

Zionist Youth Activities.

S.A. ZIONIST YOUTH COUNCIL.

S.A. Menorah. The October issue of the S.A. Menorah which appeared last week, is devoted mainly to responsibility of English speaking Jewry during the present crisis, the plans that British Zionist Youth have adopted in meeting the situation, the manner in which the Yishuv has manned the defence of Eretz Israel, and other articles of topical interest.

Plans are being formulated for the publication of a specially enlarged Chanuka number.

J.N.F. Stamp Album. The Album scheme is now satisfactorily launched and considerable interest has been aroused in young members of Zionist Youth, members of Habonim and Talmud Torah pupils.

CAPE ZIONIST YOUTH EXECUTIVE.

Camp. Meetings of the Camp Committee have been held frequently in order to ensure that this year's arrangements will surpass anything held previously. Those interested should apply for full particulars without delay.

Balfour Day Collection. Sunday, Nov. 5th, has been declared as Balfour Day for South Africa, and a large number of canvassers are required to assist in the tree collection. Those able to assist are asked to communicate with the Youth office.

CAPE TOWN HERZLIA.

The next Bialik Circle meeting will be held on Friday, October 27th, at Rosecourt. Miss R. Sakinofsky will give a paper on the Crusades.

Tennis Section. Those wishing to join the Tennis Section are asked to hand in their names immediately to either of the Secretaries.

MUIZENBERG YOUNG ISRAEL SOCIETY.

Mr. Julian Shagam, on a holiday visit from Eretz Israel, addressed a meeting of this Society on Sunday evening last. Mr. Shagam dealt with life and conditions in the National Home and conveyed very realistic impressions of the country.

The second part of the evening's programme was taken up by musical items rendered by members.

GREEN AND SEA POINT JEWISH GUILD.

Meetings. On Monday, 23rd October, Mr. S. M. Levin, organising secretary for the Cape Zionist Youth Executive, addressed the members on "Zionism at the Crucial Hour." There was a fair attendance, and Mr. A. Hanson, who was in the chair, thanked the speaker for the most interesting lecture. The meeting concluded with the singing of Hatikvah.

J.N.F. The next Box clearance will take place on Sunday, 12th November.

Junior Circle. The next meeting will be held at the Clubroom on Sunday, 29th October, and will take the form of a joint lecture by Miss H. Kayser and Mr. S. M. Levin.

Acknowledgements.

The Secretary of the Jewish Sick Relief Society acknowledges receipt of the sum of £50 from the estate of the late Mr. and Mrs. Gerschon Schach.

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The Secretary of the Cape Hebrew Helping Hand Association acknowledges the receipt of the sum of £50 from the estate of the late Mr. and Mrs. Gerschon Schach.

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The Association to Relieve Poor Children in the Jewish Schools of Poland, which is authorised by the Jewish Board of Deputies to collect funds, has much pleasure in acknowledging the sum of £4 from the Rev. Michelson, which amount was kindly donated by Mr. I. Wade at the Bris Melah of his grandson.

Massadah-Herzlia Interdebate.

An interdebate between the Massadah Association and the C.T. Herzlia took place at the Zionist Hall on Sunday night. Mr. S. Rechtman was in the chair.

Mr. S. L. Gross, supported by Miss Ruth Blumberg, on behalf of the Massadah moved that "In view of the past history of the Jews we cannot claim to be a peace-loving people." Mr. M. Katovsky, supported by Miss Bertha Friedman, on behalf of the Herzlia, opposed the motion.

After an animated discussion from the floor, the motion was lost.

Mr. C. K. Friedlander, on behalf of the Massadah, thanked the Herzlia for their invitation.

Musical for Children's Day at Sea Hurst Hotel, St. James.

Mrs. Morris Alexander is one of the four organisers of a musicale to be held at the Seahurst Hotel, St. James, at 8.30 p.m., on Monday, October 30th, for Children's Day. Well-known Cape Town artists are giving their services gratuitously, including Jewish artists—among them being Joyce Kadish (B.B.C. pianist), Ruth Kadish (Dramatic artist) and Mrs. Jack Stodel of the Nancy Watson Morris Dance Studio who will appear in three classical ballets with other Watson Morris dancers. It is hoped that the Jewish residents of Muizenberg, St. James and Kalk Bay will patronise this interesting entertainment. All tickets and further information can be obtained from Mrs. Alexander (phone 8-1901), who also draws our attention to the playing of Max Bruch's "Kol Nidrei" by the well-known 'cellist J. S. Bourne, who is also appearing on the programme, with Joan Steytler (soprano) and E. Goyen Hart (basso).

ELGAR AND DELIUS UNDER PALESTINE SKIES.

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National Themes" by Boskowitz, the music of "Uriel Acosta" by Karol Bathaus, and others, still too little attention is paid even in Palestine to contemporary musical compositions.

A number of young Palestinian song composers have come to light during the past fifteen years and here and there reveal a tendency towards a specific Palestinian style, such, for example, as expressed in the music of the play "Jacob and Rachel" by Rosowsky and in the songs of Seira, Gorochoy, Postolsky, Pugatchova, Sambursky, etc. About a year ago, a World Centre for Jewish Music was founded in Palestine. Among its other activities is the publication of a music periodical, "Musica Hebraica." Hebrew books on music make frequent

appearance. Conservatoires and musical institutes have been established in each of the cities, and teachers and students of music in Palestine may thus well be estimated at several thousands.

During his last visit to Palestine, Hubermann spoke to a group of journalists on the problem of Jewish music. He analysed the tragic inner conflict underlying the work of Gustav Mahler's—one of whose Symphonies the Orchestra was at that time performing—the one and only appearance of Arnold Schoenberg, the greatness of Ernest Bloch, and concluded with these words: "Real Jewish music is an expression of our psychic emotions and hopes and can and will exist only here, under the blue sky of Palestine."

Are we approaching a real native creation of this kind? It is still too early to tell. But the conditions for it certainly exist already in Palestine.

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