

RABBI PRAISES WORK OF JEWISH WOMEN'S GROUP

Duluth Hebrew Leader Calls Members Worthy Descend- ants of Queen Esther.

The Council of Jewish Women have proven themselves worthy of being descendants of Queen Esther, declared Rabbi Lebendiger at the Hebrew institute last night. Rabbi Lebendiger spoke on the "Book of Esther" as applicable to the Jewish women of today, in observance of "Council Sabbath" set aside for part of this week in synagogues by the national organization of the Council of Jewish Women.

"The Council of Jewish Women is an organization which stands for philanthropy, education and religion and has among its leaders some of the noblest and intellectual women in this country," Rabbi Lebendiger said.

Immigrant Helped.

"The council, through its efforts to alleviate suffering and misery, and in helping the immigrant, in solving his problems, and through its Americanization among the foreigners, has done noble work.

"The 'Book of Esther' is significant because of the portrayal of a Jewish queen who risked her own life in order to save her people. What forcible rebuke this heroine of the Bible is to those women who regale themselves in pleasures and luxuries, and mind not the needy and suffering.

Suffrage Solved.

"The problem of woman suffrage was solved in the Bible, where we find the right granted to women, for which the women of today have been fighting for the last two decades. The ancient Jewish commonwealth in Palestine had no objection to having a woman as a ruler. The Biblical Deborah, in addition to her position as a warrior, was also, as the Bible calls it, the judge of the Jewish people, corresponding to the office held by the President of the United States today," Rabbi Lebendiger concluded.

Miss Mamie Weingberg, a member of the council, spoke of the work of the organization in helping the poor and needy. She also spoke of the growth of the organization, from a small membership to being one of the largest Jewish women's organization in Duluth.