by them by written ballot. Two additional members including a Chairman shall be appointed by the President. The Nominating Committee for Officers shall meet prior to each Biennial Assembly; the transportation expenses shall be met by NFTS. The Committee's report shall be sent for purposes of information to all Sisterhoods and District Federations at least thirty days in advance of the Biennial Assembly.

Section F. The term of office for officers shall be two years.

Section G. Officers may be elected for two successive terms. No officer may be elected to the same office for more than two terms; nor to more than two offices in succession, with the exception of the office of President, during one continuous term of service on the Executive Board.

Section H. All past NFTS Presidents shall be honorary life members of the Executive Board with the power of vote, but they shall not be eligible to office. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall not have more than one honorary President.

Section I. No Executive Board member shall be eligible to office until she will have served on the Executive Board for two years. Such eligibility shall continue through the Assembly at which her term as a Board member expires.

Section J. The Executive Board shall have power and authority over the affairs of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the interim between Assemblies, excepting that of amending these By-Laws or modifying any action taken at the Assembly.

Section K. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the Executive Board or any committee appointed at the Assembly or by the Board shall be filled by the Executive Board. If a vacancy shall occur in any Office, Board, or Committee in the interim between meetings of the Executive Board, the Executive Committee shall fill such vacancy by appointment, which appointment shall remain in force only until the next meeting of the Biennial Assembly.

Section L. The period of time during which a member has filled a vacancy on the Executive

Board shall be included in the four years permitted for service on the Executive Board. All terms of office shall begin and end at Biennial Assemblies.

Section M. Twenty members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Section N. In years when there is no Assembly the Executive Board shall meet at such time and place as it shall determine. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by the President, or must be called upon written request of fifteen members.

Section O. The Office of the Executive Board, shall be in Cincinnati and/or New York.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 10

Section A. The Executive Committee shall meet annually and shall act for the Executive Board in any emergency arising in the interim between the meetings of the Executive Board. It shall have the power of expending a sum not to exceed \$2,500 during the period between Assemblies.

Section B. The annual and any other meeting shall be at the call of the President, or upon request of the majority of the Executive Committee, and all expenses of said meeting shall be borne by the Treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Six members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

RELATIONSHIP WITH UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

Article 11

Section A. The President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall submit once a year to the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations a report dealing with the work of the Federation; and once yearly an annual budget covering the expenditures for which the Union makes an annual appropriation.

COMMITTEES

Article 12

Section A. The President, in consultation with the Executive Committee, shall appoint all Committees provided for in the By-Laws and such other committees as are deemed necessary. The Executive Director shall be the Secretary of each Committee.

Section B. Each Committee shall devise methods of carrying out the work entrusted to it

and shall communicate these plans to each Sisterhood through the corresponding local and District Committees.

Section C. All Chairmen of Committees shall be selected from the Executive Board.

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE

Article 13

Section A. The Committee on Budget and Finance shall prepare an annual budget for submission to the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. In preparation for same, the Committee shall meet in advance of each annual meeting of the Executive Board. The transportation expenses of the members of the Committee shall be met by NFTS.

Section B. The Committee shall send a copy of the budget accompanied by the complete annual report of the C.P.A. as submitted to the Executive Board to each local Sisterhood and District Federation.

Section C. The Committee shall gather and distribute to NFTS Sisterhoods information regarding fund-raising activities found most feasible and successful in local Sisterhoods.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXTENSION

Article 14

Section A. The Committee on Religious Extension shall stimulate local Sisterhood members to enter into the religious life of the congregation, shall encourage Sabbath observance, synagogue attendance and the formation of classes for the study of Jewish history, literature and religion.

Section B. The Committee on Religious Extension shall be in charge of the organization of new Sisterhoods and their affiliation with NFTS and shall encourage Sisterhoods in conducting campaigns for increasing their local membership.

Section C. The Committee on Religious Extension shall establish special committees on Sisterhood activities in communities where no Sisterhood exists, due to lack of numbers.

Section D. The Committee on Religious Extension shall urge corresponding local Chairmen to make a survey of Jewish residents in the district. Where there are children in outlying communities, the religious education of the children shall be stimulated. Jewish women living in communities remote from organized groups shall be visited by Committees on Religious Extension and invited to join the Sisterhood nearest their place of residence.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Article 15

Section A. The Committee on Religious Schools shall furnish the Sisterhoods with information concerning the best methods in religious school education; shall encourage men and women to devote themselves to religious school teaching, and shall assist local Sisterhoods in establishing free religious schools.

COMMITTEE ON THE SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Article 16

Section A. The Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund shall cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in all enterprises seeking to encourage students to prepare for the rabbinate at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and in such other enterprises of religious education as the Federation shall find necessary.

Section B. The Committee shall gather funds which shall be available at the discretion of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the purposes above outlined, including Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion Scholarships and religious educational work of national character and scope. The Committee shall at the discretion of the Executive Board continue its interest in the Dormitory on the Cincinnati Campus of the HUC-JIR since this Dormitory was built by NFTS.

COMMITTEE ON JEWISH CEREMONIALS AND ART

Article 17

Section A. The Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles of Jewish art, to establish Judaica shops, and to urge the study of Jewish customs and ceremonials.

COMMITTEE ON UNIONGRAMS

Article 18

Section A. The Committee on Uniongrams shall have complete control of the Uniongram enterprise. It shall devise ways and means of disposing of Uniongrams through the help of local Sisterhood Uniongram Committees.

Section B. The profits of this enterprise shall, at the discretion of the Executive Board, be devoted to the projects of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 19

Section A. The Committee on District Federations shall have charge of all matters connected with the organization and administration of District Federations.

Section B. There shall be a Council of District Presidents to discuss ways and means in which District Federations and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods can be mutually helpful, and to submit plans to the NFTS Executive Board. This Council shall meet in the interim year between Assemblies, at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting.

COMMITTEE ON YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Article 20

Section A. The Committee on Youth Activities shall endeavor to interest each local Sisterhood in the students attending colleges in or near that city, to encourage the Sisterhoods to invite these students to their homes, to services at the Synagogue, and to include them in the social and educational life of the congregation.

Section B. The Committee on Youth Activities shall stimulate the organization of leagues for young people and shall assist them in the organization of their programs and meetings and shall, in such ways as they find possible, cause a closer cooperation between youth groups and the National Federation of Temple Youth.

COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND WORLD RELATIONS

Article 21

Section A. The Committee on Peace and World Relations shall encourage the establishment of study circles on the subject of Peace and World Relations, and shall cooperate with other national organizations interested in the promotion of orderly relations among nations.

COMMITTEE ON FAMILY EDUCATION

Article 22

Section A. The Committee on Family Education shall have as its primary function the integration of the Jewish child into life.

Section B. To further this purpose, there shall be a concentration on family education with particular regard to that subject matter important in the maintenance both of an enriched spiritual life and of a strengthened home and family life. Thought and study in these fields shall be encouraged by the Committee through:

- (1) the formation of study classes and parent

- groups,
- (2) the preparation of study materials,
- (3) recommendation, and when possible, distribution of related publications, and
- (4) cooperation with other organizations in the field.

COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

Article 23

Section A. The Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind shall cooperate in the area of religious and cultural services to the Jewish sightless, especially through the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., of which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is the patron body.

Section B. The Committee shall prepare in Braille a library of Jewish content for adult and juvenile blind readers for the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.

COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMS

Article 24

Section A. The Committee on Programs shall devise, collect and distribute programs of educational and religious value appropriate for the use of local and District Sisterhood meetings.

COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Article 25

Section A. The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, District Federations, the District President's Council and the Federation's Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 40.)

COMMITTEE ON INTERFAITH ACTIVITIES

Article 26

Section A. The Committee on Interfaith Activities shall endeavor to stimulate better understanding and good will among women of all faiths: (1) through Institutes on Judaism for leaders of church women's groups, (2) through discussion groups and interfaith gatherings giving information about Judaism.

Section B. The Committee shall encourage local Sisterhoods to sponsor such programs and to cooperate with non-Jewish groups in arranging interfaith meetings on an educational level.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Article 27

Section A. The President, Executive Director, Treasurer and each Committee Chairman shall

make annual reports to the Executive Board, to the Assembly and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

OFFICIAL BONDS

Article 28

Section A. Any officer who receives and disburses funds of the Federation shall give such bonds as the Executive Board shall require. No member of the Board shall be accepted as surety thereon.

OFFICERS

Article 29

Section A. The President elected at the first meeting of the Executive Board during the Assembly shall preside at all meetings of the Board and at the following Assembly, and shall serve until her successor is elected and installed.

Section B. The remaining officers of the Federation shall perform such duties as are usually incumbent upon officers of similar organizations.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Article 30

Section A. The Executive Director of the Federation shall be a member of the staff of the "General Secretariat" of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The salary of the Executive Director, like that of all the members of the staff, shall be determined by a special committee of the UAHC on which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall have representation, and shall be paid by the Union. The Executive Director shall be elected by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at its Assembly meeting.

Section B. The duties of the Executive Director shall be such as usually devolve upon such an officer, including the transmission of funds to the Treasurer, and such other duties as may be designated by the President and Executive Board.

TREASURER

Article 31

Section A. The Executive Office upon receipt of monies shall without delay deposit same to the credit of the Federation in banks designated by the Executive Board.

Section B. The Treasurer shall issue checks on funds only when presented with vouchers bearing the signature of the Executive Director or the President.

Section C. The Treasurer shall keep a record of the monies received and disbursed.

Section D. In the absence of the Treasurer, the first Vice-President or the next succeeding officer shall be empowered to issue checks on funds when presented with vouchers duly signed.

Section E. In order to meet on short notice budgetary expenses of the Federation, a sum not to exceed \$2,000 shall be deposited in a bank designated by the Executive Board. Monies from this fund will be withdrawn upon the signature of the President or the Executive Director. Reimbursement to this account shall be made by the Treasurer upon presentation of substantiating vouchers, as in Section B of this article.

DEPOSIT OF SECURITIES

Article 32

Section A. All securities, including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation, shall be deposited in a safe deposit company in Cincinnati and/or New York to be designated by the Executive Board.

FISCAL YEAR

Article 33

Section A. The fiscal year shall end on the thirty-first day of October, annually, at which time all reports shall be made and the same shall be printed annually by the Executive Board and published for distribution, and shall be submitted to the Assembly at the regular meetings thereof, and to the Union.

FINANCIAL EXAMINATIONS

Article 34

Section A. The President shall appoint at the close of each fiscal year a competent certified public accountant, whose duty it shall be to examine the books and vouchers of the Federation and the securities belonging to the Federation.

UNIONGRAM APPORTIONMENT

Article 35

Section A. During each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provisions of the By-Laws.

EXPENSES OF THE OFFICERS TO THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 36

Section A. The transportation expenses of the following members of the Executive Board attending the annual Board meeting shall be paid

by NFTS: the officers and other members of the Executive Committee, and the Chairman of each Committee.

SUBSIDIARY DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 37

Section A. The Executive Board at its discretion may issue charters to District Federations of Sisterhoods, comprised of Sisterhoods belonging to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section B. The President of the Executive Board, or her representative who shall be a member of the Executive Board, shall attend the meeting of the District Federations on the occasion when the charter is bestowed, and shall invest the officers with the powers conferred by the same. The transportation expenses of the President or the member designated to take her place on such an occasion shall be paid by NFTS.

Section C. A District Federation, formed by Sisterhoods affiliated with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, desiring to work in cooperation with NFTS, shall submit a tentative Constitution for the approval of the Executive Board. Such Constitution must conform with the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in its purposes and standing committees. The Executive Board may delegate the duties connected with the examination of constitutions and the issuing of charters to a subcommittee of the Executive Board.

Section D. Each District Federation shall pay annually into the Treasury of NFTS the sum of \$10.00. District Federations in arrears for two years may be suspended and if in arrears for four years may have their charters recalled by the Executive Board.

Section E. The dues claimed by the District Federation must not be more than 25c per capita per annum, and shall be collected by the District Treasurers, who shall make semi-annual reports in March and September to NFTS, giving the financial status of her respective Federation. Any additional monies that a District Federation may desire to raise shall be approved by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods or a designated committee thereof.

Section F. Each District Federation shall elect one accredited delegate-at-large to the NFTS Biennial Assembly.

FOREIGN POLICY

Article 38

Section A. Sisterhoods in countries other than the United States shall pay annual dues to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in the amount of \$10.00 for each Sisterhood body.

Section B. Uniongrams, Calendars, and all books published by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall be sold to foreign Sisterhoods at a price to make allowance for the duty on same.

Section C. Sisterhoods outside the United States may be invited to participate whenever possible in Sisterhood meetings in the city or cities nearest them.

GOVERNMENT OF ASSEMBLY

Article 39

Section A. The Assembly shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, in all cases, not provided for in the By-Laws.

Section B. A parliamentarian shall be employed at a remuneration to be fixed by the Executive Board.

AMENDMENTS

Article 40

Section A. Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a District Federation, the District Presidents' Council, or the NFTS Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly. Such proposals for amendments, in addition to any suggested by the Committee itself, must be referred by the Committee on Revisions to members of the NFTS Executive Board and to the Presidents of District Federations and local Sisterhoods thirty days in advance of the Biennial Assembly. The Executive Board is privileged to acquaint the Assembly with its views on all proposed amendments. If adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Assembly, the amendment shall become part of the By-Laws at the close of the Assembly.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
Executive Committee
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Union House of Living Judaism-
Berg Memorial
New York, New York
September 29, 1953

The Executive Committee of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened at 10:00 A.M., on Tuesday, September 29, 1953, in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, New York, N. Y., and met throughout the day. The following members were present:

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., *Chairman*; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, O.; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y. A message of greeting and regret was received from Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C., Honorary President.

Miss Carolene Wachenheimer and Miss Elsie Schkurman of the NFTS staff were also present.

RESIGNATION OF MRS. C. C. STRASBURGER

Mrs. Dalsheimer welcomed the members and explained that Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn., had, as the Committee knew, resigned from the Executive Committee and Executive Board for reasons of health. Her position on the Executive Committee had been filled by Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C., after a mail vote of unanimous approval by the Executive Committee. The Committee moved that a Uniongram message of regret be sent to Mrs. Strasburger while it was in session.

Mrs. Dalsheimer appointed a nominating committee comprised of Mrs. Hollobow, Mrs. Salm, and Mrs. Zielonka to nominate a member to replace Mrs. Strasburger on the Executive Board.

HOLDING INTEREST OF PAST BOARD MEMBERS

In order to meet the problems that had been raised at the April, 1953, NFTS post-Biennial

Executive Board meeting of expressing appreciation to and holding interest of former members of the NFTS Executive Board, a certificate of appreciation was presented to the Executive Committee for its approval. The certificate was approved and further discussion developed, as the sense of the meeting, that starting with the 1955 Biennial, the presentation of the certificates should be part of the Convention program. Furthermore, a Convention session, perhaps in the form of a breakfast, should be held at each Biennial Assembly for past members of the Executive Board, in order to inform them of NFTS activities and for NFTS to continue to have the benefit of their experience.

REQUEST FROM FELLOWSHIP STUDENTS
AT THE HUC-JIR

One of the overseas students who is on a NFTS fellowship at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion requested an advance on his monthly stipend because of need. The Executive Committee agreed, if the College considered that there was such need, that an advance of two months be given to the student, with an explanatory note that such advances are not the policy of NFTS and expressing the hope that in the future he will be able better to budget his finances. The President, Executive Director and Treasurer were empowered by the Executive Committee to handle matters of this type, should they occur in the future.

It was further explained that, with the permission of the HUC-JIR, one of the other Fellowship students had requested leave from the College-Institute for one year to obtain practical experience as Director of Education of a Jewish Community Center. Before accepting such a position, the student desired NFTS permission and assurance that his fellowship would be continued when he returned to the campus. The Executive Committee agreed.

MATERIAL TO BE SENT TO SOUTH AFRICAN
UNION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Mrs. Ethel Smith, President, South African Union of Temple Sisterhoods, Johannesburg, Union of South Africa, had requested that NFTS

send to the recently organized South African Union of Sisterhoods, in sufficient quantity for each of its seven affiliated groups, all NFTS materials that are normally distributed to local units. The Executive Committee agreed that, in view of the circumstances, these materials would be sent until the next NFTS Biennial Assembly, with the suggestion that meanwhile the South African Union of Temple Sisterhoods should consider whether they could work out a system of additional payment, since the policy of NFTS is for each non-U. S. local unit to pay \$10 per Sisterhood to NFTS per year, not for the District only to pay \$10, which has been done by South Africa.

LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

Letters of thanks from Mrs. Morton Wexler, Secretary to the NFTS Executive Director, for a wedding gift of china and from Miss Jane Evans for a television set presented to her by NFTS in honor of her 20th Anniversary as Executive Director, were read as filed.

LETTER FROM MRS. ANTHONY SCHWARTZ, FORMER NFTS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

Mrs. Zielonka read a letter which she had received from Mrs. Anthony Schwartz, who had been Chairman of the Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board at the April, 1953, Biennial Assembly. Mrs. Schwartz enumerated several areas in which she felt that action should be taken, namely with regard to local Sisterhoods thinking of certain criteria when submitting nominations for the Executive Board; Business and Professional Women's Sisterhood groups; the NFTS President's Packet; and NFTS finances. It was the sense of the meeting that in order to assist Sisterhoods in suggesting particularly well qualified candidates for the NFTS Executive Board, specific criteria regarding qualifications should be added to the candidates' blanks that are distributed to each Sisterhood. The wording of the additions would be presented to the Executive Board for its approval at its next meeting.

As there can be only one Sisterhood in each congregation, the Executive Committee felt that Business and Professional Women's Groups in congregations in which there was an established Sisterhood were actually part of that Sisterhood and need not be specially represented on the NFTS Executive Board nor necessarily covered by specific reference in the NFTS By-Laws. The President's Packet, it was pointed out, had been heartily endorsed through the questionnaire

that had been distributed to Sisterhoods in 1952. In connection with finances, a committee would be appointed to meet in New York, possibly in January, to study the eventual self-support of NFTS and related matters. As had been explained at the April, 1953, Board meetings, as yet little progress had been made in considering long-range financial matters.

DATES OF NFTS DISTRICT CONVENTIONS IN RELATION TO NFTS 1955 BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

Under NFTS policy, NFTS Districts do not hold a convention ninety days prior to a NFTS Biennial Assembly. This policy was instituted so that attendance at Biennial Assemblies and District Conventions would not suffer as a result of too close timing. In order to clarify this policy with regard to the NFTS 20th Biennial Assembly, February 13-17, 1955, in Los Angeles, Calif., the Executive Committee voted that a letter be sent immediately to each NFTS District stating that, in accordance with NFTS policy, date for District conventions should not be set between December 1, 1954, and March 1, 1955.

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP IN SISTERHOODS

One of the NFTS affiliates requested refund on payment of its dues because it had inadvertently included junior members in listing its total membership; these junior members do not pay full dues to the Sisterhood and, therefore, the Sisterhood does not feel it should pay \$1.00 per capita dues to NFTS for them. The Executive Committee considered it was not now in a position to decide this question; that it was a more basic problem than mere payment of dues. The matter was referred to the spring meeting of the Executive Board, after prior study by the Evaluation Committee. Further information is to be obtained from Sisterhoods with regard to the number of junior members, their ages, duration of junior memberships and marital status. It was also pointed out that in presenting the material to the Executive Board, attention should be given to an NFTY request that NFTS consider how young people, as they grow beyond the NFTY age, can participate in Sisterhood activity under financial arrangements they can afford.

The Executive Committee referred to the Evaluation Committee a study of the entire question of membership, both domestic and overseas, business and professional groups, as well as junior memberships.

SERVICE TO NON-U. S. LIBERAL CONGREGATIONS
REQUESTING RELIGIOUS TEXTBOOKS

The Liberal Jewish Congregation in Dublin, Eire and the congregation in Bombay, India have requested religious textbooks from NFTS. Some old UAHC textbooks were sent to Dublin because the need was extremely urgent, but the number sent could not meet the total need. It as agreed that an appeal be made to Sisterhoods for books which could be distributed to overseas congregations in need. A list of those which might be most effectively used in these religious schools would be obtained from Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Director of the Commission on Jewish Education, and this list would be sent to Sisterhoods to aid them in assembling books. However, the NFTS appeal would stress that no home library of Judaica should be depleted; only books that had been relegated to attics or were otherwise not in use would be requested.

REQUEST FOR ADVANCE TO PURCHASE TORAH

The Executive Committee approved an advance from the NFTS Treasury in order to send a Torah to the Liberal Jewish Congregation in Dublin. This advance will be repaid by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the congregation. Such action was deemed most desirable because the congregation and its auxiliary is now in great need of encouragement, having just sacrificed greatly to build a synagogue but being unable at the present to find a rabbi.

POLICY WITH REGARD TO NFTS DISTRICT
FEDERATIONS' TAKING ACTION ON SUBJECTS PRIOR
TO ACTION BY NFTS AND UAHC

It was pointed out that one of the NFTS District Federations was considering making a recommendation on a basic issue of Jewish education before policy had been established by either NFTS or the UAHC. Such action could embarrass both the District and national organizations and fragmentize the Reform movement. The President and Executive Director were asked to draft a letter expressing the sentiments of the Executive Committee to the President of the District Federation involved, submitting the draft to the Executive Committee at its session on the following day. After reviewing the policy attitude of the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, on the subject of resolutions and actions by its regional councils, it was deemed desirable to clarify for NFTS Districts, NFTS policy. On motion made and seconded, it was voted to in-

form NFTS Districts that "As subsidiaries of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, District Federations shall not initiate action or adopt any resolution on a matter of general, communal, or Jewish public interest, or undertake any new policy or project, without the written authority of the NFTS Executive Board, the President or the Executive Director."

TIME AND PLACE OF SPRING MEETING OF
NFTS EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Committee voted that the next meeting of the NFTS Executive Board should be held in New York City, April 28-29, 1954.

Union House of Living Judaism-
Berg Memorial
New York, New York
September 30, 1953

The Executive Committee met in Executive session throughout the morning of September 30, 1953, in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. During the Executive session, the letter to the District Federation, drafted by the President and the Executive Director to express the sentiments of the Executive Committee, was read, discussed, and unanimously accepted. Personnel problems were discussed and it was voted that a fourth Junior Executive be added to the NFTS staff in order for there to be an executive working with each of the NFTS departments, which now number four. Further business of this Executive session included the granting, without interest, of a loan in the sum of \$2,500, for educational purposes, to an employee who is a survivor of several European concentration camps in order for him to enter New York University Dental College as an advanced student that he might requalify as a dentist in the United States. It was agreed that the loan would be covered by term life insurance, the premium to be paid by NFTS, although the employee had offered to pay it. The decision was based in part on the fact that his wife also is an employee working to help support the family which includes a young child; the cost of term life insurance is nominal.

The afternoon meeting was called to order at 12:15 by the Chairman, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President. The Executive Committee first rose in tribute to Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr., Past President of NFTS who had passed away since the April, 1953 NFTS Biennial Assembly. The Executive Committee passed a resolution of tribute in memory of Mrs. Hart-

mann which was ordered spread upon the minutes of the organization and transmitted to her family.

The Executive Committee also sent Union-gram messages to Mrs. Willis Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio and Mrs. John Kruglick, Phoenix, Ariz., members of the NFTS Executive Board who were ill.

DEPARTMENTALIZATION OF NFTS COMMITTEES

It was voted by the Executive Committee that in accordance with the directive of the April, 1953 Biennial Assembly, the chairmen and vice-chairmen of the committees established under the NFTS departments, together with the chairman of the respective department and other Board and non-Board members would constitute the department personnel. With the exception of the Committees on Budget and Finance, Evaluation, and Revision of By-Laws, for which full individual committee personnel would be appointed, the departments would sit as committees of the whole for each NFTS Committee included within the respective department.

For two vacancies in committee chairmanships, the Executive Committee unanimously recommended that Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y., be invited to serve as Chairman of the Sisterhood Division of the Combined Campaign and Mrs. Myron Meyers, St. Joseph, Mo., as Chairman of the NFTS Committee on Family Education. The Executive Committee further voted full power to the President, in consultation with anyone whom she may choose, to act on its behalf should any other appointments for chairmanships, vice-chairmanships or committee personnel be necessary, knowing that the President would take into full consideration recommendations that have been received from various sources.

ELECTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

The Executive Committee elected Mrs. Robert Simons, Adath Israel, Louisville, Ky., to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn., who had resigned.

NFTS FILMSTRIPS

The Executive Committee, after full discussion of the educational value of filmstrips in explaining NFTS projects to Sisterhoods, approved the preparation of an initial filmstrip related to the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. The cost of production would be charged to the HLJ project and would be approximately \$1,500 for producing the film. It

was the consensus that the film would prove not only highly educational but inspirational for added contributions to the House of Living Judaism project.

HONOR LISTINGS—SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

The matter of revised quotas for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund referred to the Executive Committee by the Post-Convention NFTS Executive Board was discussed. After full presentation of a report from Mr. Hyman Kanter, the financial consultant, Miss Josephine Schoenborn of the NFTS Professional Staff and Miss Evans, the matter was referred for still further study to meet some objections that were raised. Further study was also felt necessary in view of the fact that there is a relationship between problems of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and the question of the total financial structure of NFTS which is also under study. The matter will be re-presented to the NFTS Executive Board at its April, 1954 meeting.

3000TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF JERUSALEM

It was reported that NFTS had been requested to be a sponsor of the New York meeting celebrating the 3000th Anniversary of the Founding of Jerusalem, under auspices of Bonds for Israel. It was moved that as there was no political implication in this historical event, NFTS would urge the UAHC to consider sponsorship but would follow the UAHC on the matter.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS, NFTS DISTRICT #24

Explanation was made that at the forthcoming convention of NFTS District #24, the Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, a revision of By-Laws would be proposed to the effect that each Sisterhood in that Federation would be assessed a certain sum per capita to help support the UAHC Youth Camp at Saratoga, California. As such a revision would contravene NFTS policy, inasmuch as it should have been presented to NFTS for approval prior to presentation, it was the sense of the meeting that NFTS Board members in the District and the District President should be so notified before the convention.

The Executive Committee again met in Executive session before closing. Mrs. Dalsheimer thanked the Committee for its cooperation, and the Committee thanked Mrs. Dalsheimer, Miss

Evans and the staff for a fruitful working session.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M. after a benediction which, like all other prayers during this Executive Committee session, was recited in unison.



(Mrs. Hugo)
HELEN M. DALSHHEIMER,
President

(Mrs. Jerome L.)
HANNAH SALM,
Recording Secretary

Executive Committee

National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
September 29-30, 1953

At the Union House of Living Judaism—
Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.

AGENDA

- I. Invocation in Unison; Page 8; NFTS Book of Prayers
- II. Roll Call; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Recording Secretary
- III. Executive Committee Personnel
 - A—Mrs. Clarence C. Strasburger's Resignation
 - B—Appointment to Fill Unexpired Term; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C.
- IV. Matters Referred to Executive Committee from the Biennial Assembly Executive Board Sessions
 - A—Holding the Interest of Past Board Members
 - B—Honor Listings of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
- V. Correspondence
 - A—Requests from Fellowship Students at HUC-JIR
- VI. New Business
 - A—Dates of District Conventions in Relationship to NFTS 1955 Biennial
 - B—Dues for Junior Members (Rodef Shalom Sisterhood, Pittsburgh, Pa.)
 - C—Service to Non-U. S. Liberal Congregations Requesting Religious Text Books
 - D—Request for an Advance for a Torah from the Ladies Auxiliary of the Dublin Progressive Congregation
 - E—Policy re: NFTS District Federations' Taking Action on Subjects Prior to Action by NFTS and UAHC
 - F—Request for a Loan for Educational Purposes by an Employee
 - G—Discussion of Departmentalization of NFTS Committees
 - H—Time and Place of Spring Meeting of Executive Board
 - I—NFTS Filmstrips
 - J—Report on London Meetings of the World Union for Progressive Judaism by Jane Evans
 - K—Further Business
 1. Committee Chairmen
 2. Special Fellowship from the Lecture Institute Appropriation
 3. Other items
- VII. Adjournment: Benediction in Unison. Page 47, NFTS Book of Prayers.
 1. Request for Four Months' Advance
 2. Request for Leave of Absence
 - B—Letter from Sisterhoods in Union of South Africa
 - C—Letters of Appreciation
 - D—Post-Biennial Letter from Mrs. Anthony Schwartz to Mrs. David Zielonka

REPORT OF THE

Treasurer

Evanston, Ill., February 1, 1954

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

There is submitted herewith the complete audit report of Loeb and Troper, Certified Public Accountants, auditors of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

The report of the auditors, on Exhibits E and F, presents the Treasurer's accountability of cash receipts and disbursements during the NFTS fiscal year November 1, 1952—October 31, 1953.

The Balance Sheet of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is shown on Exhibit A of the attached audit.

(MRS. IRVING E.) BEATRICE B. HOLLOBOW,
Treasurer

REPORT OF
Certified Public Accountants

January 15, 1954

To the President and the Executive Board,
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
838 Fifth Avenue
New York 21, N. Y.

Dear Mesdames:

We have examined the accompanying balance sheet of National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods as at October 31, 1953 and the related statements of income and expenditures for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, subject to comments throughout the report, the accompanying statements present fairly the financial position of National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods as at October 31, 1953 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

(Signed) LOEB & TROPER,
Certified Public Accountants

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

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A S S E T S

General Fund	
Cash in banks (Exhibit "F")	\$43,348.18
Cash on deposit with Union of American Hebrew Congregations	1,000.00
Investments in U. S. Savings Bonds — Series "F"—at cost (Schedule #1)	12,950.00
Deposit with travel agencies	425.00
Accounts receivable from Sisterhoods	138.00
Advances to employees for travel expenses	702.79
Notes receivable from Congregations (Schedule #2)	3,000.00
Miscellaneous advances to employee	1,070.28
Total Assets—General Fund	\$ 62,634.25(A)
National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	
Cash in banks—(Exhibit "E")	\$14,636.59
Investments in U. S. Savings Bonds — Series "F" — at cost (Schedule #1)	19,240.00
Accounts receivable from Sisterhoods	200.00
Total Assets—National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	34,076.59
House of Living Judaism Fund	
Cash in banks—(Exhibit "F")	23,372.04
Total	<u>\$120,082.88</u>

NOTES

(A)—The above assets do not include unpaid bills, other materials; and inventory of saleable materials.

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND BALANCES

General Fund

Liabilities

Due to Union of American Hebrew Congregations:		
For correspondence courses	\$ 1,187.25	
For lecture courses	30.00	
For share of deficit of publication of magazine "American Judaism"	1,545.30	
Undistributed balance in Braille Fund	<u>1,478.32</u>	\$ 4,240.87

Reserves—Restricted for Designated Purposes—(Exhibit "G") 5,641.64

Accumulated General Operating Fund Balance (Exhibit "B-1") 52,751.74

Total Liabilities, Reserves and Balance—General Fund.. \$ 62,634.25

National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund

Liabilities and Deferred Income

Due to Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion:	
For 1952-53 H.U.C. Scholarship Awards	\$ 7,675.00
Due to Sisterhoods for Free Religious Schools	160.00
Deferred income—contributions and Uniongram apportion- ments deferred to 1953-54	<u>1,900.00</u>

\$ 9,735.00

Accumulated Balance—National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund (Exhibit "B-2") 24,341.59

Total Liabilities, Deferred Income, and Balance — National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund 34,076.59

House of Living Judaism Fund

Balance (Schedule #3) 23,372.04

Total \$120,082.88

ating \$5,132.19 due on sales of Uniongrams and
 e from these sources is credited when collected.

**NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
NOVEMBER 1, 1952 TO OCTOBER 31, 1953**

	TOTAL INCOME	EXPEND- ITURE	1952-53 BALANCE OR DEFICIT
National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund .....(Exhibit "C")	\$ 61,450.12	\$ 68,400.86	(\$6,950.74)
General Fund—budgetary .....(Exhibit "D")	111,652.23	102,734.32*	8,917.91
General Fund — non-budgetary (office equipment) (Exhibit "D")		858.66	(858.66)
Total	\$173,102.35	\$171,993.84	\$1,108.51

***FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
(ALLOCATED BY THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS)**

Development and administrative expenses	\$ 14,488.79
Committee projects	29,239.31
Field and membership services (including speakers bureau).....	21,492.91
Production of saleable materials	23,877.41
Publication and public relations	11,481.67
Dues, contributions, and miscellaneous	2,154.23
Total	\$102,734.32

() denotes red figures.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
OCTOBER 31, 1952 TO OCTOBER 31, 1953

EXHIBIT "B-1"

RECONCILIATION OF ACCUMULATED GENERAL OPERATING FUND BALANCE

Balance—October 31, 1952.....		\$44,701.69
Add: Adjustment for write off of old outstanding check.....		5.80
General Operating Fund Balance for year ended October 31, 1953: (Exhibit "B")		
Budgetary Surplus	\$8,917.91	
Less: Non-Budgetary Expenditures	858.66	8,059.25
		\$52,766.74
Deduct: Adjustment for refund of materials returned from 1951-52 sales.....		15.00
Accumulated General Operating Fund Balance—October 31, 1953 (Exhibit "A")....		\$52,751.74

EXHIBIT "B-2"

RECONCILIATION OF ACCUMULATED BALANCE

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Balance—October 31, 1952		\$31,378.73
Deduct:		
Contributions included as income in 1951-1952 transferred to 1952-1953. \$	86.40	
Deficit for year ended October 31, 1953 (Exhibit "B").....	6,950.74	7,037.14
Accumulated Balance—National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund—October 31, 1953 (Exhibit "A")		\$24,341.59

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND
NOVEMBER 1, 1952 TO OCTOBER 31, 1953

INCOME

Contributions for National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education—from Sisterhoods, other organizations and individuals				\$21,758.61
Sales of:				
Uniongrams	\$50,310.15			
Less: 20% apportioned to General Fund	10,062.03	\$40,248.12		
"Thank You" Notes	\$ 864.00			
Less: 80% apportioned to General Fund	691.20	172.80	40,420.92	
Contributions received in 1951-1952, applied to 1952-1953			1,170.59	
				\$63,350.12
Deduct: Income deferred to 1953-1954				1,900.00
Total Income				\$61,450.12

EXPENDITURES

To Union of American Hebrew Congregations For religious education and youth work				\$35,000.00
To Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion—(Cincinnati)				
For 1952-53 Scholarship Awards:				
Transmitted	\$15,000.00			
To be transmitted	7,675.00	22,675.00		
For Fellowships at Hebrew Union College— Jewish Institute of Religion:				
Isaac Newman	\$ 1,650.00			
Hugo Green	1,800.00			
Isak Jerusalemi	1,800.00			
Walter Blumenthal	1,800.00	7,050.00		
For lectures			1,500.00	
To N.F.T.S. General Fund—10% of collections of \$21,758.61 as service fees for collection			2,175.86	
Total Expenditures				68,400.86
Deficit for Year Ended October 31, 1953....				<u>(\$6,950.74)</u>

() denotes red figures.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES—GENERAL FUND
NOVEMBER 1, 1952 TO OCTOBER 31, 1953

INCOME

National Dues		\$84,358.25
District Federation dues		200.00
Collections from sales of "Uniongrams"	\$50,310.15	
Less: Transfer of 80% to National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	40,248.12	10,062.03
Collections from sales of "Thank You" Notes.....	\$ 864.00	
Less: Transfer of 20% to National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	172.80	691.20
Collections from sales of:		
Art calendars	\$ 8,302.34	
Meeting cards	1,194.41	
Stationery	1,089.77	
Program material	425.43	
Past President Pins	1,142.43	
Parliamentary Law	41.06	
Books of Prayer	78.95	
Kiddush cards	248.83	
Badges and Tags	272.42	
Braille paper	92.70	
Due bills and bookkeeping forms	129.21	
Gavels	50.50	
Miscellaneous articles	245.12	13,313.17
Interest on savings account (less: \$2.88 transferred to Steinfeld Reserve)		123.81
Service fee for collection of contributions to Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.; Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse; National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund; and World Union for Progressive Judaism—Silver Coin Collection		2,903.77
Total Income		\$111,652.23

EXPENDITURES

Development and Administrative Expenses

Program production and material; and allocation of salaries, printing, office expenses and supplies, yearbook, meetings and conventions....

\$14,488.79

Committee Projects

Direct committee expenses; and allocation of salaries, printing, office expenses and supplies, yearbook, meetings and conventions

29,239.31

Field and Membership Services (including speakers bureau)

Travel expenses—staff, speakers bureau, Leaders Institute; and allocation of salaries, printing, office expenses and supplies, yearbook, meetings and conventions

21,492.91

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

EXHIBIT "D"
Continued

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EXPENDITURES, Cont'd.

Production of Saleable Materials

Uniongrams	\$ 4,190.04	
Art calendars	7,079.34	
Stationery for resale	285.98	
Past President Pins	1,089.10	
Presidents' Packets	602.33	
Miscellaneous saleable materials	52.63	
Allocation of salaries, printing, office expenses and supplies, yearbook, meetings and conven- tions (Exhibit "D-1")	10,577.99	23,877.41

Publication and Public Relations

Share of Publication of "American Judaism"...	\$ 8,500.00	
Publicity and Public Relations	2,981.67	11,481.67

Dues and Contributions

"Religion in American Life"	\$ 200.00	
National Conference of Christians and Jews....	100.00	
Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations	10.00	
Jewish Book Council of America	50.00	
Conference Group of U. S. National Organiza- tions on the U.N.	25.00	
Child Study Association of America	7.00	
National Jewish Music Council	10.00	
Women in World Affairs	10.00	
National Council on Family Relations	10.00	422.00

Miscellaneous (including personnel training, 40th anniversary, advertising, cartage and sundry items)		1,732.23
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Total Budgetary Expenditures		102,734.32
Budgetary Surplus		\$ 8,917.91

NON-BUDGETARY EXPENDITURES

Office equipment		(858.66)
General Operating Fund Balance for the year ended October 31, 1953		\$ 8,059.25

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NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

EXHIBIT "D-1"

DETAILED STATEMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES
AND SUPPLIES FOR N. F. T. S. ACTIVITIES
NOVEMBER 1, 1952 TO OCTOBER 31, 1953

Salaries (including \$9,500 to U.A.H.C. for salaries and \$39.40 for employees' hospitalization expense paid by N. F. T. S.)		\$26,783.26
Office supplies		4,042.32
Telephone and telegraph		1,420.78
Postage		7,014.57
Shipping charges		383.87
Consultant fees		1,800.00
Auditing and bonding		500.00
Office maintenance		90.00
Printing and multigraphing		9,301.49
Publications and subscriptions		475.25
Travel — officers		4,652.24
Cost of production of yearbook	\$ 5,191.45	
Less: Commitment therefor charged in 1951-52...	4,000.00	1,191.45
Meetings and conventions		<u>12,864.63</u>
 Grand Total—Allocated by N. F. T. S. to various activities as follows:		 <u><u>\$70,519.86</u></u>
 Development and administrative expenses.....	\$14,103.97	
Committee Projects	28,207.94	
Field and membership services (including speakers bureau)	17,629.96	
Production of saleable materials	<u>10,577.99</u>	
		<u><u>\$70,519.86</u></u>

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND
NOVEMBER 1, 1952 TO OCTOBER 31, 1953

RECEIPTS

Contributions for National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund—from Sisterhoods, other organizations and individuals		\$22,068.61	
Proceeds from sale of:			
Uniongrams (apportioned)	\$40,248.12		
"Thank You" Notes (apportioned)	172.80	40,420.92	
Total			\$62,489.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Transmitted to Union of American Hebrew Congregations:			
For religious education—1952-53	\$35,000.00		
Transmitted to Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion:			
For scholarships—1951-52	7,180.00		
For scholarships—1952-53	15,000.00	\$57,180.00	
Payments for Fellowships at Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion		7,050.00	
For lectures		1,500.00	
For Free Religious Schools		223.00	
Service fee for collection of contributions (10% of \$21,758.61) transferred to General Fund		2,175.86	
Total			68,128.86
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts			(\$5,639.33)
Balance in Banks—October 31, 1952			20,275.92
Balance in Banks—October 31, 1953 (as under)			\$14,636.59
Bank of the Manhattan Co.		\$14,022.96	
Canadian Bank of Commerce		613.63	
		\$14,636.59	

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NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
GENERAL FUND AND "HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM" FUND
NOVEMBER 1, 1952 TO OCTOBER 31, 1953

RECEIPTS

National Dues	\$ 84,358.25	
District Federation dues	200.00	
Proceeds from sales of—Uniongrams (apportioned)	10,546.43	
—"Thank You" notes (apportioned) ...	691.20	
Collections from sales of art calendars, meeting cards, stationery and other materials and articles	13,232.34	
Interest on bank accounts	133.81	
Service fee for collection of funds	2,903.77	
Contributions for "House of Living Judaism"	20,632.86	
Contributions—Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse	4,637.17	
Contributions—World Union for Progressive Judaism Silver Coin Collection	2,641.88	
Loans repaid—Sisterhoods' Synagogue Loan Fund	700.00	
Miscellaneous	74.51	
Total		\$140,752.22

DISBURSEMENTS

Expenditures: Budgetary	\$104,769.09	
Non-Budgetary (Office Equip- ment)	858.66	\$105,627.75
Transmitted to Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse	2,234.00	
Transmitted to World Union for Progressive Judaism Silver Coin Collection	2,000.00	
Service fee for collection of funds	727.91	
Campaign expenses and other expenditures— "House of Living Judaism"	5,223.42	
Loan made to Levittown Reform Temple by Synagogue Loan Fund	1,000.00	
Payment of 1951-52 Commitment for Production of Yearbook..	4,000.00	
Total		120,813.08

Excess of receipts over disbursements	\$ 19,939.14
Balance in banks and on hand—October 31, 1952	46,781.08
Balance in banks—October 31, 1953 (as under)	<u>\$ 66,720.22</u>

Held for "House of Living Judaism" Fund	\$ 23,372.04
Held for General Fund and Special Funds	43,348.18
Total	<u>\$ 66,720.22</u>

Southern Ohio Bank & Trust Co.—Cincinnati..	\$ 2,786.00
Provident Savings Bank and Trust Co. "	2,666.70
The Fifth-Third Union Trust Co. "	347.34
Bank of the Manhattan Co., New York City....	37,548.14
	<u>\$43,348.18</u>

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
GENERAL FUND RESERVES
RESTRICTED FOR DESIGNATED PURPOSES
TRANSACTIONS DURING THE YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 1953; AND
BALANCES OCTOBER 31, 1953

		<u>Balances</u>
		<u>Oct. 31, 1953</u>
Mrs. Martha Levy Steinfeld Memorial Reserve		
Balance, October 31, 1952	\$ 143.78	
Receipt of interest on the above balance	2.88	\$ 146.66
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Reserve for World Union for Progressive Judaism—Silver Coin Collection		
Balance, October 31, 1952	\$1,314.29	
Contributions during 1952-53	2,641.88	
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Remittances to World Union for Progressive Judaism—Silver Coin Collection	\$2,000.00	
10% collection fee to N. F. T. S. on \$2,641.88 received	264.19	
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	2,264.19	1,691.98
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Sisterhoods' Synagogue Loan Funds Capital		
Balance, October 31, 1952	\$3,653.00	
Interest received during 1952-53	10.00	3,663.00
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Other Reserves (no receipts or disbursements during the current fiscal year)		
Reserve for Braille Machine		40.00
Reserve for Committee on Family Education		100.00
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Total (Exhibit "A")		\$5,641.64
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NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

OCTOBER 31, 1953

SCHEDULE No. 1

INVESTMENTS IN

UNITED STATES SAVINGS BONDS—SERIES "F"—AT COST

	VALUE AT MATURITY	DATE OF MATURITY	COST
Held for General Fund	\$ 7,000.00	3/1/54	\$ 5,180.00
	10,000.00	12/1/54	7,400.00
	500.00	7/1/57	370.00
	<u>\$17,500.00</u>		<u>\$12,950.00</u>
Held for National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	\$10,000.00	7/1/57	\$ 7,400.00
	16,000.00	7/1/57	11,840.00
	<u>\$26,000.00</u>		<u>\$19,240.00</u>
Total	<u>\$43,500.00</u>		<u>\$32,190.00*</u>

* In accordance with official policy, the appreciated values of these bonds are not recorded. As at October 31, 1953 the redemption value was \$39,471.00. Upon maturity the excess proceeds over cost will be added to the available funds. The bonds were physically inspected at the N. F. T. S. bank vault.

AMERICAN JEWISH
ARCHIVES

SCHEDULE No. 2

NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM TEMPLES

	DATE OF NOTE	AMOUNT	DETAILS OF NOTE			
			AMOUNT	MATURITY		
Loaned to						
Free Synagogue of Laurelton, L. I., N. Y.	Jan. 25, 1950	\$1,000.00	\$200.00 300.00	6/1/52* & 6/1/54 &	6/1/53* 6/1/55	
Temple B'nai Israel Elmont, L. I., N. Y.	June 1, 1950 (Balance)	400.00		This note was paid in full Dec. 16, 1953.		
Temple Shalom, Bellerose, L. I., N. Y.	Nov. 1, 1950 (Balance)	600.00	200.00	11/1/53 11/1/54 &	11/1/55	
Levittown Reform Temple, Levittown, L. I., N. Y.	Sept. 23, 1953	1,000.00	62.50	quarterly beginning 10/1/54		
Total		<u>\$3,000.00</u>				

* Past due.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
 CUMULATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES AND CONTRIBUTIONS
 "HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM" PRINCIPAL
 NOVEMBER 1, 1945 TO OCTOBER 31, 1953

	TOTAL FROM INCEPTION OF CAMPAIGN (11/1/45 AND PRIOR) THROUGH 10/31/52	11/1/52 TO 10/31/53	TOTAL THROUGH 10/31/53
Contributions	\$448,553.28	\$20,632.86	\$469,186.14
Campaign Expenses and Other Expenditures			
Salaries—Director, Assistant, and Clerical	\$ 50,250.80	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 54,250.80
Travel expenses—Director	2,733.56		2,733.56
Printing, paper, composition, electros, engravings, envelopes, etc.	8,628.09	463.60	9,091.69
Art work and photographs	1,093.63	100.12	1,193.75
Postage	1,748.17	11.42	1,759.59
Telephone service	1,338.13		1,338.13
Miscellaneous office expenses	3,918.42	40.33	3,958.75
Furniture and equipment	1,498.60	499.50	1,998.10
Meeting costs and reporting service	876.75	15.00	891.75
Insurance and miscellaneous expenses	577.39		577.39
Office maintenance	443.55		443.55
Book of Living Judaism	284.22	93.45	377.67
Total Campaign Expenses and Other Expenditures	\$ 73,391.31	\$ 5,223.42	\$ 78,614.73*
*16.756% of gross contributions.			
Net Income from Campaign through October 31, 1953 — Available for "House of Living Judaism"	\$375,161.97	\$15,409.44	\$390,571.41
Less:			
Transfer of funds to U.A.H.C. for payment of site at 838 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.....	\$200,000.00		\$200,000.00
Transfer of funds to U.A.H.C. for kitchenette in "House of Living Judaism" (out of \$683.00 contributed in 1951-52 specifically earmarked for this purpose)	624.37		624.37
Transfer of funds to U.A.H.C. for payment of demolition of building, construction costs and equipment	166,575.00		166,575.00
Total—Transfers of Funds	\$367,199.37		\$367,199.37
Balance	\$ 7,962.60	\$15,409.44	\$ 23,372.04

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS—BUDGETARY REQUESTS 1953-54

	Actual 1951-52	Budget 1952-53	Requests 1953-54
N.F.T.S. DIRECT—Allocation of Administration Exp.			
Office Supplies, Postage, Telephone, Telegrams, Shipping	\$ 8,243.48	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Office Maintenance	7,875.60	6,544.40	7,100.00
Printing & Multigraphing	7,041.17	5,500.00	6,000.00
Publications & Subscriptions	510.55	750.00	750.00
Travel—Officers	1,188.78	3,000.00	5,000.00
Production—Year Book	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Meetings & Convention	5,949.25	9,000.00	4,500.00
Salaries & Staff Pensions, including pro-rated and direct clerical and accounting services	62,183.53	78,322.78	75,592.94
Total Administration Exp.			
Allocation to Activity:	\$ 96,992.37	\$ 117,117.18	\$ 114,942.94
20%—NFTS Development & Admin. Exp.	\$ 18,398.48	\$ 23,423.44	\$ 22,988.50
40%—Committee Projects	38,796.96	46,846.87	45,977.44
25%—Field & Membership Services, including Speakers Bureau	24,248.10	29,279.29	28,735.60
15%—Production—Saleable Materials	14,548.83	17,567.58	17,241.40
	\$ 96,992.37	\$ 117,117.18	\$ 114,942.84
FUNCTIONAL ACTIVITIES			
NFTS Development & Administration Exp.:	\$ 19,500.20	\$ 24,923.44	\$ 25,488.50
Committee Projects:			
Committee Direct & Administration Expenses	41,687.45	49,346.87	48,477.44
Field & Membership Services; incl. Speakers Bureau:			
Travel Expenses—Staff	562.22	3,500.00	3,000.00
Field Services—Speakers Bureau	4,981.23	5,000.00	5,500.00
Leaders' Meetings & Inst.	39.46	1,500.00	1,500.00
Educational Exhibits	5.75	250.00	250.00
Allocation—Admin. Exp.	24,248.10	29,279.29	28,735.60
Production—Saleable Materials:			
Producing Art Calendars, Uniongrams, Meeting Cards, Pins, etc.	15,897.36	12,500.00	14,000.00
Allocation—Admin. Exp.	14,548.83	17,567.58	17,241.40
Publicity & Public Relations:			
Publication—American Judaism	12,432.80	8,500.00	11,500.00
Publicity & Public Relations	488.38	2,500.00	2,500.00
Dues, Contributions, Misc.	1,661.29	1,800.00	2,000.00
TOTAL FUNCTIONAL ACTIVITIES	\$136,053.07	\$156,667.18	\$160,192.94

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Budgetary Requests 1953-54

	Actual 1951-52	Budget 1952-53	Anticipated and Requests 1953-54
NFTS INCOME:			
National Dues	\$ 79,665.35	\$ 81,000.00	\$ 82,000.00
District Federation Dues	200.00	200.00	200.00
Uniongrams & Thank You Notes	11,265.36	12,000.00	12,000.00
Sales of Art Calendars	7,478.73	7,000.00	7,250.00
Sales of Materials	4,783.09	4,000.00	5,000.00
*Service Fee for Collections	2,801.35	2,700.00	3,000.00
Interest on Savings Accounts	155.42	125.00	125.00
Interest on U. S. Savings Bonds Maturing in 1954	—	—	1,820.00
Total Direct NFTS Income	\$106,349.30	\$107,025.00	\$111,395.00
UAHC Appropriation for NFTS	45,950.82	49,367.18	45,504.94
TOTAL NFTS INCOME & APPROPRIATION	\$152,300.12	\$156,392.18	\$156,899.94

NFTS FUNCTIONAL EXPENDITURES & BUDGETS:

(Including Allocation of NFTS* Direct Administration Expenses—shown below)

NFTS Development	\$ 19,500.20	\$ 24,923.44	\$ 25,488.50
Committee Projects	41,687.45	49,346.87	48,477.44
Field Membership Services, including			
Speakers' Bureau	29,836.76	39,529.29	38,985.60
Production—Saleable Materials	30,446.19	30,067.58	31,241.40
Publication, Publicity & Public Relations	12,921.18	11,000.00	14,000.00
*Dues, Contributions, Misc	1,661.29	1,800.00	2,000.00
TOTAL NFTS EXPENDITURES & BUDGETS	\$136,053.07	\$156,667.18	\$160,192.94

NFTS DIRECT—Allocation of Administration Expenses

Office Supplies, Postage, Telephone, Telegrams, Shipping	\$ 8,243.48	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Office Maintenance	7,875.60	6,544.40	7,100.00
Printing & Multigraphing	7,041.17	5,500.00	6,000.00
Publications & Subscriptions	510.55	750.00	750.00
Travel — Officers	1,188.78	3,000.00	5,000.00
Production — Year Book	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Meetings & Convention	5,949.25	9,000.00	4,500.00
Salaries & Staff Pensions, including pro-rated and direct clerical and accounting services	62,183.53	78,322.78	75,592.94
Total Administration Expenses	\$ 96,992.36	\$117,117.18	\$114,942.94

SUMMARY:

NFTS Income and Appropriation	\$152,300.12	\$156,392.18	\$156,899.94
NFTS Expenditures and Budget	136,053.07	156,667.18	160,192.94
Total Operating Surplus or	136,053.07	156,667.18	160,192.94
Operating Deficit	—	\$ 275.00	\$ 3,293.00

Accumulated General Fund Surplus—October 31, 1952	\$ 44,701.69
Less: Budgetary Estimate—Deficit for 1952-53	275.00
Less: Deficit of Requests for 1953-54	3,293.00
Probable General Fund Surplus—October 31, 1954	\$ 41,133.69

NFTS FISCAL YEAR—NOVEMBER 1—OCTOBER 31.

**EXPLANATORY NOTES**

1. The item of income marked with an asterisk and called "Service Fee For Collections" represents a 10% service charge made by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, upon authority of its Executive Board, for the collection of funds for other agencies. For example: 10% of monies collected through NFTS for the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. is withheld to cover NFTS' cost of this fund raising.

It should be noted that 10% is a lower cost for fund raising than any single agency would need to allow in its own budget. Therefore, it is believed that this nominal 10% charge is extremely fair, not only to NFTS which is merely concerned in covering its own cost in serving other agencies, but also to the beneficiaries which have gained thereby.

2. The sum marked with an asterisk under expenditures which is listed, "Dues, Contributions and Miscellaneous" covers dues or contributions for the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to various agencies as approved by the NFTS Executive Board; subscriptions to magazines as needed in the work of various Committees; reference materials for the NFTS library, etc.

For example: within this category are small dues to the Conference Group of U. S. National Organizations on the United Nations, Women in World Affairs, Inc., Pan-Pacific Women's Association, as well as contributions to the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Jewish Information Bureau, Marriage and Family Living, etc.

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Family Education

St. Joseph, Mo., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

When the name of the NFTS Committee on Child Study and Parent Education was changed to the NFTS Committee on Family Education, a healthy growth seemed to ensue automatically. The word Family, with all of its meaningful connotations, has returned to favor in American life in general, and to American Jewish life in particular.

A questionnaire has recently been mailed to local and District Family Education Chairmen. Through an evaluation and analysis of the replies, it is evident that a majority of our affiliates do engage in some form of adult education. Although a real desire to learn more about our history and our faith was distinctly manifest, too few Sisterhood members avail themselves of the existing opportunities to attend organized classes.

One of the more encouraging developments in Sisterhood educational life has been the new or revised interest in personal prayer. Stimulated, perhaps, by the publication of the study course, "Prayer and the Union Prayerbook" and the service, "Bridge of Prayer" by the Sisterhood of Temple Beth El of Great Neck, New York, a more spiritual atmosphere has prevailed, not only where prayer is being used as a subject for study, but likewise at many NFTS District conventions.

The methods and types of study used in different Sisterhoods vary, but whether it be a session of group study, a lecture, a symposium, a forum or workshop, the motivating force seems to be the same—a desire to guide parents, to teach important basic knowledge and to impart fundamental Jewish values.

To prescribe a specific program of education for Sisterhoods of varying sizes is not always feasible. There are many ideas, however, that are adaptable to large and small affiliates alike. It is our hope to develop study groups in those communities that have been handicapped by the lack of trained leadership. If the desire to learn is as great as we believe it to be, the field of Family Education has not reached its full potential, but will continue to develop.

Family Education cannot be confined or restricted to studies of Jewish content alone. NFTS is a member of the National Council on Family Relations, the Adult Education Association and several other allied groups. NFTS representatives participated in the meeting of the Mid-Century Committee on Children and Youth during the past fiscal year.

If the legacy of the Jew is the "Aristocracy of Learning," then it behooves

the women of our generation to preserve our inheritance. We can give to our children the beautiful heritage that has come down to us through the ages. To this end we dedicate the efforts of this committee.

(Mrs. Myron M.) Della F. Meyer, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Jewish Ceremonials and Art

Trenton, N. J., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

The NFTS Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art has assisted Sisterhoods in organizing Judaica Shops by sending useful suggestions for new gift items and creating an increased awareness of Jewish ceremonials. There seems to be a revival of interest in the beauty of our traditions and Jewish symbols.

I sincerely hope that this coming year more of our Sisterhoods will dedicate one or more programs to Jewish Ceremonials and Art and thereby assist our young mothers and new members to appreciate this beautiful phase of Jewish life.

At the NFTS Biennial Assembly, April, 1953, a model Judaica Shop was displayed and the outline *Your Sisterhood Judaica Shop* was distributed. This booklet, available to all affiliates, contains suggestions for organizing and operating a Judaica Gift Shop together with sources of items.

15,000 copies of the NFTS Art Calendar for 5714 were originally run with a reprint of 5,000. This Art Calendar is dedicated to the Tercentenary of the Settlement of Jews in New Amsterdam and incorporates illustrations from two Union of American Hebrew Congregations filmstrips, *The Jews Settle in New Amsterdam* and *Isaac Mayer Wise, Master Builder of American Judaism*. The Art Calendar was sent with a Rosh Ha-shono Uniongram message from Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President, to Executive and members of the staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates, rabbis in UAHC congregations, CCAR rabbis in non-UAHC congregations and other rabbis in congregations where there are NFTS Sisterhoods, CCAR chaplains, faculty and student body of the HUC-JIR, members of the NFTS Executive Board and Presidents of organizations in the Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations.

(Mrs. Elmer Lentz) Lillian E. Shaffer, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Religious Extension

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

It is a privilege to submit the names of the twenty-three Sisterhoods which have affiliated with our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the fiscal year, November 1, 1952—October 31, 1953:

NEW AFFILIATIONS

CITY	SISTERHOODS	DATE
Wantagh, N. Y.	Suburban Temple Sisterhood	Nov. 11, 1952
Montgomery County, Md.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	Nov. 18, 1952
Englewood, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	Nov. 19, 1952
Huntington, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Huntington	Dec. 19, 1952
Closter, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El of Northern Valley	Dec. 22, 1952
Bronx, N. Y.	Judea Reform Temple Sisterhood	Dec. 23, 1952
Huntington Woods, Mich.	Sisterhood of Suburban Temple of Greater Detroit	Dec. 29, 1952
Tarrytown, N. Y.	Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary of the Tarrytowns	Jan. 1, 1953
Van Nuys, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Torah	Feb. 17, 1953
Syosset, N. Y.	Sisterhood of North Shore Synagogue	Mar. 18, 1953
Levittown, Pa.	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	May 18, 1953
Reseda, Calif.	Temple Judea Sisterhood	May 25, 1953
Culver City, Calif.	Temple Akiba Sisterhood of Culver City	July 13, 1953
Mattoon, Ill.	Mattoon Jewish Sisterhood	July 13, 1953
Fresno, Calif.	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	July 13, 1953
Washington, D. C.	Women's Auxiliary of Temple Sinai Sisterhood	Aug. 3, 1953
Sterling, Ill.	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom	Sept. 15, 1953
Great Neck, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel of Great Neck	Sept. 30, 1953
Somerville, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	Sept. 30, 1953
Freeport, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Union Reform Temple	Oct. 13, 1953
Montreal, Quebec, Canada	Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood	Oct. 15, 1953
Scarsdale, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Westchester Reform Temple	Oct. 22, 1953
Massapequa, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Massapequa Jewish Center	Oct. 27, 1953

The following Sisterhoods, for various reasons, have resigned from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the fiscal year, November 1, 1952—October 31, 1953:

RESIGNATIONS

CITY	SISTERHOODS	DATE
New York, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Elohim	Nov. 24, 1952
Astoria, N. Y.	Ladies Guild of Astoria Sisterhood	Mar. 12, 1953
Ashtabula, Ohio	Tifereth Israel Sisterhood	Apr. 29, 1953
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Shomray Sholom	July 2, 1953
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Congregation Ner Sholom	Sept. 30, 1953
Riverdale, Miss.	Adath Israel Sisterhood of Riverside	Oct. 2, 1953

There are 490 affiliated Sisterhoods as of October 31, 1953.

All new Sisterhoods have been warmly welcomed and NFTS charters have been presented to every group. It is our heartfelt wish that their association with NFTS may be a profitable and pleasant one. It is earnestly hoped that those Sisterhoods which have resigned may find it feasible to again join NFTS at an early date.

Local Religious Extension Committee chairmen have been assisted in their work of securing new members and integrating them into Sisterhood life, and they are cooperating in stimulating all members of their Sisterhoods to enter into the religious life of their congregations.

(MRS. LESTER S.) RUTH G. BLOCH, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Religious Schools

Milwaukee, Wis., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

Your chairman has conferred personally with Mrs. Beryl Cohon (Vice-Chairman) and with the NFTS staff to determine how best to aid individual Sisterhoods. We will continue to work closely with our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, which prepares curricula for religious schools throughout the country; we will urge all Sisterhoods to continue to help the rabbis and directors of religious schools in various capacities: such as helping with holiday parties, assisting schools financially, serving on religious school boards and where necessary, augmenting the teaching staff.

In some communities where there are no rabbis, Sisterhoods serve as the main source of religious education. It is the aim of this committee to assist them through personal correspondence and suggestions. We have communicated with

all local and District Sisterhood chairmen of Religious Schools, giving titles of newly published material and ideas for its use. Copies of these releases have been included in the Presidents' Packets and Board Folios. We realize that religious schools of different sizes have varying needs and in serving as a liaison among pupils, teachers and parents, we hope to be of great aid in specific situations.

Not too long ago, religious schools added kindergartens and high school departments to the curriculum. Now many congregations find nursery schools a need. In this category, mothers are invaluable in giving personal help. Holiday workshops are becoming more popular each year. It is the aim of Sisterhoods to foster interest and enthusiasm in them in order to have traditional ceremonies practiced in the homes. This cements the ties of home and synagogue, of child and parent, and promotes Judaism as a living force in our lives and the lives of our children.

It is with hope for strides in promoting the religious education of our children in all cities in which our Sisterhoods function that I submit this report.

(MRS. ARTHUR) BABETTE MARSHALL KOVACS, *Chairman*

AMERICAN JEWISH
DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Youth Activities

Jackson, Miss., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

During this fiscal year, a meeting of the Mid-Century White House Committee on Children and Youth was held in New York on December 1-2, 1952, at which NFTS was represented. This meeting reemphasized the importance of sharing organizational problems with youth. In our specific field, this could be interpreted that youth be represented on temple boards and committees and integrated into full participation in our temple life. The best way to plan for youth is with youth.

At the NFTS Biennial Assembly, New York, April 19-23, a very successful workshop, "Working with Youth," was held during which local problems and successes were discussed. Since it was the feeling of the NFTS Committee on Youth Activities that most youth groups wanted to know real programs and techniques, Miss Eleanor Schwartz, assistant director of NFTY, gave a general information talk on the history and present functioning of NFTY with answers also to specific questions. Actual, useful, helpful suggestions were given.

During this year a questionnaire was sent to local and District chairmen on Youth Activities, aimed at finding out how many Sisterhoods provide "Camps" to make attendance at Institutes and Conclaves possible for young people in their temple; how Sisterhoods are encouraging their youth to participate in temple affairs, and whether Sisterhoods are in close touch with the Regional Youth Federation and the National Federation of Temple Youth. Unfortunately few responses to this questionnaire have been received. The building of truly fine leadership for the future of Reform Judaism is one of the most important tasks we face today. What better way of doing this than through Institutes and Conclaves! Let us hope that all the answers to this questionnaire will be in the affirmative.

This year a UAHC camp site was acquired at Saratoga, Calif., the first fruits of which were two 10-day Jewish Youth Conferences for the camp's first summer. This is the Union's second camp site, the first being at Oconomowoc, Wis.

This past summer also witnessed two National Camp Leadership Institutes at Oconomowoc, Wis., and Regional Summer Camps at Saratoga, Calif., Sautee, Ga., Marshall, Mo., Dryden, Mich., Lakeland, N. Y., Oconomowoc, Wis., Saginaw, Pa., Honesdale, Pa., Alpine, Mass., near Indianapolis, Ind., and Echo Hill Ranch, Tex. Also in England, six American delegates represented NFTY at the five-day Camp Leadership Institute of the World Union for Progressive Judaism Youth Section.

At the Institutes and Conclaves, approximately 75% of the camps were provided by Sisterhoods. 1,340 young people, ranging in age from 15 to 18 years, had the wholesome experience of working, planning, learning together the way to leadership and have come away from these Institutes ready and able to translate the ideas and techniques learned into the program of the youth groups in their temples.

The jointly sponsored HUC-JIR and NFTY essay contest came to a close during this year and was highly successful. Eighty essays were submitted, and twelve temple youth representing every section of the land were announced as the winners. The late fall issue of *American Judaism* published selections from the essays submitted. The topics were, *If I Were the Rabbi, My Program for Reform Judaism, What I Will Teach My Children about Judaism*. Each of the essays breathes with a spirit of love and concern for Judaism.

This year, NFTY published a new catalog which lists three dozen current mimeographed program releases. These appear also as articles in the program magazine, "The Youth Leader," three issues of which have been released since last fall. Five issues of the NFTY newspaper, "The Messenger" were issued. These NFTY program aids and the NFTY Mitzvah program of study, worship, and service to others have been the guiding lights in helping youth groups function effectively and efficiently.

We of the Youth Activities Committee firmly believe "Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old, he will not depart from it."

(MRS. D. H.) CELESTE L. ORKIN, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON HUMAN RELATIONS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Emergency Services

Brooklyn, N.Y., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

We feel proud of the many Sisterhoods throughout the country which have responded to the call for service as ground observers in civilian defense, by contributing to the work of American Relief for Korea and through service to the men and women in the armed forces, in the veterans hospitals and to the chaplains overseas. NFTS groups, in cooperation with eight other national members of the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board, have done much of their service in these areas through the "Serve-A" and Veterans Administration Voluntary Service projects.

There are now 72 "Serve-A" committees: "Serve-A-Camp," "Serve-A-Hospital," and "Serve-A-Chaplain." NFTS affiliates are represented in at least 60 of them. Sisterhoods have undertaken programs in cooperation with VA Voluntary Service in more than 100 veterans' hospitals. Sometimes their work is a form of cooperation with other groups. At other times they sponsor individual parties and games for specific wards or groups of wards. Many individual Sisterhood members are acting as volunteers in library, recreational, occupational therapy and other fields.

The committees as a whole have served 122 areas and have shipped a total of a million gifts a year. Sisterhoods can claim proper credit for a vital share in this program.

In response to special appeals, more than 50 Sisterhoods in areas where no "Serve-A" or VA Voluntary Service Committees exist have supplied various kinds of materials for use by our armed forces and hospitalized veterans in this country and overseas. For example, thousands of individually wrapped packages were shipped as special Chanukko gifts. Additional thousands of food packages were made available for Passover. Hundreds of ditty bags (small drawstring bags filled with comfort articles) have been made and shipped to military and veterans hospitals.

We conclude this report in the hope that we may be further inspired to action by *all* the aims and purposes of the entire program of NFTS.

(MRS. ISIDOR) ROSE ENSELMAN, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON HUMAN RELATIONS

REPORT OF THE

Committee on Interfaith Activities

Kansas City, Mo., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

The Revised Kit on Institutes on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women's Groups was released during this past year. The new NFTS publication "Program and Study Materials" contains evidence of unique Interfaith programs which have been given by various Sisterhoods. Programs containing "The Cavalcade of Jewish Festivals" have been used as an educational technique in many localities. Temple Sisterhood B'nai Jehudah, Kansas City, Mo., held a successful Institute on Judaism for Public School Teachers. An Institute on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women's Groups was held by Temple Emanu El Sisterhood, Spokane, Wash. There seems to be an increasing effort on the part of the local Councils of Church Women to plan jointly with Sisterhoods in arranging Interfaith programs. Such planning on a year around basis has been urged by your Chairman.

During October, 1953, your Chairman conducted Workshops on Interfaith at the conventions of NFTS District #11, the Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and of NFTS District #20 (Ia., Kan., Mo., Neb., Colo., N. Mex.). The value of inter-religious activity by Sisterhoods was clarified and given further direction.

It is recommended that a survey of Interfaith activities be made during the coming year, thereby obtaining more accurate and comprehensive information on Interfaith activities. In many instances local Sisterhoods have not sent to NFTS a report of their excellent work. Such a survey would afford an evaluation of present practices, a sharing of ideas and lead to the exploration and development of additional techniques.

The Committee on Interfaith is most grateful to the rabbis and to Sisterhood and community leaders who have participated and who have worked diligently and effectively to create better understanding in their respective communities. Through our activities in Interfaith, we are discovering ways of living together with our Christian neighbors, in a spirit of more enlightened fellowship.

(Mrs. LOUIS J.) EVA S. CASHDAN, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON HUMAN RELATIONS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Jewish Literature for the Blind

East Orange, N. J., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

Exhibits of this committee at the NFTS Biennial Assembly, Hotel Roosevelt, New York, N. Y., April 1953, were well received. The Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., of which NFTS is the patron body, displayed numerous brailled volumes, including the Hebrew Braille Bible. The other section of the exhibit was a model Braille Bindery set up by the five towns Bindery (Hewlett, Woodmere, Cedarhurst, Lawrence and Inwood, Long Island) and faithfully manned by Mrs. Milton Steinhardt.

Mr. Leopold Dubov, executive vice-president of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., was granted a sabbatical leave as a prelude to his retirement which will start in the spring of 1954. Dr. Jacob Freid has taken over the task of being the Institute's executive director. The organization was moved from Harrison Avenue, Bronx, N. Y., to 101 W. 55th Street, New York 19, N. Y. Appropriate dedicatory services are planned for December 8. Over 90% of the books of the Library of the Jewish Braille Institute have been brailled by NFTS affiliates.

Funds for the aid of the blind which were received this year were again divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., and the Palestine Light-house for European Jewish Blind Survivors of World War II. These funds amounted to \$4,637.17.

The following Sisterhoods and individuals contributed toward underwriting issues of the *Jewish Braille Review*, publication of the Jewish Braille Institute, between November 1, 1952—October 31, 1953.

December, 1952—Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., in memory of Henry Horner.

May, 1953—Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Minneapolis, Minn.

January, 1953—Blind Service Association, Chicago, Ill., in memory of Dr. Joseph Stolz.

March, 1953—Women's Association of Temple B'nai Jeshurun, Newark, N. J.*

June, 1953—Temple Beth El Sisterhood, South Bend, Ind., in memory of Pfc. Nathan Garnitz, Lt. Irving I. Horwich, Lt. Philip Levy and Lt. Arthur A. Simon who gave their lives in World War II.

* Because of an adjustment on NFTS records, this contribution is not reflected in the total contributions for 1952-53 but will be included in the total for 1953-54.

July–August, 1953—Mrs. August Lorch, Mrs. Horace Hirsh and Mrs. J. B. Folz of Dallas, Tex., in memory of August Lorch.

September, 1953—Mrs. Hilda Lipsey, Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Jeshurun, Des Moines, Ia.

It should be noted that an issue of the *Jewish Braille Review* may be underwritten for \$250. For this sum, the issue carries a dedicatory page written as the donor desires.

We urge Sisterhoods throughout the country to encourage members to join the increasing ranks of braille transcribers. The growing number of blind babies who will depend on braille for their education and vocation will bring great demands on all of us. The correspondence course given by the Library of Congress is useful for learning braille but it is far better to have personal instruction from a certified brailist.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Cooperation with the Braille Club: The Braille chairman of NFTS and individual Sisterhood braillists should receive the bulletin of the Braille Club, c/o Mrs. Emil Dreschler, 18 Gould Ave., Newark, N. J. Membership in the club is open to braillists for the modest sum of \$2.00 per annum which includes a subscription to the bulletin. Through the club we might secure a list of transcribers throughout the country so that we will know where Braille teachers are available, thus simplifying our procedure for helping NFTS affiliates find instructors for braille classes. Therefore, the chairman recommends that NFTS become a member-subscriber of the Braille Club and encourage its braille groups to do likewise.

Your chairman reiterates her insistence that there be closer contact, through NFTS, with the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.

The titles available at the Library of the Jewish Braille Institute of America should be increasingly publicized so that circulation of the library's books is increased by even more than the 32% gain accomplished by Dr. Freid during this year, his first as executive director of the Institute. However, this achievement is not to be underestimated. With most Braille libraries showing a decrease in circulation, because of the talking book and other factors, it is significant that the Jewish Braille Library is showing an increase. Let us, as the patron body of the Jewish Braille Institute, strive to widen even further the use of the books in the Jewish Braille Library.

(Mrs. HARRY H.) HELAINE M. LOWENSTEIN, *Chairman*

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE NFTS COMMITTEE ON
JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

SPECIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
European Jewish Blind Survivors
of the Palestine Lighthouse

Few organizations have an opportunity for unique service. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods won this distinction, when, in 1948, it joined with the Committee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse to aid blind victims of Nazi atrocities. It should give NFTS members satisfaction to have financially underwritten so generous a part of this unduplicated work.

The work has been one of patient searching, finding, rehabilitating and organizing the blind into a group. When 4,500 vanished from Central Europe in the Hitler terror, the Palestine Lighthouse found 324 survivors. We alone sought to rescue them. We alone, with you, are supplying care.

Picture conditions when the allowance contributed to the blind by the local Jewish communities for all living expenses must be covered by \$10 a month in the Eastern Zone of Germany and by \$30 a month in the Western Zone. Seventy-five dollars a month is estimated as the cost of bare subsistence.

Much depends on the regular receipt of our parcels of food, drugs, clothing and other necessities; 324 blind have received help. One hundred and eleven receive continuous aid. In 1953, we mailed 15,880 pounds of food, 2,830 pounds of clothing, 190 pounds of knitting wool, cigarettes, sheets, blankets, medicines, filling individual prescriptions and medical supplies. Holy Days are observed by special gift packages.

The rehabilitation of spirit followed logically the immediate need of saving lives. Braille letters have been sent in the language of the recipient, emphasizing our interest in his personal needs and hopes. A Social Club with bi-monthly meetings has been established in West Berlin attended by the blind residents from the Russian as well as the Allied Zone and their environs. It has a permanent location, which we were able to secure, and a reliable leader. Four large cases of refreshments for meetings have been mailed from New York during 1953. The usual attendance at a meeting is about 200 persons: the blind and their guides (the latter paid by us). Three times a week the services of a social worker are available to the members, for guidance and advice. An important new service is performed by a group of volunteer sighted who visit the club weekly and read to the blind.

The club writes:

"We are very thankful for the packages . . . They are not only doing well in respect to our body but especially to our soul . . . We are all very, very dependent because we are still living in a real Galuth. The hope to go to another country we have abandoned, and so we are most thankful for your friendship with us . . . God bless you all. P.S. Would it be possible to furnish us with 3

or 4 Braille Handwriters?" (Five have been secured and are being sent, with paper and international postage stamps, to Berlin.)

From Berlin we learn that all the Braille literature belonging to the Jewish blind was burned by the Nazis. They have no German Braille books to replace the loss. In an effort to meet the void thus created we suggest to your Braille writers that they *create some literature in German Braille*. Again, you would be blazing an untrodden trail and filling an urgent and important need—unique and unduplicated! On request we will send a chart of the German Braille alphabet. We have been told by experts it is not difficult for a German speaking Braille transcriber to master; the difference from English Braille is slight. Apply to us for further details and working directions.

Another need the blind have indicated is their thirst for *good music*. A gift of phonograph records would go far toward making their hours at the club more meaningful and happy. Records should be forwarded to the Palestine Lighthouse, 2109 Broadway, N. Y., N. Y., and labeled "*For the European Blind*" with name of donor and address printed for acknowledgment.

A Jewish Prayer Book in German Braille has recently been published in Switzerland. We are buying several copies for the club. Besides its other uses, it is planned that club members will be able to read from it invocations to open club meetings. How moving and inspiring it is that their meetings are opened with the same traditional words as are our own!

To the Sisterhood we say: The need is still with us. Let the sorrows and plight of the most unfortunate blind in all the world plead with you to continue your wholehearted and generous support.

A blind poet interprets friendship as, in part, a compensation for loss of sight. Accept his brave words as a spiritual gift.

"Trials do not stay,
Hope holds the door ajar,
And when one light goes out,
God lights another star."

LEAH PIZA WEIL, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON HUMAN RELATIONS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Peace and World Relations

Elkins Park, Pa., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

The work of the Peace and World Relations Committee can be divided into two parts: that done by members of the committee representing NFTS and that

done by the committee in each local Sisterhood. On the NFTS level, we have had representatives at the Third Annual Conference of the American Association on the United Nations on U. S. Responsibility for World Leadership; the National Conference on Citizenship, sponsored by the U. S. Department of Justice, and the National Education Association and other meetings. NFTS is a member of the Conference Group of U. S. National Organizations on the United Nations, has a member serving on behalf of the World Union for Progressive Judaism as an accredited observer at the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations and cooperates with the U. S. Committee on the United Nations for United Nations Day. NFTS also cooperated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis in urging the President of the United States and the Senate to ratify the Genocide Convention.

More of our Sisterhood members are learning of the structure and functions of the United Nations. Since this is the best instrument for insuring world peace which the world has yet devised, it is fitting that Sisterhoods should concern themselves with this study. More and more Sisterhoods have participated in the observance of United Nations Week. They are also using the NFTS study guide concerning the United Nations, *To Unite Our Strength* by Frances Thomas, as well as the NFTS monthly summary of news events, *Current Copy*, edited by Mrs. Thomas who is a consultant to NFTS on international relations. Salient points from *Current Copy* are also presented at each Sisterhood meeting. Many Sisterhoods have taken definite steps toward informing their membership of the evils inherent in the McCarran Immigration Law and the need of having the law changed.

It is gratifying to note that as our women have become more concerned with the functioning of the United Nations, we can see a sense of responsibility toward maintaining and strengthening this organization. It follows naturally then, that many of the study groups now are interested in learning of the dangers inherent in the Bricker Amendment, or any constitutional amendment which would limit the President's traditional freedom in the conduct of foreign affairs, beyond the safeguards now established.

As a suggestion for the future I should like to recommend that local Peace and World Relations chairmen take the initiative, where possible, in cooperating with other organizations in united activity on problems concerning peace. We must gain more courage in initiating this kind of activity. Only by increasing our knowledge of the mechanics of peace and by learning more about the thinking of the enemies of either democracy or peace can we learn to "seek peace and pursue it" and perhaps even eventually find it.

(MRS. ALBERT) SARAH FARBER, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM
REPORT OF THE SISTERHOOD DIVISION
OF THE
COMBINED CAMPAIGN OF THE
UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE
HEBREW UNION COLLEGE-JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

Having assumed the national chairmanship of the Combined Campaign's Sisterhood Division this fall; I have had only a brief period to acquaint myself with what we, as Sisterhood members, are doing to support our great parent bodies of American Reform Judaism, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. I am happy to report that my findings are most encouraging. As of this date, more than 40 local Sisterhoods have appointed Combined Campaign chairmen and have pledged fullest cooperation in working with the congregation's campaign committee.

A few Sisterhoods have explained that their congregations meet the national responsibility through special assessments, while others report that their participation will have to be postponed because their congregations are too small, or new or have organizational problems. Here, I would sound a warning that the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion obviously cannot suspend their essential activities until each congregation solves its own problems. Our temples must find a way to meet both national and local needs. Sisterhood can help to find this way. We can be our congregation's conscience in spurring it to accept its full share of the national responsibility.

Once a campaign is inaugurated, we can help as workers and we can influence more generous giving on the part of our families and friends. As mothers and wives, we must do our part, so that our national institutions can continue to give us able and inspiring spiritual leaders and teachers.

It is hoped that the coming year will be marked by the unanimous acceptance of the principle on the part of all Sisterhoods that we will do our share through the Combined Campaign, to keep our national religious institutions the vibrant, dominant force they have been throughout the proud history of American Reform Judaism.

(Mrs. LEON L.) GERTRUDE WATTERS, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

REPORT OF THE

House of Living Judaism — NFTS Project

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

As we reflect upon the two years that have passed since the dedication of our beautiful Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial, we have reason to take pride in the loyalty and devotion of the members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to this project. This magnificent structure is more than just a building, more than just an address, more than a thing of physical beauty located on world-famed Fifth Avenue, New York. The bricks, mortar, stone and steel were put together with inspirational and spiritual fervor and represent the future of Reform Judaism, dedicated to the glory of God.

During these two years, more than 20,000 persons, from all over the United States and from countries overseas, passed through the building. Their praise for this truly beautiful center of Reform Judaism was unanimous. For its architectural merit, it was awarded a certificate by the Committee on Architectural Awards of the Fifth Avenue Association. This certificate now hangs in the lobby of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial.

In April, 1953, a second volume of the Book of Living Judaism was started. This volume is cumulative, and for every contribution of \$10.00 a name is being inscribed in honor or in memory.

At the same time, an illuminated parchment plaque was hung on the East wall of the Sisterhood Lounge. On it are being inscribed, exactly as on the fireplace wall, the names of those Sisterhoods who have fulfilled their quota of \$10.00 per member since the erection of the House of Living Judaism. We hope that, in the very near future, the name of every Sisterhood will be recorded in the Sisterhood Lounge as having contributed its full share to the completion of our home.

Following is a review of contributions and expenditures to date.

THE NFTS HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM FUND

Income Through 10/31/53

393 participating Sisterhoods contributed \$463,735.02
This represents 239 Sisterhoods who fulfilled their quotas;
154 Sisterhoods who have not yet fulfilled their quotas,
although many are over or nearing the half-way mark.

Contributions from District Federations	3,257.25
Contributions from miscellaneous sources	1,488.87
Contributions to Special Kitchenette Fund	705.00
Total contributions through 10/31/53	\$469,186.14
Total campaign expenses (16.756% of gross contributions)	78,614.73
Net income through 10/31/53	\$390,571.41

Expenditures Through 10/31/53

Transfer of funds to UAHC for payment of site at 838 Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.	\$200,000.00
Transfer of funds to UAHC for payment of demolition of building on site, construction costs and equipment	166,575.00
Transfer of funds to UAHC for Kitchenette	624.37
Total expenditures through 10/31/53	\$367,199.37
Unexpended balance 10/31/53	\$ 23,372.04

It is a privilege to record the latest roll of honor for this project.

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM HONOR ROLL

Quotas Completed or Exceeded November 1, 1952 - October 31, 1953

- Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Wichita, Kansas
- Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim, Alexandria, La.
- Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple, Jackson, Mich.
- Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple, St. Paul, Minn.
- Shaare Emeth Sisterhood, St. Louis, Mo.
- Sisterhood Beth Sholom-People's Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Women's Guild of the Free Synagogue of Westchester, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
- Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue, New York, N. Y.
- B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood, Rochester, N. Y.
- Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood, El Paso, Tex.
- Bluefield-Princeton Sisterhood, Bluefield, W. Va.

Funds are still needed to complete the building. The two additional floors, which were provided for in the architect's plans, are urgently needed to relieve congestion. A library of synagogue literature, for which space was set aside on the mezzanine, and new equipment for the shipping department, are among other vital needs. We hope that the continued cooperation of our Sisterhoods will enable us to take care of these needs before the 1955 Biennial.

(Mrs. Sol) RUTH K. TEKULSKY, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

The Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

Columbia, S. C., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

During the past year there have been many demands upon the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. Besides the two-fold primary purpose of this Fund, which is to give scholarships to eligible students in need of aid on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and an annual contribution to the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, toward its religious educational work, including its Department of Youth Activities, NFTS has also underwritten other activities.

The allocations during the 1952-53 fiscal year were as follows:

1. Scholarships for eligible students of the HUC-JIR—\$22,500.
2. Annual contribution toward the religious education program, including the Department of Youth Activities, of the UAHC, our parent body—\$35,000.
3. Underwriting Lecture Institutes for Religious School Teachers (joint UAHC-NFTS project)—\$1,500.
4. Maintaining fellowships for pre-rabbinic and rabbinic students from overseas—\$7,200.

At the present time there are four young men from overseas holding fellowships on the Cincinnati campus of the College-Institute. After they have been ordained as rabbis they will serve congregations abroad affiliated with the World Union for Progressive Judaism. This is one of the most effective ways of encouraging the spread of Liberal Judaism in other countries. The current fellowship holders are from Czechoslovakia, Poland, Turkey and Union of South Africa.

We have had to postpone very important projects, such as granting adequate assistance to married students and to students on the New York campus of the HUC-JIR, because the needs of the Fund have increased more rapidly than the contributions.

Our national president summed up the importance of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, when she wrote: "The most vital services to Jewish and humanitarian causes in which your Sisterhood and we continually participate, are made possible through our Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. . . . We, the members of the NFTS, are religiously motivated women who are banded together for furthering the ideals of Reform or Liberal Judaism. We

have a special responsibility to these commitments. They represent our unique contribution to Judaism, services which *only* we render. Our obligations to these commitments take priority over other projects for nurturing Judaism and Jewish life."

For the 40th birthday of NFTS, January 21, 1953, a short, dramatic script was distributed for local Sisterhoods to use in celebrations designed to point up the needs and importance of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. A special function at the Union House of Living Judaism also stressed the activities of the Fund. The program of the opening brunch at the NFTS 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly, April 19, 1953, was dedicated to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

At the Executive Committee meeting on September 29, 1953, the subject of revised quotas and honor listings for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, referred to the Executive Committee by the Post-Convention NFTS Executive Board, was discussed. The matter was referred for still further study in view of the fact that there is a relationship between problems of the Fund and the question of the total financial structure of NFTS which is also under study. This will be brought to the attention of the Executive Board in April, 1954, in New York.

Surely, the women of Sisterhood will meet the challenge of ever-increasing demands upon their Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and will make every effort to increase their cash contributions to the Fund and the sale of Uniongrams so that NFTS will be in a position to meet its obligations. As religiously motivated women, Sisterhood members must see that the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund will never grow old. Since "Life Begins at 40," NFTS will continue to serve with vigor Liberal Judaism that it may ever go forward.

(MRS. MELVIN S.) GLADYS HARRIS, Chairman

Distinguished Service List

Contributions of \$500.00 or more

	1952-53
Alabama	
Birmingham.....Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	\$ 500.00
California	
Hollywood.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	582.20
Los Angeles.....Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood.....	519.00
San Francisco.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El Guild.....	500.00
.....Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood.....	500.00
Connecticut	
Hartford.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	500.00
District of Columbia	
Washington.....Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation.....	500.80

Illinois		
Chicago.....	Beth Am Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	866.80
	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah Israel.....	500.00
	Temple Shalom Sisterhood.....	500.00
Indiana		
Evansville.....	Washington Ave. Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Iowa		
Davenport.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	500.00
Louisiana		
New Orleans.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer.....	540.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue.....	576.00
Maryland		
Baltimore.....	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.....	886.80
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	500.00
Massachusetts		
Boston.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	500.00
Michigan		
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	500.00
New Jersey		
Newark.....	Women's Association of B'nai Jeshurun.....	750.00
	New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	630.00
New York		
Buffalo.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood.....	500.00
Great Neck.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck.....	529.80
New Rochelle.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	500.00
New York.....	Women's Auxiliary of Congregation Emanu-El.....	675.80
White Plains.....	Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center....	567.20
Ohio		
Canton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	500.80
Cincinnati.....	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood.....	600.00
	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	600.00
Cleveland.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	700.40
	Temple Women's Association.....	550.00
Columbus.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood.....	500.00
Dayton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	603.55
	Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	500.00
Pennsylvania		
Pittsburgh.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood.....	1,665.00
Tennessee		
Memphis.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	500.00
Texas		
Dallas.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	500.00
Washington		
Seattle.....	Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch.....	500.00
West Virginia		
Charleston.....	Virginia St. Temple Sisterhood.....	500.20
Wisconsin		
Milwaukee.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.....	760.00

Honor Roll

Contributions of \$350.00-\$500.00

		1952-53
California		
Oakland.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	\$ 350.40
Delaware		
Wilmington.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth.....	350.00
Georgia		
Atlanta.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Illinois		
Chicago.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	351.80
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	350.40
	Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Peoria.....	Anshai Emeth Sisterhood.....	433.00
Indiana		
Indianapolis.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	369.20
Iowa		
Cedar Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....	350.00
Kentucky		
Louisville.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
Minnesota		
Minneapolis.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	350.00
St. Paul.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple.....	350.40
Mississippi		
Clarksdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
Missouri		
Kansas City.....	B'nai Jehudah Sisterhood.....	350.00
St. Louis.....	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood.....	350.00
Nebraska		
Omaha.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	352.80
New York		
Albany.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	450.00
Brooklyn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom.....	350.80
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush.....	350.00
	Sisterhood Beth Sholom Peoples Temple.....	358.00
New York.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.....	400.00
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood.....	350.00
New York Federation	of Temple Sisterhoods.....	350.60
Ohio		
Toledo.....	Collingwood Ave. Temple Sisterhood.....	447.60
Oklahoma		
Oklahoma City.....	Jewish Ladies Aid & Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	413.20
Oregon		
Portland.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	360.00

Pennsylvania

Allentown.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	472.80
Philadelphia.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	355.20
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	350.40
Pittsburgh.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	350.40

Tennessee

Nashville.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
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Texas

Houston.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
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West Virginia

Huntington.....	Ohev Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	350.40
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Canada

Montreal.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	350.00
Toronto.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00

Honorable Mention

Contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
Increased by at least 5% (but not less than \$1.00) during 1952-53

		1951-52	1952-53
Alabama			
Dothan.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	\$ 40.00	42.40
Gadsden.....	Temple Aid Society.....	11.40	21.90
Jasper.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	41.00	43.05
Sheffield.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	20.80	29.20
Tuscaloosa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	14.00	15.00
Arizona			
Tucson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	163.00	171.15
Arkansas			
Blytheville.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....		20.00
Helena.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El.....	72.20	76.00
Hot Springs.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel.....	22.40	24.00
Little Rock.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	227.20	238.56
California			
Alameda.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	12.40	13.60
Berkeley.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	26.40	28.80
Beverly Hills.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....		60.00
Culver City.....	Temple Akiba Sisterhood.....		9.60
Glendale.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	46.20	48.80
Hollywood (North).....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	256.20	269.20
Los Angeles.....	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood.....	37.80	39.69
Los Angeles.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Westchester.....		24.00
Redondo Beach.....	Temple Menorah Sisterhood.....	19.20	20.60
Reseda.....	Temple Judea Sisterhood.....		2.40
Riverside.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....		95.20
San Bernardino.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	17.60	56.00
San Mateo.....	Peninsula Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	34.00	36.00
Santa Ana.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	21.40	28.20
Santa Monica.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	99.20	105.00
Stockton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	52.00	55.20
Temple City.....	Temple Beth David Sisterhood.....	24.00	104.00
Van Nuys.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Torah.....		8.00

Colorado

Colorado Springs.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	44.20	48.20
Denver.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	148.00	156.00
Trinidad.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood.....	15.20	16.80

Connecticut

South Norwalk.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	13.00	20.00
Waterbury.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	52.80	68.80

Florida

Coral Gables.....	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center.....	.....	14.40
Ft. Lauderdale.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	22.40	45.60
Jacksonville.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	64.60	67.83
Pensacola.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	.....	55.20
St. Petersburg.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El.....	8.00	64.00
Tallahassee.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	.....	25.00
Tampa.....	Temple Guild Sisterhood.....	95.20	108.20
West Palm Beach.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	1.60	18.40

Georgia

Albany.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	8.00	48.00
Augusta.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	10.40	69.60
Columbus.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society.....	141.20	148.26
Macon.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	81.28	196.20
Rome.....	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.....	.....	22.40
Savannah.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel.....	93.20	98.40

Illinois

Bloomington.....	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood.....	1.20	62.80
Chicago.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	88.80	93.24
	K. A. M. Temple Sisterhood.....	32.80	44.00
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	89.40	94.20
Evanston.....	Beth Emet Sisterhood.....	20.00	21.00
Kankakee.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	4.80	9.60
Rockford.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	137.60	177.20
Springfield.....	Sisterhood of Temple Brith Sholom.....	92.40	97.60

Indiana

Anderson.....	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood.....	29.60	31.20
Kokomo.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	12.00
Marion.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	63.20	87.20
Michigan City.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	96.00	100.80
Muncie.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	70.40	73.92
South Bend.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	120.00	180.80

Iowa

Des Moines.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood.....	8.20	197.60
Sioux City.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai.....	69.60	73.60

Kansas

Leavenworth.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Jeshurun.....	22.40	38.40
Topeka.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood.....	.....	101.20
Wichita.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	40.00	42.40

Kentucky

Ashland.....	The Ashland Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	10.40
Henderson.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood.....	28.00	30.00
Hopkinsville.....	Adath Israel Ladies Auxiliary.....	1.60	2.60
Lexington.....	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	179.20	197.60
Louisville.....	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood.....	199.62	209.60
Paducah.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	66.15	69.46

Louisiana

Alexandria.....	Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	123.00	129.40
Baton Rouge.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	28.00	62.00
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood.....	64.00	71.20

Lake Charles.....	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood.....	28.00	31.00
Lafayette.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	39.00	57.60

Maryland

Cumberland.....	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood.....	19.60	39.20
Hagerstown.....	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood.....	39.80	63.40
Montgomery County.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....		1.00

Massachusetts

Boston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom.....	280.00	300.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	40.00	139.40
Lawrence.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel.....	150.00	181.20
Lowell.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....		14.80
Lynn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	52.00	80.00
Malden.....	Temple Tifereth Israel Sisterhood.....		8.00
Pittsfield.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	22.40	40.00
Springfield.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	28.00	29.60
Worcester.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	159.00	191.00

Michigan

Alpena.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	1.20	7.20
Bay City.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	15.00	36.00
Benton Harbor.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	28.80	96.80
Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	226.03	237.55
Flint.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	72.20	179.15
Grand Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	149.00	156.45
Huntington Woods.....	Sisterhood of the Suburban Temple of Greater Detroit.....		139.40
Muskegon.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	80.00	137.60
Petoskey.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	14.80	16.00

Minnesota

Duluth.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	120.68	126.71
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Mississippi

Brookhaven.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom.....	24.00	25.60
Canton.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	4.80	48.80
Columbus.....	Columbus Temple Sisterhood.....	24.00	60.40
Greenville.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood.....	32.00	33.60
Hattiesburg.....	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood.....	41.60	43.68
Laurel.....	Laurel Temple Sisterhood.....	13.00	14.00
Lexington.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood.....	3.20	4.20
Natchez.....	Natchez Temple Sisterhood.....		64.00
Tupelo.....	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood.....	16.00	17.60

Missouri

St. Joseph.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood.....	90.40	96.20
St. Louis.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	20.00	40.00

Nebraska

Lincoln.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood.....	29.60	31.20
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New Jersey

Camden.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	28.40	40.00
East Orange.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo.....	232.00	243.60
Elberon.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood.....	29.20	31.20
Elizabeth.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	56.00	60.20
Englewood.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....		47.20
Hoboken.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno.....	1.60	10.40
Jersey City.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	60.00	63.20
Lakewood.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am.....		27.40
New Brunswick.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple.....	59.80	85.60
Paterson.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood.....	98.40	252.40
Plainfield.....	Temple Sholom Sisterhood.....	76.00	80.00
Teaneck.....	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	42.84	123.20
Trenton.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood.....	76.00	88.00

New Mexico

Albuquerque..... Temple Albert Sisterhood.....	12.00	13.60
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New York

Batavia..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	20.00	64.00
Bellerose..... Sisterhood of Temple Sholom.....	3.20	4.80
Binghamton..... Temple Concord Sisterhood.....	143.60	150.80
Brooklyn..... Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim.....	296.80	322.40
..... Sisterhood of Union Temple.....	90.00	120.00
Chappaqua..... Women's Guild of Temple Beth-El.....	.....	12.65
Cortlandt..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	8.00	9.60
East Meadow..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El of East Meadow.....	.....	32.00
Elmira..... Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	80.00	84.00
Elmont..... Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel of Elmont.....	38.40	40.80
Flushing..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	92.00	96.60
..... Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	42.00	44.40
Forest Hills..... Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah.....	36.00	39.60
Glens Falls..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	9.60	28.80
Hempstead..... Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple.....	46.00	157.46
Hornell..... Beth-El Sisterhood.....	5.60	157.46
Huntington..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Huntington.....	.....	8.00
Jamaica..... Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	115.20	121.80
Larchmont..... The Sisterhood of Larchmont Temple.....	4.80	15.40
Laurelton..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	8.00	9.60
Lawrence..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	20.00	60.00
..... Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	.....	49.60
Levittown..... Levittown Reform Temple.....	6.40	19.20
Lynbrook..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	80.00	84.40
Merrick..... The Sisterhood of the Reform Jewish Congregation of Merrick.....	.....	5.00
Mt. Vernon..... Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	51.40	66.60
Newburgh..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	60.00	140.20
New Hyde Park..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	31.00	64.00
New York..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am.....	22.40	27.60
..... Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant.....	.....	18.40
..... Sisterhood of East End Temple.....	8.00	10.60
..... Sisterhood of Fort Washington Synagogue.....	.....	1.00
..... Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim.....	.....	16.00
..... Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle.....	9.60	24.00
..... Judea Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	2.40
Niagara Falls..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	120.00	132.00
Oceanside..... Sisterhood of Temple Avodah.....	.80	31.80
Port Washington..... Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue.....	28.00	29.60
Riverdale..... Riverdale Temple Sisterhood.....	.....	1.00
Rockville Centre..... The Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County..	174.40	278.20
Roslyn..... Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	20.00	40.00
Rye..... Sisterhood of Community Synagogue.....	32.40	34.40
Saranac Lake..... Sisterhood of the Jewish Community Center of Saranac Lake.....	.....	4.80
Schenectady..... Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven.....	36.00	54.00
Spring Valley..... Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	.....	5.00
Syracuse..... Sisterhood of Society of Concord.....	252.00	264.80
Tarrytown..... Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary.....	.....	27.40
Utica..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	14.40	19.20
Wantagh..... The Suburban Temple.....	.....	4.80
Yonkers..... Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	116.00	121.60

North Carolina

Asheville..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Ha Tephila.....	132.80	174.60
Gastonia..... Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	.....	25.60
Goldsboro..... Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	11.00	58.00
Greensboro..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	57.00	60.20
Raleigh..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or.....	20.00	21.60
Rocky Mount..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	20.00	21.60
Wilmington..... Ladies' Concordia Society.....	4.80

North Dakota

Fargo..... Beth El Sisterhood.....	19.20	32.00
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Ohio

Akron.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	306.40	346.20
Cleveland.....	Suburban Temple Women's Committee.....	2.00	157.00
East Liverpool.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	26.25	30.00
Elyria.....	Elyria Sisterhood.....	4.20	5.20
Lorain.....	Sisterhood of Lorain Temple.....	72.00	78.80
Piqua.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	8.00	9.60
Sandusky.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood.....	24.80	26.40
Springfield.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women.....	37.60	40.00
Steubenville.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	51.20	60.00
Youngstown.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood.....	251.20	264.00
Zanesville.....	Findlay Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	1.00	2.00

Oklahoma

Ardmore.....	Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood.....	12.00	17.40
Muskogee.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood.....	20.00	26.00
Tulsa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	126.00	188.00

Pennsylvania

Abington.....	Old York Road Temple.....	32.00	68.00
Altoona.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	61.74	64.83
Clearfield.....	The Clearfield Sisterhood.....	12.00	13.60
Erie.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	152.00	300.00
Greensburg.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	49.60	52.08
Hazleton.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	86.40	162.20
Johnstown.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	133.81	241.99
Levittown.....	Temple Shalom Sisterhood.....	.....	5.60
McKeesport.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	.....	55.20
Philadelphia.....	Beth David Sisterhood.....	92.20	115.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea.....	163.20	171.60
Reading.....	Sisterhood of Temple Oheb Shalom.....	250.99	264.00
Scranton.....	Sisterhood of Madison Ave. Temple.....	48.00	50.80
Sharon.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	55.20	180.40
Wilkes-Barre.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith.....	28.00	100.80
Williamsport.....	Sisterhood Beth Ha-Shalom.....	52.00	54.60
York.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	106.60	112.00

South Carolina

Camden.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	8.80	9.80
Charleston.....	K. K. Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood.....	110.40	239.60
Conway.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway.....	12.00	13.00
Georgetown.....	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood.....	14.00	16.60
Greenville.....	Temple of Israel Sisterhood.....	.....	14.40
Sumter.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	92.60	97.60

South Dakota

Sioux Falls.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood.....	16.00	17.00
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Tennessee

Brownsville.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	11.20	24.80
Clarksville.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	7.20	8.80
Jackson.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	48.80	52.00
Knoxville.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	116.97	123.60

Texas

Austin.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	20.20	40.00
Beaumont.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	62.00	65.10
Ft. Worth.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	264.55	293.98
Houston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	240.00	252.00
Kilgore.....	Beth Shalom Sisterhood.....	.....	40.00
Lubbock.....	Shaareth Israel Sisterhood.....	.....	28.00
Lufkin.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	15.00	18.60
Marshall.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore.....	20.40	21.60
Tyler.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	29.60	31.20
Wichita Falls.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	1.20	12.00

Utah

Salt Lake City.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	73.60	77.40
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Vermont

St. Johnsbury.....Beth El Sisterhood.....	7.40	8.80
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Virginia

Alexandria.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	38.60	40.80
Harrisonburg.....Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation.....	33.60	36.00
Norfolk.....Ohef Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	80.00	84.00
Richmond.....Beth Ahabah Sisterhood.....	97.60	142.48

Washington

Spokane.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	98.40	115.00
Tacoma.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	84.00	88.20

West Virginia

Beckley.....Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	32.00	34.00
Bluefield.....Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood.....	.....	20.00
Morgantown.....Tree of Life Sisterhood.....	84.80	100.00
Parkersburg.....B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	34.40	50.00
Welch.....Emanuel Sisterhood.....	67.00	70.40
Wheeling.....Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood.....	106.80	112.40

Wisconsin

Appleton.....Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	109.80	115.40
Oshkosh.....Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	42.40	57.00

Panama

Colon, R. P.....Sisterhood Kaal Kadosh Yangakob.....	4.00
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District Federations

#12.....Kentucky-Tennessee.....	21.60	25.00
#13.....South Carolina.....	10.00
#14.....Florida, Georgia, Alabama.....	.....	40.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF

Contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

With the exception of Districts 23 and 25, the divisions listed in this report are District units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The following symbol (*) indicates groups that are not members of the District Federation under which they are listed.

DISTRICT No. 1—\$1,716.60 New England

	CONTRIBUTIONS	1952-53
Boston, Mass.....Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	\$	500.00
Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom (In memory of Rabbi Samuel J. Abrams).....		300.00
Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....		139.40
Brockton, Mass.....Temple Israel Sisterhood.....		60.60
Lawrence, Mass.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....		181.20
Lowell, Mass.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....		14.80

Lynn, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	80.00
Malden, Mass.....	Temple Tifereth Israel Sisterhood.....	8.00
Pittsfield, Mass.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	40.00
Springfield, Mass.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	29.60
Worcester, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	191.00
Providence, R. I.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	163.20
St. Johnsbury, Vt.*.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	8.80

DISTRICT No. 2—\$1,096.80

Connecticut

(The Rose Zunder Memorial)

Bridgeport, Conn.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 8.00
Hartford, Conn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	500.00
S. Norwalk, Conn.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	20.00
Waterbury, Conn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	68.80
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		500.00

DISTRICT No. 3—\$9,492.91

New York¹

Albany, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	\$ 450.00
Batavia, N. Y.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	64.00
Bay Shore, N. Y.....	The Women's Club of Temple Sinai.....	8.00
Bellerose, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom.....	4.80
Binghamton, N. Y.....	Temple Concord Sisterhood.....	150.80
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom.....	350.80
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim.....	322.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush.....	350.00 ²
	Sisterhood Beth Sholom Peoples' Temple.....	358.00
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue.....	64.80
	Sisterhood Shaari Zedek.....	19.20
	Sisterhood of Union Temple.....	120.00
Buffalo, N. Y.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood.....	500.00
Chappaqua, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of Temple Beth El.....	12.65
Cortlandt, N. Y.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel.....	9.60
East Meadow, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El of East Meadow.....	32.00
Elmira, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	84.00
Elmont, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel of Elmont.....	40.80
Flushing, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	96.60
	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing.....	44.40
Forest Hills.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah.....	39.60
Glens Falls, N. Y.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	28.80
Great Neck, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck.....	529.80
Hempstead, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple.....	157.46
Hornell, N. Y.....	Beth-El Sisterhood.....	5.60
Huntington, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Huntington.....	8.00
Jamaica, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Jamaica.....	121.80
Kingston, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	16.80
Larchmont, N. Y.*.....	The Sisterhood of Larchmont Temple.....	15.40
Laurelton, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	9.60
Lawrence, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	60.00
	*Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	49.60
Levittown, N. Y.....	Levittown Reform Temple.....	19.20
Long Beach, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	9.60
Lynbrook, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	84.40
Merrick, N. Y.....	The Sisterhood of the Reform Jewish Congregation of Merrick.....	5.00
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of the Free Synagogue of Westchester.....	1.20
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple.....	66.60
Newburgh, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	140.20

(1) Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, and Temple Holy Blossom Congregation, Toronto, Ontario, Canada are affiliates of the New York Federation. See "Foreign" listing.

(2) \$50.00 of this amount in honor of NFTS 40th anniversary; \$100 in memory of Bessie Weynberg and Stella Wolff.

New Hyde Park, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	64.00
New Rochelle, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	500.00
New York, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am.....	27.60
	Central Synagogue Sisterhood (The Jonah B. Wise Contribution).....	350.00
	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant.....	18.40
	*Sisterhood of East End Temple.....	10.60
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Emanu-El.....	675.80 ³
	Sisterhood of Fort Washington Synagogue.....	1.00
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim.....	16.00
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle.....	24.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.....	71.20
	Judea Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	2.40
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood (Blanche Gilman Contribution).....	350.00
	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. Rudolph Grossman).....	400.00 ⁴
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx.....	21.00
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood.....	100.00
	Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue....	30.40
Niagara Falls, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	132.00
Oceanside, N. Y.*	Sisterhood of Temple Avodah.....	31.80
Port Washington, N. Y.	Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue.....	29.60
Riverdale, N. Y.*	Riverdale Temple Sisterhood.....	1.00
Rockville Centre, N. Y.	The Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County.....	278.20
Roslyn, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	40.00
Rye, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Community Synagogue.....	34.40
Saranac Lake, N. Y.	Sisterhood of the Jewish Community Center of Saranac Lake....	4.80
Schenectady, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven.....	54.00 ⁵
Spring Valley, N. Y.	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	5.00
Staten Island, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	5.80
Syracuse, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Society of Concord.....	264.80
Tarrytown, N. Y.*	Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary.....	27.40 ⁶
Troy, N. Y.	The Sisterhood of Third St. Temple.....	56.80
Utica, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	19.20
Wantagh, N. Y.*	The Suburban Temple Sisterhood.....	4.80
White Plains, N. Y.	Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center..	567.20
Yonkers, N. Y.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	121.60
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Sallie Kubie Glauber Memorial Contribution).....		350.60

DISTRICT No. 4—\$2,566.60

New Jersey

Atlantic City, N. J.	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 34.20
Camden, N. J.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	40.00
East Orange, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo.....	243.60
Elberon, N. J.	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood.....	31.20
Elizabeth, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	60.20
Englewood, N. J.*	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	47.20
Hoboken, N. J.	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno.....	10.40
Jersey City, N. J.	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	63.20
Lakewood, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am.....	27.40
Newark, N. J.	Women's Association of Temple B'nai Jeshurun.....	750.00
New Brunswick, N. J.	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple.....	85.60
Paterson, N. J.	Barnert Temple Sisterhood.....	252.40 ⁷
Plainfield, N. J.	Temple Sholom Sisterhood.....	80.00
Teaneck, N. J.	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood.....	123.20
Trenton, N. J.	Har Sinai Sisterhood.....	88.00
New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		630.00

(3) \$150.00 of this amount in honor of 40th NFTS Anniversary.

(4) \$150.00 of this amount in honor of 40th NFTS Birthday.

(5) \$5.00 of this amount in memory of Sally Kubie.

(6) \$5.00 of this amount in memory of Stephen Lionel Siegel, son of Rabbi and Mrs. Paul Siegel.

(7) \$200.00 of this amount in honor of the 50th Anniversary of Rabbi Max Raisin in the Rabbinate.

DISTRICT No. 5—\$5,832.50
Pennsylvania

Abington, Pa.....	Old York Road Temple.....	\$ 68.00
Allentown, Pa.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.....	472.80
Altoona, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel.....	64.83
Clearfield, Pa.....	The Clearfield Sisterhood.....	13.60
Easton, Pa.....	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace.....	200.00
Erie, Pa.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	300.00
Greensburg, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	52.08
Harrisburg, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Shalom.....	113.00
Hazleton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple.....	162.20
Johnstown, Pa.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	241.99
Lancaster, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim.....	180.20
Levittown, Pa.*.....	Temple Shalom Sisterhood.....	5.60
McKeesport, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	55.20
New Castle, Pa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	65.60
Philadelphia, Pa.....	Beth David Sisterhood.....	115.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea.....	171.60
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood (Dr. Joseph Krauskopf Memorial)....	355.20
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood.....	350.40
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	48.00
	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. J. Leonard Levy and commemorating his birthday, Nov. 24).....	640.00
	Confirmation Class, 1953 (in honor of Dr. Solomon B. Freehof and Rabbi Harold Silver) (Given by Mrs. Jessie Forst in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Falk.).....	675.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	350.40
Reading, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Shalom.....	264.00
Scranton, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Madison Ave. Temple.....	50.80
Sharon, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	180.40
Uniontown, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	19.00
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Brith.....	100.80
Williamsport, Pa.....	Sisterhood Beth Ha-Shalom.....	54.60
York, Pa.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	112.00

DISTRICT No. 6—\$6,107.35
Ohio

Akron, Ohio.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	\$ 346.20
Bellaire, Ohio.....	Sisterhood Sons of Israel.....	17.60
Canton, Ohio.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	500.80
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Rockdale Ave. Temple Sisterhood (The Dr. David Philipson Memorial Contribution).....	600.00 ⁸
	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood (Isaac Mayer Wise Contri- bution).....	600.00
Cleveland, Ohio.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	8.00
	Euclid Ave. Temple Sisterhood.....	700.40 ⁹
	Suburban Temple Women's Committee.....	157.00
	Temple Women's Association.....	550.00
Columbus, Ohio.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood.....	500.00
Dayton, Ohio.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	603.55
East Liverpool, Ohio.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	30.00
Elyria, Ohio.....	Elyria Sisterhood.....	5.20
Hamilton, Ohio.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	58.40
Lima, Ohio.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	2.40
Lorain, Ohio.....	Lorain Temple Sisterhood.....	78.20
Piqua, Ohio.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	9.60
Sandusky, Ohio.....	Ohev Shalom Sisterhood.....	26.40
Springfield, Ohio.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women.....	40.00
Steubenville, Ohio.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	60.00

(⁸) \$25.00 of this amount from Mrs. Willis Gradison in honor of Mrs. Dalsheimer's leadership as NFTS President, and in memory of Mrs. Leo Feldman.

(⁹) \$200.00 of this amount in honor of NFTS 40th Anniversary.

Toledo, Ohio.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood.....	447.60
Youngstown, Ohio.....	Rodef Sholom Sisterhood.....	264.00
Zanesville, Ohio.....	Findlay Ave. Temple Sisterhood.....	2.00
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In honor of birthday of Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg) .....	.....	500.00

DISTRICT No. 7—\$1,354.60

West Virginia

Beckley, W. Va.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	\$ 34.00
Bluefield, W. Va.....	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood.....	20.00
Charleston, W. Va.....	Virginia St. Temple Sisterhood.....	500.20
Clarksburg, W. Va.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood.....	16.00
Fairmont, W. Va.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	28.00
Huntington, W. Va.....	Ohev Shalom Temple Sisterhood.....	350.40
Logan, W. Va.....	Logan Temple Sisterhood.....	12.40
Morgantown, W. Va.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood.....	100.00
Parkersburg, W. Va.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	50.00
Welch, W. Va.....	Emanuel Sisterhood.....	70.40
Wheeling, W. Va.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood.....	112.40
Williamson, W. Va.....	Williamson Temple Sisterhood.....	60.80

DISTRICT No. 8—\$3,557.28

District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina

Washington, D. C.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation (The Dr. Abram Simon Memorial).....	\$ 500.80
Baltimore, Md.*.....	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.....	886.80
	Har Sinai Sisterhood.....	304.00
	Ohev Shalom Sisterhood (The Szold-Kaiser Contribution).....	500.00
Cumberland, Md.....	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood.....	39.20
Hagerstown, Md.....	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood.....	63.40
Montgomery County, Md.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	1.00
Wilmington, Del.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth.....	350.00
Alexandria, Va.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El.....	40.80
Bristol, Virginia, Tenn.....	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood.....	2.80
Danville, Va.....	Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood.....	9.00
Fredericksburg, Va.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	29.80
Harrisonburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation.....	36.00
Lynchburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue.....	33.20
Norfolk, Va.....	Ohev Shalom Temple Sisterhood.....	84.00
Richmond, Va.....	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood.....	142.48
Roanoke, Va.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	135.40
Staunton, Va.....	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood.....	8.00
Asheville, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila.....	174.60
Charlotte, N. C.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	4.80
Gastonia, N. C.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	25.60
Goldsboro, N. C.....	Temple Ohev Shalom Sisterhood.....	58.00
Greensboro, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	60.20
Raleigh, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or.....	21.60
Rocky Mount, N. C.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	21.60
Wilmington, N. C.....	Ladies' Concordia Society.....	4.80
Winston-Salem, N. C.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel.....	19.40

DISTRICT No. 10—\$1,935.67

Indiana

Anderson, Ind.....	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood.....	\$ 31.20
Evansville, Ind.....	Washington Ave. Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
Fort Wayne, Ind.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood.....	227.20
Gary, Ind.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	92.40
Hammond, Ind.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	79.40
Indianapolis, Ind.....	The Temple Sisterhood (In honor of Mrs. A. Ebner Blatt).....	369.20

Kokomo, Ind.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood.....	12.00
Lafayette, Ind.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	4.00
Marion, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	87.20
Michigan City, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	100.80
Muncie, Ind.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	73.92
South Bend, Ind.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	180.80
Terre Haute, Ind.....	The Women's Organization.....	177.55

DISTRICT No. 11—\$1,875.55

Michigan

Alpena, Mich.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	\$ 7.20
Battle Creek, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	71.80
Bay City, Mich.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	36.00
Benton Harbor, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	96.80
Detroit, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El (The Yahrzeit Fund and the Paula Kahn Brown Contribution).....	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	237.55
Flint, Mich.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	179.15 ¹⁰
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	156.45
Huntington Woods, Mich.....	*Sisterhood of the Suburban Temple of Greater Detroit.....	139.40
Jackson, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	122.40
Muskegon, Mich.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	137.60
Petoskey, Mich.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	16.00
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob.....	153.60
Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		21.60

DISTRICT No. 12—\$2,113.86

Kentucky-Tennessee¹¹

Ashland, Ky.....	The Ashland Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 10.40
Henderson, Ky.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood.....	30.00
Hopkinsville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Ladies Auxiliary.....	2.60
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	197.60
Louisville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood.....	209.60
Paducah, Ky.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	69.46
Brownsville, Tenn.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	24.80
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple.....	160.00
Clarksville, Tenn.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	8.80
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	52.00
Knoxville, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple.....	123.60 ¹²
Memphis, Tenn.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood (In honor of Mrs. Earle V. Scharff)	500.00
Nashville, Tenn.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In memory of Mrs. Maurice L. Garfein and Mrs. Joe Silverstein)		25.00

DISTRICT No. 13—\$566.25

South Carolina

(In Memory of Mrs. Rose Hirschman)

Camden, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	\$ 9.80
Charleston, S. C.....	K.K. Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood.....	239.60
Columbia, S. C.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life.....	120.00 ¹³
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway.....	13.00
Darlington, S. C.....	Darlington Temple Sisterhood.....	7.20
Dillon, S. C.....	Dillon Temple Sisterhood.....	4.80

(¹⁰) \$12.75 of this amount in honor of 40th NFTS anniversary.

(¹¹) B'nai Israel Sisterhood, Sheffield, Alabama is an affiliate of NFTS District #12. See "District #14" listing.

(¹²) \$22.00 of this amount in honor of 40th NFTS Anniversary.

(¹³) \$75.00 of this amount in honor of 40th NFTS Anniversary.

Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	30.85 ¹⁴
Georgetown, S. C.....	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood.....	16.60
Greenville, S. C.....	Temple of Israel Sisterhood.....	14.40
Lake City & Kingstree, S. C.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood.....	2.40
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	97.60
South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		10.00 ¹⁵

DISTRICT No. 14—\$2,152.64
Georgia-Florida-Alabama

Albany, Ga.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	\$ 48.00
Atlanta, Ga.....	The Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Augusta, Ga.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	69.60
Brunswick, Ga.....	Temple Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood.....	4.00
Columbus, Ga.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society.....	148.26
Macon, Ga.....	Beth Israel.....	196.20
Rome, Ga.....	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood.....	22.40
Savannah, Ga.....	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel.....	98.40
Coral Gables, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center.....	14.40
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	45.60
Jacksonville, Fla.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	67.83
Miami, Fla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	40.00
Miami Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	8.00
Orlando, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism.....	53.60
Pensacola, Fla.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	55.20
St. Petersburg, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El.....	64.00
Tallahassee, Fla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	25.00
Tampa, Fla.....	Temple Guild Sisterhood.....	108.20
West Palm Beach, Fla.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	18.40
Birmingham, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	500.00
Dothan, Ala.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	42.40
Gadsen, Ala.....	Temple Aid Society.....	21.90 ¹⁶
Huntsville, Ala.....	Huntsville Temple Sisterhood.....	24.00
Jasper, Ala.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	43.05
Sheffield, Ala.♦♦.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel.....	29.20
Tuscaloosa, Ala.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	15.00
Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....		40.00

♦♦Affiliated with NFTS District #12

DISTRICT No. 16—\$1,457.44
Mississippi-Arkansas

Brookhaven, Miss.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom.....	\$ 25.60
Canton, Miss.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	48.80 ¹⁷
Clarksdale, Miss.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
Cleveland, Miss.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood.....	4.00
Columbus, Miss.....	Columbus Temple Sisterhood.....	60.40 ¹⁸
Greenville, Miss.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood.....	33.60
Hattiesburg, Miss.....	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood.....	43.68
Jackson, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	122.00
Laurel, Miss.....	Laurel Temple Sisterhood.....	14.00
Lexington, Miss.....	Julia Lewis Sisterhood.....	4.20
Meridian, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	112.00
Natchez, Miss.....	Natchez Temple Sisterhood.....	64.00
Ruleville-Drew, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Ruleville-Drew.....	20.00
Tupelo, Miss.....	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood.....	17.60
Vicksburg, Miss.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood.....	76.00
Blytheville, Ark.♦.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	20.00

- (14) \$5.25 of this amount in honor of 40th NFTS Anniversary.
(15) \$10.00 In honor of 40th NFTS Anniversary.
(16) \$11.50 of this amount in honor of 40th NFTS Anniversary.
(17) \$15.00 of this amount in honor of the 40th Anniversary of NFTS.
(18) \$14.00 of this amount in honor of NFTS 40th Anniversary.

Fort Smith, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood.....	43.40
Helena, Ark.....	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El.....	76.00
Hot Springs, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel.....	24.00
Jonesboro, Ark.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	22.20
Little Rock, Ark.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	238.56
Pine Bluff, Ark.....	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood.....	37.40

DISTRICT No. 17—\$2,391.30

Louisiana

Alexandria, La.....	Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim.....	\$ 129.40
Bastrop, La.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop.....	31.10
Baton Rouge, La.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	62.00
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood.....	71.20
Lafayette, La.....	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood.....	31.00
Lake Charles, La.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood.....	57.60 ¹⁹
Monroe, La.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	71.00
New Iberia, La.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer.....	20.00
New Orleans, La.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer.....	540.00 ²⁰
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood (James K. Gutheim Contribution).....	500.00
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue.....	576.00 ²¹
Shreveport, La.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple.....	302.00

DISTRICT No. 18—\$4,677.44

Illinois

Bloomington, Ill.....	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 62.80
Chicago, Ill.....	Beth Am Sisterhood.....	500.00
	Beth El Temple Sisterhood.....	93.24
	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel.....	866.80
	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood.....	84.80
	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood (The Felix A. Levy Contribution) ..	351.80
	Sisterhood of Temple Ezra.....	32.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel (In memory of Dr. Joseph Stoltz and Dr. Gerson B. Levi).....	500.00
	Temple Judea Sisterhood.....	8.00
	K.A.M. Temple Sisterhood.....	44.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah.....	49.00
	Temple Sholom Sisterhood (The Abram Hirschberg Contribution).....	500.00
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood.....	350.40
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood.....	94.20
	Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood (The Rabbi Samuel Schwartz Contribution).....	350.00
Decatur, Ill.....	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood.....	52.00
Evanston, Ill.....	Beth Emet Sisterhood.....	21.00
Kankakee, Ill.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood.....	9.60
Peoria, Ill.....	Anshai Emeth Sisterhood.....	433.00
Rockford, Ill.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	177.20
Springfield, Ill.....	Sisterhood of Temple Brith Sholom.....	97.60

DISTRICT No. 19—\$972.40

Wisconsin

Appleton, Wis.....	Zion Temple Sisterhood.....	\$ 115.40
Madison, Wis.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	40.00
Milwaukee, Wis.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.....	760.00
Oshkosh, Wis.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.....	57.00

(19) Sent by Mrs. W. J. Prater—\$5.00 in memory of Dr. Louis Kushner and \$5.00 in memory of Mr. A. W. Mayer.

(20) \$40.00 in honor of 40th NFTS Anniversary.

(21) \$40.00 in honor of 40th NFTS Anniversary.

DISTRICT No. 20—\$2,898.20
Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico

(In Memory of Mrs. Maurice Steinfeld)

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah.....	\$ 350.00
Davenport, Iowa.....	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	500.00
Des Moines, Iowa.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood.....	197.60
Sioux City, Iowa.....	Sisterhood of Mount Sinai.....	73.60
Joplin, Mo.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood.....	20.00
Kansas City, Mo.....	B'nai Jehudah Sisterhood.....	350.00
St. Joseph, Mo.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood.....	96.20
St. Louis, Mo.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.....	80.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	40.00
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood.....	350.00
	United Hebrew Ladies Aid Society.....	40.00
Lincoln, Neb.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood.....	31.20
Omaha, Neb.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	352.80
Leavenworth, Kan.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Jeshurun.....	38.40
Topeka, Kan.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood.....	101.20
Wichita, Kansas.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	42.40
Colorado Springs, Colo.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	48.20
Denver, Colo.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	156.00
Trinidad, Colo.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood.....	16.80
Albuquerque, N. M.....	Temple Albert Sisterhood.....	13.60

DISTRICT No. 22—\$2,697.28

Texas-Oklahoma

Austin, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 40.00
Beaumont, Texas.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	65.10
Big Spring, Texas.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	5.00
Dallas, Texas.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood (In honor of Mrs. J. Rutland).....	500.00
El Paso, Texas.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood.....	116.00
Forth Worth, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	293.98
Galveston, Texas.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	70.00
Houston, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	350.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El.....	252.00
Kilgore, Texas.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood.....	40.00
Lubbock, Texas.....	Shaareth Israel Sisterhood.....	28.00
Lufkin, Texas.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	18.60
Marshall, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore.....	21.60
Port Arthur, Texas.....	Rodef Sholom Sisterhood.....	16.00
San Antonio, Texas.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	165.20
Tyler, Texas.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	31.20
Waco, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Sholom.....	28.00
Wichita Falls, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	12.00
Ardmore, Okla.*.....	Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood.....	17.40
Muskogee, Okla.....	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood.....	26.00
Oklahoma City, Okla.....	Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood of B'nai Israel (The Fannie Blatt Memorial Contribution).....	413.20
Tulsa, Okla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	188.00

DISTRICT No. 23—\$77.40

Utah-Nevada

Salt Lake City, Utah.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 77.40
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DISTRICT No. 24—\$5,195.84

California-Oregon-Washington-Arizona

Alameda, Calif.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood.....	\$ 13.60
Bakersfield, Calif.....	Women of Temple Beth-El.....	9.20
Berkeley, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El.....	28.80

Beverly Hills, Calif.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	60.00
Culver City, Calif.....	Temple Akiba Sisterhood.....	9.60
Glendale, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	48.80
Hollywood, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	582.20 ²²
No. Hollywood, Calif.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood.....	269.20
Long Beach, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	5.60
Los Angeles, Calif.....	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood.....	39.69
Los Angeles, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Westchester.....	24.00
Los Angeles, Calif.....	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood.....	32.00
	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood.....	519.00
W. Los Angeles, Calif.....	University Synagogue Sisterhood.....	20.00
Oakland, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai.....	350.40
Pomona, Calif.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood.....	20.00
Redondo Beach, Calif.....	Temple Menorah Sisterhood.....	20.60
Reseda, Calif.....	Temple Judea Sisterhood.....	2.40
Riverside, Calif.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.....	95.20
Sacramento, Calif.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood.....	80.00
San Bernardino, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel.....	56.00
San Diego, Calif.....	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary.....	81.20
San Francisco, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El Guild (In honor of Mr. & Mrs. Louis A. Freehof).....	500.00
	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood.....	500.00
San Jose, Calif.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	63.00
San Mateo, Calif.....	Peninsular Temple Beth El Sisterhood.....	36.00
Santa Ana, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom.....	28.20
Santa Monica, Calif.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood.....	105.00
Stockton, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel.....	55.20
Temple City, Calif.....	Temple Beth David Sisterhood.....	104.00
Van Nuys, Calif.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Torah.....	8.00
Portland, Ore.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood (The Henry J. Berkowitz Memorial Contribution).....	360.00
Seattle, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple De Hirsch.....	500.00
Spokane, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	115.00
Tacoma, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	187.20
Phoenix, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel.....	95.60
Tucson, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El.....	171.15

DISTRICT No. 25—\$876.11

Minnesota-North and South Dakota-Montana

Duluth, Minn.*.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood.....	\$ 126.71
Minneapolis, Minn.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel (The Dr. Samuel N. Deinar Contribution).....	350.00
St. Paul, Minn.*.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple.....	350.40
Fargo, N. D.*.....	Beth El Sisterhood.....	32.00
Sioux Falls, S. D.*.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood.....	17.00

FOREIGN—\$792.80

Hamilton, Ont., Can.*.....	Deborah Sisterhood of Anshe Sholom Synagogue.....	\$ 80.00
Montreal, Quebec, Can.**.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.....	350.00
Toronto, Ont., Can.**.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood.....	350.00
Panama, R. P.*.....	Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel.....	8.80
	Sisterhood Kaal Kadosh Yagakov.....	4.00

**Affiliated with District #3 New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

MISCELLANEOUS—\$304.98

(22) \$150 of this amount from Temple Israel Religious School.

**NFTS District Chairmen
on Scholarships and Religious Education**

**New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Jack Grossman, New York, N. Y.**

**Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Lawrence Van Baalen, Toledo, Ohio**

**Indiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Sol Bronstein, Evansville, Indiana**

**South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Leonard Grossman, Greeleyville, S. C.**

**Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Charles Nadler, Macon, Georgia**

**Mississippi-Arkansas Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Herbert Wolf, Little Rock, Ark.**

**Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Calmon Golder, Chicago, Illinois**

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Uniongrams

Huntington Woods, Mich., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

It is an inspiration to me to serve as your Uniongram chairman and to learn of the sincere and thoughtful group of local and District Uniongram chairmen who have cooperated so well on this important project of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

For your information, I proudly present the following report:

COMPARISON CALENDAR OF UNIONGRAM SALES

(Based on NFTS fiscal year November 1, 1952—October 31, 1953
as compared with previous fiscal year)

	1952	1951
November }	20,231	14,536
December }		
	1953	1952
January	20,860	17,172
February	11,104	12,080
March	13,269	8,006
April	11,391	16,436
May	20,319	24,388
June	21,102	14,559
July	12,649	6,670
August	3,068	14,073
September	21,490	19,800
October	45,757	38,119
TOTAL	201,240	185,839

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate the three Sisterhoods which purchased the largest number of Uniongrams in the NFTS 1952-53 fiscal year:

Mrs. Leo Hamburger, Uniongram chairman for Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., which has purchased the largest number of Uniongrams for its fourth successive year, 4434 in 1952-53; Mrs. Herman Gutman and Mrs. David Axelrod, Uniongram chairmen for Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel, Chicago, Ill., for 4338 Uniongrams; and Mrs. Edwin Eckstein, Uniongram chairman for Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun, Milwaukee, Wis., which for the third successive year has purchased the third largest number of Uniongrams, 3800 in 1952-53.

To these chairmen and their Sisterhoods, NFTS is deeply grateful.

UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL

NOVEMBER 1, 1952 - OCTOBER 31, 1953

Dothan, Ala.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Jasper, Ala.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Helena, Ark.	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth El
Jonesboro, Ark.	Temple Aid Sisterhood
Little Rock, Ark.	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Hollywood, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Los Angeles, Calif.	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood
North Hollywood, Calif.	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood
Oakland, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Redondo Beach, Calif.	Temple Menorah Sisterhood
Riverside, Calif.	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood
Santa Monica, Calif.	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Temple City, Calif.	Temple Beth David Sisterhood
Colorado Springs, Colo.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Trinidad, Colo.	Temple Aaron Sisterhood
Washington, D. C.	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation
St. Petersburg, Fla.	Sisterhood Temple Beth El
Macon, Ga.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Rome, Ga.	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood
Bloomington, Ill.	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood
Chicago, Ill.	Beth Am Sisterhood
Chicago, Ill.	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel
Chicago, Ill.	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Peoria, Ill.	Anshai Emeth Sisterhood
Rockford, Ill.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Anderson, Ind.	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood
Evansville, Ind.	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Fort Wayne, Ind.	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood
Marion, Ind.	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Michigan City, Ind.	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Muncie, Ind.	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
Terre Haute, Ind.	The Women's Organization
Cedar Rapids, Ia.	Sisterhood of Temple Judah
Davenport, Ia.	Tri-City Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Des Moines, Ia.	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood
Leavenworth, Kan.	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Jeshurun
Topeka, Kan.	Beth Sholom Sisterhood
Henderson, Ky.	Adas Israel Sisterhood
Lexington, Ky.	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood
Bastrop, La.	Sisterhood of Bastrop
Baton Rouge, La.	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood
Lafayette, La.	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood
New Iberia, La.	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer
New Orleans, La.	Temple Sinai Sisterhood
New Orleans, La.	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue
Baltimore, Md.	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood
Lawrence, Mass.	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel
Battle Creek, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Bay City, Mich.	The Temple Sisterhood
Benton Harbor, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El
Flint, Mich.	Temple El Sisterhood
Grand Rapids, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
Jackson, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Muskegon, Mich.	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Petoskey, Mich.	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Pontiac, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob
St. Paul, Minn.	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple
Brookhaven, Miss.	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom
Canton, Miss.	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel
Columbus, Miss.	Columbus Temple Sisterhood
Meridian, Miss.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Natchez, Miss.	Natchez Temple Sisterhood
Ruleville-Drew, Miss.	Sisterhood of Ruleville-Drew
Tupelo, Miss.	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood

Omaha, Nebr.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Camden, N. J.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Englewood, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Teaneck, N. J.	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood
Batavia, N. Y.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Binghamton, N. Y.	Temple Concord Sisterhood
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush
Buffalo, N. Y.	Beth Zion Sisterhood
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
New Hyde Park, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
New York, N. Y.	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx
Niagara Falls, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Syracuse, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Society of Concord
Asheville, N. C.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila
Gastonia, N. C.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Goldsboro, N. C.	Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood
Rocky Mount, N. C.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Akron, O.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Bellaire, O.	Sisterhood Sons of Israel
Canton, O.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Dayton, O.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
East Liverpool, O.	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Hamilton, O.	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood
Toledo, O.	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Muskogee, Okla.	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood
Portland, Ore.	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood
Abington, Pa.	Old York Road Temple
Allentown, Pa.	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Altoona, Pa.	Sisterhood of Beth Israel
Easton, Pa.	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace
Erie, Pa.	The Temple Sisterhood
Hazleton, Pa.	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple
Johnstown, Pa.	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood
Lancaster, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim
Philadelphia, Pa.	Beth David Sisterhood
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Temple Sinai Sisterhood
Reading, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple Oheb Shalom
Sharon, Pa.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Williamsport, Pa.	Sisterhood Beth Ha-Shalom
York, Pa.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Camden, S. C.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Charleston, S. C.	K. K. Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood
Columbia, S. C.	Sisterhood Tree of Life
Conway, S. C.	Temple Sisterhood of Conway
Florence, S. C.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Georgetown, S. C.	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood
Sumter, S. C.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Brownsville, Tenn.	The Temple Sisterhood
Chattanooga, Tenn.	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple
Clarksville, Tenn.	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
Jackson, Tenn.	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Knoxville, Tenn.	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple
Memphis, Tenn.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Fort Worth, Tex.	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood
Lufkin, Tex.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Marshall, Tex.	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore
Fredericksburg, Va.	Beth Shalom Temple Sisterhood
Harrisonburg, Va.	Sisterhood of the Hebrew Friendship Congregation
Roanoke, Va.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Seattle, Wash.	Sisterhood of Temple De Hirsch
Spokane, Wash.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Tacoma, Wash.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Bekley, W. Va.	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple
Charleston, W. Va.	Virginia St. Temple Sisterhood
Huntington, W. Va.	Ohev Shalom Temple Sisterhood
Morgantown, W. Va.	Tree of Life Sisterhood
Parkersburg, W. Va.	B'nai Israel Sisterhood

Welch, W. Va.	Emanuel Sisterhood
Wheeling, W. Va.	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood
Williamson, W. Va.	Williamson Temple Sisterhood
Appleton, Wis.	Zion Temple Sisterhood
Milwaukee, Wis.	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun
Oshkosh, Wis.	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel

The Giant Uniongram has become popular for use on occasions when a large number of people want to present a message, and make a presentation in a frame, or rolled up and tied with a ribbon. This type of Uniongram may be used to honor a special birthday, a special anniversary or an honored guest or officer in Sisterhood or congregation.

Sisterhoods were urged to send Uniongram messages to Sisterhoods in other countries affiliated with NFTS in connection with Brotherhood Week, 1953. Messages of greeting were sent in by the hundreds to NFTS on the occasion of its 40th anniversary. These messages were preserved in a special book that was on display at the NFTS 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly. September, 1953, brought the suggestion from your chairman, that a Uniongram of "thanks" be sent from each Sisterhood woman and each Sisterhood to Miss Jane Evans for her 20 years of devotion and service to Sisterhood and humanitarian causes. Hundreds of messages came to Miss Evans as a token expression of our personal "Thanks" to Jane for her aid, inspiration and tireless efforts in behalf of our beloved Sisterhoods.

During the fiscal year, letters from the Uniongram chairman have been released periodically in the monthly President's Packets and Board Folios and to local and District Uniongram chairmen. The purpose of these letters is to keep our key women aware of our activities, new ideas and of the increased need for funds, so that we may progress in the Scholarship and Religious Education projects which Uniongrams serve.

To each Uniongram chairman and to each Uniongram purchaser, I extend my warm thanks, and ask that you continue to grow in the promotion and sale of Uniongrams.

(Mrs. SAMUEL B.) SYLVIA DANTO, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities

Toronto, Ont., Canada, October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

When we think of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, we are reminded of the theme of the Town Hall meeting at the recent NFTS Biennial Assembly, "Sisterhoods in the World Building a Stronger Tomorrow," and of the words of Mr. Hugo Green, a survivor of the horrors of Hitler's Europe, student on an NFTS fellowship at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. He said in part, "There is a vacuum, a void, that begs to be filled. Europe is desperately short of religious leadership; help is needed."

Also we are reminded of the objectives set forth in the NFTS By-Laws: To bring the Sisterhoods of America and other countries into closer cooperation and association with one another; to advance Judaism in the U. S. and throughout the world; to serve Jewish and humanitarian causes.

We strive to fulfill these goals by contributing annually to the Silver Coin Collection, which is used by the WUPJ to aid Liberal Jewish communities overseas, by sending holiday packages to needy congregations in other countries, and by aiding rabbinical students from overseas to study at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Upon ordination these students will serve Liberal congregations in WUPJ countries.

Just as our service to this program has increased so must our financial assistance increase. Through the Silver Coin Collection, \$3,956.17 was contributed to the WUPJ from November 1, 1952-October 31, 1953. In July, 1953, a number of NFTS delegates were present at the WUPJ conference in London, England. From them we learned again the importance for an all out effort to support our committee.

In the coming year, Sisterhoods will have a golden opportunity to increase their contributions through the sale of the book, *Lily H. Montagu, Prophet of a Living Judaism*, a biography by Eric Conrad of this world renowned figure of Liberal Judaism, published in honor of her eightieth birthday. All proceeds from this book, published by NFTS, will be used for the WUPJ.

The Honorable Lily Montagu in a letter to your new chairman stated that she was glad to recognize this appointment, as up to now the WUPJ has had so little direct cooperation with their friends in Canada.

In the Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood in Toronto, to which your chair-

man belongs, in addition to the Silver Coin Collection, there is an annual provision in the budget for the WUPJ program. If each of our Sisterhoods included in its annual budget the small sum of ten to twenty-five dollars for the WUPJ it would be a simple and fruitful way "To Build a Stronger Tomorrow."

(MRS. WILLIAM) LILLIAN WOLMAN, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Budget and Finance

Evanston, Ill., October 31, 1953

To the Members of the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

Attached hereto is the report on the budget for the fiscal year 1952-53, listing the amounts budgeted and the actual figures. This report shows that while the budget indicated that we might conclude the year with an operating deficit of \$275.00, the actual figures indicate an operating surplus of \$8,059.25. It must be pointed out, however, that this report is based upon NFTS' direct transactions plus the appropriation made by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, said appropriation being shown as income as well as expenditures. If this UAHC appropriation, which covers personnel, space and equipment used by NFTS and paid for by UAHC, were to be paid by NFTS it would be seen that NFTS operated for the year with a deficit of \$41,307.93.

It is the duty of the treasurer and the Committee on Budget and Finance to place these figures before you. It must be remembered, however, that figures are bleak, cold facts that do not take into consideration elements of the heart or emotion. In the cold light of these figures it cost the UAHC some forty-nine thousands of dollars for the operation of NFTS in the year 1952-53. There are no figures to indicate the value of NFTS to the UAHC, for how can a dollars and cents value be placed upon the worth of NFTS through its 85,000 sister members to the UAHC. While it is the expressed hope of many that eventually NFTS will be entirely self-supporting, the value of its woman power, which as before stated is not computable financially, cannot be ignored.

(MRS. IRVING E.) BEATRICE B. HOLLOBOW, *Chairman*

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
REPORT ON THE BUDGET

NOVEMBER 1, 1952—OCTOBER 31, 1953

	Budget	Actual
INCOME		
National Dues	\$ 81,000.00	\$ 84,358.25
District Federation Dues	200.00	200.00
Uniongrams & Thank You Notes	12,000.00	10,753.23
Sales of Art Calendars	7,000.00	8,302.34
Sales of Materials	4,000.00	5,010.83
Service Fee for Collections	2,700.00	2,903.77
Interest on Savings Accts.	125.00	123.81
Total direct income	107,025.00	111,652.23
UAHC Appropriation for NFTS	49,367.18	49,367.18
TOTAL NFTS INCOME AND APPROPRIATION	\$156,392.18	\$161,019.41
NFTS FUNCTIONAL EXPENDITURES, (including allocation of* NFTS direct and appropriated administration expenses shown below)		
NFTS Development	24,923.44	24,362.23
Committee Projects	49,341.87	48,986.18
Field and Membership Services, including Speakers Bureau	39,529.29	33,834.70
Production Saleable Material	30,067.58	31,282.49
Publication, Publicity & Public Relations	11,000.00	11,481.67
Dues, Contributions, Miscellaneous	1,800.00	2,154.23
Non-Budgetary Expenditure— Office equipment		858.66
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$156,667.18	\$152,960.16
*NFTS DIRECT AND APPROPRIATED ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES		
Office Supplies, Postage, Telephone, Telegram & Shipping	10,000.00	12,861.54
Office Maintenance	6,544.40	6,634.40
Printing and Multigraphing	5,500.00	9,301.49
Publications and Subscriptions	750.00	475.25
Travel—Officers	3,000.00	4,652.24
Production Year Book	4,000.00	1,191.45
Meetings and Conventions	9,000.00	12,864.63
Salaries & Staff Pensions (prorated and direct clerical and accounting services)	78,322.78	71,906.04
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	\$117,117.18	\$119,887.04

	Budget	Actual
SUMMARY		
NFTS Income and Appropriation	\$156,392.18	\$161,019.41
NFTS Expenditures	156,667.18	152,960.16
Total Operating Surplus or Deficit	<u>\$ - 275.00</u>	<u>\$+8,059.25</u>
Accumulated General Fund Balance 10/31/52	\$ 44,701.69	
Plus: Operating Surplus 10/31/53	8,059.25	
	<u>\$ 52,766.74</u>	
Less: Adjustment for refund of materials returned from 1951-52 Sales		15.00
Accumulated General Fund Balance 10/31/53		<u>\$ 52,751.74</u>

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

District Federations

Tuckahoe, N. Y., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

Study of NFTS District Federation convention programs and reports indicate what seem to your Chairman to be important changes in Sisterhood planning and thinking.

The first change seems to be an awareness on the part of the NFTS District Federations (perhaps through direct request from the local Sisterhoods) of the need to plan "working" conventions. Careful examination of the convention programs reveals that every convention held recently provided workshops of many kinds—for small Sisterhoods, for large ones, for new groups, as well as workshops for specific committees. There was a complete absence of the Town Hall type program, which, a few years ago, was so popular. This seems to show that when the Sisterhoods meet in convention, they do so with the hope that they will gain Sisterhood knowledge and techniques that will be helpful to their own groups. They appear not to be interested in being entertained. This also seems to mean that big names on the panel type program are no longer considered important as a drawing card to bring the local Sisterhood member to the convention.

The second change is the apparently increasing awareness of the NFTS District Federation of the need for leadership institutes. It is important to note that some Districts included leadership training in the convention program.

It is exciting to know that many Districts have instituted the Caravan method of reaching out to the local Sisterhoods. This project has been reported as being extremely successful in that the District Federation reaches many people who never get to a District or National Federation meeting. It makes alive the personalities of the District Federation and creates a closer tie between them and the local leaders.

The Committee on District Federations has continued the practice of having "guests of the month" report in the District President's Packet. Because of lack of space in the Packet, excerpts have been used rather than complete letters from the Presidents. We have encouraged, by personal correspondence, a closer relationship between the NFTS Chairman on District Federations and the District Presidents.

All reports of the NFTS District Federations as well as copies of the Convention Programs and the District Bulletins are on file at NFTS headquarters. They are interesting and stimulating to read and are available upon request.

(Mrs. WILLIAM J.) MARJORIE B. LEFFLER, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Evaluation

Chicago, Ill., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

At the April, 1953, NFTS 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly, the report of the Committee on Evaluation was adopted by the Assembly. This report approved the re-aligning into four departments of the activities of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, now functioning through 19 or more separate committees. The detailed proposal is to be on an experimental basis for re-evaluation at the 1955 Biennial Assembly.

I. There will be four NFTS departments

I. *Religion and Education:*

Family Education

Jewish Ceremonials and Art

Religious Extension

Religious Schools

Youth Activities

- II. *Advancement of Judaism:*
 - Combined Campaign—UAHC—HUC—JIR
 - House of Living Judaism
 - Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
 - Uniongrams
 - World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities
- III. *Human Relations:*
 - Emergency Services
 - Interfaith Activities
 - Jewish Literature for the Blind
 - Peace and World Relations
- IV. *Membership and Administrative Services:*
 - Budget and Finance
 - District Federations
 - Evaluation
 - Field Services
 - Programs
 - Revision of By-Laws

2. Chairmen of each of these four departments will be appointed from the Executive Board.
3. The Board will be divided into these four departments. Each member of the Executive shall serve as an active member of one of the four departments. In addition, the president, with the NFTS Executive Committee, shall appoint to each department non-board members.
4. There shall be in each department a chairman for whichever of the projects seems necessary.
5. All form correspondence to local Sisterhoods and District Federations shall go on the letterheads of the respective departments, not of the various project chairmen.
6. Beginning with the Sisterhood season of 1954-55, NFTS form letters will be sent from the four NFTS department heads to local Sisterhoods and District Federations, and NFTS will no longer address its form mail to the various individual chairmen of its projects in each local Sisterhood and District Federation.

It remains, however, within the province of local Sisterhoods, if they so desire, to continue to appoint, even beyond the fall of 1954, as many local chairmen of the present NFTS committees as suit their particular needs. However, it should be understood that, by the fall of 1954, any such local committees will receive their NFTS mail, aids, and services through the four departments.

7. A staff member shall be assigned by the Executive Director to work with each of the four departments.

Steps have been taken to implement this departmentalization. Many Sisterhoods have already departmentalized. During the coming NFTS fiscal year, the Evaluation Committee will meet to consider the way in which departmentalization is proceeding and to evaluate other aspects of NFTS activity.

(MRS. HAROLD) SYLVIA G. CHARMACK, *Chairman*

ADDENDUM

The Committee on Evaluation met on January 28, 1954 and a copy of the minutes of that session, including the recommendations, is attached hereto. (See p. 196)

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Field Services

Seattle, Wash., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

The Field Services Committee is now two years old. Although the work has progressed slowly it has gone steadily forward.

As a result of the leadership training course presented to the members of the NFTS Executive Board at its meeting in Pittsburgh, November, 1952, there has been an increasing demand for such courses in many areas of the United States. There have been more than a dozen leadership training institutes conducted throughout the country in such places as Omaha, Nebr., New York, N. Y., Kansas City, Mo., Memphis, Tenn., and Seattle, Wash. An Institute held for leaders in the New York area demonstrated the use of film in Sisterhood programming. It is felt by the Field Services Committee that the recording of a leadership training course on records by Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, would be of great value to remote groups.

During the past year there have been 77 visits made by 24 NFTS representatives to 64 local Sisterhoods and seven District Federations in 21 states of the United States and in Canada and England. These visits were made with considerably less expense than formerly because of the suggestion by the Field Services Committee that speakers make as many visits as possible on each tour. Visitors have also been better informed because of the many leadership courses which have been offered.

Sisterhood units are becoming aware of the importance of education on District and NFTS levels as evidenced by the many requests for the outline of the Caravan so successfully carried on by NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Districts are doing an outstanding job in educating members in Sisterhood work. The book by Mrs. Harry Jacobson, *A Manual for Sisterhood Leaders*, is now being edited by Miss Jane Evans and

will be available in the near future to help provide information concerning Sisterhood activities.

We hope the plans we have as a committee will go forward and will intensify the work of every committee of the National Federation.

(MRS. WALTER) DOROTHY S. HARDMAN, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Programs *

St. Louis, Mo., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga., the first NFTS Program Contest, "This Is Our Best," was launched in the spring of 1952. Final entry date was November 15, 1952, with the following awards bestowed at the NFTS Biennial Assembly, April, 1953.

First Prize — "Tea Party" by Mrs. Sam Good, Beth El Temple, Knoxville, Tenn.

Second Prize — "The Land That Was" by Mrs. Solomon Freehof and Mrs. Meyer Sachs, Temple Rodef Shalom Sisterhood, Pittsburgh, Pa.

"The Work Of Our Hands" by Mrs. Howard Kern, Har Sinai Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md.

Third Prize — "Sisterhood County Fair" by Mrs. Burton Wermick, Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Dallas, Tex.

Special Award—Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood, Cleveland, O., for a film in color covering the gamut of its activities prepared by Mrs. A. Gitson, Mrs. A. Levin and Mrs. J. Spiegle.

Even though only 10% of the Sisterhoods responded with programs that were judged for their originality, feasibility for use by the greatest number of Sisterhoods, pertinence to Sisterhood activities, and over-all appeal, we feel this was an excellent beginning. Forty-five (45) scripts were submitted, which were sent round robin to each member on the Program Committee for evaluation, before final decisions were made by a specially chosen committee named in the 40th Annual Report.

* Moved by action of NFTS Executive Board, April, 1954, to Department on Religion and Education.

In the summer of 1953 the new NFTS *Program and Study Materials* Booklet was released. Many outmoded programs were discarded to make room for the new. Forty-two new programs, most of which were entries in the Program Contest, are included in the hundreds of suggestions, arranged in specific categories. Replete with excellent ideas for year round programming, program chairmen will find in the booklet an abundance of programs representing Sisterhood ideals and purposes. During this year 237 program requests were received by NFTS. Each request was for from one to fifty programs.

Since assuming chairmanship of this committee a small number of programs have been submitted to NFTS. From congregational and Sisterhood bulletins that have come to my attention, it is evident that many fine original Sisterhood programs are not sent to NFTS.

In order to obtain these programs written by our constituents, the following recommendations are submitted:

- I. (a) That a Program Contest be made a permanent activity of NFTS, with awards announced at each Biennial Assembly.
- (b) In setting up the Program Contest a special category for anniversary programs of congregations and/or Sisterhoods, especially fiftieth and hundredth year celebrations, should be included. (Requests for these programs have been made.)
- II. A clearing house be designated where bulletins and announcements of all Sisterhood meetings will be mailed, and the Program Committee be assigned the duty of checking and sending a form request for every program of Jewish or Sisterhood content; also programs of anniversary celebrations of congregations and/or Sisterhoods.
- III. That the recommendations submitted on the detailed questionnaire to all program chairmen and presidents, in March 1954, be carefully considered by the Program Committee for next year's planning.
- IV. That the Program Committee be given more opportunity to meet for discussion of ways and means of best serving the program committees of our constituent bodies.

(MRS. JULIAN H.) BELLE W. MILLER, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

Rochester, N. Y., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

The Committee on Revision of By-Laws presented an extensive report to the NFTS 40th Anniversary Biennial Assembly in New York, April 19-23, 1953. The report consisted of some twenty-seven proposed revisions to the existing By-Laws with detailed explanations of the reasons for the proposed changes. The report was accepted as presented except for a few changes. These changes were:

ARTICLE 8, Section A, second paragraph. "The Nominating Committee shall meet prior to the Biennial Assembly; their transportation expenses shall be met by NFTS,"—instead of "The Nominating Committee shall meet prior to the Biennial Assembly at NFTS expense."

Section B 3—Insertion of "thirty days"—"Names of candidates for nominees for the Executive Board from Sisterhoods affiliated with a District Federation shall be sent by the NFTS Nominating Committee to the respective District Presidents *thirty days* prior to an NFTS Biennial Assembly for the information of the District Federation."

ARTICLE 9, Section E—amended to "Transportation expenses (of the Nominating Committee for officers) shall be met by NFTS,"—instead of "at the expense of NFTS."

ARTICLE 14, Section B—amended to "The Committee shall send a copy of the budget accompanied by the complete annual report of the C.P.A. as submitted to the Executive Board to each local Sisterhood and District Federation,"—instead of "The Committee shall communicate information regarding the budget to all local Sisterhoods and District Federations no less than semi-annually and shall answer any inquiry from local Sisterhoods and District Federations regarding same."

The Assembly ruled that no revision of By-Laws adopted at the 40th Anniversary Assembly would be retroactive; the terms of office of women on the Executive Board elected at previous Biennial Assemblies will run for the full terms to which they were elected and shall not be affected by revisions adopted; however, members elected to the Executive Board or to office during the 40th Anniversary Assembly shall be elected under the By-Laws *as revised during the Assembly*.

Furthermore, the Assembly ruled that minor editorial changes for consistency such as numbering of articles and sections, etc., should be made throughout the By-Laws.

The revisions thus adopted were immediately incorporated into the By-Laws of NFTS and have been published and distributed.

Since no instrument of this kind is ever perfect in every detail for the changing needs of an ever-growing organization such as ours, the committee will continue to study carefully all suggestions and proposals for amendments submitted to it in accordance with Article 40 of the By-Laws.

(MRS. HORACE) JOAN S. HART, *Chairman*

REPORT ON

Correspondence Courses

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

It is a great joy to report to you on the subject of the fund which you established for correspondence courses. You were kind enough to grant, at my suggestion, the sum of \$3,500.00 for each of two successive years. Later you gave us a further grant of \$500.00 for this purpose, making a total of \$7,500.00 for this experiment.

We proceeded to prepare a series of correspondence courses in accordance with a plan mapped out by the director of education and approved by the Commission on Jewish Education and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Five courses have been prepared. They are: a course on the *Jewish Festivals*, a course in *Jewish History*, a course on the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*, a course on a *History of the Jews in the United States*, and a course on *Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World*.

Sometime ago we pointed out that some of the students who registered for the courses did not complete them. In general we have found the courses more useful to people in small communities who wish to prepare themselves as teachers rather than to adults who wish to engage in Jewish study for its own sake. Too often the latter start with good intentions, but before they go very far they give up their studies. Bearing the above in mind we decided to revise our courses to make them as simple as possible in the hope that the average adult who is not given to intensive study may be interested. We are pleased to report that two of the courses have been now revised, namely, the course on the *Jewish Festivals* and the course on the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*. These have passed the

experimental stage and the course on the *Jewish Festivals* has been included in our catalog and has been made generally available. The course on the *Bible and Jewish Life Today* is still undergoing revision.

In a previous report I called your attention to the fact that 139 students completed their courses, while many others registered and pursued some of the courses without completing them. Recently, due to a notice placed in one of the issues of AMERICAN JUDAISM, we have had quite a number of requests for information concerning these correspondence courses. As a result, approximately thirty people registered, fourteen of whom have completed courses.

During the experimental period no charge for tuition was made to the students. When, however, the courses are issued in final form an effort will be made to charge a modest tuition sufficient to cover the cost of teaching.

The financial status of our Correspondence Fund is as follows:

Balance in Correspondence Course Fund 7-1-52	\$ 2,513.11
Receipts	307.62
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	\$ 2,820.73
Disbursements	226.68
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Balance in Correspondence Courses Account, 6-30-53	\$ 2,594.05

On behalf of the Commission on Jewish Education, I want to congratulate the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for its devotion to Jewish education and for its farsightedness in continuing its interest in experimental and pioneering work in this field, an activity which is unique and made possible for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations by your generosity.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Director of Education,*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

INSTITUTES FOR TEACHERS AND LAYMEN

REPORT ON

A JOINT PROJECT OF THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
AND THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1953

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

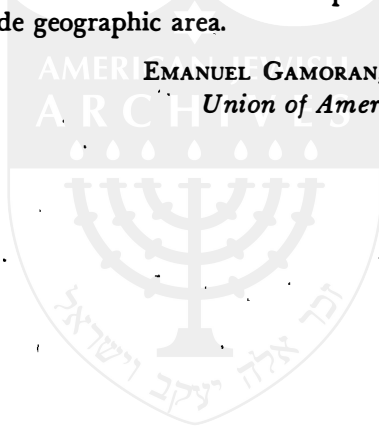
I am happy to report to you once more on the work made possible through your generosity, namely, the bringing of lectures to teachers and other adults in various communities throughout the land.

During the period of the fiscal year ending October 31, 1953, fifty lectures were delivered in fifteen communities in the United States. Of these thirty-two were for teachers and eighteen for adults. These lectures were attended by 506 teachers and 852 adults. Wherever it was possible a special meeting for the entire congregation was arranged, at which both men and women were present. At times separate meetings were also arranged with the Sisterhood of the temple. Where evening meetings are arranged the Sisterhood president is, of course, informed, and the Sisterhood usually plays an active part in the arrangements.

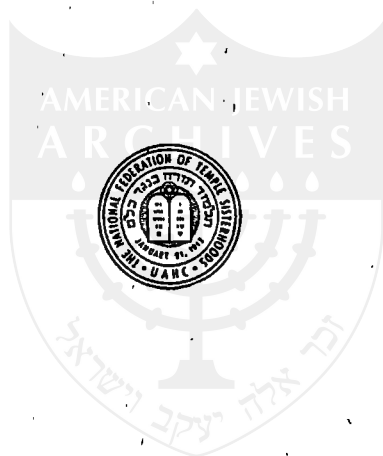
The following are the cities in which lectures were delivered: Norwalk, Conn.; Waterbury, Conn.; Miami, Fla.; Miami Beach, Fla.; Tampa, Fla.; Savannah, Ga.; Worcester, Mass.; Camden, N. J.; Jersey City, N. J.; Levittown, N. Y.; Long Branch, N. Y.; Yonkers, N. Y.; Cincinnati, Ohio; Reading, Pa.; Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; and Providence, R. I.

The demand for this service, continued unabated in many communities, as is indicated by the letters of commendation in our headquarters concerning the work done in this field. These letters give much credit to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. You have reason to feel justly proud that you are giving support to such a significant phase of educational work which helps to improve religious education throughout a wide geographic area.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Director of Education,*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations



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FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

November 1, 1953—October 31, 1954

AND THE TWENTIETH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

February 13-16, 1955

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
Executive Committee
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Union House of Living
Judaism-Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.
December 8, 1953

The Executive Committee of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened in special session at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, December 8, 1953, in Room 600 of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, New York, N. Y. The following members were present:

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., *Chairman*; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, O.; Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y., Executive Director, NFTS; Mr. Hyman Kanter, Cincinnati, O. Financial Consultant to NFTS; Miss Josephine Schoenborn, New York, N. Y., Administrative Assistant, NFTS.

Mrs. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C., Honorary President, NFTS, was unable to be present. A Uniongram message was sent to her in response to her letter of regret and greeting.

After an invocation recited in unison, Mrs. Dalsheimer welcomed the members of the Executive Committee and explained that the meeting had been called because of an emergency that had arisen in connection with the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. The members were given time to read the detailed background material prepared for them in the form of a memorandum to the NFTS President from the NFTS Executive Director. The Scholarship Award Plan which had been mutually developed and adopted by NFTS and the Hebrew Union College in 1933 had been changed unilaterally on May 14, 1952 by the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Under the change, which had been in effect since 1952 without the knowledge of NFTS, students on the Cincinnati campus of the HUC-JIR who were

receiving NFTS or other aid were required to sign an agreement ultimately to repay the College for the amount of any aid given them, including Sisterhood scholarships. NFTS had recently become aware of this as the result of a communication from the student association HUC-JIR (Cincinnati School) to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President, with a copy to Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, and through Miss Evans' visit to the Cincinnati campus, where she met with the student body on Monday evening, November 2, 1953.

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, then President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, could not attend the meeting of the Board of Governors of the HUC-JIR on May 14, 1952, and was not informed of the pending change. In this connection, the minutes of that meeting state only that the Report of the Committee on Tuition was adopted. The appended report of the Committee on Tuition read in part "At the end of the academic year, each student shall sign a note made out to the College-Institute for the amount of tuition, plus the dormitory fees that he has not paid in cash. At the end of his college career he shall be given a choice of three methods—or a combination of any two or three of them) to liquidate these notes. He can (1) either pay them in cash, or (2) pay them over a five-year period (this probably taking the form of a single new non-interest bank note to supplant those he has given at the end of each college year) or (3) take out a twenty-year endowment life insurance policy irrevocably assigned to the Hebrew Union College.

"It will be expected of each student that he pay in cash each year a minimum of \$100 on his dormitory fee, and in addition thereto a minimum of \$25 per semester in cash on his tuition fee."

Question was raised whether the fact that the only representative of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was not present at the May 14, 1952 meeting of the Board of Governors of the HUC-JIR meant that NFTS had not given consent to the change in the Scholarship Award Plan or whether because she had re-

ceived copies of the minutes of the meeting it indicated that NFTS was aware of the change in the plan and should have registered protest at that time. It was the sense of the Executive Committee that if Mrs. Rosett were not present at the meeting, the issue should have been explained to her, so that she might have informed the NFTS Executive Board. As an individual she could not have taken any action. Furthermore, the contract between the College-Institute and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods dealing with the award of scholarships should not have been broken by one party to the contract, for it had been adopted by both the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Executive Board and Biennial Assembly in 1933. Therefore, any alteration would have to be approved by the NFTS Biennial Assembly, as well as by the College-Institute. NFTS affiliates had raised the money for a specific purpose, which was Scholarships, not loans, and that purpose should be carried out unless they, the Sisterhoods, authorized a change through official NFTS Biennial action.

The students at the HUC-JIR were not objecting so much to repayment of the funds to the College-Institute as they were to the fact that the literature circulated by NFTS still stated that they were receiving scholarship aid, when in fact they were receiving only loans. All NFTS literature including Uniongrams indicated that Scholarship awards were being made to students on the Cincinnati campus of the HUC-JIR because NFTS knew nothing of the change.

Discussion was summarized by pointing out that there were three problems connected with this matter. (1) The Board of Governors of the College-Institute, without consultation or without advising NFTS, had taken action concerning funds that had been given to them by NFTS for a specific purpose. (2) Does NFTS approve of a loan policy as opposed to a scholarship policy? (3) How does NFTS explain to local Sisterhoods that NFTS literature, through no fault of NFTS, had been untrue since 1952?

The NFTS Executive Committee approved sending a letter to the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion requesting as soon as possible a meeting of a sub-committee of the Executive Committee with a committee of the Board of Governors to discuss the problem of scholarship awards. The letter was to indicate the distress

of the officers and members of the NFTS Executive Committee over the unilateral change of the Scholarship Award Plan by the Board of Governors of the HUC-JIR, on May 14, 1952. It would call upon the Board of Governors to rescind its action of that date insofar as it applied to fees covered by NFTS Scholarships; to delete from the present application for Bursary Aid blank forms reference to fees covered by Sisterhood Scholarships and prepare with NFTS a separate application form for fees which will be met by Sisterhood Scholarships; notify immediately the student body that NFTS has not changed the awarding of the Sisterhood Scholarships and give to NFTS a record of sums students who graduated in June, 1953 or subsequently have pledged to repay to the College-Institute if these amounts are covered by Sisterhood Scholarships; ultimate disposition of these amounts would be considered in any mutually agreed upon Scholarship Award Plan. The President and Executive Director were asked to draft the letter as indicated and submit it the following day to the Executive Committee for its approval.

THE FINANCIAL STRUCTURE OF NFTS IN RELATION TO ITS PARENT BODY, THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

Mrs. Dalsheimer reported that a special committee of NFTS including the President, the immediate past President, the First Vice-President, the Treasurer, the immediate past and present Chairmen on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, the Executive Director, Mr. Hyman Kanter, the NFTS' Financial Consultant and Miss Josephine Schoenborn of the NFTS executive staff met the previous day to discuss NFTS' overall financial structure and to try to come to grips with this problem in view of the recommendation of Mrs. Rosett that NFTS endeavor to work toward being eventually financially independent of the UAHC and self-supporting. This committee met during the morning and at luncheon with Dr. Maurice N. Eisen-drath, President of the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Rabbi Jay Kaufman, Assistant to the UAHC President, and Mr. Lee Richman, UAHC and NFTS Chief Accountant. The items discussed over the luncheon included: (1) possibility in the future of a Reform Jewish Appeal to include not only the work of the present Combined Campaign of the UAHC-HUC-JIR, but also of the American support for the World Union for Progressive

Judaism; (2) possibility of NFTS taking over in its entirety some major UAHC program such as the youth program; (3) possibility of Sisterhoods becoming a major participant in not one but a number of UHAC projects, depending upon proper development of an appeal to Sisterhoods to win their support. Under the latter category could be not only the youth program, but also New Congregations, Social Action, Adult Education. There was also discussed the problems for the clinical year which students of the HUC-JIR will spend in New York (a fifth year of instruction and activity) after ordination from the HUC-JIR. This program will be under way within the next three years and will involve added funds. Dr. Eisendrath stated that Dr. Nelson Glueck, President of the College-Institute, has suggested that the needed funds for the clinical year for ordained students should be a UAHC responsibility since it is really a program that will be related to new congregations and will enable these young student rabbis to work with, and be in part trained by, members of the UAHC staff. Dr. Eisendrath suggested that assistance for this final year should be given by NFTS and that possibly special "Living Scholarships" could be devised by NFTS as extensions of its present scholarships for undergraduate theological students. The program for this project alone will require \$60,000 to \$70,000 a year.

Dr. Eisendrath further stated that he thought it would be possible for a brilliant public relations man to tie these various projects together under an appealing title and for a budget to be worked out with monies apportioned to each project. Dr. Eisendrath felt that the contributions from Sisterhoods could be raised to meet these changing needs of Reform Judaism. Miss Evans commented that it takes years to build awareness for a project. She felt it would be unwise for NFTS to encourage a package of projects for its members if within the next five years or so a truly united Reform Jewish Appeal could be developed; she felt it best for NFTS to have only one or two dramatic projects and not to overlap in a field in which Sisterhood members might well ask why they should be undertaking projects which should essentially be done by the UAHC and not NFTS. Miss Evans felt that whatever projects are undertaken must be a very logical outgrowth of the NFTS program. It was suggested by Dr. Eisendrath that NFTS might work out both a short-term project and a long-term program

for meeting the costs of its own administration in developing genuine support to UAHC-NFTS for Reform Judaism. Possibly a realistic NFTS dues structure, it was suggested, might be attainable by 1957. Miss Evans presented figures to show that over the course of the years NFTS has paid back to the Union in contributions as much as the Union's administrative costs have been for the organization, and more, although with annual UAHC appropriations for NFTS now running over \$50,000 the picture is changing.

It was felt by the Executive Committee that there were only two ways of achieving self-support for NFTS. One was by increasing dues; the other was by increasing one of the NFTS funds. As it would be difficult to raise dues at present since the last raise had been so recent, in 1950, it was considered that the most feasible method would be to increase one of the NFTS funds. It was suggested that the scope and name of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund be altered. The new name, suggested Mrs. Farber, might be The READY Fund—R for Religion, E for Education, A for Administration, D for Dormitory Scholarships, Y for Youth. Scholarships, of course, could also be included in either Religion or Education.

It was felt that it might be wise to inform local Sisterhoods of the precise situation of the financial interdependence between NFTS and the UAHC; that the UAHC subsidizes NFTS with a certain amount of money, that NFTS would like to become self-supporting. The groups would be asked to recommend what NFTS might do to achieve this state. Suggestion was made that it would be useful to do this but that a definite plan should be offered to the groups so they would have something with which to work. Perhaps the idea of the READY Fund should be presented to them for their comment.

The meeting recessed at 3:40 P.M.

Union House of Living
Judaism-Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.
December 9, 1953

The Executive Committee of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods resumed its session at 10:15 A.M., Wednesday, December 9, 1953 in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, New York, and met throughout the day. The meeting opened with an invocation in unison.

COMMUNICATION FROM NFTS DISTRICT #18, THE
ILLINOIS FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
TO MRS. HUGO DALSCHEIMER—
NOVEMBER 20, 1953

Explanation was made that a letter had been sent to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer by NFTS District #18 with regard to the statement of the NFTS Executive Committee, September, 1953, stating that "as subsidiaries of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, District Federations shall not initiate action or adopt any resolution on a matter of general communal or Jewish public interest or undertake any new policy or project without the written authority of the NFTS Executive Board, the President or the Executive Director." Although some NFTS Districts approved this statement of policy, there were others that were distressed by it. It was the consensus of the Committee that District objections stemmed from the wording of the resolution rather than from the content. Therefore, the Executive Committee moved that the matter of rewording the resolution be referred to the NFTS Evaluation Committee which was to meet in January, 1954 and presented to the District Presidents' Council in March, 1954. The District Presidents' Council should be requested to discuss further the statement for consideration by the NFTS Executive Board at its April, 1954 meeting.

It was also felt advisable that material relating to all matters of policy be prepared so that statements of NFTS policy would be available for distribution to Sisterhoods. These would enable them to be aware of established policy and would assist them and NFTS districts in carrying out their work.

REQUESTS FOR RENEWAL OF CONTRIBUTION OF \$200
TO RELIGION IN AMERICAN LIFE (RIAL)

It was moved that NFTS give a \$200 non-budgetary contribution to Religion In American Life (RIAL) as it has for the last two years. This was unanimously carried. It was hoped that by next year the organization with which NFTS, the UAHC and its affiliates was associated would not need a similar contribution.

LETTER TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
OF THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE-JEWISH
INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

Mrs. Dalsheimer reported on a personal telephone conversation the night before with Mr. Herbert Bloch, of Cincinnati, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union Col-

lege-Jewish Institute of Religion. Mr. Bloch expressed eagerness to find an amicable solution to the difficulty between NFTS and the College-Institute over the matter of Scholarship Awards.

The letter drafted the previous night by the President and the Executive Director was read and ordered, without change, mailed immediately to Cincinnati. A copy of this letter is attached to these minutes.

REQUEST FROM LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS—SISTERHOOD TO CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL
FOR A SPECIAL PROJECT FOR THE
SIGHTLESS

It was explained that the Sisterhood of Congregation B'nai Israel, Little Rock, Ark., had been requested by the State Association for the Blind in Arkansas, to undertake transcription of the history of the State of Arkansas for the use of blind students. The Sisterhood had written to NFTS to inquire whether this seemed to be a project that might fall within the purview of a Sisterhood Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind. As the Executive Committee was about to convene when the letter had been received, the matter was being presented to the Committee for its consideration. It was agreed that the Sisterhood should undertake the project if it so desired. At the same time NFTS would encourage the group to make a contribution in braille to the library of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. each year.

Some of the members of the Executive Committee urged that Sisterhoods be more fully informed about the work of the Jewish Braille Institute of America and of the fact that over 90% of the books in the library are transcribed by NFTS units; that although Sisterhood groups should participate in communal service, it was of utmost essentiality that they continue to support the work of the Jewish Braille Institute, of which NFTS is the patron body.

WHEN A SISTERHOOD RESIGNS FROM NFTS
SHOULD IT BE REQUESTED TO RETURN ITS
NFTS CHARTER?

It was moved that when a Sisterhood resigns from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods it be requested to return its charter. If the group had purchased the framed charter it would be entitled to keep the frame.

DISPOSITION OF CHECK FROM ARKANSAS—OKLAHOMA FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
Explanation was made that recently the treasurer of the now defunct NFTS Arkansas—Okla-

homa District had sent a check for \$172.45 covering all remaining funds of the District to NFTS, with the request that NFTS make disposition of it. The Executive Committee after full discussion approved that the check be deposited as a miscellaneous contribution to the House of Living all remaining funds of the District to NFTS possible as the check could not be credited to individual Sisterhoods in the former district since there was no one to consult in an official capacity in this regard. The former treasurer who sent the check to NFTS would be notified of the way in which it was to be used.

SPECIAL STUDY OF HONOR LISTINGS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

The proposed sums and names of the new honor listings for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund were presented to the Executive Committee. The Committee unanimously recommended adoption by the NFTS Executive Board in April, 1954 of the proposed changes. If the Executive Board adopted the new listings, Sisterhoods might be asked, on a voluntary basis, beginning with the fiscal year 1954-55, to strive for the new goals. However, action of the NFTS Biennial Assembly 1955 would determine whether or not the new listings were to be finalized.

COST OF UNIONGRAMS

Although it seemed that the cost of producing and administering the Uniongram project meant that NFTS was losing money on the project, in actuality this was not so. NFTS is a service agency, and a number of the expenses involved in Uniongram projects stem from service, just as the semblance of loss in the case of saleable NFTS items results from the fact the NFTS is a service agency. Many of the salable items are distributed to Sisterhoods without charge inasmuch as each Sisterhood in the Federation is entitled to one copy of each publication at no cost. In the long run, however, the actual value of the Uniongram project and other NFTS activities cannot be measured by cost alone. The goals they achieve are more important. Therefore, the Executive Committee, after carefully reviewing an analysis of all Uniongram costs, agreed that there should be no change at this time in the price or 80% allocation of Uniongrams to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

NFTS FILMSTRIPS

Explanation was made that the filmstrip re-

lating to the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial could be prepared at the price approved by the Executive Committee in September, 1953.

It is now felt desirable to prepare another filmstrip in connection with the Tercentenary of the Settlement of Jews in New Amsterdam which was starting in September, 1954. NFTS might prepare a filmstrip relating to Jewish women in America. A filmstrip had never before been produced in this area, and it was one that would be popular with many groups. The Executive Committee approved the preparation of such a filmstrip at a cost not to exceed \$2,000. This was to be ready by September, 1954. It was added that when the cost of renting the filmstrip to other organizations was being determined, any administrative cost of NFTS in connection therewith should be included. If charges were to be made, the charges should be sufficient to assure that NFTS did not bear the costs in the long run. The filmstrip was to be reviewed by an NFTS committee as soon as it reached a sufficiently advanced stage and before it was ready for release.

MANUAL FOR SISTERHOODS

The question was raised by a member of the Executive Committee as to why the MANUAL FOR SISTERHOODS, so long in preparation and so greatly needed, was not yet ready. Mrs. Jacobson expressed strong dissatisfaction with the delays and the Executive Director offered explanations.

The Executive Committee agreed that the MANUAL FOR SISTERHOODS, written by Mrs. Harry Jacobson and edited by Jane Evans, should be ready for distribution by January 24th, but that it should not be released until after the meeting with the Board of Governors of the HUC-JIR on that date because the meeting might prove that some changes were necessary in the sections relating to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and Uniongrams. The NFTS Committee that meets with the Board of Governors should be the judge of whether or not the events on January 24th would affect the book.

EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY OF THE HONORABLE MISS LILY H. MONTAGU, O.B.E., J.P.

In honor of the 80th birthday of the Honorable Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., an Honorary Life Member of the NFTS Executive Board, a Founder and Honorary Secretary of the World

Union for Progressive Judaism, the Executive Committee voted that the sum of \$500 from the general fund of NFTS be given by NFTS towards a purse to be presented to Miss Montagu on her birthday. The proceeds of the purse would be used to aid organizations, such as the WUPJ, to which she had devoted her life.

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 1953 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The minutes of the September 1953 Executive Committee meeting were adopted unanimously.

DEPARTMENTALIZATION

Discussion was held of the results to date of departmentalization of NFTS Committees. It was felt that if any re-alignment of committees within departments should be necessary, they should be considered by the NFTS Evaluation Committee. Some objections to the present organization were being raised by both Sisterhoods and staff, but these objections would probably prove readily subject to resolution.

The members of the Executive Committee thanked Mrs. Dalsheimer for her guidance at the Executive Committee meeting and Mrs. Dalsheimer thanked the members for attending the emergency session, and the Executive Director and staff for their tireless assistance. After a closing prayer recited in unison, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.



(Mrs. Hugo)
HELEN M. DALSHIMER,
President

(Mrs. Jerome)
HANNAH SALM,
Recording Secretary

Special Meeting—Executive Committee
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Tuesday and Wednesday, December 8 to 9, 1953
Union House of Living
Judaism-Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.

A G E N D A

- I. Invocation (in unison)
- II. The Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

PROBLEM:

The change in the Scholarship Award Plan voted unilaterally on May 14, 1952, by the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion; the Plan which was

changed on that day had been mutually adopted by NFTS and the HUC in 1933. No official communication regarding a proposed change in the Plan was submitted to NFTS and, in fact, NFTS was totally unaware of a change until recent weeks. Awareness developed as the result of a communication addressed by the Student Association, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (Cincinnati School) to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, with copy to Miss Jane Evans, and subsequent discussions.

See memorandum from the NFTS Executive Director to the NFTS President and note Items #1-5 inclusive, attached thereto.

See also Item #6, correspondence during the 1953 fall campaign for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund between the President of B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood, Jackson, Tenn., and NFTS. Miss Josephine Schoenborn of the NFTS professional staff replied in the best of faith to Jackson on October 8, 1953. It was not until October 12 that the letter was written by the Student Body in Cincinnati which began the series of discussions and events which now indicate that the NFTS of October 8, to Jackson, contained serious errors of fact.

Also available are Items #7 and #8; #7 is the correspondence of 1933 between Dr. Julian Morgenstern, the then President of the Hebrew Union College, and the late Mrs. Maurice L. Steinfeld, the then President of NFTS, regarding the Scholarship Award Plan. This Plan was modified through preliminary discussion with NFTS and adopted by both NFTS and the College in June of 1933. Item #8 is the reference to the Scholarship Award Plan as taken from the NFTS Yearbook of December 1936 and refers to the 1933 NFTS Biennial.

III. *The Financial Structure of NFTS in Relation to its Parent Body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations*

—See Item #9 "Summary of Contributions from NFTS to the UAHC and the HUC-JIR."

Item #10 is a picture of present annual contributions to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations from NFTS.

IV. *Further Matters For Executive Committee Action*

(1) Communication from NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer dated November 20, 1953;

(2) Request for renewal of contribution of \$200.00 to Religion In American Life;

(3) Request from Little Rock, Ark., Sisterhood of Congregation B'nai Israel, re special project for the sightless;

(4) When a Sisterhood resigns from NFTS should it be requested to return its NFTS Charter;

(5) Special study of honor listings of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund;

(6) Cost of Uniongrams.

V. *Further Business*

VI. *Benediction*

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
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MINUTES

MEETING OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EVALUATION

UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM-BERG MEMORIAL
New York, N. Y.
January 28, 1954

The meeting of the Special Committee on Evaluation of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial on Thursday, January 28, 1954, at 10 A.M. Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill., chairman, presided.

There were present: Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, and Dr. Diana Bernstein, NFTS Program and Public Relations Assistant, who recorded the minutes.

A prayer was read in unison. The committee then turned to its agenda which is attached hereto.

DEFINITION OF THE SCOPE AND FUNCTIONS
OF THE COMMITTEE

After discussion and review from the NFTS yearbook of the work of its predecessor, it was agreed that the primary objective of the committee was to study the structure and function of NFTS in terms of changing needs and attainment of the organization's goals. One of the specific functions of the committee would be to reevaluate the realignment of NFTS into four departments. It was stated that since the committee is a special committee, it is not self-perpetuating but goes out of existence at the conclusion of the next Biennial unless it is reappointed by the president.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letters were read containing suggestions for the consideration of the committee from members who were unable to be present.

The first presented came from Mrs. Alan Green, president of NFTS District #6, the Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Mrs. Green suggested that a "team of nationally prominent Sisterhood women" be sent to Sisterhoods in large communities to meet with their Executive Boards. After full discussion, it was regretfully decided that this would be impractical because NFTS does not have enough speakers to fill even individual engagements.

Another suggestion from Mrs. Green was that "national Board members should be ex-officio members of the boards of their local and district organizations during their terms of office." It was noted that NFTS has for many years asked local Sisterhoods to take such action but individual Sisterhoods are autonomous and sometimes do not comply with the request. It was agreed that a recommendation be made to the NFTS Executive Board that district federations be asked to include a provision in their constitutions providing a place for national Board members on their boards.

Mrs. Green further suggested that the letter that the NFTS president sends periodically to Board members be sent to district presidents when their content concerns the district. The question of the president's correspondence with the NFTS Executive Board was felt to be the concern of the president. Mrs. Dalsheimer commented, however, that she does communicate periodically not only with the national Board but also with local and district presidents via their respective packets.

Mrs. Green's next suggestion concerned the

Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and was ordered referred to that committee.

Mrs. Green also suggested that the January packet carry all program suggestions for February through June and the September packet all the suggestions for October through January. After full discussion it was agreed that this would not help the program chairmen who generally make their plans in the spring but that getting the Program Booklet and the supplement out earlier in the spring would help. It was agreed that some way should be devised to put a statement on the cover of the Program Booklet asking the program chairman to pass it on to her successor at the end of her term.

Mrs. Green's suggestion for Biennial workshops was ordered referred to the Program Committee for the next Biennial.

In answer to Mrs. Green's suggestion that committee meetings be scheduled at a time when members had to be in town for other meetings and that part of their expenses be paid by NFTS, it was pointed out that this meeting was scheduled at a time when some of the members were to be in New York for another NFTS meeting. Also, the last Biennial turned down the suggestion that travel expenses for attendance at committee meetings be paid by NFTS.

The second letter read came from Mrs. Alexander Kline, president of NFTS District #16, the Mississippi-Arkansas Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Mrs. Kline's first suggestions concerned the realignment of NFTS into four departments. In general, members in her area found the plan to be workable but she suggested that "youth activities would seem to lie more naturally with the Advancement of Judaism Department . . ." It was agreed that the Advancement of Judaism Department was confined to fund-raising activities and could not logically include youth activities. Also, youth activities were considered part of religious education by the UAHC, the parent body, as well as by NFTS. It was further reported that NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, found that it was very difficult to have the program chairman under the same department as the fund-raising chairman. It was unanimously agreed that the Evaluation Committee would ask the Executive Board to recommend changing the NFTS Committee on Programs from the Department on Membership and Administrative

Services to the Department on Religion and Education. The NFTS staff fully concurred in this recommendation as they too were finding, during the current trial period of departmentalization, that this proposed change was necessary. It was stressed by all that departmentalization is desirable and workable.

Careful attention was given to Mrs. Kline's suggestion that NFTS materials be sold and distributed via the district federations. It was the sense of the committee that this was not feasible because districts do not have the necessary personnel or facilities for storing, properly packaging, invoicing and distributing Uniongrams and other materials. It was also noted that business advisors whose opinion had been sought felt that such a plan would cause considerable confusion, loss of material through shipping damage, and ultimate added expense in bookkeeping and added correspondence. NFTS Uniongram orders, even from one area of the country, represented a large enterprise.

It was stated that Mrs. Kline's objections to the "system of recognition for donations to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund" had been taken care of in part under a new plan being presented for the Executive Board's approval by the Executive Committee. As the matter is on April, 1954, agenda of the NFTS Board, no further action is feasible at this time. It was ordered that Mrs. Kline's comments on the need for more information on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and her suggested sales techniques be referred to the Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

Another letter read came from Mrs. Perry Segal, president of NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

The first question, dealing with a raise in district dues and additional income seemed to the committee to be stated in the NFTS By-Laws under Article 37, Section E, which read:

"The dues claimed by the district federation must not be more than 25c per capita per annum, and shall be collected by the district treasurer who shall make semi-annual reports in March and September to NFTS, giving the financial status of her respective federation. Any additional monies that a district federation may desire to raise shall be approved by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods or a designated committee thereof."

Therefore, a district federation must submit

for NFTS approval, the list of additional monies that it wishes to collect over its per capita dues.

The suggestion that district presidents sit on the national Board was rejected by the 1953 Biennial. The Evaluation Committee did not consider the subject one for it at this time.

It was agreed that Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, president of NFTS, write to Mrs. Segal, answering her comments about directives to new Sisterhoods. The files of NFTS were made available to the committee which, after hearing the correspondence between it and its prospective and new affiliates, were satisfied that much help is extended.

On the matter of policy with regard to district federations' taking action on subjects prior to action by NFTS and the UAHC, the committee noted that the NFTS Executive Committee had referred the subject to the District President's Council for further discussion; therefore, the Evaluation Committee took no action.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:30 P.M., and reconvened at 1:30 P.M.

NFTS ELECTION PROCEDURES

The candidate's blank used in submitting names as possible nominees to the NFTS Executive Board was carefully read and discussed. The committee recommended that the blank remain unchanged. Discussion noted that under the NFTS By-Laws as revised in April, 1953, the Nominating Committee for the Executive Board meets prior to the Biennial and names of nominees are submitted to district federations for their information.

SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP

The Executive Committee recommended that a study be made covering the entire subject of types of membership, both domestic and overseas; NFTS does not know how many Sisterhoods have junior members or business and professional groups. After considerable discussion it was decided that a separate questionnaire would only serve to suggest to Sisterhoods the possibility of initiating different memberships which might not be desirable. It was decided that the best way to obtain information would be to include a section on membership in the NFTS statistical blank which is sent to local Sisterhoods annually.

A request from the South African Union of Temple Sisterhoods that they be permitted to belong to NFTS as a group and pay only \$10

per year, which had been discussed by the Executive Committee, was brought to the attention of the Evaluation Committee. The discussion pointed up the fact that this would be a service to the advancement and development of Liberal Judaism. The matter will be re-evaluated in the future.

The question was raised whether NFTS was going to redistrict its federations according to the Union regions. The discussion pointed out that NFTS had twenty strong districts, many of which had a long history, while the UAHC had only eight, which exist largely for the purpose of meetings. This subject will be discussed at the March, 1954 District President's Council and is a matter primarily for the districts and the NFTS Executive Board.

It was agreed to recommend to the NFTS Executive Board that all district federations be asked to hold conventions that will last no less than two days so that more intensive service to Sisterhoods may result and more Sisterhood business, including workshops, conducted.

After the chairman expressed appreciation to the members for their concentrated work, the meeting adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
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COMMITTEE ON EVALUATION
UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM-BERG MEMORIAL

January 28, 1954

Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Chairman

AGENDA

1. Prayer in Unison
2. Definition of the Scope and Function of the Committee
3. Correspondence
4. Problems of Departmentalization
 - a) from the local Sisterhood viewpoint
 - b) from the NFTS viewpoint
5. NFTS Election Procedures: need to establish criteria concerning qualifications of candidates for NFTS Executive Board, for possible addition to candidates' blanks that are distributed to Sisterhoods.
6. Sisterhood Membership
 - a) domestic and overseas
 - b) business and professional groups
 - c) junior memberships
 - d) district federations
7. Further Business

PROCEEDINGS OF

The District Presidents' Council

UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM-BERG MEMORIAL
New York, N. Y.
March 3-4, 1954

The fourth meeting of the NFTS District President's Council was called to order at 10:15 A.M., Wednesday, March 3rd, in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. Mrs. William J. Leffler, chairman, NFTS Committee on District Federations, presided. After an invocation recited in unison, a roll call indicated the following were present:

- Mrs. Lewis Davis, Worcester, Mass., President, NFTS District #1
- Mrs. Gustave A. Feingold, Hartford, Conn., President, NFTS District #2
- Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Tuckahoe, N. Y., President, NFTS District #3
- Mrs. Leon S. Kessler, Newark, N. J., Recording Secretary, NFTS District #4
- Mrs. Daniel S. Bernheim, Philadelphia, Pa., President NFTS District #5
- Mrs. Alan Green, Shaker Heights, Ohio, President, NFTS District #6
- Mrs. Irving Albert, Williamson, W. Va., President, NFTS District #7
- Mrs. A. F. Klein, Greensboro, N. C., President, NFTS District #8
- Mrs. Sydney V. Romer, Indianapolis, Ind., President, NFTS District #10
- Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn., President, NFTS District #12
- Mrs. Chester S. Heimlich, Timmonsville, S. C., President, NFTS District #13
- Mrs. Myer Blumberg, Dothan, Ala., President, NFTS District #14
- Mrs. Alexander Kline, Clarksdale, Miss., President, NFTS District #16
- Mrs. Bernard Goldsmith, New Orleans, La., President, NFTS District #17
- Mrs. Perry Segal, Chicago, Ill., President, NFTS District #18
- Mrs. Simon Horwitz, Oshkosh, Wis., President, NFTS District #19
- Mrs. Carl N. Ettinger, Cedar Rapids, Ia., President, NFTS District #20
- Mrs. Max H. Krumholz, Tyler, Tex., President, NFTS District #22
- Mrs. Harry Thor, San Francisco, Calif., President, NFTS District #24

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., NFTS President

Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y., Chairman, NFTS Committee on District Federations

Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y., NFTS Executive Director

Dr. Diana Bernstein, New York, N. Y., NFTS Program and Public Relations Assistant, who recorded the minutes.

The chairman called attention to the agenda, a copy of which is attached to these minutes, noting that the items had been placed thereon as a result of the response to the questionnaire sent to each district president. The chairman then introduced the national president, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, who greeted the assembly.

The chairman called attention to the kit of materials at each president's place. Among other items in this kit was a District President's questionnaire which each president was asked to fill in and return to the chairman either during the District Presidents' Council session or immediately thereafter.

ELECTION OF TWELVE MEMBERS TO THE NFTS COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The chairman pointed out that the District Presidents' Council would be electing, for the first time in its history, twelve of the twenty-five members of the NFTS Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board. This action would be in accordance with the NFTS By-Laws as revised April 1953, Article 8.

It was stated that only district presidents would have the right of making and seconding motions and voting at this Council. A district president's alternate would be welcome to participate in discussion only.

After full discussion, it was decided that the twelve members should come from the districts which would have vacancies for national Board members at the 1955 NFTS Biennial Assembly. Since there were thirteen such districts and only twelve members were to be chosen, it was unanimously agreed to eliminate one district by drawing lots. Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer drew the name of NFTS District #24, which would not elect a member to the Committee on Nominations at

this time. It was agreed that those districts that were not ready to submit a name for membership on the Committee on Nominations, would do so by April 20, 1954.

The advisability of appointing national Board members to the Committee on Nominations was discussed. It was pointed out that this might lead to the criticism that the national Board has too much control over the choice of its successors. The question was also raised of appointing to the Committee on Nominations women who might be considered for membership on the Executive Board. While any Committee on Nominations has a right to choose from within its own members, there is generally a reluctance to do so.

There was discussion over the purpose of sending the names of the members nominated for service on the Executive Board to the district presidents. The NFTS By-Laws, Article 8, Section B3, states that the names (from Sisterhoods affiliated with a District Federation) are sent "for the information of the District Federation." Several of those present felt that if they could not comment on the qualifications of the candidates, the provision was meaningless. It was pointed out that if a candidate was strongly opposed by members from her district, there could be nominations from the floor of the Biennial, resulting in a ballot vote. It was also suggested that while in session, the Committee on Nominations could contact the district presidents for their comments.

It was agreed to bring before the next meeting of the NFTS Executive Board the question of whether the Nominating Committee should meet during a Biennial Assembly as well as prior to it to handle such matters that may arise as the case of a candidate who is nominated to the Executive Board, accepts the nomination, and by the time the Biennial convenes, cannot, because of her health or for other reasons, serve on the Board.

DISCUSSION ON POLICY SENT TO DISTRICTS BY NFTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

It was felt by some of those present that the policy reading:

"As subsidiaries of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, District Federations shall not initiate action or adopt any resolution on a matter of general, communal, or Jewish interest, or undertake any new policy or project, without the written authority of the NFTS Executive Board, the President or

the Executive Director," which was sent out by the NFTS Executive Committee was too binding and would hamper the work of the District Federations. On the other hand, it was pointed out that districts are part of the entire Reform Jewish movement and that it would be most inadvisable for a district to pass a resolution or initiate a project that might be out of line with the policy of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The suggestion was made that it might be feasible for districts to decide what their resolutions were to be in advance of their conventions and get NFTS clearance to present them before their meetings. Furthermore, one district president pointed out that her district had contemplated preparing a book of prayers for home use which would have involved considerable effort and expense; upon clearing in advance with NFTS she discovered that such a book had been recently published by the Central Conference of American Rabbis under the title *Union Home Prayer Book*.

It was unanimously agreed to appoint a committee of five to meet with Mrs. Dalsheimer and Mrs. Leffler to consider the possible rewording of this policy and to report back before the meeting ended on March 4th. The members of the committee were: Mrs. Myer Blumberg, Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Mrs. Max H. Krumholz, Mrs. Perry Segal, Mrs. Harry Thor.

DISTRICT BUDGETS AND NFTS APPROVAL

It was pointed out that under Article 37E of the NFTS By-Laws any monies, above dues, that District Federations wished to raise, must have the approval of NFTS. Maximum per capita annual district dues are twenty-five cents. District treasurers should report semi-annually to NFTS and the district budget must be presented for NFTS approval.

DISTRICT FEDERATION CONVENTIONS

PROGRAM PLANNING

USE OF WORKSHOPS

Workshops are an important part of every District Federation Convention. Those districts which used the buzz technique at workshops found them very effective. The technique permitted much wider participation than was otherwise possible. It also made it possible for large and small Sisterhoods to meet separately and then share their thinking as a group. It was helpful, too, in preventing one individual from dominating the meeting.

The importance of holding briefing sessions for the workshop leaders in advance of the convention was stressed. Where the distances are too great for them to meet several times, they should at least meet in the convention city just prior to the convention.

Five of the districts stated that they include local president's reports. Two districts found that visual displays of the work of the Sisterhoods was very effective. In lieu of an annual report, each Sisterhood was given bridge table space at the District Convention on which to display its activities. Sisterhood activities are also reported in the District Bulletins, making oral reports at conventions unnecessary. Many districts are trying to limit time allotted to reports of district officers by having one officer give a summary report, distributing printed or mimeographed reports, etc.

There was some feeling that the brief oral reports from workshops were not very helpful and that written summaries of the discussions were very much more useful.

Ways of evaluating conventions were discussed. One district reported that the evaluation report was discussed at the Post-Convention Board Meeting and proved very helpful. It was suggested that all chairmen jot down ideas as they came to them during the convention.

USE OF LOCAL RADIO AND TV STATIONS

This is a very important public relations media but should be used with *great care*. The person representing Sisterhood should be an experienced public speaker and well-prepared. NFTS can offer help if the district or the individual hostess Sisterhood can get the time.

USE OF NFTS REPRESENTATIVE AND NFTS MATERIALS

It was stressed that in asking for a national representative, the district should either ask for someone who is qualified to speak on a given subject and then let national make suggestions or else ascertain whether the person they want is a qualified speaker. Also, the request to NFTS should come as early as possible so that if the representative requested is not available a qualified substitute can be found. All requests for a national representative should go to NFTS and not directly to the speaker. The NFTS representative should be given a place on the program where she will have ample time to address the entire group.

It was pointed out that the NFTS staff was inadequate and could not notify districts when a national speaker was to be in their district. The suggestion was made that the districts might ask their Sisterhoods to inform them when they requested an NFTS speaker.

The meeting recessed at 4 P. M., and the district presidents attended a tea given in their honor by NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Mrs. William J. Leffler reconvened the meeting at 10:00 A.M. on March 4th.

It was stated that a speaker from NFTS as well as a speaker sent by a district had a dual function to fulfill: as an ambassador of the Reform Jewish movement and as the specific information source for the particular problems of the specific audience. Since all of this cannot be done in a fifteen or twenty-minute speech, the speaker should make good use of the question and answer period (including the planted question), a meeting with the Board and officers, as well as personal conferences.

SOCIAL AND FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

This item was added to the agenda because it was felt that social activities are a vital part of a District Convention. However, they must be kept within reasonable confines and must not become the main purpose of a convention.

LENGTH OF CONVENTIONS

One-day conventions were held by four districts, one of which reported that it was found to be inadequate and a change was planned for the future. One-day conventions were held because the districts were small and the members felt that they did not want to be away from home overnight. In one case, a one-day convention was held because the hostess Sisterhood was very small and the convention city did not have a hotel.

It was suggested that conventions become more important when they last more than one day. The result may be increased attendance and greater help to the Sisterhoods. It was also pointed out that a banquet, which could not be held at a one-day convention, tended to increase attendance. The longer convention would also permit the holding of inspirational services and would give members an opportunity to get acquainted.

The following statement was agreed upon:

It is the sense of this meeting of the District Presidents' Council that District Federa-

tions are strengthened and able to give better service to their affiliated units if their conventions are planned for more than one day.

Various ways of paying the expenses of delegates to conventions were discussed. Many Sisterhoods pay part of the expenses of their delegates. Some Sisterhoods put aside a certain amount of money from every fund-raising event to make up an expense account for sending a delegate. Some Sisterhoods have copied the ideas of Savings Banks and have started individual savings plans. At every general or committee meeting their members deposit anything from 25c to \$5.00. This builds up their expense account. One District Federation has a delegates' fund for the partial assistance of very small Sisterhoods whose treasuries cannot assist their delegates. The budgets of District Federations should include amounts to cover the expense of attendance at the District Presidents' Council and the NFTS Biennial.

CONVENTIONS WITH UAHC REGIONS

Three District Federations have held joint meetings with UAHC Councils and thought them eminently worthwhile. The women didn't mind staying away from home for a few days when their husbands were with them. Because of attendance at these conventions, many men have become interested in the temple and in the work of the UAHC. It was also felt that much was gained in terms of programming, better speakers and good ideas.

On the other hand, it was felt that the women did not get an adequate place on the program when joint conventions were held and it was suggested that the women play a larger role in planning them. Also, many of the smaller communities, which might sponsor a Sisterhood Convention, could not accommodate a joint convention. It was also stated that weak UAHC Councils tend to be strengthened by meeting in convention with strong NFTS Districts.

The question of joint conventions will be considered by the NFTS Executive Board when it meets in April.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

District presidents were asked to check their constitutions to make certain that they include a provision giving NFTS Executive Board members who reside in their district a place on the District Executive Board. If the constitutions do not include such a provision, the districts were asked to revise their by-laws or constitution.

It was also pointed out that some NFTS Executive Board members ignore invitations from their districts and are not participating either locally or district-wise in Sisterhood activities.

The question of holding frequent District Executive Board meetings was raised. It was stated that in districts which cover a large geographic area this is not possible because transportation costs are prohibitive. The Sisterhoods cannot be asked to pay the cost of transportation because many small Sisterhoods have enormous local Temple obligations and cannot possibly assume additional expenses. Some new Sisterhoods are prevented from joining their District Federation because of financial problems.

In place of frequent Board meetings, large districts hold area or regional meetings and find them very helpful.

ELECTION OF DISTRICT OFFICERS

Referring to this item on the agenda, the chairman stated that election of officers of District Federations should take place at District Conventions rather than at annual meetings of the District Executive Boards, since the Sisterhoods affiliated with the districts have larger representation at the conventions. Therefore, in the interest of democracy it would seem preferable that election of officers to a District Federation should occur at the District Convention.

DISTRICT FEDERATION PROJECTS AND PROBLEMS

The Sisterhood Caravan initiated by NFTS District #3 is being widely adopted by other districts. Briefing of participants was stressed. In districts covering large areas most of this could be done by mail with one face-to-face briefing session before the Caravan set out. The Caravan spent one day in a community and covered such subjects as the Backgrounds and Institutions of Reform Judaism, the work of the NFTS departments and committees and specific local problems.

Districts adopted different means of financing the Caravan. In one district the Caravan was financed from the district treasury. In others a fee was charged to cover the cost of transportation and the material distributed. Often, the hostess Sisterhood was asked to collect the fee along with the price of the luncheon and turn the fee over to the district. It was stressed that both the cost of the luncheon and the fee should be kept as low as possible.

The Caravan was considered very successful

by all groups using it. It brought the district into closer contact with the Sisterhoods, increased the enthusiasm of the district officers and resulted in far better attendance at conventions.

It was noted that news bulletins play a very important role in the work of District Federations. In some cases the bulletins are distributed to all the members; in some, only to officers; in others, to district and local Board members. The bulletins carry news of NFTS, of district activities, and serve as a medium for the exchange of ideas among Sisterhoods in the district. It was urged that there be a free exchange of bulletins among districts and that copies of all bulletins be sent to NFTS.

The various types of questionnaires that districts ask their officers as well as their local units to fill in were discussed. It was requested that copies of these questionnaires be sent to NFTS.

Various ways of briefing newly appointed district chairmen were discussed. It was generally felt that this was the task of the district president but that it was also important for each chairman to keep as complete files as possible and pass them on to her successor.

The question of having the district take over part of the job of distributing NFTS programs, Uniongrams and other material was raised. It was pointed out that handling Uniongrams is a complicated financial operation which requires storage, packing, mailing and invoicing facilities which districts do not have. While NFTS regretfully recognizes that at times there are still unsolved bottlenecks in the handling of its mail, unfortunately, the problem is two-sided. NFTS also has difficulty in getting prompt response to its communications from districts and local Sisterhoods.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF FIVE

The committee appointed to consider the rewording of the directive to District Federations reported that four of the five members felt that the policy should remain unchanged with the one exception of deletion of the word "written" in order that added flexibility might result from verbal or telephonic communication with NFTS.

After discussion, a motion was made and

seconded to accept the report of the committee. The vote was as follows:

16 in favor of the report; 2 opposed.

Of the two negative votes, one was opposed to the policy; one was in favor of the policy as originally stated.

The revised version will be referred to the NFTS Executive Board for consideration.

After expressions of appreciation and a benediction recited in unison, the meeting adjourned at 4. P.M.

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL AGENDA

March 3-4, 1954

Presiding: Mrs. William J. Leffler, Chairman,
NFTS Committee on District Federations

1. Invocation (In unison)
2. Roll Call
3. Greeting from President to Presidents
Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer
4. Election of 12 members to NFTS Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board
5. Relation of District Federations to NFTS
 - a. Discussion on policy sent to Districts by NFTS Executive Committee
 - b. District budgets and NFTS approval
6. District Federation Conventions
 - a. Program planning
 - I. Use of the workshops
 - II. Use of local radio and TV stations
 - III. Use of NFTS representative and NFTS materials
 - IV. Social and Fellowship Activities
 - b. Length of conventions
 - c. Conventions with UAHC regions
7. Constitutions and By-Laws
 - a. Inclusion of NFTS Board members on District Boards
 - b. Election of officers at District Biennials
8. Presentation of District Federation projects and problems
9. Further Business
10. Benediction and Adjournment

NFTS District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods invites the district presidents to tea in the Sisterhood Lounge of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial at 4:00 P.M., on Wednesday, March 3, 1954.

President's Message

Pikesville, Md., April 12, 1954

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Friends:

It is with a profound sense of humility and gratitude that I write my first President's Message. These past twelve months have been very busy and full months for NFTS and me, and the experience has been inspiring and satisfying. To have had the opportunity to meet with Sisterhood women throughout the United States and to see what a splendid and fine membership we have, has been heartening and encouraging. It has been a privilege to serve our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and I hope that I have given as much as I have received.

To you, the members of the Executive Board, as well as to all NFTS co-workers, I wish to express my deep appreciation for your understanding and cooperation, and the spirit of confidence with which you accepted me as your President. Ours is a mutual task, and your support and leadership, which are so necessary if we are to have an NFTS program which is well conducted, fruitful and meaningful in a world of tension, have been a source of real strength to me.

Through personal letters to the Executive Board and to local and District Presidents, I have endeavored to keep you informed on all important and timely Sisterhood matters pertaining to the organization. I trust that you have found these communications informative and helpful.

In May of 1953, a beloved past-president of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr., Highland Park, Ill., passed away. We shall sorely miss her gracious, kindly presence and the wisdom of her counsel at our sessions. A resolution of tribute and remembrance will be presented to the Executive Board for action and will be spread upon our minutes. I ask the Board to rise with me in silent gratitude for her life of service and the leadership she so willingly and ably gave us.

NFTS DEPARTMENTALIZATION

Under the capable leadership of Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, my predecessor in office as NFTS President, it was decided to departmentalize NFTS and its Committees. I am pleased to report that the new plan, which was inaugurated in the fall of 1953, is proving most successful. Not only has it made for a more efficient operation in the New York headquarters, but we have received commendation and praise from many Sisterhoods. They are finding that departmentalization strengthens Sisterhood on the local as well as NFTS and District level.

You will be interested to know that many local Sisterhoods and District

Federations have changed their By-Laws to conform with NFTS, and now have four Vice-Presidents, one for each department. I am confident that many more will recognize the expediency of this change and follow suit. However, it is not necessary for a small Sisterhood to have four Vice-Presidents. If necessary, and found more feasible, a Sisterhood need merely appoint the four women, whether officers or not, whom they desire to be the respective heads of the four departments. It will take time and education to bring about one hundred per cent cooperation in our program of departmentalization, but we have made real strides forward during these past six months.

HONORING PAST BOARD MEMBERS

Many letters have come to headquarters from Executive Board Members whose terms of office expired last year at the 40th Anniversary Biennial expressing their appreciation of the certificate of recognition and honor which was sent them. This gesture has created good will and a closer bond between NFTS and those who have given leadership through Board service.

THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

The Evaluation Committee, chaired by Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill., met in New York at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial on January 28th, and had a most fruitful and constructive session. It was agreed that the primary objective of the Committee was to study the structure and function of NFTS in terms of changing needs, and attainment of the organization's goals. One of the specific functions of the Committee would be to reevaluate the realignment of NFTS into four departments. It was stated that since the Committee is a Special Committee, it is not self-perpetuating, but goes out of existence at the conclusion of the next Biennial, unless it is reappointed by the President. One important decision reached was to recommend to the NFTS Executive Board the transfer of the Committee on Programs from the Department on Membership and Administrative Services to the Department on Religion and Education. This change was suggested by many Sisterhoods, and endorsed by the staff, and will be on the agenda for discussion at this meeting.

On the matter of policy with regard to District Federations taking action on subjects prior to action by NFTS and its parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Committee noted that the NFTS Executive Committee had referred the subject to the District Presidents' Council for further discussion. Therefore, the Evaluation Committee took no action.

In regard to the recommendation of the Executive Committee that a study be made covering the entire subject of types of membership, both domestic and overseas, the Evaluation Committee decided that the best way to obtain this information would be to include a section on membership in the NFTS statistical blank which is sent to local Sisterhoods annually.

The Evaluation Committee also recommended to this Board that all District Federations be asked to hold conventions that will last no less than two days, so

that more intensive service to Sisterhoods may result and more Sisterhood business, including workshops, conducted.

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM PROJECT

Through October 31, 1953 (the close of the NFTS fiscal year) Sisterhood members contributed the gross sum of \$469,186.14 toward this project. As all Sisterhoods must know, the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial is the national center of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its national affiliates, including NFTS. At the close of the fiscal year, the total sum collected represented participation from 393 Sisterhoods of which, at that time, 239 had fulfilled their quotas of \$10 per member. On the Fireplace Wall of the Sisterhood Lounge there are recorded the names of 215 Sisterhoods who completed their quotas prior to the erection of the building; on the handsome parchment plaque on the East Wall of the Lounge are recorded the names of additional Sisterhoods, 10 of whom completed their quotas during the 1952-53 fiscal period.

It is heartening to know that contributions are continuing to be made, to the House of Living Judaism project. The Union of American Hebrew Congregations has now authorized the completion of the kitchen adjacent to the Board Room on the second floor of the building. However, I want to impress on the members of the NFTS Executive Board the necessity to continue to collect HLJ funds, both quotas and possibly additional monies. The mezzanine, which was originally designed to house the Library and is clearly visible from the handsome lobby, is now being used for working space. It is not only inadequate, but to me it is truly a painful eyesore, and a discordant note in this dignified building. The original plans envisaged two additional floors, and the foundations were laid to support a structure of this size.

May I urge that the NFTS Executive Board use every means available to bring the complete plans to fruition, and consider and devise ways and means to solicit funds over and beyond the Sisterhood quotas? One Sisterhood, which has met its quota, suggested that Sisterhoods might give additional contributions if properly approached and made aware of the need. NFTS District #14, the Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, at its convention in January of this year, passed the following motion: "that we recommend to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Executive Board, that, if possible, approval be given to the entire membership of NFTS to ask for a voluntary annual contribution of 10¢ per member to be used for the House of Living Judaism." This resolution is an indication that our affiliates are receptive to the idea of further funds for the House of Living Judaism. I deeply hope the Executive Board will explore further the question of raising additional funds to complete our magnificent center.

THE DISTRICT PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL

The District Presidents' Council met in New York on Wednesday, March 3rd and Thursday, March 4th, 1954. Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y., Chairman, presided. There were eighteen (18) out of twenty (20) District Presidents

present; one of the two who could not attend sent a representative. These sessions were informative and constructive, and I cannot refrain from referring to the importance of this Council, and of the splendid contribution it makes to NFTS. It is a strong link between the local units, NFTS and its District Federations.

At this meeting the Council elected their twelve members to serve on the Nominating Committee for the forthcoming NFTS Biennial Assembly in Los Angeles, Calif., February 13-17, 1955.

The policy with regard to District Federations taking action on subjects, prior to action by NFTS and its parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, was discussed at great length, and it was decided to recommend to this Board that the policy remain the same with the word "written" deleted. This change was suggested since many of the District Presidents felt some question may arise concerning resolutions which need immediate action. Therefore a phone call or telegram may be necessary.

The question of the length of District Conventions was discussed, and those present concurred with the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee.

Programs, District dues, Federation Bulletins and other matters pertaining to Districts were given place on the agenda, and there ensued a most enlightening and stimulating exchange of ideas. I feel confident all present returned to their respective groups having gained a great deal of information, and better qualified to "carry on" as Presidents.

AMERICAN JEWISH
ARCHIVES
NEW PUBLICATIONS

To honor the 80th birthday of the Honorable Lily H. Montagu, O.B.E., J.P., D.H.L., Honorary Life Member of the NFTS Executive Board and world renowned leader not only of English Jewry but also of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, NFTS published her biography. Written by Eric Conrad under the title *Lily H. Montagu—Prophet of a Living Judaism*, the book includes not only the life story of this remarkable woman but also various excerpts from her deeply religious writings and addresses. The book reached London in time for presentation to her on the very night of her birthday. It is available at \$2.00 per copy, with a discount to Sisterhood Judaica Shops when ordered in quantities of two or more. The book belongs in the library of every Sisterhood leader as well as in temple libraries and on the shelves of public, school, and college libraries. It would be well if Sisterhoods would see to it that copies are presented with their compliments to such libraries in and near their communities. The proceeds from the sale of this book will be a contribution to the work of the World Union for Progressive Judaism from NFTS.

The *Manual for Sisterhoods* is off the press and already in the hands of those Sisterhoods and individuals who have ordered it. I feel confident this will be "The Bible" of Sisterhood leaders, and I want to congratulate Ruth Jacobson on a "job well done," and for the truly important contribution she has made to NFTS. To Jane Evans goes our thanks for the part she had in the publication of the *Manual*, and for serving as its editor. Every Sisterhood leader, present or potential, should own her personal copy of the *Manual*.

THE 1955 BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

It is by no means too early for us to be thinking toward and working for next year's NFTS Biennial Assembly which will be convened at the Hotel Statler in Los Angeles, Calif., February 13-17, 1955. This will be the first time that a Biennial of NFTS and its parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, has convened on the Pacific Coast since 1929. In all the intervening years, far-western Sisterhoods have been selfless in making the effort and meeting the cost, whether personally or from Sisterhood treasuries, of having delegates in attendance at mid-western and eastern Biennial Conventions. I am sure it is not necessary for me to stress that it should be a matter of honor for all eastern and mid-western Sisterhoods to plan now to have full delegations in Los Angeles. If necessary, special fund-raising affairs should be held, and special savings plans instituted for this purpose. Los Angeles is the largest growing Jewish community of America and one of the largest not only of this country but of the world. The American Reform movement on the west coast is a richly flourishing one. Eastern and mid-western Sisterhoods will have much to give, and more to learn, by attending our first western Biennial in more than a quarter of a century.

The NFTS Eastern Program Committee for the Biennial met in New York at the House of Living Judaism on Tuesday, March 2nd. Mrs. Harry Thor of San Francisco, Vice-Chairman of the over-all Committee, presided. A very fine representation of Sisterhood women from the east coast attended. A West Coast Program Committee has also been set up and will meet in May. Mrs. Henry Monsky of Los Angeles, NFTS First Vice-President, is over-all Chairman for the Biennial program.

At the preliminary meeting in March, many fine suggestions were made, and a tentative program drawn up, subject to additional suggestions from the Committee on the west coast which of necessity will bear the major responsibility for coordinating and carrying out the Biennial plans.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The NFTS Executive Committee met in New York at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, September 29th and 30th. With the exception of the Honorary President, Mrs. Abram Simon, all members were present. It was with deep regret that the Executive Committee, prior to the meeting, accepted the resignation of Mrs. Clarence C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn., a beloved and distinguished member of NFTS' official family, who had served in the past as Chairman on District Federations, a Vice-President, as well as a member of both the Executive Board and Executive Committee. In her place, Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbia, S. C., Chairman of the NFTS Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund was appointed to the Executive Committee and Mrs. Robert Simons, Louisville, Ky., to Mrs. Strasburger's unexpired term on the Executive Board. Since highlights of this Executive Committee meeting have long since been distributed to all members of the Board and to NFTS, I shall not take the time now to recapitulate them.

Unexpectedly, a matter involving the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Educa-

tion Fund came to my attention which was of such importance that a special session of the Executive Committee was held in New York at the House of Living Judaism on December 8th and 9th. As a result, representatives of the NFTS Executive Committee met with representatives of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion on January 26th, 1954. The Board of Governors accepted the request of NFTS that there shall be no change for the present in the Scholarship Award Plan whereby NFTS Scholarships are given as outright grants, not loans, to eligible students of the College-Institute. This matter is on the agenda for the Executive Board and will be considered further at the Biennial Assembly in Los Angeles next year.

Other items upon which discussion was held or action taken at the special meeting of the Executive Committee included the unanimous adoption for presentation to the NFTS Executive Board of a plan of adjustment upward of honor listings of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund to bring them more in line with present realities not only of the value of the dollar but also of our Scholarships and grants; consideration of the total financial structure of NFTS in relation to its parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations—however, the complexity of this subject made definitive action impossible at this time; the approval of the creation of a slide film on Jewish women in American history as part of the programs to be made available to NFTS and others for the American Jewish Tercentenary which will be celebrated for one year beginning in September, 1954.

RECOMMENDATIONS

There are two very important matters for the NFTS Executive Board to discuss during its session. They will take the most mature and careful thinking of each member of the Board.

The question of the financial structure of NFTS is so closely tied in with the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund that I believe we must come to grips with both the over-all financial picture of the Federation and this special fund simultaneously. While our final solutions will have to wait upon the action of the 1955 Biennial Assembly, I would like to recommend consideration now of a change in name and scope of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. There are two possible changes, either one of which might be desirable:

(1) That we recommend to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws and ultimately to the Biennial Assembly that the name of the Fund be changed from Scholarship and Religious Education Fund to Scholarship, Administration, and Youth Fund, with the emphasis upon the triple program of scholarship assistance, administration, and youth camperships and camps.

The second, or alternative choice, is that the name of the Committee and Fund be changed as proposed at the December, 1954 Executive Committee Meeting by Mrs. Albert Farber to the Ready for Service Project with the individual letters in the word "ready" standing for religion, education, administration, dormitory, and youth. In either case, we must face squarely the realization that at present NFTS is not self-supporting but is relying upon a very substantial annual grant of more than \$50,000 yearly from its parent body, the Union of American Hebrew

Congregations, which, coupled with our own direct income from dues and the sale of materials, makes our activities possible. We should raise the total money necessary for our own administration and this can only be done either through a raise in dues or through a frank emphasis upon money for administration as part of a Scholarship, Administration, and Youth Fund.

I realize that either of the foregoing recommendations involves a drastic step, but I am convinced it is a step forward. On all my trips I was aware of the growing interest of Sisterhoods in youth and youth camps. We need a new approach, a new incentive for the sale of Uniongrams, and this is one which should excite and stimulate interest.

IN APPRECIATION

I cannot close this report without expressing my personal thanks to Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, and the staff for their support and cooperation. As a new President, they have made my task easy and pleasant. It has been a pleasure to work so closely with Miss Evans and her loyalty and devotion to NFTS is far beyond the call of duty.

And again to each of you, my warmest appreciation, and the fervent hope that we will continue to work together for the good of NFTS, Reform Judaism, and all mankind.

(MRS. HUGO) HELEN M. DALSHIMER

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COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & FINANCE MEETING
Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.
April 26, 1954

The Committee on Budget and Finance of the Department on Membership and Administrative Services of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened for a dinner meeting at 6:00 P.M., Monday, April 26, 1954, in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, New York, N. Y.

The following members of the Committee were in attendance: Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, O., Chairman of the Department; Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa., Vice-Chairman of the Committee; Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbia, S. C., Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill., Chairman of the Committee; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Fred Stein, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Lawrence Van Baalen, Toledo, O.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., NFTS President, ex-officio; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y., NFTS Executive Director, ex-officio; Mr. Hyman Kanter, Dallas, Tex., NFTS Financial Consultant; Mr. Lee Richman, New York, N. Y., UAHC-NFTS Chief Accountant, and Mrs. Morton Wexler, who recorded the minutes.

* For Report of Executive Director see p. 323.

After dinner, Mrs. Hollobow, who chaired the meeting, conveyed messages of regret for non-attendance from Mrs. Robert Simons, Louisville, Ky. and from Mds. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla., whose plane was delayed because of mechanical difficulties.

The chairman, Mrs. Hollobow, read item one on the agenda of the meeting, "Preparation for submission to NFTS Executive Board, the budget for the NFTS Fiscal Year, November 1, 1954-October 31, 1955" and a discussion of same followed. Mrs. Hollobow, at this time, asked the members present to make several corrections in wording in the "Budgetary Requests," copies of which they held.

Mrs. Hollobow read the budgetary requests for 1954-55 item by item and explained same as she read so as to avoid any confusion among the members present.

Discussion was held on the matter of raising additional funds for NFTS. Three suggestions were mentioned—(1) reduce the staff of NFTS, (2) raise dues, and (3) asking Sisterhoods to contribute more funds for administration. Suggestions (1) and (2) were voted against. It was agreed by all that special emphasis on fund-raising for NFTS should be made by all speakers visiting Sisterhoods. However, these speakers should have special emotional appeal in their talks to Sisterhoods or these talks will be to no avail. It was agreed that "administration" would not bring in contributions; therefore, scholarships, religious education, and youth should be the topics of their talks. If enthusiasm is created by the speaker, contributions from Sisterhoods will be forthcoming.

It was the suggestion of one of the members of the Committee that our speakers be trained especially for raising funds and then they be sent to each Sisterhood. Mr. Kanter pointed out that if a speaker were sent to each Sisterhood, an additional \$5,000 had to be added to the budget. This suggestion was not voted on.

In discussing the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, the members present continually called it the "Scholarship Fund." Mrs. Hollobow pointed out that this fund is not only for Scholarships—but is also for *religious education* and *youth*. It was agreed by all the members that the Fund needed a new name to emphasize the "youth" part of the Fund, for that is what would be the fund-raiser.

A recommendation was made that the Committee recommend to the Executive Board the adoption of the budget for 1954-55. This recommendation was agreed upon unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was "Further Business."

The following information was given by the Executive Director to members present in Executive Session:

"Taking just the figures of the last Biennial which met one year ago this very month: 54% of the delegates were the delegates of NFTS and 46% were from the UAHC. A total of 1,297 delegates attended the New York Convention, of which 699 were registered delegates and visitors of NFTS and 598 were from the UAHC. Therefore, exclusive of banquet fees, Sisterhood delegates paid \$10,485 in registration fees. The total receipts of the Union, including banquet fees from all registered persons, was \$30,190. In reality, conventions serve a very important function in any organization. But, they are very expensive.

"The Union had a deficit of \$11,000. They charged NFTS with \$3,700 and themselves paid \$7,300. In addition to that \$3,700 which they had charged us

with, we had a terrific direct cost of our own so that we actually had a convention which cost us directly out of our own treasury \$8,675.65, which included the \$3,700 to the UAHC. There is no reason in the world that I can see why NFTS, which had direct expenses of its own in running a convention, should not have returned to it a single penny of the registration fees of its members, nor is there any rhyme or reason why we should be paying out of our registration fees for those portions of the Union convention in which we in no way participated. The total Union expense included all the daytime meetings of the UAHC in which NFTS in no way participated.

"I would, therefore, like to propose that a small committee, if the Budget and Finance Committee would so agree to recommend to the NFTS Executive Board, composed of the Treasurer, the President, and the Executive Director, meet sufficiently prior to the next Biennial with proper officers of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in order that there shall be an equitable disposition of registration fees and convention costs. NFTS registration fees should be deposited in the NFTS, not the UAHC account."

The Budget and Finance Committee agreed unanimously to recommend to the National Board the recommendation mentioned above.

The Committee discussed the sending of the full, not a condensed version, of the CPA annual audit to all Sisterhoods, in accordance with NFTS By-Laws as revised, April, 1953. It was the consensus of opinion that the matter should again be considered by the Committee on Revision of By-Laws in the interest of economy and readability as the average member does not understand a complete auditor's report, with its many schedules.

Mrs. Hollobow explained that the function of the Committee members present is not only to meet, discuss the proposed budget, act on it, and present it to the Executive Board for action, but also to present ideas for ways and means for Sisterhoods by which they could raise funds.

It was the sense of the meeting that discussion of ways and means should be held at the meeting of the Department on Membership and Administrative Services, since this committee comes under that Department heading.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P. M.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial

New York, N. Y.

April 27, 1954

The first meeting of the NFTS Department on Religion and Education was called to order on Tuesday, April 27th, at 10:00 a.m., in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, New York, N. Y., by the Chairman Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Florida.

The following members of the Department were present: Mrs. Daniel Bernheim, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Lester S. Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa.; *Chairman*, NFTS

Committee on Religious Extension; Mrs. Beryl D. Cohen, Brookline, Mass., *Vice-Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Religious Schools; Mrs. George Goodman, Andover, Mass., Mrs. Kenneth Huberman, Newtonville, Mass.; Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, Milwaukee, Wis., *Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Religious Schools; Mrs. Sol Levy, Wichita, Kan.; Mrs. Myron M. Meyer, St. Joseph, Mo., *Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Family Education; Mrs. D. H. Orkin, Jackson, Miss., *Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Youth Activities; Mrs. Jacob Rudin, Great Neck, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Mayer B. Sulzberger, Detroit, Mich., *NFTS Vice-Chairman*, Committee on Family Education; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., *NFTS President*, *Ex Officio*; NFTS Staff member for the Department, Miss Gertrude Rom.

Mrs. Zielonka welcomed the members of the Department.

Mrs. Myron M. Meyer, NFTS Chairman of the Committee on Family Education then reported on the work of her Committee. She discussed a possible way to meet the challenge of a definite desire, on the part of Sisterhood members, to know more about our faith and history. Mrs. Meyer found evidence of this desire for knowledge in the 51 returned questionnaires that had been sent out by the Committee on Family Education during the present NFTS fiscal year. (See attached evaluation of returned questionnaires). She proposed, in conjunction with Mrs. Mayer Sulzberger, NFTS Vice Chairman on Family Education, a program of basic adult education in a community lacking trained leadership. She felt that a mimeographed guide emphasizing those points to be derived from the study of a particular book would enable a Sisterhood member, after having read one or two corollary works, to lead a discussion period following the reading of a chapter. This would eliminate the need for a professional leader. Mrs. Meyer stated that "education and Sisterhood should be almost synonymous" and that at least some of the monthly programs could be of an educational nature. She emphasized that the Committee on Family Education does not wish to nourish a sectarian spirit in Sisterhood members but rather, through the study of the Jewish faith we are made familiar with many cross currents in world history as the history of the Jewish people crosses that of many other peoples.

It was also brought out that in the educational programs, each session should be to some degree a unit in itself so that should a woman be unable to attend one or two of the sessions, she will not feel that she can no longer follow the continuity of the discussion.

Mrs. Meyer referred to "The Michigan Plan," a project originated in the state of Michigan, which she felt could be helpful to all areas. Through this plan, a community with no organized Temple or trained leader would be "adopted" by a rabbi from a nearby community who would provide the guidance needed to develop the area in all phases of Jewish living.

The question was raised as to whether it would be within the jurisdiction of NFTS or the UAHC to carry out the "Michigan Plan". It was decided that the National Federation should work together with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in planning and carrying out such projects.

As a result of the statement that family education is the domain of the women's group, the issue was raised as to what is the domain of the Sisterhood

and what is within the PTA realms. The conclusion reached was that this issue could best be worked out within each group.

Mrs. Lester S. Bloch, NFTS Chairman on Religious Extension, asked to speak next as she felt there was a direct correlation between the activities of the Committee on Religious Extension and those of the Committee on Family Education. Mrs. Bloch stated that in the NFTS fiscal year, November 1, 1952 to October 31, 1953, 23 Sisterhoods joined the National Federation. As of October 31, 1953 there were 490 affiliated Sisterhoods and today there are 500.

She strongly felt that each Sisterhood should make, as one of its projects, a concerted effort to explain Reform Judaism to its members. The importance of knowing one's religion cannot be over emphasized. And yet, she continued, too few people avail themselves of the existing opportunities to attend organized classes. Mrs. Bloch explained that the differences between the various Reform congregations is due to the fact that the fundamentals of Reform Judaism are not well enough known. It is important to know current Reform practices as well as the history of Reform Judaism—the forces which brought about this movement. She felt that this should be stressed in the NFTS program.

Mrs. Bloch then stated that she would agree with some that it is the Rabbi's responsibility to teach Reform Judaism to the members of his congregation but that Sisterhood should be the motivating force to organize classes.

While the reasons for the existence of both large and small Sisterhoods is the same—in most cases, the programs are similar only in their religious purposes. A large Sisterhood is usually financially able to have the time to develop its projects in line with NFTS and cooperate in the National Federation's program as an important part of its plans. However, the smaller Sisterhoods must devote most of their time and energy on programs dedicated to fund raising. Mrs. Bloch then continued that while it is not difficult to understand why a small Sisterhood must concentrate great effort in its many projects of service to its Temple, the Sisterhood must realize that its participation in the National Federation's program of service to our faith and humanity is necessary in order to advance Judaism.

During the discussion which followed, Mrs. Zielonka called attention to the Correspondence Courses (on Jewish Festivals, Jewish History, Bible and Jewish Life Today, History of the Jews in the U. S., and Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World) which are a joint project of the UAHC and NFTS.

Mrs. Dalsheimer, NFTS President, then mentioned that although religious education is an important project, the establishment of new religious groups (new Sisterhoods) is the primary purpose of the Committee on Religious Extension.

A member of the group mentioned that there is usually a good turnout at the beginning of most of the adult education courses; however, the problem is that of sustaining the interest. In answer the statement was made that knowledge and study are necessary to be a good Jew and that one should not think in terms of the number of persons registered for a course but rather the important concern should be the quality and amount of material given to the few who will form the basic group to train and interest others in turn.

In line with this it was also brought out that you cannot divorce anything Sisterhood does on an educational level from the Rabbinical field. Sermons and prayers become part of a study-lesson and through this means Reform Judaism can be studied in its entirety.

The next committee to be discussed was that on Jewish Ceremonials and Art. Since Mrs. Elmer Lentz Shaffer, Chairman, and Mrs. Philip Adelman, Vice-Chairman on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, were unable to attend the Department meeting, Miss Gertrude Rom, Staff Assistant to the NFTS Department on Religion and Education, spoke on the work of this committee. She quoted from the NFTS By-Laws, "The Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles of Jewish art, to establish Judaica shops, and to urge the study of Jewish customs and ceremonials," and suggested that the work of this Committee can be vital in influencing members to create a Jewish atmosphere in the home. The point was emphasized that cooperation between the various committees was essential to effective carrying out of their various aims since many areas overlapped. For example, the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art cooperates with the Committee on Family Education in demonstrating home observance of the Sabbath and the holidays. It cooperates with the Religious School Committee by presenting displays and talks for holiday assemblies for the children. It cooperates with the Program Committee, upon invitation, presenting programs on festival observances, Jewish art and music.

It is within this Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art that a choral group is formed and even a dramatic group in cooperation with the Brotherhood and the Youth Group.

In encouraging the collection and preservation of Jewish art and ceremonial objects, this committee lends its assistance to the Temple's Museum Committee, helping to display and care for the art objects owned by the Temple. It suggests that valuable museum pieces be given or loaned to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion or to the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial.

One of the important projects of this committee is the Sisterhood Judaica Shop. It was brought out that this project can help to create an awareness of the beauty of our heritage. It serves to encourage the giving of gifts of Jewish significance and can be an important fund raising project. NFTS has available a booklet—YOUR SISTERHOOD JUDAICA SHOP—to aid in the establishment and successful operation of this shop. The Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art also sells the Sisterhood Art Calendar. This project is often used to provide a profit for local treasuries, or to increase funds available for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund of NFTS.

The work of this committee on the local level can be made more effective through assistance from NFTS and the District Federations in the following ways:
NFTS can:

1. keep local Sisterhoods informed as to current information and available materials.
2. send out suggestions prior to each holiday.

3. upon request, suggest ways of stimulating interest among members in religious objects.

District Federations might:

1. list local concerns where religious objects might be viewed and bought.
2. combine and place orders for small Sisterhoods in order to obtain greater discounts and to enable orders to be placed more frequently.
3. conduct large advertising campaigns in behalf of all Sisterhood Judaica Shops in the district using local radio and TV facilities and other media. Attractive posters and pamphlets could be made with room to fill in the name and location of the individual Sisterhood.
4. have available information on successful activities of groups in the district—exchange of ideas and projects.

In conclusion, it was stated that the work of the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art can be enriching in many ways—culturally, spiritually and financially.

In the discussion that followed, the question was raised as to whether the funds raised through the various projects of this committee should be kept and channeled separately or should become part of the general Sisterhood treasury. It was concluded that each Sisterhood should decide for itself in this matter. The group then discussed the point that a committee should enter into projects in cooperation with another committee by invitation only.

Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, Chairman on Religious Schools, spoke on the work of her committee. She quoted from the *MANUAL FOR SISTERHOODS*, "The purpose of the religious school is to give children spiritual values and religious education, an appreciation of the beauty of Judaism and its importance to the world, and to imbue them with the emotional stability which comes from positive and happy acceptance of their Jewishness. It is the responsibility and the privilege of the Sisterhood to be part of this program."

Mrs. Kovacs explained that the needs of religious education in Sisterhood work vary according to the community, size of congregation and school. There is no established answer to the questions arising in any and all environments. She continued that an exchange of ideas is needed to see and understand plans and new suggestions and that the Committee on Religious Schools serves as a central clearing house to pass good, usable ideas on to any Sisterhood that can make use of them. The committee members must acquaint themselves and the affiliated units with all available materials in the field of religious education.

Mrs. Kovacs stated that we must be careful that there is no conflict between the PTA and Sisterhood—we must strive for unity.

She then reminded all present that whenever questions regarding curriculum and organization of the religious school arise, they should be referred to the Commission on Jewish Education, UAHC. However, it is important that NFTS keep a tabulation of these questions so that they and the Committee on Religious Schools are kept aware of what are the problem areas and of what is the consensus of opinion on religious school matters.

Mrs. Kovacs referred the Department members to the report on the returned questionnaires which were sent out by the Committee on Religious Schools.

Reference was then made to a Report on the 2nd National Conference on Jewish Education, which was held in New York on March 20-22, 1954, and Mrs. Kovacs quoted from it:

"Lay leadership creates the climate of the community on religious education. Lay participation affects sustained interest and activity in the program of the school. This participation makes for a feeling of responsibility—a definite involvement which leads to a concern for the results. This concern is necessary in striving to raise the standards of the religious school. Lay leadership should consist of people who are well educated and well aware of and well involved in Jewish life and religious education. As a matter of fact there should be but a very fine line dividing the lay from the professional leadership in terms of background. Advanced institutes and seminars are needed to prepare lay leadership just as advanced religious studies are needed for potential teachers. In both instances the objectives of the program of studies must be defined and understood."

In addition, it was stated in the report that efforts are being made in various communities to break down the idea that religious schools and synagogues are in competition with each other.

It was brought out in the discussion that followed that no matter how small the community, efforts should be made to set up religious school classes.

Mrs. D. H. Orkin, NFTS Chairman on Youth Activities described the work of the Committee on Youth Activities. She stated that the aims of the Committee were to unite the youth of our Congregation to share in the joys of our rich heritage and to prepare them for an enlightened parenthood. The Youth Group can fill the gap between Confirmation and Adult Education.

She explained that Sisterhood can help by giving Camperships to the regional program of Camp Conclaves and to the National Federation of Temple Youth Leadership Institutes. By attending Conclaves and Leadership Institutes, the young people learn more of Jewish thought and life, as well as Parliamentary Law, how to conduct a meeting, how to plan programs and social events. They think up money making schemes and learn how to publish and edit a bulletin. Here too, they have song fests, talk sessions and religious services. In this way Sisterhood provides counsel and guidance and encourages the young people to participate in congregational and community events.

The National Federation of Temple Youth has available much helpful material. Through the Mitzvah Program our youth are enabled to give expression to their religious spirit by service through worship and study, through the congregation, the community and NFTY. Mrs. Orkin then stated that the NFTY program helps our young people obtain the knowledge and experience that will evoke and strengthen their Jewish loyalties and prepare them for leadership.

She explained that on the District level the Youth Activities Chairman is the liaison between the groups in the district. It is her duty to encourage local Sisterhoods to appoint Youth Activities Chairmen. It is also her duty to obtain a list of eligible youth in her district so that all may be able to take advantage of the conclaves. It is her privilege to attend conclaves and help plan, with the youth and with the Rabbinical Advisors, the program of these conclaves.

On the local level, the Youth Activities Chairman should act as an advisor and as a link between the Youth Group and the professional youth director of the congregation, its Board of Trustees and its congregational members. Mrs. Orkin stated that a local Youth Activities Committee can be helpful in planning and sponsoring a conclave in their city.

She then discussed the fact that this year, for the first time, NFTY is offering a Youth Group Advisor's Camp Training Conference.

During the course of the discussion it was brought out that the work of the Youth Group is most important for when one is trained in his youth, he is not likely to depart from this training.

Another member of the Department raised the point that the NFTS Chairmen on Youth Activities also aids local Youth Activities Chairmen by offering rules to guide their approach to youth and to the adults they deal with—lay leadership must be guided.

It was emphasized in the discussion that the youth should plan their own programs and carry out their own projects for that is the only way to get young people interested and active in the youth program. Sisterhood should guide but not dictate the youth program. Sisterhood should give the youth the assistance they need but should not go overboard on the budgetary allowance for the Youth Group at the expense of other activities.

Mrs. Zielonka thanked the members of the Department on Religion and Education for their excellent discussion. She then reviewed some of the conclusions reached:

1. Education is vital to the future of our religion. It is possible to reach our own and nearby groups of all ages if we truly put forth the effort. While we wish to interest large numbers, we must realize that the success of our educational program must not be judged on the basis of numbers alone.
2. The scope of our Youth Activities depends in great measure on the type of chairmen provided by Sisterhoods. We must guide and assist our Youth Groups, but not try to dictate their programs and activities.
3. All in attendance agreed that NFTS has an abundance of educational and religious material available for local Sisterhoods. It is the responsibility of the individual units to make use of it. The success of NFTS projects depends upon leadership and active committee participation on the local level. With imagination and hard work, nothing is impossible.
4. NFTS was disappointed in the response to the four questionnaires sent out by the department; the average number of answers was only 50 to 60 for each questionnaire. NFTS believes these are valuable in learning what *has* been done, as well as what *should* be done. It is suggested that a comprehensive questionnaire, in the form of an annual report, be sent to each Sisterhood President, rather than individual committee questionnaires being sent to the various committee chairmen.

Special attention was called to the reports in the kits prepared for the Department meeting, on Institutes for Teachers and Laymen, and Correspondence Courses. Attention was also called to the recently published MANUAL FOR SISTERHOODS which contains a chapter on each of the NFTS committees and

their activities as well as other information that can be most helpful to all Sisterhoods and their leaders. Mention was made of the other NFTS aids which were on display.

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President, asked the Department members how they felt about Departmentalization and whether they felt the meeting of the Department on Religion and Education had been helpful. It was generally agreed that Departmentalization was a good thing and that as a result of the Department meeting the members had gained a clearer picture of the duties and obligations of the various committees and had realized why they were grouped together.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by
GERTRUDE ROM, *NFTS Staff Member, Department*
on Religion and Education

EVALUATION OF RETURNED QUESTIONNAIRES ON FAMILY EDUCATION

1. 51 out of 500 answered the questionnaire.
2. 2 are indifferent—uninterested.
3. 37 already have successfully operating education program.
4. 8 have a desire to learn but lack leadership.
5. 4 depend upon courses conducted by organizations other than Sisterhood.

Further analysis reveals:

1. Size of Sisterhood not always the determining factor.
2. Requests for resource material and ideas came from large groups with trained leadership.
3. A comparatively small percentage of members avail themselves of successfully operating educational programs.
4. There is evident a decided desire to learn more about our faith and history.

Evaluation prepared by
MRS. MYRON M. MEYER, *NFTS Chairman*
on Family Education

April 19, 1954

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
838 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

SUMMARY OF 52 RETURNED QUESTIONNAIRES FOR COMMITTEE
ON RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

1. In what type of activity does your Sisterhood Committee on Religious Schools engage?
 - a. Financial responsibility—92%

Extent:
entire responsibility—21%
half to a greater part of expenses—21%
partial support (specific use of monies not mentioned)—10%
social expenses (holiday observances, parties, gifts, luncheons, etc.)—25%
social expenses plus school supplies (books, records, etc.)—12%
school supplies only—2%
amount and type of financial responsibility not mentioned—9%
 - b. Encouragement of recruitment of teachers—11%

By what means:
Of the 11%, more than half stated they asked (with varying degrees of insistence) for volunteers, mostly from Sisterhood or PTA ranks. The following other means were cited:
 - 1) attractive salary offered plus constant contact with schools and colleges in the area
 - 2) work with Jewish Education Committee and local public school
 - 3) participation in discussion on subject at Board of Education meeting
 - 4) assist Temple in paying for in-service training
 - 5) personally contacting people who are qualified and assisting in obtaining them
 - 6) encourage courses given by the UAHC and Sisterhood's Adult Education program
 - c. In-service training for teachers—8%

The following training programs were listed:
 - 1) study programs for post confirmands
 - 2) student-teachers attend faculty luncheon-meetings
 - 3) Rabbi gives series of lectures on content of texts
 - 4) Committee meets with and enters into study groups for teachers

Subscription to the "Jewish Teacher" magazine—11%
What other type:
Subscriptions are also paid for "World Over," "Holiday Events" and other teachers' magazines.
Curriculum ideas obtained from the Chicago Jewish Board of Education, Bureau of Jewish Education and from the Association of Child Education.
At the end of each term one group presents each teacher with a suitable Jewish book as a gift.

 - d. Giving special equipment such as audio-visual aids to Religious Schools—58%

What kinds in last two years:
Moving picture projector, slide projector, screen, filmstrips and slides.
Record player, records, portable organ.
Flannel board, books, world globe and Hebrew lettering blocks.
 - e. Class mothers—42%
 - f. Parties for Religious School children—96%
 - g. P.T.A.—Is the PTA separate from your Sisterhood, or, as NFTS recommends, integrated with it:
no PTA—46%
separate from Sisterhood—23%
integrated with Sisterhood—31%
2. Does the Sisterhood Chairman on Religious Schools report regularly at Sisterhood meetings concerning progress in the school? Yes—83%
3. Does the Religious Schools Committee have any responsibility for adult education? Yes—23%

The following is a listing, in order of popularity, of the areas covered in the adult education programs:
Holiday workshops, institutes and programs

Curriculum and methods used in the Religious School

Hebrew

History of American Jews

Bible study

Jewish literature

Prayerbook study

Course on the Jewish Home—to complement the child's formal education with at least a minimum of Jewishness in his home environment

Several of those answering the above question in the negative listed the adult education program as being handled by the following:

Adult Education Committee

Bible Study Committee sponsored by Sisterhood

Adult Education Committee sponsored by the Temple

Rabbi

Study Group Chairman

PTA

4. Does the Committee exercise any function of liaison between the Sisterhood Gift Shop and the Religious School? Yes—38%

In what way:

- a. encourages displays in Religious School and at Sisterhood functions
- b. encourages Religious School pupils to buy articles of a religious nature and significant gifts at holiday time
- c. gives list of holiday books and items to the Gift Shop
- d. advises Gift Shop of texts used by the Religious School
- e. purchases gifts and prizes of Jewish significance from the Gift Shop

5. Are the Sisterhood and Religious School represented on your Temple Board? Yes—61%

By whom:

Sisterhood President only—47%

Sisterhood President and Religious School Chairman—47%

Sisterhood President and Principal of Religious School—3%

Sisterhood President and Religious School Board member—3%

6. What is your "#1 problem" in the Religious School from the Sisterhood point of view?

a. Finances

- 1) inadequate funds
- 2) not enough control over school policy for the funds given

- b. Materials and facilities

- 1) lack of sufficient space (most of the Sisterhoods that listed this as a problem also mentioned that they were planning to build or in the midst of building a new Temple)
- 2) using outdated texts and materials

- c. Programs

- 1) planning a suitable and sufficiently stimulating curriculum*
- 2) ninth grade children—too young for Temple Juniors and too old for the other group*
- 3) no adult education—keeping parents informed and interested

- d. Organization

- 1) autonomous PTA makes it difficult to coordinate activities
- 2) clarifying the Sisterhood Committee with the Temple Religious School Committee and setting up a PTA. Establish liaison between Temple and Religious School.

- e. Personnel and Parent participation

- 1) obtaining qualified teachers
- 2) getting parent teachers for school
- 3) getting people to volunteer for projects

- f. Territorial

- 1) too few children scattered over too wide an area

7. What additional aids does your Religious School Committee need from NFTS?

a. Information re:

- 1) material that is available*
- 2) PTA and the work to be undertaken by that group
- 3) adult workshops
- 4) what other Religious Schools are doing*
- 5) school board organization—including role of Sisterhood—and School management*
- 6) how to start an adult education program that would stimulate attendance and keep members interested enough to finish courses given

*[Editor's Note: Problems of school board management, curriculum, text-books, etc., should be referred to the Department of Jewish Education of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, not NFTS.]

- 7) recent and improved listing of publications for Religious School use—including age level, date of publication and rating as to which is most widely and successfully used*

b. Materials and Assistance*

- 1) improved quality and increased number of texts and educational material
- 2) provide visual material
- 3) provide funds for texts to meet needs of Sisterhood Religious Schools
- 4) materials whereby teacher who is not a musician or an artist can create handicraft
- 5) financial aid to help Religious School maintain itself
- 6) programs
 - a) methods of celebrating the holidays
 - b) course of study
 - c) extra-curricula activities for the school
 - d) filmstrips with Reform point of view

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- e) teen-age activities and material of interest to them

c. Other

- 1) NFTS should hold classes for ex-teachers among Sisterhood members and encourage them to participate in teaching as in all other forms of Congregational life.
- 2) If NFTS feels it advisable that Religious School Chairmen sit on the Board, they might recommend this to be included in the proposed constitution for Congregations.
- 3) Send NFTS representative to talk to the Sisterhoods about the use of and the need of audio-visual aids to help the child in his course of study.
- 4) Educate the women so that they may take a more active part in determining the policy of the Temple Religious School Board instead of it being left in the hands of the President and Board of Trustees of the Temple.

Summary prepared by

GERTRUDE ROM

Staff Member, Department on Religion and Education

Note: Completed questionnaires are still being received by NFTS which will be included in a later summary.

Please Return To:

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
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COMMITTEE ON JEWISH CEREMONIALS AND ART

SISTERHOOD ADDRESS

CITY AND STATE CHAIRMAN

Summary of 32 Returned Questionnaires

1. Is your Chairman on Jewish Ceremonials and Art your Judaica Shop Chairman?

Yes — 31%

2. If not, do you have a special Judaica Shop Chairman? 50% Yes No
Please list her name and address

3. How long have you had an active Judaica Shop?

less than

1 year	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years	6 years	7 years
17%	—	21%	17%	25%	4%	4%	12%

4. What firms have been of greatest help to you in securing items for sale in your Judaica Shop?

See attached sheets

5. If you do not have a Judaica Shop, are you planning to establish one?

No	Yes	No answer
60%	10%	30%

6. If you are not planning one, what are the reasons?

See attached sheets

7. In what ways can NFTS assist you further in connection with your Judaica Gift Shop.

See attached sheets

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
838 Fifth Avenue New York 21, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION
COMMITTEE ON JEWISH CEREMONIALS AND ART

Summary of Questionnaires

April, 1954

The questionnaires sent out by the Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art were filled out and returned by 32 Sisterhoods. The summary is primarily a statistical one and we are listing, in general terms, the explanations for which we asked.

4. What firms have been of greatest help to you in securing items for sale in your Judaica Shop? The following listing is in order of popularity:
- Bloch Publishing Co., 31 West 31 Street, New York, N. Y.
 - M. Wolzin, Inc., 36-38 Eldridge St., New York, N. Y.
 - Union of American Hebrew Congregations, 838 Fifth Avenue, N. Y.
 - Behrman House, 1261 Broadway, New York, N. Y.
 - Ktav Publishing Co., 47 Canal Street, New York, N. Y.
 - Roseblum Co., Chicago, Illinois
 - Holiday Paper Products Corp., 225 Broadway, New York, N. Y.
 - Jewish Religious Supply Co., 11 Essex St., New York, N. Y.
 - Israel Enterprises, 11820 Dexter Blvd., Detroit, Michigan
6. If you are not planning one (Judaica Shop), what are the reasons?
- a) No interest at present in this project.
 - b) Small membership covering a wide radius therefore not enough people would see it often enough.
 - c) Jewish community not large enough to support one properly.
 - d) Children get many of the religious items through the Religious School, in connection with holidays and festivals.
7. In what ways can NFTS assist you further in connection with your Judaica Shop?
- a) Send suggestions prior to each holiday as to appropriate decorations, gifts, ceremonial objects and music.
 - b) Give advice as to how to stimulate interest in a small community in a Gift Shop.
 - c) Information is needed as to where items may be purchased locally.
 - d) Keep Sisterhoods up to date on new merchandise at moderate prices.
 - e) Where can we buy merchandise on consignment as we cannot at present afford to make cash investments?
 - f) Point out ways to stimulate interest among members to buy religious objects.

Summary prepared by
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DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

April 27, 1954, 10 A.M.—12:30 P.M.

Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial
Mrs. David Zielonka, Department Chairman, Presiding

AGENDA

I. Scope of Department, Mrs. David Zielonka

- a. Explanation of reasons for committee groupings
- b. Outline of functions of department
- c. Ways departmental activity can be implemented
 - 1. On NFTS level
 - 2. On District level
 - 3. On local level

II.* Discussion of committee materials, activities and future plans; coordination of NFTS, District and local work

- a. Committee on Family Education, Mrs. Myron Meyer

* Each committee chairman may wish to use five minutes for her presentation. Each presentation will be followed by a fifteen minute discussion period.

- b. Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art, Mrs. Elmer Lentz Shaffer
- c. Committee on Religious Extension, Mrs. Lester S. Bloch
 - 1. Importance of telling story of Reform Judaism to Sisterhoods
 - 2. Relationship of Large Sisterhoods to Smaller Sisterhoods and NFTS
- d. Committee on Religious Schools, Mrs. Arthur Kovacs
- e. Committee on Youth Activities, Mrs. D. H. Orkin
 - 1. Youth Advisors' Training Institutes

III. Indication of ways in which departmental members can be most effective,
Mrs. David Zielonka

IV. Further Business

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DEPARTMENT ON HUMAN RELATIONS

Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial

New York, N. Y.

April 26, 1954

The first meeting of the NFTS Department on Human Relations was called to order at 2:00 p.m., Monday April 26, in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, New York, N. Y., by the Chairman, Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, California.

The following members of the Department were present: Mrs. Harry G. Beneman, Cumberland, Md.; Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo., *Chairman, NFTS Committee on Interfaith Activities*; Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss, Elmira, N. Y., *Vice-Chairman, NFTS Committee on Interfaith Activities*; Mrs. Leon J. Ell, Miami Beach, Fla.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y., *Chairman, NFTS Committee on Emergency Services*; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park 17, Pa., *Chairman, NFTS Committee on Peace and World Relations*; Mrs. Benjamin Golding, W. Hartford, Conn., *Vice-Chairman, NFTS Committee on Emergency Services*; Mrs. Alfred Levy, Bridgeport, Conn.; Mrs. Harry H. Lowenstein, E. Orange, N. J., *Chairman, NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind*; Mrs. Theodore Rosen, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Samuels, Elizabeth, N. J.; Mrs. Moses M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Simon Shein, Williamson, W. Va., *Vice-Chairman, NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind*; Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. David M. Studner, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., *NFTS President, Ex-Officio*; NFTS Staff Member for the Department, Miss Carolene Wachenheimer.

Mrs. Monsky welcomed the members of the Committee stating that:

"In October, 1951, it was my privilege, as Chairman of the then newly constituted Evaluation Committee, to preside at its first meeting, which auspiciously, we thought, was the first committee meeting in the House of Living Judaism. From that initial meeting, and many succeeding ones and more particularly, from the zealous efforts of sub-committees working on Evaluation, substantial progress was made toward the goals indicated to us by the responses to our Sisterhood questionnaires.

"One of the most important changes, which had long been suggested by the NFTS Executive Director, was that of re-alignment of NFTS committees and activities. In what we believe to be in the interest of service, efficiency, and economy, a recommendation to the April Biennial from the Evaluation Committee was accepted, providing that the activities of NFTS function, instead of through 19 or more separate committees, through four departments. This new re-alignment we are implementing on an experimental basis, with a provision to re-evaluate its worth at the Biennial Assembly in 1955.

"Today—again—we are undertaking a pioneer task at this initial meeting of our Department; and again, as with the Committee on Evaluation, we must concede, I believe, that our initial efforts are, more or less, exploratory. We are feeling our way in developing this program. It will inevitably present some difficulties. There will be some "bugs" to eliminate, before there evolves a smoothly functioning expression of Sisterhood aims.

"In each of the departments, all committees have been grouped with consideration of their relationship to one another. There may, eventually have to be some re-arrangement in these groupings. One has already been suggested. In our own Department, it would seem that at least three of the committees are closely integrated. The area of Human Relations is, of course, a broad, elastic and all-encompassing one. It will be our function—as it is of each Department as a whole—to co-ordinate the work of the Committees; to aim to avoid overlapping, and, at the same time, try to make sure that each Committee is actively functioning, that it receives necessary help, and that its work is interpreted and furthered wherever possible, on the District and local levels.

"In our Department, numerous materials are available for furtherance of our work. The Committee on Interfaith Activities has developed an excellent kit for the guidance of Sisterhoods conducting Institutes on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women's groups. For the Committee on Peace and World Relations the monthly issues of *Current Copy* provide, or should provide, if used, much valuable material. The publications on Social Action, and the study course *To Unite Our Strength* by Frances Thomas have been useful. For the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, there is an Outline for Committee work, and in Emergency Services, we work with the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board, which supplies the needed materials. Our book on *Programs and Study Materials* has many valuable suggestions and the new *Manual for Sisterhoods* treats of each of the NFTS Committees.

"This preliminary statement on the work and scope of our Department would seem to be incomplete if I dealt only in the techniques of our work, without some consideration of the importance of these tasks we undertake. I believe that these committees grouped under the general heading "Human Relations" do a specific job that has almost limitless possibilities for translating into action our program and aims. These committees encompass and envision some of the most important, and potentially constructive efforts of this, or any other organization.

"When, for example, we reflect, in this so-called atomic age and in this era of fear, of a seemingly constant succession of wars, and the threat of war—when we consider the so-called formulas offered for safety and defense—such as under-

ground caverns—escape to the desert—to the ocean, and other such ridiculous subterfuges, we feel, all the more surely, that the only real and dependable defensive we have today is peace. And so we know how vital may be the role of a Committee on Peace and World Relations—reaching our woman-power of 85,000. And we remind ourselves that peace has always been, and is today, basically a religious ideal, and that no effort we expend in this area can be too great.

“We know, too, that there can be no peace between nations, if there is no peace between diverse groups within a nation—groups who differ in race, color or creed. And so we are proud of our interfaith program, that has, without the fanfare and blare of publicity that was attached to many interfaith efforts—reached thousands of church women and educators in an ever-expanding area. It is a program that we know can, and should, be continuously augmented.

“We know, too, unhappily for it has been forced into our consciousness—that building the peace will be a long process, and an uphill battle, and that, while our eyes are on the goal, we must provide, along the way, those emergency services that the present tragic world situation makes necessary. Though we look forward to the day when these services can be dispensed with, our Emergency Services Committee plans to cooperate in this area of work as long as it is needed.

“Our fourth Committee has done invaluable work in alleviating the despair and filling the needs of the Jewish blind, both here, and in Europe. As science develops techniques to prolong life, there develops a concomitant problem of more blindness in the aged. The social techniques—and the readjustment and rehabilitation done by this Committee in assistance given to the Jewish blind, have been heartening and encouraging for many years.

“In all of these Committees we can, of course, function more effectively, if we develop still greater participation from our local Sisterhoods and so today, we shall consider together plans to implement and develop our activities on all levels, and in ever greater areas to increase their effectiveness.”

Mrs. Albert Farber, NFTS Chairman on Peace and World Relations, mentioned that many persons are not alerted to their responsibility as free people—that they must work for this freedom. This responsibility should be brought to Sisterhood members through the Committee on Peace and World Relations. She referred to the questionnaire that had been sent out by the Committee during the present NFTS fiscal year, and to the summary that had been prepared from the returns. She noted that only four groups out of the 35 reporting had study groups on the United Nations; this might mean that they needed material on other topics. It might be helpful to select a problem with which the United Nations is faced and indirectly to study the United Nations through the problem.

Nearly all Sisterhoods that had replied had spoken highly of *Current Copy*, but it was used in a discouraging fashion. It was not made available to the entire membership. Mrs. Farber also pointed out that sometimes there is confusion between interfaith work and Peace and World Relations, and that Sisterhoods should not confuse these two areas of the NFTS program. She referred to the report of the Committee on Peace and World Relations for the NFTS fiscal year 1952-53, and mentioned that the report showed another level of work on the Committee, namely attendance at national conferences. She pointed out that the

American Association for the United Nations (AAUN) People's Section, gives groups the privilege of expressing their views on United Nations action and acts as a public opinion poll for the UN. She strongly recommended that Sisterhoods affiliate themselves locally with their local.

In the discussion that followed, it was pointed out that NFTS District No. 3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, is doing a great amount of work in the field of Peace and World Relations. Work is being undertaken in the field of social action, and at the District's annual meeting, as a program presentation, a panel on the subject "Sisterhoods—Partners in a Dynamic Program" will present ideas on social action for Sisterhoods. It was emphasized that the importance of NFTS representation in Conferences should be brought to the attention of Sisterhood members because NFTS was playing an important role in this area. Since it was felt that *Current Copy* was excellent as far as it went but that more substantive recommendations needed to be given to Sisterhoods, an all-day Institute was being planned by NFTS District No. 3 with representatives of each Sisterhood in the greater New York metropolitan area. This would endeavor to present a bird's-eye view of world affairs and the need for study in this field. There would be a demonstration discussion on an important topic of world significance and ways in which a Sisterhood could set up its own group. A kit would be provided to each representative so that she could return to her Sisterhood with exact details of how to conduct discussion groups. If the response is favorable, it is anticipated that the demonstration groups might result in alerting Sisterhoods to the need for being informed on world affairs and taking appropriate action.

Some consideration was given to the possibility of changing the name of the Committee on Peace and World Relations to include the idea of social action, but it was pointed out that this might not be advisable at the present time, as there are some Sisterhoods which do not yet agree with the need for social action within the Sisterhood program. It seemed more advisable to progress slowly in this field, and on a national level. Local groups which wish to participate in the program could. It was explained that at the forthcoming NFTS Executive Board meeting, consideration would be given to the possibility of NFTS joining the Commission on Social Action of the Central Conference of American Rabbis and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.* This will probably give an impetus to work in the field of Peace and World Relations and will also enable groups to have access to more material. It was explained, in response to a question, that in connection with Districts establishing policy in the field of Peace and World Relations or other areas, NFTS approval is necessary. The local Sisterhoods are autonomous, but the Districts are not.

Mrs. Harry Lowenstein, NFTS Chairman on Jewish Literature for the Blind, next reported on the need for increasing emphasis upon the activities of this Committee. There are more blind children as a result of premature babies being saved, and at the other end of life there are more older persons who become blind through degenerative diseases. Braille is especially necessary to transcribe books for children and those who are now being born blind and will grow up with a

*This participation was voted by the NFTS Executive Board on April 29, 1954.

knowledge of braille. For the older persons, Soundsciber recordings are equally necessary. The Jewish Braille Institute of America, of which NFTS is the patron body, needs both Braille volumes and Soundsciber records. In addition, funds are vitally necessary. Mrs. Lowenstein recommended that each Sisterhood devote one meeting a year to the work of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind in order that such a meeting might stimulate increased contributions for this activity. She also suggested that as a national organization NFTS should join the Braille Club which is an excellent informational source, and that each local Braille chairman should join the club as well so that she would receive the information that is disseminated through the Braille Club Bulletins. Membership in the Braille Club is \$2.00 a year. It was suggested that perhaps Sisterhoods with active Braille groups might subscribe to the Braille Club for the benefit of their transcribers.

It was pointed out that Sisterhood groups are doing a tremendous job in the field of Braille, that over 90% of the books in the library of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. have been transcribed by Sisterhood women. In communities in which other groups are doing transcribing, Sisterhoods should not feel that they are encroaching upon the activities of such groups because Sisterhood has been the patron body of the Jewish Braille Institute, and the need for Braille books is so great that several groups in a community can participate in this work without feeling that they are duplicating each other's efforts.

Mrs. Louis Cashdan, NFTS Chairman on Interfaith Activities, explained that NFTS and its parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, had merited the commendation that the Union and its affiliates do the most positive work of agencies in the area of interfaith activity. The Institutes on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women's Groups sponsored by NFTS and local Sisterhoods are extremely successful wherever presented. In addition to improving relationships between Jews and non-Jews, these meetings, with an NFTS representative presiding, strengthen the relationship between a local Sisterhood and NFTS. Mrs. Cashdan stated that brotherhood should be stressed throughout the year rather than having such interest emphasized only in February. NFTS has excellent interfaith programs in addition to the kit on Institutes on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women's Groups. It seems advisable to coordinate the Institutes held in an area so a NFTS representative can work with several groups at one time thus co-ordinating their activities and assuring better planning and minimization of travel expenses.

Mrs. Cashdan urged that a survey be made of NFTS interfaith work. Such good work is being done that it was felt that NFTS could make a real contribution to the whole field of human relations by informing other groups in the community of the type of work that is being done, for example the National Conference of Christians and Jews and various community welfare agencies which at present are not aware of the specific contribution that is being made by Sisterhood in this field.

It was emphasized that at present both intrafaith and interfaith work are included in the scope of the Committee on Interfaith Activities. At sometime it might be advisable to alter the name of the Committee so that it would reflect

inclusion of both areas of work. They do not necessarily comprise the same type of activity.

One of the members stated that there were other aspects of interfaith activity besides the Institutes on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women's Groups and interfaith programs, *per se*. She felt that work done together with other groups in the community on the United Nations or rallies on the McCarran-Walter Act, are also types of interfaith work. These joint endeavors enable women of all faiths to understand one another better. It was pointed out that naturally the work of Communities in the Department of Human Relations tie into each other and this was an example of the way in which they do. Working together on the United Nations, for example, is a special type of secular interfaith activity, whereas the Institutes and other Interfaith meetings are a type of religious interfaith activity. Perhaps it is most helpful if the Institutes precede the community joint endeavors. It was further emphasized that the Institutes on Judaism for Leaders of Church Women's Groups are extremely valuable.

Institutes for Public School Teachers and Sunday-School Teachers are equally valuable because by reaching teachers one reaches the students and this type of understanding is of great importance.

The Department felt there had been so many questionnaires sent out in the present Sisterhood year that it would be advisable to coordinate the dissemination of questionnaires. It would probably be wiser to send one questionnaire to Sisterhoods for either each Department or all Departments at the end of the Sisterhood year. This might assist Sisterhoods in making their reports to NFTS.

Mrs. Isidor Enselman, NFTS Chairman on Emergency Services, described the work of the Committee on Emergency Services. She emphasized that Sisterhoods work through the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board with which NFTS is affiliated and that they are active in the Serve-A projects (Serve-A-Chaplain, Camp and Hospital) as well as in the VAVS (Veterans Administration Voluntary Services). A number of Sisterhood groups are also participating in civil defense work through the Committee on Emergency Services. She explained that the Emergency Services Questionnaire which had been released this year and which had been summarized did not give a full picture of the Emergency Services work because many groups which were active had not responded. She mentioned that there was some confusion among Sisterhoods on the manner in which they should support Emergency Service work. Some groups were able to participate by making Ditty-Bags and by making contributions in kind, whereas other groups were not able to do so and had wished to contribute funds. However they were under some doubt as to whether contributions from Sisterhood treasuries should be made for this type of work. They wondered whether this project was similar to others which did not seem to be of a specifically Sisterhood nature such as the Red Cross or the United Jewish Appeal.

It was explained that the Emergency Services work was somewhat different because NFTS is affiliated with the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board and we are part of their program. It was also pointed out that some Sisterhoods felt that there was no need to participate in the program because the war-time need seemed to have passed. Emphasis was

made, however, that there are 31½ million men still in service. They need the morale-building factor of the assistance through the Committee on Emergency Services.

In connection with the question of ways in which local Sisterhoods should participate in local drives for funds, it was emphasized that local groups are autonomous and that the situation varies from community to community. Some Sisterhoods contribute to appeals for funds. In order to assist them a statement of policy had been prepared by NFTS and in accordance with the request of the Department it would be distributed again to Sisterhood groups. The policy statement follows:

"The primary obligation of a Sisterhood is first to the needs of its own congregation and religious school; and secondly to the projects of NFTS which are made possible solely by the Sisterhoods of the Federation. Furthermore, that local Sisterhoods are encouraged by NFTS to recognize the validity of this expression of their primary obligation and that Sisterhood treasuries, as such, should, in so far as possible and feasible, be preserved for these primary obligations. However, it is the function of the Sisterhood to see that its members are well educated *as individuals* in all phases of Jewish and communal life and shall give, *as individuals*, their personal moral and financial support to those causes which they consider essential. Each Sisterhood is autonomous in making decisions with regard to disbursement of its funds."

Mrs. Monsky thanked the members of the Department for the excellent discussion and pointed out that to assist all NFTS members, and especially Chairmen and officers, a *Manual for Sisterhoods* had been prepared by Mrs. Harry Jacobson and edited by the NFTS Executive Director, Jane Evans. This is available from NFTS for \$2.50 plus postage. The Manual is of specific assistance for each Committee and should be used by all Sisterhoods and their leaders.

Mrs. Monsky explained that it was hoped that all Department members would work with the Sisterhoods in their area and assist in organizing and advising with regard to Departmentalization. Furthermore, they might suggest to Sisterhoods in their Districts how they might implement the material that is received from NFTS.

In this connection, one of the members asked how Sisterhoods might be helped personally if they did not request visits from members of the Department or from NFTS Chairmen. Reply was made that the Caravan system had been most successful in NFTS District No. 3. Through this means several District Chairmen visited a meeting of Sisterhoods in an area and explained the work of their committees and those related, as well as conducting a Leadership Training Institute. In addition it was always possible to communicate with a group and offer one's services.

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President, asked the Department members whether they felt that Departmentalization was effective locally and whether they considered the meeting of the Department on Human Relations had been useful. It was felt by the members that it was as yet too early completely to evaluate

Departmentalization on the local level, but that wherever it had been tried it had proven most effective. The meeting, it was considered, had given the members a feeling of being part of a Department and integrating the work of the committees. It was felt that Departmentalization would be a good training ground for leadership.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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DEPARTMENT ON
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April 26, 1954, 2 P.M.—4:30 P.M.

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MRS. HENRY MONSKY, *Department Chairman, Presiding*

AGENDA

- I. Scope of Department, Mrs. Henry Monsky
 - a. Explanation of reasons for committee grouping
 - b. Outline of functions of department
 - c. Ways departmental activity can be implemented
 - 1. On NFTS level
 - 2. On District level
 - 3. On local level
- II.* Discussion of committee materials, activities and future plans; coordination of NFTS, District and local work
 - a. Committee on Peace and World Relations, Mrs. Albert Farber
 - 1. Cooperation with other organizations
 - b. Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, Mrs. Harry Lowenstein
 - 1. Devoting one meeting annually to work of this committee
 - 2. Membership in Braille Club
 - c. Committee on Interfaith Activities, Mrs. Louis Cashdan
 - 1. Effectiveness of current work
 - d. Committee on Emergency Services, Mrs. Isidor Enselman
 - 1. Accurate record of participating groups

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III. Indication of ways in which departmental members can be most effective, Mrs. Henry Monsky.

IV. Further Business

MINUTES OF MEETING OF
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Mrs. Sol Gitson, Chairman of the Department on Advancement of Judaism, called the meeting to order, and requested the Committee Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen to introduce themselves as the roll was called. Those present included: Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President and Ex-Officio member of the Department; Mrs. Lake Brown, Charleston, W. Va.; Mrs. Maurice Brown, Paterson, N. J. Vice-Chairman, Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Chairman, Committee on Uniongrams, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Irving Feinstein, Springfield, Mass.; Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C., Chairman, Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education; Mrs. Hubert Mendel, Hot Springs, Ark.; Mrs. Jerome Natt, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Victor Polstein, Larchmont, N. Y., Vice-Chairman, Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y., Vice-Chairman, House of Living Judaism project; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y., Chairman, House of Living Judaism project; Mrs. I. Edward Tonkon, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, Past NFTS President, and Chairman, Sisterhood Division of the UAHC-HUC-JIR Combined Campaign, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. William Wolman, Chairman, Committee of World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities, Toronto, Canada; Miss Josephine Schoenborn, NFTS Administrative Assistant. Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, Dr. Diana Bernstein, NFTS Program and Public Relations Assistant and Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, Assistant to the Director, also attended portions of the meeting.

Mrs. Gitson explained that the Department was meeting for the purposes of integration, understanding of the scope of the Department, and suggestions of ways in which departmental activity can be implemented on NFTS, District, and local levels.

To begin the discussion of Committee materials, activities, future plans, coordination, Mrs. Gitson called on Mrs. Wolman for the Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities. She explained that the American Board of the World Union for Progressive Judaism includes representatives from the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the National Federations of Temple Brotherhoods and Sisterhoods. The program of the Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities is to cooperate with

the World Union in order: to assist Liberal Jewish communities in other countries still without sufficient financial resources for their congregations, religious schools, and youth work; to afford unaffiliated Jews an opportunity to belong to a religious group, to highlight religious holidays by sending parcels of sweets overseas to the children in religious schools and to older people; to supply used textbooks for religious schools. NFTS Sisterhoods gathered \$3,956.17 through the Silver Coin Collection for the World Union during November 1, 1952-October 31, 1953. Fifteen Sisterhoods collected used religious school textbooks; the books were sent to Reform or Liberal Religious Schools in England; Dublin, Eire; and Bombay, India. Treats for the children were sent to religious schools in Israel, England, France and India.

Mrs. Wolman suggested a survey of Sisterhoods not participating in the program so ways could be devised to raise more funds without taxing the Sisterhoods. She suggested also clearance through NFTS for packages of treats to avoid overlapping, and over-abundance for one holiday and insufficiency for another.

Mrs. Dalsheimer said she had found many Sisterhoods do not know what the Silver Coin Collection is and what it makes possible. She felt the Committee had "an educational job" as its first task. To increase the Collection she suggested that the Committee ask the Religious Schools to give part of their *Keren Ami* fund. Mrs. Watters endorsed the suggestion and inquired about the change in the use of the monies. The Silver Coin Collection had been called, several years ago, a collection "From Mothers to Mothers" and aided Religious School activities and after-school care for children of working mothers in Palestine. This work carried great emotional appeal. Miss Schoenborn explained that after World War II, the World Union for Progressive Judaism requested use of the monies for rebuilding war-scarred Liberal or Reform synagogues, and for sending Chaplains to former Jewish communities in Europe to reorganize Liberal Jewish Congregational life and activity. Mrs. Polstein too, felt Sisterhoods were not aware of the Silver Coin Collection: only her Sisterhood, Temple Israel Sisterhood, New Rochelle, N. Y., knew about the Collection at a recent meeting of eight or nine groups. NFTS Sisterhoods, Mrs. Gitson pointed out, receive literature about the Silver Coin Collection and the uses of the monies; apparently they do not read it. A special letter of appeal to each Sisterhood, Mrs. Watters believed—not in the President's Packet—immediately before the Silver Coin Collection should be made, would receive more attention. Mrs. Lake Brown said her Sisterhood had found that only 45% of the members attend meetings, and contributions for a collection are received only from this percentage.

Mrs. Watters in presenting the Sisterhood Division of the UAHC—HUC-JIR Combined Campaign paid tribute to Mrs. Dalsheimer, the past Chairman, for her splendid work in launching the Division. She explained that the Sisterhood Division does not actively raise funds: its purpose is to sustain the Campaign of the congregation. The Sisterhood Division interests people, educates them about the needs of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and arouses a sense of responsibility to the Campaign. Last year 24 Sisterhoods indicated their willingness to cooperate. This year a total of more than 40 Sisterhoods have appointed Com-

bined Campaign chairmen and have pledged fullest cooperation in working with their congregations' Combined Campaign Committee. Mr. Coons, Executive Vice Chairman of the Combined Campaign, has been greatly encouraged by the woman-power behind the Campaign. NFTS members can urge their family and friends to take cognizance of the Union. Some persons have even said, "What Union are you talking about," and do not know that the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion is the only seminary for Reform Rabbis. NFTS members can do much to further the Campaign on an educational basis if not on a financial one. Many District Presidents and NFTS Board Members have included an appeal for the Combined Campaign in their talks to Sisterhoods.

The figures, Mrs. Dalsheimer felt, were significant; she added, "Every member of the Department should realize it is her personal job to take the appeal back to her community."

Mrs. Tekulsky, in presenting the House of Living Judaism project, expressed warm appreciation to her Vice Chairman, Mrs. Steigerwald, for her ever ready assistance, including compilation of names and proof-reading pages for Volume II of the BOOK OF LIVING JUDAISM and for the earlier volume. Since the April, 1953 Biennial Assembly, the names of 30 Sisterhoods have been inscribed on the plaque in the HLJ Sisterhood Lounge. Because the plaque has been completed, leaves will be added to each side for the names of additional Sisterhoods which complete their quotas. Two hundred and forty-six Sisterhoods, in all, have fulfilled their House of Living Judaism quotas.

The contract for equipping the kitchen adjoining the Board room on the second floor of the HLJ for which NFTS monies will be used was signed the previous Friday. Since the UAHC and its affiliates have expanded so much, an eighth and ninth floor are imperative for HLJ.

Funds are still needed; additional contributions from Sisterhoods which have completed their quotas, are, therefore, most welcome. Many new groups are now participating in the project. Some of the newer Sisterhood affiliates in the New York area, not able to contribute, take part by serving as hostesses at HLJ. (Sisterhoods in the metropolitan New York area are invited to have their members serve as hostesses to HLJ visitors daily, Monday through Friday, from 1:30 to 4:30 P.M.) Mrs. Dalsheimer said she planned to recommend to the Board that ways and means for further HLJ contributions be devised. Mrs. Tekulsky pointed out the importance of every Sisterhood's having a Chairman for the House of Living Judaism project. She then showed to the Department members the new picture post cards of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial.

In presenting the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, for which the needs are so great, Mrs. Harris explained that the Fund comprises cash contributions and Uniongram Apportionment Profit from payments for Uniongram items. Eighty per cent of payments for Uniongrams (miniature, regular size, signatures on enlarged or giant Uniongrams) becomes a contribution to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund: twenty per cent aids in the costs of the project. Only twenty per cent of payments for Thank You cards becomes a contribution to the Fund since production costs are so high; eighty per cent is used toward costs.

From this Fund approximately \$25,000 per year is allocated for scholarships

for students in need of such aid on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion; \$35,000 is granted annually to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, our parent body, toward its religious educational work, including its Department of Youth Activities, and \$1,500 for underwriting Lecture Institutes for religious school teachers (joint UAHC-NFTS projects); fellowships, totalling \$7,200 per year, for young men from overseas preparing at the HUC-JIR for the rabbinate under the World Union are maintained. Upon ordination these young men will develop new congregations for the World Union for Progressive Judaism. Important projects, such as aid to married students and HUC-JIR students in New York have had to be postponed. Receipts through March 31 show a slight increase but, said Mrs. Harris, "I am not excited about that because we have the summer months ahead."

The NFTS Executive Committee studied the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund honor listings at its December meeting. Recommendations will be presented to the Executive Board meeting later this week.

Mrs. Harris urged more dramatic appeal for the Fund, "work of which you and I know the importance, but which 'for the average person requires appeal.' On a tour through the deep South, every place I went," she continued, "I received a beautiful corsage, and so would the President, and I had to discard it the next place in order to wear the new corsage. If we could use that money for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, none of us would object to being flowerless."

Mrs. Harris clarified the Blanche R. Stoltz trophy awards which are presented to Sisterhoods in the categories of 100 or less members, 100 to 299 members, 300 or more members, which in *proportion to their membership* have made the *greatest increases* in their contributions to the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund during the *Biennial period*, in comparison to their contributions of the *previous Biennial period*. (All NFTS records are based upon the fiscal year, November 1,-October 31; the Biennial period refers to the fiscal years in that period.) Mrs. Harris asked Mrs. Maurice Brown, her Vice-Chairman, to give the details of her suggestion for an annual day of teas or luncheons for the Fund.

Mrs. Brown explained that the Conservative women (the National Women's League of the United Synagogue) have an annual Torah Luncheon in which every Sisterhood participates on a particular day. Most of the members contribute only \$1 or \$1.50: those who want to be a patron give \$5 or \$1 plus \$5. She thought NFTS Sisterhoods could be interested in honoring someone on this particular day through a contribution. The Sisterhoods participating in this special day would, without taxing their members too much, increase their contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. Mrs. Danto added that in Detroit it had become fashionable to go to the Torah Luncheons. Mrs. Brown was to bring the suggestion to the NFTS Executive Board later in the week.

The folder on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund in the Department members' kits, Mrs. Gradison felt, should indicate, where it gives examples in detail for achieving places of honor through Uniongrams or through cash contributions, that 10% of cash contributions is deducted by NFTS as a service charge. Miss Schoenborn explained that cash contributions are recorded in their

full amount on the Sisterhood's account and, therefore, the group actually receives full credit in achieving a place of honor; the 10% is not deducted as a service charge at that time but is reflected on totals, not individual Sisterhood accounts.

Miss Dalsheimer said she had been amazed to find Sisterhood members who thought they were equalling the amount for a maximum dormitory scholarship through a \$350 contribution to the Fund. The College now plans a \$700 dormitory fee and its present fee is \$650. Mrs. Harris inquired about NFTS' part in the new dormitory fee, and Mrs. Dalsheimer explained that a maximum Scholarship is now \$550 of the present \$650 fee (which leaves \$100 for the student to meet); when the fee is changed to \$700, NFTS will be asked to give \$600 as a maximum scholarship.

The goals of Sisterhoods should be increasing contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, said Mrs. Lake Brown; the now stationary requirements for the Honor Roll and Distinguished Service List encourage Sisterhoods to cease their contributions when they have met the minimal requirements. Mrs. Tonkon, too, felt there is a tendency for Sisterhoods to stop at a certain point; after achieving a place of honor for the current fiscal year, they save additional contributions for the next year instead of striving to give as much as they can. Confirmation classes, she felt, should give contributions to the Fund in honor of their Rabbi or someone else. Mrs. Tonkon suggested that a letter be mailed to the Rabbis on the subject. The work of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, Mrs. Watters added, should be incorporated into confirmation studies.

Since confusion arises between the Uniongram Honor Roll and the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund honor listings, Mrs. Harris clarified their requirements. The *Uniongram Honor Roll* has *alternative* requirements. A Sisterhood may earn a place by selling one Uniongram to every member during January for use on January 21, or it may order and pay for the equivalent of one book of Uniongrams per member during an NFTS fiscal year. If a Sisterhood meets the first requirement, it should notify NFTS, since the National Federation would have no other way of securing this information. To ascertain which groups have paid for sufficient Uniongrams to equal one book per member the NFTS Accountants check the records. (The NFTS fiscal year begins November 1 and ends October 31.)

Mrs. Gitson asked how monies for the Fund could be increased. Mrs. Watters suggested an attractive card with a succinct message conveying the heightened needs for the Fund. The annual day for teas which she had mentioned previously, Mrs. Maurice Brown felt, had "tremendous educational value." Mrs. Tekulsky stated strongly it is the obligation of every Uniongram Chairman to indoctrinate her successor; you have emotional appeal only when the Chairman knows the purpose of the Uniongram. Mrs. Gitson wondered if departmentalization would tend to educate: she hoped local and District Chairmen would sit down with department members and acquaint them with their responsibility.

Giant and enlarged Uniongrams, said Mrs. Danto, as she began her presentation of the Uniongram project, have proven very popular. She unrolled a giant

Uniongram portraying hands clasped across the seas which she had taken to the Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel, Panama, R. P. a few weeks ago. Next she showed a book of her original hand-painted sheaf covers for the year. The first, a large cake with 20 candles and the words "Thanks Jane," paid tribute to Jane Evans on her twentieth anniversary as NFTS Executive Director; "Greetings" and floral decorations for a past or new President, a rabbi or friend was the second sheaf. An imaginative animal with green antlers and a green-tipped tail formed the sheaf cover, "A Uniongram Story Book for the Younger Set." The booklet also contained Uniongrams for: a Sisterhood shower, Father's day or congratulations to a public man, birthdays and anniversaries. A painted sheaf binder for "A History of Jewish contributions of culture and science in our community 1654-1954," introduced Mrs. Danto's suggestion that Sisterhood women, during the tercentenary of the settling of the Jews in America, send on Uniongrams historical information about their family members, ancestors, and friends to the American Jewish Archives in Cincinnati. This plan would increase the sale of Uniongrams and elicit invaluable data for Jewish history.

Mrs. Gitson expressed hope that the session would prove a pilot meeting for local Sisterhoods and District Federations.

Mrs. Danto read a letter she had just received from her Vice-Chairman, Mrs. J. B. Joel: she suggested the slogan, "Keep going, don't stop!"

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 P. M.

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

April 26, 1954, 10 A.M.—12:30 P.M.

Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial

Mrs. Sol Gitson, Department Chairman, Presiding

AGENDA

- I. Scope of Department, Mrs. Sol Gitson
 - a. Explanation of reasons for committee groupings
 - b. Outline of functions of department
 - c. Ways departmental activity can be implemented
 1. On NFTS level
 2. On District level
 3. On local level
- II.* Discussion of committee materials, activities and future plans; coordination of NFTS, District and local work
 - a. Committee on Combined Campaign—UAHC-HUC-JIR, Mrs. Leon Watters
 - b. Committee on House of Living Judaism, Mrs. Sol Tekulsky
 - c. Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, Mrs. Melvin Harris
 1. Changes in Honor Listings
 2. More dramatic appeal
 3. Contributions to Fund instead of corsages for NFTS speakers
 4. Annual day of teas or luncheons for the Fund
 5. More interest in Blanche R. Stolz Trophies

* Each committee chairman may wish to use five minutes for her presentation. Each presentation will be followed by a fifteen minute discussion period.

d. Committee on Uniongrams, Mrs. Samuel Danto

1. Stimulation of Uniongram sales

2. Slogan

e. Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities, Mrs. William Wolman

III. Indication of ways in which departmental members can be most effective, Mrs. Sol Gitson

IV. Further Business

MINUTES OF MEETING OF
DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial

New York, N. Y.

April 27, 1954

The first meeting of the Department on Membership and Administrative Services was called to order at 2:00 P. M. Tuesday April 27, in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Iowa, Third Vice-President of NFTS and Chairman of the Department, presided.

Mrs. Jacobson introduced the members. The following were present:

Mrs. Robert L. Aronson, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, Lexington, Ky., *Vice Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Evaluation; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill., *Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Evaluation; Mrs. Edward S. Fields, Morgantown, W. Va.; Mrs. Joseph B. Glanzer, Tuckahoe, N. Y., *Vice-Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Field Services; Mrs. Arthur Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa., *Vice-Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Budget and Finance; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash., *Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Field Services; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y., *Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Revision of By-Laws; Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill., *Vice-Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Revision of By-Laws; Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Evanston, Ill., *Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Budget and Finance; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Milton Katz, Margate, N. J.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y., *Chairman*, NFTS Committee on District Federations; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo., *Chairman*, NFTS Committee on Programs; Mrs. Elmer Moyer, Dayton, Ohio, *Vice-Chairman*, NFTS Committee on District Federations; Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Ira Spear, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Irwin Yoelson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., NFTS President; Miss Diana Bernstein, New York, N. Y., Staff Consultant, who recorded the minutes.

The Chairman explained the scope of the Department, indicating that this was the only Department where some of the Committee Chairmen had full committees, which held separate meetings. These committees were Budget and Finance, Evaluation and Revision of By-Laws. In addition, the Chairman of the Committee on District Federations meets with the District Presidents' Council. Attention was called to the fact that the minutes of those Committees which had already met were in the kits which were distributed to the members of the

Department. It was also pointed out that it was the function of the Department to coordinate the work of the various Committees and to devise ways of effectively implementing the work of those Committees on the National, District and local level.

Each Committee Chairman was given five minutes to report on the work of her Committee. Since mimeographed reports were in all the kits, these reports confined themselves largely to suggestions for future activity.

Mrs. Irving Hollobow, NFTS Treasurer and Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Finance, reported that the Committee could help Sisterhoods by gathering and passing on to them effective fund-raising techniques. She requested the Department to recommend to the Executive Board that the Committee on Budget and Finance be authorized to investigate the possibility of sending to Sisterhoods more effective financial reports and that the matter be referred to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws for action. After full discussion this suggestion was adopted.

Mrs. William J. Leffler, Chairman of the Committee on District Federations, reported that at the meeting of the District Presidents' Council, March 3-4, 1954, it was found that there was a need for making formal provision for substitute representation at the District Presidents' Council when the President is unable to attend. Also, a formal means should be devised by which the District Presidents' Council elects 12 members of the Nominating Committee under Art. 8, Sec. A of the NFTS By-Laws. It was recommended that this be referred to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws.

Mrs. Leffler also emphasized the need for training leaders at both the District and the local level. She suggested that it might be advisable for District Federations to see to it that their Vice-Presidents as well as their Presidents saw the District Presidents' Packet and that Leadership Training Institutes be conducted for District Federation leaders.

It was recommended that the function of the District Federation be carefully evaluated and defined and that the question of having the Executive Committee meet right after the Biennial in order to appoint Department and Committee Chairmen be referred to the Evaluation Committee for further study.

Mrs. Walter Hardman, Chairman, Committee on Field Services, stressed the need for Sisterhoods to send speakers specific information about their needs and to have National visitors participate in Board Meetings. It was suggested that a letter be included in the President's Packet explaining the services offered by the Committee on Field Services. The indoctrination of new members in the meaning and function of Sisterhood was stressed. It was pointed out that this cannot be done adequately by mail but must be done by National visitors and it was suggested that more use be made of the Board members residing within each District. The recommendation was made that a booklet, "What Is Sisterhood," which could be used to indoctrinate new members, be prepared.

Mrs. Julian Miller, Chairman, Committee on Programs, stated that because of the large number of original programs revealed by the questionnaires sent out by that Committee, she withdrew her recommendation for a Program contest and the Department discussed ways of getting Sisterhoods to send in original

programs. It was suggested that the National speaker should point out the need for sending the Programs in to National. It was agreed that District Federations should have, if they so desired, a library of Program materials where Sisterhoods could examine programs and make selections.

Mrs. Horace Hart, Chairman, Committee on Revision of By-Laws, suggested that the Committee consider the revision of the Model Constitution for Sisterhoods.

The suggestion that an NFTS Committee on Publicity be set up was taken under advisement.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 P. M.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
838 Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

April 27, 1954, 2 P.M.—4:30 P.M.

Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial
Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Department Chairman, Presiding

AGENDA

- I. Scope of Department, Mrs. Harry Jacobson
- a. Explanation of reasons for committee groupings
 - b. Outline of functions of department
 - c. Ways departmental activity can be implemented
 1. On NFTS level
 2. On District level
 3. On local level
- II. Discussion of committee materials, activities and future plans; coordination of NFTS, District and local work
- a. Committee on Evaluation, Mrs. Harold Charnack
 - b. Committee on Field Services, Mrs. Walter Hardman
 1. Evaluation of services of Speakers' Bureau
 2. Preparation of Speakers' Kit
 3. Leadership Training
 - c. Committee on Revision of By-Laws, Mrs. Horace Hart
 - d. Committee on Budget and Finance, Mrs. Irving Hollobow
 1. Presentation Auditor's Report to District Federations and local groups
 - e. Committee on District Federations, Mrs. William Leffler
 1. Function of District Presidents' Council
 - (a) Alternate representative for District President
 - f. Committee on Programs, Mrs. Julian Miller
 1. Report on questionnaire
 2. Program Contest
 3. New materials
- III. Indication of ways in which departmental members can be most effective, Mrs. Harry Jacobson
- IV. Further Business

- Each committee chairman may wish to use five minutes for her presentation. Each presentation will be followed by a fifteen-minute discussion period.

REPORT OF THE

Treasurer

Evanston, Ill., February 1, 1955

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

There is submitted herewith the complete audit report of Loeb and Troper, Certified Public Accountants, auditors of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

The report of the auditors, on Exhibits E and F, presents the Treasurer's accountability of cash receipts and disbursements during the NFTS fiscal year November 1, 1953—October 31, 1954.

The Balance Sheet of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is shown on Exhibit A of the attached audit.

(Mrs. IRVING E.) BEATRICE B. HOLLOBOW, *Treasurer*



December 10, 1954

To the President and the Executive Board,
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

We have examined the accompanying financial statements of National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the year ended October 31, 1954. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements and the notes thereto, present fairly the financial position of National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at October 31, 1954, and the results of its operations for the fiscal year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding fiscal year.

(Signed) LOEB & TROPER,
Certified Public Accountants.

SL:RS.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

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A S S E T S

General Fund—Assets and Deferred Costs

Cash in banks (Exhibit "F")	\$ 43,313.45	
Cash on deposit with Union of American Hebrew Congregations	600.00	
Investments—U.S. Saving Bonds, Series "F" (Schedule #1) ..	24,790.00	
Notes, loans and accounts receivable (Schedule #2)	7,788.50	
Deposit with American Airlines, Inc.	425.00	
Deferred cost of publication "Lily H. Montagu" (net of \$247.77 received from sales)	1,832.02	
Deferred expenses of Biennial	839.02	
Total		<u><u>\$ 79,587.99</u></u>

National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund

Cash in bank (Exhibit "E")	\$ 20,188.36	
Investment in U.S. Savings Bonds, Series "F" (Schedule #1) ..	7,400.00	
Accounts receivable from Sisterhoods	207.46	
Total		<u><u>\$ 27,795.82</u></u>

House of Living Judaism Fund

Cash in bank (Exhibit "F")	<u>\$ 20,591.44</u>
Grand Total—All Funds	<u><u>\$127,975.25</u></u> (A)

NOTES

- (A)—There are not included among the assets the inventories of saleable and other articles and the inventories of saleable articles.
- (B)—The liabilities do not include amounts due to vendors which are recorded on the cash basis.
- (C)—For the academic year ended June 30, 1954, the Federation received of \$29,600 for scholarships (in proportion to need) for married students. A total of \$25,000 was transmitted to the students, \$4,600 as of October 31, 1954, pending further action.

DECEMBER 31, 1954

LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INCOME

General Fund—Liabilities

Due to Union of American Hebrew Congregations, for correspondence courses	\$ 1,187.25	
Reimbursements payable for travel and incidental expenses advanced (Estimated)	2,297.21	
Appropriation payable to National Conference of Christians and Jews	100.00	
Undistributed balance in Braille Fund	318.48	
Deferred income—dues received applicable to 1954/1955	1,109.00	
Receipts held in suspense pending allocation	236.99	
Total		\$ 5,248.93 (B)
Special Funds Reserves (Exhibit "G")		13,988.35
Accumulated General Fund Balance (Exhibit "B-1")		60,350.71
Total		<u>\$ 79,587.99</u>

National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund

Liabilities and Deferred Income

Amounts payable to Sisterhoods for Free Religious Schools ..	\$ 160.00	
Amounts payable to Union of American Hebrew Congregations	143.34	
Contributions and Uniongram apportionments deferred to 1954/1955	154.10	
		\$ 457.44 (C)

Accumulated Balance—National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund (Exhibit "B-2")

Total

27,338.38
\$ 27,795.82

House of Living Judaism Fund

Balance in Fund (Schedule #3)

\$ 20,591.44

Grand Total—All Funds

\$127,975.25

es aggregating \$4,051.50 due on sales of Uniongrams e from these sources is credited when collected.

uch as supplies and services (except for travelling expenses)

College—Jewish Institute of Religion requested the sum tory residence fees on the Cincinnati campus and also for S to H.U.C.-J.I.R. leaving an unreimbursed amount of .F.T.S. Executive Board.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
NOVEMBER 1, 1953 TO OCTOBER 31, 1954

	TOTAL INCOME	EXPEND- ITURES	1953/54 BALANCE OR DEFICIT
National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund (Exhibit "C")	\$ 73,595.16	\$ 71,858.05	\$1,737.11
General Fund—Budgetary (Exhibit "D")	123,772.69	115,830.89*	7,941.80
General Fund—Non-Budgetary (office equipment) (Exhibit "D")		413.40	413.40
Total	\$197,367.85	\$188,102.34	\$9,265.51

*FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
(ALLOCATED BY THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS)

N.F.T.S. Development	\$ 12,335.21
Committee Projects	29,436.87
Field and Membership Services (including Speakers Bureau)	26,202.14
Production of Saleable Materials	31,424.28
Publication, publicity, and public relations	14,642.30
Dues, contributions, and miscellaneous	1,790.09
Total	\$115,830.89

Oblique denotes red figures.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

OCTOBER 31, 1953 TO OCTOBER 31, 1954

EXHIBIT "B-1"

RECONCILIATION OF ACCUMULATED GENERAL FUND BALANCE

Balance—October 31, 1953		\$52,751.74
Add: Adjustments applicable to prior year — for Uniongram apportionment		70.57
General Operating Fund result for year ended October 31, 1954 (Exhibit "B"):		
Budgetary Surplus	\$7,941.80	
Less: Non-Budgetary Expenditures	413.40	7,528.40
Accumulated General Fund Balance—October 31, 1954 (Exhibit "A")		<u>\$60,350.71</u>

EXHIBIT "B-2"

RECONCILIATION OF ACCUMULATED BALANCE

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Balance—October 31, 1953		\$24,341.59
Add: Adjustments applicable to prior year:		
For Uniongram apportionments	\$ 122.26	
Deferred income as at October 31, 1953, included as income in 1953/1954	1,014.42	
Amounts received in 1953/1954 applicable to 1952/1953	150.00	
Excess of income over expenditures for year ended October 31, 1954 (Exhibit "C")	1,737.11	3,023.79
		<u>\$27,365.38</u>
Deduct:		
1952/1953 receipts paid for Free Religious Schools		27.00
Accumulated Balance—National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund—October 31, 1954 (Exhibit "A")		<u>\$27,338.38</u>

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND
NOVEMBER 1, 1953 TO OCTOBER 31, 1954

INCOME

Contributions for National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education — from Sisterhoods, other organizations and individuals			\$22,580.48
Sales of:			
Uniongrams	\$62,651.75		
Less: 20% apportioned to General Fund	12,530.35	\$50,121.40	
"Thank You" Notes	\$ 809.00		
Less: 80% apportioned to General Fund	647.20	161.80	50,283.20
Contributions received in 1952/1953 applicable to 1953/1954			885.58
			<u>\$73,749.26</u>
Deduct: Income deferred to 1953/1954			154.10
Total Income			<u>\$73,595.16</u>

EXPENDITURES

To Union of American Hebrew Congregations for religious education and youth work			\$35,000.00
To Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion (Cincinnati):			
For 1953/1954 Scholarship Awards			25,000.00
For Fellowship to Dr. Parkes			1,200.00
For World Union for Progressive Judaism Fellowship at Hebrew Union College — Jewish Institute of Religion:			
Hugo Green	\$ 1,800.00		
Isak Jerusalmi	1,800.00		
Walter Blumenthal	1,800.00	5,400.00	
To Philipson Fund for Joint Project of Records			1,500.00
For lectures			1,500.00
To N.F.T.S. General Fund (10% of collections of \$22,580.48 as service fees)			2,258.05
Total Expenditures			<u>71,858.05</u>
Excess of Income Over Expenditures for Year Ended October 31, 1954			<u><u>\$ 1,737.11</u></u>

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES—GENERAL FUND
NOVEMBER 1, 1953 TO OCTOBER 31, 1954

INCOME

National dues		\$88,459.50	
District Federation dues		200.00	
Collections from sales of "Uniongrams"	\$62,651.75		
Less: Transfer of 80% to National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	50,121.40	12,530.35	
Collections from sales of "Thank You" notes	\$ 809.00		
Less: Transfer of 20% to National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	161.80	647.20	
Collections from sales of:			
Art calendars	\$ 9,206.73		
Meeting cards	895.49		
Stationery	966.94		
Program material	435.41		
Past President pins	1,631.11		
Parliamentary law	126.44		
Books of Prayer and other pamphlets	277.17		
Kiddush cards	215.58		
Badges and tags	104.56		
Braille paper	62.64		
Due bills and bookkeeping forms	169.59		
Gavels, etc.	45.99		
Filmstrip "Through the Years: Jewish Women in American History"	874.72		
"Manual for Sisterhoods"	1,185.24		
Miscellaneous articles	594.92	16,792.53	
Interest on savings accounts (less \$11.99 trans- ferred to Steinfeld Reserve)		74.19	
Interest on U. S. Saving Bonds, Series "F", for 12 years ended March 1, 1954		1,820.00	
Service fee for, collection of contributions to Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.; Com- mittee on European Jewish Blind Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse; National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund; and World Union for Progressive Judaism— Silver Coin Collection		3,248.92	
Total Income			\$123,772.69

EXPENDITURES**N.F.T.S. Development**

Program production and material; and alloca- tion of salaries, printing, headquarters ex- penses and supplies, yearbook, meetings, and conventions	\$12,335.21
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Committee Projects

Direct committee expenses; and allocation of salaries, printing, headquarters expenses and supplies, yearbook, meetings, and conventions	29,436.87
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**Field and Membership Services (including Speak-
ers Bureau)**

Travel expenses—staff, Speakers Bureau, Leaders Institute; and allocation of salaries, printing, headquarters expenses, and supplies, year- book, meetings, and conventions	26,202.14
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NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

EXPENDITURES, Cont'd.

Production of Saleable Materials

Uniongrams	\$ 3,712.99	
Art calendars	5,742.81	
Stationery for resale	514.62	
Past President pins	1,185.70	
"Manual for Sisterhoods"	3,443.02	
Cost of producing filmstrip "Through the Years"	2,023.23	
Miscellaneous saleable materials	5,550.51	
Allocation of salaries, printing, headquarters expenses and supplies, yearbook, meetings, and conventions	9,251.40	\$31,424.28

Publication, Publicity and Public Relations

Share of publishing "American Judaism"	\$10,731.71	
Publicity and Public Relations	3,910.59	14,642.30

Dues, Contributions, and Miscellaneous

"Religion in American Life"	\$ 200.00	
"National Conference of Christians and Jews" .	100.00	
Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations	20.00	
Jewish Book Council of America	25.00	
Conference Group of U. S. National Organiza- tions of the U.N.	25.00	
National Council on Family Relations	20.00	
Conference on World Disarmament	75.00	465.00
Miscellaneous (including personnel training, 40th Anniversary, advertising, cartage, and sundry items)		1,175.09
Gift to Hon. Lily H. Montagu		150.00

Total Budgetary Expenditures		\$115,830.89
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Budgetary Surplus		\$ 7,941.80
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NON-BUDGETARY EXPENDITURES

Headquarters equipment		413.40
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General Fund Balance for the Year Ended October 31, 1954		\$ 7,528.40
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NOTE: For details of general services and supplies for N.F.T.S. activities see Exhibit "D-1".

Oblique denotes red figures.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
 DETAILED STATEMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES
 AND SUPPLIES FOR N. F. T. S. ACTIVITIES
 NOVEMBER 1, 1953 TO OCTOBER 31, 1954

Salaries (including \$9,500 to U.A.H.C. for salaries, and \$177.64 for employees' hospitalization expense paid by N.F.T.S.)	\$28,419.21	
Printing and multigraphing	4,683.78	
Postage	4,914.48	
Headquarters supplies	4,352.44	
Telephone and telegraph	1,704.62	
Shipping charges	229.84	
Publications and subscriptions	327.52	
Travel — officers	2,809.02	
Meetings and conventions	6,168.42	
Cost of production of yearbook	\$ 110.00	
Add: Commitment charged to 1953-54	<u>4,000.00</u>	4,110.00
Headquarters maintenance	608.00	
Consultant fees	1,800.00	
Auditing and bonding	<u>1,548.70</u>	
Total—Allocated by N.F.T.S. to various activities (included in Exhibit "D") as under:		<u><u>\$61,676.03</u></u>
N.F.T.S. Development	\$12,335.21	
Committee Projects	24,670.41	
Field and membership services (including Speakers Bureau)	15,419.01	
Production of saleable materials	<u>9,251.40</u>	
	<u><u>\$61,676.03</u></u>	

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND
NOVEMBER 1, 1953 TO OCTOBER 31, 1954

RECEIPTS

Contributions for National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund — from Sisterhoods, other organizations and individuals		\$22,883.02
Proceeds from sale of:		
Uniongrams (apportioned)	\$50,243.66	
"Thank You" Notes (apportioned)	161.80	50,405.46
Transfer from General Fund to cover return of \$16,000 face value U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F", borrowed in 1945/46		11,840.00
Total		\$85,128.48

DISBURSEMENTS

Transmitted to Union of American Hebrew Congregations for religious education 1953-54	\$34,916.66	
Transmitted to Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion:		
For scholarships—1952-53	7,675.00	
For scholarships—1953-54	25,000.00	\$67,591.66
Payment for World Union for Progressive Judaism Fellowships at Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion		5,400.00
Payment for Fellowship to Dr. James W. Parkes .		1,200.00
For Lectures		1,440.00
For Free Religious Schools		187.00
Service fee for collection of contributions (10% of \$22,580.48) transferred to General Fund		2,258.05
Transmitted to Philipson Fund for Joint Project on Records		1,500.00
Total		79,576.71
Excess of receipts over disbursements		\$ 5,551.77
Balance in bank—October 31, 1953		14,636.59
Balance in Bank of the Manhattan Co.—October 31, 1954		\$20,188.36

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
GENERAL FUND AND "HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM" FUND
NOVEMBER 1, 1953 TO OCTOBER 31, 1954

RECEIPTS

National dues	\$ 89,568.50	
District Federation dues	200.00	
Proceeds from sales of:		
Uniongrams (apportioned)	12,207.92	
"Thank You" notes (apportioned)	647.20	
Collections from sales of art calendars, meeting cards, stationery, and other materials and articles	16,792.53	
Interest on bank accounts	74.19	
Service fee for collection of funds	3,248.92	
Contributions for "House of Living Judaism"	14,662.77	
Contributions—Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and Committee on European Jewish Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse	6,766.85	
Contributions—World Union for Progressive Judaism Silver Coin Collection	3,141.84	
Loans repaid—N.F.T.S. Synagogue Loan Fund	662.50	
Sale of book "Lily H. Montagu"	247.77	
Legacy—Estate of Gertrude Genzberger	1,000.00	
Mrs. Martha Levy Steinfeld Memorial Reserve	464.91	
Miscellaneous (including contribution of \$100 for purchase of Torah)	391.13	
Total		\$150,077.03

DISBURSEMENTS

Expenditures—Budgetary	\$110,210.61	
—Non-budgetary (office equipment)	413.40	\$110,624.01
Transmitted to Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. and Committee on European Jewish Survivors of the Palestine Lighthouse	7,250.00	
For lectures	30.00	
Service fee for collection of funds	990.87	
Expenditures and transfers—"House of Living Judaism"	17,443.37	
Loan to Dublin Progressive Congregation for purchase of Torah	150.00	
Payment of Biennial expenses	839.02	
Payment to Union of American Hebrew Congregations for share of deficit of publishing "American Judaism"	1,545.30	
Production cost of book "Lily H. Montagu"	2,079.79	
Payment for Torah for Dublin Progressive Congregation (\$100 contribution received for this purpose)	100.00	
Transfer to Scholarships and Religious Education Fund to cover return of \$16,000 face value U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F" — loaned in a prior year	11,840.00	
Total		152,892.36
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts		\$ 2,815.33
Balance in banks and on hand—October 31, 1953		66,720.22
Balance in banks—October 31, 1954 (as under)		\$ 63,904.89
Held for General Fund and Special Funds:		
Bank of The Manhattan Co., New York City	\$ 37,427.23	
Southern Ohio Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati	2,841.99	
Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co.	2,693.43	
The Fifth-Third Union Trust Co.	350.80	\$ 43,313.45
Held for "House of Living Judaism" Fund:		
Bank of The Manhattan Co., New York City		20,591.44
		\$ 63,904.89

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
SPECIAL FUNDS RESERVES AND COMMITMENT
TRANSACTIONS DURING THE YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 1954;
AND BALANCES OCTOBER 31, 1954

		<u>BALANCES</u> <u>OCT. 31, 1954</u>
Mrs. Martha Levy Steinfeld Memorial Reserve		
Balance, October 31, 1953	\$146.66	
Receipt of balance from National Peace Conference upon termination of its work as per terms of grant	452.92	\$ 599.58
Receipt of interest on above balance		11.99
		\$ 611.57
Reserve for World Union for Progressive Judaism—Silver Coin Collection		
Balance, October 31, 1953	\$1,691.98	
Contributions during 1953/1954	3,141.84	
	\$4,833.82	
10% collection fee to N.F.T.S. on \$3,141.84 received	314.18	4,519.64
Reserve for Transmission of a Torah to Dublin, Ireland—		
Receipts	\$ 100.00	
Disbursement toward purchase of a Torah	100.00	
N.F.T.S. Synagogue Loan Funds Capital		
Balance, October 31, 1953	\$3,663.00	
Interest received during 1953/54	22.67	3,685.67
Commitment for Production of Yearbook		
Provision in 1953/1954 Budget		4,000.00
Other Reserves (no transactions during the current fiscal year):		
Reserve for Braille Machine		40.00
Reserve for Committee on Family Education		100.00
Legacy and Investment Reserve		
Legacy from Estate of Gertrude Genzberger	\$1,000.00	
Royalties on Henning publication	31.47	1,031.47*
Total (Exhibit "A")		\$13,988.35

*Received during 1953/54

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

OCTOBER 31, 1954

SCHEDULE No. 1

INVESTMENTS

UNITED STATES SAVINGS BONDS—SERIES "F"—AT COST

	VALUE AT MATURITY	DATE OF MATURITY	COST
Held for the General Fund	\$ 7,000.	3/1/54	\$ 5,180.**
	10,000.	12/1/54	7,400.
	500.	7/1/57	370.
Transferred from Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	16,000.	7/1/57	11,840.
	<u>\$33,500.</u>		<u>\$24,790.</u>
Held for National Committee on Scholarships and Religious Education Fund	\$10,000.	7/1/57	\$ 7,400.
Total	<u>\$43,500.</u>		<u>\$32,190.*</u>

* In accordance with official policy, the appreciation in values of these bonds is not recorded. As at October 31, 1954, the total redemption value was \$40,650. Upon maturity, the excess of proceeds over cost will be added to the available funds.

** During the year ended October 31, 1954, bonds with a face value of \$7,000, costing \$5,180 matured on March 1, 1954. The difference, \$1,820 appreciation was added to the General Fund Reserve even though these bonds were not forwarded to the U. S. Treasury Department for redemption as at October 31, 1954.

SCHEDULE No. 2

NOTES, LOANS, AND ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Notes receivable from Temples (see note):

Free Synagogue of Laurelton, L. I., dated January 25, 1950; to be repaid— \$200 on 6/1/1952, and 6/1/1953; and \$300 on 6/1/1954—past due, and \$300 due 6/1/1955	1,000.00
Temple Sholom, Bellerose, L. I., N. Y., dated Nov. 1, 1950, to be repaid \$200 each on 11/1/1954 and 11/1/1955 (Balance)	400.00
Levittown Reform Temple, Levittown, New York, dated September 23, 1953, to be repaid \$62.50 quarterly beginning with 10/1/1954 (Balance)	937.50
	<u>\$2,337.50</u>
Accrued interest receivable on U.S. Savings Bonds, Series "F", matured March 1, 1954	1,820.00
Loan receivable advanced to former employee for educational purposes	2,500.00
Accounts receivable:	
Due from Sisterhoods	531.00
Union of American Hebrew Congregations	400.00
Dublin Jewish Progressive Congregation for purchase of a Torah	150.00
Revolving Fund held by N.F.T.S., in Montréal, Canada	50.00
Total	<u>\$7,788.50</u>

Note: Confirmations were requested from Temples but were not received.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
 CUMULATIVE STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES
 "HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM" FUND
 NOVEMBER 1, 1945 TO OCTOBER 31, 1954

	TOTAL FROM INCEPTION OF PROJECT (11/1/45 & PRIOR, THROUGH 10/31/53)	11/1/53 TO 10/31/54	TOTAL THROUGH 10/31/54
Contributions	\$469,186.14	\$14,662.77*	\$483,848.91
Campaign Expenses and Other Expenditures			
Salaries—Director, Assistant, and Clerical	\$ 54,250.80	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 57,150.80
Travel expenses—Director	2,733.56		2,733.56
Printing, paper, composition, electros, engravings, envelopes, etc.	9,091.69	145.23	9,236.92
Artwork and photographs	1,193.75		1,193.75
Postage	1,759.59		1,759.59
Telephone service	1,338.13		1,338.13
Miscellaneous office expenses	3,958.75		3,958.75
Furniture and equipment	1,998.10	282.13	2,280.23
Meeting costs and reporting services	891.75		891.75
Insurance and miscellaneous expenses	577.39		577.39
Office maintenance	443.55		443.55
Book of Living Judaism	377.67	79.70	457.37
Filmstrip "Within These Walls"		2,030.97	2,030.97
Settlement of architectural claim		3,051.00	3,051.00
Equipment for kitchen		4,395.64	4,395.64
Repairs, air-conditioning and other basement costs		4,558.70	4,558.70
Total	\$ 78,614.73	\$17,443.37	\$ 96,058.10
Net Income from Campaign through Octo- ber 31, 1954—Available for "House of Living Judaism"	\$390,571.41	\$ 2,780.60	\$387,790.81
Transfers to U. A. H. C.			
For payment of site at 838 Fifth Ave., N.Y.C.	\$200,000.00		\$200,000.00
For kitchenette in "House of Living Judaism" (out of \$683 contributed in 1951/52—specifically earmarked for this purpose)	624.37		624.37
For payment of demolition of building, con- struction costs and equipment	166,575.00		166,575.00
Total—Transfers	\$367,199.37		\$367,199.37
Balance (Exhibit "A")	\$ 23,372.04	\$ 2,780.60	\$ 20,591.44

* Includes \$37.50 from rental of filmstrip, "Within These Walls."

Oblique denotes red figures.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT ON

Religion and Education

Tampa, Fla., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Department on Religion and Education with its interrelated Committees on Family Education, Religious Extension, Youth Activities, Religious Schools, Jewish Ceremonials and Art and Programs, has functioned most successfully during the past fiscal year. Through the diligent efforts of the various chairmen, questionnaires were sent by the NFTS Committees on Programs, Religious Schools, Family Education and Jewish Ceremonials and Art to local Sisterhoods to learn of their activities and of their particular needs. On the basis of the replies, definite suggestions and materials were recommended to many Sisterhoods to assist them in their work.

A meeting of the Department on Religion and Education was held on April 27, 1954, at which time there was a full discussion by each Chairman of the activities of her committee. The meeting was stimulating and inspiring to all in attendance. Some of the conclusions reached were that:

1. An educational program is vital to the future of our religion, and must be fostered and encouraged in all Sisterhoods;
2. The success of all projects depends on dedicated leadership and active committee participation on the local and district level;
3. NFTS has an abundance of valuable educational and religious material available to Sisterhoods and is most anxious to serve them at all times.
4. Departmentalization has been most successful and efficient on the National level, and should prove the same on a local and district level.

A suggestion was made at this meeting that a comprehensive questionnaire, to take the place of an annual report, be sent to each Sisterhood President in the spring, rather than sending individual committee questionnaires periodically to the various chairmen. This would assure an overall view of Sisterhood activity and facilitate reporting by Sisterhood Presidents and Chairmen.

(MRS. DAVID L.) CAROL ZIELONKA, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Family Education

St. Joseph, Mo., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

Never before has the field of Adult Education evidenced such signs of growth.

A Biennial report must, of a necessity, be but a continuation of the analysis made in previous years. Unfortunately an evaluation of existing conditions relating to Family Education made in the fall of 1953 revealed a general attitude that varied from indifference or apathy to a very slight enthusiasm. It was evident that even those Sisterhoods that were blessed with trained and gifted leadership were able to attract only a small percentage of their membership to enroll in classes.

A few months ago, however, a more heightened enthusiasm characterized the scene. Stimulated by publication of the study course, *Prayer and the Union Prayer Book* and the Friday evening Sabbath service, *Bridge of Prayer*, by the Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El, Great Neck, New York, a large number of our affiliates began the rewarding study of prayer. These groups are continuing, and the number is growing.

More recently, there have been developments in the area of education among adults that has been gratifying and exciting. Inspired and challenged by the American Jewish Tercentenary observance, many units have inaugurated classes on subjects related to this three-hundredth anniversary of our life in this blessed America. Sisterhoods in other lands may be interested in Tercentenary activities and may be able to adapt some of the materials for use in their communities.

Our committee has urged each Sisterhood to begin its local celebration of the Tercentenary with a study—or a review—of the fundamental beliefs of our faith. A serious discussion of the BASIC PRINCIPLES OF REFORM JUDAISM can well be presented to show a relevance to current needs in American Jewish life. A better knowledge of our faith and heritage will help us to appreciate President Eisenhower's statement that "The Jews of America, generation upon generation, have brought to the task of building this great nation in freedom a special gift—IT IS THAT DEEP AND ABIDING FAITH OF THEIR FATHERS."

To understand this faith that was transplanted from the old world and took such deep root in our beloved America, many methods of study and various procedures have been employed. Whatever the technique—group study, formal classes, lectures, symposium, forum or workshop—with or without trained leadership—the desire to learn has outweighed the obstacles, and some measure of success has been noted.

An excellent bibliography of material relating to the **BASIC PRINCIPLES OF REFORM JUDAISM** has been prepared and is available from NFTS.

The slogan of the Tercentenary is "Man's Opportunity and Responsibility Under Freedom." Surely one of our many opportunities is our access to the freedom of learning, so that we can better evaluate this "American Miracle," and, of a certainty, one of our responsibilities must be to preserve and transmit to our children the challenge of this remarkable experience that is ours.

Our Committee is unconcerned with numbers. Small classes of dedicated women versed in a knowledge of their faith and heritage can wield a tremendous influence for good. We commend the progress and enthusiasm of our affiliates that have awakened, and we urge interest and action from those Sisterhoods that have been characterized by apathy and indifference.

Only an informed people who understand the majestic march of events that led to this magnificent Tercentenary celebration can truly appreciate it. Never before has the Family Education Committee had such reason for encouragement and optimism.

(MRS. MYRON M.) DELLA F. MEYER, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Jewish Ceremonials and Art

Trenton, N. J., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is with much pleasure that I present my report on the accomplishments of the NFTS Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art. The questionnaires sent out by NFTS were returned by 71 Sisterhoods. The following summary is primarily a statistical one, and I am listing in general terms, the explanations for which we asked.

1. Is your Chairman on Jewish Ceremonials and Art your Judaica Shop Chairman? Yes — 31%.
2. If not, do you have a special Judaica Shop Chairman? 50%.
3. How long have you had an active Judaica Shop? Less than

1 year	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years	6 years	7 years
17%	—	21%	17%	25%	4%	4%	12%
4. What firms have been of greatest help to you in securing items for sale in your Judaica Shop?

The following listing is in order of popularity.

Bloch Publishing Co., 31 West 31 Street, New York, N. Y.

M. Wolozin, Inc., 36 Eldridge St., New York, N. Y.

Union of American Hebrew Congregations, 838 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Behrman House, 1261 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Ktav Publishing Co., 47 Canal Street, New York, N. Y.

Rosenblum's Hebrew Book Store, 3428 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago 24, Ill.

Holiday Paper Products Corp., 6 Park Ave., Rockville Centre, N. Y.

Jewish Religious Supply Co., 11 Essex St., New York, N. Y.

Israel Enterprises, 11820 Dexter Blvd., Detroit, Mich.

5. If you do not have a Judaica Shop, are you planning to establish one?
No — 50% Yes — 20% No answer — 30%.
6. If you are not planning one, what are the reasons?
 - (a) No interest at present in this project.
 - (b) Small membership covering a wide radius therefore not enough people would see it often enough.
 - (c) Jewish community not large enough to support one properly.
 - (d) Children get many of the religious items through the Religious School, in connection with holidays and festivals.
7. In what ways can NFTS assist you further in connection with your Judaica Shop?
 - (a) Send suggestions prior to each holiday as to appropriate decorations, gifts, ceremonial objects and music.
 - (b) Give advice as to how to stimulate interest in a small community in a Gift Shop.
 - (c) Information is needed on items which may be purchased locally.
 - (d) Keep Sisterhoods up to date on new merchandise at moderate prices.
 - (e) Where can we buy merchandise on consignment, as we cannot at present afford to make cash investments?
 - (f) Point out ways to stimulate interest among members in buying religious objects.

Sisterhoods are availing themselves of the Art Exhibit, available for the cost of shipping only, from our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and also the traveling exhibit of Jewish ceremonial objects and art treasure available from the Museum of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Clifton Ave., Cincinnati 20, Ohio.

I am pleased to report to you that 17,173 Sisterhood Art calendars for the year 5715 (September 1, 1954-August 31, 1955) have been sold to date. This Art Calendar is dedicated to the Tercentary of the Settlement of Jews in New Amsterdam and incorporates illustrations from the following Union of American Hebrew Congregations filmstrips: *The Jews Settle in New Amsterdam*, *Isaac Mayer Wise: Master Builder of American Judaism*, *Judah Touro: Friend of Man*; and *The Story of Haym Solomon*, produced by the American Jewish Archives.

The art calendar was sent with a Rosh Ha-shono Uniongram message from Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President, to Executives and members of the staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates, rabbis in UAHC congregations, CCAR rabbis in non-UAHC congregations and other rabbis in congregations where there are NFTS Sisterhoods, CCAR chaplains, faculty and student body of the HUC-JIR, member of the NFTS Executive Board and Presidents of organizations in the Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations.

Responsibility for Judaism of today and tomorrow rests in real part upon the mother. May I urge that the mothers kindle the Sabbath candles and inject in each home the beautiful Jewish ceremonials that depict our holidays throughout the year. May all individuals in the modern Jewish home unite their powers through our Jewish ceremonials and art and teach our doubting youth of today the potency of the three great Rs—Religious observance, Righteousness and Reverence. Then, “. . . your sons and your daughters shall prophesy; your old men shall dream dreams; your young men shall see visions. . .”. (Joel 2:28).

(MRS. ELMER LENTZ) LILLIAN E. SHAFFER, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Programs

St. Louis, Mo., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

We have endeavored, during this past fiscal year, to better serve our affiliates in the following ways:

- (1) Suggesting and describing through the pages of the Packet and releases to Program Chairmen some of the programs in our files, suitable for particular occasions.
- (2) Outlining new program aids and ideas.
- (3) Making available material for the celebration of the American Jewish Tercentenary:
 - (a) Specially prepared programs.
 - (b) A 35 mm. color filmstrip, *THROUGH THE YEARS: JEWISH WOMEN IN AMERICAN HISTORY*, released by NFTS.
 - (c) A copy of the *Guidebook for the Celebration of American Jewish Tercentenary*, published by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, with a page of program suggestions especially keyed to Sisterhoods, mailed to each Sisterhood President.

- (4) Preparing a *Supplementary List of Programs, 1954-55* from the new material in our files, which has recently been sent to each Sisterhood. Additional program material is frequently made available by NFTS.

In March 1954, a detailed questionnaire was mailed to Program Chairmen and included in the Packet to enable us to better help our affiliates. Eighty-two returns, covering a cross-section of Sisterhoods from coast to coast, ranging from 9 to 1000 members, were received. In evaluating and interpreting these questionnaires, the findings show:

- (1) Most of the Sisterhoods plan their programs a year in advance (at the end of the Sisterhood season). The general complaint is that the material in the periodic releases to Program Chairmen is too late for use.
- (2) About 60% of the Sisterhoods feel that attendance at meetings is affected by the type of program presented. (Exception: very small Sisterhoods which have about the same numbers at all times).
- (3) Many Sisterhoods want audience participation programs and skits that stress Sisterhood activities but which do not require too much preparation.
- (4) Many small Sisterhoods feel that the scripts distributed by NFTS are too complicated and require too many people to produce.
- (5) Numerous Sisterhoods report giving original programs not sent to NFTS.
- (6) Seventeen units report having choral groups and in 56, members participate in dramatic skits at least once or twice a year.
- (7) Many Sisterhoods report that all of their programs have a Jewish theme, and about one-third have at least half of their programs of Jewish content. A large percentage of these are centered around the Jewish holidays, books, and music. Much interest is also shown in interfaith programs.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In view of the above findings, the following *recommendations* are made:

- (1) Program material and a calendar of dates of holidays and important events during the coming year should be issued by NFTS at the end of April. This material should be accompanied by a card which is to be signed and returned to NFTS by the Program Chairman of each Sisterhood, showing that the proper person received the items for the coming year's planning.
- (2) A mimeographed form asking for new original programs be sent to the Program Chairman of each Sisterhood and NFTS District Federation and included in the Packets so additional good programs can be secured.
- (3) Advise Sisterhoods about programs which are suitable for groups of their size.
- (4) More time should be given for consideration by the NFTS Executive Board, and District and NFTS Conventions, of ways of improving programs, since so many Sisterhoods state that attendance at meetings depends upon the programs presented.

I also recommend, since many submitted programs contain good ideas but are lacking in one respect or another, so that they cannot be published, that:

- (5) NFTS appoint a committee of Sisterhood members, who, in the past, have written fine programs, to revise, adapt or improve programs submitted. (This, of course, would be with the approval of the Sisterhood submitting the program and would give credit to the original author and to the one who revises it.) No member on the committee would be asked to revise more than two programs a year.

(MRS. JULIAN H.) BELLE W. MILLER, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Religious Extension

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Nineteen new Sisterhoods have been warmly welcomed into our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the fiscal year, November 1, 1953—October 31, 1954, and each group has received an NFTS charter. It is a privilege to submit the names of those Sisterhoods which have affiliated with NFTS during this period, and it is our sincerest wish that their association may be a worthwhile and pleasant one.

NEW AFFILIATIONS

CITY	SISTERHOODS	DATE
Rochester, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	Nov. 27, 1953
Fair Lawn, N. J.	Sisterhood of Reform Temple of Fair Lawn	Dec. 16, 1953
Burlington, Ia.	Temple Israel Sisterhood	Dec. 28, 1953
Honolulu, Hawaii	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	Jan. 8, 1954
Charleroi, Pa.	Rodef Shalom Temple Sisterhood	Jan. 22, 1954
Wynnewod, Pa.	Main Line Reform Temple	Jan. 29, 1954
Little Neck, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	Feb. 2, 1954
Daly City, Calif.	Westlake Temple Group Sisterhood	Feb. 3, 1954
Bayonne, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	Apr. 5, 1954
Oceanside, Calif.	Sisterhood of North County Community Center	Apr. 12, 1954
Los Angeles, Calif.	Sisterhood of the Village Temple	Apr. 15, 1954
Chicago, Ill.	Temple Beth Torah Sisterhood	Apr. 21, 1954
Margate, N. J.	Temple Emeth Shalom Sisterhood	May 17, 1954
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Borough Park Progressive Synagogue	June 3, 1954
Morgan City, La.	The Morgan City Sisterhood	June 22, 1954
Marblehead, Mass.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	July 2, 1954
Skokie, Ill.	Sisterhood of Temple Judea of Niles Township	July 26, 1954
Odessa, Tex.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	Sept. 13, 1954
Stamford, Conn.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	Oct. 25, 1954

It is earnestly hoped that the following Sisterhoods which have resigned during the fiscal year, November 1, 1954—October 31, 1954, may find it feasible to again join NFTS at an early date:

RESIGNATIONS

CITY	SISTERHOODS	DATE
Hornell, N. Y.	Beth-El Sisterhood	Jan. 12, 1954
Alliance, Ohio	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	Apr. 15, 1954
Dalton, Ga.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	June 24, 1954

There are 506 affiliated Sisterhoods as of October 31, 1954.

Suggestions have been given to local Religious Extension chairmen throughout the year as to how they may increase Sisterhood membership, and how old members and new members may become active in Sisterhood work. The importance of stimulating religious interest within their Sisterhoods and then into the religious life of their congregations has been stressed.

(MRS. LESTER S.) RUTH G. BLOCH, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Religious Schools

Milwaukee, Wis., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

We found during this past year that interest in and enthusiasm for sisterhood activity in our religious schools are growing. Schools of all sizes seek Sisterhood assistance in varying fields. This fact was established as a result of the questionnaire sent to all Sisterhoods. We had 102 replies, and the findings, in capsule form, are as follows:

86% of these Sisterhoods assume some financial responsibility for the religious schools. The amount varies with the needs of the particular community.

92% provide parties for the school children.

24% assist in teacher recruitment.

48% provide class mothers.

85% have reports made to the Sisterhood by the religious school chairman.

73% have representation on the Temple board.

As a result of the questionnaire, we found that many Sisterhood chairmen on Religious Schools did not realize that all requests to NFTS for curricular

materials are directed to the Commission on Jewish Education of the UAHC-CCAR and in order to further clarify this point, a motion was introduced to the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods to the effect that problems of school board management, curriculum, text-books, etc., should be referred to the Commission on Jewish Education of the UAHC and the CCAR. However, NFTS is to keep a tabulation of these questions so that it and the NFTS Committee on Religious Schools are kept aware of what are the problem areas and what is the consensus of opinion on religious school matters.

The Committee on Religious Schools had representation at the Second National Conference on Jewish Education in New York City on March 22, 1954, and that report is on file at NFTS.

All correspondence which relates to this committee's field of activity has been answered. We have publicized titles of pertinent new publications, films, film strips, and records through our periodic releases in the President's Packets.

We, of this committee, realize the need for continued co-operation between Sisterhoods and religious schools, and we hope to provide more aids in this direction.

(MRS. ARTHUR) BABETTE M. KOVACS, *Chairman*



DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
Youth Activities

Jackson, Miss., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

"It is not upon the stockpile of atom bombs, but upon the character of American youth that the future of America depends." Are we, as Jews, doing our part to help shape the character of our American Jewish youth so that they can be assured of a strong spiritual and peaceful future?

Your chairman feels that she can sincerely answer this question in the affirmative since she has witnessed in action the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) at Starlight, Pa. and the National Youth Leadership Institute at Oconomowoc, Wis. In both places, the thoughts and activities of our Jewish Youth reflected great promise for future accomplishment in promoting the ideals of their religion and their cultural heritage, of good citizenship, good will and peace.

Since Sisterhood plays an important role in relation to NFTY, it is wise that we understand and know this organization, and so it seems fitting to outline a few pertinent facts concerning the activities of NFTY.

NFTY is now entering its 16th year of rapid growth. There are over 350 Temple Youth groups comprising about 13,000 teen-agers and 16 Regional Federations, into which NFTY is divided, each operating its own activities under elected youth officers and adult counselors or advisers. In some areas there are full time youth directors; in others, adult counselors or advisers are paid on a part time basis or give their services free of charge.

Year round activities of NFTY include National Leadership Training Institutes, Study Conferences, Regional Conclaves; Mitzvos or the Mitzvo program of service, through study and worship, to the congregation and the community; special National projects, and projects in the field of creative, original group enterprises.

During the past summer, 1648 teen-agers attended 13 Regional camp conclaves which were held in California, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan, New York and Texas, and two 12-day National Leadership Institutes held in Starlight, Pa., and Oconomowoc, Wis. These two Leadership Institutes brought together 238 selected leaders from all sections of the country. Here our Jewish youth work, pray, study and play together, living a new and inspiring experience in American Judaism.

A third type of camp experience was tried out successfully when in June, a selected group of 14 teen-agers spent 6 days at the HUC-JIR's Davan Lodge at Towanda, Pa., in a program of study only. This new "Study Retreat" has added a new word to the NFTY vocabulary—NFTY Kalla—with those attending referred to as "Kalla Scholars."

Another new first for NFTY was a Youth Group Advisers' Camp Training Conference which was held in August at Starlight, Pa. and which attracted and benefited 24 advisers.

In order to be of more assistance to the 350 Temple Youth Groups, NFTY issues publications in three forms: program releases (the titles of over 40 of which are included in the UAHC catalogue); the formal program magazine, *The Youth Leader*; and the NFTY News Release Service *NFTYMES* (formerly *The Messenger*).

What has been the role of Sisterhood, the connecting link, in this important work with our youth?

It was heart-warming, while attending the Executive Board meeting of NFTY, to hear Sisterhood mentioned and praised in every report given. Ninety percent of the camperships to the two National Leadership Training Institutes were provided by Sisterhoods. On the Regional level, Sisterhood has given assistance in an advisory capacity, as well as in providing funds for regional activities including regional camp conclaves.

On a local level, Sisterhood has provided counsel and guidance to the young people in helping them organize and program for their group and has served as the "conscience" to the Congregation so that its young people are encouraged to participate in congregational and community events. Yes, Sisterhood

has been one of the driving forces behind the success of the Temple Youth Program.

Our Youth are our investment in the future; to them we look for life and being, rejuvenation and salvation. Let us, therefore, continue to make it possible, through our Sisterhood Committees on Youth Activities for our youth "to grow in joy, in faith in God and in man, and in those qualities of vision and of the spirit that will sustain us all and give us new hope for the future."

(MRS. D. H.) CELESTE L. ORKIN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT ON

Human Relations

W. Los Angeles, Calif., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The NFTS Department on Human Relations met on April 26, 1954 to consider ways of co-ordinating the work of the Committees within the Department and to report upon activities that had been undertaken in recent months. The reports of the four Committees within this Department: Emergency Services, Interfaith Activities, Jewish Literature for the Blind, and Peace and World Relations, contained in the Yearbook, describe work that has been recently undertaken.

The work of the Committees in the Department on Human Relations are inter-related. For example, Interfaith activities can be carried forward not only through the Interfaith meeting, *per se*, but also through cooperating with other organizations in the community in implementing the work of the Committee on Peace and World Relations. Activities concerning Jewish Literature for the Blind benefit the sightless non-Jewish reader as well as the sightless Jewish reader, for the books, which are brailled for the Library of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. (of which NFTS is the patron body) are loaned to readers, without consideration of race or faith, throughout the world.

This Department has prepared an outline for Chairmen of District Departments on Human Relations to assist them in carrying on their work. This has been mailed to appropriate leaders in each NFTS District Federation, and it is anticipated that a similar outline will soon be ready for Chairmen of the Department on Human Relations in Local Sisterhoods.

Departmentalization has been especially beneficial within the Department on Human Relations because of the close relationship in the activities of the Committees.

(MRS. HENRY) DAISY MONSKY, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON HUMAN RELATIONS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Emergency Services

Brooklyn, N. Y., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The record of the Emergency Services Committee for the year 1954-55 is one of accomplishment. Sisterhoods, alone or together with other Jewish women's organizations, throughout the country have responded to the challenging needs of the armed forces, which number close to three and a half million men and women, stationed not only in the United States but in 49 countries overseas. The obligation of the Jewish community to provide its share was recognized by our Sisterhoods.

Wherever military installations were close enough to us, we served directly, providing recreational, religious service, gifts and home hospitality. Where camps were too isolated to be reached by direct contact, sisterhoods participated in the "Serve-a-Camp," "Serve-a-Hospital" and "Serve-a-Chaplain" projects of the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board. This mail order morale service conveyed a million gifts all told, to men and women who needed them. They provided remembrances from home in areas far away, ranging from Korea to Panama, and from Iceland to Dakar.

At holiday times, particularly for the High Holy Days, Chanukko and Passover, Sisterhoods combined their resources to send special shipments in appropriate gay wrappings, so that men and women overseas would know that they had not been forgotten by people at home. Many small Sisterhoods in communities where no "Serve-a-Camp" committees exist participated directly in this project, and it is a tribute to their wonderful spirit that the Jewish community was brought together more closely through these efforts.

In the Veterans Administration (VA), service has been of both the mail order and direct type. Jewish women volunteers have taken orientation courses for hospital service and have given thousands of hours of devoted work to VA patients. Many a Sisterhood has adopted a ward in a VA Hospital and has provided regular activities to lift the morale of men hospitalized.

From the large "Serve-a-Camp" committee which ships thousands of gifts each year to the individual Sisterhood member who has prepared a ditty bag of comfort articles for a military hospital, or has knitted a scarf for a serviceman in Greenland, the work of our Sisterhoods has been effective and welcome in areas all over the world where American G. Is and veteran patients are serving.

On July 10th your Chairman received a Scroll of Appreciation in Heidelberg,

Germany, for the cooperation of our NFTS groups in the "Serve-A" program of the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board. It reads:

"FOR THEIR INTEREST, DEVOTION AND UNTIRING EFFORTS IN MEETING THE WELFARE AND MORALE NEEDS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES."

Although we do not have the details available, NFTS is certain, on the basis of their great record of service in World War II, that non-U. S. units of the Federation likewise are serving their armed forces.

May this committee continue to give a working opportunity to those who yearn to make this a better world, as they participate in Jewish and humanitarian causes.

(MRS. ISIDOR) ROSE ENSELMAN, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON HUMAN RELATIONS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Interfaith Activities

Kansas City, Mo., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

The period from November 1, 1953 to October 31, 1954 has been an exciting and fruitful one in the area of Interfaith and Intrafaith activities. There has been an intensification of this vital work and the results are gratifying.

Institutes on Judaism for leaders of Church Women's Groups are gaining momentum as evidenced by the increasing number held during the period of this report. Sisterhoods are reaching out to groups in addition to those represented by Church Women. Thus, thousands of Christian leaders including School Teachers, Sunday School teachers, PTAs, Professional and Business Women and young married groups have participated in Institutes on Judaism, sponsored by local Sisterhoods or jointly by local Sisterhoods and NFTS. Eight Sisterhoods requested and received NFTS representation and help in planning Institutes. Eight other Sisterhoods reported successful Institutes for School Teachers. In some communities such Institutes have been held for three consecutive years. Institutes on Judaism are dynamic and effective opportunities for presenting on an educational level the beliefs and practices of Judaism to our non-Jewish neighbors. Our parent body, the UAHC, and NFTS have received special commendation for this positive program which promotes understanding and cooper-

ation on a community level. To our local Sisterhoods go words of thanks for their part in the improvement of human relations.

Some Sisterhoods have developed original, creative and educational Inter- and Intrafaith programs centering around Jewish Music, the Festivals, and Biblical characters. Where possible and desirable these programs have been incorporated in the NFTS publication, *Program and Study Materials* and are made available upon request. Educational and workshop programs are replacing the more formal type of "good will" endeavor.

Your Chairman presided at Institutes on Judaism for Church Women and for School Teachers in Lynchburg, Va., St. Joseph, Mo. and Kansas City, Mo. She found when she represented NFTS in Charleston, W. Va., Memphis, Tenn., Chicago, Ill., Champaign, Ill. and at NFTS District #18's Convention in Springfield, Ill. that she helped advance Interfaith programming as well as fulfilling the speaking missions which brought her to these communities. She found these Sisterhoods desirous of further direction, suggestion and guidance in the promotion of Interfaith activity.

RECOMMENDATIONS

NFTS has compiled a record of Sisterhood Interfaith activity since 1946. I have recommended that this material be evaluated and eventually be made available in a form which will not only be historically interesting but also useful to local Sisterhoods.

I also wish strongly to recommend that Intrafaith programming, an essential area of Sisterhood service, be separated from the field of Interfaith. We should not place Inter and Intrafaith in the same category.

(Mrs. Louis J.) EVA S. CASHDAN, *Chairman*

INSTITUTES ON JUDAISM FOR LEADERS OF CHURCH WOMEN'S GROUPS

November 1, 1953 — October 31, 1954

SISTERHOOD OF	PRESIDING	RABBINICAL SPEAKERS
Temple Beth El Charlotte, North Carolina	Mrs. Daniel Green	Rabbi C. Melvyn Helfgott
Adath Joseph St. Joseph, Missouri	Mrs. Louis J. Cashdan	Rabbi Myron Meyer Rabbi Louis J. Cashdan
Temple B'nai Jehudah Kansas City, Mo. (2nd Institute for School Teachers)	Mrs. Louis J. Cashdan	Rabbi Samuel Mayerberg Rabbi Louis J. Cashdan
Shaari Zedek Brooklyn, N. Y.	Mrs. Ernest Schoenfeld	Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach Rabbi Max Schenk Rabbi Daniel L. Davis
Temple Emanuel Gastonia, North Carolina	Mrs. A. F. Klein	Rabbi Nathan Hershfield Rabbi Ernst Conrad
Temple Beth El Fort Worth, Texas	Institute for Public School Teachers	
Agudath Sholem Synagogue Lynchburg, Virginia	Mrs. Louis J. Cashdan	Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum Rabbi Samuel Volkman
Tree of Life Columbia, South Carolina	Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss	Rabbi J. Aaron Levy Rabbi Samuel Gruber
Beth Israel Temple Hazleton, Pennsylvania	Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss	Rabbi Erwin Herman Rabbi Camillus Angel Rabbi Myron Weingarten

DEPARTMENT ON HUMAN RELATIONS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Jewish Literature for the Blind

East Orange, N. J., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is my pleasure to report that recommendations made in previous years have been acted upon. Cooperation with Dr. Jacob Freid, Executive Director of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., through consultation on book titles to be transcribed into Braille, has resulted in emphasis being placed on the Jewish classics and history, plus much needed study and play material for children. The Soundsciber Service, which was inaugurated, has proved satisfactory for those blind who do not read Braille.

The NFTS Executive Board accepted the recommendation of this Committee of urging each Sisterhood in the Federation to devote one Sisterhood meeting to the work of this Committee. It also approved bringing to the attention of local Sisterhoods the advisability of their Committees on Jewish Literature for the Blind joining the Braille Club. Valuable information on work being done for the blind is available through the bulletins issued by the Braille Club.

Mrs. Harry W. Ettelson of Memphis, Tenn., Mrs. Harry J. Finke, Great Neck, N. Y., Mrs. Joseph Pulvermacher, New York, N. Y., and your Chairman were elected to the Board of the Jewish Braille Institute at its Annual Meeting. Subsequently, your Chairman was elected Recording Secretary.

Your Chairman brought the message of the Jewish Braille Institute to two Keren Ami Councils. These groups of Religious School children seek information about charities and worthwhile causes outside of the Temple family. One of the programs offered several projects for consideration but with the strong appeal which this project has, the Jewish Braille Institute received the major portion of money available.

Your Chairman also addressed the Men's Sunday Morning Breakfast Club in Temple B'nai Jeshurum, Newark, N. J. The enthusiasm for the work brought forth a spontaneous outpouring of \$80.00 for the purchase of a Braille writer.

During the past fiscal year, funds for the aid of the blind raised by NFTS affiliates amounted to \$6,766.85. These were divided between the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., in New York and the Committee for European Jewish Blind Survivors of World War II of the Palestine Lighthouse in accordance with our custom.

During this year, a number of issues of the *Jewish Braille Review* published by the Jewish Braille Institute were underwritten by the following:

Temple Sisterhood, Brownsville, Tenn.

Temple Israel Sisterhood, Memphis, Tenn.

Temple Israel Sisterhood, Minneapolis, Minn.

Temple Beth-El Sisterhood, South Bend, Ind. in memory of Lts. Irving Horwitz, Sonny Simon, Nathan Garnitz and Philip Levy.

Women's Association, Temple B'nai Jeshurun Braille Group, Newark, N. J.

Temple Israel Sisterhood, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Temple Beth Emeth Sisterhood, Albany, N. Y., in honor of their leader and beloved Rabbi, Dr. Samuel Wolk.

Mrs. August Lorch, Mrs. Horace Hirsh, Mrs. J. B. Folz, Dallas, Texas, in memory of Mr. August Lorch.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Chairman recommends frequent restatement before Sisterhood and other audiences of the uniqueness of the aims and purposes of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., of which NFTS is the patron body. The Institute's Jewish Braille Library, so largely the result of the dedicated efforts of volunteer NFTS Brailleists, is the only library in the world, available to all blind, which produces English literature of Jewish content and/or by Jewish authors in brailled volumes. Furthermore, the Institute is interested in recordings of Yiddish classics.
2. This Committee recommends that NFTS exert its good offices to investigate the delay in the production of Braille writers. Hundreds of writers are on order at Perkins Institution, Watertown, Mass., and the vague information concerning them causes difficulties for brailleists.
3. NFTS stresses to Sisterhoods receiving suggested titles for brailleing from NFTS, the need to scan them immediately, choose those titles which they expect to do and return the list so marked to NFTS in order to facilitate suggestion of titles to other Sisterhoods. It is urgently necessary that local Sisterhood Brailleists, whose contributions to the Jewish Braille Library are so splendid, and so deeply appreciated, should give prompt cooperation on this matter of quick selection and notification to NFTS of their choices of material for brailleing. To this end I recommend that NFTS devise a new form method, in duplicate, whereby the brailleist or her group checks off titles to be accepted from a list, keeping one copy for local records and returning the other at once to NFTS headquarters.

(MRS. HARRY H.) HELAINE M. LOWENSTEIN, *Chairman*

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE NFTS. COMMITTEE ON
JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

SPECIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

European Jewish Blind Survivors of World War II
of the Palestine Lighthouse

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Palestine Lighthouse desires to express officially whole-hearted appreciation for your cooperation, and with thanks, to acknowledge \$2,980 as your last year's generous contribution.

Since the recent European pact was signed in October 1954, West Germany has been elevated to a new place of respect and equality among the nations of the free world, but the Jewish blind still living there are forgotten and neglected.

THE JOB IS STILL OURS TO DO! Six years ago, you, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, sprang to their assistance on our call. This aid you have loyally continued. However, let none of us forget, *these Jewish blind are the same people who were the actual physical victims* of the Nazi regime. Anti-Semitism still keeps the Jewish blind out of German Gentile organizations, and makes it impossible for them to find remunerative work. In addition, the Jewish blind are fearful of close contact with a community which they remember as hostile. Their club, which we instituted, is their one sanctuary for free association with their fellows. The fact that this club is located in the Jewish Community House, gives them a sense of belonging to the Jewish group, small as it is.

The Club continues to offer cheer, fellowship and constructive services to the blind of both zones, Russian and Allied. It forms their main source of social contact. That they attend its meetings proves how important is the need it fills, notwithstanding the hazardous problems that every one has of moving about the zoned city, in addition to the usual physical difficulties of the sightless.

An average of about one hundred blind, with their guides paid for by us, attend the club's bi-monthly meetings. Entertainment and lectures are followed by a period for discussion and for social relaxation when coffee and cake are served. These refreshments are mailed from New York.

The services of a Social Worker on the Staff of the Community House are available to Club members three times a week for guidance and advice on problems of daily living. Their major problem, after their **BLINDNESS**, is **POVERTY**. Today the prosperity of the newly re-industrialized West Germany does not reach to the Jewish people, least of all to the handicapped. By law, in both East and West Germany, Welfare Funds are distributed, but the quota to each person continues negligible and inadequate.

THERE IS NO HELP FOR THESE PEOPLE EXCEPT FROM US!

Past reports have told how the first step in our rehabilitation program was to mail *packages* of food and necessities at regular times. We continue this package service.

Of the 4,500 Jewish blind who formerly lived in Central Europe, this Committee found 324 survivors six years ago. Since then a number have disappeared behind the Iron Curtain, some 34 have been fortunate enough to emigrate and 5 have died during the last year. One hundred eleven hard core cases receive continuous aid from us. Using United States postal facilities and mailing individual packages to each blind at home, we have sent in the past year: 2040 pounds of food, 420 pounds of clothing, 32 pounds of knitting wool and 74 blankets and a quantity of household linens. We have mailed, in addition, cigarettes, medical supplies, eye drops, vitamins, insulin, liver extract and specially prepared individual prescriptions.

Holy Days are observed by gift packages to all. These packages have been supplemented by two hundred and fifty-four Braille letters bearing messages of cheer and encouragement to blind individuals.

What this kindness has meant has been fervently expressed in one hundred and twelve letters from Club members received by us this year. The writing of these letters has been made possible by thirteen Braille writing machines which we secured and sent them. Paper and international postage stamp coupons were sent from New York.

Much joy has been given by the donation of phonograph records, and by a collection of recordings of Hebrew melodies and Synagogue music.

Copies of the weekly German language newspaper AUFBAU continue to be sent from New York, the gift of the publishers. This is important as the American viewpoint of world affairs is presented. We have bought for the Club six copies of a newly published German prayer book in Braille. The reading by the blind of services for the Holy Days will be made possible, as well as the opening of Club meetings, in the traditional Hebrew words, dear to them as to us.

Helen Keller has said, "Not blindness but idleness is the curse of the blind." We rejoice that seven of our German friends in the West Zone have had enough strength of soul and body to have found part-time or occasional employment which, although poorly paid, does help to build morale. In the Russian Zone, as far as we have been able to find out, work opportunities for the blind do not exist.

Cases

Herr R., a former shoe salesman, has occasional work in a shoe factory.

Dr. S., who lost his sight in a Concentration Camp, is now occasionally used in referring patients to hospitals and specialists.

Dr. B., a dentist, who became blind in a Concentration Camp, makes a small fee supplying professional equipment.

Prof. W., writes occasional articles for two Jewish magazines published in Germany.

Fraulein F and Frau P., two blind pianists, give sighted children help with piano practicing.

Herr R., being fortunate in securing a four room apartment, rents three rooms, his sighted wife doing the work. This Committee supplied furniture, blankets and linen.

As all this work is poorly paid and much of it only occasional; it does not provide full livelihood, but it does help to build morale.

New Projects

The most important forward step that we are taking this year is to employ a Social Worker who has had experience as a teacher in a school for the blind. She will visit the blind in their homes, who up to now, have not been reached by us, and will give counselling to the shut-in. She will report to us on their condition and needs. The blind requested this home service at one of their meetings. With the new worker's help, we will also experiment with several new projects at the Community House. One is a Hobby Class where Club members can learn to do interesting hand work, each according to his talent and capacity. Materials will be bought by us. This Hobby Class should supply a creative opportunity and another occasion for social reunion.

When the weather is warm, it is planned to have guided walks in the woods with picnics. Outdoor excursions are so largely a part of the pattern of European life that this project will be one more way of returning these blind to normalcy.

Hitler died in 1945, but the human wreckage of the Nazis is still foundering, hardly better off from year to year. Governments are troubled by huge over-all problems. The Jewish blind can look only to us for comfort and help. No other agency, private or public, is concerned with their tragic plight. Our small degree of help is their only hope. We cannot desert them.

If by some magic, we could listen in on one of their club meetings and hear the closing recital, "May the Lord bless thee and keep thee. . . ." we could even more vividly grasp the meaning of our kinship with these lonely, bewildered men and women, who bear on their souls and bodies the marks of Hitler's undeserved persecution. They plead with you to continue your vital and generous support.

LEAH A. PIZA WEIL, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON HUMAN RELATIONS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Peace and World Relations

Elkins Park, Pa., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

I approach the writing of this report with a sense of deep concern tempered by a sense of gratification. My concern arises from the fact that, although at

the present time there is no major shooting war, a quick glance around the world shows us also that there is no peace. The foreign policy of the United States while seeking to strengthen U. S. defenses, has not yet given evidence that world tensions, or area tensions, are decreasing. Almost daily incidents occur, any one of which could be the spark to set off another war. All of this contributes to my concern.

On the other hand, there are many hopeful signs on the world scene, and NFTS has made its contribution in this area. As a member of the Committee on World Disarmament and World Development, NFTS participated in a Conference held in New York during April, 1954. Now a member of the Joint Commission on Social Action of the UAHC, CCAR, NFTS, NFTB AND NFTY, the efforts of NFTS are highly regarded and Mr. I. Cyrus Gordon, Chairman of the Commission on Social Action, expressed it as his opinion that local Sisterhoods would probably take a leading role in forming and directing social action committees in their congregations.

According to reports which we have received more and more Sisterhoods are organizing Committees on Peace and World Relations and are using the suggestions and materials recommended by the NFTS committee. I am very happy to see how many Sisterhoods are taking trips to the United Nations and to note the increased number participating in the observation of United Nations Day, October 24.

Among the interesting activities carried on by local Sisterhoods were:

1. Spearheading local activity on Genocide which included the issuing of a special bulletin, *Is It Wrong to Kill?*
2. Presenting a tableau on "The Big Four" depicting historical, cultural and economic background of these countries, with speakers from the United Nations who are natives of the countries.
3. Writing letters to U. S. Senators expressing a stand against the Bricker amendment.
4. Writing to the U. S. State Department, President and Senators on Genocide, Kibya incident, sending arms to Arab countries.
5. Study groups on such topics as Israel, Tariff, Civil Rights, specialized agencies of the U. N.
6. Study group on "World Report" by Adlai Stevenson, and special meeting with husbands as guests; also participation in local forum lectures.

Current Copy the monthly publication edited by Mrs. Harrison Thomas for this committee, is regarded very highly by all units but there is concern expressed over the fact that it does not reach the general membership. It is not generally known that individual subscriptions can be obtained at \$1.25 for a Sisterhood year.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I should like to make the following recommendations:

1. Each Sisterhood be asked to give five minutes' time at Sisterhood meetings for reading of excerpts from *Current Copy*.

2. A report be requested from each Peace and World Relations Chairman to be submitted by February of each year. This would give the national chairman time to evaluate what had been done and enable her to make suggestions for the new administrations, so that the information would be available in time for programming for the following Sisterhood Year.

(MRS. ALBERT) SARAH FARBER, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT ON

Advancement of Judaism

Shaker Heights, Ohio, October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Departmentalization has been extremely effective in the work of the Committees which fall within the Department on Advancement of Judaism: Committees on the House of Living Judaism, Combined Campaign—UAHC—HUC—JIR, Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, Uniongrams, and World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities. As these Committees are in large part fund raising, it has been of great assistance to NFTS District Federations and Local Sisterhoods to co-ordinate such activities within one Department.

You will note from the reports of this Department that there has been an approximately \$10,000 increase in Uniongram sales in this fiscal year. This splendid rise in Uniongram sales has benefited greatly the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, for, as you know, 20¢ of each 25¢ from the sale of Uniongrams accrues to the Fund for our work in connection with the scholarship and fellowship assistance to students of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and toward certain educational work of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations including its Department on Youth Activities. Voluntary contributions from Sisterhoods augment the Uniongram Apportionment profit mentioned above.

As Sisterhood women, we have a responsibility not only to raise money through Uniongrams and the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund for certain projects of our Reform Jewish institutions, but we have an equally important responsibility, to urge our husbands to support the Combined Campaign of these institutions, namely, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Thus, through the Sisterhood Committee of the Combined Campaign, we work with the men of our Congregations towards raising urgently needed funds.

So, too, we as Sisterhood women, have a responsibility toward our Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. Our house still needs monies to com-

plete additional floors for conducting the work that is essential toward the achievement of our goals. We strongly urge those Sisterhoods which have not yet met their one-time quotas of \$10 per member toward the building to fulfill these as soon as possible.

Our Committee on the World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities assists our co-religionists in other countries in maintaining their Judaism. The silver coins contributed at a Sisterhood meeting once yearly by each person present are never missed but collectively make possible splendid work in advancing our Liberal Judaism in other countries.

Each of the Committees in this Department is important in itself for each one supports a certain essential phase of Liberal Judaism, as the report of each of the Chairmen indicates. The five Committees of this Department, working together, support a cohesive program of our faith, and we urge every Sisterhood to participate as actively as possible in all phases of their work.

(MRS. SOL) ANNE B. GITSON, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

REPORT OF THE SISTERHOOD DIVISION

of the

Combined Campaign of the

Union of American Hebrew Congregations

and the

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

As National Chairman of the Sisterhood Division, it has been my privilege to participate in the deliberations and planning of the Combined Campaign Committee for maintaining our Union of American Hebrew Congregations and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion throughout the fiscal year 1953-54.

The advances during the past year, which were reflected in the \$72,419.00 gain in campaign receipts, were gratifying, even though the total of \$1,443,600.00 raised was still far from the objective of meeting the total needs of the central institutions of our Reform movement.

It is difficult to measure the exact contribution of Sisterhoods, since their

role has been chiefly a cooperative one through "woman power" in their congregations' Combined Campaign effort. That this was a significant factor in the success of the 1953-1954 result is evidenced by recorded appointments of 68 Sisterhood Campaign Chairmen, by the large volume of correspondence carried on with officers of the Sisterhoods, indicating various degrees of result-getting activity, and by the stimulating messages which our Sisterhood speakers took to the regional and other groups they visited. Reports from Campaign headquarters indicate specific service through teams of campaign workers, telephone committees and, especially important, through Sisterhood members carrying the message into their homes and to their friends, that our national institutions are entitled to priority support. We believe this was a means of influencing more generous family gifts than might otherwise have been forthcoming.

As wives and mothers, we have a large stake in sustaining the highest standards for the training of our spiritual leaders, for the religious education of our children, and for the personal inspiration we derive from our Temples.

While thanking the Sisterhoods and their individual members for the splendid cooperation given during the past year, I cannot refrain from urging that in the current year we redouble our interest and effort to provide the Union and the College-Institute, through the Combined Campaign, with adequate funds to sustain and strengthen their great programs of training, service and guidance toward a richer family and community life, as well as a better world.

(MRS. LEON L.) GERTRUDE WATERS, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

House of Living Judaism

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

The completion of another Sisterhood year is at hand, and we look with pride to our accomplishments over the period of years since the memorable dedication in 1951 of our Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial.

Each month we welcome new groups who have "gone over the top." We are proud to record the results of our efforts in the tables that are appended to this report. As of this writing, 250 Sisterhoods have made their quotas of \$10 per member, and many more are well on the way to success. Many additional names have been inscribed in the Second Volume of the Book of Living Judaism. As

you know, this is cumulative, and for every contribution of \$10 a name is perpetuated in honor or in memory.

More than 30,000 persons, many from foreign lands, have registered in the Guest Book in the Sisterhood Lounge of the House of Living Judaism. After the customary tour, all have praised our beautiful center of Reform Judaism.

Our Committee of Hostesses has completed a successful season, and we are grateful to the loyal and devoted number of Sisterhood women who have helped to receive the visitors who come from all lands.

The Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial is not yet completed, and that is why we urge the Sisterhoods to continue with the House of Living Judaism project. As you know, only seven stories have thus far been constructed, and two more are urgently needed. Due to shortage of space, the major part of the mezzanine is now being used for Combined Campaign headquarters. When funds permit and the additional floors will have become a reality, these units will be housed elsewhere. The mezzanine will then become our long wished-for library of synagogue literature.

We are very happy to report to our Sisterhoods that the new film strip, *Within These Walls: The Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial* was completed in September of this year. It is a beautiful visualization in authentic color of a visit to our national headquarters. The filmstrip is being lent to Sisterhoods at the nominal charge of \$1.00 to cover handling and mailing. Sisterhoods wishing to add this inspiring program to their library of Sisterhood materials may deduct this charge from the \$7.50 purchase price. "Within These Walls" should prove to be an inspiration to fulfill more quotas, especially if the film strip could be frequently presented to more new members.

As we approach this Biennial with renewed dedication, let us all recapture the spirit that underlies our efforts to make the House of Living Judaism a vital, breathing symbol of our faith as expressed through the Union of American Hebrew Congregation and its affiliated organizations.

(MRS. SOL) RUTH K. TEKULSKY, *Chairman*

THE NETS HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM FUND

Income Through 10/31/54

394 participating Sisterhoods contributed	\$477,890.34
This represents 250 Sisterhoods who fulfilled their quotas; 144 Sisterhoods who have not yet fulfilled their quotas, although many are over or nearing the half-way mark.	
Contributions from District Federations	3,524.70
Contributions from miscellaneous sources	1,728.87
Contributions to Special Kitchenette Fund	705.00
Total contributions through 10/31/54	483,848.91
Total campaign expenses (19.853%) of gross contributions....	96,058.10
Net income through 10/31/54	387,790.81

Expenditures Through 10/31/54

Transfer of funds to UAHC for payment of size at 838 Fifth Avenue, New York, 21, N. Y.	\$200,000.00
Transfer of funds to UAHC for payment of demolition of building on site, construction costs and equipment	166,575.00
Transfer of funds to UAHC for Kitchenette	624.37
Total expenditures through 10/31/54	<u>\$367,199.37</u>
Unexpended balance 10/31/54	<u>\$ 20,591.44</u>

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM HONOR ROLL

**Quotas Completed or Exceeded November 1, 1953 - October 31, 1954*

Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant, New York, N. Y.
Beth Ahabah Sisterhood, Richmond, Va.
Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth, Wilmington, Delaware
Beth Israel Sisterhood, West Palm Beach, Fla.
Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Akron, Ohio
Temple Sholom Sisterhood, Plainfield, N. J.
Lafayette Temple Sisterhood, Lafayette, La.
Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood, Tupelo, Miss.
Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Lawrence, N. Y.
B'rith Sholom Sisterhood, Louisville, Ky.
Sisterhood of Temple Israel, St. Louis, Mo.

* Ten dollars per member.

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

Forest Hills, New York, N. Y., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of
the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The report that it is my privilege to present for the NFTS fiscal year November 1, 1953-October 31, 1954 is gratifying because of the heartwarming response of Sisterhoods to the urgent appeals for the support of the projects which this

Fund helps to make possible. It has been a year of realization by our members of the tremendous needs of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, which needs are inextricably bound up with our goal of service to Jewish and humanitarian causes.

When the NFTS Executive Board met in April, 1954, the estimated requests for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund approved by them totalled over \$71,500. The Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion had submitted an estimate of approximately \$25,000 for aid to students but subsequently itemized scholarship requests amounted to \$29,500. The requests, in all, for the Fund totalled \$73,800. After an appeal to Sisterhood members for contributions above and beyond their usual quotas, the response was so splendid that the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund (through the sale of Uniongrams and cash contributions) raised \$73,600.16—an increase over last year of approximately \$10,000. The total raised included, thanks to the magnificent efforts of Uniongram Chairmen under the inspiration and leadership of Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, National Chairman on Uniongrams, \$50,283.20 of Uniongram Apportionment Profit and \$22,585.48 in cash contributions. Of this latter sum, 10% or \$2,258.55 will be deducted for the very nominal cost of fund-raising for this Committee. I know I need not belabor the point—any campaign has a cost of fund-raising. NFTS contributes a large share of its time and energy to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. However, it deducts only 10% of the cash contributions received for its cost of fund-raising, even though the nationally accepted average today for the cost of any campaign is 20%-25%.

The allocations made by the Executive Board, or to be voted, include:

1. SCHOLARSHIPS—for assistance to eligible students of the HUC-JIR—\$29,500.
2. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WORK including Youth Activities—an annual grant to the UAHC, our parent body, toward this work—\$35,000.
3. FELLOWSHIPS—for pre-rabbinic and rabbinic students now from South Africa, Turkey and former Displaced Person Camps, who, upon ordination will serve overseas congregations of the World Union for Progressive Judaism—\$5,400.
4. LECTURE INSTITUTES for Religious School Teachers and lay leaders—for a joint UAHC-NFTS project—\$1,500.
5. SPECIAL FELLOWSHIP—to Dr. James S. Parkes, Barley, England, one of the greatest living historians on Christian-Jewish relations—\$2,400.

At the Executive Board meeting in April, 1954, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President recommended, and the Board approved, that we recommend to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws and ultimately to the Biennial Assembly that the name and scope of the Fund be changed. This recommendation was brought about because, as Mrs. Dalsheimer stated, we must face squarely the realization that at present NFTS is not self-supporting but is relying upon a very substantial annual grant of more than \$50,000 yearly from its parent body, the UAHC, which, coupled with our own direct income from dues and the sale of materials, makes our activities possible. We should raise the total money necessary for our

own administration and this can only be done either through a raise in dues or through a frank emphasis upon money for development of the Sisterhood program as part of an enlarged and expanded Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, under whatever new name is finally accepted at the Los Angeles Biennial Assembly.

The matter of Honor listings will have to be changed in view of the proposed change in the name and scope of the Fund, and in order to reflect more fairly all Sisterhood efforts.

The women of Sisterhood met the challenge of ever-increasing demands upon their Fund and I am sure will continue to give their devoted love and service so that Liberal Judaism may ever go forward. Thus we of Sisterhood will continue through Uniongrams and cash contributions, which make up our Fund, to serve Jewish and humanitarian causes throughout the world.

(MRS. MELVIN S.) GLADYS HARRIS

Distinguished Service List

Contributions of \$500.00 or more

		1953-54
Alabama		
Birmingham.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	\$ 500.00
California		
Hollywood.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	520.00
Los Angeles.....	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood.....	500.00
San Francisco.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El Guild	500.00
	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood	500.00
Connecticut		
Hartford.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	500.00
District of Columbia		
Washington, D. C.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation.....	500.00
Illinois		
Chicago.....	Beth Am Sisterhood	542.40
	Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel	767.00
	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah Israel	537.00
	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	500.00
Indiana		
Evansville.....	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood	500.70
Indianapolis.....	The Temple Sisterhood	588.40
Iowa		
Davenport.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	776.20
Louisiana		
New Orleans.....	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer	500.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	540.00
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue	525.00

Maryland

Baltimore.....	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood	1,651.20
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	829.40

Massachusetts

Boston.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	500.00
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Michigan

Detroit.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	500.20

New Jersey

Newark.....	Women's Association of Temple B'nai Jeshurun	750.00
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New York

Buffalo.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood	854.80
Great Neck.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck	500.00
New Rochelle.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	850.10
New York.....	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Emanu-El	520.00
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	551.20
White Plains.....	Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center....	1,009.60

Ohio

Canton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	994.00
Cincinnati.....	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood	657.80
	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood	600.00
Cleveland.....	Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood	500.00
	Temple Women's Association	550.00
Columbus.....	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood	500.20
Dayton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	867.45
Toledo.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood	589.20

Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	1,900.00
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Tennessee

Memphis.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	662.40
Nashville.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood	518.20

Texas

Dallas.....	Temple Emanu-el Sisterhood	1,040.00
Houston.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	650.40

Washington

Seattle.....	Sisterhood of Temple De Hirsch	1,000.40
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West Virginia

Charleston.....	Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood	755.00
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Wisconsin

Milwaukee.....	Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun	520.00
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Canada

Toronto.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood	500.00
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District Federations

1953-54

Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.....	\$ 500.00
New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	660.00
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	651.60
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	500.00

Honor Roll

Contributions of \$350.00-\$500.00

		1953-54
California		
North Hollywood.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	\$ 354.20
Oakland.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	350.40
Georgia		
Atlanta.....	The Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Illinois		
Chicago.....	Women of Mizpah	382.00
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood	413.00
	Washington Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Glencoe.....	North Shore Temple Sisterhood	350.40
Peoria.....	Anshai Emeth Sisterhood	413.60
Indiana		
Ft. Wayne.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood	407.60
Iowa		
Cedar Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judah	350.40
Kentucky		
Louisville.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	379.00
Maryland		
Baltimore.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood	394.60
Massachusetts		
Boston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom	420.00
Michigan		
Grand Rapids.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	350.35
Minnesota		
Minneapolis.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	350.00
St. Paul.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple	350.00
Mississippi		
Clarksdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	350.00
Missouri		
Kansas City.....	B'nai Jehudah Sisterhood	350.00
St. Louis.....	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood	350.00
Nebraska		
Omaha.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	482.80
New York		
Albany.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth	463.00
Binghamton.....	Temple Concord Sisterhood	388.00
Brooklyn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom	459.00
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim	350.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush	350.00
	Sisterhood Beth Shalom Peoples Temple	371.20
New York.....	Central Synagogue Sisterhood	350.00
	Mt. Nebooh Sisterhood	350.00
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood	350.00

Ohio

Akron.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	350.60
Youngstown.....	Rodef Sholom Sisterhood	350.00

Oklahoma

Oklahoma City.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	350.00
Tulsa.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	350.00

Oregon

Portland.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	388.00
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Pennsylvania

Allentown.....	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	454.40
Erie.....	The Temple Sisterhood	398.40
Harrisburg.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom	367.35
Lancaster.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim	364.00
Philadelphia.....	Sisterhood of Temple Judea	357.00
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	470.40
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	350.00
Pittsburgh.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	350.00

Honorable Mention

Contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
increased by at least 5% (but not less than \$1.00) during 1953-54

		1952-53	1953-54
Alabama			
Bessemer.....	Beth-El Sisterhood	\$	\$ 4.00
Dothan.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	42.40	44.80
Gadsden.....	Temple Aid Society	21.90	25.20
Huntsville.....	Huntsville Temple Sisterhood	24.00	25.60
Jasper.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	43.05	52.15
Sheffield.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	29.20	30.66
Tuscaloosa.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	15.00	27.20
Arizona			
Phoenix.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	95.60	152.00
Tucson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	171.15	180.00
Arkansas			
Fort Smith.....	Temple Sisterhood (United Hebrew)	43.40	45.80
Hot Springs.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel	24.00	25.60
Jonesboro.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	22.20	24.00
Little Rock.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	238.56	250.89
Pine Bluff.....	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	37.40	162.00
California			
Alameda.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	13.60	18.80
Bakersfield.....	Women of Temple Beth-El	9.20	41.00
Berkeley.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	28.80	89.60
Beverly Hills.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	60.00	105.00
Culver City.....	Temple Akiba Sisterhood of Culver City	9.60	17.60
Daly City.....	Westlake Temple Group Sisterhood .....	.....	4.00
Fresno.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood .....	.....	24.00
Glendale.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	48.80	61.60
Long Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	5.60	42.40
Los Angeles.....	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood	39.69	41.80
	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood	32.00	123.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Westchester	24.00	25.60
*West Los Angeles.....	University Synagogue Sisterhood	20.00	21.00

	1952-53	1953-54
Pomona..... Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	20.00	28.00
Redondo Beach..... Temple Menorah Sisterhood	20.60	22.00
Reseda..... Temple Judea Sisterhood	2.40	10.40
Riverside..... Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	95.20	149.60
Sacramento..... Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	80.00	100.00
San Diego..... Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary	81.20	85.60
San Jose..... Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	63.00	115.20
San Mateo..... Peninsula Temple Beth El Sisterhood	36.00	45.80
Santa Monica..... Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	105.00	110.40
Stockton..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel	55.20	58.40
Temple City..... Temple Beth David Sisterhood	104.00	109.60
Van Nuys..... Sisterhood Temple Beth Torah	8.00	14.80

Colorado

Colorado Springs..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood	48.20	55.00
Denver..... Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	156.00	261.20
Trinidad..... Temple Aaron Sisterhood	16.80	18.40

Connecticut

Bridgeport..... B'nai Israel Sisterhood	8.00	9.60
Danbury..... Sisterhood of United Jewish Center		26.40
New Haven..... Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood		38.40
Waterbury..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel	68.80	72.80

District of Columbia

Washington, D. C..... Women's Auxiliary of Temple Sinai		18.40
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Florida

Coral Gables..... Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center	14.40	18.40
Daytona Beach..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood		36.00
Jacksonville..... The Temple Sisterhood	67.83	79.20
Miami..... Temple Israel Sisterhood	40.00	45.80
Miami Beach..... Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	8.00	19.20
Orlando..... Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism	53.60	68.00
Pensacola..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood	55.20	57.96
St. Petersburg..... Sisterhood Temple Beth El	64.00	80.00
West Palm Beach..... Beth Israel Sisterhood	18.40	20.00

Georgia

Athens..... Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel		14.60
Augusta..... Temple Sisterhood	69.60	172.00
Brunswick..... Beth Tefillah Sisterhood	4.00	8.00
Columbus..... Jewish Ladies Aid Society	148.26	155.67
Macon..... Beth Israel Sisterhood	196.20	214.20
Thomasville..... B'nai Israel Sisterhood		8.00

Illinois

Champaign-Urbana..... Sinai Temple Sisterhood		35.20
Chicago..... Beth El Temple Sisterhood	93.24	240.40
..... Temple Beth Torah Sisterhood		16.00
..... Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood	84.80	89.20
..... Sisterhood of Temple Ezra	32.00	100.00
..... Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	49.00	147.60
..... South Shore Temple Sisterhood	94.20	99.20
Danville..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood		8.00
Decatur..... B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood	52.00	64.00
Evanston..... Beth Emet Sisterhood	21.00	23.60
Kankakee..... B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	9.60	11.20
Quincy..... Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom		4.00
Rockford..... Temple Beth El Sisterhood	177.20	204.60
Skokie..... Sisterhood of Temple Judea of Niles Township		20.00
Springfield..... Sisterhood of Temple Brith Sholom	97.60	103.20

Indiana

Anderson..... Anderson Jewish Sisterhood	31.20	40.80
Gary..... Sisterhood of Temple Israel	92.40	196.40

		1952-53	1953-54
Kokomo.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood	12.00	13.60
Lafayette.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	4.00	32.00
Marion.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	87.20	179.20
Michigan City.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	100.80	106.00
Muncie.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	73.92	193.28
South Bend.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	180.80	262.00
Terre Haute.....	The Women's Organization	177.55	186.43
Valparaiso.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	12.00

Iowa

Des Moines.....	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood	197.60	207.60
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Kansas

Topeka.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	101.20	106.80
Wichita.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	42.40	64.00

Kentucky

Ashland.....	The Ashland Temple Sisterhood	10.40	12.00
Henderson.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood	30.00	31.50
Hopkinsville.....	Adath Israel Ladies Auxiliary	2.60	4.00
Lexington.....	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood	197.60	207.80
Louisville.....	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	209.60	220.08
Paducah.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	69.46	72.93

Louisiana

Bastrop.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop	31.10	55.50
Baton Rouge.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	62.00	66.00
Lafayette.....	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood	31.00	32.55
Monroe.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	71.00	74.55
Morgan City.....	The Morgan City Sisterhood .....	.....	5.00
New Iberia.....	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer	20.00	28.00

Maryland

Montgomery County.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	1.00	2.00
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Massachusetts

Boston.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	139.40	160.00
Brockton.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	60.60	73.20
Lowell.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	14.80	15.80
Lynn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	80.00	160.00
Malden.....	Temple Tifereth Israel Sisterhood	8.00	16.00
Marblehead.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood .....	.....	1.60
Newton.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shalom of Newton .....	.....	16.00
Springfield.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	29.60	31.20
Worcester.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	191.00	201.00

Michigan

Alpena.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	7.20	8.80
Battle Creek.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	71.80	115.80
Huntington Woods.....	Sisterhood of the Suburban Temple of Greater Detroit	139.40	152.00
Jackson.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	122.40	192.80
Lansing.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek .....	.....	164.80
Petoskey.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	16.00	42.60
Pontiac.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	153.60	165.20
Saginaw.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	4.00

Minnesota

Duluth.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	126.71	133.60
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Mississippi

Brookhaven.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom	25.60	27.20
Cleveland.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	4.00	44.80
Greenville.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood	33.60	80.20
Hattiesburg.....	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood	43.68	46.40
Jackson.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	122.00	280.60

Laurel.....	Laurel Temple Sisterhood	14.00	15.00
Lexington.....	The Julia Lewis Sisterhood	4.20	6.59
Ruleville-Drew.....	Sisterhood of Ruleville-Drew	20.00	24.80
Tupelo.....	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood	17.60	19.20
Vicksburg.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood	76.00	80.20

Missouri

Joplin.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	20.00	83.60
St. Joseph.....	Adath Joseph Sisterhood	96.20	112.80
St. Louis.....	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood	80.20	160.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	40.00	78.40
	United Hebrew Ladies Aid Society	40.00	80.00
Springfield.....	Sisterhood of United Hebrew Congregation	1.60

Nebraska

Lincoln.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood	31.20	32.80
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New Jersey

Atlantic City.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	34.20	36.20
Camden.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	40.00	49.60
Closter.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El of Northern Valley .....	.....	24.80
Elberon.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood	31.20	63.00
Elizabeth.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	60.20	73.20
Englewood.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	47.20	108.60
Fair Lawn.....	Sisterhood of Reform Temple of Fair Lawn .....	.....	16.00
Hoboken.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno	10.40	12.00
Jersey City.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	63.20	67.00
Lakewood.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	27.40	28.77
Margate.....	Temple Emeth Shalom Sisterhood .....	.....	40.00
New Brunswick.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple	85.60	90.20
Paterson.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood	252.40	265.60
Plainfield.....	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	80.00	84.00
Somerville.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El .....	.....	32.00
Teaneck.....	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood	123.20	152.00
Trenton.....	Har Sinai Sisterhood	88.00	108.00

New Mexico

Albuquerque.....	Temple Albert Sisterhood	13.60	15.20
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New York

Bay Shore.....	The Women's Club of Temple Sinai	8.00	9.60
Brooklyn.....	Sisterhood of Borough Park Progressive Synagogue	20.00
	Sisterhood of Community Reform Temple .....	.....	16.00
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue	64.80	80.20
	Sisterhood Shaari Zedek	19.20	30.80
	Sisterhood of Union Temple	120.00	126.00
Chappaqua.....	Women's Guild of Temple Beth El	12.65	42.40
Cortlandt.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel	9.60	11.20
Elmira.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	84.00	120.40
Elmont.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel of Elmont	40.80	52.40
Flushing.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	96.60	138.60
	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing	44.40	71.20
Forest Hills.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah	39.60	42.00
Freeport.....	Sisterhood of Union Reform Temple .....	.....	16.00
Glens Falls.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	28.80	30.40
Great Neck.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel of Great Neck .....	.....	55.20
Hempstead.....	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple	157.46	183.55
Jamaica.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica	121.80	133.60
Kingston.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	16.80	17.80
Larchmont.....	The Sisterhood of Larchmont Temple	15.40	20.00
Lawrence.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	60.00	80.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	49.60	68.00
Levittown.....	Levittown Reform Temple	19.20	24.20
Little Neck.....	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah .....	.....	1.60
Long Beach.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	9.60	29.60
Lynbrook.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	84.40	95.00

Massapequa.....	Sisterhood of Massapequa Jewish Center	5.00	
Mt. Vernon.....	Women's Guild of Free Synagogue of Westchester	1.20	8.00
New Hyde Park.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	64.00	83.20
New York.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	27.60	29.60
	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant	18.40	42.00
	Sisterhood of East End Temple	10.60	51.00
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim	16.00	24.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.	71.20	205.60
	Judea Reform Temple Sisterhood	2.40	11.40
	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx	21.00	25.80
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood	100.00	210.80
	Sisterhood of the Village Temple		4.00
	Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue	30.40	40.00
Oceanside.....	Sisterhood of Temple Avodah	31.80	84.00
Olean.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood		17.00
Plattsburgh.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood		3.20
Port Washington.....	Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue	29.60	123.60
Rochester.....	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood		80.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El		16.00
Roslyn Heights.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	40.00	42.40
Rye.....	Sisterhood of Community Synagogue	34.40	36.80
Scarsdale.....	Sisterhood of Westchester Reform Temple		6.60
Schenectady.....	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven	54.00	56.80
Staten Island.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	5.80	56.40
Syosset.....	Sisterhood of North Shore Synagogue		10.00
Troy.....	The Sisterhood of Third Street Temple	56.80	63.20
Utica.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	19.20	76.80
Wantagh.....	The Suburban Temple Sisterhood	4.80	68.40
Yonkers.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	121.60	133.80

North Carolina

Asheville.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila	174.60	194.20
Charlotte.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	4.80	34.40
Gastonia.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	25.60	27.20
Greensboro.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	60.20	63.60
Raleigh.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or	21.60	23.20
Rocky Mount.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	21.60	23.20
Wilmington.....	Ladies' Concordia Society	4.80	5.80
Winston Salem.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	19.40	40.00

Ohio

Cleveland.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	8.00	9.60
East Liverpool.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	30.00	31.50
Elyria.....	Elyria Sisterhood	5.20	6.20
Hamilton.....	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood	58.40	126.80
Lima.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	2.40	24.00
Newark.....	Ohev Israel Temple Sisterhood		8.80
Piqua.....	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	9.60	16.00
Sandusky.....	Ohev Shalom Sisterhood	26.40	28.00
Springfield.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women	40.00	42.60
Zanesville.....	Findlay Avenue Temple Sisterhood	2.00	4.00

Oklahoma

Ardmore.....	Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood	17.40	18.40
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Pennsylvania

Altoona.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel	64.83	72.18
Clearfield.....	The Clearfield Sisterhood	13.60	14.60
Greensburg.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	52.08	55.20
Hazleton.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	162.20	171.00
Honesdale.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood		4.00
Johnstown.....	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood	241.99	265.20
McKeesport.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	55.20	112.20
Philadelphia.....	Beth David Sisterhood	115.20	178.40
Pittsburg.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	48.00	50.40

		1952-53	1953-54
Reading.....	Sisterhood of Temple Oheb Sholom	264.00	277.60
Scranton.....	Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple	50.80	59.20
Uniontown.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	19.00	20.00
Williamsport.....	Sisterhood Beth Ha-Sholom	54.60	57.33
Wynnewood.....	Sisterhood of the Main Line Reform Temple .....	.....	44.80
York.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	112.00	117.60

Rhode Island

Providence.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	163.20	172.00
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South Carolina

Camden.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	9.80	12.80
Columbia.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life	120.00	126.40
Conway.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway	13.00	14.00
Darlington.....	Darlington Temple Sisterhood	7.20	21.50
Florence.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	30.85	73.00
Georgetown.....	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood	16.60	17.60
Greenville.....	Temple of Israel Sisterhood	14.40	16.00
Lake City-Kingstree.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood	2.40	30.00
Sumter.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	97.60	103.20

South Dakota

Sioux Falls.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	17.00	18.40
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Tennessee

Jackson.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	52.00	56.00
Knoxville.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	123.60	129.78

Texas

Austin.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	40.00	42.00
Beaumont.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	65.10	68.80
Big Spring.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	5.00	16.00
Corpus Christi.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood .....	.....	36.00
El Paso.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	116.00	122.40
Forth Worth.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	293.98	308.68
Galveston.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	70.00	74.00
Houston.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	252.00	264.60
Kilgore.....	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	40.00	42.40
Lubbock.....	Shaareth Israel Sisterhood	28.00	29.60
Lufkin.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	18.60	19.60
San Antonio.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	165.20	228.00
Texarkana.....	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood .....	.....	40.00
Tyler.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	31.20	42.76
Waco.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodet Sholom	28.00	29.60

Utah

Salt Lake City.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	77.40	81.60
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Virginia

Alexandria.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	40.80	43.20
Bristol, Va.—Tenn.....	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood	2.80	20.00
Charlottesville.....	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple .....	.....	8.00
Danville.....	Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood	9.00	16.40
Fredericksburg.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	29.80	32.00
Harrisonburg.....	Sisterhood of Hebrew Friendship Congregation	36.00	38.40
Lynchburg.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue	33.20	73.20
Richmond.....	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood	142.48	149.60
Roanoke.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	135.40	157.80
Staunton.....	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood	8.00	20.00

Washington

Spokane.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	115.00	183.20
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		1952-53	1953-54
West Virginia			
Beckley.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	34.00	36.00
Bluefield.....	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood	20.00	54.00
Clarksburg.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood	16.00	140.00
Fairmont.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	28.00	67.20
Logan.....	Logan Temple Sisterhood	12.40	16.00
Parkersburg.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	50.00	53.20
Wheeling.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood	112.40	118.20
Williamson.....	Williamson Temple Sisterhood	60.80	64.00

Wisconsin			
Appleton.....	Zion Temple Sisterhood	115.40	121.17
Kenosha.....	Beth Hillel Sisterhood		12.80
Madison.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	40.00	60.20
Oshkosh.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	57.00	60.00

Canada			
Montreal, Quebec.....	Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood		85.60

Republic of Panama			
Panama.....	Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel	8.80	17.60

Cuba			
Havana.....	Menorah Sisterhood of Havana		8.00

Hawaii			
Honolulu.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El		12.40

District Federations			
# 12.....	Kentucky-Tennessee	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00
# 18.....	Illinois		27.20

DETAILED STATEMENT OF Contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

With the exception of Districts 23, 25 and 26, the divisions listed in this report are District units of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. The following symbol (*) indicates groups which are not members of the District Federation under which they are listed.

DISTRICT No. 1—\$1883.60 New England

		CONTRIBUTIONS 1953-54
Boston, Mass.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	\$ 500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom (In memory of Rabbi Samuel J. Abrams)	420.00
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	160.00
Brockton, Mass.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	73.20
Lawrence, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	96.80
Lowell, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	15.80
Lynn, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	160.00
Malden, Mass.....	Temple Tifereth Israel Sisterhood	16.00
Marblehead, Mass.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	1.60
Newton, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Shalom of Newton	16.00

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Pittsfield, Mass.....	Temple Sisterhood	20.00
Springfield, Mass.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	31.20
Worcester, Mass.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	201.00
Providence, R. I.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	172.00

DISTRICT No. 2—\$1163.20
Connecticut

Bridgeport, Conn.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	\$ 9.60
Danbury, Conn.*.....	Sisterhood of United Jewish Center	26.40
Hartford, Conn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	500.00
New Haven, Conn.....	Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood	38.40
So. Norwalk, Conn.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	16.00
Waterbury, Conn.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	72.80
Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods		500.00

DISTRICT No. 3¹—\$11,826.30
New York

Albany, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth	\$ 463.00
Batavia, N. Y.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	32.00
Bay Shore, N. Y.....	The Women's Club of Temple Sinai	9.60
Binghamton, N. Y.....	Temple Concord Sisterhood	388.00
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom	459.00
	Women's Auxiliary Congr. Beth Elohim	350.40
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush (In memory of Rabbi Samuel J. Levinson)	350.00
	Sisterhood Beth Sholom Peoples Temple	371.20
	Sisterhood of Borough Park Progressive Synagogue	20.00
	Sisterhood of Community Reform Temple	16.00
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue	80.20
	Sisterhood Shaari Zedek	30.80
	Sisterhood of Union Temple	126.00
Buffalo, N. Y.....	Beth Zion Sisterhood	854.80
Chappaqua, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of Temple Beth El	42.40
Cortlandt, N. Y.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel	11.20
Elmira, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	120.40
Elmont, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel of Elmont	52.40
Floral Park, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom	5.60
Flushing, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	138.60
	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing	71.20
Forest Hills, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah	42.00
Freeport, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Union Reform Temple	16.00
Glens Falls, N. Y.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	30.40
Great Neck, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel of Great Neck	55.20
Hempstead, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple	183.55
Huntington, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	8.00
Jamaica, N. Y.....	Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica	133.60
Kingston, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	17.80
Larchmont, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood of Larchmont Temple	20.00
Laurelton, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	4.00
Lawrence, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	80.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	68.00
Levittown, N. Y.....	Levittown Reform Temple	24.20
Little Neck, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	1.60
Long Beach, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	29.60
Lynbrook, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	95.00
Massape ua, N. Y.*.....	Sisterhood of Massape ua Jewish Center	5.00
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of Free Synagogue of Westchester	8.00
	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	20.80
Newburgh, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	49.80

(1) Temple Emanuel-El Sisterhood and Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood and Temple Sinai Sisterhood, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, are affiliated with NFTS District #3, the New York Federation. See "Foreign" listing.

CONTRIBUTIONS
1953-54

NewHydePark, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	83.20
New Rochelle, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	850.10
New York, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	29.60
	Central Synagogue Sisterhood (The Jonah B. Wise Contribution)	350.00
	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant	42.00
	*Sisterhood of East End Temple	51.00
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Emanu-El	520.00
	Sisterhood of Fort Washington Synagogue	1.05
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonim	24.00
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle	8.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc.	205.60
	Judea Reform Temple Sisterhood	11.40
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood (Blanche Gilman Contribution)	350.00
	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. Rudolph Grossman)	551.20
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood	350.00
	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx	25.80
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood	210.80
	Sisterhood of the Village Temple	4.00
	Women's Organization of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue ...	40.00
Niagara Falls, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	40.60
Oceanside, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Avodah	84.00
Olean, N. Y.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	17.00
Plattsburg, N. Y.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	3.20
Port Washington, N. Y....	Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue	123.60
Rochester, N. Y.....	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood	80.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	16.00
Rockville Centre, N. Y..	Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County	49.60
Roslyn Heights, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	42.40
Rye, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Community Synagogue	36.80
Saranac Lake, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of the Jewish Community Center of Saranac Lake ..	3.20
Scarsdale, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Westchester Reform Temple	6.60
Schenectady, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven	56.80
Staten Island, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	46.40
Syosset, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of North Shore Synagogue	10.00
Syracuse, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Society of Concord	98.60
Tarrytown, N. Y.*.....	Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary	15.00
Troy, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Third St. Temple	63.20
Utica, N. Y.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	76.80
Wantagh, N. Y.....	Suburban Temple Sisterhood	68.40
White Plains, N. Y.....	Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center	1,009.60
Yonkers, N. Y.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	133.80
New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Sallie Kubie Glauber Memorial Contribution)		651.60

DISTRICT No. 4—\$2716.97
New Jersey

Atlantic City, N. J.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	\$ 36.20
Camden, N. J.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	49.60
Closter, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El of Northern Valley	24.80
East Orange, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo	56.00
Elberon, N. J.....	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood	63.00
Elizabeth, N. J.....	Sisterhod of Temple Beth El	73.20
Englewood, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	108.60
Fair Lawn, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Reform Temple of Fair Lawn	16.00
Hoboken, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno	12.00
Jersey City, N. J.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	67.00
Lakewood, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	28.77
Margate, N. J.*.....	Temple Emeth Shalom Sisterhood	40.00
Newark, N. J.....	Women's Association of Temple B'nai Jeshurun	750.00
New Brunswick, N. J.....	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple	90.20
Paterson, N. J.....	Barnert Temple Sisterhood	265.60
Plainfield, N. J.....	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	84.00

CONTRIBUTIONS
1953-54

Somerville, N. J.*.....Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	32.00
Teaneck, N. J.....Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood	152.00
Trenton, N. J.....Har Sinai Sisterhood	108.00
New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In memory of Sadie Foster)	660.00

DISTRICT No. 5—\$6855.26
Pennsylvania

Abington, Pa.....Old York Road Temple	\$ 8.00
Allentown, Pa.....Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	454.40
Altoona, Pa.....Sisterhood of Beth Israel	72.18
Clearfield, Pa.....The Clearfield Sisterhood	14.60
Easton, Pa.....Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace	160.00
Erie, Pa.....The Temple Sisterhood	398.40
Greensburg, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	55.20
Harrisburg, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom	367.35
Hazleton, Pa.....Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	171.00
Honesdale, Pa.....Beth Israel Sisterhood	4.00
Johnstown, Pa.....Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood	265.20
Lancaster, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim	364.00
Levittown, Pa.*.....Temple Sholom Sisterhood	5.60
McKeesport, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	112.20
New Castle, Pa.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	8.00
Philadelphia, Pa.....Beth David Sisterhood	178.40
.....Sisterhood of Temple Judea	357.00
.....Keneseth Israel Sisterhood (Dr. Joseph Krauskopf Memorial)	470.40
.....Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	350.00
Pittsburgh, Pa.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	50.40
.....Rodef Shalom Sisterhood (In memory of Dr. J. Leonard Levy	
.....and commemorating his birthday, November 24)	600.00
.....Confirmation Class 1954 (In honor of Dr. Solomon B. Freehof	
.....and Rabbi Harold Silver)	950.00
.....(Given by Mrs. Mayer Forst in memory of her parents, Mr.	
.....and Mrs. Charles Falk)	350.00
.....Temple Sinai Sisterhood	350.00
Reading, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Sholom	277.60
Scranton, Pa.....Sisterhood of Madison Avenue Temple	59.20
Sharon, Pa.....Beth Israel Sisterhood	146.40
Uniontown, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	20.00
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith	16.00
Williamsport, Pa.....Sisterhood Beth Ha-Sholom	57.33
Wynnewood, Pa.....Sisterhood of the Main Line Reform Temple	44.80
York, Pa.....Beth Israel Sisterhood	117.60

DISTRICT No. 6—\$6863.15
Ohio

Akron, Ohio.....Sisterhood of Temple Israel	\$ 350.60
Bellaire, Ohio.....Sisterhood Sons of Israel	6.40
Canton, Ohio.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	994.00
Cincinnati, Ohio.....Rockdale Ave. Temple Sisterhood (The Dr. David Philipson	
.....Memorial Contribution)	657.80
.....Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood (Isaac Mayer Wise Contri-	
.....bution)	600.00
Cleveland, Ohio.....Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	9.60
.....Euclid Avenue Temple Sisterhood	500.00
.....Temple Women's Association	550.00
Columbus, Ohio.....The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood	500.20
Dayton, Ohio.....Temple Israel Sisterhood	867.45
East Liverpool, Ohio.....B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	31.50
Elyria, Ohio.....Elyria Sisterhood	6.20
Hamilton, Ohio.....Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood	126.80
Lima, Ohio.....Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	24.00
Lorain, Ohio.....Lorain Temple Sisterhood	60.00
Newark, Ohio.....Ohev Israel Temple Sisterhood	8.80
Piqua, Ohio.....Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	16.00
Sandusky, Ohio.....Ohev Shalom Sisterhood	28.00

CONTRIBUTIONS
1953-54

Springfield, Ohio.....	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women	42.60
Steubenville, Ohio.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	40.00
Toledo, Ohio.....	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood	589.20
Youngstown, Ohio.....	Rodef Sholom Sisterhood	350.00
Zanesville, Ohio.....	Findlay Avenue Temple Sisterhood	4.00
Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In honor of Rabbi Louis E. Eggelson)		500.00

DISTRICT No. 7—\$1383.60
West Virginia

Beckley, W. Va.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	\$ 36.00
Bluefield, W. Va.....	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood	54.00
Charleston, W. Va.....	Virginia St. Temple Sisterhood	755.00
Clarkburg, W. Va.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood	140.00
Fairmount, W. Va.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	67.20
Logan, W. Va.....	Logan Temple Sisterhood	16.00
Morgantown, W. Va.....	Tree of Life Sisterhood	80.00
Parkersburg, W. Va.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	53.20
Wheeling, W. Va.....	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood	118.20
Williamson, W. Va.....	Williamson Temple Sisterhood	64.00

DISTRICT No. 8—\$4562.40
District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina

Washington, D. C.....	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation (The Dr. Abram Simon Memorial)	\$ 500.00
	Women's Auxiliary of Temple Sinai	18.40
Baltimore, Maryland.....	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood	1651.20
	Har Sinai Sisterhood	394.60
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood (The Szold-Kaiser Contribution)	829.40
Cumberland, Md.....	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood	24.60
Hagerstown, Md.....	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood	42.00
Montgomery County, Md.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	2.00
Wilmington, Del.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth	80.00
Alexandria, Va.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	43.20
Bristol, Virginia-		
Tenn.....	B'nai Sholom Sisterhood	20.00
Charlottesville, Va.....	Sisterhood of Bath Israel Temple	8.00
Danville, Va.....	Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood	16.40
Fredericksburg, Va.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	32.00
Harrisonburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of Hebrew Friendship Congregation	38.40
Lynchburg, Va.....	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue	73.20
Richmond, Va.....	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood	149.60
Roanoke, Va.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	157.80
Staunton, Va.....	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood	20.00
Asheville, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha Tephila	194.20
Charlotte, N. C.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	34.40
Gastonia, N. C.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	27.20
Goldsboro, N. C.....	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	50.00
Greensboro, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	63.60
Raleigh, N. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or	23.20
Rocky Mount, N. C.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	23.20
Wilmington, N. C.....	Ladies' Concordia Society	5.80
Winston Salem, N. C.....	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	40.00

DISTRICT No. 10—\$2788.41
Indiana

Anderson, Ind.....	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood	\$ 40.80
Evansville, Ind.....	Washington Ave. Temple Sisterhood	500.70
Ft. Wayne, Ind.....	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood	407.60
Gary, Ind.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	196.40
Hammond, Ind.....	Beth El Sisterhood	70.00
Indianapolis, Ind.....	The Temple Sisterhood (In honor of Rabbi Morris Feuerlicht's 75th birthday)	588.40
Kokomo, Ind.....	Jewish Temple Sisterhood	13.60
Lafayette, Ind.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	32.00

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Marion, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	179.20
Michigan City, Ind.....	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	106.00
Muncie, Ind.....	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	193.28
South Bend, Ind.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	262.00
Terre Haute, Ind.....	The Women's Organization	186.43
Valparaiso, Ind.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	12.00

DISTRICT No. 11—\$2483.75

Michigan

Alpena, Mich.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	\$ 8.80
Battle Creek, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	115.80
Bay City, Mich.....	The Temple Sisterhood	9.60
Benton Harbor, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	38.40
Detroit, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El (The Yahrzeit Fund and the Paula Kahn Brown Contribution)	500.00
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	500.20
Flint, Mich.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	175.20
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	350.35
Huntington Woods, Mich.....	Sisterhood of the Suburban Temple of Greater Detroit	152.00
Jackson, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	192.80
Lansing, Mich.....	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek	164.80
Muskegon, Mich.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	64.00
Petoskey, Mich.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	42.60 ²
Pontiac, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	165.20
Saginaw, Mich.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	4.00

DISTRICT No. 12—\$2515.69

Kentucky-Tennessee

Ashland, Ky.....	The Ashland Temple Sisterhood	\$ 12.00
Henderson, Ky.....	Adas Israel Sisterhood	31.50
Hopkinsville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Ladies Auxiliary	4.00
Lexington, Ky.....	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood	207.80
Louisville, Ky.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	379.00
	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	220.08
Paducah, Ky.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	72.93
Brownsville, Tenn.....	The Temple Sisterhood	8.00
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple	160.00
Clarksville, Tenn.....	Beth-El Temple Sisterhood	4.00
Jackson, Tenn.....	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	56.00
Knoxville, Tenn.....	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple	129.78
Memphis, Tenn.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	662.40 ³
Nashville, Tenn.....	Vine Street Temple Sisterhood	518.20
Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (In honor of Mrs. Louis Rosenthal)		50.00

DISTRICT No. 13—\$474.50

South Carolina

(In Memory of Mrs. Rose Hirschman)

Camden, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	\$ 12.80
Charleston, S. C.....	K. K. Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood	60.00
Columbia, S. C.....	Sisterhood Tree of Life	126.40
Conway, S. C.....	Temple Sisterhood of Conway	14.00
Darlington, S. C.....	Darlington Temple Sisterhood	21.50
Florence, S. C.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	73.00 ⁴
Georgetown, S. C.....	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood	17.60
Greenville, S. C.....	Temple of Israel Sisterhood	16.00
Lake City & Kingtree, S. C.....	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood	30.00
Sumter, S. C.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	103.20

- (2) \$25.00 of this amount from Minnie Rosenthal Memorial Fund and "Happy Day" Fund.
 (3) \$100 of this amount in honor of Centennial of Temple Israel Sisterhood, Memphis, Tenn.
 (4) \$25.00 of this amount in honor of Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia.

DISTRICT No. 14—\$2113.04
Georgia-Florida-Alabama

CONTRIBUTIONS
1953-54

Albany, Ga.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	\$ 16.00
Athens, Ga.....	Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel	14.60
Atlanta, Ga.....	The Temple Sisterhood	350.00
Augusta, Ga.....	The Temple Sisterhood	172.00
Brunswick, Ga.....	Beth Tefilloh Sisterhood	8.00
Columbus, Ga.....	Jewish Ladies Aid Society	155.67
Macon, Ga.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	214.20
Thomasville, Ga.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	8.00
Coral Gables, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center	18.40
Daytona Beach, Fla.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	36.00
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	9.60
Jacksonville, Fla.....	The Temple Sisterhood	79.20
Miami, Fla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	45.80
Miami Beach, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	19.20
Orlando, Fla.....	Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism	68.00
Pensacola, Fla.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	57.96
St. Petersburg, Fla.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	80.00
Tallahassee, Fla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	20.00
Tampa, Fla.....	Temple Guild Sisterhood	10.80
W. Palm Beach, Fla.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	20.00
Bessemer, Ala.....	Beth-El Sisterhood	4.00
Birmingham, Ala.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	500.00
Dothan, Ala.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	44.80
Gadsden, Ala.....	Temple Aid Society	25.20
Huntsville, Ala.....	Huntsville Temple Sisterhood	25.60
Jasper, Ala.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	52.15
Sheffield, Ala.**.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	30.66
Tuscaloosa, Ala.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	27.20

**Affiliated with NFTS District #12, The Kentucky-Tennessee Federation.

DISTRICT No. 16—\$1642.68
Mississippi-Arkansas

Brookhaven, Miss.....	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom	\$ 27.20
Canton, Miss.....	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	17.60
Clarksdale, Miss.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	350.00
Cleveland, Miss.....	Adath Israel Sisterhood	44.80
Columbus, Miss.....	Columbus Temple Sisterhood	24.00
Greenville, Miss.....	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood	80.20
Hattiesburg, Miss.....	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood	46.40
Jackson, Miss.....	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	280.60
Laurel, Miss.....	Laurel Temple Sisterhood	15.00
Lexington, Miss.....	The Julia Lewis Sisterhood	6.59
Meridian, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	108.20
Ruleville-Drew, Miss.....	Sisterhood of Ruleville-Drew	24.80
Tupelo, Miss.....	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood	19.20
Vicksburg, Miss.....	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood	80.20
Blytheville, Ark.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	9.60
Fort Smith, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood (United Hebrew)	45.80
Hot Springs, Ark.....	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel	25.60
Jonesboro, Ark.....	Temple Aid Sisterhood	24.00
Little Rock, Ark.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	250.89
Pine Bluff, Ark.....	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	162.00

DISTRICT No. 17—\$2012.00
Louisiana

Alexandria, La.....	Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim	\$ 95.00
Bastrop, La.....	Sisterhood of Bastrop	55.50
Baton Rouge, La.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	66.00
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood	27.20
Lafayette, La.....	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood	32.55
Lake Charles, La.....	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	8.80
Monroe, La.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	74.55
Morgan City, La.....	The Morgan City Sisterhood	5.00

CONTRIBUTIONS

	1953-54
New Iberia, La.....Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer	28.00
New Orleans, La.....Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer	500.00
Temple Sinai Sisterhood (James K. Gutheim Contribution) ...	540.00
Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue	525.00
Shreveport, La.....Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple	54.40

DISTRICT No. 18—\$5982.80

Illinois

Bloomington, Ill.....Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood	\$ 26.00
Champaign-Urbana, Ill.....Sinai Temple Sisterhood	35.20
Chicago, Ill.....Beth Am Sisterhood	542.40
Beth El Temple Sisterhood	240.00
Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel	767.00
Temple Beth Torah Sisterhood*	16.00
Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood	89.20
Temple Emanuel Sisterhood (In honor of Dr. Felix A. Levy's 70th Birthday.)	500.00
Sisterhood of Temple Ezra	100.00
Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah Israel (In memory of Dr. Joseph Stolz and Dr. Gerson B. Levi)	537.00
K.A.M. Temple Sisterhood	8.00
Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	147.60
Women of Mizpah (The Jacob Singer Contribution)	382.00
Temple Sholom Sisterhood (The Abram Hirschberg Contribution)	500.00
Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood	413.00
South Shore Temple Sisterhood	99.20
Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood (The Rabbi Schwartz Contribution)	350.00
Danville, Ill.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	8.00
Decatur, Ill.....B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood	64.00
Evanston, Ill.....Beth Emet Sisterhood	23.60
Glencoe, Ill.....North Shore Temple Sisterhood	350.40
Kankakee, Ill.....B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	11.20
Peoria, Ill.....Anshai Emeth Sisterhood	413.60
Quincy, Ill.*.....Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Sholom	4.00
Rockford, Ill.....Temple Beth El Sisterhood	204.60
Skokie, Ill.*.....Sisterhood of Temple Judea of Niles Township	20.00
Springfield, Ill.....Sisterhood of Temple Brith Sholom	103.20
Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	27.20

DISTRICT No. 19—\$774.17

Wisconsin

Appleton, Wis.....Zion Temple Sisterhood	\$ 121.17 ⁵
Kenosha, Wis.....Beth Hillel Sisterhood	12.80
Madison, Wis.....Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	60.20
Milwaukee, Wis.....Sisterhood of Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun	520.00
Oshkosh, Wis.....Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	60.00

DISTRICT No. 20—\$3646.80

Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico

(In memory of Mrs. Maurice Steinfeld)

Cedar Rapids, Iowa...Sisterhood of Temple Judah	\$ 350.40
Davenport, Iowa...Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	776.20
Des Moines, Iowa...Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood	207.60
Sioux City, Iowa...Sisterhood of Mount Sinai	38.40
Joplin, Mo.....Temple Aid Sisterhood	83.60
Kansas City, Mo.....B'nai Jehudah Sisterhood	350.00
St. Joseph, Mo.....Adath Joseph Sisterhood	112.80
St. Louis, Mo.....B'nai El Temple Sisterhood	160.40
Sisterhood of Temple Israel	78.40
Shaare Emeth Sisterhood	350.00
United Hebrew Ladies Aid Society	80.00

(5) \$25.00 of this amount in honor of Mrs. L. J. Marshall

CONTRIBUTIONS
1953-54

Springfield, Mo.....	Sisterhood of United Hebrew Congr.	1.60
Lincoln, Neb.....	South Street Temple Sisterhood	32.80
Omaha, Neb.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	482.00
Leavenworth, Kan.....	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Jeshurun	21.20
Topeka, Kan.....	Beth Shalom Sisterhood	106.80
Wichita, Kan.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	64.00
Colorado Springs, Colo.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	55.00
Denver, Colo.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	261.20
Trinidad, Colo.....	Temple Aaron Sisterhood	18.40
Albuquerque, N. M.....	Temple Albert Sisterhood	15.20

DISTRICT No. 22—\$3768.84
Texas-Oklahoma

Austin, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	\$ 42.00
Beaumont, Texas.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	68.80
Big Spring, Texas.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	16.00
Corpus Christi, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	36.00
Dallas, Texas.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood (In honor of Ruth Brown Kahn and Nance Brown Wortsman)	1,000.00
El Paso, Texas.....	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	122.40
Ft. Worth, Texas.....	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	306.68
Galveston, Texas.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	74.00
Houston, Texas.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	650.40 ⁶
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	264.60
Kilgore, Texas.....	Beth Shalom Sisterhood	42.40
Lubbock, Texas.....	Shaareth Israel Sisterhood	29.60
Lufkin, Texas.....	Beth Israel Sisterhood	19.60
Port Arthur, Texas.....	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	9.60
San Antonio, Texas.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	228.00
Texarkana, Texas.....	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	40.00
Tyler, Texas.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	42.76
Waco, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Shalom	29.60
Wichita Falls, Texas.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	8.00
Ardmore, Okla.*.....	Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood	18.40
Muskogee, Okla.....	Beth Ababa Temple Sisterhood	18.00
Oklahoma City, Okla.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood (The Fannie Blatt Memorial Contribution)	350.00
Tulsa, Okla.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	350.00

DISTRICT No. 23—\$81.60
Utah-Nevada

Salt Lake City, Utah*.....	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	\$ 81.60
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DISTRICT No. 24—\$6192.40
California-Oregon-Washington-Arizona

Alameda, Calif.....	Temple Israel Sisterhood	\$ 18.80
Bakersfield, Calif.....	Women of Temple Beth-El	41.00
Berkeley, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	89.60
Beverly Hills, Calif.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	105.00
Culver City, Calif.....	Temple Akiba Sisterhood of Culver City	17.60
Daly City, Calif.*.....	Westlake Temple Group Sisterhood	4.00
Fresno, Calif.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	24.00
Glendale, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	61.60
Hollywood, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	520.00
N. Hollywood, Calif.....	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	354.20
Long Beach, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	42.40
Los Angeles, Calif.....	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood	41.80
	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood	123.20
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Westchester	25.60
	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	500.00
W. Los Angeles, Calif.....	University Synagogue Sisterhood	21.00
Oakland, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	350.40

(⁶) \$20.00 of this amount from Confirmation Class 1953-54 in honor of Dr. Hyman Juda Schachtel's 10th anniversary as Rabbi of Congregation Beth Israel.

CONTRIBUTIONS
1953-54

Pomona, Calif.*.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	28.00
Redondo Beach, Calif.....	Temple Menorah Sisterhood	22.00
Reseda, Calif.....	Temple Judea Sisterhood	10.40
Riverside, Calif.....	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	149.60
Sacramento, Calif.....	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	100.00
San Bernardino, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	16.00
San Diego, Calif.....	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary	85.60
San Francisco, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El Guild	500.00
	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood	500.00
San Jose, Calif.....	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	115.20
San Mateo, Calif.....	Peninsula Temple Beth El Sisterhood	45.80
Santa Ana, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	16.00
Santa Monica, Calif.....	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	110.40
Stockton, Calif.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	58.40
Temple City, Calif.....	Temple Beth David Sisterhood	109.60
Van Nuys, Calif.....	Sisterhood Temple Beth Torah	14.80
Portland, Oregon.....	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood (The Henry J. Berkowitz Memorial Contribution)	388.00
Seattle, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple De Hirsch	1,040.00
Spokane, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	183.20
Tacoma, Wash.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	27.20
Phoenix, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	152.00
Tucson, Ariz.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	180.00

DISTRICT No. 25—\$852.00

Minnesota-North and South Dakota-Montana

Duluth, Minn.*.....	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	\$ 133.60
Minneapolis, Minn.*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Israel (The Dr. Samuel N. Deinard Contribution)	350.00
St. Paul, Minn.*.....	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple	350.00
Sioux Falls, S. D.*.....	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	18.40

DISTRICT No. 26—\$12.40

Hawaii

Honolulu, Hawaii*.....	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	\$ 12.40
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Non-U.S.—\$985.20

Hamilton, Ont., Can.*.....	Deborah Sisterhood of Anshe Sholom Synagogue	\$ 80.00
Montreal, Que., Can.**.....	Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood	85.60
	**Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	290.00
Toronto, Can.**.....	Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood	500.00
Colon, R. P.*.....	Sisterhood of Kaal Kodosh Yangakob	4.00
Panama, R. P.*.....	Sisterhood of Kol Shearith Israel	17.60
Havana, Cuba*.....	Menorah Sisterhood of Havana	8.00
	Stella H. Freiberg and Miscellaneous	19.40

** Affiliated with NFTS District #3, New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

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DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Uniongrams

Huntington Woods, Mich., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is indeed an inspiration to me to serve as your Uniongram Chairman and to learn of the thoughtful and sincere group of local and District Uniongram Chairmen who have co-operated so well on this most important project of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

For your information, I proudly present the following report:

COMPARISON CALENDAR OF INDIVIDUAL UNIONGRAM SALES

(Based on NFTS fiscal year November 1, 1953-October 31, 1954
as compared with previous fiscal year)

	1953	1952
November }		
December }	31,638	20,231
	1954	1953*
January	17,414	20,860
February	11,299	11,104
March	15,011	13,269
April	23,915	11,391
May	20,722	20,319
June	28,488	21,102
July	11,665	12,649
August	17,733	3,068
September	30,859	21,490
October	38,358	45,757
Total	247,102	201,240

CONGRATULATIONS

to Sisterhoods purchasing and paying for the greatest quantity of Uniongrams in the NFTS fiscal year 1953-54.

The Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, Baltimore, Maryland, for the *fifth successive year* has purchased the largest number, 8,244, individual Uniongrams in 1953-54. To Mrs. Leo Hamburger and Mrs. Benjamin Goldfarb, Union-

gram Chairmen, we send the deep appreciation of NFTS for this continued outstanding record. The Sisterhood of Temple DeHirsch, Seattle, Washington, purchased the second largest number of individual Uniongrams, 5,200 in 1953-54, and to Mrs. Ed Shektor, Uniongram Chairman, we send congratulations. We also heartily congratulate Mrs. Harry Mestel and Mrs. Karl Sachs, who as Uniongram Chairmen for Temple Israel Sisterhood, Canton, Ohio, led their Sisterhood to the purchase of 4,920 individual Uniongrams in this fiscal year.

To each of these Chairmen and the members of their Sisterhoods, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is most appreciative.

1953-1954 UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL

Sisterhoods Which Participated 100% in National Uniongram Day,
January 21, 1954, or Sold the Equivalent of One Book of Uniongrams per Member
During NFTS Fiscal Year November 1, 1953-October 31, 1954.

Dothan, Ala.	Temple Emanu-el Sisterhood
Huntsville, Ala.	Huntsville Temple Sisterhood
Jonesboro, Ark.	Temple Aid Sisterhood
Pine Bluff, Ark.	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood
Berkeley, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Hollywood, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
N. Hollywood, Calif.	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood
Oakland, Calif.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Riverside, Calif.	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood
San Francisco, Calif.	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood
Temple City, Calif.	Temple Beth David Sisterhood
Trinidad, Colo.	Temple Aaron Sisterhood
Washington, D. C.	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congr.
St. Petersburg, Fla.	Sisterhood Temple Beth El
Augusta, Ga.	Temple Sisterhood
Macon, Ga.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Chicago, Ill.	Beth Am Sisterhood
	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Decatur, Ill.	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood
Peoria, Ill.	Anshai Emeth Sisterhood
Rockford, Ill.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Anderson, Ind.	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood
Evansville, Ind.	Washington Ave. Temple Sisterhood
Ft. Wayne, Ind.	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood
Lafayette, Ind.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Marion, Ind.	Sinai Temple Sisterhood
Muncie, Ind.	Beth El Temple Sisterhood
Cedar Rapids, Ia.	Sisterhood of Temple Judah
Davenport, Ia.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Des Moines, Ia.	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood
Topeka, Kan.	Beth Sholom Sisterhood
Lexington, Ky.	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood
New Orleans, La.	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue
Baltimore, Md.	Baltimore Hebrew Congr. Sisterhood
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood
Battle Creek, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Flint, Mich.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Jackson, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Lansing, Mich.	Auxiliary of Congr. Shaarey Zedek
Petoskey, Mich.	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood

Pontiac, Mich.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob
St. Paul, Minn.	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple
Brookhaven, Miss.	Sisterhood B'nai Sholom
Canton, Miss.	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel
Clarksdale, Miss.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Cleveland, Miss.	Adath Israel Sisterhood
Columbus, Miss.	Columbus Temple Sisterhood
Hattiesburg, Miss.	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood
Jackson, Miss.	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood
Laurel, Miss.	Laurel Temple Sisterhood
Meridian, Miss.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel
Ruleville-Drew, Miss.	Sisterhood of Ruleville-Drew
Tupelo, Miss.	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood
Vicksburg, Miss.	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood
Joplin, Mo.	Temple Aid Sisterhood
St. Louis, Mo.	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood
Omaha, Nebr.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Camden, N. J.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Elizabeth, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Englewood, N. J.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Fair Lawn, N. J.	Sisterhood of Reform Temple of Fair Lawn
Paterson, N. J.	Barnert Temple Sisterhood
Teaneck, N. J.	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood
Batavia, N. Y.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Binghamton, N. Y.	Temple Concord Sisterhood
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom Women's Auxiliary Congr. Beth Elohim Sisterhood of Borough Park Progressive Synagogue
Buffalo, N. Y.	Beth Zion Sisterhood
Elmira, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel
Flushing, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom
New Hyde Park, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel
New York, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York, Inc. Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx Tremont Temple Sisterhood
Port Washington, N. Y.	Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue
Utica, N. Y.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Asheville, N. C.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila
Gastonia, N. C.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Akron, Ohio	Sisterhood of Temple Israel
Bellaire, Ohio	Sisterhood Sons of Israel
Canton, Ohio	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Cincinnati, Ohio	Rockdale Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Columbus, Ohio	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood
Dayton, Ohio	Temple Israel Sisterhood
E. Liverpool, Ohio	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Hamilton, Ohio	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood
Toledo, Ohio	Collingwood Avenue Temple Sisterhood
Portland, Ore.	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood
Allentown, Pa.	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Clearfield, Pa.	The Clearfield Sisterhood
Easton, Pa.	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace
Erie, Pa.	The Temple Sisterhood
Hazleton, Pa.	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple
Johnstown, Pa.	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood
Lancaster, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim
McKeesport, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel
Philadelphia, Pa.	Beth David Sisterhood Keneseth Israel Sisterhood
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Temple Sinai Sisterhood
Reading, Pa.	Sisterhood of Temple Oheb Sholom
Sharon, Pa.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
York, Pa.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Camden, S. C.	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El
Columbia, S. C.	Sisterhood Tree of Life
Conway, S. C.	Temple Sisterhood of Conway
Darlington, S. C.	Darlington Temple Sisterhood

Florence, S. C.	Beth Israel Sisterhood
Georgetown, S. C.	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood
Lake City & Kingstree, S. C.	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood
Sumter, S. C.	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai
Chattanooga, Tenn.	Sisterhood of Mizpah Temple
Clarksville, Tenn.	Beth-El Temple Sisterhood
Jackson, Tenn.	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood
Memphis, Tenn.	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Big Spring, Texas	Temple Israel Sisterhood
Texarkana, Texas	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood
Fredericksburg, Va.	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood
Harrisonburg, Va.	Sisterhood of Hebrew Friendship Congr.
Lynchburg, Va.	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue
Roanoke, Va.	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
Seattle, Washington	Sisterhood of Temple De Hirsch
Spokane, Wash.	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Beckley, W. Va.	Sisterhood of Beth El Temple
Bluefield, W. Va.	Ahavath Sholem Sisterhood
Charleston, W. Va.	Virginia St. Temple Sisterhood
Fairmont, W. Va.	Temple Beth El Sisterhood
Morgantown, W. Va.	Tree of Life Sisterhood
Parkersburg, W. Va.	B'nai Israel Sisterhood
Wheeling, W. Va.	Eoff Street Temple Sisterhood
Williamson, W. Va.	Williamson Temple Sisterhood
Oshkosh, Wisc.	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel
Montreal, Canada	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood
Colon, Republic of Panama	Sisterhood Kaal Kadosh Yangakob

Sisterhoods were urged to send Uniongram messages to Sisterhoods in other states and countries as well as to non-Jewish friends during Brotherhood Week. A "kit" designed by your Chairman was developed for speakers of NFTS to show various ways that a Uniongram may be decorated and used for Birthdays, invitations, meeting notices, greetings to loved ones, friends or public leaders, for children, Holiday greeting, Father's Day, and to illustrate the special "cake" which was used to honor Miss Jane Evans as a token expression of "thanks" for her aid, inspiration and tireless efforts in behalf of our beloved Sisterhoods.

During the fiscal year, letters from the Uniongram Chairman have been released periodically in the President's Packets and Board Folios and to Local and District Chairmen in the Department on ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM. Two personal greetings on Uniongrams, with special decorations, were sent during the week of Rosh Ha-shono and Chanuko from your Chairman to the Chairmen in the same department. The purpose of the letters was to keep our key women aware of our activities, and the increased need for funds, so that we may progress in the area of Scholarship and Religious Education. The purpose of the personalized Uniongrams at holiday time was to show how warm and beautiful the "Messenger from the Heart," a Uniongram, can be. (Dozens of return greetings were sent to your Chairman from Sisterhood women all over the country.)

UNIONGRAMS OF HISTORY was developed this year as a project to commemorate the Tercentenary of the Settlement of the Jews in New Amsterdam. This project relates to the writing of little known facts of American Jewish history on Uniongrams which will be sent by NFTS to the American Jewish Archives. Complete details about this activity are included in the Addendum to this report.

The most gratifying news is that there has been approximately a \$10,000 increase in Uniongram sales in this fiscal year. To each Uniongram Chairman and

to each Uniongram purchaser, I extend very warm thanks and ask that you continue to grow in the promotion and sale of Uniongrams.

May we, the women of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, meet the ever increasing challenge of service to Judaism, through Uniongrams.

(Mrs. Samuel B.) Sylvia Danto, *Chairman*

ADDENDUM TO THE REPORT OF
THE COMMITTEE ON UNIONGRAMS
UNIONGRAMS OF HISTORY
for the
AMERICAN JEWISH TRICENTENARY

In this dramatic year commemorating the settling of the Jews three hundred years ago in New Amsterdam, we the women of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods are pausing to reflect on the courageous contributions of our fellow Jews throughout the years in this beloved country and are endeavoring to SHARE in JEWISH HISTORY by telling our special knowledge on UNIONGRAMS.

DATA DESIRED

Little-known incidents of Jewish contributions to America—information not given in history books—the role of Jews in pioneer settlements, in local, state and federal governments, medicine, law, music, art, industry, education—authentic stories of Jewish historical events lived through, or told by parents, grandparents or great grandparents.

MAKING YOUR PLANS

Announce the launching of "HISTORY ON UNIONGRAMS" in advance of the meeting at which you will undertake the project, and set up a Committee of Pages, and a Typing Committee. At least, one week in advance of the Sisterhood meeting at which you begin the project, announce a ten-minute "WRITING TIME" as part of the program; prior notice will give your members sufficient time to recall more clearly the events of Jewish significance about which they know and, if necessary, to check documents for dates, precise names, etc.

When you present the project, describe briefly the importance of UNIONGRAMS OF HISTORY which will be presented to the American Jewish Archives. Dr. Jacob R. Marcus, A.B., Ph.D., LL.D., of the American Jewish Archives has enthusiastically endorsed the plans for UNIONGRAMS OF HISTORY; he believes NFTS members will reveal through the project much important information of Jewish significance not generally known. Have a ten-minute "Writing-time" at the end of your presentation. Pages should distribute sheets of paper accommodating the same message space as a regular size Uniongram. For each sheet of paper to be used during the "Writing-time" for events of Jewish signif-

icance, the Pages should collect 25¢ since the messages will be transferred later to Uniongrams by your Typing Committee. Sisterhood members should understand that the payment is for the Uniongrams upon which their episodes will be transferred.

Please stress to your members that each member's historic event (s) should contain the full name and address of the writer; archivists may need to contact her for additional details later. The Typing Committee should check to be certain every UNIONGRAM OF HISTORY bears the name and address of the writer.

Please send the typewritten UNIONGRAMS OF HISTORY to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, 838 Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y. Earlier a November deadline was given, *HOWEVER*, to enable all interested Sisterhoods to participate in this history-making project a new history-making deadline *will be set for sometime in the spring*.

Join the history-writing Sisterhoods throughout the country! Beth El Sisterhood of Detroit, Michigan, Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel of Grand Rapids and the Sisterhood of Temple Israel, Detroit, Michigan, have already scheduled "Writing-times" for UNIONGRAMS OF HISTORY.

Project originated by Mrs. Samuel B. Danto,
Chairman on Uniongrams
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

DEPARTMENT ON ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities

Toronto, Ontario, Canada, October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

An annual report is primarily the "stock taking" of the year's activities. Let us consider our "assets."

- (A) First in importance are our "moral" resources. At a meeting of the American Board of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, which I attended September 14, 1954, I was greatly impressed by the marked strengthening of future plans for this world wide organization, therefore I list this first.
- (B) Spiritual leadership is needed in foreign countries. Through the NFTS Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, continued

assistance is given in the form of fellowships to students from abroad, to study on the Cincinnati Campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. On completion of their rabbinic studies, these young men will return to their native lands or to other overseas posts of the World Union for Progressive Judaism to minister to the needs of the Reform or Liberal Jewish congregations.

- (C) The World Union has assisted towards the expenses of sending a rabbi to conduct Holy-day services in distant countries, and
- (D) in helping small constituents to carry out enterprises to fill special needs.
- (E) NFTS has sponsored the sending of packages of sweets to children in congregations in World Union countries in need of some tangible symbol of the Jewish festivals.

Among the many letters of thanks received for holiday packages, which indicated their importance, the following remarks were made by the educational director of the Dublin Jewish Progressive Congregation. He said in part, "The children were thrilled with the gift of sweets, and I explained how, and by whom they were sent, so that they would know how they are linked with the Jewish children in the New World.

- (F) A total of \$3,248.92 was collected during the NFTS 1953-'54 fiscal year from the annual Silver Coin Collection of Sisterhoods to assist in work for the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

A survey shows that only about one-half of our Sisterhoods helped to realize the above sum, an amount which consisted mainly of dimes and quarters and which was no burden on Sisterhood treasuries. If every Sisterhood included in its program an annual Silver Coin Collection, how tremendously we could increase our aid.

This year NFTS financed the publishing of the biography, *Lily H. Montagu, Prophet of a Living Judaism*, by Eric Conrad. We were confident that all Sisterhoods would be interested in having so worthy a book in their Temple libraries, Judaica Shops, or as gifts to their Rabbis and friends. It is available at \$2.00 per single copy or \$1.50 for two or more copies for re-sale. In our annual "stock taking" we must list this as a liability unless every Sisterhood sponsors its sales and turns it to a profit.

This "balance sheet" is an indication of what has been accomplished this past year. More important still is what *can* be accomplished.

As chairman of this committee I would urge every Sisterhood to study this report and go on record to help make our next year's stock sheet one rich in both moral and financial gains, one that will record no loss.

Let us remember when we support this committee's program we reaffirm our faith in Liberal Judaism and truly make meaningful the name "World Union for Progressive Judaism."

(MRS. WILLIAM) LILLIAN WOLMAN, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT ON

Membership and Administrative Services

W. Des Moines, Ia., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

California, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Washington, West Virginia, Iowa, Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey—all of these States were represented at the initial meeting of the Department on Membership and Administrative Services, and demonstrated that departmentalization does away with mere letterhead committees in an organization even as far-flung as the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. An attendance handicap heretofore has been that we cannot afford to pay the traveling expenses of members to meetings. The Departmental meetings were held just prior to the 1954 meetings of the National Executive Board and were guaranteed thereby an excellent attendance.

The initial meeting of this Department was held at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial on April 27, 1954. Twenty-one members were present, and they included non-Board members as well as Board members.

Included in this department are the Committees on Revision of By-Laws, Budget and Finance, Evaluation, District Federations and Field Services. The Program Committee, at first included, was later transferred to another department.

This Department differs from the others in that three of its Committee Chairmen, Budget and Finance, Evaluation and Revision of By-Laws, have full committees which meet and act independently of the Department.

Their work is in the field of administration of the National Federation, and technically speaking they are not echoed as local committees. However, in addition to their national responsibilities there are opportunities for them to serve Sisterhoods and District Federations. At the departmental meeting it was agreed that the Budget and Finance Committee should be available for advice to Sisterhoods in the field of fund raising and budget preparation. Also, it was recommended that a new model constitution be drawn up for Sisterhoods, in a form adaptable to Sisterhoods of all sizes. Since this meeting, such a constitution has been prepared and is available.

The importance of coordinated activity of the committees of this Department was demonstrated in a number of instances: It was agreed that the financial reports which NFTS was sending to Sisterhoods were too complex. A suggestion was made to the Revision of By-Laws Committee that this clause be changed to read, "to prepare a condensed statement of the finances of the organization based on the CPA report and the budget." This suggestion was adopted by the Committee on Revision of By-Laws.

As a further recommendation to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, it was pointed out that there is need for making formal provision for the election of 12 members by the District Presidents Council to the Nominating Committee for Members of the Executive Board as specified in Art. 8, Sec. A of the By-Laws as revised in April, 1953.

Correlation of the work of the Field Services Committee and the District Federations was expressed in considering the help needed by districts in the training of their leaders. The importance of integrating new members into Sisterhood understanding and service, and the need for careful briefing of national speakers attending meetings of Sisterhoods and District Federations was given great emphasis by all those in attendance.

In the past, recommendations of Committees have been brought directly to the meetings of the National Executive Board. In evaluating methods of expediting National board meetings, in order to find more time for discussing committee problems, it was felt that departmental meetings might explore committee recommendations; the departmental report to the ensuing board meeting should state and analyze these recommendations as a briefing service to the Board. At the meeting of the NFTS Executive Committee in November, 1954, this suggestion was adopted for experimental action at the next meeting of the National Executive Board which will follow department meetings.

Additional suggestions were that a Publicity Committee be appointed, and that all committee appointments be made by the NFTS Executive Committee at a postconvention meeting.

Identification of the work of the Program Committee with that of the District Federations was expressed in the recommendation that districts be provided with files of programs available from NFTS, so that they may be available for examination by members attending district meetings.

Great progress in every section of Sisterhood endeavor is foreseeable through the helpful medium of departmentalization.

(MRS. HARRY) RUTH JACOBSON, *NFTS Third Vice-President, Chairman*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Budget and Finance

Evanston, Ill., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Attached hereto is the report on the budget for the fiscal year 1953-54, listing the amounts budgeted and the actual figures. This report shows that while the budget indicated that we might conclude the year with an operating deficit, the

actual figures indicate an operating surplus of \$7,528.40, due largely to increased income. It must be pointed out, however, that this report is based upon NFTS' direct transactions plus the appropriation made by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, said appropriation being shown as income as well as expenditures. If this UAHC appropriation, which covers personnel, space and equipment used by NFTS and paid for by UAHC, were to be paid by NFTS it would be seen that NFTS operated for the year with a deficit of \$38,160.75.

In the spring of 1954, the Committee on Budget and Finance met and considered the implementation of the NFTS By-Law—Article 13—which required that the Budget, together with the complete CPA report, be distributed to each local Sisterhood and District Federation. In studying the situation, the Committee learned that because of its simplicity in form, ease in reading, clarity in understanding and economy in reproduction, the short form of the Auditor's Report is generally used wherever wide distribution is involved. The Committee determined further that this short or summary form is used by the great majority of philanthropic and religious agencies as well as practically all major industrial corporations issuing annual reports to the public. As a result of its deliberation, the Committee recommended to the Executive Board and to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, a change in this By-Law to read: "That the Committee shall send a copy of the budget and a summary of the annual report of the CPA to each local Sisterhood and District Federation." This, as you know, is now a part of the Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws being presented to the XXth Biennial Assembly.

I should like to point out, however, that the requirements of the By-Laws as revised April 1953, have been fulfilled and that both the budget and the complete Auditor's Report for the 1953-'54 NFTS fiscal year have been distributed to each local Sisterhood and District Federation.

The Budget and Finance Committee has also continued to issue to all local Sisterhoods and District Federations quarterly financial reports of NFTS operations.

(MRS. IRVING E.) BEATRICE B. HOLLOWBOW, *Chairman*

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Report on the Budget — November 1, 1953 — October 31, 1954

N.F.T.S. INCOME:

	Budget 1953-54	Actual 1953-54
National Dues	\$ 82,000.00	\$ 88,459.50
District Federation Dues	200.00	200.00
Uniongram & Thank You Notes	12,000.00	13,177.55
Sales of Art Calendars	7,250.00	9,206.73
Sales of Materials	5,000.00	7,585.80
Service Fee for Collections	3,000.00	3,248.92
Interest on Savings Accounts	125.00	74.19
Interest on U. S. Saving Bonds maturing in 1954	1,820.00	1,820.00
Total Direct NFTS Income	\$111,395.00	\$123,772.69
*UAHC Appropriation for NFTS	45,504.94	45,689.15
TOTAL NFTS INCOME & APPROPRIATION	\$156,899.94	\$169,461.84

N.F.T.S. FUNCTIONAL EXPENDITURES:

NFTS Development	\$ 25,488.50	\$ 21,473.04
Committee Projects	48,477.44	47,712.54
Field Membership Services, including Speakers Bureau	38,985.60	37,624.42
Production—Saleable Materials	31,241.40	38,277.65
Publication, Publicity & Public Relations	14,000.00	14,642.30
Dues, Contributions, Misc.	2,000.00	1,790.09
TOTAL NFTS EXPENDITURES	\$160,192.50	\$161,520.04

SUMMARY:

NFTS INCOME & APPROPRIATION ...	\$156,899.94	\$169,461.84
NFTS EXPENDITURES	160,192.50	161,520.04
TOTAL OPERATING SURPLUS or OPERATING DEFICIT	\$ —	\$ 7,941.80
Less: Non-Budgetary Expenses		\$ 413.40
NET SURPLUS—GENERAL FUND		\$ 7,528.40
Accumulated General Fund Surplus—October 31, 1953		\$ 52,751.74
Add: Adjustments applicable to prior year		70.57
Surplus for year—1953-54		7,528.40
Accumulated General Fund Surplus—October 31, 1954		\$ 60,350.71

	Budget 1953-54	Actual 1953-54
NFTS DIRECT—ALLOCATION OF ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE:		
Headquarter Supplies, Postage, Telephone and Telegrams, etc.	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 11,201.38
Headquarters Maintenance	7,100.00	7,891.34
Printing & Multigraphing	6,000.00	4,683.78
Publications & Subscriptions	750.00	327.52
Travel — Officers	5,000.00	2,809.02
Production — Year Book	4,000.00	4,110.00
Meetings & Convention	4,500.00	6,168.42
Salaries, Staff Pensions, including prorated and direct clerical and accounting services	75,592.94	70,173.72
Total Administration Expenses		
Allocated to Activities	\$114,942.94	\$107,365.18
 Allocation:		
20%—NFTS Development	\$ 22,988.50	\$ 21,473.04
40%—Committee Projects	45,977.44	42,946.08
25%—Field & Membership Services	28,735.60	26,841.29
15%—Production—Saleable Materials	17,241.40	16,104.77
	\$114,942.94	\$107,365.18
 *U.A.H.C. Appropriation for NFTS:		
Salaries, Staff Pensions—		
Executive Staff—Partial	\$14,314.00	\$ 14,633.99
Workroom — Prorated	25,778.50	26,415.46
Accounting — Prorated	5,812.44	4,856.36
Headquarters Maintenance	7,100.00	7,283.34
	\$ 53,004.94	\$ 53,189.15
 Less: NFTS Contribution to UAHC for Administration	 7,500.00	 7,500.00
 Net UAHC Appropriation for NFTS included in the NFTS Functional Expenditures	 \$ 45,504.94	 \$ 45,689.15

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

District Federations

Tuckahoe, N. Y., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

There has been for many years an oft-expressed need for a Model Constitution for District Federations. Keenly aware of this need, your chairman, together with Miss Diana Bernstein, staff member for the Department on Membership and Administrative Services, studied all NFTS District Federation By-Laws. The National Federation By-Laws were also carefully examined for specific reference to the District Federations. With the assistance of Miss Jane Evans, our Executive Director, the Model Constitution was written. A copy was sent to Mrs. Harry Jacobson, NFTS Vice-President and Chairman of the Department on Membership and Administrative services. Mrs. Jacobson's criticisms and suggestions were carefully noted and some changes were made in accordance with her suggestions.

The Model Constitution was completed in early September and enclosed in the District President's Packet and Board Folio of October, 1954. A covering letter enclosed with the model explained that we realized that it would be impossible to write By-Laws that would be applicable to every District. Differences in the geographical area covered by the District and in the number of Sisterhoods affiliated with it, necessitate minor changes. However, the model can serve as a useful guide.

Since we last met in convention, the District Presidents' Council has convened in New York City at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial on March 3-4, 1954. Every District but one was represented. A complete report of the Council proceedings was sent to the District Presidents one week following the meeting. Copies are on file in the NFTS headquarters.

Our District Presidents have, as in the past, contributed short articles for inclusion in the monthly packets.

Personal correspondence with a number of District Presidents has, I believe, clarified problems that have arisen in the Districts. Copies of District bulletins are on file at NFTS headquarters. They contain reports of exciting projects and describe the active part that the Districts are playing in the NFTS picture.

RECOMMENDATION

The District Presidents' Council is a well functioning arm of our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods which exists "to discuss ways and means in which District Federations and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods can be mutually helpful and to submit plans to the NFTS Executive Board."

Therefore, it would seem only logical that recommendations for revisions of By-Laws which essentially affect District Federations should be presented to the District Presidents' Council for the opinion of that Council prior to final consideration by the Committee on Revision of By-Laws.

This recommendation, if adopted, would not delimit the powers of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, Executive Board, nor the Biennial Assembly. It would, however, allow the opinions of the District Presidents to be given due consideration in the formulation of any revisions of By-Laws that might primarily affect the Districts.

(MRS. WILLIAM J.) MARJORIE B. LEFFLER, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Evaluation

AMERICAN JEWISH TEMPLE SISTERHOODS Chicago, Ill., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

In accordance with the action taken by the NFTS 40th Biennial Assembly, April 1953, NFTS is now functioning through four departments—Religion and Education, Advancement of Judaism, Human Relations and Membership and Administrative Services. A staff member has been assigned to service each department. Beginning with the Sisterhood season of 1954-55, NFTS form letters have been sent from the National Committee chairmen to the Department Chairmen in local Sisterhoods and District Federations for forwarding to appropriate Committee Chairmen. Form mail is no longer being mailed directly to the various committee chairmen.

At the meeting of the Evaluation Committee, January 28, 1954, it was agreed that departmentalization at the NFTS level was proving desirable and workable, as it was, also, at local levels where it was being tried. The Committee decided that having the Program and Ways and Means chairmen in the same department was not a feasible arrangement on either the local, District or NFTS level and it is recommended to the Executive Board that the Committee on Programs be transferred from the Department on Membership and Administrative Services to the Department on Religion and Education. This change was approved by the Executive Board in April 1954.

Other aspects of NFTS activity were evaluated at the meeting of the Committee. Recommendations were made to the NFTS Executive Board that District Federations be asked again to include a provision in their constitutions

providing an ex-officio place on their boards for NFTS Board members living in the District and that they be asked to hold conventions that will last no less than two days. The Committee decided that a section on types of membership, i.e., Junior, Senior, etc., be included in the NFTS statistical blanks sent to local Sisterhoods. This suggestion was implemented and it is hoped that Sisterhoods will cooperate in sending in this information.

As NFTS continues to grow, it will be necessary to re-evaluate its structure and functions in terms of changing needs and the attainment of the organization's goals. Specifically, it will be necessary to re-evaluate the realignment of NFTS into four departments as more experience with the workings of this plan is obtained. It would seem best to defer complete evaluation of departmentalization until the NFTS Biennial Assembly in 1957, rather than in 1955 as originally anticipated. This would enable Sisterhoods to have the benefit of further discussion in 1955 and another period in which to have experience on these lines before a final decision is made.

(MRS. HAROLD) SYLVIA G. CHARMACK, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Field Services

Seattle, Wash., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The Department on Membership and Administrative Services which includes the Committee on Field Services, at its first meeting in New York City in April of 1954, recommended that Leadership courses be given at every National meeting; i.e. District Presidents' Council, National Executive Board and Biennial Assembly as well as at District Conventions.

Miss Jane Evans, our Executive Director, gave a most informative and inspirational Leadership Training course following the meeting of the NFTS Executive Board in April of 1954 in New York City. The women on the West Coast are particularly looking forward to the course to be given on February 17, 1955 at the close of the Biennial Assembly in Los Angeles.

During the past fiscal year there have been 15 leadership courses held in various parts of the United States and Canada.

In computing the figures for the last year we are pleased to note that there has been a steady increase in the demand for NFTS speakers. During the fiscal

year, November 1, 1953-October 31, 1954, 104 Sisterhoods in 93 cities in the United States and Canada were visited by members of the NFTS Speakers' Bureau. This figure is an increase of approximately 30 percent over last year. In addition, NFTS visitors attended conventions of 11 District Federations.

In order that we may serve more Sisterhoods who desire NFTS visitors, this committee has urged all National Committee Chairmen to assume the responsibility of visiting one or more Sisterhoods on her way to or from the National Biennial Assembly as well as other NFTS meetings.

Due to the preparation for the Biennial Assembly and the change in our administration, the speakers kit is still in the formative stage. Each Sisterhood visitor is urged to consult the *Manual for Sisterhoods* written by Ruth Jacobson, Chairman of the Department on Membership and Administrative Services. There is a wealth of information on Sisterhood activities contained in this book.

We of the Field Services Committee realize that the strength of any organization is in the leaders. We hope that this Department will continue to grow so that our Sisterhood women all over the world will be better informed.

(MRS. WALTER) DOROTHY S. HARDMAN, *Chairman*

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

Rochester, N. Y., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Ladies:

The Committee met in New York on April 27, 1954, to discuss necessary changes in the NFTS By-Laws. The suggested revisions growing out of this discussion will be included in the report that this Committee will present to the NFTS Biennial Assembly in February, 1955.

The Committee also discussed the need for a new model constitution for Sisterhoods. This has been prepared and is available upon request from NFTS headquarters.

The Committee will continue to study the By-Laws carefully so as to bring them into line with the changing needs of NFTS. It welcomes and will consider carefully all suggestions that are sent to it in accordance with Article 40 of the NFTS By-Laws.

(MRS. HORACE) JOAN S. HART, *Chairman*

REPORT ON

Correspondence Courses

A Joint Project of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations
and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a pleasure to report to you concerning the fund for education by correspondence which you established. You were kind enough to grant, at my suggestion, the sum of \$3,500.00 for each of two successive years. Later you gave us a further grant of \$500.00 for this purpose, making a total of \$7,500.00 for this experiment.

We proceeded to prepare a series of correspondence courses in accordance with the plan mapped out by the Director of Education and approved by the Commission on Jewish Education and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Five courses were prepared. They are: a course on the *Jewish Festivals*, a course in *Jewish History*, a course on the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*, a course on a *History of the Jews in the United States*, and a course on *Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World*.

We pointed out some time ago that some of the students who registered for the courses did not complete them. In general we found the courses more useful to people in small communities who wish to prepare themselves as teachers rather than to adults who wish to engage in Jewish study for its own sake. Too often the latter start with good intentions, but before they go very far they give up their studies. Bearing the above in mind, we decided to revise the courses to make them as simple as possible in the hope that the average adult who is not given to intensive study may be interested. Two of the courses have thus been revised, namely, the *Jewish Festivals* and *Bible and Jewish Life Today*. The course on the *Jewish Festivals* has been included in our catalog and has been generally available. The course on the *Bible and Jewish Life Today* is still undergoing revision.

In a previous report I called your attention to the fact that 139 students completed their courses, while many others registered and pursued some of the courses without completing them. Last year, due to a notice placed in one of the issues of AMERICAN JUDAISM, we had quite a number of requests for information concerning these correspondence courses. As a result, approximately thirty people registered, fourteen of whom have completed their courses.

During the period between November 1, 1953, and October 31, 1954, twenty

students registered for thirty-eight courses. Of these the following were completed:

- 11 completed the course in *Jewish History*
- 7 completed the course in *Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World*
- 16 completed the course in the *Bible and Jewish Life Today*
- 2 completed the course in the *Jewish Festivals*

There were many other requests and still other students purchased the syllabi and quizzes but did not enroll to take the courses.

In the meantime, the Commission on Jewish Education decided to explore the possibility of organizing a special Commission on Adult Jewish Education in cooperation with all those agencies in our Reform family who are interested in this problem. During the period that this matter is pending we shall not accept additional students for correspondence purposes, but we shall concentrate on revising the other three courses so that when the Adult Department is finally established we may be able to turn over to the new department a complete set of the correspondence courses.

The financial status of our Correspondence Fund is as follows:

Balance in Correspondence Course Fund 7-1-53	\$2,594.05
Receipts	189.90
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	\$2,783.95
Disbursements	871.72
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Balance in Correspondence Course Account, 6-30-54	\$1,912.23

On behalf of the Commission on Jewish Education, I wish to congratulate the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for its devotion to Jewish education and for its farsightedness in continuing its interest in experimental and pioneering work in this field, an activity which is unique and made possible for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations by your generosity.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Director of Education,*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations

REPORT ON

Institutes for Teachers and Laymen

A Joint Project of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations
and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

New York, N. Y., October 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

It is a joy to report once again on the work made possible through your generosity, namely, the bringing of lectures to teachers and other adults in various communities. Usually we complete the above sentence by adding the words "throughout the land." However, this year your granting of a special fellowship to me for lectures to be delivered in France, England, and Ireland helped to make it possible to address the teachers in those countries.

As you know, the Commission on Jewish Education of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis gave me a leave of absence following its and my thirtieth anniversary. When the Hebrew University in Jerusalem learned of this, they arranged, in cooperation with the World Conference on Hebrew Education, to extend an invitation to me to be their guest lecturer on "American Education." To the best of my knowledge, this is the first time that anyone connected with our movement had the opportunity to give a whole series of lectures on "American Education" and on "Intercultural Education" at the Hebrew University.

On the way to Israel I stopped in Paris to address the Union Libérale Israelite, of which Rabbi Andre Zaoui is the spiritual leader. A series of lectures to teachers was likewise arranged under the auspices of our Liberal congregation in London (Miss Montagu and Dr. Edgar), and the Reform congregation in that city (Rabbi Rinehart).

While in London, at the invitation of Miss Lily Montagu, I addressed the congregation in the London Liberal Synagogue on the occasion of the Confirmation exercises arranged by Miss Montagu for the children of her synagogue.

At the invitation of Dr. Bethel Solomons, Chairman of the Dublin Jewish Progressive Congregation, and Mr. Lawrence Elyon, I addressed that congregation and its teachers and discussed a number of their problems with them. They are in great need of a spiritual leader, but without professional leadership they are doing a wonderful piece of work through very intelligent lay participation in arranging services and in running a religious school.

During the period of the fiscal year ending October 31, 1954, lectures were also delivered in nine communities in the United States. These lectures were attended by 155 teachers and 418 adults. Wherever it was possible a special meeting for the entire congregation was arranged, at which both men and women

were present. At times separate meetings were also arranged with the Sisterhood of the temple. Where evening meetings are arranged the Sisterhood president is, of course, informed, and the Sisterhood usually plays an active part in the arrangements.

The following are the cities in which lectures were delivered: Bridgeport, Conn.; Worcester, Mass.; Morristown, N. J.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Little Neck, N. Y.; Schenectady, N. Y.; Harrisburg, Pa.; Philadelphia, Pa.; and Parkersburg, W. Va.

The request for this service continues, and we try to fulfill these requests as they come up. We have received some interesting letters of commendation in our headquarters concerning the work done in this field both here and, this year, also abroad. These letters give credit to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for making this type of help to teachers and adults possible. You have reason to be proud that you are supporting such a significant phase of educational work which seeks to improve religious education in this country and throughout the world.

EMANUEL GAMORAN, *Director of Education*
Union of American Hebrew Congregations



REPORT OF
The Executive Director

New York, N. Y., April 25, 1954

To the Executive Board of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

The week of April 25, 1954, in which the NFTS Executive Board will convene in annual session, may prove to be a fateful week in history. In Washington there will be continued the unprecedented hearings involving Senator Joseph McCarthy and members of his staff, and Secretary of the Army Stevens and his associates. In Geneva the problems of a Korean peace and the desperate struggle in Indo-China will be on the agenda. In the midst of this vast sea of political and international tension, some of our Sisterhood affairs may seem trivial. But let us reemphasize that we are a religious organization. These are days when the verities of religion must lead men to new insights which yet could change the destructive pattern of the 20th century conflicts. In this sense, membership in a Sisterhood should be a more significant personal and social experience than membership in any other organization.

Therefore, it is especially important to note that ten more Sisterhoods have affiliated with NFTS since the beginning of the current fiscal year. The five hundredth affiliate of NFTS is the Temple Beth Torah Sisterhood, Chicago, Ill., which joined our world-wide fellowship of religiously motivated Jewish women just a few days ago. To new members, as well as old, we extend a warm invitation to participate in our organization's program of service to Jewish and humanitarian causes.

NFTS FUNDS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

In the reports being distributed at the Executive Board meeting there will be found full details of the monies of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, including its major projects of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, Uniongrams, the House of Living Judaism, World Union for Progressive Judaism, and contributions on behalf of the Jewish blind.

NFTS income, in addition to its earmarked funds (of which 10% of cash contributions received are deducted for a very nominal cost of fund-raising) includes per capital dues of \$1 per annum; District Federation dues of \$10 per annum; and receipts from the sale of Sisterhood materials. The administration of NFTS is made possible by this direct income and a very large annual grant from the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

It must always be remembered that the UAHC includes some \$50,000 or more in its annual budget toward the support of NFTS. Therefore, the

monies contributed by NFTS from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund to the UAHC towards religious education are not a plus contribution, in terms of Union activities, as is each dollar contributed to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for scholarships. While it is not right to mix in our minds earmarked funds, such as the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, with direct income used for our administration, it is fair to point out that in the fiscal year closed October 31, 1953, the UAHC expended upon the administration of NFTS an overall total of \$49,367.18; it received in return from NFTS a total of \$46,000. Of this \$46,000, there was given \$35,000 from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund toward the UAHC's religious educational program; \$1,500 from the same Fund for Lecture Institutes for Teachers and Laymen (a joint UAHC-NFTS project) and \$9,500 from NFTS' general treasury toward administrative expenses.

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations correctly feels that an organization of the size and prominence of its National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, should be totally self-supporting. Then, any monies taken from the earmarked funds of the Federation, such as the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, and given as a contribution to the Union, would indeed be a free contribution, making possible plus work that otherwise might not be undertaken for the benefit of American Reform Judaism, the household of Israel and mankind.

Many years ago, NFTS established for the UAHC a revolving fund for the publication of new religious school literature. Proceeds from the books published from this fund are returned to it. From an original total contribution from NFTS of \$22,500, the fund had reached, at the close of the NFTS fiscal year, October 31, 1953, the sum of \$40,393.94. During the NFTS fiscal year of 1952-53, there was published from this fund the text book "The New Jewish History" by Mamie G. Gamoran and its accompanying "Pupil's Activity Book."

SERVICES OF THE FEDERATION

The fiscal year 1952-53 included the 40th anniversary Biennial Assembly. Therefore, for many months the staff concentrated on the preparations necessary for a national convention and the development of materials to be presented at that time. These included a new Catalog of NFTS aids; the booklet "Money, Money - Suggestions for Fund Raising;" the booklet for those interested in Judaica Shops entitled "Your Sisterhood Judaica Shop;" an Art Calendar dedicated to the Tercentenary of the settlement of Jews in New Amsterdam; "When You Organize a New Sisterhood," by Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, a manual for the use of speakers; a Year Book covering the 38th, 39th, and 40th Annual Reports of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods; the "Sisterhood Haggadah," by Mrs. Bertram Klausner, which was the 40th anniversary presentation.

Following the Biennial, the "Highlights" were promptly released and the new booklet of "Program and Study Materials," prepared. It should be noted that the foregoing activities, while indicative of the scope of published materials turned out in a space of one year are by no means all inclusive. In addition there were the regular monthly packets; communications from NFTS Chairmen

to District and local Chairmen; and the steady processing of mail, orders and other requests for Sisterhood services. In a very real sense, NFTS is a tremendously large organization with some ninety or more thousand members in what is today five hundred Sisterhoods throughout the United States and in cities of Canada, Cuba, Panama, the United Kingdom, the Union of South Africa and Australia. As a result, routines must be maintained which might not be so necessary in a smaller set-up. While at times this may be the cause of slight irritation, in terms of the impersonalization of materials, on the whole, the officers, chairmen, staff and members have maintained a really warm-hearted, individual approach to each Sisterhood activity.

Since the close of the last fiscal year, two important publications have been released: the biography of the Honorable Lily H. Montagu entitled "Lily H. Montagu—Prophet of a Living Judaism" by Eric Conrad and "Manual for Sisterhoods" by Mrs. Harry Jacobson and edited by the Executive Director. It is unfortunate that these two publications, each of which in its own right makes a truly valuable contribution to both personal libraries and libraries of congregations, communities, schools, and colleges, are not receiving the attention they deserve. Comparatively speaking, only a handful of either volume has been sold—some one hundred copies of the Montagu biography instead of a thousand as was anticipated; only two hundred copies of the "Manual for Sisterhoods," although there are literally ten thousand Sisterhood women each of whom would find her position as officer, chairman, or member, enhanced by the material contained therein. The members of the NFTS Executive Board are strongly urged to use their good offices to encourage a wide distribution and placement of these two volumes.

Materials that are now in preparation and will be available probably at the February 1955 Biennial, if not before, will include a new pageant called "Brotherhood Through Freedom" by Rabbi Benno Wallach; film strips whose preparations were approved by the Executive Committee; a manual of NFTS policies; a new year book; a counterpart for newly organized Sisterhoods, rather than speakers, of the Glanzer pamphlet, "When You Organize a Sisterhood"; and other items as may be found necessary. It is particularly necessary, and the first drafts are in preparation, to create material for local and District Department Chairmen that will help them in their transition from the pre-departmentalization of NFTS into the new administrative program which will take full effect beginning in September 1954.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. With the ever increasing growth of the Federation and with the healthy addition each year of newly organized Sisterhoods, the problem of inexperienced members and groups needing the encouragement, the advice and the assistance of well established Sisterhoods becomes more marked. Therefore, I recommend that a *Sisterhood Advisory Service* (SAS) be established through NFTS headquarters whereby, upon application, any new group or small group could be placed in an advisory relationship with another Sisterhood. It should be clearly understood that this relationship would be established only on mutual approval

of the two groups involved and would be concerned with advisory, not monetary services.

2. Last year, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations undertook its first pilgrimage of American Reform Jewish leaders to Israel. The pilgrimage was limited to members of the Executive Boards of the UAHC, NFTS and NFTB and to District and Regional Presidents. The members of the pilgrimage considered their trip, with its unprecedented "behind the scenes" opportunities, one of the highlights of their life both from a religious and secular point of view.

One of the gravest problems facing the World Union for Progressive Judaism, as well as Israelis, is the development of an indigenous, progressive Jewish religious movement. An enormous impetus to such a movement is given whenever Israelis have the opportunity, in their own country, to meet with members of American Reform Jewry. Human contacts are always a two-way relationship; both the visitor and the visited share richly in any exchange of ideas. Therefore, I recommend that NFTS co-sponsor and invite a limited number of its members to join an NFTS-UAHC pilgrimage to Israel in the late spring of 1955. This pilgrimage could be planned so as to allow its members, after touring Israel, to travel to Paris for the Biennial meeting there of the World Union for Progressive Judaism which convenes early in July. Both Israel's religious forces and American ones could be greatly enhanced by such a pilgrimage of the women and men of our movement. In preparation for it, study and reading materials could be developed so that those who plan to go abroad with this second Reform Jewish pilgrimage would have some months of advance preparation. On this basis everything they would see, hear, and discuss in Israel would have even deeper significance for them, both as serious tourists in that country and as returned, informed leaders in their home communities.

3. Many years ago, an NFTS Leadership Training course was conducted by the Executive Director on the campus of the Hebrew Union College. The Director recommends the appointment of a small committee to explore with her the possibility of combining a Sisterhood retreat with leadership training, under NFTS auspices, either on the Cincinnati Campus of the College-Institute; or at Towanda, Pa., where the HUC-JIR owns an estate; or at one of the UAHC youth camps. It may well be that by its very nature, a retreat cannot be combined with so dynamic a program as leadership training per se, but should be devoted to a study of certain aspects of Judaism. However, this and related problems could be explored by a committee.

IN APPRECIATION

During the NFTS fiscal period 1952-53, twenty-four speakers including the NFTS President, Executive Director and some members of staff visited sixty-four cities in twenty-one states of the United States and Canada and attended seven conventions of NFTS District Federations. During this same period, there were conducted fourteen Leadership Training Institutes in widely separated parts of the United States. However, the problems of leadership training are continuing ones, with special needs on the West Coast and in other distant areas of the country. The very warm appreciation of the National Federation of

Temple Sisterhoods is extended to each person who helped to make this record of personal service possible and especially to: Mrs. Harold M. Baum, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Elmer Benesch, Elmwood Park, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. Louis J. Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Harry J. Finke, Great Neck, N. Y.; Mrs. Jerome Folkman, Bexley, O.; Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Julian Hennig, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Gertrude Kallin, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Franz J. Loewe, Clayton, Mo.; Mrs. Max Maccoby, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Jerome D. Stein, Yonkers, N. Y.; Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tenn.

Once each year it is the Director's especial privilege to thank publicly on behalf of NFTS and herself, her co-workers on staff. Unfortunately, there have been changes in the staff since the last report; the cause of these represent, for the individuals involved, happy personal experiences ranging from marriage to motherhood to a return to the teaching profession.

To Miss Josephine Schoenborn, NFTS Administrative Assistant, who is now staff consultant for the Department on Advancement of Judaism, deep appreciation for her never-failing assistance in all of the NFTS program; to Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, Assistant to the Director and staff consultant for the Department on Human Relations, warm appreciation for her consistent efforts; to Dr. Diana Bernstein, Program and Public Relations Assistant and staff consultant for the Department on Membership and Administrative Services, our deep thanks for many diversified activities; to Mrs. Morton Wexler, secretary to the Director, who literally is often both my right and left hands combined, as well as a gracious assistant to all the many visitors to NFTS, heartfelt thanks. To these co-workers and to each other member of the staff I extend full gratitude for their steady survival of great pressures!

It is a pleasure to introduce a probationary new member, Miss Gertrude Rom, who is staff consultant for the Department on Religion and Education. Her first weeks with us have been very rugged ones, but we hope that as she learns more of NFTS she will find her association with us increasingly pleasant.

To Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, for unfailing graciousness, kindness and inspiring leadership, each member of the staff and especially the Director expresses lasting appreciation.

CONCLUSION

Under the grim title, "The Century of Total War," one of France's great social scientists, Raymond Aron, has written an analysis of the convulsive period that began with World War I and is continuing toward an end which no man can clearly foresee. Within this period, as though two world wars and the threat of a third were not enough, we have seen in the eleven years since the dawn of the nuclear age, the development and war-time use of the atomic bomb and more

recently, the explosion of a hydrogen bomb whose vast mushroom of death casts so long a shadow across the earth. M. Aron has said in part: "... courage and faith count as much as material resources. . . ." While it is unfair to take words out of context, these seem so sharply to underline the tragedy of our age, they cannot be ignored. Even men of penetrating awareness of the complex forces of our times, in the vortex of whose pressures we must live out our lives, speak of spiritual factors which count *as much as*, rather than *more than*, material ones. They and we, the members of a religious organization whose founders well knew the prophetic message of Judaism for all mankind, should never forget that the spiritual is not equal to, but transcends the material.

JANE EVANS, *Executive Director*

Proceedings of the Executive Board

Union House of Living
Judaism-Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.
April 28, 1954

The annual meeting of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was called to order at 10:15 a.m. on Wednesday, April 28, 1954 in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, New York, N. Y., after a Prayer Service in the Chapel of the Union House of Living Judaism, conducted by Rabbi Louis I. Egelson, Administrative Secretary, Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Maryland, was in the chair. Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Chicago, Illinois, called the roll. The following members were present . . .

Mrs. Robert L. Aronson, St. Louis, Mo., Mrs. Daniel S. Bernheim, Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Lester S. Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa., Mrs. Hugo Bloomfield, Lexington, Ky., Mrs. Leo Blumberg, Wilmington, Del., Mrs. Maurice Brown, Paterson, N. J., Mrs. Louis J. Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo., Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Beryl D. Cohon, Brookline, Mass., Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich., Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss, Elmira, N. Y., Mrs. Leon J. Ell, Miami Beach, Fla., Mrs. Isidor Enselman, Brooklyn, N. Y., Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa., Mrs. Edward S. Fields, Morgantown, W. Va., Mrs. Jerome D. Folkman, Bexley, Ohio, Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio, Mrs. Arthur

L. Goldsmith, Scranton, Pa., Mrs. Willis D. Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio, Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbia, S. C., Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y., Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada, Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill., Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia., Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, Milwaukee, Wis., Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y., Mrs. Robert E. Levi, Newton Centre, Mass., Mrs. Alfred Levy, Bridgeport, Conn., Mrs. Harry E. Lowenstein, E. Orange, N. J., Mrs. Julius Mark, New York, N. Y., Mrs. Albert J. May, New York, N. Y., Mrs. Hubert Mendel, Hot Springs, Ark., Mrs. Myron Meyer, St. Joseph, Mo., Mrs. Julian H. Miller, St. Louis, Mo., Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Elmer Moyer, Dayton, Ohio, Mrs. D. H. Orkin, Jackson, Miss., Mrs. Harold Redel, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y., Mrs. Jacob P. Rudin, Great Neck, N. Y., Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Rose M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex., Mrs. Albert M. Shulman, South Bend, Ind., Mrs. Harvey Steadman, Lansing, Mich., Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y., Mrs. Mayer B. Sulzberger, Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, New York, N. Y., Mrs. I. Edward Tonkon, Dallas, Tex., Mrs. Lawrence Van Baalen, Toledo, Ohio, Mrs. Leon L. Waters, New York, N. Y., Mrs. William Wolman, Toronto, Ont., Canada, Mrs. Irwin E. Yoelson, Shaker Heights, Ohio, Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mrs. Henry Monsky, NFTS First Vice-President took the chair while Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, NFTS President delivered her message. During the message the Board rose in tribute to Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr., who had passed away since the last meeting of the Board. Mrs. Dalsheimer mentioned that departmentalization had taken successful on all levels and discussed briefly meetings of NFTS committees that had taken place since the NFTS Executive Board meeting in April 1953. She pointed out that funds were still needed for the House of Living Judaism and urged that Sisterhoods support this important project.

Mrs. Dalsheimer listed certain new publications of NFTS such as *Lily H. Montagu—Prophet of a Living Judaism* by Eric Conrad and *The Manual for Sisterhoods* by Ruth Jacobson. She discussed briefly plans for the 1955 Biennial Assembly which will take place at the Hotel Statler, Los Angeles, California, February 13-17, 1955. The recommendation in Mrs. Dalsheimer's message which related to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, was considered on Thursday, April 29. Mrs. Dalsheimer's Report, exclusive of the recommendation, was accepted unanimously.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Mrs. Irving Hollobow, NFTS Treasurer, presented the complete audited report of Loeb & Troper, certified public accountants, auditors of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. This was accepted by the Board.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET 1954-55

The Executive Board discussed the proposed budgetary allocation for NFTS for the fiscal year 1954-55 and after discussion approved the budget subject to later consideration of the allocation of \$1,768.00 as the NFTS Contribution to the Joint Commission on Social Action. Mrs. Dalsheimer thanked Mrs. Hollobow and the Budget and Finance Committee on behalf of the Board for their excellent work.

DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN NFTS FUNDS

U. S. DEFENSE BONDS THAT HAVE MATURED

Explanation was made that some of the money in the General Fund was in seventeen U. S. Defense Bonds that had recently matured or were about to mature. It was necessary for the Board to decide what disposition should be made of these funds, whether they should be re-

invested in Government bonds, or whether a small committee should be formed to decide whether another type of investment would be preferable. In the latter connection the services of financial advisor are available to NFTS. The Board agreed that the President should appoint a committee to consider the best ways of investing these funds. This committee might be part of the Budget and Finance Committee.

CONTRIBUTION FROM NON-NFTS SISTERHOOD

Explanation was made that a non-Reform group in Byram, Conn., that was not affiliated with NFTS had offered a sum of \$20.83 that remained as a credit from some of its purchases of NFTS material, for an NFTS project. The Board moved that this money be given to the House of Living Judaism and that the name of the Sisterhood in Byram be included in the Book of Living Judaism.

BEQUEST BY GERTRUDE GENZBERGER

Miss Gertrude Genzberger, Butte, Mont., who had recently died, had left to NFTS \$1,000 for any purpose that NFTS selected. The Board approved starting an endowment fund. It was further approved that the investment committee to be appointed by the President should decide how the money in the fund should be invested. The interest from the principal should be re-invested and added to the endowment fund. It was hoped that other contributions would be given to this endowment fund.

BEQUEST OF RACHEL R. MARKS

The Board was informed that Miss Rachel R. Marks, Buffalo, N. Y., had left one-half of one share of her estate to NFTS for its program for the Jewish Blind.

The Board recessed for luncheon at 12:20 P. M.

During luncheon in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, Dr. and Mrs. James Parkes of Barley, England, were guests of the Executive Board. Dr. Parkes an Anglican Minister, the world's foremost authority on Church-Synagogue relations and the historical roots of anti-Semitism, spoke informally to the Board.

The Wednesday afternoon session of the NFTS Executive Board was called to order by the President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, at 2:15 p.m.

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Explanation was made that, without the knowledge of NFTS, the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion had, during the past year, altered the Scholarship Award Plan for students on the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. The students had been required to commit themselves to making repayment for the scholarships. This had come to the attention of NFTS through the Student Body, who objected to NFTS' distributing literature concerning the Scholarship Award Plan which was in contradiction to the current situation. The students did not realize that NFTS had not been informed of the change. It was pointed out that the Board of Governors and the faculty of the College-Institute felt that the repayment system had improved the sense of moral responsibility of the students; and that it was preferable to have this new plan which made the education for the Rabbinate relatively on a basis similar to education for other service professions. The College-Institute authorities pointed out, however, that no man would be denied the opportunity to study at the College-Institute if he could not afford it. It was also pointed out that after the change in plan had been brought to the attention of NFTS, an emergency NFTS Executive Committee meeting was held in December, 1953, following which a committee met with a committee of the HUC-JIR Board of Governors in January, 1954. The College-Institute agreed to continue with the previous system of outright NFTS scholarship awards until the NFTS Biennial Assembly in February 1955. No change in the Scholarship Award Plan of Sisterhood funds could be made without the approval of the Biennial Assembly. The plan had been instituted originally by joint action of the Board of Governors and the NFTS. It had been approved by the Biennial and could not be unilaterally

abrogated nor changed except by action of the Biennial Assembly.

After complete discussion the Executive Board agreed that it would recommend to the next NFTS Biennial Assembly a change in the present method of awarding Sisterhood scholarships to students at the College-Institute. The details of this plan will be worked out prior to the next Biennial Assembly by the NFTS Committee on Scholarship & Religious Education Fund and Executive Committee. These details should take in to consideration the feeling of the Executive Board meeting on April 28, 1954, that consideration be given to outright scholarships in special cases as well as to the type of student aid desired by the College-Institute. Repayments shall be to a Sisterhood Fund, the details of which will be worked out in the future.

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND HONOR LISTINGS

Mrs. Melvin Harris, Chairman of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Committee, presented a special study of honor listings of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund that had been prepared for the NFTS Executive Committee, December, 1953. The report recommended three categories of honors; Distinguished Service, Honor Roll and Roll of Merit, and outlined the various ways of achieving these categories. The special study was unanimously approved. This revised system will not be presented to Sisterhoods until the next NFTS fiscal year. (See addendum.)

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND ALLOCATIONS AND GRANTS

Mrs. Harris moved that the allocation and grants listed in the comparative statements for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund below be accepted. These were unanimously approved by the Executive Board.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS
838 Fifth Avenue, New York 21. N. Y.
Scholarship & Religious Education Fund

Comparative Statements
(April, 1954)

	<i>Tentative</i> 1953-54	<i>Actual</i> 1952-53
INCOME:		
Deferred from Previous Year	\$ 885.58	\$ 1,170.59
Cash Contributions	22,081.61	21,881.61
U.A.P.	41,170.38	40,370.38
20% Thank You Notes	172.80	172.80
Total Gross Receipts	<u>\$64,310.37</u>	<u>\$63,595.38</u>
Less: Deferred to Next Year (Estimate)	1,200.00	885.58
Net Receipts	<u>\$63,110.37</u>	<u>\$62,709.80</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Transmitted to U.A.H.C. for Lecture Institutes	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,500.00
Transmitted to U.A.H.C. toward Religious Education & Youth Work .....	.....	35,000.00
Transmitted to H.U.C. for Scholarship Awards	5,000.00	22,675.00
For the Academic Year 1952-53:		
103 students were enrolled at the Hebrew Union College. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods made the following scholarship awards:		
34 awards of \$550.00	\$18,700.00	
1 award of 500.00	500.00	
1 award of 450.00	450.00	
1 award of 400.00	400.00	
3 awards of 325.00	975.00	
1 award of 300.00	300.00	
1 award of 275.00	275.00	
3 awards of 225.00	675.00	
2 awards of 200.00	400.00	
47	<u>\$22,675.00</u>	
Fellowships for Students from Overseas	2,250.00	7,050.00
10% Collection Fees to General Fund	<u>2,208.16</u>	<u>2,188.16</u>
Total Expenditures for 1952-53		<u>\$68,413.16</u>
Net Operating Deficit for 1952-53		<u>\$ 5,703.36</u>
Total Transmitted to Date for 1953-54	<u>\$ 9,758.16</u>	
TO BE TRANSMITTED—SUBJECT TO BOARD ACTION:		
To U.A.H.C. toward Religious Educational & Youth Work.....	35,000.00	
To H.U.C. balance still due on Scholarship for Scholastic Year ended 6/30/54 (Estimate)	20,000.00	
To U.A.H.C. balance due for Lecture Institutes	1,200.00	
To Dr. James S. Parkes—Special Fellowship	2,400.00	
Fellowships for Students from Overseas	<u>3,150.00</u>	
TOTAL to be transmitted as of 10/31/54	\$61,750.00	
Total Probable Expenditures for 1953-54	\$71,508.16	
<i>Estimated Deficit for 1953-54 based on Present Receipts</i>		
* <i>Commitments</i>	\$ 8,397.79	
<i>Accumulated Surplus of NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund</i>		
	<i>1953-54</i>	<i>1952-53</i>
Accumulated Surplus as of the beginning of the fiscal year.....	\$25,588.97	\$31,292.33
Operating Deficit	<u>8,397.79</u>	<u>5,703.36</u>
Balance of Accumulated Surplus Fund to be carried forward to the next year	<u>\$17,191.18</u>	<u>\$25,588.97</u>

RECOGNITION OF GROUPS WHICH GIVE LARGE CONTRIBUTIONS PER CAPITA OR REPEATEDLY ACHIEVE UNIONGRAM LEADERSHIP.

Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Director, explained that a number of Sisterhoods repeatedly received awards for their outstanding work in connection with Uniongrams and the Religious Education Fund. She urged Executive Board thinking on special ways of recognizing such activity, and asked that members send their suggestions to NFTS.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. Dalsheimer stated that a Committee on Resolutions for the Executive Board Meeting had been appointed with Mrs. Albert Farber as Chairman and Mrs. Harold Redel and Mrs. Walter Hardman as members.

The Meeting recessed at 5:35 p.m.

UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM-BERG MEMORIAL
New York, N. Y.
April 29, 1954

The Thursday meeting convened in the Board Room of the House of Living Judaism at 9:00 a.m., with Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer presiding. The members recited an invocation in unison.

COMMITTEE ON UNIONGRAMS

Mrs. Samuel Danto, Chairman of the Committee on Uniongrams, proposed that in honor of the Tercentenary year, NFTS adopt a project of "Sharing Your Jewish History on a Uniongram for Posterity." Thousands of Uniongrams would be used in this project which would increase contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. In addition the Uniongrams could be assembled in a huge volume as an historical contribution to the American Jewish Archives. Furthermore, much new information might be discovered regarding early American Jewish history if persons who had information which was not available to others would be sure to write details on these Uniongrams.

The recommendation of Mrs. Danto was accepted.

WAYS OF ACHIEVING UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL

Explanation was made that many Sisterhoods had complained that two methods of achieving the Uniongram Honor Roll were confusing; in addition, one way, by selling one uniongram to each member of a Sisterhood for use on National Uniongram Day was a much easier method of achieving the Honor Roll than was the other, which entailed selling one book of

Uniongrams per member during a Sisterhood year. Board members were urged to send to Mrs. Danto their suggestions with regard to this problem so that they might be considered when the NFTS Executive Committee meets in the fall.

MESSAGES OF REGRET FOR NON-ATTENDANCE AT MEETING AND GREETINGS

Messages of regret for non-attendance at the Executive Board Meetings, and greetings from those members who could not be present were read. Uniongram messages were sent from the Board to members who were ill.

COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Mrs. William J. Leffler, Chairman of the Committee on District Federations, presented recommendations from the District Presidents' Council that had met in New York, March 3-4, 1954.

The Executive Board unanimously approved the suggestion that District Federations are strengthened and able to give better service to their affiliated units if their Conventions are planned for more than one day. It was pointed out that greater attendance ensues from Conventions of more than one day and, in addition, a banquet can be held which also tends to increase attendance.

Mrs. Leffler reported that the District Presidents' Council had approved the statement concerning policy prepared by the NFTS Executive Committee in December 1953, as follows *but without the word "written"*:

"No District Federation of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall initiate action or adopt any resolution on a matter of general, communal, or Jewish public interest, or undertake any new policy or project without the *written* authority of the NFTS Executive Board, the President or the Executive Director."

It was felt by the District Presidents' Council that there might be instances in which immediate action needed to be taken, and time would not permit the obtaining of permission or authority in writing; a telephone call might be necessary.

The NFTS Executive Board unanimously approved the statement, as amended by Mrs. Harry Jacobson, NFTS Third Vice-President:

"As subsidiaries of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, District Federations shall not initiate action nor adopt any resolution on a matter of general, communal, or Jewish public interest, or under-

take any new policy or project without determining with the NFTS Executive Board, President, or Executive Director, whether such action conforms with NFTS policy."

The Executive Board unanimously approved the suggestion that members of the NFTS Executive Board shall serve ex-officio on District Boards so that they might be of greater assistance in their areas.

DISTRICT #24 PROPOSED ASSESSMENT FOR YOUTH CAMP

Discussion was held on the proposal of NFTS District #24, the Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, "that the sum of 25c per capita be taken annually from the treasury of each constituent Sisterhood of the Western Federation for this project, to become effective upon the approval of the National Board of the NFTS". After full discussion, the Executive Board voted unanimously against this proposal. With District dues, it becomes an assessment beyond that allowed in the NFTS By-Laws.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, presented her report. She pointed out that as of this week there were 500 affiliates of NFTS. She listed materials that had been published by NFTS during the past fiscal year as well as other items that were in preparation, and discussed NFTS funds and contributions.

Miss Evans made several recommendations which were unanimously approved by the Board. She recommended that a Sisterhood Advisory Service (SAS) be established through NFTS headquarters, whereby upon application any new group or small group could be placed in an advisory relationship with another Sisterhood. This relationship would be established only on mutual approval of the two groups involved and would be concerned with advisory, not monetary services.

Her second recommendation related to co-sponsoring by NFTS of a UAHC pilgrimage to Israel in the late spring of 1955 to be planned to allow its members, after touring Israel, to travel to Paris for the Biennial conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism in early July. Israel's religious forces and those of America would be enhanced by such a pilgrimage. Study and reading materials would be developed so that those who planned to participate would have some months of advance preparation.

Her final proposal concerned the appointment of a committee to explore, with the Director, the possibility of combining a Sisterhood retreat with leadership training under NFTS auspices either on the Cincinnati campus of the College-Institute, at Towanda, Pennsylvania, where HUC-JIR owns an estate, or at one of the UAHC Youth Camps.

The Executive Board rose to accept with deep appreciation Miss Evans' report and recommendations.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

The four NFTS Vice-Presidents, each of whom is in charge of one of the NFTS Departments on Religion and Education, Human Relations, Advancement of Judaism, and Membership and Administrative Services, reported briefly on the meeting of her Department which had been held on one of the two days preceding the Board meeting. Each Chairman was most enthusiastic about the results of the Department session, and felt that it had been extremely useful in clarifying the activities of the Department and the role of Department members.

Following the reports of Department Chairmen, each Committee Chairman who had made a specific recommendation in her annual report for 1952-53 presented the recommendation for the approval of the Board.

COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND WORLD RELATIONS

Mrs. Albert Farber, NFTS Chairman on Peace and World Relations recommended that local Peace and World Relations Chairmen take the initiative in cooperating with other organizations in united activity on problems concerning Peace and World Relations. Approved by the Board.

COMMITTEE ON INTERFAITH ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Louis Cashdan, NFTS Chairman on Interfaith Activities expressed her hope that the name of the Committee on Interfaith Activities might be altered to reflect Interfaith as well as Interfaith work. She recommended that a survey of NFTS Interfaith activities be made during the coming year thereby obtaining more accurate and comprehensive information on Interfaith activities. The Executive Board unanimously approved referring this recommendation back to the Committee on Interfaith Activities for further study and that if the Committee so desires, it then be submitted to the Executive Committee at its next meeting.

COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

Mrs. Harry Lowenstein, NFTS Chairman on Jewish Literature for the Blind, recommended that NFTS become a member-subscriber of the Braille Club and encourage each Sisterhood that is active in Braille work to take out membership in the Braille Club which provides helpful information to Braille transcribers. She further recommended that each Sisterhood devote one meeting day a year for the benefit of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, with a view to raising more funds for the work of this Committee. Mrs. Lowenstein added that the third recommendation in her report, that the Chairman of the NFTS Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind be on the Board of Directors of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. was not feasible. The first two recommendations were unanimously accepted.

COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY SERVICES

Mrs. Isidor Enselman, NFTS Chairman on Emergency Services, stated that some Sisterhoods were under doubt whether contributions from Sisterhood treasuries should be made toward Emergency Services work. They seemed to have confused this project with others which are not of a specifically Sisterhood nature, such as the Red Cross or the United Jewish Appeal. It was pointed out that the Emergency Services work is somewhat different because NFTS is affiliated with the Women's Organizations' Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board and this activity is part of the NFTS program. In response to Mrs. Enselman's further request, it was agreed that as soon as possible the policy statement concerning contributions from Sisterhood treasuries to community drives that had been prepared by NFTS to assist Sisterhoods, would be re-distributed, since there were many new Presidents and other officers and chairmen since the last time this statement had been distributed.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The final session of the Executive Board Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Dalsheimer after a luncheon for the Board in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. Mrs. Monsky took the chair while Mrs. Dalsheimer's recommendation was considered.

After very complete discussion the Board voted to recommend to the Committee on Revision of By-Laws and the Biennial Assembly

that the name of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund be changed to Scholarship, Administration and Youth Fund with the emphasis upon this triple program of scholarship assistance, administration of NFTS and youth camps and camps. Thereupon the complete report of the President, together with the recommendation, was unanimously accepted by acclamation and appreciation including an expression of deep regard for her great services.

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS (Continued)

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Mrs. Melvin Harris, NFTS Chairman of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund suggested that instead of giving corsages to National representatives at District meetings, Sisterhoods be asked to contribute to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, NFTS Chairman of the Committee on House of Living Judaism suggested that at the Biennial Assembly, time be allotted on the program to present gavels to Sisterhoods that have met their quotas since the last Biennial. She suggested that Sisterhoods be urged to retain their House of Living Judaism chairmen, as funds are still needed to complete the building. Mrs. Dalsheimer added that she would like to ask the House of Living Judaism Committee to consider before the next Executive Board meeting ways and means of increasing contributions to the building. Mrs. Dalsheimer suggested that one of the items on the Executive Board Agenda, namely VI E, District #14's recommendation for a voluntary contribution of 10c per capita towards the HLJ be referred to the HJU Committee for consideration, with final action if necessary to be taken by the Executive Committee.

WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM ACTIVITIES

Mrs. William Wolman, NFTS Chairman on World Union for Progressive Judaism, Activities recommended that Sisterhoods register with NFTS before sending holiday packages so that better coordination might result. She also urged that Sisterhoods be encouraged to increase contributions to the Silver Coin Collection.

NEW BUSINESS

It was explained that the Commission on Social Action of the Central Conference of American

Rabbis and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations had written to Mrs. Dalsheimer inviting NFTS to be represented on the Commission, as a full partner. The National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods and the National Federation of Temple Youth had also been invited. NFTS would have three representatives and would be expected to contribute 10% of the budget, which would be, in the coming fiscal year, \$1,768.00. This action would carry out the suggestion to cooperate with the Commission that had been made at the NFTS Post-Convention Board Meeting on April 23, 1953. The Executive Board accepted the invitation to join the Commission on Social Action. It felt that this would be a great benefit to NFTS.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Dalsheimer announced the next meeting of the Executive Committee would be on Wednesday and Thursday, November 3-4, 1954 in New York City.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR OFFICERS FOR THE NFTS BOARD

Mrs. Dalsheimer announced that Mrs. Julius Mark had been appointed to be Chairman for the Nominating Committee for NFTS Officers and Mrs. Moses Schwartz had been appointed as Vice-Chairman. The Executive Board elected the additional 3 members to serve on the committee: Mrs. Willis Gradison, Mrs. Lester S. Bloch and Mrs. David Simon.

COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMS

Mrs. Julian Miller, NFTS Chairman on Programs pointed out that since many programs had been sent to NFTS by local Sisterhoods, the Program Contest would not be necessary this year. She was concerned that Sisterhoods might not receive suggestions in time for planning their next season's work and hoped that means would be devised so that there would be additional assistance for carrying on the work of the Committee on Programs.

COMMITTEE ON EVALUATION

Mrs. Harold Charmack, NFTS Chairman on Evaluation moved that the Program Committee be transferred to the Department on Religion and Education from the Department on Membership and Administrative Services. The suggested move had been authorized by the Committee on Evaluation in January 1954, subject to the approval of the NFTS Executive Board. Unanimous approval was given to this transfer.

SYNAGOGUE ATTENDANCE

Suggestion was made that at each meeting of the NFTS Executive Board, regular Synagogue attendance by Board members be stressed.

PRESENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS

Mrs. Harry Jacobson urged that the Executive Committee study a way whereby recommendations from Department meetings might be presented to the Executive Board. It was difficult to prepare in writing in advance, for the Annual Report all of the suggestions that might need to be considered in view of the fact that Department meetings might be held between the time of submission of the report and an Executive Board Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. William Leffler, Chairman of the Committee on District Federations suggested that an alternate to the President of the District be permitted to attend the District Presidents' Council should the President not be able to do so. It would be preferable if the alternate were a Vice-President, she must certainly be an officer of the District. It was approved that the alternate, an officer of the District who may attend the District Presidents' Council in the absence of the President, shall have the power of voice not vote.

COMMITTEE ON FAMILY EDUCATION

Mrs. Myron Meyer, NFTS Chairman on Family Education suggested that a class on Principles of Judaism be established in every Sisterhood.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, NFTS Chairman on Religious Schools suggested that questions concerning Religious School activity and curriculum presented to Sisterhood representatives be channelled through the Commission on Jewish Education of the UAHC. She also urged that questions that were referred by NFTS to the Commission on Jewish Education be tabulated so that she as Chairman of her Committee might know the number of such requests that were received and whether or not they were increasing. The Executive Director discussed the problem of insufficient staff; the tabulation will be undertaken if possible.

COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Mrs. Horace Hart, NFTS Chairman on Revision of By-Laws stated that the Committee on Re-

vision of By-Laws had held a fruitful meeting on April 27. A number of important suggestions and proposed revisions had been developed.

ALTERNATE TO NFTS PRESIDENT AT BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett recommended that an NFTS officer, as an alternate to the NFTS President, be permitted to attend meetings of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion when the President is unable to do so. It was directed that a letter embodying this request be addressed to the Board of Governors.

ALL SISTERHOOD DAY

Mrs. Maurice Brown, Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education, urged that an all-Sisterhood Luncheon Day be held annually in order to augment the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. This suggestion was referred to the Program Committee. Another suggestion was that a National Day be inaugurated to bring NFTS to the attention of Sisterhoods.

RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. Albert Farber, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions for the Executive Board meeting presented the Resolutions, which are attached herewith, and which were approved by the Board. (See addendum.)

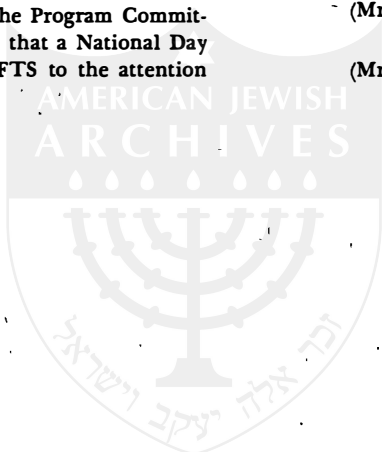
POLICY ON SOCIAL ACTION

Mrs. Herbert Hauptman requested formulation of a statement of purpose with regard to social action, that might be useful for the NFTS District Federation. Mrs. Dalsheimer asked that Miss Evans continue work on the booklet of NFTS policy.

The Board thanked Mrs. Dalsheimer for the stimulating sessions and after the benediction the meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M., with a reminder of the Leadership Training Institute to be conducted the following day by Miss Evans for Board members.

(Mrs. Hugo) HELEN M. DALSHIMER,
President

(Mrs. Jerome L.) HANNAH SALM,
Recording Secretary



Annual Executive Board Session

April 28-29, 1954

Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial
New York

AGENDA

PRESIDING: Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., NFTS President

- I INVOCATION IN UNISON
- II ROLL CALL.....Mrs. Jerome L. Salm, Chicago, Recording Secretary
- III PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.....Mrs. Dalsheimer; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles,
1st Vice-President, in the chair.
- Recommendations
- IV FINANCIAL MATTERS
- 1—Report of the Treasurer—Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Chicago, Treasurer
- 2—Presentation of Budget, 1954-55.....Mrs. Hollobow
- 3—Disposition of Certain NFTS Funds
- a—Seven U. S. Defense Bonds that have matured
- b—Contribution from non-NFTS Sisterhood, Byram, Connecticut—\$20.83
- c—Bequest of \$1,000 to NFTS by late Gertrude Genzberger, Butte, Montana
- d—Bequest of 1/2 of 1 share of estate of Rachel R. Marks for NFTS Braille Fund
for the Jewish Blind
- 4—Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and Uniongrams
- a—The NFTS-HUC Scholarship Award Plan
- b—Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Honor Listings
- c—Ways of achieving Uniongram Honor Roll
- d—Recognition of groups which give large contributions per capita or repeatedly
achieve Uniongram leadership
- e—Allocations and grants
- V REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.....Jane Evans, New York
Recommendations
- VI ACTION RELATING TO NFTS DISTRICTS
- a—Executive Committee statement concerning District Action and Policy
(Recommendation from District Presidents' Council)
- b—Minimum Length of District Conventions
(Recommendation from Evaluation Committee)
- c—Provision in District Constitutions concerning representation of NFTS Execu-
tive Board Members on District Boards
(Recommendation from District Presidents' Council)
- d—District #24 Proposed Assessment for Youth Camp
"That the sum of 25c (twenty-five cents) per capita be taken annually from
the treasury of each constituent Sisterhood of the Western Federation for
this project, to become effective upon the approval of the national Board
of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods."
- e—District #14 Recommendation for Voluntary Annual Contribution of 10c
per capital toward HLJ
- VII DEPARTMENTALIZATION OF NFTS
- a—Recommendation of Evaluation Committee to transfer Program Committee
from Department on Membership and Administrative Services to Department
on Religion and Education
- b—Further Problems of Departmentalization
- VIII REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT MEETINGS AND
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
- IX ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET FOR 1954-55
- X NEW BUSINESS
- a—Invitation to NFTS to join Joint Commission on Social Action, UAHC-CCAR
- b—Report of Program Committee, NFTS 20th Biennial Assembly, Los Angeles,
Calif., February 13-17, 1955
- c—British Edition of the book *Lily H. Montagu—Prophet of a Living Judaism*
by Eric Conrad
- d—Resolutions
- 1—In Memoriam: Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr.
- 2—Others
- e—Further Business
- XI BENEDICTION IN UNISON AND ADJOURNMENT

Special Study of Honor Listings of the
SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND
of the
NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

Prepared for the NFTS Executive Committee*

December 8-9, 1953

The NFTS Executive Board and the Executive Committee have struggled to meet the protests of the past few years from Sisterhoods over the inadequacy of requirements for Scholarship and Religious Education Fund Honor Listings. This study has been made in an effort to reflect fairly a Sisterhood's service on behalf of the Fund and to raise the total annual contributions to provide for present commitments. The needs of the Fund have increased more rapidly than contributions, and important projects are still postponed—for example, granting financial assistance to married students and to students on the New York campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

The present honor categories of the Fund are:

Honor Category	No. of Sist. **	%
Distinguished Service	40	8%
Honor Roll	42	9%
Honorable Mention	251	53%
No Listing or No Contribution	140	30%
	473	100%

The top two ratings above include 17% of NFTS Sisterhoods. These 82 groups contributed approximately a total of \$38,400 or 61% of the total raised in 1951-52 (\$62,000 before adjustments).

If requirements were increased to the minima of \$1,000 for *Distinguished Service* and \$500 for *Honor Roll*, respectively, the number of these Sisterhoods which would maintain their places of honor under the new goals cannot be accurately estimated. However, it is strongly urged that these categories be increased. If only 25% of the Sisterhoods in the categories of *Distinguished*

* This study was prepared for the Executive Committee on the basis of most careful analysis of figures and operations of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund by Mr. Hyman Kanter, Financial Consultant to NFTS; Miss Josephine Schoenborn, NFTS Administrative Assistant; and Miss Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director.

** All figures as of October 31, 1952.

Service and *Honor Roll* meet the new quotas, the Scholarship and Religious Education receipts would increase by approximately \$6,500.

Of the 251 Sisterhoods (53% of NFTS Sisterhoods) which achieved *Honorable Mention* listing, only 49 groups contributed sums in excess of \$1.00 per member (34 of these 49 Sisterhoods contributed \$2.00 or more per member).

To reflect better and honor more the devoted service of Sisterhoods meeting the requirement for the third honor listing (now called *Honorable Mention*) it is recommended that:

- 1—The name of this category be changed to *Roll of Merit*. The phrase "Honorable Mention" has a connotation of "also ran," yet in many instances Sisterhoods in this category on a *per-capita* basis are making much greater contributions and sacrifice than Sisterhoods now listed under *Distinguished Service* or *Honor Roll*. For example, for a Sisterhood of 30 members to give \$90 annually is a far greater achievement than for a Sisterhood of 500 members to give \$350. Yet the larger Sisterhood makes *Honor Roll*, and the little Sisterhood only *Honorable Mention*.
- 2—Any Sisterhood contributing the equivalent of \$2.00 per member within one NFTS fiscal year should automatically achieve a place on the *Roll of Merit*. In the past, a Sisterhood had to increase its contribution over the previous year by at least 5% (but not less than \$1.00) to remain on the *Honorable Mention* list, even though it might already have attained a *per capita* annual contribution far greater than Sisterhoods on the *Honor Roll* or *Distinguished Service* lists. In many small Sisterhoods this has been the cause of great irritation against NFTS and a stumbling block to continued interest in the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and its honor listings.
- 3—The requirement for the *Roll of Merit* shall be either a total contribution equivalent to \$2.00 per capita within a fiscal year, or a

10% (rather than the present 5%) increase over the group's contribution during the previous NFTS fiscal year.

4 The minimum total contribution for achieving a place on the *Roll of Merit* shall be \$10. Previously, Sisterhoods making no contribution in the preceding year could achieve a place on the *Honorable Mention* list through a total contribution of only \$1.00. This figure is too low to deserve special recognition even though every dollar contributed to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund is deeply appreciated. The actual cost to NFTS for listing Sisterhoods on the *Roll of Merit* in the Yearbook, and for sending the special certificate which goes to each Sisterhood earning a place on any one of the honor categories of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, is too expensive for a minimum total contribution of less than \$10.00.

The above plan for the *Roll of Merit* should accelerate Sisterhoods in reaching at least a \$2.00 minimum contribution, and yet not give Sisterhoods with large memberships any major advantage, considered

on a per-capita basis, in achieving a place on the *Honor Roll* or *Distinguished Service* list. We do not wish to encourage a per capita basis for *Distinguished Service* and *Honor Roll*, yet we must consider a per-capita maximum — and \$2.00 is recommended—for the *Roll of Merit*. Smaller Sisterhoods have deeply resented, in the present plan, their need of constantly increasing their contribution over the previous year without a stationary point of honor being achieved.

There are now 34 Sisterhoods giving \$2.00 or more per capita annually in the *Honorable Mention* listing. Although these Sisterhoods might reduce their per-capita contribution under the new plan, the greater returns possible from the remaining 217 Sisterhoods in the group more than justify the change.

Finally, it is believed that the revisions of all honor listings for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, as proposed in this special study, are more realistic in terms of commitments of the Fund, un-met needs, and the "shrinking" dollar, than the listings now in operation.



RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by NFTS Executive Board

April 1954

DISARMAMENT

"Seek peace and pursue it." (Psalms 34:15)

Humanity is horrified by the awesome hydrogen bomb and the hideous possibilities of even more destructive bombs and gases, now being manufactured or contemplated. There is grave danger that mankind may destroy itself and its world.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in annual session assembled in New York, N. Y., on behalf of its United States' units, urges that the United States government, working through the United Nations, exert every effort for a universal and forcible regulation and limitation of armaments and an ultimate disarmament. Each step must be under an adequate system of inspection and control, with special emphasis on atomic and hydrogen bombs and other weapons of mass destruction. It is also urged that a permanent United States representative, who shall be a person of highest qualifications, be appointed immediately on the United Nations Disarmament Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board heartily endorses President Eisenhower's proposal for a United Nations Atomic Energy Pool for peaceful uses and urges that such a pool be developed and made available without delay.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board urges that plans be made now whereby all nations may devote to world economic development a substantial part of the funds saved as progress is made towards disarmament.

IMMIGRATION

"Open unto us the gates, at the time when the gates are closed." (Yom Kippur Service)

The Refugee Relief Act of 1953 (Public Law 203) passed by the 83rd Congress was designed to admit to the United States within three years, under non-quota immigration visas, 214,000 persons who were either refugees from or had escaped or been expelled from, certain specific areas. While thus designed to meet emergency needs, the provisions laid down for administration of the act were so restrictive that its purpose thus far has been defeated. In nine months less than twelve persons have been admitted under the act, at an administrative cost of \$600,000 for the first six refugees.

The failure of the Emergency Act underscores the futility of seeking to solve the vast immigration problem by temporary, patchwork programs and underscores the urgent need for prompt revision of the basic United States immigration law, set forth in the McCarran-Walter Act (Public Law 414).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in annual session assembled

in New York, N. Y., on behalf of its United States' units urges that President Eisenhower, who has repeatedly condemned the McCarran-Walter Act as restrictive and discriminatory, present to the Congress at the earliest possible moment an Administration measure which will bring the United States' basic immigration code into harmony with American traditions of humanity and fair play.

HUMAN RIGHTS

"Shall even one that hateth right govern?" (Job 34:17)

The whole field of Human Rights is of deepest concern to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. While we see value in the program presented by the United States to the U. N. Commission on Human Rights for national Human Rights commissions which shall report yearly to the United Nations Commission, we deplore the advance refusal of the United States Government to sign a Human Rights covenant when it is completed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in annual session assembled in New York, N. Y., urges on behalf of its United States' units that the United States government consider the pending Human Rights covenant on its merits and act accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the United States Senate be called upon speedily to ratify the Genocide Convention which has already been ratified by 43 nations and is, therefore, legally in effect as an international instrument for the prevention of the crime of genocide.

INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM AND NATIONAL SECURITY

"They shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig-tree,
and none shall make them afraid." (Micah 4:4)

We recognize the continuing danger to America, world freedom, and religious freedom, from the forces of communism. Constant vigilance is needed to guard against these dangers. We support efforts to guard our liberties against subversion, through proper governmental agencies and due process of law. Yet we recognize that wrong methods of meeting the communist menace can and do undermine the very civil and spiritual liberties which they claim to protect. The whipping up of hysterical fears and the making of irresponsible attacks upon individuals who are not given an adequate opportunity to defend themselves must be condemned as un-American and inimical to the American democratic tradition.

In focusing public attention on these threats to fundamental freedoms, American religious leaders of all faiths and other distinguished civic leaders have performed an invaluable public service.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in annual session assembled in New York, N. Y., on behalf of its United States' units, respectfully urges that the President of the United States be requested to appoint a Presidential Commission on National Security and Individual Freedom. This Commission shall comprise religious leaders of all faiths and other outstanding citizens who will be representative of a broad cross-section of American life. Such a Commission should study the best ways of protecting the nation from communist danger without at the same time subverting traditional American freedom. Furthermore, this Commission should be charged with the responsi-

bility of recommending such safeguards as it may deem necessary in the conduct of lawful investigations by legislative investigating bodies.

IN THANKS

In deep appreciation for the inspiration which we have received from the stimulating sessions of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial in New York City, April 28 and 29, 1954; the following expression of heartfelt thanks is resolved:

To Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, our gracious and beloved President who led us with patience, understanding and sympathy in all of our deliberations, and for her excellent President's Message which gave us such a clear picture of how much work she has been doing on behalf of the Federation;

To Miss Jane Evans, for her tireless efforts in facilitating all of our tasks, for her vast fund of information which time and time again was called upon to help clarify our thinking and for her very valuable report which has both spiritual and material content;

To the Executive Staff of the NFTS and their co-workers, both in NFTS and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for all they did to make our sessions not only of the Executive Board, but also of the pre-board and post-board meetings more pleasant and efficient;

To NFTS' District #3, the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, for their thoughtful hospitality, which was so welcome after a strenuous day of deliberations;

To Dr. James S. Parkes for his selflessness in accepting the invitation to address the Executive Board, and for his inspiring message.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr.

Within the past year, on May 8, 1953, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, its officers, Executive Board and membership as a whole, have sustained, a grievous loss in the passing of a beloved past National President. Mrs. Hugo Hartmann, Sr., a resident of Highland Park, Illinois, was a deeply religious woman who expressed her convictions quietly, effectively, graciously in communal and Jewish services. In addition to the role she played in her community and throughout the Chicago area, she gave unstintingly of herself to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods which she served with distinction and ability in many capacities. A National Chairman on Young Folks Temple Leagues, the forerunner of the present Committee on Youth Activities, Mrs. Hartmann entered the NFTS office of Treasurer in 1937, and served therein until 1941. Mrs. Hartmann was then elected to the highest office of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, the Presidency of the organization, which she held through the strenuous period of World War II. In 1946, Mrs. Hartmann declined the honor of serving a third term as National President. Through days of personal sorrow, as well as joy, Mrs. Hartmann was an unflinching example to all who were blessed with contact with her.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this expression of sentiment and appreciation for the inspiration of her rich life of service be spread upon the minutes of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and a copy thereof transmitted to the members of her family.

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Israel I. Mattuck

A few weeks ago, the Liberal, Progressive and Reform Jews of the world sustained a great loss through the passing of Dr. Israel I. Mattuck. A very distinguished alumnus of the Hebrew Union College, Dr. Mattuck had given a lifetime of leadership to the Anglo-Jewish community. Serving first Reform congregations in Nebraska and New York, he accepted the opportunity to serve Liberal Judaism in London, England, becoming the revered rabbi of the Liberal Jewish Synagogue on St. Johns Woods Road. One of the founders of the World Union for Progressive Judaism in 1926, he long served the World Union as Chairman of its Executive Committee. As rabbi, writer, and leader, his life was dedicated to the household of Israel and mankind.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this expression of the understanding of the meaning of his life be spread upon the minutes of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Executive Board and be forwarded to the World Union for Progressive Judaism, his congregation, and to his bereaved family.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE

Executive Committee

National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Union House of Living
Judaism—Berg Memorial
November 3, 1954
New York, N. Y.

The Executive Committee of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, was called to order 10 A.M. on Wednesday, November 3, 1954 in the Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial, New York, N. Y., by Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, President. The following members were present:

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, *Chairman*, Mrs. Albert Farber, Mrs. Sol Gitson, Mrs. Melvin Harris, Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, Mrs. Hannah Salm, Mrs. David Zielonka; Miss Jane Evans.

Miss Josephine Schoenborn and Miss Carolene Wachenheimer of the NFTS Executive staff were also present part of the day.

After an invocation in unison, the Committee ordered that Uniongrams be sent to Mrs. Julius Mark, Mrs. Henry Monsky, and Mrs. Abram Simon who could not attend the meeting because of illness.

DEPARTMENTALIZATION
EVALUATION AT BIENNIAL

It was pointed out that as Departmentalization had been in practice actually only since September, many Sisterhoods had not effected a working plan in this regard. Therefore, it would be difficult adequately to evaluate the effects of Departmentalization at the NFTS Biennial Assembly in Los Angeles, February, 1955. The Committee recommended that complete evaluation be postponed until the subsequent Biennial Assembly; that at the forthcoming Biennial full explanation be made of Departmentalization; that time be allowed for discussion so that Sisterhoods would be in a better position to implement Departmentalization in the coming Biennium. It was emphasized in this connection that in the case of other important matters to be discussed at the Assembly, someone should be asked in advance to prepare a full explanation of the matter in hand and to present this before discussion

takes place on the floor, in order to assist delegates in their deliberations. It was further recommended that the NFTS Speakers' Bureau request each District Federation to give the NFTS representative time at the District Board meeting, which takes place at the District Convention, to explain NFTS projects and to assist the Board as much as possible.

RELATIONSHIP OF DEPARTMENTS TO
NFTS EXECUTIVE BOARD

It was felt that as an experiment the Department meetings preceding the 1956 Executive Board meeting, should explore recommendations of Committees within the Department. The Departmental report to the Board would give an analysis of these suggestions together with recommendations to the Executive Board for its action. This procedure, it was felt, might be useful in exploring the best method of Departmental activity; decision would later be made with regard to continuing this type of procedure or returning to that which had been followed this year, namely, that departments would not present their recommendations to the Board but that Committee suggestions would be considered directly by the Executive Board. Prior consideration by Departments might facilitate thorough consideration by the Board.

CHANGE IN TITLE OF SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION FUND

A special Committee on NFTS Finances and the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund in a meeting on October 14, 1954 recommended that the name of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund be changed to Youth, Education and Sisterhood Fund (YES Fund) instead of Scholarship, Administration and Youth Fund (SAY Fund) as suggested in the NFTS President's Message to the Executive Board, April 28-29, 1954. The Executive Committee approved the change to the YES Fund and referred the recommendation to the NFTS Executive Board for consideration prior to presentation to the NFTS Biennial Assembly in February, 1955. The Executive Committee

was asked to consider ways of increasing contributions to the Fund. During the discussion, it was pointed out that perhaps in large communities with several Sisterhoods, it might be useful to have city-wide meetings of Chairmen in order to increase their knowledge of NFTS projects. This might assist Sisterhoods in supporting such projects.

CHANGE IN HONOR LISTING OF SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Under the plan for increasing contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund recommended by the Special Committee on October 14, 1954, it was hoped that a \$2 contribution per capita per annum from each Sisterhood would eventually be made to the Fund. This would create some problems in connection with the proposed Honor Listings for the Fund, for adequate recognition of the \$2 per capita contribution could not be made under the system of three Honor Listings, namely, Roll of Merit, Honor Roll, and Distinguished Service as presently envisioned. It was, therefore, approved that a new Distinguished Service listing be added for those Sisterhoods which meet the \$2 per capita contribution. This Distinguished Service listing would be greatly publicized and would be placed in special type in the *NFTS Year Book*. The Distinguished Service listing, which was in mind at present (\$1,000 contribution for a Sisterhood) would receive another name. The Roll of Merit and the Honor Roll would continue as planned. If necessary, the President could order further study of these listings.

PROCEDURES FOR WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM FELLOWSHIPS

Recently there had been complications in awarding Fellowships to students from overseas from World Union for Progressive Judaism countries; applications had been received subsequent to the NFTS Executive Board meeting at which allocations from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund were made and immediate granting of Fellowships was always asked.

Therefore, the Executive Committee ruled that applications for such Fellowships must be received by NFTS by October 31 to be given consideration for a student for admission to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in the following academic year. Although NFTS has a deep interest in helping to train rabbis from overseas, it has limited

funds. Therefore no applications of this type can be accepted until every effort has been made to raise funds for the needed Fellowship in the applicant's own community. A statement in this regard would need to be appended to each application. Applications will be voted on only once during the year; probably in November.

The Committee had lunch together in the Board Room of the HLJ and then had a showing of the NFTS film strip, *Through the Years: Jewish Women in American History*, which was enthusiastically received.

UNIONGRAM HONOR ROLL

The present system of an Honor listing for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and one for Uniongrams was confusing to Sisterhoods. The Executive Committee felt that NFTS should dispense completely with the Uniongram Honor Roll, SPECIAL UNIONGRAM OR SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION HONORS TO SISTERHOODS AT BIENNIAL ASSEMBLIES.

Currently NFTS presents at each Biennial Assembly three Blanche R. Stolz Trophies to those Sisterhoods which, in proportion to their size, have most increased their contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund in that Biennial period over the preceding one. In addition, a plaque is awarded to the three Sisterhoods which have sold the largest number of Uniongrams in the Biennial period. It was felt that consideration should be given to recognizing Sisterhoods which have made stupendous efforts in both areas yet will not win one of the customary awards at a Convention.

It was pointed out that the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, which has been one of the great leaders in the sale of Uniongrams and which had developed the idea of the Giant Uniongram and had given NFTS the plate for this, had recently prepared a gift item, to honor Mrs. Dalsheimer, in the form of a metal plated Uniongram. The Sisterhood had offered to send the plate, together with twenty-five of the impressions from it to NFTS. Since the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood has achieved first place in the sale of Uniongrams for the fifth consecutive year, it was suggested that instead of giving the Sisterhood a fifth plaque, it should be presented with a special award, perhaps with the new Megillah of Esther that is being prepared by the UAHC.

It was further thought that since NFTS had awarded gavels to Sisterhoods which completed HLJ quotas but had never awarded Sound Blocks and since, in any event, most Sisterhoods do have gavels, the plate from the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood might be used to stand upright facing the audience on a Sound Block as an award to other groups particularly outstanding in the sale of Uniongrams. Such awards will be made at the 1955 Biennial Assembly to those Sisterhoods which attained an outstanding record in the sale of Uniongrams and/or contributions to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund for the period ending October 31, 1954. The Committee to consider these awards will comprise the NFTS President, the Chairman of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, the Uniongram Chairman and members of the NFTS staff.

LUCKY FUND DRIVE

A member of the NFTS Executive Board had recommended that NFTS institute a "Lucky Fund Drive" to meet the deficit of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund; that each of the approximately 100,000 NFTS members would be asked to contribute 13¢ for this.

The Executive Committee was most appreciative of the suggestion and the interest evidenced but felt that in view of the proposed plan for the Fund, which will be presented at the Biennial Assembly in February, 1955, it seemed inadvisable to inaugurate a "Lucky Fund Drive."

LETTER FROM HUGO GREEN

Hugo Green, recipient of a special fellowship as an overseas student from the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund for study on the Cincinnati Campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, had written to Mrs. Dalsheimer to report on his academic progress and that of Isaac Jerusalemi and Walter Blumenthal. The three students expressed their warm appreciation for the fellowships. If Mr. Green permits, it was suggested that NFTS might send a copy of his letter to all Sisterhoods as a progress report.

DISTRIBUTION OF CARMEL WINES

NFTS had been approached with regard to distributing Carmel wines through Judaica Shops. The Executive Committee felt that this was a project that could not be handled by

NFTS because of varying license requirements and other problems.

PARLIAMENTARIAN FOR BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

The Committee considered the selection of a Parliamentarian for the NFTS Biennial Assembly, Los Angeles, February, 1955. The qualifications of several Parliamentarians were to be reviewed and a final selection made by the President and the Biennial Program Chairman.

RETENTION OF HLJ CHAIRMEN BY ALL SISTERHOODS AND CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN RAISING FUNDS FOR HLJ

The Executive Committee felt that Sisterhoods which have met their one-time quotas of \$10 per member toward the HLJ should not be asked to retain their HLJ Chairman. As funds are still needed for the building, Sisterhoods will, however, be asked to continue to raise funds insofar as possible. New Sisterhoods should be approached to determine whether they can assist in raising such funds. Furthermore, those Sisterhoods which have not yet met their quotas should be urged to do so.

The Committee also considered a suggestion that had been made by NFTS District #14, the Southeast Federation, regarding voluntary annual contributions of 10¢ per capita to the HLJ. This had been referred by the Executive Board to the House of Living Judaism Committee which felt that solicitation of such token contributions would be unwise, for larger sums were needed. The Executive Committee concurred in this opinion.

OPENING NFTS SAVINGS ACCOUNTS IN NEW YORK CITY SAVINGS BANKS

Approval was granted for the opening of as many savings accounts as needed in New York City Savings Banks or in other federally insured accounts.

DISPOSITION OF ROYALTY CHECKS, CONFIRMATION WORKBOOK

Mrs. Julian Hennig, former NFTS Vice-President and the author of a *Confirmation Workbook* sold by UAHC, had, at the time when the book was published, assigned 10% of her royalty checks to NFTS. For a number of years the checks have been applied to a fund for New Religious School Literature in accordance with a directive at the time of publication. The NFTS Executive Committee voted that henceforth royalty checks should be deposited

in the Investment and Endowment Fund established at the NFTS Executive Board Meeting, April, 1954.

COMPLIMENTARY COPIES OF NFTS SALEABLE MATERIALS

Explanation was made that in the past one copy of NFTS saleable materials had been sent to the President of each affiliated Sisterhood and NFTS District Federation. Question has been raised as to whether local and District Department Chairmen should receive the materials pertaining to their departments or whether all materials should continue to be sent to the Presidents. It was decided that decision on this matter would be deferred until after the Biennial Assembly.

TIMING OF BIENNIAL ASSEMBLIES

Local Sisterhoods and NFTS District Federations had asked that Biennial Assemblies be held at the same time of year in order to facilitate their planning. The Executive Committee voted to recommend to the UAHC that insofar as possible, Biennial Assemblies be held at approximately the same time (January or February) and that arrangements be made far enough in advance to permit this type of definite timing in order to comply with the wishes of our affiliated groups.

SISTERHOOD PARTICIPATION IN THE COMBINED CAMPAIGN

After full discussion, it was decided that Sisterhoods should continue to participate in the Combined Campaign as they had heretofore; namely, to work with the men of the Congregation in raising money whenever requested.

LETTER FROM ISAAC M. WISE TEMPLE SISTERHOOD

A letter from the Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood was read requesting the Executive Committee to consider crediting Sisterhoods with as many votes as the number of their delegates permitted, whether or not they were in attendance at the Biennial Assembly. The Committee decided that it would be unwise; and not to the benefit of local Sisterhoods or NFTS, to consider block voting at NFTS Biennial Assemblies, voting by proxy or absentee ballots.

The meeting recessed at 4:00 P.M.

November 4, 1954

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, the president, called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 9:30 A.M., November 4, 1954, in the Board

Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial. The meeting was in executive session. Later, the Executive Director joined the Executive Committee for the continuance of the executive session at which various personnel and other problems were discussed. The President was unanimously authorized to procure from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, retroactive to November 1, 1954, an adjustment in the recompense of the NFTS Executive Director. Should this not be forthcoming, the adjustment is to be made directly from the NFTS treasury. Miss Evans was authorized to see that certain other staff adjustments that she had recommended likewise presently be made.

UNEXPIRED TERMS ON BOARD OF OFFICERS ELECTED TO BOARD FOR SIX YEARS

Under the explanatory notes presented to the Biennial Assembly, April, 1953, it had been pointed out that the revisions of By-Laws with regard to the Executive Board would not affect those members of the Executive Board previously elected for six years. The revision of By-Laws also provided that the years a member of the Board serves on the Board, and as an officer, run concurrently. The Executive Committee interpreted the revisions as not relating to members who had been elected to the Board prior to the 1953 changes and that, therefore, those members of the Board who had been elected as officers would, if they had more years remaining prior to such election, not be deprived of such years of service after their term as an officer terminated. They would complete the amount of time remaining to them on the Board under the terms of the By-Laws as existing at the time of their election.

NFTS DISTRICTS

Mt. Zion Sisterhood, Sioux Falls, South Dakota had requested permission to affiliate with NFTS District #20 even though that District does not at present include South Dakota. The only other district with which it might affiliate would be NFTS District #24, the Western Federation, which would not be convenient for the Sioux Falls group. Since there was only one Sisterhood in South Dakota involved, the Executive Committee approved its affiliation with NFTS District #20, provided the District so wished.

In connection with the proposed merger of NFTS District #17, the Louisiana Federation,

and NFTS District #22, the Texas-Oklahoma Federation, the Executive Committee's attention was called to the fact that delegates from Texas-Oklahoma had been asked to attend the Texas-Oklahoma Board Meeting instructed on ways of voting in this connection. It has long been the custom in NFTS to urge that no delegates be instructed in advance but only informed. Otherwise there would be no point to delegates listening to debate.

It was decided that it would be advisable to write to the President of NFTS District #22 suggesting that at the forthcoming Board Meeting, delegates be mindful of the National policy of open mindedness on issues to be discussed; that delegates should however, have complete details before coming to the Board Meeting so that they would have background information and thereby be enabled to consider intelligently the question at issue. The Executive Committee in so writing would not be taking a position with regard to the merits of merger.

FURTHER BUSINESS

COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND WORLD RELATIONS
Suggestion had been made that NFTS urge local Sisterhoods to sponsor entertainment for foreign students in the homes of Sisterhood members; that this might promote understanding. After full consideration, the Executive Committee decided that NFTS was not in a position to take an official stand with regard to entertainment of foreign students; that this was an individual matter.

SISTERHOOD IN WIESBADEN

NFTS' attention had been called to a Sisterhood formed in Wiesbaden, Germany consisting of wives of air force officers and other personnel stationed there. A Sunday school had also been established. It had been thought that perhaps assistance might be sent to the religious school by NFTS. The Executive Committee felt that a group under the sponsorship of the families of air force officers would be in a position to maintain itself financially. Assistance would be sent to the group in the form of suggestions for curriculum and materials that might be useful to it.

POLICY STATEMENT WITH REGARD TO NFTS DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

One of the NFTS Sisterhoods had written to Mrs. Dalsheimer requesting that the Executive Committee consider recommending to the NFTS Executive Board a change in the statement with regard to policies and projects of NFTS District Federations that had been originally adopted by the NFTS District Presidents' Council in 1954. Since this statement had been considered and revised by the Executive Board and since the Executive Committee was of the opinion that the Board would be of the same mind with regard to the statement now as it had been then, it was agreed that the statement should not be presented again to the Executive Board.

THANKS OF THE UAHC TO NFTS

Mrs. Dalsheimer read to the group the letter of thanks from the Executive Board of the UAHC for the continued munificence of NFTS to the House of Living Judaism. Special thanks were given for the furnishing of the kitchen leading to the Board Room.

GOLDEN AGE GROUP

A member of the NFTS Executive Committee suggested that NFTS study ways of extending Sisterhood fellowship and opportunities for service to and by men and women of the Golden Age Group within the walls of the Congregation. This suggestion was heartily endorsed by the Executive Committee and the Executive Director was asked to develop materials.

Before the Benediction in Unison, Mrs. Dalsheimer thanked the members of the Executive Committee for their devoted efforts, and the Committee members expressed to Mrs. Dalsheimer their appreciation for her leadership.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

(Mrs. Hugo)

HELEN M. DALSHIMER,

President

MRS. HANNAH SALM,

Recording Secretary



AGENDA

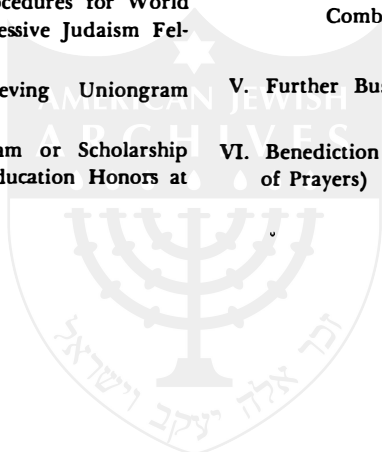
Executive Committee

November 3-4, 1954

Union House of Living Judaism—
Berg Memorial
New York, N. Y.

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Presiding

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PRE-CONVENTION MEETING

Statler Hotel
Los Angeles, Calif.
February 10, 1955

The Pre-Convention meeting of the Executive Board convened Friday, February 10, 1955 at 10:05 A.M. in the Sierra Room of the Statler Hotel, Los Angeles. An invocation was recited in unison.

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, President of NFTS, was in the chair. At the start of the meeting she thanked the NFTS staff for its cooperation in connection with Biennial preparations.

The following Board members were present:

Mrs. Daniel S. Bernheim, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Lester S. Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Maurice Brown, Paterson, N. J.; Mrs. Louis J. Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Beryl D. Cohon, Brookline, Mass.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Jack Davis, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss, Elmira, N. Y.; Mrs. Leon J. Ell, Miami Beach, Fla.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Edward S. Fields, Morgantown, W. Va.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Edgar Haas, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Forest Hills, N. Y.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. David E. Jacobs, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Jessyl Jacobs, San Francisco, Calif.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Jacob B. Joel, Athens, Ga.; Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. John Kruglick, Phoenix, Ariz.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Robert E. Levi, Newton Centre, Mass.; Mrs. Harry H. Lowenstein, E. Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Bernard Manheim, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Hubert Mendel, Hot Springs, Ark.; Mrs. Myron Meyer, St. Joseph, Mo.; Mrs. Julian H. Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Elmer L. Moyer, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. D. H. Orkin, Jackson, Miss.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Hannah Salm, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Mose M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Elmer Lentz Shaffer, Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. Albert M. Shulman, South

Bend, Ind.; Mrs. Robert Simons, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Mayer B. Sulzberger, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Lawrence Van Baalen, Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. William Wolman, Toronto, Canada; Mrs. Irwin E. Yoelson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y.

EXCUSES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

Messages of regret and reasons for non-attendance were received from members of the Board not attending. It was voted that appropriate Uniongrams be sent to those members who could not be present.

GREETINGS

Mrs. David Jacobs greeted the members of the Board on behalf of the Sisterhoods in the Los Angeles area. The Board gave thanks to Mrs. Alfred Wolf who had made ceramic hats to welcome the members of the Board on behalf of the Wilshire Blvd. Temple Sisterhood, Los Angeles.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Treasurer, presented her report. (See p. 242)

COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMS

Mrs. Julian Miller, NFTS Chairman of the Committee on Programs, read the recommendations from her report:

- (1) Program material and a calendar of dates of holidays and important events during the coming year should be issued by NFTS at the end of April. This material should be accompanied by a card which is to be signed and returned to NFTS by the Program Chairman of each Sisterhood, showing that the proper person received the items for the coming year's planning.
- (2) A mimeographed form asking for new original programs be sent to the Program Chairman of each Sisterhood and NFTS District Federation and included in the Packets so additional good programs can be secured.

(3) Advise Sisterhoods about programs which are suitable for groups of their size.

(4) More time should be given for consideration by the NFTS Executive Board, and District and NFTS Conventions, of ways of improving programs, since so many Sisterhoods state that attendance at meetings depends upon the programs presented.

I also recommend, since many submitted programs contain good ideas but are lacking in one respect or another, so that they cannot be published, that:

(5) NFTS appoint a committee of Sisterhood members, who, in the past, have written fine programs, to revise, adapt or improve programs submitted. (This, of course, would be with the approval of the Sisterhood submitting the program and would give credit to the original author and to the one who revises it.) No member on the committee would be asked to revise more than two programs a year.

In discussing her first recommendation there was considerable feeling that some method should be devised for assuring that presidents and program chairmen would pass material on to their successors. It was suggested that a special letter could be mailed to new presidents informing them of material that had been sent out and suggesting that they obtain this from their predecessors. It was agreed that a list of program material and a calendar of holidays be issued by NFTS in the spring. The other recommendations were adopted.

COMMITTEE ON INTERFAITH ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Louis Cashdan, NFTS Chairman of the Committee on Interfaith Activities, read the recommendations from her report:

NFTS has compiled a record of Sisterhood Interfaith activity since 1946. I have recommended that this material be evaluated and eventually be made available in a form which will not only be historically interesting but also useful to local Sisterhoods.

I also wish strongly to recommend that Intrafaith programming, an essential area of Sisterhood service, be separated from the field of Interfaith. We should not place Inter and Intrafaith in the same category.

Since her second recommendation involved a change in the name of the committee, which could not be effected without a change in the by-laws, Mrs. Cashdan altered this to the suggestion that the group think in terms of eventually changing the name of the Committee on Interfaith Activities to the Committee on Interreligious Activities, including interfaith, intra-religious and intercultural activities. Mrs. Cashdan reported that since the first recommendation was made, there had been an excellent compilation of the interfaith work done since 1946. It was agreed that within the next Biennial period the Committee and NFTS staff try to dramatize this material in some way.

NFTS ART CALENDAR

Since the NFTS filmstrip, *WITHIN THESE WALLS: THE UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM-BERG MEMORIAL*, dramatizes many aspects of Sisterhood program, it was suggested that one of the Sisterhood Art Calendars use illustrations from this filmstrip.

Mrs. Harry Lowenstein, NFTS Chairman of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind, read the recommendations from her report:

1. The Chairman recommends frequent re-statement before Sisterhood and other audiences of the uniqueness of the aims and purposes of the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., of which NFTS is the patron body. The Institute's Jewish Braille Library, so largely the result of the dedicated efforts of volunteer NFTS Brailleists, is the only library in the world, available to all blind, which produces English literature of Jewish content and/or by Jewish authors in brailled volumes. Furthermore, the Institute is interested in recordings of Yiddish classics.
2. This Committee recommends that NFTS exert its good offices to investigate the delay in the production of Braille writers. Hundreds of writers are on order at Perkins Institution, Watertown, Mass., and the vague information concerning them causes difficulties for brailleists.
3. NFTS stresses to Sisterhoods receiving suggested titles for brailling from NFTS, the need to scan them immediately, choose those titles which they expect

to do and return the list so marked to NFTS in order to facilitate suggestion of titles to other Sisterhoods. It is urgently necessary that local Sisterhood Brailleists, whose contributions to the Jewish Braille Library are so splendid, and so deeply appreciated, should give prompt cooperation on this matter of quick selection and notification to NFTS of their choices of material for brailleing. To this end I recommend that NFTS devise a new form method, in duplicate, whereby the brailleist or her group checks off titles to be accepted from a list, keeping one copy for local records and returning the other at once to NFTS headquarters. The recommendations were accepted.

The meeting recessed at 12 noon. After luncheon together, the Board reconvened at 1:45 P.M.

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

The allocations from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund were approved after full discussion and a typographical error with regard to fellowships was corrected.

AWARD OF CERTIFICATES TO OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, Immediate Past NFTS President, awarded certificates of appreciation to members of the NFTS Executive Board whose terms expired at this Biennial. She expressed, on behalf of the officers and members of the Board, deep appreciation for the devoted service rendered by each member whose term was expiring.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Board approved unanimously the minutes

of its meeting in April, 1954, and those of the Executive Committee in December, 1954.

Further Business

HISTORY WRITING ON UNIONGRAMS

Mrs. Samuel Danto, NFTS Chairman on Uniongrams, urged that Board members continue to stress for the remainder of the year the project of History Writing on Uniongrams.

SUGGESTION RE PAST BOARD MEMBERS AT BIENNIALS

It was suggested at each Biennial Assembly some method be devised, perhaps an alumnae breakfast or luncheon, for past Board members to meet, to continue their interest in NFTS and for informational purposes.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Discussion was held on procedure relating to revision of NFTS By-Laws, as there had been some criticism of the present procedure. It seemed desirable for a meeting to be held with the NFTS Executive Committee and an equal number of members from NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, which had been the group concerned with procedural matters. The meeting was arranged for Sunday evening, February 13. The Chairman of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee and the Executive Director and Parliamentarian were also invited to participate.

The Pre-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board was adjourned at 3:50 P.M.

(Mrs. Hugo)
HELEN M. DALSHIMER,
President

MRS. HANNAH SALM,
Recording Secretary



Proceedings of the Executive Board

MID-CONVENTION MEETING

Statler Hotel
Los Angeles, Calif.
February, 15, 1955

The Mid-Convention Executive Board meeting was called to order Tuesday afternoon, February 15, 1955, at 4:40 P.M. in the New York Room of the Statler Hotel by the

President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer. After an invocation in unison, Mrs. Hannah Salm, Secretary, called the roll of members whose terms had not expired and of newly elected members. The following new members, who were present, were welcomed by Mrs. Dalsheimer:

Mrs. Max Aronson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Manuel Brown, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Mac R. Burka, Asheville, N. C.; Mrs. Herbert S. Frieder, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Bernard Goldsmith, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Alan S. Green, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Jerry Harris, El Paso, Tex.; Mrs. Kenneth Huherman, Newton Centre, Mass.; Mrs. Joseph N. Koch, Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. Leopold L. Schwartz, Miami Beach, Fla.; Mrs. Perry Segal, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Lionel Shatz, San Francisco, Calif.; Mrs. Robert Simons, Louisville, Ky.; *Mrs. Maurice Weisberg, Lancaster, Pa.; Mrs. James J. Zofness, Beverly Hills, Calif.

The following Board members who will continue in office were also present:

Mrs. R. C. Bauer, Alexandria, La.; Mrs. Daniel S. Bernheim, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Lester S. Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Louis J. Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Beryl D. Cohon, Brookline, Mass.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Jack Davis, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss, Elmira, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Edward S. Fields, Morgantown, W. Va.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Forest Hills, N. Y.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Jessyl Jacobs, San Francisco, Calif.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Jacob B. Joel, Athens, Ga.; Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. John Kruglick, Phoenix, Ariz.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Robert E. Levi, Newton Centre, Mass.; Mrs. Harry H. Lowenstein, E. Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Hubert Mendel, Hot Springs, Ark.; Mrs. Myron Meyer, St. Joseph, Mo.; Mrs. Julian H. Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Elmer L. Moyer, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. D. H. Orkin, Jackson, Miss.; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Hannah Salm, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Mose M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Harry Shapiro, St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Albert M. Shulman, South Bend, Ind.; Mrs. Mayer B. Sulzberger, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Lawrence Van Baalen, Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. Leon L. Watters, New York, N. Y.;

* Re-elected to the Board.

Mrs. William Wolman, Toronto, Canada; Mrs. Irwin E. Yoelson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

As Mrs. Julius Mark, New York Chairman of the Committee on Nominations for officers, was prevented from attending the Biennial Assembly, Mrs. Mose M. Schwartz, Houston, Texas, Vice-Chairman, presented the report of the Committee:

"This is a report which is presented with deep satisfaction. The President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the 1953-55 Biennial period, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, has served the organization with great distinction and has endeared herself not only to each member of the Executive Board but also through her gracious leadership to all our 100,000 members. So the Committee is honored to report not only that Mrs. Dalsheimer is eligible to remain in office for a second and final two-year term, but also that she has consented to be renominated. The other officers, who likewise are also eligible for renomination for a second and final two-year term in their present offices, have consented to stand again for election; Miss Evans, our professional officer, who in my opinion gives the most consecrated and dynamic leadership, may serve an unlimited number of terms.

"The Committee on Nominations for Officers is pleased to submit, by unanimous vote, the following slate of candidates to serve in the capacities indicated, for the Biennial period 1955-57.

President—Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio

Third Vice-President—Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia.

Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.

Treasurer—Mrs. Irving E. Hollohow, Evanston, Ill.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Hannah Salm, Chicago, Ill.

Executive Director—Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y.

"The Executive Committee is composed of the officers and four other members of the NFTS Executive Board; all but one of these other members were eligible to serve again. By unanimous vote of the Nominating Committee, the eligible members have been invited to stand for reelection and have accepted.

"The one vacancy on the Executive Committee for the 1955-57 term results from the completion of the number of years of eligibility on the NFTS Executive Board of Mrs. Julius Mark of New York. After careful study of the qualifications of available eligible members of the NFTS Executive Board, the Committee is pleased to report that by unanimous vote its nominee is Mrs. William J. Leffler of Tuckahoe, N. Y.

"Therefore, the Nominating Committee for Officers proposes for the term 1955-57, Mrs. Leffler and the reelection of:

Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.

Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbia, S. C. and Forest Hills, N. Y.

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.
(Immediate Past President of NFTS)

"Your Chairman especially wishes to thank the members of the Nominating Committee who so graciously expedited the work of the Committee by phone and mail. Since all of the officers were of unquestioned competence and eligible for reelection, the question was raised whether the National Federation should be placed under the expense of transportation charges for a committee meeting. The Committee members decided, after full consideration, that their task could be accomplished this year by correspondence and long distance telephone.

"It is the conviction of the Nominating Committee for Officers that the affairs of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, under the leadership of the women herewith

nominated and the other members of the Executive Board, will be in responsible, experienced and dedicated hands for the Biennial period 1955-57."

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. Julius) Margaret Mark, New York, N. Y.

Chairman, Nominating Committee for Officers of the Executive Board, NFTS
(Mrs. Mose) Hilda Schwartz, Houston, Tex., Vice-Chairman

(Mrs. Lester S.) Ruth Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa.

(Mrs. Willis D.) Dorothy Gradison, Cincinnati, Ohio.

(Mrs. David R.) Esther Simon, Washington, D. C.

The slate was unanimously accepted.

Mrs. Dalsheimer expressed on behalf of the officers her pleasure in working with the new members of the Board and continuing to work with the members whose terms were continuing. She emphasized that she would welcome at all times suggestions for NFTS activities.

BUDGET FOR 1955-1956

Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Evanston, Illinois, NFTS Treasurer and Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Finance, presented the budget for 1955-56. Consideration of the budget was postponed until the Post-Convention Executive Board meeting so members would have time to acquaint themselves with it.

The Mid-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board was adjourned at 5:30 P. M.

(Mrs. Hugo)

HELEN M. DALSHIMER,

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Recording Secretary



Proceedings of the Executive Board

POST-CONVENTION MEETING

Statler Hotel
Los Angeles, Calif.

February 16, 1955

The Post-Convention session of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods convened in the Los Angeles Room of the Statler Hotel, Wednesday, February

16, 1955, at 4:30 P.M. Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer was in the chair.

An invocation was recited in unison. The following members of the Board were present:

Mrs. Max Aronson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. R. C. Bauer, Alexandria, La.; Mrs. Daniel S. Bernheim Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Lester S.

Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Manuel Brown, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Maurice Brown, Paterson, N. J.; Mrs. Mac R. Burka, Asheville, N. C.; Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Beryl D. Cohon, Brookline, Mass.; Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Morris Dreyfuss, Elmira, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Edward S. Fields, Morgantown, W. Va.; Mrs. Herbert S. Frieder, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Bernard Goldsmith, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Alan S. Green, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Jerry Harris, El Paso, Tex.; Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Forest Hills, N. Y.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving E. Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Kenneth Huberman, Waban, Mass.; Mrs. Jessyl Jacobs, San Francisco, Calif.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Jacob B. Joel, Athens, Ga.; Mrs. Joseph N. Koch, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. John Kruglick, Phoenix, Ariz.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Robert E. Levi, Newton Centre, Mass.; Mrs. Harry H. Lowenstein, E. Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Hubert Mendel, Hot Springs, Ark.; Mrs. Myron Meyer, St. Joseph, Mo.; Mrs. Julian H. Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Elmer L. Moyer, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Hannah Salm, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Leopold L. Schwartz, Miami Beach, Fla.; Mrs. Mose M. Schwartz, Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Perry Segal, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Harry Shapiro, St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Lione! Shatz, San Francisco, Calif.; Mrs. Albert M. Shulman, South Bend, Ind.; Mrs. Robert Simons, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. Mayer B. Sulzberger, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Lawrence Van Baalen, Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. Maurice Weisberg, Lancaster, Pa.; Mrs. William Wolman, Toronto, Canada; Mrs. Irwin E. Yoelson, Shaker Heights, Ohio; Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.; Mrs. James J. Zofness, Beverly Hills, Calif.; Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y.

ADOPTION OF BUDGET FOR NFTS FISCAL YEAR
1955-1956

After discussion, the budget, as presented, was unanimously accepted and the Board

offered its thanks to Mrs. Irving Hollobow, NFTS Treasurer and Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Finance.

NEW BUSINESS

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM FOR YES FUND

In view of the suggestion that had been made to the Biennial that the Revision of By-Laws Committee consider presenting to the next Biennial Assembly a recommendation for a raise in dues, Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Illinois, Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, recommended that the Executive Committee consider the importance of an educational program relating to the YES Fund in the next two years, that a clearer picture of income and expenses be presented to Sisterhoods. If Sisterhoods were better informed, they would more easily achieve a decision with regard to this matter.

It was agreed that the Executive Committee would consider and present to the Executive Board ways and means of presenting to local Sisterhoods more information concerning finances.

It was pointed out that Board members should do all they possibly could to insure the success of the YES Fund program on a voluntary basis as adopted by the Biennial; that possibly as much was to be gained from this voluntary activity with no ceiling than from a new program of a raise in dues. It was suggested that the District Presidents' Council consider ways in which NFTS District Federations might encourage Sisterhoods in their areas to contribute increasing amounts of monies to the YES Fund.

HONOR LISTINGS FOR YES FUND

In response to a question, explanation was made that the Honor Listings for contributions to the YES Fund would be revised now that the YES Fund itself had been adopted.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS AND DELEGATES
TO BIENNIALS

It was suggested that it might be useful to prepare for the next Biennial Assembly a map of the United States, pin-pointing Sisterhoods so that the Assembly would understand why there were more representatives from certain areas than other areas on the Executive Board as well as delegates to Biennial Assemblies. This suggestion was referred to the Executive Committee for consideration.

IMPORTANCE OF BOARD MEMBERS IN DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

A member pointed out that NFTS Executive Board members should be encouraged to play a more important part on the Boards of District Federations. Explanation was made that this policy was encouraged by NFTS.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Board referred to the Executive Committee consideration of a proposal by Judge Kross concerning the Jewish Philanthropies of New York City with relation to NFTS activity.

Mrs. Dalsheimer again welcomed the new members of the Board. She expressed her gratitude for the cooperation of all Board members during the sessions and expressed on behalf of the entire organization her thanks to Mrs. Henry Monsky, Chairman of the Biennial Program Committee, for her deep devotion to NFTS and her outstanding work in connection with the Biennial.

After a Benediction was recited in unison, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 P.M.



(Mrs. Hugo)
HELEN M. DALSHIMER,
President
MRS. HANNAH SALM,
Recording Secretary

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Hotel Statler, Los Angeles, Calif.
February 11, 1955 - 10:00 A.M.

PRE-CONVENTION SESSION

A G E N D A

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.,
Presiding

1. Invocation (in Unison)
2. Roll Call
3. Excuses for Non-Attendance, and Greetings
4. Minutes of the April, 1954, Executive Board Session; and November, 1954, Executive Committee Sessions
5. Recommendations from Reports of Committee Chairmen
6. Allocations of Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

7. Further Business
8. Award of Certificate of Appreciation to members who complete term of office on the NFTS Executive Board
9. Adjournment and Benediction

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Hotel Statler, Los Angeles, Calif.
February 15, 1955

MID-CONVENTION SESSION

A G E N D A

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., Presiding

1. Invocation (in Unison)
2. Roll Call
3. Welcome to Newly Elected Board Members
4. Report of Committee on Nomination for Officers
Mrs. Julius Mark, Chairman
Mrs. Mose M. Schwartz, Vice-Chairman
5. Election of Officers
6. Presentation of Budget for 1955-56
Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Evanston, Ill., Treasurer and Chairman of Committee on Budget and Finance
7. Recess until Post-Convention Meeting of the Executive Board

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Hotel Statler, Los Angeles, Calif.
February 16, 1955

POST-CONVENTION SESSION

A G E N D A

Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., Presiding

1. Invocation (in Unison from printed program)
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Budget for NFTS Fiscal Year 1955-56
4. Further Business
5. Adjournment and Benediction

President's Message

Pikesville, Md., January 20, 1955

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Friends:

This is my first opportunity to address the delegates of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Convention assembled, and to express my sincere and profound gratitude for having been given the privilege of serving as your President. My term of office has been most gratifying and the experience of the past two years has been heartening and encouraging. I have met with Sisterhood members representing our affiliates in the North, East, South and West, as well as overseas. It is with pride and assurance that I have become acquainted with the dedicated, devoted membership and leadership in Sisterhood.

Sisterhood's program is unique in that we are the only women's organization devoted primarily to the strengthening of Reform or Liberal Judaism. And in today's troubled world, with its uncertainties and difficulties, we feel the need for stronger moral and spiritual forces. We need to realize the important part which religion will have to play in the restoration and maintenance of world balance. No longer can we enjoy our privileges and avoid our responsibilities. We of Liberal Judaism are a part of a world movement. The situation in which we find ourselves calls for a revitalization and a reawakening of our interest in religion, and to Sisterhood this should be a challenge to devote our individual and collective efforts to this objective. May our deliberations at this Convention be fruitful and constructive, and inspire us to even greater service to our faith and to mankind.

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

It is a source of satisfaction that during the 1953-55 Biennial period we were able to hold not only very satisfactory department meetings, for the first time in our NFTS history, but also better attended committee meetings. In a national organization with members chosen from all areas of a continent and therefore widely separated often by thousands of miles it is, of course, far more difficult to work out satisfactory committee contacts than would be true in a local Sisterhood or District Federation. However, through meetings held in the Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial as well as through correspondence, committee members have had the opportunity to give to each other and the Federation the benefit of their thought and their experience. "Thinking by correspondence," if we really apply it, gives us many valuable results. Therefore, warm appreciation is extended to all who have taken seriously the responsibility of sharing through correspondence their ideas, reactions, suggestions, and constructive criticisms.

THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

The Evaluation Committee met in New York at the Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial during the past year, and it was agreed that the primary objective of the Committee was to study the structure and functions of NFTS in terms of changing needs, and attainment of the organization's goals.

One of the specific functions of the Committee would be to reevaluate the realignment of NFTS into four departments. It was stated at this meeting that since the Committee is a Special Committee, it is not self-perpetuating, but goes out of existence at the next Biennial, unless it is reappointed by the Executive Committee.

When the Executive Board met it came to the conclusion that the Departmentalization set-up had not been given an adequate or fair trial, since it had only been in operation since September, 1954 at all levels of NFTS. Furthermore, many local Sisterhoods and District Federations have not put the new plan into practice, because of the need to await their annual meetings or conventions and for other legitimate reasons.

Consequently at this time I am suggesting to the Executive Committee that the Evaluation Committee continue to function until the next Biennial in 1957, and give further study and consideration to the departmentalization plan.

I should also like to urge all local Sisterhoods and District Federations which have not departmentalized to do so as soon as possible. Otherwise their committee chairmen are not receiving communications from NFTS which go now only to local and district Department chairmen for distribution to their respective committees. As an addendum to this message there is recapitulated the names of the four NFTS Departments on Religion and Education, Human Relations, Advancement of Judaism and Membership and Administrative Services, with the NFTS committees for each department. It should be noted, of course, that local Sisterhoods would have additional purely local committees that they might add to each department.

Experience is proving that the new system of departmentalization makes for better efficiency as well as economy on the NFTS level, and serves as a means of leadership training on the local and district level.

NEW SISTERHOODS

Since the last Biennial, thirty-five Sisterhoods have been added to our roster, which brings the total to five hundred and eleven (511) affiliated groups, with a membership of approximately one hundred thousand women. Many of the new Sisterhoods are of newly established congregations, which have been organized with the assistance of our parent body—the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. There have been approximately forty new congregations during the past two years, which is a significant figure, since it indicates the growth of our movement. Many young couples have affiliated with our Reform congregations, which is reflected in the youthful, intelligent and dynamic Sisterhood membership.

SISTERHOOD PUBLICATIONS

A detailed and specific report of the material published by NFTS since the last Biennial will be given in our Director's report, but I cannot refrain from commenting on several of the outstanding contributions made to Sisterhood programming, and the Jewish scene generally.

The *Manual for Sisterhoods* by Ruth Jacobson is in the hands of those Sister-

hoods, and individuals, who have ordered it. I feel confident this will be a "Baedeker" for Sisterhood leaders, and strongly urge that each Sisterhood purchase at least one copy for its Sisterhood library shelf. I want to congratulate Ruth Jacobson on a "job well done," and for the truly important contribution she has made to NFTS. To Jane Evans goes our thanks for the part she had in the publication of the "Manual," and for serving as its editor.

The two filmstrips—"Through the Years—Jewish Women in American History" and "Within These Walls—the Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial," with manuals for each, deserve special commendation. Miss Diana Bernstein, of our own NFTS staff, deserves the credit for the research and the scripts. Of course, no NFTS job is completed without the experienced assistance and guidance of Miss Jane Evans who was the director of these two splendid productions.

The biography, *Lily H. Montagu: Prophet of a Living Judaism* by Eric Conrad, which was published by NFTS in time for Miss Montagu's eightieth birthday, is a magnificent tribute to this wonderful lady, whose entire life has been dedicated to her faith and to the welfare of mankind.

I would also like to congratulate Miss Evans and the staff for the Art Calendar which so beautifully and artistically honored the Three Hundredth Anniversary of the Settlement of the Jews in New Amsterdam, and gave us a concise glimpse into the past.

AMERICAN JEWISH SISTERHOODS HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM

Since the last Biennial in April of '53, \$22,256.93 has been contributed to the House of Living Judaism fund. Fifteen additional Sisterhoods have completed their quotas, and ninety-two have contributed in this period to this project, as has NFTS District #3 and the former NFTS District #21.

With the monies that have been received the UAHC-NFTS House Committee voted to allocate a portion of this amount to equip the kitchen adjacent to the Board Room in the HLJ and another portion to air-condition and equip a large space in the basement to house the mimeograph and mail departments. Both of these projects have been completed and our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, has expressed profound gratitude for our continuing interest and support.

However, I need to call to your attention the fact that NFTS must continue to collect funds for the House of Living Judaism not only from Sisterhoods who have not fulfilled their quotas, but also from additional contributors who might be interested in our great center of Reform Judaism even in Sisterhoods which have contributed. The mezzanine, which was originally designed to house a library, and is clearly visible from the handsome lobby, is now being utilized for necessary work space. It is not only inadequate, but to me it is truly a painful eyesore, and a discordant note in this dignified building. The original plans for the House envisaged two additional floors, and the foundations were laid to support a structure of this size.

May I urge that this body of NFTS delegates in Convention assembled record their approbation of using every means available to bring the complete plans

for the Union House of Living Judaism—Berg Memorial to fruition, and that you return to your local Sisterhoods and District Federations and acquaint them with the facts, strongly recommending their continued and additional support.

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

With a membership of approximately 100,000, NFTS has reached a stage in its history when we should pause and examine our over-all picture and the scope of our activities. Not only have we grown numerically, but we have matured in our thinking, and we have expanded and developed our entire Sisterhood program. Certainly there can be no doubt that an organization of the size and influence of ours should be self-sustaining. If we continue to be an organization dependent for its administration upon an annual contribution from the parent body of our movement, our very self-respect, to say nothing of our belief in the role that women may play in American Reform Judaism, will be at stake.

In the "Work Papers" you received, in preparation for this Convention, it was pointed out that Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, in her President's Message to the Executive Board in 1952 called on the members of the Board to take into account the implications and the complications of our present method of financing and try to find ways of improving it.

At the Executive Board Meeting in April, 1954, I stated "The question of the financial structure of NFTS is so closely tied in with the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund that I believe we must come to grips with both the over-all financial picture of the Federation and the special fund simultaneously." I recommended a change in the name and scope of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund.

The Executive Board gave this whole question their most careful and mature consideration, and after full discussion decided to recommend to this Biennial that the name of the Committee, and its fund, be "Youth, Education and Sisterhood." As can be readily understood the initials stand for the affirmative declaration "YES"—Y for Youth, E for Education, S for Sisterhood.

I realized that this is a drastic step, but I am convinced it is a step forward. I am aware of the growing interest of Sisterhoods in youth and youth camps, and NFTS needs a new approach—a new incentive for the sale of Uniongrams. This new plan is one which should excite and stimulate fresh interest.

Through the Yes Fund we will be able to make substantial contributions to our youth by allocating a certain portion of the fund to the Union for the NFTY program. Perhaps it will be specifically designated for youth camps, but whatever we do for our youth is one of our most important and rewarding undertakings. The youth of today are the future leaders of tomorrow, and to guarantee this future it is my earnest hope that NFTS will accept this responsibility. If we give our young people a firm foundation, we will enable them to have security in their Judaism and a loyalty to their faith.

Naturally, we will continue to give an annual contribution for student assistance to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, as we have done in the past. However, in accordance with the request of the Board of Governors

of the College-Institute, there will be a basic change in the awarding of aid to students. This change is to make funds from Sisterhoods available in the form of Student Aid, not outright scholarship grants, except in a few special cases. The majority of the student body are in accord with the change proposed by the Board of Governors. The feeling is that education for the rabbinate should not be on a different economic basis than education for any other of the great service professions.

In addition to this suggested change in name and program, the College-Institute has recently increased the Dormitory fee in Cincinnati to \$700.00 per year and is now asking NFTS to accept the increase from a maximum, in proportion to need, of \$550.00 per year to \$600.00 per year in Student Aid.

I cannot over-emphasize my personal conviction that the Board of the College-Institute has made the correct decision, and NFTS which is organized primarily to be of service to Reform Judaism, through our contributions to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, should cooperate and support the conclusions of the authorities of the College-Institute, which were reached after thorough investigation and careful consideration.

I feel confident that every delegate here will agree that it is impossible for any national women's organization to operate on \$1.00 per capita dues. Certainly NFTS with its expanding program of service to more than 500 affiliates finds it impracticable, and not feasible. In the past we have had to depend on the Union to supplement our budget by more than \$50,000 annually in addition to our income from our nominal dues and some sales of miscellaneous Sisterhood materials. We have actually been deceiving ourselves; not only have we not been self-sustaining but we have actually not contributed to the support of the religious educational program of our parent body.

We are not proposing an increase in dues at this time, though this would be the most dependable and reliable plan to insure our Sisterhood program and NFTS self-support. We are proposing, however, not only a change in the name of the present Scholarship and Religious Education Committee to Youth, Education and Sisterhood, an affirmative YES to our responsibilities, but also a change in scope. This change in scope can only succeed if our dues paying members rededicate themselves earnestly and enthusiastically to accepting voluntary Sisterhood quotas that will equal \$2.00 per capita from the sale of Uniongrams and cash donations. As will be noted, when the awards are presented during this Convention for the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund and the sale of Uniongrams, in reality we are only asking all of our Sisterhoods to raise their sights to the levels which our leading Sisterhoods, irrespective of size, have long maintained. A number of Sisterhoods in the Federation already contribute more than \$2.00 per capita to the present Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, with some attaining the splendid standard of \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00 per capita. All honor to them. We need their inspiration as well as their continued devoted service while the rest of us strive to equal them—at least, to the point of \$2.00 per capita for all Sisterhoods, on a voluntary basis, for the new Youth, Education

and Sisterhood Fund. Thus we shall reflect, in keeping with the significance of our organization, not only the dignity of self-support but also an expanded program of service to Youth and Education commensurate with our responsibilities on the American and world religious scene.

It is with sincere and genuine conviction that I recommend to this Biennial Assembly the adoption of this new name and program, when the report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws is presented. I earnestly solicit your enthusiastic endorsement of the proposed change in the NFTS By-Laws whereby the present Scholarship and Religious Education Fund will be expanded to Youth, Education and Sisterhood Fund.

IN APPRECIATION

To my many friends and co-workers I wish to express deep appreciation for understanding and cooperation. I say cooperation advisedly, because I have received such complete and devoted assistance and support, that my task as your President has been most rewarding and gratifying.

To Jane Evans, NFTS Executive Director, go my personal thanks and yours for her untiring and devoted service. She has given selflessly of her time, and her dynamic personality; her indefatigable energy, and her keen and amazing perception of Sisterhood have continued to earn our respect and admiration.

To Josephine Schoenborn, Carolene Wachenheimer, Diana Bernstein, Gertrude Rom and Anne Wexler, who bring to their tasks intelligent understanding of NFTS affairs, and to the entire staff in our headquarters, all carrying their share of the load with loyalty and faithfulness, we offer our heartfelt appreciation.

The delegates and visitors to the Biennial Assembly, as well as the officers of NFTS are deeply indebted to Mrs. Henry Monsky, Chairman of the Biennial Program Committee, and to the many Sisterhood members, both in the East and on the West Coast, who worked so diligently and untiringly to make this a successful Convention. Our warm gratitude and thanks to all.

This Biennial Assembly takes place during the year of the celebration of the Tercentenary of the settlement of Jews in New Amsterdam. We recall the contributions and achievements of American Jewry over these three hundred years with admiration and humility. However, this occasion is only meaningful if it inspires us, in whichever country of our Sisterhood world we live, to greater accomplishments and greater service. We must look forward, not backward, and consider what we can do to enrich and enhance our lives and the lives of our fellow men. And so as we commemorate this Tercentenary year in America and the 42nd year of our National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, let us plan our programs to meet the challenge which is ours. Let us revitalize our interest in our faith, and strengthen our Reform movement through our personal dedication to Judaism.

May this be the message we take back from this Convention. Let us hope and pray that the future will see a spiritual reawakening—and the world a better place in which to live.

(MRS. HUGO) HELEN M. DALSHIMER

ADDENDUM

to

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Departmentalization Plan

Department on Religion and Education

Family Education
Jewish Ceremonials and Art
Programs
Religious Extension
Religious Schools
Youth Activities

Department on Human Relations

Emergency Services
Interfaith Activities
Jewish Literature for the Blind
Peace and World Relations

Department on Advancement of Judaism

Combined Campaign of UAHC-HUC-JIR
House of Living Judaism
Scholarship and Religious Education Fund
Uniongrams
World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities

Department on Membership and Administrative Services*

*This Department includes a number of NFTS Committees which Sisterhoods do not necessarily appoint, i.e.:

Committee of District Federations, concerned with NFTS District Federations and, therefore, requiring no local appointment.

Committee on Budget and Finance which does not coincide completely with a local Ways and Means Committee whose financial problems differ greatly from those of NFTS.

Committee on Evaluation which assesses NFTS goals and methods of achieving them, and would not correspond, but only parallel a local committee, if a Sisterhood deemed such appointment helpful.

Committee on Field Service which strives to provide increased contact between NFTS, local Sisterhoods, and District Federations and obviously is not locally appointed.

Committee on Revision of By-Laws which studies and presents to NFTS Biennial Assemblies for their action revisions representing the will of the membership and meeting the expanding needs of NFTS; the duties of this Committee would not correspond with, but only parallel any local appointment.

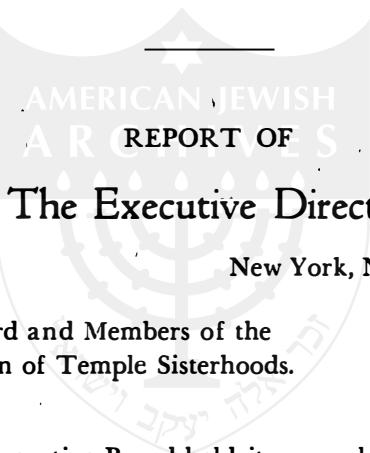
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In Sisterhoods large enough to have four Vice-Presidents, it is customary for one Vice-President to be the Chairman of each Department. However, in smaller Sisterhoods the departmentalization plan can work most successfully with the

department chairman chosen from other than officer personnel. In some instances, the chairman of one committee in a department accepts the departmental responsibility; in others, past presidents or women other than current officers have been appointed; in a few instances of very small Sisterhoods, one woman has been appointed as chairman for two departments.

Naturally, every local Sisterhood will have a number of committees not given above which should be added to the department in which its work seems most logical.

It should be noted that NFTS headquarters and Chairmen of NFTS Committees no longer send form letters direct to local chairmen but only to the local and District department chairmen for distribution by them to the respective chairmen in their group. Copies of these communications are also included in the monthly Presidents' Packets and NFTS Board Folio. The department chairmen can increase the efficiency of Sisterhood operation, add to their own leadership training and experience, as well as relieve an over-burdened Sisterhood president by acting as the coordinators and the stimulators for the committees within their responsibility.



The Executive Director

New York, N. Y., February 1, 1955

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

When the NFTS Executive Board held its annual session in April 1954, that particular week seemed destined to become a fateful one in history. Now almost forgotten under new pressures, it is difficult to recall the impact, ten months ago, of the McCarthy-Army hearings; the problems of a Korean peace and the desperate struggle in Indo-China; the Geneva Conference. Today, with shocking rapidity upon the heels of a brief pause in which the President of the United States was able to say only last month to the newly convened Congress, that at the moment there was no major warfare on the face of the globe, the tensions of Formosa and still unresolved problems of the Far East cast their gravely threatening shadows. However, our Sisterhood affairs need seem no less trivial against a backdrop of vast international problems than they have at any time in our more than 42 years of history which, unfortunately, coincide with some of the most turbulent and cataclysmic periods of modern times. Ultimately, the fate of nations and of men will depend even more upon the disciplines, the insights and the spiritual dedications of individual men and women, than upon the forces

of international, political and economic life. Therefore, an organization and a convention dedicated to the affairs of a national and even international movement of religious life, and a program of service to Jewish and humanitarian causes, is of enduring significance.

NFTS FUNDS, CONTRIBUTIONS AND CERTAIN PROJECTS

For a complete picture of the work of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, one needs to peruse the reports of the officers and each NFTS Department and Committee. These reports will be distributed shortly after the XXth Biennial Convention, with the proceedings of the Convention, in a new edition of the Year Book. Meanwhile, the Director will attempt to recapitulate some of the financial aspects of the Federation's program.

NFTS income, in addition to its earmarked funds (of which 10% of cash contributions received are deducted for a very nominal cost of fund-raising) includes per capita dues of \$1 per annum; District Federation dues of \$10 per annum; and receipts from the sale of Sisterhood materials. The administration of NFTS is made possible by this direct income and a very large annual grant from the parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

It must be remembered that the UAHC has included more than \$50,000 in its annual budget toward the support of NFTS. Therefore, the sum contributed by NFTS from the presently named Scholarship and Religious Education Fund to the UAHC toward religious education is not a plus contribution, in terms of Union activities, as is each dollar contributed to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. While it is not right to mix in our minds earmarked funds, such as the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, with direct income used for our administration, it is fair to point out that in the fiscal year closed October 31, 1954, the UAHC expended upon the administration of NFTS an overall total of \$53,189.15; it received in return from NFTS, exclusive of one-time expenditures for the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial, a total of \$47,500. Of this \$47,500, there was given \$35,000 from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund toward the UAHC's religious educational program including youth activities; \$1,500 from the same Fund for Lecture Institutes for Teachers and Laymen (a joint UAHC-NFTS project) \$1,500 to the Phillipson Fund for a joint UAHC-NFTS project of holiday records, and \$9,500 from NFTS' general treasury toward administrative expenses.

A special word is in order about the holiday records. There are now available from our parent body, the UAHC, three records for the delight of children and adults. They are called respectively: The Chanuko Story, The Purim Story, The Passover Story. Each record is for use on a home phonograph and gives the story of the holiday named in drama and song. Incidentally, these records are available at \$3.50 each but Sisterhood Judaica Shops may procure them in quantities at a substantial discount. Please order the records from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, 838 Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

Now to return to the financial picture of the Federation and some of our projects. Many years ago, NFTS established for the UAHC a revolving Publica-

tion Fund for the release of new religious school literature. Proceeds from the books published from this Fund are returned to it. From an original total contribution from NFTS of \$22,500, the Fund had reached, at the close of the NFTS fiscal year, October 31, 1954 the sum of \$40,393.94.

As has been stated before, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations correctly feels that an organization of the size and prominence of its National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, should be totally self-supporting. Then, any monies taken from the earmarked funds of the Federation, such as the presently named Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, and given as a contribution to the Union, would indeed be a free contribution, making possible plus work that otherwise might not be undertaken for the benefit of American Reform Judaism, the household of Israel and mankind.

As can be readily ascertained from the report of the NFTS Chairman on Budget and Finance, who is also the NFTS Treasurer, the administrative budget of the Federation for 1953-54 was anticipated at \$160,192.94. In reality, the total expenditure for the year was \$161,520.04, but since the income was higher than anticipated there was an operating surplus, not an operating deficit. This surplus, however, was made possible only because NFTS was not self-supporting and some \$53,000 was included in the budget as a direct appropriation for our activities from the parent body.

It is to be hoped that through the debate and decision of the XXth Biennial Assembly on the proposed change in name and scope of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods may swiftly become, through expanded voluntary contributions to the proposed Youth, Education and Sisterhood Fund, a self-sustaining organization.

SERVICES FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

As a result of revisions in by-laws at the 1953 Biennial Assembly, as well as the report of the NFTS Committee on Evaluation, NFTS has enjoyed more face to face meetings in the past Biennium period than ever before in the history of its Committees. Although one meeting in two years, at NFTS expense, of Departments and Committees may seem little enough, it should be noted that this is an important step forward and one which is highly valuable despite the tremendous cost for transportation expenses when personnel, as must be true in any national organization, come together from Coast to Coast and North to South. Both through these limited personal meetings and correspondence, NFTS has moved steadily forward in its total program.

Working under the NFTS Executive Board and Executive Committee as well as with the Departments and Committees, the headquarters staff has been able to turn out, within the brief span since April 1954, a very creditable number of Sisterhood items to add to the Federation's ever-growing services to its affiliates.

All of you know, and many of you have seen by now, the 35 mm filmstrips in full color produced by NFTS from scripts by Diana Bernstein. *THROUGH THE YEARS: Jewish Women In American History* is a special program for the Tercentenary year which, however, will have value as a program in any year.

WITHIN THESE WALLS: The Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial is a guided tour through the national center of American Reform Judaism. During the XXth Biennial, for those who have not yet seen these filmstrips, arrangements will be made for special showings. If you have not as yet had both filmstrips at local Sisterhood meetings, please do plan meetings at which they can be shown. Of course, this does not mean that the two filmstrips should be shown at the same meeting. Each is a full 30-40 minute program in itself and each filmstrip is mailed with an accompanying manual which gives the full narration, particulars for presentation, bibliographies for study and suggested further activities.

In the area of study course materials *A Leader's Discussion Guide For A Chanuko Workshop* by Gertrude S. Hyman and now, just off the press by the same author, *A Leader's Discussion Guide For A Purim Workshop* are available for NFTS affiliates. NFTS is deeply grateful to Mrs. Hyman for the excellent service she is rendering in allowing us to make available for all our groups material which she originally developed for her own Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom, Flushing, N. Y.

Also, in the area of study material, there was made available in the October 1954 Packet a bibliography of material relating to the basic principles of Reform Judaism. This was prepared by Gertrude Rom of our NFTS staff for the Department on Religion and Education and particularly for the Committee on Family Education. Additional copies are available, upon request.

Among other new aids for Sisterhood leaders, prepared in recent months, we list *Welcome Madam Chairman*, an outline for District Chairmen on the Department on Human Relations; *You Are Now A Uniongram Chairman*; *Supplementary List of Programs for 1954-55*; *The Revised Suggested Model Constitution for Local Sisterhoods*; *The Revised Suggested By-Laws for District Federations*.

Another most important and long awaited aid for Sisterhood leaders is the booklet *NFTS Policies* which is the combined work of a number of former and present members of the NFTS Executive Staff. Special thanks for the final work on the book on Policies must go to Miss Diana Bernstein and Miss Josephine Schoenborn who, under the Director as the editor, did much of the research and the writing. It was a major task to bring together in one booklet all of the policies that have been developed throughout the 42 years of NFTS history as well as to show the stands that we have taken on many issues of general and Jewish significance. Long awaited, much needed, we hope that *NFTS Policies*, which will now be kept up-to-date with revisions every few years, will prove of major assistance to local Sisterhoods and District Federations.

There are other new publications of NFTS which deserve special mention. Recognizing the need of local Sisterhoods to become increasingly interested in the welfare of older men and women, a new booklet has just been published under the title, *Old Age Is A New Age*, written by Lillian Planer a consultant for the Golden Age Group of the Sisterhood of Temple Rodeph Sholom, New York. It is hoped that the material covered in this booklet will encourage other Sisterhoods throughout the country to become interested in the emotional, religious and social needs of older persons.

As an attractive aid for the hard worked Treasurer of every Sisterhood, NFTS headquarters, following a suggestion by Miss Josephine Schoenborn of the Executive Staff, has prepared *Bill E. Bird*, an attractive reminder whereby Treasurers, we hope, will be able to win, with a smile, cooperation of delinquent members in meeting their obligations. *Bill E. Bird* is available from NFTS in any quantity desired at five cents each or twenty-five for \$1.00; postage additional.

NFTS has prepared a new annual Catalog of its materials; a new Membership Card available free of charge; has reprinted the pamphlet *The Story of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods*, which it is hoped every Sisterhood will distribute at least once during the Sisterhood year (it is available free of charge from NFTS) in order to give each local member pride in the story of her national organization. A new Sisterhood Art Calendar for 5716, featuring the work of Rabbi Frederick Solomon now of Williamsport, Pa. and formerly of London, England, is coming off the press this month.

In addition, of course, NFTS prepares and releases regularly the monthly packets for Local and District Presidents and members of the National Board; works with Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, NFTS Chairman on Uniongrams on the excellent project "Uniongrams of History" for the American Jewish Tercentenary whereby each member of a Sisterhood is asked to write on a Uniongram little known facts of historic Jewish value that she might know from her family or community contacts. These Uniongrams will be gathered together for the American Jewish Archives.

The wealth of NFTS materials available for its affiliates is one of which we can all be justly proud. However, the responsibility for seeing that this material is used devolves upon local Sisterhood leaders. Whenever new material is available, mention of it is made in the monthly President's Packet. Our material belongs in active Sisterhood use, not stacked upon NFTS shelves. Thank you for looking at the materials in NFTS exhibits at this Biennial and seeing that they are in use in your own group.

SPEAKERS' BUREAU

It is a pleasure to record the services of the Speakers' Bureau and to express thanks to all of the leaders and members of NFTS who make this enviable record possible.

During the fiscal year November 1, 1953—October 31, 1954, National visitors attended meetings before 104 Sisterhoods in 93 cities in 26 States of the United States and in Canada and England. In addition, NFTS visitors attended conventions of 11 District Federations. Fifteen Leadership Training Institutes were conducted of which 4 were at District meetings and 1 for the members of the NFTS Executive Board following the annual meeting of the Board in April 1954.

We are particularly grateful to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., NFTS President who in addition to all her other duties has so willingly travelled North to South, East to West to address NFTS gatherings and even conferred on Sisterhood affairs while overseas on vacation. Our gratitude goes in full measure to these members of the Speakers' Bureau: Mrs. Philip Adelman, San Antonio, Tex.;

Mrs. Elmer Benesch, Elmwood Park, Ill.; Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich.; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.; Mrs. Edward S. Fields, Morgantown, W. Va.; Mrs. Harry L. Finke, Great Neck, N. Y.; Mrs. Joseph Glänzer, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. LeRoy Glauber, Rockville Centre, N. Y.; Mrs. Melvin Harris, Forest Hills, N. Y.; Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Herbert Hauptman, Chicago, Ill.; Dr. Nell Hirschberg, Raleigh, N. C.; Mrs. George Hollinger, Westmount, Montreal, Canada; Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. Joseph Koch, Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Mrs. Max Maccoby, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Elmer Moyer, Dayton, O.; Mrs. D. H. Orkin, Jackson, Miss.; Mrs. Hannah Salm, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Perry Segal, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Albert Shulman, South Bend, Ind.; Mrs. Jerome Stein, Yonkers, N. Y.; Mrs. Sol Tekulsky, Port Chester, N. Y.; Mrs. Harry Thor, San Francisco, Calif. Miss Diana Bernstein, Miss Carolene Wachenheimer and the Director also accepted a number of speaking assignments during the year 1953-54.

IN APPRECIATION

There is no task in which the Director takes greater pleasure than thanking publicly, on behalf of NFTS and herself, her co-workers on staff.

To Miss Josephine Schoenborn, NFTS Administrative Assistant and staff executive for the Department on Advancement of Judaism, deep appreciation is extended for her never-failing grasp of all phases of the NFTS program and for all her devoted and dedicated work. The XXth Biennial is the first Convention that Miss Schoenborn has missed in her more than 12 years on staff. Unfortunately, she was injured in a fall on December 24th when she returned to Cincinnati to spend her holidays with her parents. With a broken foot still in a cast, necessitating crutches, the long trip across the country was impossible, but surely there goes forth to her the good wishes of all her many friends in Sisterhood life.

Miss Carolene Wachenheimer, Assistant to the Director and staff executive for the Department on Human Relations, deserves especial appreciation for the responsibilities which she has met not only during the year but in preparation for the Convention. Miss Wachenheimer has delayed a resignation from NFTS, for the happy purpose of marriage, until immediately after the XXth Biennial. We wish her the stimulating, satisfying, personal life she so greatly deserves and thank her for all her efforts.

To Miss Diana Bernstein, Program and Public Relations Assistant and staff executive for the Department on Membership and Administrative Services, our thanks for her activities including the fine scripts which she developed during the year for the NFTS filmstrips and her research work for us.

To Miss Gertrude Rom, staff executive for the Department on Religion and Education, warm appreciation for all of her efforts. We deeply regret that she cannot be present at this Biennial, but she is one of those helping to keep work moving in our ever-busy New York headquarters.

To Mrs. Morton Wexler, Secretary to the Director, who as I have often gladly

admitted before is both my right and left hands combined, as well as a most gracious assistant to all of the many visitors to NFTS, we extend very heartfelt appreciation.

To these members of the Executive Staff of NFTS as well as to all their co-workers, both the Federation and the Director are truly indebted for dedicated efforts that consistently go beyond the call of duty.

Very warm thanks are in order, too, for all of our colleagues and co-workers on the staff of the UAHC who do so much for NFTS. May I especially express our thanks to Ralph Davis, Production Manager, and to the staff artist Russell N. Roman who have done so much to design particularly attractive NFTS materials.

Surely no message of appreciation could possibly be complete without adding words both for myself and for the staff of our gratitude to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer for the dynamism of her always inspiring leadership.

CONCLUSION

Under all the pressures of daily commitments, organizational responsibilities, family duties, and the tensions of the age in which we live, sometimes one loses a sense of perspective and of the value of Sisterhood effort. If we can but remember that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is a great arm of the synagogue movement, as our local Sisterhoods are an arm of their Temples, and that essentially a house of worship is meant to serve the Lord, perhaps we can gain, even in the midst of turmoil, some sense of quietude. In the Book of Isaiah, Chapter 41, there is not only the splendid charge to the household of Israel, but also the assurance of God's support written in these imperishable words:

But thou, Israel, My servant,
Jacob whom I have chosen,
The seed of Abraham, My friend;
Thou whom I have taken hold of
From the ends of the earth,
And called thee from the uttermost parts thereof,
And said unto thee: "Thou art My servant, . . .

Fear thou not; for I am with thee:
Be not dismayed, for I am thy God
I will strengthen thee,
Yea, I will aid thee

For I the Lord thy God hold thy right hand,
And say unto thee; fear not, I help thee."

JANE EVANS, *Executive Director*

Program

TWENTIETH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS

February 13-16, 1955, Los Angeles, Calif.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 11:00 A.M.—4:00 P.M.

OPENING SESSION (IN FORM OF "BRUNCH")—STATLER HOTEL, PACIFIC BALLROOM
PRESIDING: MRS. HUGO DALSHIMER, Pikesville, Md., *President*, NFTS

INVOCATION

(To be recited in Unison)

Father, in Heaven, as once again we assemble, we ask Thy blessing on our undertakings. For the privilege of working together in Thy name, for health and strength, for the earnestness and zeal of our leaders, for the kindness and affection we have for one another, do we thank Thee. We are mindful of our friends who are unable to break bread with us this day. Grant that they soon again may join hands with us in our labors. Amen.

From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Greetings

California Hostess Sisterhoods MRS. HENRY MONSKY, W. Los Angeles, Calif.
NFTS First Vice-President
Chairman, NFTS Biennial Program Committee
Chairman, NFTS Department on Human Relations

Non-U. S. Units MRS. JEAN REDHILL, Springs, South Africa
Deputy President, South African Union of Temple Sisterhoods

Conference Committee, National Jewish Women's Organizations
MRS. HARRY THOR, San Francisco, Calif.
President, NFTS District No. 24, Western Federation

The President, UAHC DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRAH, New York, N. Y.
Appointment of Convention Committees (Rules; Credentials; Resolutions; Thanks)

The Brunch Hostesses are the Sisterhoods of congregations in the Southern California Council of the UAHC

Rules Committee Report

MRS. JOSEPH KOCH, Dallas, Tex.
Past President—NFTS District No. 22, Texas-Oklahoma Federation, Chairman

Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee

MRS. SANFORD KLEIN, Detroit, Mich.
President—Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, Chairman

President's Message

MRS. HUGO DALSHIMER, Pikesville, Md.

Report of Treasurer

MRS. IRVING E. HOLLOBOW, Evanston, Ill.

DEMONSTRATION OF STUDY-ACTION PROGRAMS—PACIFIC BALLROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. LEROY GLAUBER, Rockville Centre, N. Y.

President, Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County

THE SISTERHOOD CARAVAN ROLLS ON
Prepared by NFTS District No. 3,
New York Federation

MRS. JOSEPH GLANZER, Tuckahoe, N. Y.
President, NFTS District No. 3, New York Federation..

MRS. WILLIAM J. LEFFLER, Tuckahoe, N. Y.
NFTS Executive Board Member
Chairman, Committee on District Federations

PRAYER AND THE UNION PRAYERBOOK
Prepared by Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El,
Great Neck, N. Y.

MRS. DAVID LEVITT, Great Neck, N. Y.
Co-Author

MRS. RUDOLPH GRUEN, Great Neck, N. Y.
President, Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El

REVERENCE
UAHC Film

4:15-5:15 P.M.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee on Credentials

CLEVELAND ROOM

MRS. SANFORD KLEIN, Detroit, Mich.
Chairman

Committee on Resolutions

BOSTON ROOM

MRS. RAYMOND KRAMER, Paterson, N. J.
President—NFTS District No. 4, New Jersey Federation,
Chairman

Committee on Thanks

DETROIT ROOM

MRS. EUGENE S. ZEMANS, Chicago, Ill.
President, Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood,
Chairman

8:00 P.M.

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

PACIFIC BALLROOM

10:00 P.M.

RECEPTION TO UAHC AND NFTS DELEGATES

PACIFIC BALLROOM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 8:45-10:00 A.M.

EARLY MORNING CONFERENCES FOR PRESIDENTS

INVOCATION

(To be recited in Unison)

Almighty God, we invoke Thy blessing upon this meeting. Guide us who are privileged to lead our Sisterhood. May our deliberations be conducted with wisdom and understanding, our every word unselfish and sincere. Enlighten our minds to comprehend Thy laws, that our decision may be just and upright. Show us Thy truth that we may make of our Sisterhood a fortress of strength, whence shall come forth truth and inspiration for all Israel, for all who honestly strive to know Thee. Unless Thou, O Lord, build the house; the builders labor but in vain. Unless Thou, O Lord, lead us, our endeavors will be to no avail. Without Thee, we needs must fail. With Thee, we cannot but succeed. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

1. Smaller Sisterhoods (Less than 100 members)

CHAIRMAN Foy Room
MRS. JULIAN HENNIG, Columbia, S. C.
Former Member, NFTS Executive Board, Former
Vice-President, NFTS

2. Medium-Sized Sisterhoods (100 to 400 members)

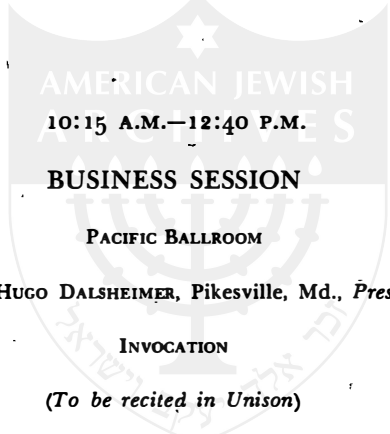
CHAIRMAN Pacific Ballroom
MRS. RICHARD PETERSBERGER, Davenport, Ia.
Past-President, Temple Emanuel Sisterhood

3. Large Sisterhoods (400 or more members)

CHAIRMAN Golden State Room
MRS. HERMAN BAGINSKY, New Orleans, La.
President, Temple Sinai Sisterhood

4. District Presidents

CHAIRMAN Washington Room
MRS. WILLIAM J. LEFFLER, Tuckahoe, N. Y.
NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Com-
mittee on District Federations



AMERICAN JEWISH
10:15 A.M.—12:40 P.M.
BUSINESS SESSION

PACIFIC BALLROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. HUGO DALSHHEIMER, Pikesville, Md., *President, NFTS*

INVOCATION

(To be recited in Unison)

Dear Father, touch our impure lips with the burning coal of Thy inspiration. Let it purge us of all self-seeking, all vain yearning after personal glory; let it suffuse us with strength and devotion to Thee, that we never falter in our loving service to Thee, to Thy people Israel and to all mankind, Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Report of Committee on Credentials *Chairman* MRS. SANFORD KLEIN, Detroit, Mich.

Award of Uniongram Honors MRS. SAMUEL B. DANTO, Huntington Woods, Mich.
NFTS Executive Board Member; Chairman, Committee on Uniongrams

Award of Blanche R. Stolz Trophies MRS. MELVIN S. HARRIS, Columbus, O.
*NFTS Executive Board Member
Chairman, Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund*

Report of Committee on Revision of By-Laws MRS. HORACE HART, Rochester, N. Y.
*Chairman
NFTS Executive Board Member*

2:00—4:15 P.M.

WORKSHOPS

1. Religion and Education

GOLDEN STATE ROOM

Building for Judaism
(Committees on Religious Schools and Youth Activities)

Understanding Judaism
(Committees on Family Education, Jewish Ceremonials and Art; Judaica Shops)

Projecting Judaism
(Committees on Programs and Religious Extension)

MODERATOR

MRS. ARTHUR KOVACS, Milwaukee, Wis.
NFTS Executive Board Member; Chairman, Committee on Religious Schools

RAPPORTEUR

MRS. CHARLES ROTGIN, Charleston, W. Va.
President, Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood

DISCUSSION AND RESOURCE LEADERS

MRS. DAVID L. ZIELONKA, Tampa, Fla.
NFTS Fourth Vice-President; Chairman, Department on Religion and Education

MRS. MYRON M. MEYER, St. Joseph, Mo.
NFTS Executive Board Member; Chairman, Committee on Family Education

MRS. ELMER LENIZ SHAFFER, Trenton, N. J.
NFTS Executive Board Member; Chairman, Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art

MRS. JULIAN MILLER, St. Louis, Mo.
NFTS Executive Board Member; Chairman, Committee on Programs

MRS. LESTER S. BLOCH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
NFTS Executive Board Member; Chairman, Committee on Religious Extension

MRS. D. H. ORKIN, Jackson, Miss.
NFTS Executive Board Member; Chairman, Committee on Youth Activities

2. Human Relations

NEW YORK ROOM

Extending Our Horizons
(Committees on Peace and World Relations, Interfaith Activities)

Serving Our Community
(Committees on Jewish Literature for the Blind, Emergency Services)

MODERATOR

MRS. LOUIS CASHDAN, Kansas City, Mo.
NFTS Executive Board Member; Chairman, Committee on Interfaith Activities

RAPPORTEUR

MRS. SYDNEY RESNICK, San Jose, Calif.

DISCUSSION AND RESOURCE LEADERS

MRS. HENRY MONSKY, W. Los Angeles, Calif.
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4:30-5:15 P.M.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee on Credentials
Committee on Resolutions
Committee on Thanks

CLEVELAND ROOM
BOSTON ROOM
DETROIT ROOM

8:00 P.M.

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION OF
AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 8:45-10:00 A.M.

CONTINUATION OF CONFERENCES FOR PRESIDENTS

1. Smaller Sisterhoods (less than 100 members)
2. Medium-Sized Sisterhoods (100 to 400 members)
3. Large Sisterhoods (400 or more members)
4. District Presidents

NEW YORK ROOM
PACIFIC BALLROOM
SIERRA ROOM
FOY ROOM

10:15 A.M.—12:40 P.M.

BUSINESS SESSION

PACIFIC BALLROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. HUGO DALSHEIMER, Pikesville, Md., *President, NFTS*

INVOCATION

(To be recited in Unison)

We ask Your blessing upon us, O Lord our God, Thou who art our leader and our Source of inspiration. Help us to attain the goal which Thou has set for us, and give us the will to aid others to accomplish their high purposes. May this assemblage, representative of active Jewish womanhood, humble only in service to Thee, be filled with the flame of ambition, the harmony of love, the light of compassion and the dynamic force of creative energy. Instill within us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the love of Thee. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Report of Committee on Revision of By-Laws (*continued*) Mrs. HORACE HART, Rochester, N. Y.
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Report of Committee on Credentials Mrs. SANFORD KLEIN, Detroit, Mich.
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2:30-4:15 P.M.

WORKSHOPS (Continued)

Religion and Education
Human Relations
Advancement of Judaism
Membership and Administrative Services

PACIFIC BALLROOM
NEW YORK ROOM
SIERRA ROOM
LOS ANGELES ROOM

4:30-5:30 P.M.

MID-CONVENTION NFTS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

NEW YORK ROOM

8:00 P.M.

JOINT MEETING WITH UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

(Jewish Education Night)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 8:45-10:00 A.M.

EARLY MORNING CONFERENCES FOR DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

WASHINGTON ROOM

INVOCATION

(To be recited in Unison)

Almighty God, we invoke Thy blessing upon this meeting. Guide us who are privileged to lead our Sisterhood. May our deliberations be conducted with wisdom and understanding, our every word unselfish and sincere. Enlighten our minds to comprehend Thy laws, that our decisions may be just and upright. Show us Thy truth that we may make of our Sisterhood a fortress of strength, whence shall come forth truth and inspiration for all Israel, for all who honestly strive to know Thee. Unless Thou, O Lord, build the house, the builders labor but in vain. Unless Thou, O Lord, lead us, our endeavors will be to no avail. Without Thee, we needs must fail. With Thee, we cannot but succeed. Amen.

-From the NFTS Book of Prayers

CONFERENCES WITH NFTS COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

DEPARTMENT ON RELIGION AND EDUCATION

PACIFIC BALLROOM

Family Education
Jewish Ceremonials and Art
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Religious Schools
Youth Activities

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WASHINGTON ROOM

Emergency Services
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DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CLEVELAND ROOM

Budget and Finance
 District Federations
 Evaluation
 Field Services
 Revision of By-Laws

10:30 A.M.—12:40 P.M.

TOWN HALL MEETING: LIVING JUDAISM—TODAY AND TOMORROW

PACIFIC BALLROOM

INVOCATION

(To be recited in Unison)

Our Father in Heaven, we stand before Thee today in humility to thank Thee for all Thy blessings in the past. We pray that we may be worthy of them in the days that lie before us. May we ever exemplify the noble ideals of our religion in all our relations with our fellow men.

Thou hast watched over us and cared for us; Thou hast given us health and strength, and now we beseech Thee, O Heavenly Father, aid Thou us to become more worthy of our great heritage.

Be Thou with us in every endeavor. Illumine our path with the light of Thy wisdom. May we, through our labors, help to keep alive the flaming ideals of peace and brotherhood in the hearts of all men. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

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3. In Our Own Courts

RABBI ABRAM V. GOODMAN, Lawtence, N. Y.
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2:00—4:15 P.M.

CLOSING SESSION

PACIFIC BALLROOM

PRESIDING: MRS. HUGO DALSHHEIMER, Pikesville, Md., *President, NFTS*

INVOCATION

(To be recited in Unison)

We ask Thy blessing, O Lord our God, on these women upon whom the leadership of our Sisterhood Federation falls this day. Be with them, and prosper them in all they undertake. Give them understanding and the spirit of counsel, of wisdom and of might. Help them to direct our Sisterhood Federation in right paths. May they enjoy abundant health and strength. Keep far from us petty prejudices and smallness of soul. Consecrate all of us anew to the great work which we have undertaken in behalf of this congregation, of Israel, and of all mankind. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

Rapporteurs of Workshops

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New Business

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ADJOURNEMENT

BENEDICTION

(To be recited in Unison)

O Thou Eternal One, Thou wast with us in the beginning; Thou wilt be with us in the end.

Our thinking has been clarified by our deliberations here; we pray that through them our purposes may have been strengthened. Be Thou with each of us as we return to our homes; cause Thy spirit to enter our hearts that we may be truly united to do Thy will. Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

4:30—5:00 P.M.

POST-CONVENTION NFTS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

LOS ANGELES ROOM

INVOCATION

(To be recited in Unison)

As we begin our labors, O Father, we turn to Thee in prayer, humbly beseeching Thy guidance. Help us who are charged with the high responsibility of directing the affairs of our Sisterhood. Give us the understanding, the discernment, and the will to labor fearlessly and sincerely for the glory of Thy name and for Thy people, Israel. Prosper our undertakings for good. Bring us all to a more perfect love of Thee, to a more selfless service of Thy people, Israel, and all mankind. Be Thou with our Sisterhood and all our dear ones, now and forevermore, Amen.

—From the *NFTS Book of Prayers*

7:00 P.M.

THE BANQUET

PALLADIUM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 10:00 A.M.—12:30 P.M.

1:15—2:45 P.M.

POST-CONVENTION LEADERSHIP TRAINING

INSTITUTE

GOLDEN STATE ROOM

Group Leadership
Public Speaking
Parliamentary Procedure
Sisterhood Scene

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MRS. JOSEPH GLANZER, Tuckahoe, N. Y.
President, NFTS District No. 3, New York Federation

3:00 P.M.

HOSPITALITY IN HOMES OF LOS ANGELES HOSTESSES

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Proceedings of the First Day

OPENING SESSION

Pacific Ballroom, Hotel Statler, Los Angeles, Calif.

February 13, 1955

The Twentieth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods was formally called to order in the Pacific Ballroom of the Hotel Statler, Los Angeles, Calif., on Sunday morning, February 13, at 11:10

A. M. by the President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md. Mrs. Dalsheimer led the delegates in the invocation which was recited in unison. She also introduced the Sisterhood delegates who brought greetings.

Greetings

BY MRS. ROSE GOODMAN, HONOLULU, HAWAII

Representative of Temple Emanuel Sisterhood, Honolulu, Hawaii

I bring you greetings from the staff of our beloved Temple Emanuel. We wish to present you with the *shalom aloha* of Hawaii. We had the feeling that all of you would be decorated but we still thought that you might use these.

And these are presented to Miss Evans who has been so very nice in helping us. Your help in correspondence has been of immeasurable value; we are a little group and we need all your help.

Greetings

BY MRS. HENRY MONSKY, W. LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

First Vice-President, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Thank you Mrs. Dalsheimer, and my very dear friends, for I am deeply conscious of the privilege of extending to you on behalf of the Sisterhoods of the Southern California Council, our greetings and a heartfelt welcome.

A few moments ago, as I paused for the first time since six o'clock this morning and looked out at this inspiring audience, there came to mind a poignant memory of another Assembly where many years ago I was also privileged to say the first few words; just how many years it was, you will be able to conjecture when I tell you I thought of those meaningful first words of the opening prayer on my Confirmation Day, "This is a day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

We, of the California hostess Sisterhoods, do rejoice in this day. We are happy indeed to have you here. We hope that the fruition of our labors of many months will ensure that your stay shall be a memorable one, that your

efforts shall be productive, and harmonious, and that you will learn to know the great joy and pleasure that is ours in welcoming you, the delegates from many farflung places, gathered here in a common purpose.

Twenty-six years ago in San Francisco, the first time, and the only time that our organization had held a convention in California, our beloved Sisterhood member, Mrs. Jules Kaufmann, who honors us by sitting on the dais today, gave the words of welcome. I can do no better than to quote from her message of that date:

"Everywhere you will find the spirit of California, the spirit of the old Hidalgo who when he greeted you in the doorway of his old rancho, said 'My house is your house.' With a deep sense of gratification at your presence in our house, we repeat our well-remembered prayer: "This is a day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Greetings

BY MRS. JEAN REDHILL, SPRINGS, SOUTH AFRICA

Representative of South African Union of Temple Sisterhoods

Madam Chairman, members of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in rising to add my voice to so distinguished a gathering as this, I am filled with a very deep sense of pride and humble appreciation of the great honor done me by this invitation to be present here today.

When I arrived more than five months ago from South Africa, I had not visualized that I would be so privileged a person. To belong to Reform Judaism is truly to belong to one great family. Wherever I have traveled I have been embraced and accepted without question, and the warmth and fellowship I have received has been an inspiration to return home and strive yet further for even better and greater achievements for the advance of our priceless faith.

For twenty-one years, South Africa has housed Reform Judaism. Here I think it is fitting that I pay a tribute to Rabbi Dr.

Moses Cyrus Weiler who led us through the pioneering years of vicissitudes and tribulations. Without his dynamic and forceful inspirational guidance, there would have been no Reform movement there.

I am proud to have been a pioneer and to be the messenger of goodwill from my country; to be affiliated with this very imposing National Federation of Jewish women is in itself a great compliment, and so on this very unique and momentous occasion for me, when all our thoughts and hearts are turned to the furthering of our great cause, I have the honor of bringing greetings from the South African Union of Temple Sisterhoods, wishing this very representative convention of NFTS every success in its deliberations, with a prayer that God may bless and strengthen our units throughout the world for the progress of the ideals of Judaism.

Greetings

BY MRS. HARRY THOR, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

President, NFTS District No. 24, Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

Mrs. Dalsheimer, officers and members of the National Board, fellow-delegates and friends, it gives me great pleasure to bring to you the warm greetings and felicitations of the Conference Committee of the National Jewish Women's Organizations to this, our Twentieth Biennial Assembly of the NFTS.

Eleven major National Jewish Women's organizations numbering well over one million members constitute the Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations, whose aim is to integrate all of the organizations under its regime, to give them a feeling of goodwill, to promote understanding and to bring to their members the matters which arise appertaining to Jewish interest and mutual action.

There is a line in the Midrash which tells us, "For the sake of its righteous women Israel was redeemed," and when we contemplate the role Jewish women have played through each succeeding generation, their great contributions to social welfare, in pioneering, in social work, in community service, in religious education

and scholarship, in rehabilitation of the newcomers, in services overseas, in aid to the new democracy—Israel—certainly we realize that the evaluation of the Midrash is well justified. Our Jewish women have been part of any struggle which has had to do with the civil rights and the civil liberties of our people. We have helped to strengthen the United Nations as an instrument of world peace, and through our great network of Sisterhoods, we have helped to preserve and to teach Jewish cultural values to our younger generation.

We are meeting here today at a time when all of us are celebrating a very great event in American Jewish life, the 300th anniversary of Jewish settlement in our beloved country, meeting in a manner most fitted for the daughters of the House of Israel, in common study and discussion, with just pride in our past outstanding achievements, and with deep humility and prayer, looking forward to a constructive future.

As we pause on this threshold of a fourth century, may our deliberations here inspire

us to continue to build, through faith and through service, toward a better world for all mankind.

Mrs. Morton Goldstein, Baltimore, Md., President, Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, presented Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer a bound book of Uniongrams containing testimonials to her from Board members and Sisterhoods throughout the world. Mrs. Dalsheimer accepted the book with deep appreciation, saying: "I am truly blessed and hope that we shall continue in the warm friendship with

which my Sisterhood has blessed me."

The Chairman of the California Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at the time of the 8th Biennial, 1929, the only previous convention to meet on the West Coast, Mrs. Jules Kaufman, San Francisco, greeted the delegates. She indicated how much it meant to the Western members to have the Biennial in California.

Mrs. Dalsheimer offered the thanks of the delegates and of NFTS to the many women who had contributed towards the success of the convention. Following this, she introduced the officers and guests on the dais.

ADDRESS

BY DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRATH, NEW YORK, N. Y.

President, Union of American Hebrew Congregations

Madam President, delegates and friends of this historic Biennial Assembly of our NFTS: I thought I would like to read to you for just a moment what I have written in my State of the Union Message concerning NFTS. I have said that:

"Never has so much been wrought with so little by so few. Our NFTS, after what I have heard was a prolonged and heated debate, recently raised its per capita dues from 50 cents to one dollar, yet despite that feverish discussion, these dues from the most affluent Jewish women's group in the world is still about the lowest required by any national women's organization. Its total budget of \$175,000 seems small indeed in glaring contrast to that of another national Jewish women's agency which approximates the budget of the Union itself, or close to \$700,000, and yet with these limited funds your NFTS brings a vast range of services to our local Sisterhoods; brings light and hope to the blind through its heroic Braille program; helps more than any other single agency to enable many a young man to prepare for the rabbinate through its Scholarship and Religious Education Fund; brings similar aspirants to the rabbinate from distant lands: from Turkey, from the Union of South Africa and from Central Europe, that they may be trained in our College-Institute in order to become missionaries of our liberal Jewish faith to their respective countries whence they, through our NFTS alone, are enabled to come to this lone liberal Jewish Seminary in all the

world. All this, plus helping together with Dr. A. A. Berg to rear our House of Living Judaism, and much more too, is the labor of love performed by our ladies of NFTS.

"But there is so much more that they might do, that their devoted leadership aspires to have them do. I understand that at this, their 20th Biennial, a challenge will be sounded by their President, our dearly cherished Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, and their dedicated Director, Miss Jane Evans. Sights will be raised, vision will be expanded, new energies will be released, new goals will be accepted, and a new, a broader and even more beneficent program will be initiated. May God guide your deliberations and bless your never-failing labors, O ladies, of our tireless and faithful NFTS.

"I know of no group that contributes more to the enrichment and the deepening of the three themes which we have adopted for this UAHC Biennial, Education, Exaltation and Ethics than our ladies of the Sisterhoods; in Education, where would we be, in local synagogues, on the local congregational level, in myriads of congregations, in multitudes of temples, what would happen to our whole educational pursuit if it were not for the women of the Sisterhoods, who, being most sensitive to the spiritual and cultural needs of their children, are always in the van of seeking to have the finest possible religious education for their children? In Exaltation, in worship, what would most of our Sabbath services be like if it were not for the mainstay which we find in the

women of our congregations and our Sisterhoods? Many a temple, sad though it is to relate, might well close its doors on Sabbath Day if it were not for you, for the women of the Sisterhoods. What can we even begin to say concerning Exaltation and lifting of our hearts unto God on high, that must not derive from your example rather than mere precept.

"And when it comes to Ethics, a somewhat controversial and somewhat debated field, with which we will probably come to grips, and with which we will wrestle at this Assembly, and it will be well if we do, but when it comes to Ethics, to the impact of our religion, of our prophetic moral tradition upon the social, the economic, the national and the international affairs of our time, is there any group more sensitive to the need of spiritual and moral judgment than the women of Israel?

"War is wrong because it slaughters the fruit of your wombs; racial discrimination is wrong because your very children have been

harmed by bigotry and prejudice. Where can we find a group so sensitized to the need of bringing God's moral law to play upon the problems of our time?

"So with Education, with Exaltation and in Ethics, may God indeed bless your deliberations and enable you to strengthen and to sustain our great religious movement, in the name of our God, in the service of our fellow-Jews and all mankind."

Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director of NFTS, announced the personnel of the Convention Committees: Credentials, Mrs. Sanford Klein, Detroit, Michigan, Chairman; Rules, Mrs. Joseph Koch, Dallas, Tex., Chairman; Resolutions, Mrs. Raymond Kramer, Paterson, N. J., Chairman; Thanks, Mrs. Eugene S. Zemans, Chicago, Ill., Chairman. (See p. 387 for complete listing.) The session recessed, after brunch, at 1:00 P.M.

AFTERNOON MEETING

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Rules

The Report of the Committee on Rules was presented by the Chairman, Mrs. Joseph Koch, Dallas, Tex.:

Madam President, delegates and visitors to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods' Assembly: Herewith submitted is the report of the Committee on Rules which shall govern the deliberations and proceedings of the XX Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods:

I. VOTING: Only accredited delegates and ex-officio delegates shall be entitled to vote.

II. QUORUM: One-third (1/3) of the voting members present and registered shall constitute a quorum.

III. NUMBER OF VOTES: Each member may vote in only one capacity and she must, when registering, state that capacity.

IV. SEATING: Members composing the voting of the Assembly shall occupy the front seats; visitors the rear of the room.

V. BADGES: Each member who is entitled to vote must wear her delegate's badge at all meetings and carry her receipted credentials card.

VI. TELLERS: The Chairman shall appoint tellers to count the vote.

VII. FLOOR PRIVILEGES: All accredited and registered delegates shall have the privilege of the floor to discuss any question that may come before the Assembly and may take part in all its deliberations. Only registered delegates and ex-officio delegates may make motions and vote.

All delegates desiring the floor shall be allowed to speak before visitors are allowed to speak.

When possible, speakers shall alternate, one speaker pro, one speaker con. Each member when recognized shall identify herself by name and voting capacity; that is, whether as a local Sisterhood, NFTS district, or Executive Board delegate.

Second Floor Privileges: No Sisterhood or delegate may have the floor for the second time until all Sisterhoods or delegates who desire to speak on the question have done so. No delegate, except by unanimous consent, shall have the privilege of speaking more than twice on the same subject. If time permits after all official delegates wishing the privilege of the

floor have spoken, then official visitors will be recognized.

VIII. TIME ALLOTMENT: No one shall speak for more than three minutes on any one motion or topic of discussion unless there shall be granted an extension of time.

IX. DUTY OF USHERS AND PAGES: It shall be the duty of the ushers and pages to preserve decorum. All committees shall be appointed by the Chair unless otherwise ordered.

All members are asked to cooperate in the request to refrain from smoking during all sessions in the Pacific Ballroom.

X. RESOLUTIONS: All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, signed, and placed in the hands of the Resolutions Chairman, Mrs. Raymond

Kramer, as soon as possible and not later than 3 p.m. Monday, February 14.

XI. TIME OF MEETINGS AND ADJOURNMENT: The meetings of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall assemble promptly and shall adjourn promptly as scheduled in the program, or as announced.

MRS. JOSEPH KOCH, *Chairman.*

The report of the Committee on Rules was accepted as read.

Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif., First Vice-President of NFTS, assumed the Chair at Mrs. Dalsheimer's request to enable her to present the President's Message, which was accepted by a rising vote of thanks. (Complete message included on p. 359.)

ADDRESS

BY MRS. IRVING E. HOLLOBOW, EVANSTON, ILL.

Treasurer, National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

As no doubt you know, in accordance with our by-laws, the complete auditors' report, and the budget, was mailed to each local Sisterhood and District Federation; certainly for me to stand here and read those endless pages at this time would be quite unnecessary. (See pp. 243, 313.)

However, I think there are some figures which you would like to hear pinpointed for

you; so with your permission, I would like to read the report of the NFTS Income and the report of NFTS Expenditures for the year 1953-54.

These are the figures within the General Fund of the NFTS, and do not take into account special funds:

Income for the year was received as follows:

National dues		\$ 88,459.50
District Federation dues		200.00
Collections from sales of "Uniongrams".....	\$ 62,651.75	
Less: Transfer of 80% to National Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund	50,121.40	12,530.35
Collections from sales of "Thank You" notes	\$ 809.00	
Less: Transfer of 20% to National Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund	161.80	647.20
Collections from sales of Art Calendars and other NFTS salable materials	\$ 16,792.53	
Interest on savings accounts	74.19	
Interest on U. S. Saving Bonds, Series "F", for 12 years ended March 1, 1954	1,820.00	
Service fee for, collection of contributions to Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., etc.	3,248.92	
Total Direct Income		\$123,772.69

And now how we spent the money—Expenditures—of our NFTS direct income.

EXPENDITURES

N.F.T.S. Development

Program production and material; and allocation of salaries, printing, headquarters expenses and supplies, yearbook, meetings, and conventions \$ 12,335.21

Committee Projects

Direct committee expenses; and allocation of salaries, printing, headquarters expenses and supplies, yearbook, meetings, and conventions 29,436.87

Field and Membership Services (including Speakers Bureau)

Travel Expenses—staff, Speakers Bureau, Leaders Institute; and allocation of salaries, printing, headquarters expenses, and supplies, yearbook, meetings, and conventions 26,202.14

Production of Salable Materials

Uniongrams 3,712.99
 Art Calendars 5,742.81
 Stationery for resale 514.62
 Past President pins 1,185.70
 "Manual for Sisterhoods" 3,443.02
 Cost of producing filmstrip "Through the Years" 2,023.23
 Miscellaneous salable materials 5,550.51
 Allocation of salaries, printing, headquarters expenses and supplies, yearbook, meetings, and conventions 9,251.40 \$ 31,424.28

Publication, Publicity and Public Relations

Share of publishing "American Judaism" 10,731.71
 Publicity and Public Relations 3,910.59 14,642.30

Dues, Contributions, and Miscellaneous

"Religion in American Life" \$ 200.00
 "National Conference of Christians and Jews" 100.00
 Conference Committee of National Jewish Women's Organizations 20.00
 Jewish Book Council of America 25.00
 Conference Group of U. S. National Organizations of the U. N. 25.00
 National Council on Family Relations 20.00
 Conference on World Disarmament 75.00 465.00

Miscellaneous (including personnel training, 40th Anniversary, advertising, cartage, and sundry items) 1,175.09

Gift to Hon. Lily H. Montagu 150.00

Total Budgetary Expenditures \$115,830.89

Which leaves what *appears* to be an operating surplus of \$7,941.80.

In addition we had a non-budgetary expense for equipment at headquarters of \$413.40; and I say again, which makes, what *appears* to be an operating surplus of \$7,528.40. But I call to your attention that this operating surplus is predicated on the \$45,689.05 which was allocated to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, by the Union, our parent body for

additional "overhead" expenses including salaries, headquarters' maintenance of light, heat, janitorial services, our share of centralized clerical services and many other essential items.

Were we to be completely self-supporting and to pay our own way, we would have ended the year not with a surplus but with an operating deficit of \$38,160.75.

MRS. LEROY GLAUBER, ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N. Y.

President, Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County

Madam President, ladies, the late Dr. Solomon Schecter once delivered an address entitled, "Rebellion against being a Problem". Much as all of us, from time to time, agree with his rebellious mood, the indisputable fact remains that Jewish life today is replete with problems. We know our Judaism is a product of countless generations. It is a living tradition which had its source in the days of the patriarchs and ran its course through many lands, many climes, many ages down to our own day. This great tradition is the origin, the inspiration and the driving force of all that makes for our lives as Jews today. This great tradition is no dead thing, no museum piece, but a living, moving source of power which is to find in modern hands new means of inspiring, of uplifting and of guiding Jewish life.

One of our duties if we are interested in the future of Judaism is Morashah, "to make our heritage", not to look upon it as a thing of the past, but to regard it as a vital part of our lives.

For the Jew, life has always been dependent on knowledge. There is a simple but beautiful tale told us in the opening pages of the Bible. It is the story of the trees of life and of knowledge which were placed in the center of the Garden of Eden. Rabbis of old gave an interesting answer to their own question, "How could both trees be in the center of the Garden of Eden?" Their answer was, "The tree of life was inside the tree of knowledge. Without the tree of knowledge, the tree of life must die and disappear."

Liberal, Reform, Progressive Judaism, is vibrant. It is a way of daily living attuned to our lives in our own locale and in our own times. However, one cannot understand the present, nor prepare for the future without fully knowing the past.

In order to explain the past, NFTS District No. 3, New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, prepared "The Sisterhood Caravan Rolls On." An abridged version of this program was presented by Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Tuckahoe, N. Y., President of NFTS District No. 3, New York Federation, and Mrs. William J. Leffler,

Tuckahoe, N. Y., NFTS Board Member and Chairman of the Committee on District Federations.

Mrs. David Levitt, Great Neck, N. Y., co-author of the study course, "Prayer and the Union Prayerbook," and Mrs. Rudolph Gruen, Great Neck, N. Y., President, Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El, demonstrated the kind of discussion that could be conducted on the subject of prayer.

The program concluded with the showing of the UAHC motion picture, "Reverence" based on the psalms.

The Afternoon Session recessed at 4:30 P. M.

There were Convention Committee meetings daily from 4:15 to 5:15 P. M. in various Ballrooms.

JOINT SESSION

A joint meeting with the UAHC was held in the Pacific Ballroom at 8:00 P. M., with Dr. Samuel S. Hollender, Chicago, Ill., Chairman, Executive Board, UAHC, presiding. Rabbi David Polish, Chicago, Ill., conducted a religious service and Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, New York, President, UAHC, delivered the "State of Our Union" message.

A stirring drama, "To Do Justly," written by Rabbi Eugene J. Lipman, New York, Director of the Commission on Synagogue Activities and the Commission on Social Action, and Mr. Albert Vorspan, Assistant Director, Commission on Synagogue Activities and Executive Secretary, Commission on Social Action, was presented. This was followed by a panel discussion on Social Action, presided over by Mr. I. Cyrus Gordon, Rockville Centre, N. Y., Chairman, Commission on Social Action. The participants were Mr. Irving Jay Fain, Providence, R. I., Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn, Boston, Mass., Hon. Abraham Multer, Brooklyn, N. Y., Rabbi Jacob J. Shankman, New Rochelle, N. Y. and Mr. Richard L. Sloss, San Francisco, Calif.

Following the meeting, the delegates were guests at a reception sponsored by the Southern California Council of the UAHC.

Proceedings of the Second Day

February 14 1955

At 8:45 A. M. each Sisterhood President (or her representative) and each District President attended one of the four Early Morning Conferences for Presidents held simultaneously. These were continued on Tuesday, February 15. The District Presidents' Conference was held on Wednesday, February 16.

EARLY MORNING CONFERENCES FOR PRESIDENTS AGENDA

I. SMALLER SISTERHOODS (Less than 100 members)

A. Leadership and Membership

1. What type of training do you have for Sisterhood leadership?
2. What is the best way of dividing the responsibility of the Sisterhood among your officers?
3. What are the major problems in regard to your Executive Board?
4. How do you orient new members into Sisterhood? What is the best way to make the membership realize the need for each one to participate actively in Sisterhood activities?
5. How do you plan programs for membership of varied ages and interests?
6. How does the size of your group affect coordinated committee activities?

B. Relationship with NFTS

1. What do you feel should be Sisterhood women's role in Reform Judaism?
 - a. What projects has your group set up for this?
 - b. Should Adult Jewish Education be sponsored by the Sisterhood or by the Temple?
2. Do you take full advantage of the materials and services available from the District and National Federations? In what ways can they be of further assistance to you?
3. To what extent are you able to follow the aims and purposes as set down in the NFTS By-Laws and in your own?

C. General Problems

1. Are your activities directed primarily at fund-raising and projects of service to the Temple?

2. What do you feel the Sisterhood's role should be in relation to the various other groups of the congregation (youth group, religious school, etc.)? What type of training do you have for volunteer personnel for the youth group, religious school, etc.?
3. What is your attitude towards including non-congregation members in the youth group, religious school, etc.?

D. Community

1. How does your group cooperate with others in the community?

Chairman: Mrs. Julian Hennig, *Columbia, S. C., Tree of Life Sisterhood; Secretary:* Mrs. Hyman Rosen, *Riverside, Calif., Temple Beth El Sisterhood.*

Mrs. Hennig called the meeting to order, and, during an informal discussion, the following points were stressed:

1. The best ways to get members to assume responsibility of offices have been found to be (a) make it understood that the President or officers do not run the Sisterhood alone; (b) always have co-chairmen so that responsibilities are shared; (c) divide Sisterhood into circles where the workers are responsible for 3 affairs a year and have members of the Board as circle chairmen or placed on a circle committee; (d) orient members and familiarize them with committees; (e) have speakers from NFTS and District.
2. Departmentalization has proved quite successful.
3. President's Packet was found most helpful in explaining the NFTS picture to members. Members should be reminded that they are part of NFTS.
4. Filmstrip, **WITHIN THESE WALLS: THE UNION HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM - BERG MEMORIAL**, was found very helpful in arousing interest in House of Living Judaism Project.
5. Explanation of Youth, Education and Sisterhood Fund. Monies will continue to be allocated for student aid at HUC-JIR. In addition, in proportion to the amounts received, allocations will be made for the development of the Sisterhood program and the Youth Pro-

gram of the UAHC. It was stressed that the \$2.00 quota was a voluntary one and could be met by increased sale of Uniongrams, cash contributions or a combination of the two.

6. The difference between the "closed" and "open" policies is that under the former an individual must be a member of the Temple before she may become a member of the Sisterhood while under the latter, Sisterhood membership is open to those who wish to join regardless of Temple membership. Most NFTS groups have "open" membership.

7. Membership interest and retention can be heightened by (a) making certain that all members are thoroughly oriented in Sisterhood philosophy; (b) interesting programs arranged to meet needs of members; (c) afternoon or evening meetings, perhaps alternately, as the needs of the Sisterhood may dictate.

II. MEDIUM-SIZED SISTERHOODS (100 to 400 members)

A. Administrative Problems

1. What are the responsibilities of members of the Executive Board?
2. How can every member of the Executive Board be made aware of her responsibilities?
3. Does your Sisterhood give recognition in the form of honorary Board membership?
 - a. What role do these members play on the Board?
4. What is the most effective way of dividing responsibility among your officers?
5. How has your Sisterhood revised its administrative set-up to conform with the realignment of NFTS Committees into four departments?
 - a. What advantages or disadvantages have you found in this set-up?

B. Finance

1. What have you found to be the most effective way of raising the funds to meet your budgetary needs?
2. What advantages or disadvantages have you encountered in working within the fiscal year adopted by your Sisterhood?

C. Membership

1. How do you orient new members into Sisterhood?
2. What have been your most effective methods of getting all your members to participate as fully as possible in Sisterhood activities?

3. How do you train members to assume the responsibilities of leadership?
4. In what ways do your programs and projects meet the various interests of your members?

D. Community Activities

1. How can a Sisterhood best cooperate with other organizations in community activities?

E. Relationship With NFTS

1. Do your activities conform with the aims of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods?
2. How do you bring news of NFTS activities and projects which you receive in the President's Packet to your members?
3. Which NFTS materials have been especially useful to you? Which materials have not proved helpful to you?
4. In what way can NFTS be of greater service to you?

Chairman: Mrs. Richard Petersberger, *Davenport, Ia., Temple Emanuel Sisterhood*; *Secretary:* Mrs. Norman A. Goldberg, *St. Louis, Mo., B'nai El Temple Sisterhood.*

Discussion emphasized the following points:

A. Administrative Problems

1. What are the responsibilities of every member of the Executive Board?
 - a. Every member of the Board should have a committee chairmanship.
 - b. Board and officers are responsible for setting up a budget.
2. How can every member of the Executive Board be made aware of her responsibilities?
 - a. By establishment of a three year rotating board.
 - b. By furnishing each member of Board with a copy of the local By-Laws and a letter outlining the duties of her office or chairmanship.
 - c. Members dropped from Board if they miss three consecutive meetings without adequate excuses.
3. Does your Sisterhood give recognition in form of Honorary Memberships and what role do these members play on the Board?
 - a. Trouble shooters who work in an advisory capacity.
 - b. Honorary memberships given to Past

Presidents sometimes create difficulties.

- c. Immediate Past President made parliamentary in order to keep in the fold.
 - d. Honorary memberships given to older members whose past services warrant it.
4. What is the most effective way of dividing responsibility among your officers?
- a. By giving each one a specific job.
5. How has your Sisterhood revised its administrative set-up to conform with the realignment of NFTS Committees into four departments?
- a. Advantages
 - (1) Very successful.
 - (2) Grateful for the complete change being taken from president.
 - (3) Highly recommended.
 - (4) Chairmen getting their mail.
 - (5) Fine training ground for presidential material.
 - b. Disadvantages
 - (1) Some departments are overburdened.
 - (2) Not at all successful—many chairmen prefer to report to president rather than vice-president.
 - c. Suggestions
 - (1) Four vice-presidents, but not listed in numerical order.
 - (2) Needs more time to be evaluated.

Mrs. Harry Jacobson, Des Moines, Iowa—Third Vice-President and Chairman of the Department on Membership and Administrative Services, gave a short talk in explanation of the Departmental System and urged the conversion to the plan. She answered questions and clarified many points.

B. Finance

1. What have you found to be the most effective way of raising the funds to meet your budgetary needs?
 - a. Cook book—prepared from favorite recipes of Sisterhood members and sold at \$2.00 per book. (1500 copies sold)
 - b. Liberal Sale Auction—sponsored by past presidents' "Gavel Club."
 - c. Fashion Show and sale of clothing modeled.

- d. Several Sisterhoods have dues of from \$8 to \$10 which takes care of a good portion of their budget.

C. Membership

1. How do you orient new members into Sisterhood?
 - a. Through social function for new members to learn of their interests, talents and available time for Sisterhood.
 - b. By putting new members on a committee as quickly as possible.
 - c. By use of a check list for new and old members showing their preference for committees.
 - d. Evening Branch for young mothers and working wives—NOT A SEPARATE ORGANIZATION—carries on workings of Sisterhood and stimulates interest until these young women can attend regular sessions.
 - e. Baby Sitter service available at Temple on meeting days.
 - f. One year's free membership in Sisterhood to new member of congregation.
 - g. One year's Brides' membership to daughters or daughters-in-law of member of Sisterhood.
 - h. Include Sisterhood dues on annual Congregational billing.

Results of Impromptu Buzz sessions: More time should be allotted to President's conferences as we learn such a great deal from the exchange of ideas. A feeling of too wide diversity of problems between a Sisterhood of 100 and 400; would suggest a breakdown of from 100 to 250 and from 250 to 400.

III. LARGE SISTERHOODS (400 or more members)

A. The Executive Board

1. What are the responsibilities of Board membership?
2. How can Board members be oriented regarding:
 - a. Proper Parliamentary Procedure?
 - b. Effective reporting of their work, periodically and annually?
 - c. Relationship to Committee Chairmen and to District Federation and NFTS Department and Committee Chairmen?
3. What do you think is a good balance

between elected and appointed Board members?

4. What are the advantages and disadvantages of various methods of selecting a nominating committee?
5. Is it advisable to set a limit on the number of terms members can serve on the Board?
 - a. Do you feel that recognition should be given in the form of Honorary Board memberships, even at the risk of developing a bulky Board?
6. What is the best way of dividing the responsibility of the Sisterhood among your officers?

B. Membership and Leadership

1. How do you orient new members into Sisterhood and retain their interest?
2. How do you train members to become leaders?
3. Do you have activities and projects that are varied enough to interest members of all ages?

C. Community Endeavors

1. What is the best way for a Sisterhood to participate in local fund drives and other community activities?

D. Relationship With NFTS

1. Is your overall programming consistent with the aims and purposes as set out in the NFTS By-Laws and in your own?
2. How have you adapted NFTS materials to fit your local needs?
3. How do you bring to the attention of your Board news of NFTS activities and projects described in the President's Packet?
4. Is there any phase of your work in which you feel that NFTS could be of assistance but at present gives no service?

E. Budget and Fund-Raising

1. In what ways do you raise funds to meet your budgeted needs for a fiscal year?

After Monday's session, the Presidents were asked to send to the Chairman for the Tuesday session further questions or suggestions for discussion that were not covered by the agenda.

Chairman: Mrs. Herman Baginsky, *New Orleans, La., Temple Sinai Sisterhood; Secretary:* Mrs. Harry Baron, *Philadelphia, Pa., Keneseth Israel Sisterhood.*

Mrs. Baginsky opened the meeting with the following remarks:

"This is your Biennial, planned for you and your needs. We hope to meet your local needs and we will also give you the National slant. We all share similar problems." The Chairman went on to say: "The duties of a President are well outlined in the *Manual for Sisterhoods* by Mrs. Harry Jacobson, published by NFTS. As presidents, we must have a clear, over-all picture, keeping in mind our objectives and our purposes, as outlined by NFTS. The agenda was designed with questions which point up the comprehensive scope of our work."

The group used the buzz technique.

Group I—The Executive Board

Board Member responsibility—orientation

Discussion Leader: A Board member should have a responsibility, a duty, a love for the temple, for the Sisterhood. Should hold a Chairmanship or a Co-chairmanship. Have an over-all loyal interest in all activities, not in her specific job alone.

1. Should have a knowledge of parliamentary procedure.
2. Recommended holding of one-day Leadership training course to include an orientation in Sisterhood objectives and for those new in communal activities, a brief outline of all Jewish community organizations.
3. A five minute discussion of parliamentary procedure at each Board meeting.
4. Chairmen required to give an oral report; a written report at the end of the term.
5. Suggested that an Institute might be held where responsibilities may be pinpointed.

Open discussion: Rodef Shalom, Pittsburgh—A portfolio is prepared containing all data as to Committee personnel, projects, funds collected; etc. Given to new Chairman as a guide and means of instruction.

File system and job analysis sheet, including all details. Excellent for future reference.

Vice-Presidents hold a meeting with new and past Chairmen. Mrs. Robert Ross, Dallas, Texas, spoke of the value of inviting an NFTS and a District Board Member to give the Sisterhood picture on the two levels and also the Rabbi to explain the many duties to the Temple.

Group II—Selection of Board Members

Discussion Leader: Some Sisterhoods have an elected and some an appointed Board; some

have both. No conclusion reached as to which method is best.

One Sisterhood perpetuates the Fund-raising Chairman for a period of 8 to 10 years, in order to eliminate too many changes in the personnel. Many elect 7 new members each year for a term of 3 years. Some have a Board as large as 70 members, including Honorary Past Presidents. One Sisterhood has cut down the Board to an Executive Committee of 9. An open Board and an Assembly meeting are held each month; the entire membership is invited. Also suggested that an Advisory Board, composed of the officers, helps to expedite matters.

Group III—Methods of Selecting a Nominating Committee

Methods do not vary too much. It was agreed that a small nominating committee is most desirable. Some have 5, and one Sisterhood has 15 on a committee.

Open discussion: Previous nominating chairman retained the following year as ex-officio. Nominating chairman serves for one year.

Immediate past-president made Chairman of Nominations.

Vice-Presidents are members of nominating committee.

Elect a nominating committee, two from the board, three from the membership at large; the nominating committee chooses its own chairman.

A nominating committee of seven, four elected from the membership and three appointed by the president.

No officers, no past presidents sit on nominating committee in order to avoid partiality.

Group IV—Division of Responsibility Among Officers.

Discussion Leader: Departmentalization is ideal. However, several complained that it must be adjusted in order to be workable. For example, some have divided into five departments. Vice-presidents should be responsible for each of these departments, with president meeting with them before each board meeting. Sometimes Sisterhoods have committees that do not come under NFTS departments. Suggested dividing them up under the existing departments; for example, hospitality may be under Human Relations.

Open Discussion: Advisable to have each vice-president responsible for some of the important committees. Religious Education, Religious

School, gift shop, Judaica shop—duties too heavy—could not be allocated to one department and should be subdivided.

The first vice-president in some Sisterhoods is designated as the one in training for the Presidency. All three vice-presidents are in training and are moved up.

Chairman suggested that if any Sisterhood had problems in departmentalizing to please consult NFTS before leaving the convention.

Group V—Orientation of New Members

Discussion Leader: Circle plan recommended; members may belong to more than one circle, and as they change circles, they get better acquainted with one another. Teas and parties at the beginning and middle of the year, for new members. Paid up membership luncheons. A novel idea—a Sisterhood party game—membership divided into 10 groups in numbers of 30. It helps to create a large number of new workers.

Open Discussion: Friday dinners before services including a percentage of new and old members—also presidents of constituent groups including the rabbi. Each vice-president serves as a hostess for one month.

One St. Louis Sisterhood inaugurated a card system, "What's My Line", giving a check up on various committees. If cards are not returned, they are followed up. As members enroll, they are invited as guests to luncheon preceding meetings. Good system for the shy member who will not volunteer.

In Miami, Fla., they invite new women to work on the telephone squad. This helps to create new friendships. Invite them, also, to work on hospitality for luncheons and Friday night socials.

Group VI—Leadership Training

Discussion Leader: A new member finds interest in Sisterhood through varied programs. Important to get new members to express their interests and try to give them jobs in accordance with them. Leadership training for officers also suggested.

Open Discussion: There are often new members with very young children who cannot be involved immediately and occasionally older members who do not want to work. Recommended that one of the more experienced and mature women conduct a leadership training course for new members.

Some trained Sisterhood women are inter-

ested only in their Sisterhood project. In order to broaden the scope and lift the sights, there must be open discussion for all board members—as to what is Sisterhood, its objectives and aims.

To meet this above need, Mrs. Benjamin Keyfetz, Temple B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood, Rochester, N. Y., said they have a prepared statement which may be obtained from NFTS.

Group VII—Activities for All Age Groups

Discussion Leader: The following projects were suggested for senior members: sewing, providing materials for the gift shop; cancer dressing; library; craft shop which offers activity for all ages; book reviews and well-baby clinic.

The discussion of the topics on the agenda were continued on Tuesday. The group was again divided into four sections of about 15 in each section. Buzz continued for 6 minutes and then discussion. The section C on the proposed agenda, "Community Endeavors" was not included in the assigned discussions by common consent, however it was mentioned in the discussion that followed.

Group I—Relationship with NFTS

Discussion Leader: Most Sisterhood programs conform with NFTS policy. Other organizations supply various programs for entertainment. Sisterhood programs should be of religious content. Inter- and intra-faith programs held in many Sisterhoods. All Sisterhoods were in agreement that manpower should be supplied to community drives and only token contributions, if any, given.

Group II—Evaluation of NFTS Materials

Discussion Leader: Many Sisterhoods have used the NFTS Tercentenary Film Strip, *Through the Years: Jewish Women in American History* for a program. All agreed Mrs. Harry Jacobson's *Manual for Sisterhoods* very helpful. Used by all as a guide. The NFTS material for the Judaica Shop very useful. Use President's Packet as a check for Department Chairmen. However, there is still too much mail. All is not essential or useful. It was also suggested that, if possible, mail be directed and allocated according to the size and needs of individual Sisterhoods.

Open Discussion: Duplication of mail, some sent to the home and some received at the Temple.

Suggested that a past president might act as a reporter on the President's Packet.

Sisterhood in Dayton, Ohio, felt that although you cannot use all the material in the President's Packet, it helped to give an overall picture.

Group III—Interpreting NFTS Material

Discussion Leader: Past Presidents give reports on material and material is filed for future reference on Library shelf. Material distributed to department chairmen, with one reporter assigned to give resumé. Many agree that President should hold a meeting once a month with vice-presidents. It was again stressed that a leadership and orientation course should be held for all members. At this time, Mrs. Dalsheimer was asked if NFTS had a booklet that would give the objectives and the projects of NFTS. She replied that there is a pamphlet which may be obtained free of charge by all Sisterhoods, entitled THE STORY OF NFTS.

Open Discussion: An all day Institute, conducted by Jane Evans, NFTS Director, was held by the Sisterhoods in St. Louis, Mo. A Sisterhood may request an NFTS speaker.

In order to promote greater interest in NFTS, Temple Judea, Philadelphia, invited Mrs. William J. Leffler of the NFTS Board to come to an open meeting to relate members to National and its many functions.

A National Board member in one city gives a five minute report "On the National Scene," at each open meeting.

Group IV—Budget and Fund Raising

Discussion Leader: Bulbs from Holland, an original and successful project of Birmingham, Alabama, has been used by many Sisterhoods and has helped to raise thousands of dollars.

Book Reviews are of community interest and attract large audiences.

Donor luncheons, autographed tablecloths, dances, teas, rummage sales, year books, bazaars, Purim carnivals, smorgasbords, ad books (solicited within the Congregation), ceramic jewelry, all are good fund-raisers. Fund-raising serves a dual purpose: besides providing necessary monies, it promotes friendships and sociability.

Open Discussion: Have Interest Groups, who among themselves raise funds, such as serving a Men's Club Luncheon. Dancing classes for teen-agers and a series of concerts—four for

\$10—booked through Hurok of New York. Another method has been the \$10 Voluntary Plan (each member pledging a voluntary contribution.) It was pointed out that in order to insure success, committees should be large; it helps to create greater interest, enthusiasm and promises to give good results.

A special question not included in the morning's agenda—"How to Honor Members 70 and over." Hold a special Oneg Shabbat for those of that age; present an orchid or inscribe name in Golden Book. One Sisterhood had hoped to give all those 70 and over a Life Membership but found it could not afford it because there were too many in that age class.

Since many questions were brought up in regard to NFTS Departmentalization, Mrs. Harry Jacobson, NFTS 3rd Vice-president, was invited to speak to the group. She informed the group that Departmentalization could be evaluated only if the leaders in large Sisterhoods experiment with it and then report their findings. Best effort will be obtained if the work is divided under four chairmen. Chairmen of committees will not receive NFTS material and information if Sisterhood does not departmentalize. Every Department helps to train members for Sisterhood work. Department on Human Relations may include hospitality. Fund-raising may be grouped under Administrative because of the large number of projects which would come under this category and the amount of work. A Sisterhood may need five Department Chairmen, the fifth for many local, non NFTS committees. Mrs. Jacobson urged all Sisterhoods to use departmentalization and to put it into action as soon as possible. She also cautioned the group that a Chairman serves with a "Committee" and not as a one man committee. It is more satisfactory to work as a unit.

Questions were asked whether it was necessary to revise By-laws in order to Departmentalize and Mrs. Jacobson advised that NFTS did not revise its By-laws in order to include Departments, and individual Sisterhoods should not revise By-laws now. This plan is at present in an experimental stage.

IV. DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

A. *The District Federation*

1. How established
2. Status
3. Objects

B. *Manners in Which Sisterhoods of a District Can Be Brought Into Closer Cooperation*

1. Annual Meetings
2. Conventions
3. Regional Meetings
4. Caravans
5. Bulletins
6. Speakers' Bureau

C. *Training of Leaders*

D. *Departments and Committees*

1. NFTS
2. District Federations
3. Local Sisterhoods

E. *NFTS Aids for Districts and Local Sisterhoods*

F. *The Unaffiliated Sisterhood*

G. *Special District Projects and Problems*

H. *Further Business*

Chairman: Mrs. William Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y., *NFTS Executive Board Member; Chairman, Committee on District Federations; Secretary:* Mrs. Bernard Goldsmith, New Orleans, La., *President, NFTS District No. 17, La. Federation.*

The meeting was opened at 8:45 A.M. with an invocation read in unison, followed by a greeting by Mrs. Leffler, who pointed out that a tentative agenda had been prepared but since the main purpose of the meeting was for stimulation it was open for free discussion.

The first question raised was the size of District Federations. Mrs. Leffler pointed out Article 37 of the NFTS By-Laws which clearly governs this situation. The coinciding geographically of NFTS and UAHC Districts was discussed. It was noted that making this possible would cause major changes in the existing setup. There are far fewer UAHC Districts than NFTS Districts, some of which latter are very strong and have a long history and tradition. Large Districts already have to be broken down into sections in order to insure complete leadership and membership coverage. Mrs. Leffler noted that it is the purpose of a District to bring its constituent units into closer co-operation. NFTS and the Union have held many discussions on the matter which remains under consideration for the future.

A main problem of some of the smaller

District Federations appeared to be the lack of sufficient funds to carry on an extensive program. Mrs. Sam Mohr, President, District #4, representing three states (Florida, Georgia, Alabama) pointed out that a vice-chairman was appointed from each state: she becomes chairman for the speaker's bureau in her state and is allocated \$25.00.

Mrs. Alan Green, President, District #6, the Ohio Federation, stated that in the case of the Caravan, which continues to gain in popularity, the hostess Sisterhood is requested to add a small fee to the price of the luncheon, which is returned to the District to help defray the expense of the caravan. She also stated that officers in various parts of the District are used in their respective areas.

Mrs. William Leffler called to order the second meeting of District Presidents at 8:45 A.M. on Tuesday, February 15. A prayer was recited in unison.

Discussion concerned problems of the District President's Packet. Mrs. Alan Green, President, District #6, suggested that the Packet include more letters from the District Presidents. Mrs. Leffler stated that she would continue to include letters from District Presidents. Since there are many new District Presidents, Mrs. Leffler said that the new list of District Presidents would be included in the next Packet. She also stated that it is necessary for each District to send ten copies of its bulletin to NFTS headquarters and to include not only all District Presidents but also NFTS on its mailing list.

Several suggestions were made concerning District Bulletins. Mrs. Harry Lasker, President, District #16, the Mississippi-Arkansas Federation, stated that their bulletin is published every month. Approximately 650 are sent out, of which copies sent to the District Executive Board and President of each unit are free. There is a charge of 5¢ per issue for the others. Mrs. Irving Albert, President, District #7, the West Virginia Federation, said that each Sisterhood pays \$8.00 per year to cover the cost of the bulletin. It is published three times a year and mailed in bulk to each local Sisterhood for distribution. Mrs. Max Krumholtz, President, District #22, the Texas-Oklahoma Federation, suggested that the bulletin editor be put on the mailing list of each local Sisterhood and congregation in order to keep her abreast of the individual activities.

Departmentalization.

It was stated that no mail has been reaching District Department heads. In answer, it was pointed out that all mailings to local Department Chairmen also go to District Department Chairmen. If District Department Chairmen have not received material, it is because their names have not been sent in to NFTS headquarters. Only one piece of material has been prepared specifically for a Department Chairman—the outline "Welcome Madam Chairman." written for the Department on Human Relations.

In discussing departmentalization, it was stressed that every District should appoint four Department heads even if not everyone of these was a Vice-President. Orientation of Department heads as to their duties and obligations was considered of major importance.

Leadership is vital to every District. Mrs. Leffler pointed out that it is wise to plan a leadership course as part of the Program of a District Convention. In some Districts an extra day is added to a District Board meeting for a leadership training course. A District orientation paper was sent to every board member and officer of District #17, the Louisiana Federation, covering duties and obligations on a local and district level.

Unaffiliated Sisterhoods are always a challenge to a district. In some instances the method of adopting a Sisterhood, either old or new, brought about favorable results. Personal contact is most advantageous. It is necessary that the district be informed when NFTS is in the process of forming a new Sisterhood.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 A.M. During a brief, free period that day, the District Presidents met in two groups, according to size of Districts, to discuss problems of mutual interest.

On Wednesday morning, the District Presidents again met at 8:45 A.M. A prayer was recited in unison.

It was suggested that all local Sisterhoods, as well as all Districts, be informed of the Past President, Past District President and Past NFTS Board Member, and Past local Board Member pins, which are available from NFTS at a cost of \$4.50 plus 10% tax.

The consensus was that more time was needed for the meetings of the District Presidents' Council. It was suggested that the group

recommend to the NFTS Board that a three day Presidents' Council be held, during which a Leadership Training Institute could be conducted. It was also felt that District Presidents need more time together at a Biennial. It was thought that possibly they could meet the day prior to the opening of the Biennial Convention.

Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, President, District #3, the New York Federation, briefly outlined the setup for a Caravan. There are usually four members participating in the caravan, either the President or a Vice-President and three qualified leaders in the District. It is necessary that the hostess Sisterhood be informed of certain caravan procedures: who is to be invited; the type of luncheon; the arrangement of the room; need for a lectern and microphone; etc.

A small fee is charged by the District, part of which reverts to the hostess Sisterhood to help defray expenses. The morning program is devoted to open panel discussions on Sisterhood Departments and Committees; the afternoon is used for a brief leadership training course.

Thanks to the very capable and efficient guidance of Mrs. William Leffler, the District

Presidents adjourned with a feeling of renewed interest and a well rounded knowledge of District affairs.

ASSEMBLY SESSION

Monday Morning 10:15 A. M.

The business session of the Assembly was called to order in the Pacific Ballroom of the Statler Hotel by the President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer. The delegates rose and repeated the invocation in unison. Mrs. Dalsheimer thanked by name those women who had participated in the program of Sunday afternoon's session.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Mrs. Sanford Klein, Detroit, Mich., Chairman of the Committee on Credentials presented the preliminary report of that Committee. A total of 498 delegates were present, representing 228 Sisterhoods in 39 states, 177 cities of the United States and three cities in Canada, as well as 1 from Hawaii. Of the delegates there were 53 members of the Executive Board present, and 18 representatives of the State or District Federation; 50 official visitors were present, as well.

PRESENTATION OF

Blanche R. Stolz Trophies

BY MRS. MELVIN S. HARRIS, COLUMBUS, O.

NFTS Executive Board Member

Chairman, Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund

These three trophies represent the dedicated spirit of service to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund reflected by a beloved, late leader of NFTS, Blanche R. Stolz of Chicago. For many years Mrs. Stolz served as Chairman on Scholarships and Religious Education with devotion and inspiration.

At each Biennial Assembly these Trophies honor, in her memory, Sisterhoods in three membership categories, who in proportion to membership, have most increased their contribution to the Fund during the two-year NFTS fiscal period, over the previous Biennial period. Among Sisterhoods of 1 to 100 Members, a fairly new affiliate has earned this Trophy—Temple Beth-El Sisterhood, River-

side, California! Although we have only one trophy for each membership category, honors go also to Sinai Temple Sisterhood of Marion, Indiana, which achieved second place in this group. And to the Sisterhood of Bastrop, Louisiana, which for the second consecutive time earned third place in this category.

This Trophy for Sisterhoods with 101 to 300 members, I am very happy to award to Sisterhood Beth Sholom, Peoples Temple, Brooklyn, New York! Honor and congratulations go also to Beth Israel Sisterhood, Macon, Georgia, attaining second place, and to Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel, Chicago, Illinois, which achieved third place.

And now, among Sisterhoods with 301 or more members, the Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center of White Plains, New York, has earned this Trophy! At the last Biennial the Women's Guild attained third place. Warm congratulations and honors to Temple Israel Sisterhood of Dayton, Ohio, which attained second place and to the Beth Zion Sisterhood of Buffalo, New York, earning third place!

For eighteen consecutive years, Rodef Shalom Sisterhood, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has with dedication and devotion contributed an-

nually the largest sum from any one Sisterhood to the NFTS Scholarship and Religious Education Fund. In tribute to this outstanding record of distinguished service and enthusiasm for devotion to Jewish and humanitarian causes through the Fund, we are very happy and proud to present to the Rodef Shalom Sisterhood this *Megillas Esther*. This beautiful Megillah has just been prepared by the Department of Synagogue Activities of our parent body, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The inscription plate reflects your splendid and most praiseworthy record.

PRESENTATION OF Uniongram Awards

BY MRS. SAMUEL DANTO, HUNTINGTON WOODS, MICH.

*NFTS Executive Board Member
Chairman, Committee on Uniongrams*

NFTS has the pleasure of honoring the three Sisterhoods achieving the greatest Uniongram sales. During the past fiscal year, November 1, 1953, October 31, 1954, first place was earned for the fifth consecutive time by the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, of Baltimore, Maryland, with total sales of \$2,061!

Warmest congratulations to the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood. In tribute to your outstanding record, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is very happy to present to the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, this beautiful *Megillas Esther*. The inscription plate reflects your continuous leadership in Uniongrams. As we all know, your Sisterhood has given other leadership too, for one of your past presidents is our beloved National President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer.

Second place in the sale of Uniongrams was attained by the Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch of Seattle, Washington, with a total sales of \$1,300! This Sisterhood also made the largest per capita contribution of \$2.31 to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund among Sisterhoods, with 450 or more members during the fiscal year 1953-54. Our hearty congratulations to the Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch! In recognition of your splendid dual accomplishments, NFTS is happy to present to the Sisterhood of Temple de Hirsch, this

sounding block. A plate of the Uniongram has been mounted on the front so that whenever the sound block is used by your Sisterhood, your members can see with pride this inscription of honor.

The Uniongram plates for this and other awards this year and for subsequent years are a gift to NFTS from the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.

Third place in the sale of Uniongrams goes to Temple Israel Sisterhood of Canton, Ohio, with sales totaling \$1,230. NFTS takes much pleasure in presenting this hand-made sound block, with an inscribed Uniongram plate of honor. Temple Israel Sisterhood also made the second largest per capita contribution of \$3.68 per member to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund among Sisterhoods with 100 to 450 members!

The Sisterhood of Bastrop, Louisiana made the highest per capita contribution to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund among Sisterhoods of all sizes during the 1953-54 fiscal year. We are very happy to honor your Sisterhood for your outstanding record with this lovely sound block with an inscribed Uniongram plate of tribute. This group's per capita contribution was \$5.55.

Among Sisterhoods with 100 to 450 members, the Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel, of Daven-

port, Iowa made the largest per capita contribution of \$3.90 per member to the 1953-54 Scholarship and Religious Education Fund! We are very happy to present to the Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel this sound block with a Uniongram plate bearing an inscription of tribute.

Honorable mention and warm praise to the Zion Temple Sisterhood of Appleton, Wisconsin, which made the second largest per capita

contribution of \$4.85, and to Beth Israel Sisterhood of Clarksdale, Mississippi, giving the third largest per capita contribution of \$3.98 per member among Sisterhoods with less than 100 members.

Among Sisterhoods with 100 to 450 members, honorable mention and warm praise to Temple Concord Sisterhood of Binghamton, New York, one of our newer affiliates which made the third largest contribution of \$3.66 per capita.

The Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws was presented by Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y., Chairman. Mrs. Hart explained that many of the revisions simply involved re-arrangement and collation of existing Articles and Sections of the By-Laws for greater ease in reference.

The report (through Section B of Article 15) was approved section by section.

(See Complete Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws, p. 438.)

The session recessed at 12:40 P. M.

WORKSHOP AGENDA

Monday and Tuesday Afternoon,
2:00-4:15 P.M.

A. RELIGION AND EDUCATION

I. Building for Judaism (Committees on Religious Schools and Youth Activities)

- a. What should be the role of Sisterhood in working with young people?
 - (1) How can this best be implemented on the District and National level?
 - (2) What further specific aids do you feel are necessary from NFTS or NFTY to aid your Sisterhood in its youth work?
- b. How can we best prepare our young people to become well-adjusted members of the American Jewish community?
 - (1) Through religious schools (6-15)
 - (2) Through youth groups (15-23)
 - (3) Through home life

c. (Group divides up into small units for Buzz Session)

- (1) Large Sisterhoods
 - (a) Problems of the religious school—how can Sisterhood be of help
 1. Heterogeneous classes
 2. Programming
 3. Educating the untrained teacher
 4. Should the religious school be open to non-members of the Temple?
- d. Buzz Session reports made to the whole group.

II. Understanding Judaism (Committees on Family Education; Jewish Ceremonials and Art; Judaica Shops)

- a. Whose is the responsibility for setting up and carrying out a Jewish Education program?
 - (1) The Temple
 - (2) Sisterhood
 - (3) Brotherhood
- b. What should be the role of the parent in Religious Education?
 - (1) of family
 - (2) of self
 - (a) Attending Adult Study Courses which provide background and training;
 - (b) Taking part in workshops, giving practice periods for home rituals, etc., Synagogue festival and holiday workshops for parents, i.e., Purim, Passover, Chanuko;

- (c) What is the parents' responsibility towards stimulating the child's interest in his Hebrew language heritage?
 - (d) How can we get good attendance, men as well as women, in such programs when there are so many distracting activities in the community?
 - (e) What should be the Sisterhood's role in a community where Family Education courses are given under the auspices of other Jewish women's organizations? Should the various groups combine on this project since there is probably duplication of membership and cooperative effort might prove more effective?
 - (f) How should adult education courses be conducted?
 - 1. Brief series, self-contained?
 - 2. Courses set up in academic fashion over an entire school year?
 - (g) What is the Sisterhood's responsibility in seeing that publications for each level of advancement in Family Education courses are available?
 - (h) To what extent should the monthly programs of local units be in the realm of Jewish education?
 - (i) Should the current trend of shifting the holiday and ceremonial emphasis generally from home to synagogue continue? (Seder, Sukos, Chanuko Parties, Purim.)
 - (j) How can we heighten the interest in Jewish Ceremonials and Art and introduce more items of Jewish content into the home?
 - (k) What can be done to effect a better liaison between the National, district and local chairmen of the above committees?
- III. Projecting Judaism (Committees on Programs and Religious Extension)
- a. What is the parent's responsibility toward religious education?
 - (1) Adult Jewish classes to provide parent with background and training;
 - (2) Workshops giving practice periods for home rituals, etc.; Synagogue festival and holiday workshops for parents, i.e., Purim, Passover, Chanuko;
 - b. What is the synagogal responsibility in teaching parents the need to accept a maximum program of Jewish education rather than a minimal program?
 - c. Are special services in the synagogue on Friday evening being overdone? Where should the line be drawn?
 - d. How can personal prayer once again resume its important place in the daily lives of our members?
 - e. How can we stimulate better synagogue attendance?
 - f. Does your Sisterhood educate and integrate new members in Sisterhood backgrounds and purposes?
 - g. Is your Sisterhood working with unaffiliated women in outlying areas?
 - h. How are your Sisterhood meetings planned?
 - (1) Is there a theme for the year?
 - (2) Is the program coordinated? (Use of Committees)
 - (3) Is there Jewish content?
 - i. How much NFTS materials do you use? (President's Packet, Book of Program and Study Materials, Current Copy, Manuals, etc.)
 - j. What programs interest the majority of your members?
 - k. How does the small Sisterhood plan programs for a membership of varying ages and interests?
 - l. In a community in which the Sisterhood is only one of many Jewish

organizations, both local and national, how is the problem of multitudinous demands on time, financial support and interest handled?

m. How can NFTS be of further assistance to these Committees?

Moderator: Mrs. Arthur Kovacs, Milwaukee, Wis., NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Religious Schools. *Rapporteur:* Mrs. Charles Rotgin, Charleston, W. Va., President, Virginia Street Temple Sisterhood. *Discussion and Resource Leaders:* Mrs. David L. Zielonka, Tampa, Fla., NFTS Fourth Vice-President, Chairman, Department on Religion and Education; Mrs. Myron M. Meyer, St. Joseph, Mo., NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Family Education; Mrs. Elmer Lentz Shaffer, Trenton, N. J., NFTS Executive Board Members, Chairman, Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art; Mrs. Julian Miller, St. Louis, Mo., NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Programs; Mrs. Lester S. Bloch, Pittsburgh, Pa., NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Religious Extension; Mrs. D. H. Orkin, Jackson, Miss., NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Youth Activities.

The theme which was carried forward in the Workshop on Religion and Education, was "Through Wisdom is a house builded, and by understanding is it established." (Proverbs 24:9) The close relationship between all of the committees was stressed and the fact that their work is oftentimes interwoven, making it most advisable to have them working together on projects in local Sisterhood units.

Committees were urged, therefore, to widen their horizons and to use all the resources available in the community. Use people from foreign lands who can speak to a study group, to a religious school class—don't overlook the fine cultural heritage other than your own which might add enrichment to your program.

I. From the discussion that followed: *Building for Judaism through Religious Schools and Youth Activities*, the following points became evident:

1. In our religious schools we are interested in making Jewish life meaningful and in giving a sense of belonging and identification.
2. No child should go through a Jewish education and come to Confirmation

without the ability to read his prayerbook and to have an intelligent understanding of worship and the concept of prayer.

3. It was noted that techniques in religious schools are more modern, we are turning out better materials for use in the schools and for sale through the Judaica shops and our religious schools are definitely on the upgrade.
4. It was clearly recognized that Jewish life is something to be lived together by the entire family unit.
5. It was noted that in some sections of the country, children begin to read later, creating a problem in being able to use the textbooks. Dr. Gamoran commented that this problem had been recognized and that an upgrading in books was being worked on. He announced the printing of the first volume of a series of history of the Jews, written by Mrs. Gamoran, entitled "From Abraham to the Macabees", a textbook emphasizing Religious Ideals, instead of persecution, which is the story of the Jewish people. This book will answer a recognized need in our religious schools.

II. A great amount of time was consumed in a discussion of Youth, which clearly indicated that it is one of the most prominent projects in Sisterhood activity today. Many points became evident:

1. It is Sisterhood's duty to help youth find a sense of belonging to each other and a sense of belonging to the congregation.
2. In small communities Sisterhood often has the sole responsibility for the Youth Group.
3. In most instances Sisterhood provides an Advisor who assists but never runs the Youth Group. Many parents can become the best possible leaders of youth.
4. Many Sisterhoods provide funds for the Camp Conclaves and Camp Leadership Institutes—Sisterhoods not participating in this way are further urged to do so.
5. Many Youth Groups present the problem of being popular one year and not as popular the next. This is

normal to the age groups that youth activities cover. The best antidote for this is to be found in involving the young people in as many activities and projects as possible, particularly in projects in and for their congregation—helping with carnivals, baby-sitting, assisting in the religious school, ushering at services, assisting in the Library, with the Temple Bulletin. Help your youth find things to do; they are amenable to suggestion and love doing things for others than themselves.

6. The success of the Youth Camp program was found to be in the fact that it gives youth an opportunity for pleasurable Jewish living, studying and reading together, living a good Jewish life.
7. Be sure that the religious and cultural elements as well as social are used in programming for youth.
8. The success of the Youth Group can often be best brought to the adults through the planning and execution of a Local Youth Conclave in which responsibility falls on youth and adult alike.
9. Several new ideas presented themselves in regard to Youth:
 - a. HOSPITALITY WEEKEND to which a number of Neighboring youth groups are invited primarily for a social get-together. Youth plan their own sessions and discussion periods.
 - b. POINT SYSTEM FOR CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS based on service to community and to Temple.
 - c. Pamphlet, "YOUR CHILD AND THE TEMPLE"—Santa Monica, California, with a complete listing of how children participate in Temple life at all age levels.

III. A Discussion of the subject: UNDERSTANDING JUDAISM THROUGH FAMILY EDUCATION, JEWISH ARTS AND CEREMONIALS AND THE JUDAICA SHOP, elicited the following ideas:

1. Study courses can be led by the Rabbi or by competent lay people.
2. In large congregations study groups often work best with the aid of the Rabbi who works in conjunction with the Joint Commission on Jewish Education.

3. In other groups it is often necessary to find out what you want to study and have a definite course laid out. Planning the year in advance is advised.
4. Some suggested subjects for Family Education, which in truth is self-education: Jewish history, Bible customs, ceremonials and Hebrew, integrating the Jewish child into life, comparative religion, basic Judaism, and the Union Prayer-book.
5. Many synagogues have instituted successful adult study courses during the period of the regular religious school.
6. Courses are not the only means by which Family Education is effected. A series of Friday evening sermons followed by discussion periods is a fine form of Family Education.
7. It was noted that a Family Education program most often evolves from religious school interest. If it is true that the way to a man's heart is through his stomach, it is most certainly true that the way to a parent's is through the child.
8. One good joint education program suggested was a Family Round-up, with the theme: DEMOCRACY IN THE JEWISH HOME, touching an area in which Jewish education is necessary. Try to build a platform on which children and adults can meet and exchange opinions and discuss areas of their lives as Jews where misunderstanding might occur. This formal thought period participated in by parents and children of different families should be followed by a recreation period where parents and children dance and play together.
9. It must be remembered that all that is learned in the School and in the Study group is translated into real life only when it is lived in the home, an example being the home celebration of holidays. Ceremonies are made real only by use.
10. The Judaica shop should be a real force in the education of Jewish people by getting ceremonial objects into the home.
11. In Judaica Shops, the educational value should be more important than the fund-raising.

IV. On PROJECTING JUDAISM THROUGH PROGRAMS AND RELIGIOUS EXTENSION, the National Chairman on Programs gave a clever four-minute resumé, on suggested unique programs and their use; all new programs will be made available to Sisterhood units very soon. An excerpt from her presentation indicated that our Sisterhoods are realizing more and more the importance of stressing Jewish content. As one Sisterhood wrote, "Every member must go home from the meeting carrying with her some small kernel of Jewish knowledge." From another, "We are a specialized organization; if we don't press Jewish themes, who should do it?" Programming is our advertising and our programs should always stimulate, educate and entertain. Programs sometimes lose their punch because business meetings are not presented as an integral part of the program. Programming and administration of the meeting should be planned together for a well-balanced agenda. It was suggested that a report of this Biennial could well be presented in the fashion of the Socio-drama, on Social Action, "The Voice of Judaism"—letting the second voice talk back to the Voice of Judaism. Such a presentation would far outdo a routine report.

V. The Religious Extension Committee of Sisterhood, the Golden Thread which binds together all activities of Sisterhood and reminds us that Sisterhood is concerned with worship and with the integration of new members into the Sisterhood program, which is the reason for our existence.

Discussion on the objectives of Religious Extension, brought forward the following ideas:

1. A good place to integrate members into Sisterhood program is through Sewing Committee, Gift shop, Social and Hospitality committees.
2. In one Sisterhood new brides are given a year's complimentary membership.
3. Primary responsibility of all religious leaders in Sisterhood is attendance at worship.

In conclusion, the need for permeating the remainder of the convention with a strong feeling of the importance of Jewish

education was felt. Many young men and women are clamoring today for a vital kind of dynamic Jewish education for their children and themselves, and are trying to be intelligent parents, attempting to create a climate in the home in which to build a happy creative Jewish life.

B. HUMAN RELATIONS (Covering the activities of the Committees on Emergency Services; Interfaith Activities; Jewish Literature for the Blind; Peace and World Relations.)

I. Meaning of Human Relations

II. Interrelationship of committees in Department on Human Relations.

- a. Serving Sisterhood through programming and specific projects.
- b. Extending Sisterhood horizons and serving the community.

III. Extending our Horizons.

a. Interfaith Activities

- (1) Institute on Judaism for Church Women; other Interfaith Programs.
- (2) Interfaith work through other committees.
- (3) Interfaith activity.

b. Peace and World Relations.

- (1) How does this fit into Sisterhood programs?
- (2) Why separate Peace and World Relations and Interfaith Activities committees?
- (3) Study groups: Topics and timing.
- (4) Ways in which a Peace and World Relations Committee can help organize, stimulate and activate a Social Action Committee in your Congregation.
- (5) Integrating work with other organizations in the community working for Peace. (Organizations with which NFTS is affiliated and ways in which they can assist the NFTS district and local Sisterhood.)

IV. Serving our Community:

a. Jewish Literature for the Blind. (Service to the Sightless)

- (1) How can this be made appealing to entire Sisterhood?
- (2) Jewish Braille Institute of America.

Braille Activity
Monetary Contributions
Other Services

- (3) Palestine Lighthouse for European-Jewish Blind Survivors of World War II.
 - (4) Local activities.
- b. Emergency Services through the Women's Organizations' Division, National Jewish Welfare Board.
- (1) Need for
Day to Day
Special occasions

V. Cooperation between local Sisterhoods, NFTS Districts and NFTS in implementing the activities of the Department on Human Relations.

VI. Buzz Session:

- a. Specific ways of extending our horizons and serving our Community in a meaningful way in:
 - (1) Smaller-sized Sisterhoods
 - (2) Medium-sized Sisterhoods
 - (3) Large Sisterhoods

Moderator: Mrs. Louis Cashdan, Kansas City, Mo., NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Interfaith Activities.

Rapporteur: Mrs. Sydney Resnick, San Jose, Calif., President, San Jose Temple Sisterhood.

Discussion and Resource Leaders: Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif., NFTS First Vice-President, Chairman, Biennial Program Committee, Chairman, Department on Human Relations; Mrs. Harry H. Lowenstein, East Orange, N. J., NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind; Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa., NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Peace and World Relations.

The theme of this workshop was, "I am a creature of God and my neighbor is also His creature." (Talmud: Berachoch, 17a)

The "cross pollination of ideas" in Sisterhood's traditional field of interest, Jewish and humanitarian causes, was the purpose of the two crowded workshops on HUMAN RELATIONS at the NFTS 1955 Biennial. Discussions were divided into the four sections of the Department:

- I. INTERFAITH: the practice of holding interfaith institutes appears to be well established among the Sisterhoods. Many variants on this theme were reported. There

were descriptions of sessions for Christian Sunday School teachers, for the Christian laity, for public school and college teachers, for the children of Christian Sunday schools. In most cases the events were reported to have been enthusiastically received, sometimes beyond the wildest hopes of their Sisterhood sponsors. But there were problems: How to entice the Catholic women to let themselves be exposed to Jewish interfaith information under a Jewish roof; how to tempt the Christian guests of Jewish-sponsored interfaith functions to return the compliment by inviting the Jewish women to their churches; whether or not to bring the Jewish story and description of Jewish ceremonial and holiday practices into the public schools, to balance the generous amount of Christian religious influence and information. There was a lively by-the-way discussion, on what to do about released time in the schools, with one practical suggestion, that the Temple could hold choir practice during released time periods to assuage the Jewish children's feeling of being left out and to enrich the Temple's musical life at the same time.

The session proved that Interfaith is a widely approved and practiced program among Sisterhoods. Only details are a problem.

- II. Jewish Literature for the Blind: Sisterhoods are divided into two distinct groups in the field of Jewish Literature for the blind: those who do, and do with enthusiasm, and those who do not, and wish they could, if they only understood what the program is all about. In the two-days of these workshops, it appeared that the latter group is in the majority. A full explanation of the program of the Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind was given by the resource leader. The eager requests for further details and clarification, showed that the Sisterhoods which do not operate in this area would probably do so if they received the stimulation of personal contact with an enthusiast for the program, in place of the inevitably lifeless explanations which can be sent through the mails.

As for those Sisterhoods which are working in the area of service to the blind, their activi-

ties appear to fall into well-established channels: a few reported the collection of funds; most told of the work of their trained Brailleists. Questions of the supply of Braille manuals and typewriters were raised and they were answered by the resource leader.

III. Emergency Services: Hardly anybody in Sisterhood knows what the term "Emergency Services" means. This conclusion was inescapably drawn from the two workshop sessions. But when the resource leader explained that "Emergency Services" is the "Serve-a-program", the ladies listened attentively to her enthusiastic recital of what the program entails. There were few questions. Evidently the Emergency Services program, however well supported, has not made a deep imprint on Sisterhood life.

IV. Peace and World Relations: The world's present confusion was pathetically mirrored in the discussions on peace and world relations. Sisterhood leaders showed by their questions and comments that they would earnestly like to add to their contribution toward settling the problems of this war-threatened world, but they complained with almost a single voice that their constituents will not follow them. They arrange programs and workshops on the UN or allied subjects, and then, to quote, "nobody comes". How to get "nobody" to become many "somebodies" was the gist of their plaint. But there was another group of Sisterhood representatives who asked whether Sisterhood would not do well to keep out of the peace and world relations field because such work is already done by such organizations as the Council of Jewish Women and the League of Women Voters. But not all Sisterhood members belong to these groups, and, in a number of areas, Sisterhood is the only organized Jewish women's group.

A third problem was evidently a reflection of the spirited discussions of husbands and male fellow-congregants at the simultaneous sessions of the Union during the Biennial. If the men are to do "social action", why not the ladies, asked some of the workshop participants. Here a pro and con group developed. The cons were divided among the ladies from the South, who felt that the sensitivities of their area require that Sisterhoods

go very slowly in this controversial field; the ladies who would rather call "social action" "religious action", so that no misunderstandings might develop; and those who would rather leave this field to their menfolk.

The resource leader gave an earnest and spirited description of the scope of the peace and world relations program and of the deadly serious need for it in all Sisterhoods. To those who fear lack of attendance, she dispensed this balm: "Even if only six people come to your meeting, that's six better than none." And to those who feel they would only duplicate the work of other organizations, she stressed this fact: the Sisterhoods are the only religiously oriented group of them all; Sisterhoods can contribute a uniquely valuable religious approach to the serious problems of world peace. If we have not peace, all else is lost. Sisterhoods dare not shirk their obligations.

Appendix:

Noteworthy ideas in the fields presented by Sisterhood participants during the two workshop sessions on:

I. INTERFAITH: El Paso, Texas—colored teachers invited to interfaith institutes along with others; non-segregation practiced at luncheon;

Columbia, S. C.—teachers now ask Sisterhood to explain holidays in the classroom; Sisterhood members prepare materials for the women to take for illustrative purposes;

Long Beach, Calif.—Sunday School teachers from Christian churches invited to Friday night services;

Elmira, N. Y.—Jewish children's choir rehearsal held during public school released time period;

Kansas City, Mo.—Institute on Judaism for school teachers; mimeographed sheet available;

San Diego, Calif.—dinner for school teachers at homes preceding Friday night services; holiday tables set up after services; question period during Oneg Shabbat period;

Montreal, Canada—Booklovers forum held monthly; educators, ministers, and church members participate; 400 attend, 75% non-Jewish; rabbi started it. Charge \$3 per season. Reciprocal invitations to interfaith meetings received as a result;

Chicago, Ill.—Interfaith women's group meets regularly 3 or 4 times a year; speakers once a year. Affiliated with South Shore Ministerial Association; help with Brotherhood Day program; Thanksgiving observance, annual banquet, Christian women help decorate the Suko;

Charleston, W. Va.—Cooperative relationship between the Council of Churchwomen and the interfaith committee of the Sisterhood;

New York City (Temple Israel)—Invited teachers of religious schools of other faiths to meet with their religious school teachers; service in Sanctuary; supper question and answer period;

New Orleans, La.—Interfaith Council includes Catholic women; they have special permission to attend institutes;

Santa Monica, Calif.—permanent group from various churches established; interfaith workshops;

Muskegon, Mich.—problem of whether to join Catholic women in invitation to participate in book censorship committee;

Atlanta, Ga.—Had institute on Jewish view of Jesus; invited ministers and priests and five laywomen from each church;

Colorado Springs, Colo.—Sunday School children invited to Temple; showed through the Temple; explanations; service, refreshments. Jewish children then visited the churches.

II. PEACE AND WORLD RELATIONS:

South Bend, Ind.—Band together with other groups for effective action; lecture series held; monthly study group includes men and women;

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Send out magazines for friendship; women bring magazines, wrap and send abroad via Peace and World Relations organization, to publicize the American way of life abroad;

Detroit, Mich.—Attract 300-400 women once a week with prestige speakers who are paid \$25 each;

Des Moines, Ia.—Successful study group including 25-35 participants. Studied UN for two years; then Indonesia. No outside speakers.

Los Angeles, Calif.—(University Synagogue) Community forum series on controversial issues always have pro and con speakers; men invited.

Kansas City, Mo.—Studied de-segregation in social actions committee and helped churches formulate a joint statement;

Rye, N. Y.—Have 5-minute reports on peace and World relations before meetings;

Detroit, Mich.—(Temple Israel) use skit form to present world problems;

Hollywood, Calif.—Get consuls from foreign countries to speak;

Flint, Mich.—Sisterhood members cooperate actively with League of Women Voters in UN Day;

Detroit, Mich.—(Temple Israel) have weekly evening discussion group with the Rabbi—both men and women.

C. ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM—MEETING OUR LARGER OBLIGATIONS (Covering the activities of the Committees on Combined Campaign; House of Living Judaism; Uniongrams; Scholarship and Religious Education Fund; World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities.)

I. Integration of Department and Committee Chairmen.

II. Giving individual Sisterhood members an understanding and appreciation of the great importance of the projects and services made possible through the Committees of this Department.

III. World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities

- a. The activities of the World Union.
- b. Arousing interest of more Sisterhoods in annual Silver Coin Collection; 25% of Sisterhoods participated last year.
- c. Stimulating sale of biography, "Lily H. Montagu: Prophet of a Living Judaism," by Eric Conrad, published by NFTS.
- d. Clearance of holiday packages to avoid over and under-subscribing for holidays.

IV. Combined Campaign

- a. Importance of Woman Power in the Campaign

V. House of Living Judaism Project

- a. Stimulation from filmstrip, "Within These Walls"—5-minute glimpse of filmstrip.

- b. Need for continuation of project.
- VI. Uniongrams (See special Uniongram Booth)
 - a. Developing habit of using Uniongrams among Sisterhood and congregational members.
 - b. Special techniques — personalized sheaves, giant and enlarged Uniongrams, original Union programs and decorations.
- VII. Scholarship and Religious Education Fund—Proposed YES Fund.
 - a. Challenge of increasing need for service
 - (1) Special responsibility of NFTS members
 - (2) Uses of monies
 - b. Techniques for arousing interest and participation
 - c. Honors

Moderator: Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Chicago, Ill., *NFTS Executive Board Member, NFTS Treasurer, Chairman, Committee on Budget and Finance. Rapporteur:* Mrs. Abraham Olansky, Boston, Mass., *President, Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom. Discussion and Resource Leaders:* Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, O., *NFTS Second Vice-President, Chairman, Department on Advancement of Judaism;* Mrs. Leon Watters, New York, N. Y., *NFTS Past President, Chairman, Committee on Combined Campaign UAHG—HUC-JIR;* Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald, New York, N. Y., *NFTS Executive Board Member, Vice-Chairman, Committee on House of Living Judaism;* Mrs. Melvin S. Harris, Columbus, O., *NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education Fund;* Mrs. Samuel B. Danto, Huntington Woods, Mich., *NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Uniongrams;* Mrs. William Wolman, Toronto, Ont., Canada, *NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities.*

Mrs. Hollobow, of Chicago, Illinois, called the Workshop for the Advancement of Judaism together under the theme of "Whatsoever thy hand attaineth to do by thy strength, that do." (Ecclesiastes 9:10). In her introductory remarks she encouraged those present to feel free to express themselves so that all could evaluate their local interests with those on the NFTS level.

It was the consensus of opinion that projects

and services in this department, namely the Committee on Combined Campaign, House of Living Judaism, Uniongrams, World Union for Progressive Judaism, and Scholarship and Religious Education, now to be known as the YES Fund be publicized and stressed at every opportunity by the various committee chairmen and local Presidents.

Following a comment that not enough emphasis has been placed on the World Union for Progressive Judaism Activities, our resource leader, Mrs. Wolman, of Toronto, Canada, pointed out that this is not the fault of NFTS. The purpose of this committee and project is to extend spiritual as well as material aid to over-sea co-religionists. The money donated to the Silver Coin Collection is given to the WUPJ to extend its program in various countries. In addition some NFTS units send holiday gifts and packages, school supplies, food parcels to children in the Religious schools in Israel, and other World Union constituents. On the adult level, we supply moral resources by providing world-wide spiritual leadership in foreign countries by (a) Fellowships for study at the HUC-JIR; (b) occasionally assisting in sending a Rabbi to a distant land, such as India; (c) aiding small congregations in these areas to function.

A survey showed that only one-half of the Sisterhoods in the National Federation had made any contribution to this worthwhile project. Suggestions and gimmicks to aid Silver Coin Fund collections were: Luncheons given gratis, and then donations asked for the World Union; a silver bowl placed on the President's desk or at the door to remind people to give Silver coins. Some Sisterhoods had collection plates on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings, also on minor Festival holidays. The moderator expressed the hope that we would intensify and encourage support of the World Union by stressing it in local Sisterhood program planning and in budget allotment.

In the discussion that followed, our resource leader, Mrs. Leon Watters, of New York, asked the Sisterhoods to stimulate the sale of the biography of the Honorable Lily H. Montagu entitled, "Lily H. Montagu: Prophet of a Living Judaism", published by NFTS as a tribute to her on her 80th Birthday. Mrs. Watters stressed the practical aspect as well as the sentimental one. The book sells at \$2.00 per single copy and \$1.50 each for two or more copies. This book is a must for every Temple Library,

and a wonderful gift for Judaica Shops, as well as a fine gift for anyone on any occasion. It was agreed by all present at the Workshop, that this suggestion be made to the Assembly here today, and that each delegate be urged to purchase this book to take home as a gift to her Sisterhood Library, the Temple Library or the Religious School Library, as well as one for her own personal library. Copies may be ordered here today and delivered to your respective cities. Aside from the moral and financial gain, we will reaffirm our faith in Liberal Judaism and the efforts of Miss Montagu, whose aid to the World Union has been so significant.

The general feeling of the Workshop towards the Combined Campaign of the UAHC-HUC-JIR was that we should concern ourselves with the seriousness of this appeal. Mrs. Watters urged that each Sisterhood appoint a Chairman for this project, and that we co-ordinate our efforts with those of the Trustees of the Temple. Some participants felt that they had had resistance from the men when they suggested working together. The general feeling of the group was that as usual the power of woman is in the influence she exerts with the menfolk in her family and those in her Temple and the community. The informed, intelligent Sisterhood woman can do much to strengthen the Combined Campaign.

The Workshop was privileged to see a film-strip, "Within These Walls," a 5-minute glimpse of the House of Living Judaism. This film may be rented at \$1.00, or purchased at \$7.50 to be shown to Sisterhood groups.

Mrs. Abraham Steigerwald of New York, spoke of the splendid record of contributions to the House of Living Judaism: 250 Sisterhoods have completed their pledges and gone over the top; 144 have made partial contributions. It was pointed out that some of the small new Temple Sisterhoods may eventually participate in this project after their own pressing local commitments have been met. We are reminded by our National President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, who was visiting our workshop, that two more urgently needed floors could be added to the building if funds were made available. Since the working space in the building serving Congregations, Sisterhoods, Brotherhoods and Youth Groups is rapidly becoming crowded and inadequate, it

was the unanimous opinion of the workshop members that the project should be continued until we have 100% contributions from all Sisterhoods, and that further gifts be made by new Sisterhood members of those desiring to honor occasions or persons by sending gifts of \$10 or more.

Concerning the sale of Uniongrams, many participants expressed the opinion that the time had come to change the format and color of the prevailing Uniongram; they claimed it was dull and uninteresting. Mrs. Samuel Danto, of Huntington Woods, Michigan, our resource leader on Uniongrams, gave us enthusiastic, concrete examples of many charming and delightful ways we can improvise and create messages which reflect imagination and inventiveness. She pointed out the sentimental attachment we have for the Uniongram as it now stands, really a trade-mark. She said that a change of color would be impractical, and that blaming format and color for lack of sales is really an excuse and not a reason. Many suggestions were given to stimulate sales. It was, however, agreed that a good chairman and a strong telephone squad were most important. Of course, there is always the positive approach, namely that each Sisterhood budget a set amount for Uniongrams each year.

To implement the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund, or as we now know it, the YES Fund, suggestions were made for ways and means to raise the voluntary \$2.00 per capita quota: (a) give Sisterhood members a bank to fill during the year with coins; (b) add a sticker or line on the current bill for dues, billing members with the additional amount, being very careful to explain that it is a voluntary contribution; (c) plan parties, luncheons, and lucky number Uniongram rallies.

Mrs. Sol Gitson of Shaker Heights, Ohio gave us a clear picture, when she explained that if monies are realized on the \$2 per capita YES Fund, and all Sisterhoods reach their quota, then National can and will expect to make substantial contributions to our National Youth Programs, and we will also release \$50,000 of the Union's funds and become really self-sustaining. The most important point made was that each delegate must return to her Sisterhood and sell this idea; we are educating for the future and creating anew religious loyalties.

The workshop concluded with a total attendance of 180 for two afternoons. The enthusiasm of the group was a tribute to the leadership of the moderator and resource leaders.

D. MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
(Covering the activities of the Committees on Budget and Finance; District Federations; Evaluation; Field Services.)

I. Budgeting for Sisterhood

a. Technical Aspects of Budget Preparation

- (1) When shall a Sisterhood's budget be formulated?
- (2) On what basis shall the allocation of funds be decided?
- (3) What provision should be made for emergency expenditures?
- (4) Who should serve on the Budget Committee and what should be the relationship of that Committee to the Executive Board?

b. Fund-Raising

- (1) What are the advantages or disadvantages of a fund-raising plan such as "donor" whereby members are expected to contribute a given sum in order to participate in the "donor" event over many individual fund-raising affairs?
- (2) New fund-raising techniques.
- (3) What should the local Sisterhood's attitude be toward the contribution of Sisterhood funds to local drives such as UJA, Red Cross, Community Chest?

II. Restyling for Sisterhood

- a. What should by-laws contain?
- b. When should by-laws be altered?
- c. Should Executive Board members be elected to fill specific committee positions or should they be appointed to these after election?
- d. Should a Sisterhood have a permanent standing Committee on Revision of By-Laws?
- e. What is the best way for a Sisterhood to realign its committees into four departments so as to conform with the administrative set-up of NFTS?

III. Evaluating Sisterhood

- a. How can each Sisterhood member be made aware of Sisterhood aims and objectives and be integrated into various

Sisterhood activities, i. e., be transformed from a spectator into an active participant in the Sisterhood program?

- b. How can Sisterhood programs be planned so that they will appeal to members of different ages and interests?
- c. What can be done to make the business part of the meeting of interest to the general membership?
- d. What is the advantage of holding evaluation sessions after major Sisterhood functions?

Note: If space and time permit, it might be helpful to divide this Workshop into three "buzz" groups—small, medium and large Sisterhoods—to discuss the questions posed. Then one member of each group could report back to the entire Workshop the results of her group's joint thinking. This could be followed by general discussion.

Moderator: Mrs. Elmer Moyer, Dayton, O., *NFTS Executive Board Member, Vice-Chairman, Committee on District Federations. Rap-
porteur:* Mrs. Milton Gevurtz, Portland, Ore., *President, Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood. Discussion and Resource Leaders:* Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Ia., *NFTS Third Vice-President, Chairman, Department on Membership and Administrative Services;* Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y., *NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on District Federations;* Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill., *NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Evaluation;* Mrs. Walter Hardman, Seattle, Wash., *NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Field Services;* Mrs. Horace Hart, Rochester, N. Y., *NFTS Executive Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Revision of By-Laws.*

The moderator gave the keynote of the discussion by quoting from the Proverbs 31:27, "She looketh to the ways of her household." This workshop discussion was considered under three categories:

1. Budgeting for Sisterhood, which include Ways and Means.
2. Restyling for Sisterhood, which involved methods of keeping by-laws up-to-date.
3. Evaluating Sisterhood, which concerned itself with various methods of retaining members.

I. Budget was defined as merely a plan or a set of figures by which any organization works. Some Sisterhoods formulate budgets at the beginning of the fiscal year; others conform to the Temple fiscal year; some use the calendar year; others close their fiscal year with their annual meeting.

In some units the budget must have the approval of the Executive Committee alone; in others, the full Executive Board approval is required, and in still others, full membership approval must be secured, depending upon the requirements of the By-Laws of the individual Sisterhoods.

Budget planning is guided in large part by preceding budgets with changes made as new needs arise. For new Sisterhoods, the experience of other Sisterhoods of comparable size or a consideration of income expected will determine the expenditures that can be made, with Temple obligations and dues to NFTS and District ranking high as first considerations.

Money is derived from two sources: dues and income from various fund-raising projects.

In conclusion, regarding budgeting, it was felt that every Sisterhood must interpret its own problems in its own way, and seek sometimes by trial and error, with whatever assistance can be secured, a working plan suitable to its group.

Fund-Raising, a very important aspect of budgeting, brought forth many suggestions regarding fund-raising techniques. Among those which have been used successfully by various Sisterhoods were rummage sales, donor funds, antique sales and parties, raffles, and bulb sales. Many Sisterhoods give dinners and luncheons for which a charge is made, have sewing groups whose articles are sold, have Chanuko affairs, Circle Groups, catering services, baby-sitting services, magazine subscriptions, drama readings, dance cotillions, year books, Happy Day funds and other like activities for the purpose of fulfilling their various local, district, and national needs. Any discussion of fund-raising cannot be concluded without reference to the recently published "NFTS Policies" in which reference is made to various fund-raising activities as follows:

"NFTS requests its affiliates not to use fund-raising techniques which in-

volve raffles, lotteries, games of chance or gambling in any form since they are neither dignified nor appropriate for a religious organization."

For the answer to the question regarding Sisterhood's attitude toward contributions of Sisterhood funds to local drives such as UJA, Red Cross, Community Chest and the like, members were referred to "NFTS Policies" which states:

"The NFTS and its local units are primarily dedicated to religious work, although in this age and day every woman wishes to participate with her fellow-men in community projects. However, the first figure on the Sisterhood budget should be allotment for obligations to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Naturally local obligations are important, but as a member of a large group, that group's obligations should come first. A Sisterhood's first obligation is to the Synagogue and the activities for which it stands. As *individual* Jewish women we should contribute to every worthwhile cause that interests us. But sometimes we make the mistake of thinking contributions from Sisterhood *treasuries* to many and sundry causes are desirable, forgetting that these causes might receive even more money if supported by *individuals*."

It was further pointed out that if a Sisterhood feels a donation is necessary, and the money is available, a very small "token" contribution may be given, with special emphasis, again, to the fact that Sisterhood's first obligation is to its Temple and Sisterhood, local, district and National. However, in conclusion, it was pointed out that Sisterhood women should give of themselves in service to all community projects, and in this way fulfill their role as community women.

II. Restyling for Sisterhood concerns itself with By-Laws. Here, a differentiation was made between policies which concern themselves with methods of procedure, and a constitution which concerns itself with By-Laws, calling attention to the fact that policies often, after a period of trial, become By-Laws when properly integrated and accepted. In

this connection, the matter of the realignment of Sisterhood committees to conform with the administrative setup of NFTS was considered. A suggestion was made that wherever possible a Vice-President could be head of each department, and each Sisterhood would to the best of its ability align its committees under each of the four departments designated by NFTS. Attention was called to the advantage of such departmentalization to the individual Sisterhoods, citing correspondence with National as one area where the steady flow of material from NFTS to the proper channels in the local units can be greatly facilitated by such divisions.

Evaluating your Sisterhood involves membership and methods of retaining and integrating members, programming and evaluating.

Emphasis was placed upon the importance of orienting both officers and members, making each aware of the implications of the organization and what is expected of her as a member so that she may be transformed from a spectator into an active participant in the Sisterhood program. Techniques to accomplish this end involve leadership training courses, visits from members of the Speakers' Bureau, setting up of integration committees.

Problems of programming for different age groups and different interest groups can be satisfied through various types of activity suited to each age group.

It must be borne in mind, too, that important as program is. Sisterhood is primarily a religious organization, set up by National

not only to entertain, but to inform and instruct, combining these with matters of business important to proper functioning of any organization.

In any evaluation, one must be mindful of the individual, mere numbers are of no significance, size of no importance. What is most important is how the Sisterhood best satisfies the inner need of each member in giving her full opportunity to express herself in service. For in so doing, she serves not only herself, but her Temple and her community as well.

JOINT SESSION

A joint meeting with the UAHC, at which Mr. Harold W. Dubinsky, St. Louis, Mo., President, National Federation of Temple Brotherhood, presided, was held in the Pacific Ballroom of the Statler Hotel.

A special service on the meaning of prayer, written by Mrs. David M. Levitt, Sisterhood of Temple Beth El, Great Neck, N. Y., was presented. The participants, in addition to Mrs. Levitt, were Mrs. Rudolph Gruen, Great Neck, N. Y. and Rabbi Herbert E. Drooz, Wilmington, Del. They were assisted by the Choral Group of the Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods under the direction of Mrs. Harry Komer, Culver City, Calif.

A panel discussion on worship, presided over by Rabbi James G. Heller, New York, N. Y. followed. Mrs. Levitt, Rabbi Joseph R. Narot, Miami, Fla., Rabbi Nathan M. Perilman, New York, N. Y. and Mr. David M. Riff, Chicago, Ill., were the discussants.

As an unexpected conclusion to the program, Rabbi Herbert Weiner, South Orange, N. J., who came to the convention directly from Israel, gave a special report on the prospects for Progressive Judaism in Israel.

Proceedings of the Third Day

Tuesday, February 15, 1955

The fourth session of the Twentieth Biennial Assembly was formally called to order in the Pacific Ballroom of the Hotel Statler on Tuesday morning, February 15, at 10:30 A. M. Mrs. Dalsheimer led the delegates in the Invocation which was recited in unison. She

introduced Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y., Executive Director of NFTS, who read her report. (See p. 366 for Report of the Executive Director). Mrs. Dalsheimer proceeded to clarify the new "YES" Fund (Youth, Education and Sisterhood Fund) which is to take

the place of the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund in name and scope.*

The Committee on Revision of By-Laws continued its report from the day before. (See p. 438 for Report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws.)

The report of the Committee was adopted with only one change. Art. 18, Sec. C was amended to read: "In the event of the inability of a District President to attend the Council meeting, she may be represented by a District Vice-President." The Assembly then directed after a motion was made, seconded, discussed and carried, that the Revisions Committee bring to the next Biennial a proposal for a raise to \$2.00 per annum the dues of NFTS. There was stressed again the need for all Sisterhoods to participate equally in furthering the NFTS program.

The Assembly then heard the recommendation of the Executive Committee, which had met at a supper meeting during the Convention with representatives of NFTS District #18, the Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, on the procedure for future handling of suggested revisions. This was adopted as follows:

1. At the XXIst Biennial Assembly, there shall be proposed a Revision of By-Laws whereby all proposed revisions to the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall be received at NFTS headquarters no less than 90 days in advance of an Assembly.
2. Within the next 45 days, there shall be held a called meeting of the Committee on Revisions of By-Laws. The transportation expenses of members shall be met by NFTS.
3. At this meeting, the acceptance of proposed revisions shall be by simple majority vote; rejection of a proposed revision shall be by 2/3 vote.
4. The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall be comprised of 21 members.
5. Action on the floor of the Biennial Assembly on proposed revisions of By-

*Among the points clarified in the discussion was that the \$2.00 per capita annual quota for the YES fund was voluntary; however, if adopted by the Biennial, it would be a matter of honor for all Sisterhoods to strive to meet it. NFTS would continue to have a direct budget from its direct income, the \$1.00 per capita dues. Each year, the Executive Board will have to decide, on the basis of the monies contributed to the YES fund, what activities can be undertaken. If the full sum of approximately \$190,000 a year is achieved then the Executive Board would allocate the money necessary for student aid, youth projects and Sisterhood needs.

Laws must be limited to the official report of the Committee on Revisions. However, in accordance with NFTS custom, the covering letter released with the report of the Committee to all local Presidents, District Presidents, and members of the NFTS Executive Board, shall, for the purpose of information only, give rejected proposals and a brief statement not only of the Committee's view thereon but also of the reasons for the proposal if these had been submitted.

6. Before final release 30 days in advance of a Biennial, the report of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws and the covering letter shall be submitted for approval to the NFTS Executive Board.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Mrs. Sam Mohr, Atlanta, Ga., Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee on Nominations:

Madam President, delegates and visitors: The Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board, in accordance with the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods as revised April, 1953, held a full two-day meeting prior to the Biennial Assembly. The Committee, for the first time in NFTS history, was able to meet away from the pressures of a Biennial, convening in the Board Room of the Union House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial in New York on December 15-16, 1954. Therefore, the Committee was able to give unusually careful attention, and it hopes, objective consideration, to every candidate whose name was presented.

The task of any Nominating Committee is always a difficult one, especially in an organization of the size of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. With only 25 vacancies on the Executive Board, even under the happiest of circumstances, not all well-qualified candidates could be chosen for final presentation on the slate of the Nominating Committee to the Biennial Assembly. Despite this reality, the Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board wishes that even more of NFTS affiliated Sisterhoods had exercised their prerogative of submitting a Candidate's Blank. With more than 500 affiliated units in NFTS, less than one-fifth submitted blanks, although every Sisterhood, through the monthly packets to each local and District President, had been reminded throughout the entire fall season

of 1954 of their right to submit, on the official Candidate's Blank, their suggestions for the Nominating Committee.

It should also be noted with regret, and only in the spirit of trusting that this will be overcome before the next Biennial Assembly, that some Sisterhoods failed to take the time or trouble completely to fill in the Candidate's Blank, especially the reply to those questions which ask for particular contributions to Sisterhood activities and to Jewish and communal life.

The Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board gave careful consideration to each name presented. Our final decisions, after most thoughtful study, were based on many factors including geographic areas, numerical size of Sisterhoods, past representation on the NFTS Executive Board, and the personal contributions that candidates have given to local, District, and NFTS activities.

The Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board submits with pleasure the names of the following women as its slate of nominees for the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Each woman whose name is presented has been personally contacted on behalf of the Committee and has accepted with gratitude the privilege of standing for election.

As their names are called, will these Sisterhood leaders, if present, kindly rise and come forward.

For a Term of Four Years (1955-59) Twenty-three Nominees:

Mrs. Max Aronson, Brooklyn, New York
Mrs. Manuel Brown, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Mrs. Mac R. Burka, Asheville, N. Carolina
Mrs. Sigmund Cohen, Cincinnati, Ohio
Mrs. Fabian Crystal, Woodmere, New York
Mrs. Herbert Frieder, Philadelphia, Pa.
Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Tuckahoe, New York
Mrs. Bernard Goldsmith, New Orleans, La.
Mrs. Alan S. Green, Shaker Heights, Ohio
Mrs. Jerry Harris, El Paso, Texas
Mrs. Kenneth Huberman, Waban, Mass.
Mrs. Joseph N. Koch, Dallas, Texas
Mrs. Ralph Masinter, Huntington, W. Va.
Mrs. Lester Ottenheimer, East Chicago, Ind.
Mrs. Harry L. Rosenbaum, Roanoke, Va.
Mrs. Leopold L. Schwartz, Miami Beach, Fla.
Mrs. Perry Segal, Chicago, Illinois
Mrs. Lionel Shatz, San Francisco, California
Mrs. Maxwell C. Snider, Binghamton, N. Y.

Mrs. Israel Striker, Denver, Colorado
Mrs. Benjamin Victor, Springfield, Illinois
Mrs. Maurice J. Weisberg, Lancaster, Pa.
Mrs. James J. Zofness, Beverly Hills, Calif.

For a Term of Two Years (1955-57) Two Nominees:

Mrs. David R. Milsten, Tulsa, Oklahoma, to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Herbert Barall, same city, who has resigned.

Mrs. Robert Simons, Louisville, Kentucky, who has completed two years of an unexpired term of Mrs. C. C. Strasburger, Knoxville, Tennessee. Mrs. Simons is eligible to an additional two-year term to complete four years on the Executive Board.

The Nominating Committee for the Executive Board believes that if its slate is elected, NFTS will be the beneficiary of the actual and potential leadership qualities of these experienced and dedicated Sisterhood members.

Mrs. Sam Mohr, *Chairman*

The slate as presented by the Committee on Nominations was adopted by the Assembly.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. Raymond Kramer, Paterson, N. J., Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee on Resolutions.

All Resolutions presented were adopted. (See resolutions adopted by the Assembly, Page 434).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The final report of the Committee on Credentials was given by Mrs. Sanford Klein, Detroit, Mich. There were present for the Executive Board 53 members; State or District Federation Delegates—18; Sisterhood Delegates (including the above figures)—512. The delegates came from 231 Sisterhoods in 180 cities in 39 states; three cities in Canada sent 7 delegates; Hawaii sent one delegate. There were 52 official visitors, one of whom came from the Union of South Africa.

The Business Session was adjourned at 12:40 P. M.

JOINT SESSION

(Jewish Education Night)

Tuesday Evening, February 15

A joint meeting with the UAHC, held in the Pacific Ballroom, at which Mr. Herbert R,

Bloch was the chairman, began with an original religious service, "We lift up our voice in poetry," which was prepared at the NFTY Institute at Oconomowoc, Wis., Mr. Robert Seltzer, St. Louis, Mo., President, NFTY, Mr. Jerome K. Davidson, Kansas City, Mo., Former President, NFTY, and Rabbi Maurice Davis, Lexington, Ky., Dean 1954 NFTY Institute participated. Rabbi Nelson Glueck, President of the Hebrew Union Col-

lege-Jewish Institute of Religion, spoke about the College-Institute.

Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof, Pittsburgh, Pa., Chairman, Commission on Jewish Education, presided over a panel discussion on Jewish Education in which Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md., President of NFTS, Mr. Louis H. Heilbron, San Francisco, Calif., Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, St. Paul, Minn., and Rabbi Edgar E. Siskin, Glencoe, Ill., participated.

Proceedings of the Fourth Day

Wednesday, February 16, 1955

The fifth session of the Twentieth Biennial Assembly was called to order by Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer at 10:30 A. M. in the Pacific Ballroom of the Hotel Statler. The Invocation was recited in unison. Mrs. Dalsheimer then presented Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, California, first Vice-President of NFTS, who took over the Chairmanship of the morning session:

TOWN HALL MEETING

A Town Hall Meeting "Living Judaism: Today and Tomorrow," based on three areas in which the members of NFTS aim to interpret their heritage was conducted, with Mrs. Henry Monsky presiding and acting as moderator.

The first speaker was Mrs. Louis Rosett, Immediate Past President, NFTS.

ADDRESS

On the World Scene

BY MRS. LOUIS ROSETT, NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y.

Immediate Past President, NFTS

The topic which has been assigned to me, "Living Judaism Today and Tomorrow on the World Scene," seems to me a large bit of territory to try to cover, even in the most superficial way, and I think even we of National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, who have done some superhuman things in our time, would find difficulty in approaching it in just that manner; so, with your permission I am going to define it and limit it to a discussion of what we have done and what we can do through the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

I am very happy that we have chosen this field for discussion, because I have the feeling that especially at this historic convention, in which we have made such thoughtful and

mature decisions and have directly stated that we are about to expand our activities and to provide for their expansion, and when, as one of the delegates said yesterday, we have taken a gigantic step ahead in the matter of facing our responsibilities. We, as the woman-power of Liberal Judaism, have accepted our responsibilities as dedicated to the cause of advancing Judaism in America and throughout the world (as we stated in our by-laws). We have reached a time when we must survey the picture, and go forward, knowing exactly what our goal is.

I think our work through the World Union for Progressive Judaism is a very dramatic and a very appealing part of our program; therefore, it is extremely important that it

should be better understood and not just accepted as an incidental part of our philosophy. I think it appeals to us because of its missionary aspect; I think it appeals to us for its pioneering qualities; I think most of all it appeals to us because of its great preoccupation with youth and with peace and with social justice, through the acceptance and the practice of religion, and as a means of building a better world for youth today and tomorrow. And I believe it also appeals to us because, as someone said earlier at the convention, I think it was you, Mrs. Monsky, to be part of Reform Judaism is to belong to a great big family. As women we have the feeling that we want to share what we have with the whole family and with all those who come within our notice, and to our attention, and to help them to give to others in their turn what it has been our pleasure and our privilege to have.

Now, the World Union for Progressive Judaism covers a lot of territory too. It represents all six Continents, and although details and names may be a little dull, I cannot think they are dull if you visualize what they represent. The organizations which are affiliated with the World Union for Progressive Judaism represent Federations wherever they are, and single units where no Federations exist. They represent the United States; they represent the American Continent (North America) through the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and its affiliates; through the Association of Synagogues and the Union of Progressive and Liberal Synagogues which includes groups in Ireland, Scotland and Wales they represent Great Britain; through the South African Union for Progressive Judaism they represent Johannesburg, Springs, Durban, Port Elizabeth and Pretoria; through the Jewish Religious Union of Australia they represent Melbourne and Sydney. Then there are World Union Congregations, though no Federation, in Curaçao, in Buenos Aires, in Rio de Janeiro, in Sao Paulo and Montevideo in South America; in Europe there are congregations in The Hague, Amsterdam, and Paris; there are study groups in Rome and Florence; there are interested friends, and they are so important to our movement, in Sweden and in Switzerland. In India there is a Jewish Religious Union in Bombay, a group of hundreds of years of residence in India; there are three congregations in Israel, plus the Leo

Baek School in Haifa, congregations in Haifa, Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, and as Otto Wolfe, a Chaplain recently returned from Japan reports, there is also a revival of Judaism, not necessarily progressive, in Japan. There were affiliates in Czechoslovakia, in Danzig and in Germany which unhappily and for obvious reasons have been dissolved.

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has from the beginning been interested in the World Union for Progressive Judaism; it has given it funds, not very much in funds, but its small bit has still been the largest single contribution to the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

But apart from and beyond any material help that we may have been to the World Union, there is a very special and a very unique tie between NFTS and the World Union, through the Honorable Lily Montagu, an honorary member of our Board, who in her own person represents the spirit of the World Union. Through her, every one of us in National Federation has the feeling of active participation and achievement in all the World Union has done, and because she, in this very grim and tense and confused era, has given us a very inspired vision and a very clear purpose, we love her and we admire her and we are grateful to her for her particular type of leadership; a leadership which extracts the possible from the impossible; a leadership which is creative, which cannot be diverted or discouraged; a leadership which sees a need and finds a way.

Two years ago, in honor of her 80th Birthday, NFTS published a small book entitled, "Lily H. Montagu—Prophet of a Living Judaism." I am sure all of you have seen the book. I wish you would buy it; I wish you would read it; and I wish you would encourage your Sisterhood members to read it, because it gives you a truly spiritual experience to learn about Miss Montagu, her varied activities and the exceptional place that she holds in the world. Some of you may have met her in Boston; some of you may have met her in your own communities when, several years ago, she undertook a speaking trip, a very arduous speaking trip for a woman of any age, on behalf of NFTS.

This book which we have published concerning Miss Montagu was not an easy book to write. It was not easy to get material for it because Miss Montagu is a very modest person

and she couldn't see what there was of interest in her life or deeds to merit the publishing of a book; but we were very fortunate in persuading Mr. Conrad, who is a very gifted writer, to undertake the authorship. Miss Montagu was persuaded to cooperate and the result is something that is quite unusual, and something that I think every member of a Liberal Jewish congregation should read.

I can't give you a book review; I can only give you the background of her life. She was born into a cultured and wealthy family. She was the fifth of eleven children, which made her the middle child, but I don't think she suffered from being the middle child, because that was before the days when the psychologists had told us of the great difficulty of being a middle child, and I have often been told that she, because of her deep religious feeling, was her father's favorite among all of the children. Her father, who was to become the first Lord Swathling, was a man of intense, strict and pervasive orthodoxy. He was utterly sincere in his belief and utterly intolerant, and as a young child growing up, when she began to criticize the kind of Judaism around her as not meeting her needs, she felt that she was having a terrific battle with herself, with the things she should be and the thing she wanted to be. She criticized Hebrew as being unintelligible; she criticized the lack of decorum in the synagogue as being irreverent and criticized the lack of opportunity to search for truth. And when she determined to search for truth at whatever cost, she found that the cost was very high because it meant absolute estrangement from her father, an estrangement which almost broke her heart and his.

She describes how the World Union for Progressive Judaism came into being. A friend of hers in Germany wrote to her one day and said that in the interest of peace—and peace was always one of Miss Montagu's great concerns—it would be a wonderful thing if all religious people in all the nations could get together, could discuss their feelings, could unite on a common program. And she said that she felt that modern Judaism was losing the sense of its high calling; that the state of the world needed the attention of spiritually-minded people, and it was thought that vaguely in some way these people could get together and talk it over. From Miss Montagu's own report, this is what she writes about how the World Union was formed. She said:

"The World Union for Progressive Judaism was started in a spirit of adventure and I do not think that any of us who took part in its foundation were quite clear as to what we were likely to achieve or how we were going to go about that vague something that we did most certainly desire. Above all, we felt very strongly that we must make, as Jews, better use of the spiritual inheritance which our ancestors received about three thousand years ago."

She describes the first conference, at which the United States, Germany, France, India and England, were present.

The young organization did a fine job. It built up communities that had been dispersed and scattered from the war; it sent emissaries all over the world and things were going along beautifully until World War II came. The young organization still continued to take care of the people as best it could, to keep track of them, to do for them what it alone could do, and when the War was over and there was another meeting in London, the first group post-War conference of the World Union, the most appealing sight that can be described met the eye. It so happened that I had the great privilege of being there, and to see people from all parts of the world travel to a religious conference to gain comfort and strength from each other was indeed a most unforgettable experience.

It became apparent from the reports of the people who came to that convention that there was a great desire all over the world by people, young people who had never known very much religion, older people who perhaps had lost it, that there was a great desire for some form of Judaism other than Orthodoxy, which could meet their needs.

And the call came for America, the strong, to help the rest of the world, which was weak. And we of America did the very best we could with limited means, limited time, and limited ability, to reach our people and explain the great need.

The Sisterhoods, with their customary alertness sensed the great need; they knew that leaders would be necessary, if congregations were to be established, or revitalized. Perhaps the finest thing that was done along this line was money which was given from the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund of those days for fellowships for rabbinic students, who came from different parts of the world to be

educated here and who would go back to their own countries to spread the message.

There is very much more to say on this subject. I have not made any attempt to end my speech with an exhortation or a challenge or a pledge of any kind from you. I am leaving my talk unfinished in the hope that there may be questions, and in the hope that because it is unfinished and unsettled you will keep

it ever in the forefront of your minds and that when you go back to your Sisterhoods, you will ask more about it, you will communicate this feeling of our responsibility to the rest of the world, to the rest of our brethren, and that you will take measures then to forward this work of Living Judaism for today and tomorrow on the world scene.

ADDRESS

On the Frontier of Youth

BY MR. JEROME DAVIDSON, KANSAS CITY, MO.

Student, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

Past President, NFTY

I think it is wonderful, the interest that this Convention has shown toward the problems of our young people, the interest that you have shown in the panels and in your discussions. But it is only natural that you should have this interest, for in reality, to our young people, to our teen-agers you are their mothers. You are really their mothers, and it is only natural that you should be most concerned with the problems of educating them.

The problems of Jewish education have usually fallen into the responsibilities of the home and the synagogue, and in the future these two organizations must continue to give our children the basic ideas and attitudes regarding their faith, but it just so happens that it is after the time of confirmation, that it is after the time that the young person is confirmed and graduates from the religious school that he becomes troubled and bothered and sometimes begins to doubt the basic tenets of his faith. In this time of troubled soul-searching, our young people are in real need of qualified guidance and assistance, and this is the goal of the National Federation of Temple Youth—to help our young people during this time, when they are trying to search for new understanding, to make their religion more meaningful, to help them become actively involved in the congregational life.

The National Federation of Temple Youth, or NFTY as we much prefer to be called, is, of course, an affiliate of our Union of Ameri-

can Hebrew Congregations, with a very specific job of dealing with our young people after they are confirmed, after the time they leave the religious school.

Our program is concerned with social activities, cultural activities and religious activities, and on the local level, for a youth group to be well-balanced, it must include all of this. It is just as important for our youth to participate in a *Chanuko* Hop as to sit down and have a discussion with their rabbi on how the Bible can be meaningful in their lives. To have a good program we must have a balanced program.

This year NFTY is sixteen years old. Not only are most of our youngsters sixteen, but our organization was founded sixteen years ago, and three years ago when we reached our thirteenth birthday, when we reached our *Bar Mitzvah* year, the National organization felt that NFTY had come of age; that it had reached the time when it could be of service not only to the members of the Youth group, but to the general community as well, and there developed under the leadership of our director, Rabbi Samuel Cook, our *Mitzvah* Program, which is encouraging our young people to perform *mitzvot*—good deeds—not only for themselves, but also through study and worship, through helping in their congregation, through helping in the Jewish community and through helping in the general community. And all kinds of wonderful activi-

ties have resulted from this program; through it our young people have been able to find a meaning and a place in the life of our congregation.

It isn't unusual when we see the reports of some of the wonderful *mitzvot* our youth groups have performed within the realm of congregational life, as when the Kentucky youth group recently initiated a project whereby they would record the Friday evening services on tape and take them to those sick members and aged members of the congregation who were unable to attend the services. The results were gratifying.

Neither is it unusual to think of a youth group in the middle west that took on as a project, renovating the congregational cemetery. It was a service to that congregation. Through aiding the congregation by being baby-sitters for young couples so they won't have an excuse for not going to Friday evening services; through helping in old folks homes, our young people have become a service organization. The *Mitzvah Program* has given wonderful results.

It wouldn't be fair to leave the realm of local youth group programs without mentioning how wonderful the work has been on your part, for by making them feel that they have been an important part in the activities of the congregation, by being no more than the mothers who encourage their young people to go to youth groups, the aid which you have given has been wonderful.

NFTY, in order to be effective has to operate on a regional level as well, and we have regions; we have seventeen regions. We have MOFTY, the Missouri Valley Federation of Temple Youth; we have SOFTY, the Southern Federation of Temple Youth; we have AKTFTY, the Arkansas-Kentucky-Texas Federation of Temple Youth; we have SCFTY, the Southern California Federation of Temple Youth; we have WOFTY, the Washington-Oregon Federation of Temple Youth. We even have a CNFTY, the Central New York Federation of Temple Youth.

Whenever I think about the names of these regions I become sad. We had a region called LEFTY, but that had to come to an end, because when the president of LEFTY was making his application for the University of Michigan he had so many activities to report, that he had very little room left and he just put down "President of LEFTY." When the

authorities saw this, they called him in to explain what this subversive organization was; he told them he was president of the Lake Erie Federation of Temple Youth. And the young people took it upon themselves to change the name. We now have the NLEFTY—I hope that is going to be safe for a while, anyway.

Even though we have a lot of fun with the names of our regions, we have more fun with the activities we engage in. The most important thing a region does is meet in conclaves. The regions hold conclaves once or twice a year, in winter in a city, in summer in either a rented camp, or sometimes the camp of the Union. Young people from various parts of an area are able to get together with other teenagers with the same background, to discuss Judaism. These conclaves are of especial value to young people who come from communities where there are only one or two Jewish families, because then it is only once or twice a year that these young people can meet with other Jewish teenagers and discuss things of common interest, share social activities, which is very important, have cultural discussions, and carry on religious services. At a conclave that would take place in almost any city, like the one in Indiana a few weeks ago, young people can put on a religious service before the congregation on Friday night, have discussions on various topics that are of concern to them in their Jewish faith, have workshops on how to improve programs of temple youth groups, and also have a big dance which is of equal importance.

These regional conclaves are of tremendous importance in keeping our young people actively involved in their congregations. Any congregation which has been host to a conclave knows what a wonderful thing it can do for the spirits and the morale, not only of the youth group but also of the members of the congregation, for when they see these young people present a service before them, just as the members of the Assembly witnessed their young people putting a service on before them on Friday night on our annual NFTY Sabbath, they realize that Judaism is going to fall into safe and sure hands. But the role you, too, play in these conclaves is a wonderful one. Not only have I seen Sisterhood leaders take time in helping to plan these conclaves, to figure housing and programs, but I have seen in the evening dinner dances, Sisterhood mem-

bers bringing out their husbands, and preparing and serving the food and doing everything under the sun to make these activities successful. And for all this we certainly are grateful. Then, too, our national scope is very broad. As I mention it I must give thanks, much thanks, to the Sisterhood for giving us such a fine National Youth Chairman as Mrs. Celeste Orkin, for the work she has done, the spiritual aid and the inspiration she has given our young people at our National Board meetings and our Regional Conclaves has been tremendous. For her contribution we thank her.

The most important and the most significant activity of our National Program, the one we are most proud of, is our National Leadership Institutes. This year we are going to have three National Institutes, two of them at the Union's Camp in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin and one at the Union's Camp in Saratoga, California.

At our National Institutes we have approximately 100 to 120 young people, forming what we call model temple youth groups organizing themselves into the very same committees which they would have in their own local youth groups, and the work of these committees is the work of the whole Institute. The activities that are planned and carried through by these committees at our National Camps are the activities of the Camps. We have a Program Committee, a Projects Committee, a Social Committee, a Religious Committee, a Publicity Committee, the very same committees that a youth group has at home. The work of these committees is geared at our camp so our young people may get ideas whereby they can go home and improve their groups. A Program Committee will plan projects, a Social Committee will plan dances, progressive dinners; the Publicity Committee will publicize the work of the other committees. To me the most important committee is the Religious Committee, for through it our youngsters get something they perhaps have never received before, a mature religious experience.

I hope many of you here saw the service which our teen-agers put on last night, for it was a typical service. I am glad you liked it. It was typical of hundreds of services that our youngsters have worked out by themselves. Our rabbis and lay leaders have wisely realized that if our teen-agers are going to get anything out of their worship, before

they can comprehend the prayers of the Union Prayer Book they must be taught to pray in terms of their own experience, and it is only through writing their own prayers, taking the Bible passages they think important, and working them into the service, selecting their own music, bringing things from their own lives into their worship, that it can become meaningful.

I remember a service a few summers ago, on the theme that a religious man need not be alone. Around that central theme our youngsters brought Bible readings, sermonettes, and prayers they themselves had created. They added a secular song from the popular musical, "Carousel": "You Will Never Walk Alone," and because that song had meaning to them in another setting, too, that religious service is one they will long remember.

We have also in our Institutes discussions; we have classes with our rabbis; we discuss problems which relate to Judaism, uppermost in the minds of our youngsters. They discuss problems of God, of Truth, of Evil. They are concerned with their relationship with their parents, with other boys and girls, with members of the opposite sex. The rabbis show them how Judaism can have application to their daily lives. While I can't say about our Institutes and Conclaves that any of our young people come back with a rounded Jewish education, they do realize how important it is that if they are going to bring into community life as adults the best that Jewish tradition has to offer, they are going to have to study and learn more of their heritage and their background.

But, of course, implied in this camp program is the tremendous challenge which Reform Judaism has faced for a long time. As it is now, one, two, or three young people from one congregation can go to an Institute, and even in the two areas where there are National camps, in Oconomowoc and in Saratoga, California, and we hope both camps will be able to continue serving our young people for a long time, even in these areas the congregations say, on the West Coast, are limited to the number of people they can send to their own California Camp in Saratoga. There aren't enough camps. How wonderful it would be if in five or in ten years every area of our Union would have a camp, so that not one, two, or three young people could attend, but all the members of our Youth group could

go to these camps, and learn more of their heritage and background, making Judaism more meaningful in their future lives.

We have other wonderful projects. I would not want to neglect to mention our participation in the World Union for Progressive Judaism which Mrs. Rosett has pointed out in such a fine way. We won't call it the WUPJY, we have a better name, we call it the WUPJYS—World Union for Progressive Judaism Youth Section. We like that much more.

The most wonderful thing, I think, that we have done in regard to our activities in WUPJYS is that we as youth are helping to build a chapel in the only school in the State of Israel that is connected with Progressive Judaism—the Leo Baeck School in Haifa. The youngsters, in a board meeting a couple of years ago, dedicated themselves to raising money, to build a chapel in the Leo Baeck School, but they decided to name it after one of the great American rabbis who has meant so much to them in their own camps and institutes—Dr. Abraham Cronbach, Emeritus Professor of Sociology at Hebrew Union College. By connecting the names of Cronbach and Baeck, by putting a chapel built by American youth in the State of Israel, we feel that we have connected by a solid and meaningful link these two wonderful and inspiring centers of Jewish activities, for if our youngsters can do anything possible toward bringing a Progressive Judaism into the State of Israel, they will do so.

I think this is a wonderful step and a wonderful project.

There is one other project which I must mention to you, too. It is related to our pilgrimages to the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and is closely related to the work of our NFTY. The faculty of our institutes and conclaves are made up in most instances of HUC-JIR students; of course, the rabbis who lead and advise our youth groups and our congregations are graduates of this seminary as well. Many of our young men have found from their work in the NFTY—and I don't think I am an exception for having wanted to go on—that they want to go on

with their work, to do what they can to make Judaism a meaningful experience to American Reform Jews; they have chosen as did many of the young people who stood before you last night, such as Robert Selzer, the President of NFTY, to go into HUC-JIR and to dedicate themselves to the work of the Reform rabbinate. So we feel there is a close connection.

For that reason we sponsor pilgrimages a couple of times a year, whereby youngsters visit the HUC-JIR. I wish you could see through their eyes what they see; then you would realize what a wonderful thing you have done in the support you have given to the work of the HUC-JIR, for many of the men now in the field, many of the students who go there, go there through your help and are able to continue their studies because of the aid you have given. I wish you could see, as do our youngsters, the chapel services which our student rabbis put on, the sermons they preach and the services which they create. I wish you could see the classes—classes in Talmud, where they delve through myriads of rabbinic laws and lore to find the inspirational items which have meaning for Reform Judaism; the classes in human relation, where our student rabbis learn more about how to deal in counseling the members of their congregations. I wish you could sit with our student rabbis, as do our pilgrims to the college, and listen to them tell why they have chosen HUC-JIR, and the rabbinate as life work.

And the students at the College, as well as all of these youths are grateful to you; they are grateful for the help that you have given them. In all cases; on a local level, regional level, national level, your help has been really wonderful.

There once was a prophet named Joel; his prophecy was inscribed in the Bible; one of the things that he said was:

"Thy old men shall dream dreams, but thy youth shall see visions," and your students and your young people pray that you, their mothers, will help us to transform our visions into vibrant realities.

ADDRESS

In Our Own Courts

BY RABBI ABRAM V. GOODMAN, LAWRENCE, N. Y.

Spiritual Leader, Temple Sinai

I have been asked to tell you something about social action while I stand on one foot. I am going to try to do something that all rabbis are not supposed to do, and that is be brief.

I want to refer first of all, to the Holiness Code of the Book of Leviticus. The Holiness Code has not had the advertising of the Ten Commandments, but confidentially, just between you and me, I think it is many steps in advance of our Decalogue. We read it in the Torah, on Yom Kippur afternoon. It opens up with the words:

"Ye shall be holy, for I, the Lord your God am Holy."

And what constitutes holiness? The telling of the truth. The honoring of one's parents. The practice of decency in one's life. The sitting in judgment between rich and poor and not discriminating in favor of either party. But above all, there is the dual precept, the dual injunction:

"Love thy neighbor as thyself, and love the stranger as thyself."

How are we to achieve the way of holiness, we Jews, men and women alike, if we have not mastered the art of loving our neighbor and loving the stranger?

It is more than honesty, and not cheating somebody and telling the truth; it is trying to aid the underdog, the human beings, God's creatures who have never had the break in life. That is the way of holiness for all Jews.

Let me give you another reference, this time to the Sabbath morning service, when we take the Torah out of the Ark, the high-water mark of all our devotions on a Sabbath morning, then we read from the 24th Psalm:

"The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof."

Did you ever stop to think what that means? It means that everything we have, everything we claim comes from God. We are only God's stewards; only God's share-croppers. How do we return some of the harvest that we reap? Not to God himself, but to our fellowmen. This, of course, is an

injunction for philanthropy, but it is also an injunction to correct the evils of this unhappy planet, to do our share so that all God's creatures may enjoy their rightful heritage, their full opportunity.

"Ye shall be holy, for I, the Lord your God am Holy."

You know, rabbis are sometimes approached by some of the peripheral members, shall I say, in the congregation. They say: Rabbi, why don't you preach on the Bible? You are always worrying about current themes.

I try to use the Bible every Friday night as a text for my sermon, and I assure you I speak upon current themes, too, and if you will turn to your Bible you will find that it has more radicalism, more daring in it than all the windy passages of *Das Kapital* by Karl Marx. Remember that! We want to put the Bible in our lives.

You know Karl Marx was partly right about one thing, when he said that religion is the opiate of the people. It can be the opiate of the people, and it is, in certain groups. When they tell you that all your troubles should not matter, you must be resigned to your fate; you should accept hunger and exploitation and cruelty because in the next world you will have a halo, or a crown, you will have a harp, you will have lovely robes and sit on a throne—just wait, they tell you—that is the opiate of the people. But Judaism is a religion that concerns itself with now. "One hour of good deeds in this world is worth all the world to come." Remember that in terms of holiness: "One hour of good deeds in this world is worth all the world to come." Judaism does not take the promissory note; Judaism asks for cash in the here, and now, and not in the hereafter. We want to recognize this. We want to recognize that we have a mandate from the Jewish prophets and from Moses himself, to seek holiness.

Oh, there was a time in the ghetto where the Jews were struggling for life, for survival, when they could not reach out and try to

help their fellowmen as much as they wanted; even in that literature you have a nobility and love of mankind that is priceless.

There are Jews today who say we should not do anything now. They don't realize that in the United States the ghetto walls are falling; they don't understand that we are free men, free to practice our religion, to serve our fellowmen.

I reject the ghetto complex, and I am sure you do too. I look upon my Christian fellow-Americans and note their fine social action programs, and I say we Jews want to be in the field too. We also are Americans as well as heirs of the Jewish past. We are not second-class citizens. Don't forget that.

There are issues in this world today that concern every one to whom the name of religion is dear. What more wonderful issue, what greater challenge is there than the challenge of world peace and world unity? There are people who have trigger-itching fingers; they would like to set off a few hydrogen bombs and solve all the world's problems. You are not going to solve the world's problems by recourse to cruelty and destruction. You can only solve them by the constructive effort of greater understanding, greater realistic approach to the humankind that is on both sides of the iron curtain.

I realize that Russia is a problem, but we also want to be ready when the time comes, to work even with Russia and with Red China for one world.

Long ago the Prophet Isaiah told us that the day would come when mankind would gather before the mountain of the Lord's house and assume the burden of the Torah's ways, outlawing war, "enabling each man to live under his own vine and figtree and no one should make him afraid." If you study Isaiah you will find the blueprint for the idea of the United Nations, the United Nations we are trying to build today, the United Nations that was created just ten years ago in this state of California.

There are those who would clip the wings of the United Nations, who would bypass the United Nations, who would overlook the United Nations, but we as Jews who first dreamed of the United Nations must work for it and with it. That is not politics, that is Judaism, and if we want to see harmony between the nations of the world we also want to see harmony and security for the individ-

uals of the world. The totalitarian communists insist on faceless men, men who live under one rule, who think one kind of thought. Judaism teaches that individual personality is sacred; the individual soul is our greatest prize. Yet we know that on our side there are those who in fighting Communism, poisoned by the virus of Communism, would introduce complete conformity into the American camp. We see it again and again. We saw it a few months ago when the cadets at Annapolis and at West Point were not permitted even to debate the issue of Communist China's admission to the United Nations. We have seen it in the petty attacks on Ladajinsky and on Oppenheimer, men who have given their genius and talent to the cause of the United Nations, without reservations.

We want to maintain our integrity as Americans, and belief in religion. You perhaps know the words of the late Charles Beard, the History Professor, when he told his class, "You can't even collect your thoughts without being accused of unlawful assembly," though that has not come to pass for most of us as yet, and must not come to pass; once they are going to control your political thoughts they will control your religious thoughts. The right to pray and seek God and our brothers among the nations of mankind is something too precious for us to lose, even when certain political elements may threaten.

Our integrity, of course, includes every human being, all races and all colors. Before God there is no distinction. When we consider the racial problem of the American scene, I feel very proud of the progress which is being made in the South, and I say that as one of southern descent, as an individual who has spent many years of his life in the South. I believe that the North does not appreciate the great strides that are being made over the Mason-Dixon line to correct the inequities that exist there. Go into southern cities, visit the intelligentsia, the upper intellectual classes of the new South, and if you find any backward trend that you would not find in corresponding groups in the North I would like to hear of it. And this is not just puffing up the South. Today some of our greatest novelists and writers are from the South; read their works on the race issue; read William Faulkner, the Nobel Prize winner; read Hamilton Basso's current best seller, "The View From Pompey's Head." You discover there a relentless resistance

against race or class discrimination which exists in all parts of the country, and these southerners are just as outspoken as anybody else. They have matchless courage, and the new South, outside of the political hangers-on and those at forks of the creek, may be the poor whites. The new South is marching forward. Desegregation is the issue of the day; desegregation which was passed by a unanimous Supreme Court including its southern members. The desegregation decision condemns the separation of children according to color and race in our public school system as un-American and unjust.

I have been following the decisions of the Southern Church groups one after another on this question. They hail it as good Christianity, as good Americanism. They are Christians, of course; we are Jews. We can go back to Amos, to his words spoken at Beth El 2600 years ago, "Are ye not as the children of the Ethiopians in my eyes O children of Israel," saith the Lord. In God's sight Jew and Negro, White and Yellow, Christian and Jew are all the same. The recognition and the implementation of that fact is also the way to holiness.

I have been quoting biblical sources, biblical traditions that bring out our social action point of view. We have American principles too. I am thinking of the founding of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the year 1873; in their first constitution they declared three goals for themselves: They would establish schools of Jewish learning; they would defend Jews from oppression and discrimination; and they would promote Jewish knowledge. And one year later, in 1874, they set up a Board of Delegates on Civil Rights in Washington, D. C., with the late Simon Wolfe as Chairman, to make sure that there would be justice for Jews before the world.

It is only one step, of course, from concerns of justice for Jews, to justice and defense for our brothers of mankind.

There isn't very much one can tell the NFTS. They have had their Committee on Peace and World Relations for years. It is a fine Committee. It has been a Committee that has been increasing its scope and usefulness in community after community, but since the last Biennial, something new has been added; their Peace and World Relations Committee has become part of the Joint Social Action Commission of the Central Conference of

American Rabbis and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. They are joined by the Brotherhoods and by the Youth groups. We are presenting a united phalanx of Reform Judaism in the cause of justice and peace. Sisterhood delegates go regularly to the meetings now, of this Joint Commission, taking part in its deliberations, outlining its plans. Our delegates, I might say, of the Joint Commission take part in the National Community Relations Advisory Council meetings. Thus great national organizations of religious and civic Jewish groups are correlated. We have a fine permanent staff of experts who have been doing wonderful work. Among other things they are issuing a monthly News Letter that outlines the social action programs and voices the opinions of the different groups of Christian and Jewish movements in terms of social justice in this world. It is a unique publication and it heartens us to feel that it is not only the Jew who is concerned, it is the non-Jew too.

Among their other publications has been an outline of the need for the genocide pact which unhappily our United States has not approved of, which some day I believe will become the law of mankind. They are at present working on another document that should be very valuable, a religious approach to the American program of foreign policy. This to me, as a rabbi, is tremendously important. For a long time the voice of Judaism was the voice of the pulpit; the few listened. I don't mean for one moment to suggest that in our secular Jewish organizations that as individuals we have failed to act; of course, we act, but when you act through your synagogue and through your Sisterhood you are acting as the voice of the prophets, you are acting as the children of Moses, striving for a better world.

What is this social action anyway? It is first of all an effort to organize committees, to study, to learn, to understand, that we may do, that we may fulfill, that we may enter upon the way of holiness, as Jews, as God's witnesses, as a "light unto the nations."

"Ye shall be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy."

Mrs. Monsky summed up by saying: "We must work in the world at large, in educational areas with youth, through social action programs, working always towards a better to-

morrow so that we shall know renewed pride in the observance of the tenets of our faith, renewed joy in an America where all peoples and all faiths can live together in security and peace, renewed satisfaction that we as Sisterhood women conscious of our responsibilities and of our obligations have devoted our talents and our efforts to the dissemination

of the basic principles of our faith as a fundamental law of humanity." In closing, she cited the traditional Quaker approach: "In time of trouble and great spiritual travail, do not curse the darkness but light a candle."

Following the addresses there was general discussion. The meeting recessed at 12:15 P.M.

CLOSING SESSION

February 16, Wednesday Afternoon

The Closing Session of the Twentieth Biennial Assembly was opened by Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer in the Pacific Ballroom of the Hotel Statler at 2:00 P.M. The delegates recited the Invo-

cation in unison. The Rapporteurs of Workshops held on Monday and Tuesday afternoons presented their reports. (See pages 405-417 for reports)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Thanks

Mrs. Eugene Zemans, Chicago, Ill., Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee on Thanks:

Madam President, delegates and visitors: The Committee on Thanks wishes to acknowledge with thanks the forethought and planning that went into the effort to provide information, education, and inspiration, designed to meet the varying needs of those gathered here from all parts of the world, to attend the XXth Biennial Assembly of the N.F.T.S.

Realizing that it is not feasible to mention all of those who have given so unstintingly of their time, effort and resources, we thank the Chairman of the Program Committee, Mrs. Henry Monsky, West Los Angeles, California, her two vice-chairmen, Mrs. Jacob Rudin of Great Neck, New York, and Mrs. Harry Thor of San Francisco, California; the Chairmen of the sub-committees, of the program committee and the Committee members whose names are listed in your official program.

Likewise, we extend our sincere thanks to all the participants in the various programs, to the Los Angeles Sisterhoods for all of their

gracious hospitality, to the Brunch Hostesses from Sisterhoods of Congregations in the Southern California Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations; to the Sisterhood Committees which manned the many attractive displays; to the Reception Committee for the Reception tendered to delegates; to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, our President, for her dedication to and her interpretation of our common goals; to Miss Jane Evans, our Executive Director, for her indefatigable efforts on behalf of Sisterhood, and to her staff for their constant cooperation; to all of the delegates and visitors who in pooling their interests and participating in an exchange of ideas, have given this convention its meaning and individual flavor, and in addition, our appreciation is extended to the accommodating management of the Statler Hotel, convention headquarters, for its hospitality, efficiency, and to the press, radio, and T-V for their understanding coverage of our Assembly.

Mrs. Eugene Zemans, *Chairman*

The Report was accepted by the Assembly.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Evaluation

Mrs. Harold Charmack, Chicago, Ill., Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee on Evaluation:

At its last meeting, the Committee on Evaluation defined its functions as being the re-evaluation of the structure and functions of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in terms of changing needs, and the attainment of the organization's goals. Specifically, the Committee must re-evaluate the realignment of NFTS in the four Departments. The large majority of the Sisterhoods, and District Federations have already put this system into operation. However, a few have not yet done so. For these few, it may be worthwhile to recapitulate the plan adopted at the last Biennial.

There are now four NFTS Departments. I am sure you know it but I am going to repeat: Religion and Education; Advancement of Judaism; Human Relations; Membership and Administrative Services. The various committees are grouped under each of these Departments. In order to conform to this setup, it is not necessary for a Sisterhood to change its By-laws. While many Sisterhoods have found it advisable to have a vice-president head each of the four Departments, any member of the

Executive Board of the local Sisterhood may be designated as a Department head. What is more important, is that each Sisterhood conform to this pattern, otherwise it cannot receive all of the assistance which is given by the NFTS in general; where departmentalization has been put into practice, it has been found to add to the efficiency and economic handling of NFTS affairs. As a result of experience, a few changes have already been made. One of these has been the moving of the Committee on Programs from the Department on Membership and Administrative Services to the Department on Religion and Education.

At this point, however, it seems too early for a complete evaluation of the effectiveness of the departmentalization to be made and it is recommended that a full evaluation be deferred until the NFTS Biennial Assembly in 1957.

Mrs. Harold Charmack, *Chairman*

The Assembly accepted the Report as well as the Committee's recommendation that a full evaluation be deferred until the NFTS Biennial Assembly in 1957.

INSTALLATION OF NFTS OFFICERS

BY MRS. LEON WATERS, NEW YORK, N. Y., *Past NFTS President*

Madam President and Members of the Assembly:

I deem it a signal honor to call forward for installation in office, those in whom you have expressed supreme confidence and ability to carry forward the program of the NFTS.

As I call your names, will you please rise and stand before us, whom you will lead through the years 1955-57.

For President—Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Pikesville, Md.

For First Vice-President—Mrs. Henry Monsky, W. Los Angeles, Calif.

For Second Vice-President—Mrs. Sol Gitson, Shaker Heights, Ohio

For Third Vice-President—Mrs. Harry Jacobson, W. Des Moines, Iowa.

For Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. David Zielonka, Tampa, Fla.

For Treasurer—Mrs. Irving Hollobow, Evanston, Ill.

For Recording Secretary—Mrs. Jerome Salm, Chicago, Ill.

And now for four members of the Executive Committee in addition to the officers:

Mrs. Albert Farber, Elkins Park, Pa.

Mrs. William J. Leffler, Tuckahoe, N. Y.

Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Mrs. Melvin Harris, Forest Hills, N. Y.

Will the newly elected members to the Executive Board come forward as I call your names, and will you hold your applause until all the names have been read? (See p. 419 for these names).

You have been elected leaders in the Biennial period which terminates in this beautiful city of Los Angeles, and because of your dedicated

service through the past two years, this Assembly again asks you to accept high office. This is the challenge which you must face, and we feel confident that you will meet it and will keep the National Federation in the forefront of Jewish and communal activities, not only in these United States, but in all the six countries where affiliated Sisterhoods are located.

I shall read to you the pledge of office of the National Federation. The first time I shall read it in full, then ask you to repeat it after me in unison:

"I do solemnly pledge to perform faithfully, impartially, consistently and in accordance with the By-laws of this organization, the duties of the office I now assume. I shall dedicate myself in office without fear or favor, and with integrity, to the welfare of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and to the service of Jewish and humanitarian causes, through the synagogue and the Federation's program. This is my pledge, freely given, for which I ask God's blessing. Amen."

(The above pledge was recited in unison by all the newly elected officers and board members.)

I now place upon the shoulders of each of you the mantle of authority and declare each of you duly installed in the office to which you have been elected in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. May you wear with dignity and understanding your mantle of authority, recalling at all times the high purposes of Sisterhood.

To you, Madam President, Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, Helen to me, and a very dear friend, a special word of commendation. The NFTS is honored to re-elect you as its leader for the next two years. You have more than fulfilled our highest hopes during your first term in office. You have graced the presidency with friendliness and charm, but with firmness and courage of conviction. Under your guidance we have seen an advance in the building of a stronger Reform Jewish movement. Our National Federation has increased by more than 32 Sisterhoods during the two years of your administration. We have now a total of 512 Sisterhoods, and if you will pardon a personal note in retrospect, we were only 362 Sisterhoods when I "expired" as your President in 1941. I mention this only to laud the increasing growth of the Federation.

You, Madam President, through your personal example are well qualified to put into action the theme of our Biennial Conference, namely, *Living Judaism Through Sisterhood*, and also the theme of our parent body, the Union, which is: *Ethics, Education and Exaltation*. You have demonstrated in your personal life, your belief that religion has a primary place in ethical society; you have stressed the importance of spreading Jewish knowledge and education by your visits to the District and local Sisterhoods, and lastly, your personal life habit of temple worship qualifies you to interpret to the Sisterhoods the exaltation and the meaningful beauty of synagogue worship.

And now, Madam President, on behalf of the entire Federation, I again present you this gavel of authority and pledge to you and your fellow-officers, the Executive Committee members and the new Board members, the loyalty, the cooperation, the respect and the affection of your co-workers. Keep well, Helen, and be happy in your work. God bless you.

Mrs. Dalsheimer expressed her thanks to Mrs. Watters and to the members of the Assembly for her re-election.

"I know that I express, on behalf of all the officers and the new Board members our deep appreciation for this very meaningful and inspiring installation by Mrs. Leon Watters.

To you, Gertrude, may I express my personal thanks because having been installed by you twice means a great deal to me on the personal level. And to you, members of the Assembly, may I say how deeply honored I am to have been asked again to serve as your President.

My term of office these past two years has been truly a very gratifying one for me. It is because of the kind of friendship that Gertrude Watters has given me, and, too, you women here in this room, by your loyalty, by your support, by your cooperation, that I have truly enjoyed being the President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

As I look out into this Assembly and see the faces of so many of the friends that I have made during this past year, I feel very confident that in the two years ahead, with your continued loyalty and your support, the NFTS will go forward and will

increase not only in numbers, but in spirit and in spiritual inspiration, which we will receive and which we will pass on.

And while I am saying thank you, I would like to say thank you to another person; there is one in this room who has really been very unselfish, cooperative and understanding, and to him I say: Thank you! It is very difficult for me to say that, but he has been very unselfish and it is because of that and his understanding that I have been able to do what I have."

Mrs. Morton Goldstein, President of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood, Baltimore, Md., presented a bouquet of American Beauty roses to Mrs. Dalsheimer on behalf of the men of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation.

The Assembly then voted upon and approved a recommendation that at future Biennials a copy of Resolutions to be presented

be given to the delegates at least twenty-four hours prior to the voting time.

Miss Jane Evans, Executive Director of NFTS, then read the names of those who sent greetings to the Assembly.

Following the reading of this list, the Cantata, "People of the Book," was presented by the Sisterhood Choral Group, Los Angeles, Calif., under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Harry Komer, Culver City, Calif. Members of the American School of Dance participated in this program.

The final session of the Twentieth Biennial Assembly was adjourned at 4:30 P.M. after the Benediction was recited in unison.

"O Thou Eternal One, Thou wast with us in the beginning; Thou wilt be with us in the end. Our thinking has been clarified by our deliberations here; we pray that through them our purposes may have been strengthened. Be Thou with each of us as we return to our homes; cause Thy spirit to enter our hearts that we may be truly united to do Thy will. Amen."

AMERICAN JEWISH ARCHIVES BANQUET

The joint NFTS-UAHC Banquet was held in the Los Angeles Palladium, with Mrs. Louis Broido, New York, Vice-Chairman of the UAHC Executive Board presiding. Among the highlights of the evening was the bestowing of citations upon the Centennial Congregations.

The Cantors' Ensemble of the Los Angeles

College of Jewish Studies, directed by Max Helfman, presented an inspiring musical program. A dramatic presentation, *The Search for Understanding*, by Joseph Mindel, directed by Raikin Ben Ari and starring Jeff Chandler and Vanessa Brown, was the main feature of the evening.

POST-CONVENTION LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE

Thursday, February 17, 1955

Between 10:00 A.M. and 2:45 P.M. a Leadership Training Institute was conducted by Miss Jane Evans, New York, N. Y., Executive Director, NFTS and Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, Tuckahoe, N. Y., President, NFTS District No. 3, the New York Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Among the subjects discussed were:

1. Qualities of leadership
2. Methods and manners of being a leader
3. Criticism made of women leaders

4. Public speaking
 - (a) Preparation of Speech
 - (b) Dress of a speaker
 - (c) Platform presence
5. Parliamentary Procedure
6. Techniques and materials.



(Mrs. Hugo)

HELEN M. DALSHIMER,

President

MRS. HANNAH SALM,

Recording Secretary

RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the XXth Biennial Assembly

OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF TEMPLE SISTERHOODS XXTH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, FEBRUARY 13-16, 1955

THE UNITED NATIONS

We of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, deeply conscious of our religious heritage, have looked forward to the day when nations shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks and not learn war any more. Therefore, we look forward with great hope toward the strengthening of the United Nations which is approaching the 10th anniversary of its existence. This organization has provided the world with a fine instrument for the implementation of peace. What strengths are inherent in its charter cannot be developed unless all of its institutions are given an opportunity to function.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we urge the President of the United States to make the fullest possible use of the facilities of the United Nations.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of its United States units the XXth Biennial Assembly of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in convention assembled in Los Angeles, California, February 13-16, 1955, urges upon its members in their local units continued, earnest study of improvement and strengthening of the United Nations.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that we urge our members and local units to stimulate increased interest in their congregations in the United Nations and urge that students in their religious schools receive information about the United Nations and world relations, to the end that they may be prepared to help bring about a world of peace and justice.

DISARMAMENT

We realize that in today's dangerous world the United States must maintain its armed strength at a level adequate to defend our own country and be ready to aid in the defense of our free world associates. Nevertheless, we recognize the dreadful danger of the current arms race, particularly the race in weapons of mass destruction.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in XXth Convention assembled in Los Angeles, California, February 13-16, 1955, on behalf of its United States units, applauds the efforts of the United States Government in continuing disarmament discussions in the United Nations. At the same time we urge that our government take the initiative in speeding establishment of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which will develop the "atoms for peace" plan.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the NFTS XXth Biennial on behalf

of its United States units, urges the United States Government to continue negotiation for a universal, enforceable disarmament.

ARMS TO THE MIDDLE EAST

An arms race anywhere in the world poses a grave danger to its peace. We are, therefore, greatly disturbed by the sending by the United States Government of gifts of arms to the Arab nations without receiving any guarantees that these arms will be used for the defense of the free world.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we urge such shipments be halted until adequate guarantees are given that such arms are to be used only for the defense of the area.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND ECONOMIC AID

We believe that military strength alone can never defeat communism, that its doctrines are sure to spread wherever ignorance, poverty and disease have prepared the way.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in its XXth Convention assembled in Los Angeles, California, February 13-16, 1955, on behalf of its United States units, urges upon the President and the Congress of the United States that present programs of technical assistance and economic development in underdeveloped areas be continued and enlarged. We particularly urge that Congress immediately make generous appropriations to the Technical Assistance program of the United Nations.

IMMIGRATION

It is deplorable that the discriminatory aspects of the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act (Public Law 414) and the unfair practices of the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 (Public Law 203) have virtually brought immigration to a standstill.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in its XXth Convention assembled, Los Angeles, California, February 13-16, 1955, on behalf of its United States units, urges Congress to repeal or drastically revise the McCarran Act and completely revise the basic immigration policies to correct the situation.

DE-SEGREGATION

The United States Supreme Court decision that segregation in public education is unconstitutional is one of the significant milestones in the progress of the United States toward the fulfillment of the ideals of human brotherhood.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in Convention assembled in Los Angeles, California, February 13-16, 1955, on behalf of its United States units, hails the Supreme Court ruling as an instrument for furthering the Jewish and American ideals of equality; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods calls upon its United States Sisterhoods to give their aid and support to the harmonious realization and implementation in their communities of the de-segregation decisions, now happily the law of our land.

GENOCIDE

Since 1948 when the Third General Assembly of the United Nations, meeting in Paris, approved the convention on the prevention and punishment of the crime of Genocide, 47 nations have ratified that convention and it is now in effect as among those nations. The United States Senate has not acted. Repeatedly since 1948, by resolution of the Biennial Assembly or the Executive Board, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, on behalf of its units in the United States, has urged ratification of the Genocide Convention by the Senate of the United States.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in its XXth Convention assembled, Los Angeles, California, February 13-16, 1955, on behalf of its United States units, once more urges upon the Senate of the United States, ratification of the Genocide Convention so long delayed.

INDIVIDUAL LIBERTIES

We believe that individual liberties should be fully protected while the indispensable discovery and destruction of Communist subversion continues, and we feel that this might best be accomplished by means of a thorough re-examination of the entire Federal Security Procedure.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, in XXth Convention assembled, Los Angeles, California, February 13-16, 1955, on behalf of its United States units, urges upon the President of the United States the establishment of a Presidential Commission of leading citizens to study ways of preserving the national security without jeopardizing individual liberty.

BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of all the foregoing resolutions be sent to the President and Vice-President of the United States and the Chairmen of the appropriate Congressional Committees.

SPIRITUAL REDEDICATION

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is one of the world's largest Jewish women's religious organizations. Therefore, it is only fitting that every Biennial Assembly should arouse in each delegate and visitor a heightened sense of her religious heritage and spiritual needs.

BE IT RESOLVED, we gladly rededicate ourselves to the spiritual meaning, teachings, and values of Judaism and reconsecrate ourselves, through Sisterhood service, to the strengthening of this heritage in thought and deed in home, communal, and synagogue life.

Suggested Revisions



December 31, 1954

DEPARTMENT ON MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

Revision of By-Laws

Rochester, N. Y., December 31, 1954

To the Executive Board and Members of the
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Ladies:

Thirty days in advance of the XXth Biennial Assembly, the proposed changes in the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods are submitted. Wherever it is proposed that words shall be deleted, these deletions will be given below (in the center column under "Proposed Revisions") in parentheses. Wherever words are to be added, they will be underlined in the same column.

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ASSEMBLY
Article 5

Section A. The legislative body of this Federation, which shall be composed of members of the NFTS Executive Board and of the representatives appointed by the Sisterhoods, shall be styled "the Assembly." The Assembly shall be presided over by the officers of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods as hereinafter prescribed.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE ASSEMBLY

Article 6

Section A. Each Sisterhood shall appoint one representative to the Assembly and one additional representative for every fifty contributing members over and above the first fifty members up to 200 members, and then one additional representative for every 100 contributing members over and above the first 200 members but not to exceed a representation of six from any one Sisterhood. These representatives shall be Accredited Delegates.

Section B. All members of the NFTS Executive Board shall be Accredited Delegates to the Assembly. The local Sisterhood and District Federation are

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The Assembly — Article 5.

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Present Article 6, Section A becomes Section B of Article 5; Section B becomes Section C; Section C becomes Section D; Article 7, Section A becomes Section E; Article 39, Sections A and B becomes Sections F and G.

Section H. Twenty percent of the registered delegates shall constitute a quorum for the Assembly.

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entitled to their full representation exclusive of NFTS Board members. No Delegate may be Accredited in more than one capacity.

Section C. Only Accredited Delegates shall be privileged to vote at the Assembly. (See also Article 3, Section B and Article 37, Section F.)

MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY

Article 7

Section A. The meetings of the Assembly shall be held at the same time and place as the meeting of the Council of the Union.

EXPENSES OF THE OFFICERS TO THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 36

Section A. The transportation expenses of the following members of the Executive Board attending the annual Board meeting shall be paid by NFTS: the officers and other members of the Executive Committee, and the Chairman of each Committee.

GOVERNMENT OF ASSEMBLY

Article 39

Section A. The Assembly shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, in all cases not provided for in the By-Laws.

Section B. A parliamentarian shall be employed at a remuneration to be fixed by the Executive Board.

EXPLANATION: Present Articles 5, 6, 7, and 39 shall be combined into one new Article 5 with the addition of a new Section H dealing with a quorum for the Assembly. Present Article 39, Section A and B becomes Sections F and G of Article 5.

In a sense this a "housekeeping" revision in order to bring together all major articles of the By-Laws dealing with the Assembly. Furthermore, in Section A it is proposed to include the long existent fact that Delegates-at-large from the District Federations, like the representatives of Sisterhoods, make up the Assembly.

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EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 9

Section A. The Assembly shall elect an Executive Board of 75 members exclusive of honorary and life members. Members shall serve for a period of four years, and shall not be eligible for immediate reelection.

Section B. The period of time a member of the Board serves as an officer shall run concurrently with her term as a member of the Board. Executive Board membership shall terminate upon completion of years of officership, except for the Presidency.

Section C. Women who are not affiliated with a Congregation and who hold membership neither personally nor through their husbands shall not be eligible to membership on the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section D. The Executive Board shall meet during the Assembly which elected it and in the same city where the Assembly holds its session and shall organize by the election of a President; First, Second, Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents; Recording Secretary; Treasurer; an Executive Director who shall not be a member of the Executive Board; and four members who with the officers shall serve as an Executive Committee.

Section E. At the annual meeting of the Executive Board in the year between Biennial Assemblies, members of the Board shall nominate from the Board five members for the Nominating Committee for Officers, of whom three shall be elected by them by written ballot. Two additional members including a Chairman shall be appointed by the President. The Nominating Committee for Officers shall meet prior to each Biennial Assembly; the transportation expenses shall be met by NFTS. The Committee's report shall be sent for purposes of information to all Sisterhoods and District Federations at least thirty days in advance of the Biennial Assembly.

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The Executive Board and Officers
Article 7.

Section A. The Assembly shall elect the required number of members to replace those whose terms expire Biennially to make an Executive Board of 75 members exclusive of honorary and life members. Members shall serve for a period of four years, and shall not be eligible for immediate reelection.

Section D. The Executive Board shall meet during the Assembly which elected it and in the same city where the Assembly holds its session and shall organize by the election of a President; First, Second, Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents; Recording Secretary; Treasurer; an Executive Director who shall not be a member of the Executive Board; and (four) three members who with the officers and immediate past president shall serve as an Executive Committee.

Section E becomes a new Article 8; therefore, Section F becomes Section E; Section G becomes Section F; Section H becomes Section G; Section I becomes Section H; Section J becomes Section I; Section K becomes Section J; Section L becomes Section K; Section N becomes Section L; Section O becomes Section M; Section M becomes Section O.

Section M. The (Office) headquarters of the Executive Board shall be in (Cincinnati and/or) New York.

Present Article 36 becomes Section N.

Section F. The term of office for officers shall be two years.

Section G. Officers may be elected for two successive terms. No officer may be elected to the same office for more than two terms; nor to more than two offices in succession, with the exception of the office of President, during one continuous term of service on the Executive Board.

Section H. All past NFTS Presidents shall be honorary life members of the Executive Board with the power of vote, but they shall not be eligible to office. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall not have more than one honorary President.

Section I. No Executive Board member shall be eligible to office until she will have served on the Executive Board for two years. Such eligibility shall continue through the Assembly at which her term as a Board member expires.

Section J. The Executive Board shall have power and authority over the affairs of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the interim between Assemblies, excepting that of amending these By-Laws or modifying any action taken at the Assembly.

Section K. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the Executive Board or any committee appointed at the Assembly or by the Board shall be filled by the Executive Board. If a vacancy shall occur in any Office, Board, or Committee in the interim between meetings of the Executive Board, the Executive Committee shall fill such vacancy by appointment, which appointment shall remain in force only until the next meeting of the Biennial Assembly.

Section L. The period of time during which a member has filled a vacancy on the Executive Board shall be included in the four years permitted for service on the Executive Board. All terms of office shall begin and end at Biennial Assemblies.

Section M. Twenty members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Section N. In years when there is no Assembly the Executive Board shall meet at such time and place as it shall

determine. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by the President, or must be called upon written request of fifteen members.

Section O. The Office of the Executive Board shall be in Cincinnati and/or New York.

EXPLANATION: Article 9 becomes new Article 7 with the title The Executive Board and Officers. Section E is to become a revised Section A and B of a new Article 8 to be called Committee on Nominations for Officers. Present Article 36 becomes Section N. These revisions are also "housekeeping" ones in order to bring together into one article all major provisions regarding the Executive Board and Officers. Likewise, as a "housekeeping" item, the section dealing with the quorum for the Executive Board is being made the last section of Article 7 so that quorums may always be located in the last section of the article dealing with the NFTS body to which they refer.

Committee on Nominations for Officers
Article 8

Section A. At the annual meeting of the Executive Board in the year between Biennial Assemblies, members of the Board shall nominate from the Board five members for the Committee on Nominations for Officers, (Nominating Committee for Officers) of whom three shall be elected by them by written ballot. Two additional members including a Chairman shall be appointed by the President.

Section B. The Committee on Nominations for Officers (Nominating Committee for Officers) shall meet prior to each Biennial Assembly to nominate the officers and additional members of the Executive Committee. The transportation expenses of the Committee on Nominations for Officers shall be met by NFTS.

Section C. The Committee's report shall be sent for purposes of information to all Sisterhoods and District Federations at least thirty days in advance of the Biennial Assembly.

EXPLANATION: Again a series of "housekeeping" proposals with the separation of the Committee on Nominations for Officers into a new Article 8 so that the Committee on Nominations for Officers, like the Committee on Nominations for the Executive Board, can readily be found in a separate article.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 10

Section A. The Executive Committee shall meet annually and shall act for the Executive Board in any emergency arising in the interim between the meetings of the Executive Board. It shall have the power of expending a sum not to exceed \$2,500 during the period between Assemblies.

Section B. The annual and any other meeting shall be at the call of the President, or upon request of the majority of the Executive Committee, and all expenses of said meeting shall be borne by the Treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Six members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 9

Section A. The Executive Committee, elected in accordance with Article 7, Section D shall meet annually and shall act for the Executive Board in any emergency arising in the interim between the meetings of the Executive Board. It shall have the power of expending a sum not to exceed \$2,500 during the period between Assemblies.

Section B. Remains the same with the exception that the last sentence, dealing with the quorum, shall become a new Section C.

Section C. Six members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

EXPLANATION: Present Article 10 becomes Article 9. Again a "housekeeping" item; the quorum becomes the last section.

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE

Article 13

Section B. The Committee shall send a copy of the budget accompanied by the complete annual report of the C.P.A. as submitted to the Executive Board to each local Sisterhood and District Federation.

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE

Article 12

Section B. The Committee shall send a copy of the budget (accompanied by the complete) and a summary of the annual report of the C.P.A. as submitted to the Executive Board to each local Sisterhood and District Federation.

EXPLANATION: Loeb and Troper, the Certified Public Accountants for the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, have stated that the summary form of the annual audit, rather than the complete one is used not only by practically all business corporations for distribution, but also by non-profit and religious organizations because of "ease in reading, clarity in understanding, and economy in reproduction." Furthermore, the section as now written is not feasible. The budget is prepared before the beginning of the fiscal year and the annual audit after the completion of a year. It is a physical impossibility for the two to be distributed simultaneously, for the same year.

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COMMITTEE ON THE SCHOLARSHIP AND
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUND

Article 16

Section A. The Committee on the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund shall cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in all enterprises seeking to encourage students to prepare for the rabbinate at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and in such other enterprises of religious education as the Federation shall find necessary.

Section B. The Committee shall gather funds which shall be available at the discretion of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the purposes above outlined, including Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion Scholarships and religious educational work of national character and scope. The Committee shall at the discretion of the Executive Board continue its interest in the Dormitory on the Cincinnati Campus of the HUC-JIR since this Dormitory was built by NFTS.

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COMMITTEE ON (THE SCHOLARSHIP AND
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION) YOUTH, EDUCA-
TION AND SISTERHOOD FUND

Article 15

Section A. The Committee on (the Scholarship and Religious Education) Youth, Education and Sisterhood Fund shall cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in all enterprises seeking to encourage students to prepare for the rabbinate at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and in such other enterprises of religious education as the Federation shall find necessary.

Section B. The Committee shall gather funds which shall be available at the discretion of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the purposes above outlined, including student aid at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, (Scholarships) projects for youth, and religious educational work (of national character and scope) through the development of the Sisterhood program.

Section C. The Committee shall at the discretion of the Executive Board continue its interest in the Dormitory on the Cincinnati Campus of the HUC-JIR since this Dormitory was built by NFTS.

EXPLANATION: The proposed change in name and scope of the NFTS Committee on Scholarship and Religious Education to the Committee on Youth, Education and Sisterhood was the subject of separate, widely distributed Work Papers prior to the Convention. All reasons were given therein.

COMMITTEE ON JEWISH CEREMONIALS
AND ART

Article 16

Section A. The Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles of Jewish art, to establish

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Judaica shops, and to urge the study of Jewish customs, (and) ceremonials, art and music.

EXPLANATION: Self-explanatory change at the end of the sentence to include art and music which subjects fall within the work of this Committee.

COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 19

Section A. The Committee on District Federations shall have charge of all matters connected with the organization and administration of District Federations.

Section B. There shall be a Council of District Presidents to discuss ways and means in which District Federations and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods can be mutually helpful, and to submit plans to the NFTS Executive Board. This Council shall meet in the interim year between Assemblies, at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting.

EXPLANATION: The Committee on Revision of By-Laws believes a District President, unavoidably detained from a District Presidents' Council Meeting, should be allowed to appoint a Vice-President of her District as an alternate representative. However, since it is desired that the District Presidents themselves should attend the District Presidents' Council and not alternates, the Committee recommends only the power of voice, not of vote, for the alternate.

COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 18

Section C. In the event of the inability of a District President to attend the Council meeting, she may be represented by a District Vice-President who shall have the power of voice, not vote.

SUBSIDIARY DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 37

Section A. The Executive Board at its discretion may issue charters to District Federations of Sisterhoods, comprised of Sisterhoods belonging to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section B. The President of the Executive Board, or her representative who shall be a member of the Executive Board, shall attend the meeting of the District Federation on the occasion

SUBSIDIARY DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 35

Section A. The Executive Board at its discretion may issue charters to District Federations of Sisterhoods which shall be comprised of Sisterhoods belonging to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods within a given geographic area of one or more states. The District Federations, which are subsidiaries of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, shall be constituted as serv-

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when the charter is bestowed, and shall invest the officers with the powers conferred by the same. The transportation expenses of the President or the member designated to take her place on such an occasion shall be paid by NFTS.

Section C. A District Federation, formed by Sisterhoods affiliated with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, desiring to work in cooperation with NFTS, shall submit a tentative Constitution for the approval of the Executive Board. Such Constitution must conform with the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in its purposes and standing committees. The Executive Board may delegate the duties connected with the examination of constitutions and the issuing of charters to a subcommittee of the Executive Board.

Section D. Each District Federation shall pay annually into the Treasury of NFTS the sum of \$10.00. District Federations in arrears for two years may be suspended and if in arrears for four years may have their charters recalled by the Executive Board.

Section E. The dues claimed by the District Federation must not be more than 25c per capita per annum, and shall be collected by the District Treasurers, who shall make semi-annual reports in March and September to NFTS, giving the financial status of her respective Federation. Any additional monies that a District Federation may desire to raise shall be approved by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods or a designated committee thereof.

Section F. Each District Federation shall elect one accredited delegate-at-large to the NFTS Biennial Assembly.

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ice organizations on behalf of their member units and dedicated to the carrying forward of the program of NFTS.

EXPLANATION: From several sources there has come the belief that Article 37, Section A does not clearly enough state what a District Federation is, its relationship as a subsidiary to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods or its program. The above recommendation is a synthesis of several suggestions.

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FOREIGN POLICY

Article 38

Section A. Sisterhoods in countries other than the United States shall pay annual dues to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in the amount of \$10.00 for each Sisterhood body.

Section B. Uniongrams, Calendars, and all books published by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall be sold to foreign Sisterhoods at a price to make allowance for the duty on same.

Section C. Sisterhoods outside the United States may be invited to participate whenever possible in Sisterhood meetings in the city or cities nearest them.

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(Foreign) Policy for Non-U. S. Units

Article 36

Section B. Uniongrams, Calendars, and all books published by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall be sold to non-U. S. (foreign) Sisterhoods at a price to make allowance for the duty on same.

EXPLANATION: A self-explanatory change to make the title of the article more correct. NFTS as an organization does not have a "foreign policy" nor "foreign" Sisterhoods but only non-U.S. units. There are no "foreigners" in the Sisterhood world-wide fellowship and movement.

It is understood that minor editorial changes for consistency, such as numbering of articles or sections, etc., will be made throughout depending upon revisions adopted.

This report cannot be closed without appreciation to all who have submitted proposals and to the members of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws.

(Mrs. Horace) Joan S. Hart, Chairman

By-Laws
Revised and Adopted
February, 1955

PREAMBLE

We, the representatives of the Sisterhoods of the various congregations comprising the Union of American Hebrew Congregations believing:

That the congregation is the logical unit of organization in Israel, and

That the increased power which has come to the modern American Jewess ought to be exercised in congregational life, and

That the religious and moral development of Israel can be furthered by this cooperation,

Do hereby organize a National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the more effective carrying out of these aims.

BY-LAWS

NAME

Article 1

Section A. The name of this organization shall be the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

OBJECTS

Article 2

The objects of this Federation are:

Section A. To bring the Sisterhoods of the United States and other countries into closer cooperation and association with one another.

Section B. To quicken the religious consciousness of Israel by stimulating spiritual and educational activity.

Section C. To advance Judaism in the United States and throughout the world; to serve Jewish and humanitarian causes.

Section D. To cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in the execution of its aims and purposes.

Section E. To espouse such religious causes as are particularly the work of Jewish women.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERATION

Article 3

Section A. Any organization of Jewish women engaged in religious work, either in connection with a congregation or in a community or district where there is no congregation,

may become a member of this Federation by making written application to the Executive Board.

Section B. Any woman living in a community without a Sisterhood and too far distant from a neighboring Sisterhood to make membership therein feasible shall, through acceptance by the Executive Board, be a member-at-large in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and its respective District Federation, if same exists in her area. A member-at-large shall pay dues of \$1.50 per annum into the NFTS treasury of which not more than twenty-five cents per annum shall be sent by NFTS to the Treasurer of its District Federation in the area where the member-at-large resides. She shall enjoy all privileges of membership but at Assemblies or conventions of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and the respective District Federation she shall be a special delegate with the power of voice, not vote.

DUES

Article 4

Section A. Every Sisterhood shall pay yearly into the treasury of this Federation the sum of \$1.00 for each of its contributing members. Each District Federation shall determine the amount of dues which shall be paid by member Sisterhoods directly into the treasury of said District Federation; this amount shall not be more than twenty-five cents per capita per annum.

Section B. A Sisterhood in arrears for two years' dues may be suspended from membership in the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods after due notice by the Executive Committee which may, at any time, reinstate such Sisterhood to membership on such terms as the Committee may prescribe. (See also Article 3, Section B; Article 35, Sections D and E; Article 36, Section A.)

THE ASSEMBLY

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Section D. Only Accredited Delegates shall be privileged to vote at the Assembly. (See also Article 3, Section B and Article 35, Section F.)

Section E. The meetings of the Assembly shall be held at the same time and place as the meeting of the Council of the Union.

Section F. The Assembly shall be governed by Robert's *Rules of Order, Revised*, in all cases not provided for in the By-Laws.

Section G. A parliamentarian shall be employed at a remuneration to be fixed by the Executive Board.

Section H. Twenty percent of the registered delegates shall constitute a quorum for the Assembly.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS
FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
Article 6

Section A. A Nominating Committee shall be established at least ninety days in advance of an Assembly. It shall comprise twenty-five members of whom twelve shall be elected by the District Presidents' Council; thirteen others, including the chairman, shall be appointed by the President. Of the thirteen appointees of the President, not more than five shall be members of the Executive Board. The Nominating Committee at the succeeding Biennial Assembly shall include among the twelve members elected by the District Presidents' Council representatives of those District Federations not included on the Nominating Committee at the previous Assembly.

The Nominating Committee shall meet prior to the Biennial Assembly; the transportation expenses of the members of the Committee shall be met by NFTS.

Section B. 1. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, immediately upon her appointment, shall notify each local Sisterhood of her appointment.

2. Each member Sisterhood may submit by mail to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, at least 60 days prior to the Assembly, the names of candidates recommended for the office of member of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

3. Names of candidates for nominees for the Executive Board from Sisterhoods affiliated with a District Federation shall be sent by the NFTS Nominating Committee to the respective District Presidents 30 days prior to an NFTS Biennial Assembly for the information of the District Federation.

Section C. This Committee shall submit to the Assembly a list of candidates for election to the Executive Board.

Section D. Section B shall neither limit nor restrict the powers of the Nominating Committee.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND OFFICERS
Article 7

Section A. The Assembly shall elect the required number of members to replace those whose terms expire Biennially to make an Executive Board of 75 members exclusive of honorary and life members. Members shall serve for a period of four years, and shall not be eligible for immediate reelection.

Section B. The period of time a member of the Board serves as an officer shall run concurrently with her term as a member of the Board. Executive Board membership shall terminate upon completion of years of officership, except for the Presidency.

Section C. Women who are not affiliated with a Congregation and who hold membership neither personally nor through their husbands shall not be eligible to membership on the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section D. The Executive Board shall meet during the Assembly which elected it and in the same city where the Assembly holds its session and shall organize by the election of a President; First, Second, Third and Fourth, Vice-Presidents; Recording Secretary; Treasurer; an Executive Director who shall not be a mem-

ber of the Executive Board; and three members who with the officers and immediate past president shall serve as an Executive Committee.

Section E. The term of office for officers shall be two years.

Section F. Officers may be elected for two successive terms. No officer may be elected to the same office for more than two terms; nor to more than two offices in succession, with the exception of the office of President, during one continuous term of service on the Executive Board.

Section G. All past NFTS Presidents shall be honorary life members of the Executive Board with the power of vote, but they shall not be eligible to office. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall not have more than one honorary President.

Section H. No Executive Board member shall be eligible to office until she will have served on the Executive Board for two years. Such eligibility shall continue through the Assembly at which her term as a Board member expires.

Section I. The Executive Board shall have power and authority over the affairs of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods during the interim between Assemblies, excepting that of amending these By-Laws or modifying any action taken at the Assembly.

Section J. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the Executive Board or any committee appointed at the Assembly or by the Board shall be filled by the Executive Board. If a vacancy shall occur in any Office, Board, or Committee in the interim between meetings of the Executive Board, the Executive Committee shall fill such vacancy by appointment, which appointment shall remain in force only until the next meeting of the Biennial Assembly.

Section K. The period of time during which a member has filled a vacancy on the Executive Board shall be included in the four years permitted for service on the Executive Board. All terms of office shall begin and end at Biennial Assemblies.

Section L. In years when there is no Assembly the Executive Board shall meet at such time and place as it shall determine. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by the President, or must be called upon written request of fifteen members.

Section M. The headquarters of the Executive Board shall be in New York.

Section N. The transportation expenses of the following members of the Executive Board at-

tending the annual Board meeting shall be paid by NFTS: the officers and other members of the Executive Committee, and the Chairman of each Committee.

Section O. Twenty members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

Article 8

Section A. At the annual meeting of the Executive Board in the year between Biennial Assemblies, members of the Board shall nominate from the Board five members for the Committee on Nominations for Officers, of whom three shall be elected by them by written ballot. Two additional members including a Chairman shall be appointed by the President.

Section B. The Committee on Nominations for Officers shall meet prior to each Biennial Assembly to nominate the officers and additional members of the Executive Committee. The transportation expenses of the Committee on Nominations for Officers shall be met by NFTS.

Section C. The Committee's report shall be sent for purposes of information to all Sisterhoods and District Federations at least thirty days in advance of the Biennial Assembly.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 9

Section A. The Executive Committee elected in accordance with Article 7, Section D shall meet annually and shall act for the Executive Board in any emergency arising in the interim between the meetings of the Executive Board. It shall have the power of expending a sum not to exceed \$2,500 during the period between Assemblies.

Section B. The annual and any other meeting shall be at the call of the President, or upon request of the majority of the Executive Committee, and all expenses of said meeting shall be borne by the Treasury of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Section C. Six members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

RELATIONSHIP WITH UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

Article 10

Section A. The President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall submit once a year to the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations a report dealing with the work of the Federation; and once

yearly an annual budget covering the expenditures for which the Union makes an annual appropriation.

COMMITTEES

Article 11

Section A. The President, in consultation with the Executive Committee, shall appoint all committees provided for in the By-Laws and such other committees as are deemed necessary. The Executive Director shall be the Secretary of each Committee.

Section B. Each Committee shall devise methods of carrying out the work entrusted to it and shall communicate these plans to each Sisterhood through the corresponding local and District Committees.

Section C. All Chairmen of Committees shall be selected from the Executive Board.

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE

Article 12

Section A. The Committee on Budget and Finance shall prepare an annual budget for submission to the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. In preparation for same, the Committee shall meet in advance of each annual meeting of the Executive Board. The transportation expenses of the members of the Committee shall be met by NFTS.

Section B. The Committee shall send a copy of the budget and a summary of the annual report of the C.P.A. as submitted to the Executive Board to each local Sisterhood and District Federation.

Section C. The Committee shall gather and distribute to NFTS Sisterhoods information regarding fund-raising activities found most feasible and successful in local Sisterhoods.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXTENSION

Article 13

Section A. The Committee on Religious Extension shall stimulate local Sisterhood members to enter into the religious life of the congregation, shall encourage Sabbath observance, synagogue attendance and the formation of classes for the study of Jewish history, literature and religion.

Section B. The Committee on Religious Extension shall be in charge of the organization of new Sisterhoods and their affiliation with NFTS and shall encourage Sisterhoods in conducting campaigns for increasing their local membership.

Section C. The Committee on Religious Extension shall establish special committees on Sisterhood activities in communities where no Sisterhood exists, due to lack of numbers.

Section D. The Committee on Religious Extension shall urge corresponding local Chairmen to make a survey of Jewish residents in the district. Where there are children in outlying communities, the religious education of the children shall be stimulated. Jewish women living in communities remote from organized groups shall be visited by Committees on Religious Extension and invited to join the Sisterhood nearest their place of residence.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Article 14

Section A. The Committee on Religious Schools shall furnish the Sisterhoods with information concerning the best methods in religious school education; shall encourage men and women to devote themselves to religious school teaching, and shall assist local Sisterhoods in establishing free religious schools.

COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, EDUCATION AND SISTERHOOD FUND

Article 15

Section A. The Committee on Youth, Education and Sisterhood Fund shall cooperate with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in all enterprises seeking to encourage students to prepare for the rabbinate at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and in such other enterprises of religious education as the Federation shall find necessary.

Section B. The Committee shall gather funds which shall be available at the discretion of the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for the purposes above outlined, including student aid at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, projects for youth, and religious educational work through the development of the Sisterhood program.

Section C. The Committee shall at the discretion of the Executive Board continue its interest in the Dormitory on the Cincinnati Campus of the HUC-JIR since this Dormitory was built by NFTS.

COMMITTEE ON JEWISH CEREMONIALS AND ART

Article 16

Section A. The Committee on Jewish Ceremonials and Art shall encourage local Sisterhoods to collect and preserve articles of Jewish

art, to establish Judaica shops, and to urge the study of Jewish customs, ceremonials, art and music.

COMMITTEE ON UNIONGRAMS

Article 17

Section A. The Committee on Uniongrams shall have complete control of the Uniongram enterprise. It shall devise ways and means of disposing of Uniongrams through the help of local Sisterhood Uniongram Committees.

Section B. The profits of this enterprise shall, at the discretion of the Executive Board, be devoted to the projects of the Youth, Education and Sisterhood Fund.

COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 18

Section A. The Committee on District Federations shall have charge of all matters connected with the organization and administration of District Federations.

Section B. There shall be a Council of District Presidents to discuss ways and means in which District Federations and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods can be mutually helpful, and to submit plans to the NFTS Executive Board. This Council shall meet in the interim year between Assemblies, at a time sufficiently prior to the Executive Board meeting.

Section C. In the event of the inability of a District President to attend the Council meeting, she may be represented by a District Vice-President.

COMMITTEE ON YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Article 19

Section A. The Committee on Youth Activities shall endeavor to interest each local Sisterhood in the students attending colleges in or near that city, to encourage the Sisterhoods to invite these students to their homes, to services at the Synagogue, and to include them in the social and educational life of the congregation.

Section B. The Committee on Youth Activities shall stimulate the organization of leagues for young people and shall assist them in the organization of their programs and meetings and shall, in such ways as they find possible, cause a closer cooperation between youth groups and the National Federation of Temple Youth.

COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND WORLD RELATIONS

Article 20

Section A. The Committee on Peace and World Relations shall encourage the establishment of

study circles on the subject of Peace and World Relations, and shall cooperate with other national organizations interested in the promotion of orderly relations among nations.

COMMITTEE ON FAMILY EDUCATION

Article 21

Section A. The Committee on Family Education shall have as its primary function the integration of the Jewish child into life.

Section B. To further this purpose, there shall be a concentration on family education with particular regard to that subject matter important in the maintenance both of an enriched spiritual life and of a strengthened home and family life. Thought and study in these fields shall be encouraged by the Committee through: (1) the formation of study classes and parent groups, (2) the preparation of study materials, (3) recommendation, and when possible, distribution of related publications, and (4) cooperation with other organizations in the field.

COMMITTEE ON JEWISH LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

Article 22

Section A. The Committee on Jewish Literature for the Blind shall cooperate in the area of religious and cultural services to the Jewish sightless, especially through the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., of which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods is the patron body.

Section B. The Committee shall prepare in Braille a library of Jewish content for adult and juvenile blind readers for the Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.

COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMS

Article 23

Section A. The Committee on Programs shall devise, collect and distribute programs of educational and religious value appropriate for the use of local and District Sisterhood meetings.

COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Article 24

Section A. The Committee on Revision of By-Laws shall propose, receive and consider all suggestions from local Sisterhoods, District Federations, the District Presidents' Council and the Federation's Executive Board as amendments to the By-Laws. (See Amendments, Article 37.)

COMMITTEE ON INTERFAITH ACTIVITIES

Article 25

Section A. The Committee on Interfaith Activities shall endeavor to stimulate better understanding and good will among women of all faiths: (1) through Institutes on Judaism for leaders of church women's groups, (2) through discussion groups and interfaith gatherings giving information about Judaism.

Section B. The Committee shall encourage local Sisterhoods to sponsor such programs and to cooperate with non-Jewish groups in arranging interfaith meetings on an educational level.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Article 26

Section A. The President, Executive Director, Treasurer and each Committee Chairman shall make annual reports to the Executive Board, to the Assembly and to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

OFFICIAL BONDS

Article 27

Section A. Any officer who receives and disburses funds of the Federation shall give such bonds as the Executive Board shall require. No member of the Board shall be accepted as surety thereon.

OFFICERS

Article 28

Section A. The President elected at the first meeting of the Executive Board during the Assembly shall preside at all meetings of the Board and at the following Assembly, and shall serve until her successor is elected and installed.

Section B. The remaining officers of the Federation shall perform such duties as are usually incumbent upon officers of similar organizations.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Article 29

Section A. The Executive Director of the Federation shall be a member of the staff of the "General Secretariat" of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The salary of the Executive Director, like that of all the members of the staff, shall be determined by a special committee of the UAHC on which the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall have representation, and shall be paid by the Union. The Executive Director shall be elected by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at its Assembly meeting.

Section B. The duties of the Executive Director shall be such as usually devolve upon

such an officer, including the transmission of funds to the Treasurer, and such other duties as may be designated by the President and Executive Board.

TREASURER

Article 30

Section A. The Executive Office upon receipt of monies shall without delay deposit same to the credit of the Federation in banks designated by the Executive Board.

Section B. The Treasurer shall issue checks on funds only when presented with vouchers bearing the signature of the Executive Director or the President.

Section C. The Treasurer shall keep a record of the monies received and disbursed.

Section D. In the absence of the Treasurer, the First Vice-President or the next succeeding officer shall be empowered to issue checks on funds when presented with vouchers duly signed.

Section E. In order to meet on short notice budgetary expenses of the Federation, a sum not to exceed \$2,000 shall be deposited in a bank designated by the Executive Board. Monies from this fund will be withdrawn upon the signature of the President or the Executive Director. Reimbursement to this account shall be made by the Treasurer upon presentation of substantiating vouchers, as in Section B of this article.

DEPOSIT OF SECURITIES

Article 31

Section A. All securities, including the bonds given by the officers of the Federation, shall be deposited in a safe deposit company in Cincinnati and/or New York to be designated by the Executive Board.

FISCAL YEAR

Article 32

Section A. The fiscal year shall end on the thirty-first day of October, annually, at which time all reports shall be made and the same shall be printed annually by the Executive Board and published for distribution, and shall be submitted to the Assembly at the regular meetings thereof, and to the Union.

FINANCIAL EXAMINATIONS

Article 33

Section A. The President shall appoint at the close of each fiscal year a competent certified public accountant, whose duty it shall be to examine the books and vouchers of the Federation and the securities belonging to the Federation.

UNIONGRAM APPORTIONMENT

Article 34

Section A. During each year, the Executive Director shall inform each Sisterhood of the Uniongram profits standing to the credit of that Sisterhood and shall request a statement as to its disposal according to the provisions of the By-Laws.

SUBSIDIARY DISTRICT FEDERATIONS

Article 35

Section A. The Executive Board at its discretion may issue charters to District Federations of Sisterhoods which shall be comprised of Sisterhoods belonging to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods within a given geographic area of one or more states. The District Federations, which are subsidiaries of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, shall be constituted as service organizations on behalf of their member units and dedicated to the carrying forward of the program of NFTS.

Section B. The President of the Executive Board, or her representative who shall be a member of the Executive Board, shall attend the meeting of the District Federations on the occasion when the charter is bestowed, and shall invest the officers with the powers conferred by the same. The transportation expenses of the President or the member designated to take her place on such an occasion shall be paid by NFTS.

Section C. A District Federation, formed by Sisterhoods affiliated with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, desiring to work in cooperation with NFTS, shall submit a tentative Constitution for the approval of the Executive Board. Such Constitution must conform with the By-Laws of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in its purposes and standing committees. The Executive Board may delegate the duties connected with the examining of constitutions and the issuing of charters to a subcommittee of the Executive Board.

Section D. Each District Federation shall pay annually into the Treasury of NFTS the sum of \$10.00. District Federations in arrears for two years may be suspended and if in arrears for four years may have their charters recalled by the Executive Board.

Section E. The dues claimed by the District Federation must not be more than 25c per capita per annum, and shall be collected by the District Treasurers, who shall make semi-annual reports in March and September to NFTS, giving the financial status of her respective Federation. Any additional monies that a District Federation may desire to raise shall be approved by the Executive Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods or a designated committee thereof.

Section F. Each District Federation shall elect one accredited delegate-at-large to the NFTS Biennial Assembly.

POLICY FOR NON-U. S. UNITS

Article 36

Section A. Sisterhoods in countries other than the United States shall pay annual dues to the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in the amount of \$10.00 for each Sisterhood body.

Section B. Uniongrams, Calendars, and all books published by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods shall be sold to non-U. S. Sisterhoods at a price to make allowance for the duty on same.

Section C. Sisterhoods outside the United States may be invited to participate whenever possible in Sisterhood meetings in the city or cities nearest them.

AMENDMENTS

Article 37

Section A. Amendments to the By-Laws must be proposed by a local Sisterhood, a District Federation, the District Presidents' Council, or the NFTS Executive Board, and submitted to the Committee on Revisions at least sixty days in advance of the Assembly. Such proposals for amendments, in addition to any suggested by the Committee itself, must be referred by the Committee on Revisions to members of the NFTS Executive Board and to the Presidents of District Federations and local Sisterhoods thirty days in advance of the Biennial Assembly. The Executive Board is privileged to acquaint the Assembly with its views on all proposed amendments. If adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Assembly, the amendment shall become part of the By-Laws at the close of the Assembly.

MEMBERSHIP LIST

District Federations

January, 1955

1. New England Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Massachusetts and Rhode Island)
Mrs. Lewis Davis, *President*, Worcester, Mass.
2. Connecticut Federation of Temple Sisterhoods,
Mrs. Gustave A. Feingold, *President*, Hartford, Conn.
3. New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Joseph Glanzer, *President*, Tuckahoe, N. Y.
4. New Jersey Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Raymond Kramer, *President*, Paterson, N. J.
5. Pennsylvania Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Daniel S. Bernheim, *President*, Philadelphia, Pa.
6. Ohio Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Alan Green, *President*, Shaker Heights, O.
7. West Virginia Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Irving Albert, *President*, Williamson, W. Va.
8. District No. 8 (Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, North Carolina and Virginia)
Mrs. Ira A. Spear, *President*, Baltimore, Md.
10. Indiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Sydney V. Romer, *President*, Indianapolis, Ind.
11. Michigan Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Arthur L. Siegel, *President*, Grand Rapids, Mich.
12. Kentucky-Tennessee Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (and Florence, Sheffield and
Tuscumbia, Alabama)
Mrs. Edgar Haas, *President*, Memphis, Tenn.
13. South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Chester S. Heimlich, *President*, Timmonsville, S. C.
14. Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (Georgia, Florida and Alabama—except
Sheffield, Florence and Tuscumbia, Alabama)
Mrs. Sam Mohr, *President*, Atlanta, Ga.
16. Mississippi-Arkansas Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Harry Lasker, *President*, Little Rock, Ark.
17. Louisiana Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Bernard Goldsmith, *President*, New Orleans, La.
18. Illinois Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Perry Segal, *President*, Chicago, Ill.
19. Wisconsin Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Simon Horwitz, *President*, Oshkosh, Wis.
20. District No. 20 (Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri and New Mexico)
Mrs. Carl N. Ettinger, *President*, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
22. Texas-Oklahoma Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
Mrs. Max H. Krumholz, *President*, Tyler, Tex.
24. Western Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (California, Oregon, Washington and Arizona)
Mrs. Harry Thor, *President*, San Francisco, Calif.

Membership List

(AS OF JANUARY, 1955)

ALABAMA

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Anniston	Henrietta Sterne Sisterhood	40	Mrs. Stanley Karp
Bessemer	Beth-El Sisterhood	29	Mrs. Leonard Zarousky
Birmingham	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	360	Mrs. Jack Kartus
Dothan	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	48	Mrs. Harold Blumberg
Gadsden	Temple Aid Society	55	Mrs. Fred Harwood
Huntsville	Huntsville Temple Sisterhood	36	Mrs. Jack Zarousky
Jasper	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	23	Mrs. Harry Papier
Sheffield	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	33	Mrs. Louis Levi
Tuscaloosa	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	54	Mrs. Adrian Dorenfeld

ARIZONA

Phoenix	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	300	Mrs. Leo Blumberg
Tucson	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	276	Mrs. Phillip Sollins

ARKANSAS

Blytheville	Temple Israel Sisterhood	40	Mrs. Hyman Weinberg
Ft. Smith	Temple Sisterhood (United Hebrew)	59	Mrs. Myron Rappaport
Helena	Ladies Temple Aid of Beth-El	61	Mrs. Michael Gradus
Hot Springs	Temple Sisterhood House of Israel	51	Mrs. Walter Kleinman
Jonesboro	Temple Aid Sisterhood	26	Mrs. Hyman Harberg
Little Rock	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	209	Mrs. Myron Lasker, Jr.
McGehee	Southeast Arkansas Sisterhood	26	Mrs. Harry Phillips
Pine Bluff	Temple Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	98	Mrs. Sam Goldweber

CALIFORNIA

Alameda	Temple Israel Sisterhood	48	Mrs. Frank Harrosh
Bakersfield	Women of Temple Beth-El	80	Mrs. Sherwood Schwartz
Berkeley	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	150	Mrs. H. S. Olcott
Beverly Hills	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	400	Mrs. M. D. Rubenstein
Culver City	Temple Akiba Sisterhood of Culver City	70	Mrs. Henry Siegel
Daly City	Westlake Temple Group Sisterhood	46	Mrs. Edward Mann
Fresno	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	200	Mrs. John Azlant
Glendale	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	175	Mrs. Irving Molho
Hollywood	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	482	Mrs. Morris Korach
Long Beach	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	265	Mrs. A. G. Allgrim
Los Angeles	Temple Isaiah Sisterhood	305	Mrs. Louis Riave
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Westchester	45	Mrs. Warren Mullin
	Leo Baeck Temple Sisterhood	155	Mrs. Hart Kolb
	Sisterhood of the Village Temple	25	Mrs. Harold Royce
	Wilshire Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	586	Mrs. Irving Graff
Los Angeles (West)	University Synagogue Sisterhood	249	Mrs. Lillian Lipofsky
North Hollywood	Temple Beth Hillel Sisterhood	289	Mrs. Lionel Fink
Oakland	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	356	Mrs. James Kernes
Oceanside	Sisterhood of North County Community Center	11	Mrs. Jerry Freeman
Redondo Beach	Temple Menorah Sisterhood	62	Mrs. Rebecca Cowan
Reseda	Temple Judea Sisterhood	49	Dr. Ethel Keller
Riverside	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	64	Mrs. Hy Rosen
Sacramento	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	250	Mrs. Leon Diamond
San Bernardino	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	227	Mrs. Mac Levin
San Diego	Temple Beth Israel Auxiliary	267	Mrs. Mack Esterson
San Francisco	Temple Emanu-El Guild	675	Mrs. Ramsey Oppenheim, Jr.
	Temple Sherith Israel Sisterhood	430	Mrs. Lester Goldmeyer

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
San Jose	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	182	Mrs. Sydney Resnick
San Mateo	Peninsula Temple Beth El Sisterhood	255	Mrs. Walter Eisenberg
Santa Ana	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	105	Mrs. Maurice Lionel Wilks
Santa Monica	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	234	Mrs. Maurice Miller
Stockton	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	189	Mrs. Leo Wallin
Temple City	Temple Beth David Sisterhood	73	Mrs. Jerome Glasser
Van Nuys	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Torah	74	Mrs. Bernard Norman

COLORADO

Colorado Springs	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	33	Mrs. Leon Gilgoff
Denver	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	886	Mrs. Ben Simon
Trinidad	Temple Aaron Sisterhood	16	Mrs. Leo Gottlieb

CONNECTICUT

Bridgeport	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	222	Mrs. Lawrence Lesser
Danbury	Sisterhood United Jewish Center	194	Mrs. Alvin Effron
Hartford	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	480	Mrs. William Kolodnay
New Haven	Temple Mishkan Israel Sisterhood	365	Mrs. Herman Roseman
South Norwalk	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	83	Mrs. Harold Harris
Stamford	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	65	Mrs. Edwin Herz
Waterbury	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	100	Mrs. Stanley Levin

DELAWARE

Wilmington	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth	268	Mrs. George Shtofman
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington	Sisterhood of Washington Hebrew Congregation	497	Mrs. Le Roy Robins
	Women's Auxiliary of Temple Sinai	190	Mrs. Arthur Hyman

FLORIDA

Coral Gables	Sisterhood of Coral Gables Jewish Center	224	Mrs. Irving Gerstenfeld
Daytona Beach	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	66	Mrs. Irving Sacks
Ft. Lauderdale	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	139	Mrs. Marius Ranson
Jacksonville	Temple Sisterhood	290	Mrs. Horace Lippman
Miami	Temple Israel Sisterhood	415	Mrs. Leopold Schwarz
Miami Beach	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	407	Mrs. Irving Kaplan
Orlando	Sisterhood of Congregation of Liberal Judaism	100	Mrs. Sydney Gluckman
Pensacola	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	102	Mrs. Harry Kahn
St. Petersburg	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	70	Mrs. M. B. Ross
Sarasota	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	94	Mrs. Joseph Schwartz
Tallahassee	Temple Israel Sisterhood	56	Mrs. Bart Cohen
Tampa	Temple Guild Sisterhood	192	Mrs. Harold Plevin
West Palm Beach	Beth Israel Sisterhood	176	Mrs. Richard Singer

GEORGIA

Albany	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	100	Mrs. Harry Lutz
Athens	Sisterhood of Congregation Children of Israel	28	Mrs. David Abrams
Atlanta	The Temple Sisterhood	551	Mrs. Cecil Marks
Augusta	Temple Sisterhood	110	Mrs. Adrian Cohen, Sr.
Brunswick	Temple Beth Tefillah Sisterhood	41	Mrs. Emanuel Fialkow
Columbus	Jewish Ladies Aid Society	103	Mrs. Donald Broda
Macon	Beth Israel Sisterhood	108	Mrs. Marvin Coddon
Rome	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Joe Esserman
Savannah	Sisterhood Temple Mickve Israel	139	Mrs. S. E. Starrels
Thomasville	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	23	Mrs. Ivan Friedlander

ILLINOIS

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Benton	Benton Sisterhood	35	Mrs. Jerome Glassman
Bloomington	Moses Montefiore Temple Sisterhood	40	Mrs. David Stern
Champaign-Urbana	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	99	Mrs. Joseph Hamburg
Chicago	Beth Am Sisterhood	344	Mrs. I. M. Cohen
	Beth El Sisterhood	125	Mrs. Irving Willis
	Sisterhood Temple Beth-Israel	234	Mrs. Edward Brown
	Temple Beth Torah Sisterhood	38	Mrs. Harold Honer
	Temple B'nai Jehoshua Sisterhood	155	Mrs. Roy Levy
	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	428	Mrs. Philip Sobel
	Sisterhood of Temple Ezra	150	Mrs. Martin Roth
	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah-Israel	526	Mrs. Irwin Marx
	K. A. M. Temple Sisterhood	500	Mrs. Donald Harfield
	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	465	Mrs. Herman Mink
	Women of Mizpah	200	Mrs. Irving Roseman
	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	1099	Mrs. Fred Ronsley
	South Shore Temple Sisterhood	430	Mrs. William Frey
	Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood	1150	Mrs. Eugene Zemans
	Washington Blvd. Temple Sisterhood	322	Mrs. Morris Glasser
Chicago Heights	Sisterhood of Temple Anshe Sholom	137	Mrs. Bernard Jaffe
Danville	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	38	Mrs. Henry Meis
Decatur	B'nai Abraham Temple Sisterhood	80	Mrs. Albert Brensley
Evanston	Beth Emet Sisterhood	236	Mrs. Charles Weiner
Glencoe	North Shore Temple Sisterhood	848	Mrs. Edward Pinsof
Kankakee	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	62	Mrs. Leonard Shpiner
Mattoon	Mattoon Jewish Sisterhood	22	Mrs. R. Strauss
Peoria	Anshai Emeth Temple Sisterhood	180	Mrs. Michael Shore
Quincy	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Shalom	39	Mrs. E. J. Shoengood
Rockford	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	90	Mrs. Lester Miller
Skokie	Sisterhood of Temple Judea of Niles Township	50	Mrs. Sidney Schiff
Springfield	Sisterhood of Temple B'rith Sholom	160	Mrs. Adolph Lubin
Sterling	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom	28	Mrs. Saul Parks

INDIANA

Anderson	Anderson Jewish Sisterhood	27	Mrs. Irving Glazer
Evansville	Washington Avenue Temple Sisterhood	169	Mrs. Morton Newman
Ft. Wayne	Achduth Vesholom Temple Sisterhood	165	Mrs. Curtis Stein
Gary	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	210	Mrs. Bernard Baruch
Hammond	Beth El Sisterhood	110	Mrs. Irwin Rosenak
Indianapolis	The Temple Sisterhood	400	Mrs. Alvin Cohen
Kokomo	Jewish Temple Sisterhood	25	Mrs. I. Andich
Lafayette	Temple Israel Sisterhood	42	Mrs. Jeanette Neuman
Marion	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	50	Mrs. Anthony Roskin
Michigan City	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	139	Mrs. Morris Kohn
Muncie	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	51	Mrs. Herbert Pazol
South Bend	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	242	Mrs. Philip Welber
Terre Haute	Temple Women's Organization	140	Mrs. Louis Markus
Valparaiso	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	20	Mrs. Leland Solberg

IOWA

Burlington	Temple Israel Sisterhood	13	Mrs. Louis Gross
Cedar Rapids	Sisterhood of Temple Judah	97	Mrs. Norman Lipsky
Davenport	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	199	Mrs. Meyer Alter
Des Moines	Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood	250	Mrs. Harry Weinberg
Sioux City	Sisterhood of Mt. Sinai	136	Mrs. Louis Goldberg

KANSAS

Leavenworth	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Jeshurun	30	Mrs. Mike Glazer
Topeka	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	70	Mrs. A. A. Fink
Wichita	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	135	Mrs. Lawrence Stettheimer

KENTUCKY

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Ashland	Ashland Temple Sisterhood	52	Mrs. Noah Fetter
Henderson	Adas Israel Sisterhood	16	Mrs. Clarence Mann
Hopkinsville	Adah Israel Ladies Auxiliary	25	Mrs. Harold Wein
Lexington	Adath Israel Temple Sisterhood	116	Mrs. Matthew Barrett
Louisville	Adath Israel Sisterhood	441	Mrs. Irvin Rosenbaum
	B'rith Sholom Sisterhood	187	Mrs. Gordon Fleischaker
Paducah	Temple Israel Sisterhood	50	Mrs. E. B. Michael

LOUISIANA

Alexandria	Alexandria Temple Sisterhood Gemiluth Chassodim	127	Mrs. Milton Honigman
Bastrop	Sisterhood of Bastrop	10	Mrs. Joe Schendle
Baton Rouge	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	124	Mrs. Norman Mendelsohn
	Liberal Synagogue Sisterhood	70	Mrs. Marvin Reznikoff
Lafayette	Lafayette Temple Sisterhood	23	Mrs. Marcus Mayers
Lake Charles	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	58	Mrs. E. R. Kaufman
Monroe	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	107	Mrs. Alfred Brin
Morgan City	The Morgan City Sisterhood	22	Mrs. Leonard Roos
New Iberia	Sisterhood Temple Gates of Prayer	26	Mrs. Robert ewald
New Orleans	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Prayer	216	Mrs. Marion ake
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	498	Mrs. Herman Baginsky
	Sisterhood of Touro Synagogue	363	Mrs. Jac Stich
Shreveport	Sisterhood of B'nai Zion Temple	250	Mrs. Melvin Goldberg

MARYLAND

Baltimore	Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood	900	Mrs. Morton Goldstein
	Sisterhood Temple B'nai Sholom	23	Mrs. Samuel Baker
	Har Sinai Sisterhood	591	Mrs. Benedict Rosenberg
	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	732	Mrs. Benjamin Abeshouse
	Career Group of Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	89	Miss Lela aplan
Cumberland	B'er Chayim Temple Sisterhood	70	Mrs. David Sigel
Hagerstown	B'nai Abraham Sisterhood	77	Mrs. Odell Rosen
Montgomery County	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	117	Mrs. Herbert Seidenman

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston	Temple Israel Sisterhood	800	Mrs. Nathaniel Wharton
	Sisterhood of Temple Ohabei Shalom	775	Mrs. A. Olansky
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	261	Mrs. Benjamin Levine
Brockton	Temple Israel Sisterhood	223	Mrs. George Berger
Lawrence	Sisterhood Temple Emanuel	200	Mrs. Ralph Spector
Lowell	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	47	Mrs. Sully Freedman
Lynn	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	316	Mrs. Arthur Rubin
Malden	Temple Tifereth Israel Sisterhood	250	Mrs. ouis Permut
Marblehead	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood	71	Mrs. Maurice Simons
Newton	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom of Newton	415	Mrs. Kenneth Huberman
Pittsfield	Temple Sisterhood	144	Mrs. Richard Brandt
Springfield	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	250	Mrs. Irving Feinstein
Worcester	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	685	Mrs. Norman Robbins

MICHIGAN

Alpena	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	24	Mrs. Leo Friedberg
Battle Creek	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	46	Mrs. David Simrod
Bay City	The Temple Sisterhood	13	Mrs. Eli Levy
Benton Harbor	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	60	Mrs. Ben Kohen
Detroit	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	1088	Mrs. Sanford lein
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	714	Mrs. Robert Coggan

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Flint	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	150	Mrs. Harry Mills
Grand Rapids	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	156	Mrs. Ben Fishman
Huntington Woods	Sisterhood of the Suburban Temple of Greater Detroit	247	Mrs. Maurice Weiner
Jackson	Sisterhood Beth Israel Temple	87	Mrs. Bernard Preis
Lansing	Auxiliary of Congregation Shaarey Zedek	126	Mrs. Henry Fine
Muskegon	Sisterhood B'nai Israel	97	Mrs. B. E. Roberts
Petoskey	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	18	Mrs. Alfred Frank
Pontiac	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	95	Mrs. Herman Dickstein
Saginaw	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	13	Miss Helen Erman

MINNESOTA

Duluth	Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood	161	Mrs. Philip Miller
Minneapolis	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	500	Mrs. Donald Graceman
St. Paul	Sisterhood of Mt. Zion Temple	383	Mrs. Irwin Epstein

MISSISSIPPI

Brookhaven	Sisterhood B'nai Sholem	24	Mrs. Joe Schlesinger
Canton	Sisterhood of B'nai Israel	14	Mrs. William Stone
Clarksdale	Beth Israel Sisterhood	88	Mrs. Saul Kaufman
Cleveland	Adath Israel Sisterhood	58	Mrs. Jerome Lamensdorf
Columbus	Columbus Temple Sisterhood	30	Mrs. Ralph Katz
Greenville	Hebrew Union Temple Sisterhood	104	Mrs. George Hurtig
Greenwood	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	23	Mrs. Dave Brenman
Hattiesburg	Hattiesburg Temple Sisterhood	42	Mrs. David Adler
Jackson	Beth Israel Temple Sisterhood	107	Mrs. Sam Millstein
Laurel	Laurel Temple Sisterhood	9	Mrs. Alvin Fine
Lexington	Julia Lewist Sisterhood	12	Mrs. Aaron Jacobson
Meridian	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	60	Mrs. Sam Lischkoff
Natchez	Natchez Temple Sisterhood	48	Mrs. Milton Abrams
Ruleville-Drew	Sisterhood of Ruleville-Drew	23	Mrs. Earl Flowers
Tupelo	Northeast Mississippi Sisterhood	17	Mrs. Abe Siegel
Vicksburg	Anshe Chesed Temple Sisterhood	91	Mrs. Al Fishel

MISSOURI

Joplin	Temple Aid Sisterhood	73	Mrs. Phineas Smoller
Kansas City	B'nai Jehudah Sisterhood	720	Mrs. Leon Culver
St. Joseph	Adath Joseph Sisterhood	184	Mrs. I. H. Droher
St. Louis	B'nai El Temple Sisterhood	152	Mrs. Norman Goldberg
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	529	Mrs. Joseph Frager
	Shaare Emeth Sisterhood	479	Mrs. Meyer Levy
	United Hebrew Ladies Aid Society	489	Mrs. Max Kramer
Springfield	Sisterhood of United Hebrew Congregation	47	Mrs. David Bluestein

MONTANA

Butte	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	29	Mrs. Phoebe Gold
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NEBRASKA

Lincoln	South Street Temple Sisterhood	64	Mrs. Jake Chesen
Omaha	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	248	Mrs. Berhardt Wolf

NEVADA

Las Vegas	Sisterhood of Jewish Community Center	25	Mrs. David Messing
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NEW HAMPSHIRE

Manchester	Sisterhood of Adath Yeshurun Congregation	218	Mrs. Irving Dubinsky
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NEW JERSEY

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Atlantic City	Beth Israel Sisterhood	318	Mrs. Milton Katz
Bayonne	Temple Beth Am Sisterhood	66	Mrs. Nathan Secunds
Camden	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	56	Mrs. Harold S. Wolff
Closter	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El of Northern Valley	76	Mrs. Harry Feder
East Orange	Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo	314	Mrs. Arnold Eisen
Elberon	Temple Beth Miriam Sisterhood	159	Mrs. Nathan Tanenbaum
Elizabeth	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	82	Mrs. Jerome Samuels
Englewood	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	68	Mrs. Bertram Shepard
Fair Lawn	Sisterhood of Reform Temple of Fairlawn	15	Mrs. Nathan Kingston
Hoboken	Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Emuno	68	Mrs. Arthur Siegal
Jersey City	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	273	Mrs. Harry Wien
Lakewood	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	94	Mrs. Albert Spitzer
Margate	Temple Emeth Shalom Sisterhood	100	Mrs. Manny Davis
Newark	Women's Association of Temple B'nai Jeshurun	600	Mrs. Leon Kessler
New Brunswick	Sisterhood of Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple	219	Mrs. Samuel Arshan
Paterson	Barnet Temple Sisterhood	121	Mrs. Sigmond Schwartz
Plainfield	Temple Sholom Sisterhood	172	Mrs. Albert Stonehill
Somerville	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	25	Mrs. David Tapper
Teaneck	Bergen County Reform Temple Sisterhood	185	Mrs. Milton Goldsmith
Trenton	Har Sinai Sisterhood	300	Mrs. Adolph Loewenthal
Westfield	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	113	Mrs. Sam Lerman

NEW MEXICO

Albuquerque	Temple Albert Sisterhood	125	Mrs. Edwin Weisberg
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NEW YORK

Albany	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth	385	Mrs. Simon Rosenstock
Batavia	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	30	Mrs. Mowey Presberg
Bay Shore	The Women's Club of Temple Sinai	71	Mrs. Bernard Lamstein
Binghamton	Temple Concord Sisterhood	119	Mrs. Stephen Major
Brooklyn	Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Sholom	275	Mrs. Herbert F. Thanhauser
	Women's Auxiliary Congregation Beth Elohim	379	Mrs. Leonard Golluber
	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Flatbush	340	Mrs. I. Bert Feinson
	Sisterhood Beth Sholom People's Temple	140	Mrs. Miriam Rothstein
	Sisterhood of Borough Park Progressive Synagogue	29	Mrs. Samuel Schwam
	Sisterhood of Community Reform Temple	37	Mrs. Rita Wolff
	Sisterhood of the Progressive Synagogue	148	Mrs. Harold Distler
	Sisterhood Shaari Zedek	125	Mrs. Alfred Yaffe
	Sisterhood of Union Temple	330	Mrs. Albert Kasdan
	Beth Zion Sisterhood	725	Mrs. Benjamin Obletz
Buffalo	Women's Guild of Temple Beth El	64	Mrs. S. Budd Simon
Chappaqua	Sisterhood Temple Israel	68	Mrs. Milton Harth
Cortlandt	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El of East Meadow	410	Mrs. Elsie Freeman
East Meadow	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El of Queens	70	Mrs. Hortense Levi
Elmhurst	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	127	Mrs. Josef Stein
Elmira	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel of Elmont	416	Mrs. Herman Kremer
Elmont	Sisterhood of Temple Sholom	85	Mrs. Edward Wool
Floral Park	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom	137	Mrs. Julian Heyman
Flushing	Sisterhood of the Free Synagogue of Flushing	159	Mrs. Samuel Schwartzman
Forest Hills	Sisterhood of Temple Isaiah	269	Mrs. William Rush
Freeport	Sisterhood of Union Reform Temple	66	Mrs. Allan Hyman

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Garden City	Sisterhood Garden City Jewish Center	65	Mrs. Rona Ripkin
Glens Falls	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	114	Mrs. Charles Ginsburg
Great Neck	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck.	768	Mrs. Rudolph Gruen
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel of Great Neck	80	Mrs. Edward Chernela
Hempstead	Sisterhood of Nassau Community Temple	250	Mrs. Maurice Greham
Huntington	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	50	Mrs. Francis Elson
Ithaca	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	65	Mrs. Sidney Rocker
Jamaica	Sisterhood Temple Israel of Jamaica	360	Mrs. Mac Albert Bank
Kingston	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	97	Miss Leona Gross
Larchmont	The Sisterhood of Larchmont Temple	240	Mrs. Jerome Kaufman
Laurelton	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	75	Mrs. Elsie Meyers
Lawrence	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	427	Mrs. Phillip Kraushaar
	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	192	Mrs. Sydney Newman
Levittown	Levittown Reform Temple	204	Mrs. Charles Pressmall
Little Neck	Sisterhood of Temple Menorah	58	Mrs. Lawrence Sommer
Long Beach	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	327	Mrs. Sidney Schwartz
Lynbrook	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	375	Mrs. N. Gluckman
Massapequa	Sisterhood of Massapequa Jewish Center	100	Mrs. William Hoffnung
Merrick	The Sisterhood of the Reform Jewish Congregation of Merrick	110	Mrs. L. Krevat
Mt. Vernon	Women's Guild of Free Synagogue of Westchester	332	Mrs. Paul Carch
	Sinai Temple Sisterhood	248	Mrs. P. Fischbach
Neponsit	The Ladies Guild of West End Temple	225	Mrs. Arthur Herman
Newburgh	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Jacob	117	Mrs. Jacob Shapiro
New Hyde Park	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	183	Mrs. Miriam Fein
New Rochelle	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	825	Mrs. Joseph Levy
New York	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am	95	Mrs. Leonie B. Merlis
	Central Synagogue Sisterhood	271	Mrs. Joan Marx
	Sisterhood Temple of the Covenant	90	Mrs. Adelaide Wortman
	Sisterhood of East End Temple	50	Mrs. Bernice Schreiber
	Women's Auxilliary Congregation Emanu-El	687	Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind
	Sisterhood of Fort Washington Synagogue	38	Mrs. Lillian Lauter
	Women's Organization of Stephen Wise Free Synagogue	264	Mrs. Theodore Rosen
	Sisterhood of Congregation Habonin	47	Mrs. Hansi Pollack
	Sisterhood of Hebrew Tabernacle	175	Mrs. Fay Wohlstetter
	Sisterhood of Temple Israel of the City of New York	210	Mrs. David A. Weisburger
	Mt. Neboh Sisterhood	280	Mrs. Milton Hirschberger
	Rodeph Sholom Sisterhood	440	Mrs. Irving Nethe
	Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood of West End Synagogue	295	Mrs. Philip Brown
	Judea Reform Temple Sisterhood	45	Mrs. Frances Schapiro
	Sinai Sisterhood of the Bronx	93	Mrs. Gerard Bloomfield
	Tremont Temple Sisterhood	162	Mrs. Fred Stein
	Sisterhood of the Village Temple	80	Mrs. Henri Zecho
Niagara Falls	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	125	Mrs. Marvin Cohen
Oceanside	Sisterhood of Temple Avodah	175	Mrs. Henry Markoe
Olean	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	70	Mrs. Philip Conwit
Plattsburg	Beth Israel Sisterhood	42	Mrs. Alfred Hecht
Port Washington	Sisterhood of the Community Synagogue	120	Mrs. Nathaniel Hess
Poughkeepsie	The Vassar Temple Sisterhood	165	Mrs. Samuel Rosen
Riverdale	Riverdale Temple Sisterhood	239	Mrs. Irving Bennett
Rochester	B'rith Kodesh Sisterhood	523	Mrs. Benjamin Keyfetz
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	90	Mrs. Burton Greene
Rockville Centre	Sisterhood of Central Synagogue of Nassau County	587	Mrs. LeRoy Glauber
Roslyn Heights	Sisterhood of Temple Sinai	347	Mrs. Ruth Pervin
Rye	Sisterhood of Community Synagogue	150	Mrs. C. William Paul
Saranac Lake	Sisterhood of the Jewish Community Center of Saranac Lake	20	Mrs. Philip Gingold

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Scarsdale	Sisterhood of Westchester Reform Temple	70	Mrs. Lee Kulick
Schenectady	Sisterhood of Temple Gates of Heaven	147	Mrs. Louis Vinick
Spring Valley	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	143	Mrs. Moe Aronow
Staten Island	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	106	Mrs. Felix Ecker
Syosset	Sisterhood of North Shore Synagogue	50	Mrs. Edna Heyman
Syracuse	Sisterhood of Society of Concord	251	Mrs. Jacob Moss
Tarrytown	Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary	100	Mrs. Joseph Weiner
Troy	The Sisterhood of Third Street Temple	91	Mrs. Samuel Werlin
Utica	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	66	Mrs. E. Weiss
Wantagh	The Suburban Temple	200	Mrs. Harold Kahn
White Plains	Women's Guild of the White Plains Jewish Community Center	569	Mrs. Abraham Samuelson
Yonkers	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	225	Mrs. Samuel Bross

NORTH CAROLINA

Asheville	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-Ha-Tephila	134	Mrs. Isaac Gradman
Charlotte	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	74	Mrs. I. H. Madalia
Gastonia	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	34	Mrs. Sidney Cohen
Goldsboro	Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	36	Mrs. Ben Ellis
Greensboro	Sisterhood Temple Emanu El	123	Mrs. Richard Steele
Lumberton	Hebrew Woman's Auxiliary	9	Mrs. George Silverton
New Bern	Temple B'nai Sholem Sisterhood	20	Miss Lillie Suskin
Raleigh	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Or	62	Mrs. Al Rothstein
Rocky Mount	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Leon Epstein
Wilmington	Ladies' Concordia Society	44	Mrs. Samuel Warshauer
Winston-Salem	Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel	100	Mrs. Helen Doris

NORTH DAKOTA

Fargo	Beth El Sisterhood	64	Mrs. A. L. Klein
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OHIO

Akron	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	300	Mrs. Edward Rabb
Bellaire	Sons of Israel Sisterhood	16	Mrs. Alfred Mayer
Canton	Temple Israel Sisterhood	289	Mrs. S. J. Feingold
Cincinnati	Isaac M. Wise Temple Sisterhood	909	Mrs. B. H. Schaeffer
	Rockdale Ave. Temple Sisterhood	561	Mrs. Charles Stern
Cleveland	Temple Shalom Sisterhood	50	Mrs. Irving Katz
	Euclid Ave. Temple Sisterhood	1200	Mrs. William Weinberger
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	361	Mrs. A. E. Greenfield
	Sisterhood Congregation Gates of Hope	160	Mrs. Joseph Herz
	Suburban Temple Women's Committee	383	Mrs. Ralph Rosewater
	Temple Women's Association	1450	Mrs. Merrill Sands
Columbus	The Rose E. Lazarus Sisterhood of Temple Israel	523	Mrs. Herbert Fenburr
Dayton	Temple Israel Sisterhood	517	Mrs. Jack Zappin
East Liverpool	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	30	Mrs. J. J. Hoffrichter
Elyria	Elyria Sisterhood	85	Mrs. Charles Horwitz
Fremont	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	41	Mrs. Dorris Hyman
Hamilton	Bene Israel Temple Sisterhood	60	Mrs. S. Bershad
Lima	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	85	Mrs. Robert Fromson
Lorain	Lorain Temple Sisterhood	150	Mrs. Lewis Jacoby
Mansfield	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	44	Mrs. Jerome Rosenberg
Newark	Oheb Israel Temple Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Walter Deutsch
Piqua	Anshe Emeth Sisterhood	30	Mrs. Mayer Kahn
Portsmouth	The Temple Sisterhood	51	Mrs. Sara Foreman
Sandusky	Oheb Shalom Sisterhood	50	Mrs. Louis Fingerhut
Springfield	Temple Sisterhood and Council of Jewish Women	107	Mrs. Abe Gardner
Steubenville	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	110	Mrs. Shelton Goodman
Toledo	Collingwood Ave. Temple Sisterhood	580	Mrs. Marvin Green
Youngstown	Rodef Sholem Sisterhood	385	Mrs. Irwin Fleischer
Zanesville	Findlay Ave. Temple Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Marvin Magaziner

OKLAHOMA

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Ardmore	Jewish Ladies Aid and Sisterhood	30	Mrs. Henry Baum
Muskogee	Beth Ahaba Temple Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Joe Yaffee
Oklahoma City	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	210	Mrs. Milton Burnett
Tulsa	Temple Israel Sisterhood	246	Mrs. Carl Avery

OREGON

Portland	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	439	Mrs. Milton Gevurtz
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PENNSYLVANIA

Abington	Old York Road Temple Sisterhood	70	Mrs. Dorothy Molish
Allentown	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	150	Mrs. Harold Cohen
Altoona	Sisterhood of Beth Israel	100	Mrs. Arthur Pollock
Charleroi	Rodef Shalom Temple Sisterhood	39	Mrs. Joseph Harris
Clearfield	Clearfield Sisterhood	17	Mrs. Alexander Kantar
Easton	Sisterhood Temple Covenant of Peace	128	Mrs. Samuel Stone
Erie	The Temple Sisterhood	222	Mrs. Herman Wolff
Greensburg	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El	75	Mrs. Harry Rosenberg
Harrisburg	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Shalom	170	Mrs. H. Albert Lehrman
Hazleton	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	90	Mrs. Samuel Woronoff
Honesdale	Beth Israel Sisterhood	29	Mrs. Vincent Yannis
Johnstown	Beth Zion Temple Sisterhood	150	Mrs. Sam Rider
Lancaster	Sisterhood of Temple Shaarai Shomayim	148	Mrs. John Hogar
Levittown	Temple Shalom Sisterhood	32	Mrs. Doris Levine
McKeesport	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel	167	Mrs. Milton Farkas
New Castle	Temple Israel Sisterhood	85	Mrs. Hyman Frank
Philadelphia	Beth David Sisterhood	160	Mrs. Gladys Penzur
	Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	92	Mrs. Joseph Bernheim
	Sisterhood of Temple Judea	432	Mrs. Lewis Weiss
	Keneseth Israel Sisterhood	535	Mrs. Harry Baron
	Keneseth Israel Evening Group	524	Mrs. Malvian Wirtschafer
	Rodeph Shalom Sisterhood	682	Mrs. Abraham Cohen
Pittsburgh	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	145	Mrs. Lewis Leventon
	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood (Seniors)	1310	Mrs. J. Arthur Stein
	Temple Sinai Sisterhood	340	Mrs. Oliver Litman
Reading	Sisterhood of Temple Ohev Shalom	130	Mrs. Thomas Barnett
Scranton	Sisterhood of Madison Ave. Temple	147	Mrs. Samuel Cohen
Sharon	Beth Israel Sisterhood	171	Mrs. Maurice Schermer
Uniontown	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	100	Mrs. Theodora Bernbach
Wilkes-Barre	Sisterhood of Temple B'nai B'rith	105	Mrs. Clinton Long
Williamsport	Sisterhood Beth-Ha-Shalom	82	Mrs. Saul Hanin
Wynnewood, Pa.	Sisterhood of Main Line Reform Temple	162	Mrs. Richard Landow
York	Beth Israel Sisterhood	125	Mrs. Arthur Markowitz

RHODE ISLAND

Providence	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	314	Mrs. Joseph Pulver
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SOUTH CAROLINA

Bishopville	Bishopville Hebrew Sisterhood	15	Mrs. Sollie Krasnoff
Camden	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	15	Mrs. Leon Schlosberg
Charleston	K.K.B.E. Temple Sisterhood	114	Mrs. Leon Banou, Jr.
Columbia	Sisterhood of Tree of Life	64	Mrs. Sanford Aroneck
Conway	Temple Sisterhood of Conway	9	Mrs. Mose Banner
Darlington	Darlington Temple Sisterhood	12	Mrs. Harry Gross
Dillon	Dillon Temple Sisterhood	10	Mrs. Morris Kornblut
Florence	Beth Israel Sisterhood	25	Mrs. Edward Spanier
Georgetown	Beth Elohim Temple Sisterhood	19	Mrs. Morris Abrams
Greenville	Temple of Israel Sisterhood	23	Mrs. William Reyner
Kingsree-Lake City	Temple Beth Or Sisterhood	24	Mrs. Bernard Bess
Sumter	Sisterhood of Sinai Temple	53	Mrs. Reuben Brody

SOUTH DAKOTA

City	Sisterhood	Membership	President
Sioux Falls	Mt. Zion Sisterhood	48	Mrs. Louis Shafton

TENNESSEE

Brownsville	The Temple Sisterhood	18	Mrs. Julius Marks, Jr.
Chattanooga	Sisterhood of Mizpah-Temple	187	Mrs. B. Henning
Clarksville	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	20	Mrs. Ted Seloff
Jackson	B'nai Israel Temple Sisterhood	30	Mrs. M. A. Goldstein
Knoxville	Beth El Temple Sisterhood	83	Mrs Lester Popkin
Memphis	Temple Israel Sisterhood	683	Mrs. Jack Klein
Nashville	Vine St. Temple Sisterhood	425	Mrs. David Steine

TEXAS

Austin	Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood	138	Mrs. Irving Ravel
Beaumont	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	120	Mrs. Irving Eisen
Big Spring	Temple Israel Sisterhood	19	Mrs. B. Eckhaus
Corpus Christi	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	190	Mrs. Abe Nebrat
Dallas	Temple Emanu El Sisterhood	869	Mrs. Lawrence Kahn
El Paso	Temple Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	197	Mrs. N. H. Keller
Ft. Worth	Temple Beth-El Sisterhood	237	Mrs. Eugene Steinberg
Galveston	Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood	146	Mrs. Louis Jacobson
Houston	Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	507	Mrs. M. M. Lewis
	Sisterhood of Temple Emanu El	465	Mrs. M. H. Jacobs
Kilgore	Beth Sholom Sisterhood	64	Mrs. A. B. Gertz
Lubbock	Shaareth Israel Sisterhood	50	Mrs. Harold Nevin
Lufkin	Beth Israel Sisterhood	14	Mrs. Sam Robinson
Marshall	Sisterhood of Temple Moses Montefiore	13	Mrs. H. Abram Goldberg
Odessa	Sisterhood of Temple Beth El	49	Mrs. Harold Winston
Port Arthur	Rodef Shalom Sisterhood	68	Mrs. W. L. Bennett
San Antonio	Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El	356	Mrs. Lewis Lauterstein
Texarkana	Mt. Sinai Sisterhood	49	Mrs. Leo Walkow
Tyler	Temple Beth El Sisterhood	73	Mrs. Osher Goldsmith
Waco	Sisterhood of Temple Rodef Sholom	101	Mrs. Abbye Freed, Jr.
Wichita Falls	Sisterhood of Temple Israel	52	Mrs. Philip Pink

UTAH

Salt Lake City	B'nai Israel Sisterhood	111	Mrs. Daniel Schwartz
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VERMONT

St. Johnsbury	Beth El Sisterhood	19	Mrs. Rosalie Harris
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VIRGINIA

Alexandria	Sisterhood Temple Beth El	70	Mrs. Frederick Garfield
Bristol	B'nai Shalom Sisterhood	44	Mrs. Bernard Green
Charlottesville	Sisterhood of Beth Israel Temple	34	Mrs. Bernard David
Danville	Temple Beth Sholem Sisterhood	35	Mrs. Paul Friedman
Fredericksburg	Beth Sholom Temple Sisterhood	31	Mrs. Aaron Land
Harrisonburg	Sisterhood of the Hebrew		
	Friendship Congregation	35	Mrs. Joseph Mintzer
Lynchburg	Sisterhood of Agudath Sholem Synagogue	84	Mrs. Simon Eichelbaum
Norfolk	Sisterhood of Ohef Sholem Temple	248	Mrs. Alfred Kruger
Richmond	Beth Ahabah Sisterhood	398	Mrs. Edward Glaser
Roanoke	Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	86	Mrs. Sidney Falkenstein
Staunton	Temple House of Israel Sisterhood	27	Mrs. Harry Kreitzer

WASHINGTON

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