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JEWISH MINISTERS' CONFERENCE.

The *Zionist Record* is informed that the Conference of South African Jewish Ministers will be held in Johannesburg on June 30, July 1 and 2.

Members are notified that any resolutions must reach the Honorary Secretary, Rev. A. M. Kaplan, P.O. Box 6471, Johannesburg, not later than the 23rd inst., in order that same may be embodied in the Agenda of the Conference.

The venue of the Conference will be decided upon shortly and a public announcement made.

A STUDENT ZIONIST ASSOCIATION FORMED AT WITWATERSRAND UNIVERSITY.

For a long time past there has been a growing feeling at the Witwatersrand University for the need of a Student Zionist Association to devote all its time and energies to the study and propagation of Zionism. In almost every country in the world Student Zionist Societies exist side by side with the general Jewish student body, South Africa apparently being the only exception to a well-established rule.

On Tuesday, the 2nd inst., a general meeting of Zionist students was convened at the Witwatersrand University, at which it was unanimously decided to form a Student Zionist Association.

After approving of a constitution, which had already received the approval of the Students' Jewish Association Committee, the election of the executive and committee was proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—Chairman, Mr. I. Dunsky; vice-chairman, Mr. M. Kaplan; hon. secretary and treasurer, Miss K. Fluxman. Committee: Miss R. Hayman and Mr. I. Kagan.

The Association is open to all students of the Witwatersrand University and to all graduates. Those desirous of joining this body are requested to send in their names to the hon. secretary, who will also supply them with any further information which they may require.

The introductory function of the Students' Zionist Association will take place on Wednesday, the 17th inst., at 8.15 p.m. in the Women's Common Room (Arts Block), Witwatersrand University. Professor J. L. Landau is being approached to deliver an address on "The Development and Progress of Political Zionism." This will be followed by refreshments and a general discussion.

As admittance to this function is strictly by invitation, it is hoped that all those eligible for membership to the S.Z.A. will hand in their names without delay.

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THE ZIONIST CONVERSAZIONE.

Advocate Maggie Oblowitz's paper on Mr. Louis Hermann's book, "A History of the Jews in South Africa," read at the conversazione held last week in the Zionist Hall, was responsible for an interesting discussion which lasted till a fairly late hour of the evening. Perhaps what really made the discussion interesting was not so much the points of view expressed with regard to Mr. Herrman's book itself, but the various opinions expressed—in some cases is very well thought out little speeches—on history generally, the duty of the historian, the task of compiling Jewish history in particular, etc.

Miss Oblowitz contended that Mr. Herrman's book, in giving an excellent history of the Jewish community in South Africa would be most useful when a standard comprehensive work of Jewish history came to be written. As yet there was no such standard work, each of the great Jewish historians so far having succeeded only in respect of one period.

Those who participated in the discussion were Miss H. Hersman, Mrs. P. M. Clouts, Mr. Hellman, Dr. J. Sacks, Messrs. A. Dirmeik, S. Futeran, G. Tellim, D. Getz, M. Wolozinsky, A. Levin, M. Rosenblit and P. M. Clouts. Miss Oblowitz replied to the various points raised.

Mr. D. Getz as usual read the Jewish news from the J.T.A. bulletins and during the evening Miss Hannah Oblowitz recited.

BNOTH ZION ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Bnoth Zion Association took place at the residence of Mrs. J. E. Weinreich on Tuesday afternoon last.

The feature of the afternoon was the reading of several sketches on "My Impressions of Palestine," by Mrs. D. Ordman, who is at present on a visit to Cape Town. Very vividly Mrs. Ordman described the various stages of her travels through Palestine and she was listened to attentively throughout by a highly interested audience. Questions put to her at the end of the lecture were ably dealt with.

Mrs. P. M. Clouts, Chairlady of the Association, introduced Mrs. Ordman at the beginning of the afternoon and a vote of thanks, seconded by her, was proposed by Mrs. M. Kentridge at the conclusion.

An opportunity was taken at the meeting of bidding farewell to Mrs. Kentridge, who is leaving shortly for Johannesburg. Mrs. Clouts, in making a presentation to Mrs. Kentridge on behalf of the Committee, expressed the regret of all at the impending loss of such a keen and energetic worker from their midst.

Mrs. Kentridge suitably replied.

Before bringing the meeting to a close Mrs. Clouts also expressed the Committee's appreciation of the excellent services rendered by Mrs. D. Getz, who had resigned her secretaryship. Mrs. W. Sorokin was appointed in her stead.

A vote of thanks to Mrs. J. Weinreich concluded a very enjoyable afternoon.

AGED HOME BALL.

The Cape Jewish Aged Home Ball took place in the Zionist Hall last Thursday night. There was a large gathering present and the affair was a most enjoyable one. Toby Mark's Orchestra was in attendance.

The Hall was very gaily decorated and adding greatly to the success of the evening was a very successful sit-down supper. Dancing took place till 1 p.m.

All credit is due to Mrs. M. Rosen, Chairlady of the Ball Committee, and her assistants, for a very excellent affair.

MACCABEAN GUILD ORCHESTRAL CONCERT.

On Wednesday night last the Maccabean Guild Orchestra gave the first of a series of concerts in the Zionist Hall. This series is being given under the patronage of Rev. A. P. Bender.

Items were given by the Orchestra under the baton of Mr. George Tobias, A.R.A.M. Miss Edie Richman sang, as did also Mr. Harry Garfinkel and Mrs. Ralph Koorland gave a violin solo.

The concert was a most successful one and the next one is eagerly awaited.