

Household Words.

LINGUA.

Note.—We have pleasure in introducing this new feature in our columns which will be of special interest to Zionist Youth speakers. The words and phrases will be published in each issue in alphabetical order. Readers are advised to retain these lists for future reference.—Editor.

Ahuzoth (singular: Ahuzah). In Biblical Hebrew the word means a fixed possession, immovable property. In Zionist history **Ahuzoth** are plantation societies formed in Russia and America which bought plots of land in Eretz Israel for the purpose of settlement. One of these societies called "Ahuzath Bayit" was given £10,000 by the J.N.F. (in 1908) in order to build a modern Jewish quarter on the border of Jaffa. This eventually grew into Tel Aviv.

Aliyah (Aliyot). Immigration.

Aliyah Bet Aliyah B. A term applied to illegal immigration.

Aliyah Chadasha. New immigration. The name of a Party in Eretz Israel comprising mainly of German Jews of the immigration that started in 1933 on the advent of Nazism in Germany.

Aliyanik. A word coined from the Hebrew Aliyah and applied in a derogatory sense to a youth immigrant who, though capable, does not intend to devote himself (herself) to chalu-ziut in Eretz Israel.

Am Ha-aretz. People of the land (literally). In the Bible the term designates the general mass of people as opposed to the nobility. In current speech it is applied to renege a person ignorant of Jewish matters.

Am Yisrael. The people of Israel, the Jewish people.

Aretz (the correct word is Eretz). Used in short for Eretz Israel.

Asefah (asefot). An assembly, a session, a conference.

Asefat Hanifcharim. An elected assembly, the name of the legislative body in Eretz Israel, corresponding to a parliament, which is at the head of the Jewish community.

Avodah. Work, religious service.

Avodath Chutz. Outside work. This term is applied to work done by chalu-ziim outside their own kibbutz (settlement) in return for remuneration which is handed in to the central fund of the kibbutz. This is applied in the Galuth (exile) to similar work done by the personnel on hachsharah.

Exemplary Contribution

The Cape Zionist Youth Executive has received a handsome contribution for the Keren Aliyah (Chalutz Fund) from Mr. L. Mathews, first president of the S.A. Young Israel Federation. It is indeed heartening that the man who was responsible for the co-ordination of Zionist Youth activity in its very earliest stages has now also set a lead in providing revenue for the fund which is being utilised for the very acme of Zionist Youth endeavour.

The Executive sincerely trusts that Mr. Mathews' example will be followed by many others, especially his colleagues, who no doubt realise the importance of Keren Aliyah.

UNIVERSITY TEXT BOOKS.

The Hebrew University in Jerusalem has issued an appeal to students of the English-speaking countries to send text books to Jerusalem in order to assist students at the Hebrew University in their studies. The intention is to establish a lending library which will have many copies of each text book and will enable indigent students to borrow books for long periods in order to pursue their studies.

On behalf of the Hebrew University, the Cape Zionist Youth Executive requests all students to help their brethren and colleagues of the University of Mount Scopus by sending all books they can possibly do without to the office of the Executive, Room 22, 6, Barrack Street, C.T. Books will also be called for. (Phone 2-1904.)

The Watch-Tower is No More.

Several weeks ago some Young Israel campers happened to pass the Lake-side camp site and were astounded to note that the watch-tower was missing, wood and all. It was sad news indeed, especially for those who had laboured many days to construct it. Campers throughout Southern Africa will read this "obituary" with tears in their eyes. The watch-tower became one of the traditions of the camp, a most popular meeting place



Reaching to the clouds.

and a symbol of the chalutzic atmosphere which became the most significant feature of the past few camps. Only last year the tower came into its own when a special hut constructed at its foot served as an abode for a number of campers who helped with the preliminary arrangements of the 22nd Young Israel Camp. We recall here that the tower was from foot to the tip of the flagstaff 43 feet in height and its dimensions at the bottom were 15 feet square. It had a ladder on the side leading up to a platform and a rope ladder within the structure. The tower was constructed by members of a Cape Town chalutz group under the direction of Chaverim Benny Miller and Roman B. Egert.

High Hopes Fulfilled.

SUCCESSFUL INTERFUNCTION.

The enthusiasm with which the United Zionist Party and Zionist Socialist Youth prepared for the inter-function was fully justified on Saturday evening, 21st June, when over 100 youth from both parties assembled at Rosecourt in order to participate in a long and interesting programme prepared by the two conveners, Mr. A. Bloch and Mr. A. Seidel.

The function opened with introductory remarks by Mr. I. Sachar, president of the U.Z.P. Youth, and Mr. A. Bloch, who spoke on behalf of the Zionist Socialist Youth. Both speakers referred to the need of co-operation and the spirit of camaraderie which it was the duty of party leaders to foster among the various sections. It was the function such as the one in which they were participating that would prove the strongest factor in developing such a spirit.

HEBREW MUSIC.

The main item of the evening's programme was an illustrated lecturette on Hebrew song and folk music given by Mr. I. Sachar and Miss Sheila Goldin. Other items of the evening consisted of the popular impersonations by Chaver R. Isaacson and Chaver A. Rabinowitz. Chaver N. Spiro thrilled the audience by his well-known impersonations of some leading Jews and non-Jews of the country as well as of Hollywood artists. Chaver M. Sher played some popular Hebrew melodies in which all present joined in with lusty singing.

Community singing was conducted by Chaver M. Peisach and Chaver A. Bloch. The function concluded with a number of films shown by Chaver I. Sachar.

All those that participated agreed that the success of the function did not lie so much in the quality of the items as in the atmosphere that prevailed.

HAVE YOU HEARD THIS ONE BEFORE?

Two not-so-rich Jews were visiting the tomb of the Rothschilds in Paris—a magnificent edifice of shining white marble, with great statues and high fountains.

They stood gazing in silence at all this splendour for some time, and then Chaim turned to his friend. "Nu, Abe," he sighed, "the way some people live!"

Jewish National Fund Campaign.

Directorate Appointed

The Cape Zionist Youth Executive has broken with the past by making a revolutionary change in the composition of its J.N.F. Campaign Executive. In place of the old and conventional large committee with numerous honorary presidents and vice-presidents, the Executive has, at its meeting on Thursday, 26th June, appointed a directorate of eight to make all Campaign arrangements. At the head of this directorate is Mr. R. B. Egert, who is also connected with the senior Jewish National Fund Campaign, where he is Assistant Secretary. It has been decided to extend the Campaign to lower age levels as well as to such Jewish youth who are not in the organised ranks of the Zionist youth organisation. A special effort will be made during July with the help of University student volunteers to canvass all salaried youth in Cape Town as well as in the larger country districts. The drive amongst the lower age levels will be carried out through the Talmud Torahs, where a scheme similar to the Youth Aliyah Gift Album will be instituted. No aim has been set for this year's Campaign, but it is expected to over-shadow all previous figures.

The reception to Dr. Granovsky, the official delegate of the Campaign, will take place in the Zionist Hall on Monday, 28th July. Details of this reception, as well as of other aspects of the Campaign, will be published in future issues of "Lanoar."

Reports of the Activities of the Wynberg Zionist Youth Society (Chavurah Lezion.)

Chavurah Lezion recently held their Annual General Meeting, and the outgoing Chairman, Mr. Elie Shifrin, was able to report on a successful year of Zionist activity. Meetings were held regularly and both cultural and social programmes were enjoyed by all. Guest speakers were a feature of most meetings and members were privileged to hear the pick of the youth leaders discussing matters of interest. Occasionally, at general meetings, members themselves read papers and delivered speeches on topics ranging from the Haifa Nautical School to Scientific Research at the Hebrew University.

Outstanding events of the year were the adoption of a constitution of the Society, the watermelon feast at Muizenberg Beach, a combined function with the Muizenberg Young Israel Society and the Brains Trust evening. Early this year Miss Anita Brodie married Mr. Jack Shein, and more recently Mr. Joe Friedman married Miss Jean Wade, both active committee members. This speaks volumes for the high social attainments of the Society.

Throughout the year Chavurah Lezion has persisted with its policy of remaining above all party strife. This Society owes no allegiance to any political group and does not try to guide the thoughts of its members along any party channels.

A strong committee for the ensuing year has been elected, consisting of: Chairman, Mr. Elie Shifrin; Vice-Chairman and Treasurer, Mr. Leo Bates; Secretary, Miss Sylvia Berman; Committee: Miss Hilda Shapiro, Messrs. Harold Katzen, Morris Shifrin, Boris Gantownik, Hymie Gordon.

Zionist Youth Activities.

A meeting of the Cape Town Jewish Youth Club, which was held at the Club premises on Wednesday, 20th May, 1947, took the form of a quiz evening. There were two competing teams with three members on each side. The teams were the United Zionist Party, represented by C. Traub, D. Gross and A. Hodes, and the Cape Town Jewish Youth Club, represented by M. Baskin, R. Maller and H. Weiskopf. The question master was C. Reitstein. The questions were varied and interesting. The final score was 41 points to the United Zionist Party and 31 to the Cape Town Jewish Youth Club. Thanks are due to Claude Reitstein for the very successful meeting, which concluded at 10.15 p.m.

The C.T.J.Y.C. held a very successful gathering at the Club premises on Sunday night, 8th May, in the form of a novel Newspaper Evening. Approximately 40 members were present and were well pleased with the "Rosecourt Journal". The editorial was given by Claude Reitstein, who dealt with the purpose and reasons for the formation of the Club. Other items were as follows: Cameos of the Court, by Abe Swersky; Advertising Columns, by Okkie Rabinowitz; Rosecourt Share Market, by Harry Schiff; Children's Corner, by Tyba Schach; Sports through the Ages, by Sam Berelowitz; Hatches, Matches and Dispatches, by O. Rabinowitz; Rosecourt Rambles, by V. Schach; Fashions, by Mildred Patz; Bioscope Page, by M. Baskin; Cabbages and Kings, by Ruben Maller; Social and Personal, by Okkie Rabinowitz.

The meeting was an outstanding success.