

In Kimberley

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Public Reading of "Holding Aloof."—A successful public reading of "Holding Aloof," a one-act play of Jewish interest, by David Dainow, was held under the auspices of the Zionist Society in the Supper Room of the City Hall, on Sunday, 26th ult., and proved most successful.

The following took part:—Messrs. A. Slosberg, N. Edelstein, M. Bliss, H. Frank, L. Roche, L. Levinsohn, E. L. Berger, Miss M. Segie (of Johannesburg) and Miss D. Shapiro.

Each character was well portrayed by the various participants, the atmosphere being realistically maintained by suitable stage appointments. The play was very much enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience.

There was also an excellent musical programme consisting of pianoforte solos by the Misses Helen Maresky and Ethel Brenner, and songs rendered in charming manner by Miss Lily Blumenthal and Miss T. Segal respectively. The dances by little Millie Gershowitz and Mavis Barnett were also very much enjoyed. Refreshments were served by the Ladies' Committee and the singing of "Hatikvah" terminated a very pleasant function. The thanks of the society are due to Mr. L. Levinsohn for arranging the play-reading, and to Mr. H. Stoller for the loan of the stage properties and furniture.

Visit of Mr. Mark Horwitz.—On Tuesday, 29th ult., Mr. M. Horwitz, chairman of the S.A. Young Israel Federation, visited Kimberley, and a meeting was held in the Zionist Hall. Adv. D. Cohen presided over a large gathering.

Mr. Horwitz, in a striking address, outlined the aims and activities of the Young Israel movement. As a result of his eloquence, the long dormant Young Israel Society was resuscitated. An election was forthwith held, and a committee appointed.

Congratulations.—Congratulations are being extended to Miss Phoebe Herman on her engagement to Mr. Harry Eberlin, of Bloemfontein, also to Miss Fanny Bloom on her engagement to Mr. Rubin, of Johannesburg.

Death of Mr. Klein.—We regret to record the death, which occurred with tragic suddenness last Tuesday of Mr. J. Klein. The deceased gentleman was a resident in Kimberley for the last thirty years, and was until recently an active member of the Zionist Society, and always keenly interested in Zionist matters. To his widow and children the sincerest condolence is extended.

LEAGUE FOR THE WORKING PALESTINE (KAPAY).

The monthly meeting of the Committee was held at the S.A. Zionist Federation, on Sunday, the 9th inst. It was decided to hold the Annual 1s. Day House to House Collection on Sunday, 6th September, 1931. It is hoped that both collectors and the public will respond in the same manner as they did last year.

The S.A. Zeire Zion has arranged to hold a dance and to issue complimentary tickets to all workers participating in the collection. Anyone wishing to offer their services as Collectors, please communicate with Miss J. Arkin, Jt. Hon. Secretary, League for the Working Palestine, 5a Hilner Street, Doornfontein.

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PRETORIA.

On Sunday, August 2, the marriage was solemnised of Miss Olga Ella Abrahams, youngest daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. Abrahams of Pretoria, and Mr. Harry Belling, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Belling, of London. Rabbi W. Hirsch, assisted by Cantor A. Zwick, officiated, and the duties of best man were carried out by Dr. Louis Milner.

Mr. Belling, who was born in London, and came out to settle in Pretoria about eight years ago, has always taken a prominent part in communal and cultural activities, and both he and Miss Abrahams have always been most popular in Jewish circles in Pretoria.

A large gathering attended the reception at the Jewish Memorial Hall, where the usual toasts were duly honoured.

A collection was made in aid of the Jewish National Fund, and the sum of £3 7s. was realised.

After the reception, Mr. and Mrs. Belling left by car for Lourenco Marques, where the honeymoon is being spent.

On the 9th inst., on the occasion of the *Pidyon Haben* of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Rostowsky, of 719 Arcadia Street, the sum of £2 5s. was collected for the National Fund.

A box clearance carried out by the Women's Zionist League has just been completed which realised the sum of £58 6s. 8d.

WILLISTON.

Mr. M. G. Abrahams has remitted the sum of £3 1s. 3d. to the National Fund Office in Johannesburg, being £2 1s. 3d. cleared from the box of Mrs. H. Odde and £1 from that of his own.

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