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DR. RAPHAEL MELAMED

## JEW TO ORGANIZE NEW CONGREGATION

Dr. Melamed to Address Gathering Tomorrow on Formation of Conservative Body

Representative Jews of Trenton, numbering more than 350, have been invited to attend a meeting tomorrow evening for the purpose of organizing a conservative congregation in this city. The gathering will be held at Republican Club Auditorium, at 8 o'clock, and Dr. Raphael Melamed, of Brooklyn, will be the main speaker.

For a long time the proposition of a conservative congregation in this city has been discussed and the temporary organization at the head of the present movement, which, it is believed, will assume definite shape tomorrow evening, is headed by Joseph Lavine, temporary chairman; Counselor Sol. Phillips Perlman, secretary, and Louis S. Kaplan, treasurer. Aside from these officials, the committee in charge of the arrangements is made up of N. H. Aroniss, Bernard Cohen, Harris Fiestal, Isaac Fineberg, Philip Forman, Michael Gilinsky, Israel Kohn, Samuel Levin, Harris Levin, I. H. Levy, I. C. Rednor, Samuel Shankman, Solomon Urken, Philip Vine and Israel Vine.

It is pointed out that there are more than 100 conservative congregations in the United States at the present time. The conservatives are regarded as a medium between the Orthodox and the Reformed congregations.

It is the belief of those at the head of the movement to establish a congregation of this character here that their efforts will be successful, and already there have been suggestions for possible sites for the synagogue, which would be modern and costly.

The sites suggested include West State Street and North Hermitage Avenue, a site on North Clinton Avenue, near East State Street, Central Baptist Church property, East Hanover Street, and St. Paul Methodist property, Spring Street.

Dr. Melamed, who will discuss the principles of a conservative congregation, is a graduate rabbi of the Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, and a doctor of divinity in Semitics of Dropsie College, Philadelphia. He has occupied pulpits in Philadelphia and Montreal, and was instructor for some time in Biblical literature in Gratz College, Philadelphia. At present he is rabbi of one of the largest conservative congregations in Brooklyn, Temple Petach Tikvah.