

Y. M. H. A.

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bers to warrant an organization, the Y. M. C. A. is being supplanted by an organization for the Jewish boy along Jewish lines, and it is no reflection upon the Y. M. C. A., but rather a compliment that its work, its benefits and its purposes are of so high a purpose that it is worthy of being duplicated in the form of the Young Men's Hebrew Association. The time is ripe and the community large enough, powerful enough, to sustain and operate and for a foundation for such an institution. Take the Jewish Literary Society. While confining itself up to the present time with merely attempting to strengthen the Jewish mind, create a feeling of sociability, offering the elevating influences of its surroundings, needs but a spark to set in motion the wheels of activity which will result in the erection in the city of Houston of a monument to the advancement, protection, elevation and creation of pure Jewish thought, strengthening of the mind and of the body, and becoming an honor to the community and a blessing to prosperity.

Let the year 1909 see the absolute awakening of our Jewish citizenship, let a united people grasp hands without regard to reform or orthodoxy and with a determined cry raise from that foundation established by the Jewish Literary Society the Young Men's Hebrew Association, patterned along the lines of the Y. M. C. A., but in which a Jewish youth can with pride say that it is his home, where his ideas are being fostered, his religion protected. Such an organization would, beyond all doubt, establish a link that separates today the Jewish youth from the teachings of his fathers, would bring him closer to the ties with which he is bound and add to the luster and glory that has ever been and ever will be the keynote of our life.

Mrs. Margaret Graves, who passed away lately in New York city, bequeathed \$30,000 for Jewish Charitable institutions, Mt. Sinai Hospital, Hebrew Orphans' Asylum, Hebrew Technical School for Girls, \$10,000 each. It is noteworthy to mention that Mrs. Graves was not Jewish, but of Catholic faith.—From Jewish Daily News,

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