

Capetown Notes.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Another "Drive" for funds under the auspices of the Zionist movement will shortly be inaugurated. South African Jewry has a world reputation for its support of appeals made in connection with the National Home, and the recent visit of Dr Goldstein to this country on behalf of the Keren Hayesod bore excellent fruit.

An eminent Zionist, in the person of Rabbi Zlotnik, arrived by Monday's mail boat. His mission is to launch a campaign on behalf of the National Fund, and for this purpose proceeded to Johannesburg on the morning of his arrival in order to consult with the Executive of the S.A. Zionist Federation.

Rabbi Zlotnik is the Canadian Jewish National Fund Director. He attended, as the Canadian Delegate, the opening of the Hebrew University in Palestine.

By the courtesy of the Union Castle Co the second class lounge was placed at the disposal of the Zionist Society, and the Rabbi was cordially welcomed by representatives of the local movement, representatives of the Jewish Congregations and others. Mr Morris Alexander, K.C., M.L.A., was early on board and amongst others present were Rabbi Ch. Mirvish, Mr J. Gitlin, Mr. S. Turtledove, Mr J. Gesundheit.

Interviewed by representatives of the local press, Rabbi Zlotnik said he brought an inspiring message to South African Jewry. Before he left Palestine he was, he said, received by Sir Herbert Samuel, the High Commissioner. "He asked me," continued the Rabbi, "to tell the Jewish people of the Union, how greatly he appreciated the generous support they were according the movement. So loyal had they been to the cause of rebuilding Zion that they now headed the list, per capita, of any country in the world contributing to the Keren Hayesod."

The first Annual Ball organised on behalf of the Cape Jewish Orphanage, has been definitely fixed for Tuesday, October 6th.

Mr and Mrs H. J. Stodel are leaving on Wednesday for an extended motor tour through the Union. They have kindly undertaken to enrol members and to endeavour to obtain contributions for the Orphanage, the Board of Guardians and the Aged Home.

An excellent publication has just been produced by the National Publicity Co. "In and around the Cape Province" is a volume that must have necessitated much labour in compiling. It is profusely illustrated and literally teems with interesting information of town and dorp throughout the Province. The slogan adopted by the publishers "See your own country first," should find fertile soil amongst the many who peruse their interesting pages, for the charm and beauty of places inland, hitherto not realised by even born South African, are appealingly set out by the pen and the camera in "In and around the Cape Province." The publication is also by the way of being a miniature "Who's Who," and amongst the short biographies of leaders of commenced industry one finds excellent references to prominent members of the Jewish Community. A full page is devoted to illustrated bijou history of the progress made by Mr. Michael Pevsner, of the African Tobacco Manufacturers and proves interesting reading. The duty of assembling the excellent material provided by the National Publicity Co. and presenting it in volume form was entrusted to Messrs. The Mercantile Press, Ltd., and they are to be congratulated upon an excellently printed and dignified publication. Enclosed in a most artistic cover of blue with old gold designs, the 166 pages of reading matter, photographs and sketches are without blemish, and is the hall mark of efficiency and quality.

Much interest is being centred in the Eisteddfod contests held at the City Hall, and there are a fair number of Jewish entrants in the various sections.

In Thursday's elocution tests the following were successful:—Reading (under 17) silver medal, Madge Wolff; Reading (10 to 13), bronze medal, Hannah Oblowitz; Elocution (girls of 14 or 15), silver medal, Miriam Awerbuch. Girls of 16 or 17 gold medal, Hinda Honikman; silver, Miriam C Bashew. The passages chosen for the reading tests were the description of an Ex-moor water-slice in "Lorna Doone," and the account of the launching of the "Argo" from Kingsley's "Heroes."

On Friday Phyllis Stein with one other competitor, was selected for the final in the second grade mezzo soprano competition. The test piece was Alison Crompton's "Autumn."

The final in the "under 12" piano competition resulted in the gold medal going to Ruth

Cohen Clarice Barnett and Madge Wolf were chosen for the final in the under 18 class.

An interesting section was the French reading and recitation, the adjudicator (Mr. Simon the French Trade Commissioner) pronouncing the work of the competitors as of a very uniform and a very high standard—as high as could reasonably be expected of those who had not actually lived in France. In the under 15 section, Milly Bleden was awarded the silver medal and Gladys Margolis, the bronze. In the over 15 section, Fanny Gurland received the gold medal and Rebecca Futerman, the Silver medal.

Hebrew Order of David and Friendly Society Notes.

A special meeting of the Dr. Herzl Lodge will be held on Tuesday next, June 2nd, at 7.30 p.m. in the Transvaal Arms, Joubert Street, for the purpose of transacting some important business. All members are urgently requested to attend.

Congratulations to Bro. S. and Mrs. Friendly upon the birth of a son.

It is anticipated that elaborate arrangements will be made for the celebration of the coming of age of the Order and the Mother Lodge, the Dr. Herzl Lodge, early in October.

The keenest interest is being taken in the Shield Competition, for the Lodge which makes the most progress during the year. Up to the present there is little difference in the points gained by any Lodge and, it must indeed be difficult to say at the present time which Lodge is likely to be the winner so keen is the competition.

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