



## YOUNG ISRAEL COLUMNS.

### Bethlehem.

The second function of the Young Israel Society, since its recent formation, was held in the form of a flappers' dance, when the handsome sum of £18 7s. clear was realised for the Ukraine Orphans' Fund. A general meeting to elect new officers was held at Mrs. J. S. Jacobson's residence, when the following were elected:—Miss L. Jankelowitz, president; Miss L. Ackerman, hon. secretary and treasurer; committee members, Misses A. Ackerman, F. Rosenstein, Messrs. B. Dreyer, M. Selikson, S. Melamed, F. Jankelowitz and H. Burgin.

The members of the society deeply regret that the former president, Mrs. J. S. Jacobson, has not accepted the office again. The formation of the society was due to this lady's good work, and through these columns we beg to thank her most heartily for all the interest she has taken, which we have no doubt she will still do in the future.

With the strong committee now elected, and the members all enthusiastic, we do not see why the society should not do well, both socially and financially.

### Bothaville.

At a party given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. P. Drubin to celebrate the birthday of their grandson, Joe Jedeikin, the sum of £1 12s. was collected from all the Jewish children present for "Aunt Rachel's Fund." It was a pleasure to see how willingly the children brought their few pennies as a contribution towards the Fund, and they were rewarded by the enjoyable afternoon they spent.

The same happened at another party given by Mr. and Mrs. W. Sacks on the occasion of the birthday of their son, George, £1 5s. being collected; whilst at an evening party given by Mr. and Mrs. A. Sacks at their residence £2 10s. 6d. was collected for the same Fund.

The local community intends having these little functions frequently as a means of bringing the young members of the community together and at the same time helping the Funds.

### Bulawayo.

A very successful picnic was held under the auspices of the Junior Zionist Society on Mrs. Falk's farm, some seven miles out of town, on Sunday, the 26th August, when over a hundred adults and children were present.

The arrangements were in the capable hands of Rev. and Mrs. Weinberg, assisted by the committee, and everything went with a swing from beginning to end.

During the day sports were held, and proved a big success. Games, dancing, and an impromptu concert were also held in the afternoon. At the distribution of prizes, Mr. Banet, the president, thanked all those who had contributed to make the picnic such a success. The picnic concluded with cheers for Rev. and Mrs. Weinberg, and Mr. Banet, and all returned home tired after having spent a most enjoyable day.

Besides those already mentioned, thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Falk for having allowed the picnic to take place on their farm, and also for having prepared the spot for the picnic. Thanks are due, too, to all those who so kindly lent trolleys and sent contributions.

The society held its monthly general meeting on Sunday, the 9th September, when Mr. Banet presided over a good attendance of members and visitors. After the minutes of the last meeting had been passed, the chairman announced that the Misses G. Liptz and R. Chitrin had resigned from the committee for unavoidable reasons, and that the Misses B. Chitrin and S. Kransdorff had been elected to the committee in their place at the last committee meeting. The business for the afternoon was a hat debate, which was much enjoyed by all present, a number of amusing subjects being discussed and voted upon. After this some musical items were rendered, and a very pleasant afternoon was brought to a close with the usual social tea.

### Capetown.

The quarterly general meeting of the local Young Israel Society was held on Saturday, 25th August, when Mr. Shaskolsky presided over a fairly large concourse of members. The minutes of the last general meeting were read, and the treasurer's report followed. Mr. Shaskolsky, the retiring president, commented, in his report, on the high standard of the Society's functions, which had been held during the period under review, especially the concert held on 21st August, in aid of the new Building Fund. He asked members to exercise particular care in their choice of the new executive and committee and urged the new committee to make a special canvass of the city for new members. He was not able to accept nomination as president again and wished the society all success in the future.

The following were then elected to the new committee:—President, Mr. M. Levitan; vice-president, Mr. S. Cohen; treasurer, Mr. M. Meltzer; secretary, Mr. Sol. Cohen; assistant secretary, Mr. G. Freedman; and Messrs. E. Cohen, R. Shaskolsky, M. Gersh, H. Sacks, J. Levin and Misses M. Cohen, R. Cohen, J. Harris, F. Levinsohn and R. Bass.

**Germiston.**

A Succoth Festival was held by the local Young Israel Society at the Synagogue, on Monday afternoon, October 1st. The chairman, Mr. M. Friedman, welcomed the large gathering. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Wyschek and the chairmen of various local Jewish Institutions, all of which were most interesting and instructive, and were much appreciated. Mr. R. Kahn, in thanking the speakers, complained of the lack of interest taken in the Society by the adults of the town. Refreshments were then served and the singing of "Hatikvah" closed an interesting afternoon.

The committee desires to thank the various Societies for their active help in connection with the function.

The eighth semi-annual general meeting of the Society was held at the David's Hall, Joubert Street, on Sunday 7th instant. The chairman, Mr. M. Friedman, expressed pleasure at the large attendance and the keen interest shown by all present. He congratulated the committee on the good work they had done during the four months' session, also the treasurer on his energetic work. The treasurer then delivered his report which showed a satisfactory financial position. A report of the activities of the Transvaal Young Israel Executive was given by Mr. M. Grolman and Mr. R. Kahn, the Society's delegates. The election of officials and committee for the ensuing period resulted as follows:—Chairman Mr. M. Friedman; vice-chairman, Mr. I. Borcovitz; hon. treasurer, Mr. H. Smith; hon. secretary, Mr. R. Kahn; committee, Misses B. Shapkaitz, J. Grolman, R. Rubin, E. Marks, R. Kaplan, Messrs. J. Glassom, S. Rubin, D. Levine, H. Borcovitz; auditors, Miss F. Harrison and Mr. M. Steinberg. The advisory committee was increased to four consisting of; Messrs. B. Smith, S. Joffe, A. Melman and H. Rubin. Certificates issued by the S. A. Zionist Federation were presented, and a vote of thanks to the outgoing committee and the singing of "Hatikvah" concluded the meeting. Refreshments were provided and dancing followed.

**Kroonstad.**

A general meeting of the Young Israel Society was held on Sunday, 30th September, 1923, at 10.30 a.m., in the Synagogue Chambers. The younger members turned up, but the older ones, chiefly the boys, were conspicuous by their absence. Mrs. T. Kretzmer opened the meeting with a few words stating why the Society was to be formed. Miss D. Abrahams then added a few words. Miss A. Matthews was chosen temporary chairman; then voting began. The following committee was elected:—Miss D. Abrahams unanimously elected President; Master R. Smulovitz, vice-president; Miss A. Matthews and Miss H. Kopelowitz, joint hon. secretaries; and Misses B. Jacobs and A. Grossmark and Masters H. Friedman, B. Bernstein and A. Melamed as the committee. Mrs. T. Kretzmer and Miss F. Smulowitz were elected supervisors, the former also taking on the duties of treasurer. The Misses D. Smiedt and S. Klass kindly volunteered to be collectors for the following three months. The subscription is to be 6d. (sixpence) per month. A

committee meeting was called for Thursday, at 8 p.m., on the 4th October, to discuss what the opening function of the Society should be. The meeting then adjourned, with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

**Moorreesburg.**

On Sunday, 30th September, a social was held by the local Young Israel Society at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Saacks, to whom many thanks are due. There were thirteen items on the programme, one of which was a debate, "Competition *versus* Co-operation," which ended in a draw. A cake presented to the Society by Mr. and Mrs. I. Hen was sold by American auction, the proceeds going to the local Congregation.

The function proved most enjoyable and successful.

**Robertson.**

Under the auspices of the Young Israel Society a "Yiddische Evening" was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. Schochat on Sunday, August 26th, Mr. M. Horwitz presiding. The following contributed to a most interesting programme:—The Misses M. Blusger, piano solo; H. Dvortz, song; E. Millin, piano solo; R. Blusger, piano solo; E. Goldberg, recitation; also the Masters K. Hoffman, recitation; D. Sandler, song; S. Horwitz, recitation; D. Plehn, recitation. A paper was read by Rev. Josefowitz on "Maimonides."

A vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Schochat and the artistes was proposed by Rev. Josefowitz, and the gathering broke up with the singing of "Hatikvah" and "God Save the King."

**Worcester.**

The annual social of the Junior Zionist Society was held on Motza Yom Yippur in the Commercial Hall. Practically the entire Jewish community were present and, from a social point of view, it was a marked success.

The vice-chairman, Harry Broudie, took the chair and welcomed all present for coming there that night after their strenuous day, and apologised for the unavoidable absence of the president, Jacob Leader.

Numerous musical items were then rendered by Misses Lange, Kossick, Volks and Sagor, and Masters M. Lange, K. Asarov, L. Volks, and many others.

In an interval a silver tray was sold by auction and realised approximately £5.

At the conclusion, Mr. I. J. Senitzky proposed a vote of thanks to the artistes and all those who had assisted in the evening's entertainment. This vote was seconded by Mr. A. Volks.

A dance then followed and continued until about midnight.

The Society, on hearing that Adv. Herbstein, of Capetown, would be present at the Circuit Court, requested him to address them on Zionism, which he did ably and eloquently in the Town Hall in the presence of the community.

In the course of his speech he urged the Juniors to help as much as they could the *Judean*, the magazine of the Judean Central Executive.

The meeting concluded with the singing of "Hatikvah" and "The King."