

CAMDEN NEWS

JEWISH COMMUNAL PROJECT LAUNCHED

Thousand Persons Hear Advocacy of Young Men's Hebrew As- sociation of Camden

More than a thousand persons crowded into the Broadway Theatre, Camden, yesterday afternoon and heard Isaac Hassler, of Philadelphia, impress upon his hearers the importance and necessity of a Jewish communal building, such as was planned by the Young Men's Hebrew Association of Camden and launched by them yesterday. "There are many things that the Jew of today needs, and the only thing to my mind to satisfy that need is the organization of the Young Men's Hebrew Association," said Mr. Hassler.

The meeting opened about four o'clock with J. F. Kantor, head of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, presiding. Mr. Kantor briefly outlined the aims and purposes of the communal building campaign. He explained that Camden was entirely lacking in the facilities to safeguard and foster in the Jewish youth the desired knowledge and surroundings and that a building that would embrace a house of worship, a Sabbath school, a Talmud Torah, an auditorium for worthy social and public functions, assembly rooms for numerous philanthropic and beneficial organizations and facilities for recreation and exercise were not only desirable but a necessity.

Dr. Cyrus Adler, president of Drexel College, sent a letter that was read before the assembly, in which he expressed the hope that the Hebrew people would realize the duty to their past, to their community and to their children and would co-operate and unite in making the proposed institution a real help.

The meeting was conducted under the direction of the following committee of the Young Men's Hebrew Association: Chairman, J. F. Kantor; Dr. William M. Lashman, Benjamin Natal, Max Goldich, Mark Obus, Jacob L. Furor, Arnold Weis and Bertrand Schneeberg.