

A Group of Delegates at the Education Conference



Photo: Boris Leiboff.

SEATED in the centre of the second row is Mr. Harry Lourie, the pioneer worker for education in South Africa, and retiring President of the S.A. Jewish Board of Education. On his right is Chief Rabbi, Dr. J. L. Landau, (whose initiative led to the establishment of the Board). Next to Dr. Landau is Mr. David Mierowsky, the Director of the Board of Jewish Education.

The third Biennial Conference of the S.A. Board of Jewish Education was held on Sunday, December 10th at the Hebrew High School, and the above photograph of a group of the delegates was taken during the luncheon hour.

In Pretoria

From Our Own Correspondent.

Women's Zionist League.—A most enjoyable afternoon was spent at the Women's Zionist League's "At Home," which took place on Tuesday at 3.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall. Mrs. A. Horwitz read the second of a series of lectures issued by the South African Zionist Federation, entitled "The Fore-Runners of Zionism." Miss Phyllis Katzenellenbogen danced in a delightful manner. Mrs. Ben Cohen proposed a vote of thanks to the reader and the artist. The hostesses for the afternoon were Mesdames Ben Cohen, W. Ravid, C. Isaacson, and S. Katzen.

Rachel Spiro Hebrew Kindergarten.—This organisation held its annual concert on Wednesday the 13th inst., at the Kindergarten Hall.

It was a pleasure to hear the children, whose ages are between 4 and 7 years, reciting and singing in Hebrew. Some took part in a Hebrew playlette. This was produced by Miss Levin, the teacher, and credit is due to her for the excellent performance.

On behalf of the mothers, the Mayoress, Mrs. Ivan Solomon, made a presentation to Miss Levin, also to Miss Joseph, who acted as accompanist. Rabbi W. Hirsch paid a tribute to the late Mr. Chaim Herzenstein who founded the Kindergarten, and who dedicated it to the memory of his late daughter, Rachel Spiro.

"Chanukah" Concert.—The annual Chanukah concert, under the auspices of the Talmud

Torah Board, was held on Sunday, the 17th inst., at the Memorial Hall. An enjoyable programme was arranged. The outstanding feature of the evening was a Hebrew play, written and produced by Mr. M. Silber, and staged by the pupils of the Talmud Torah. Vocal items were given by Miss S. Saks and Mr. B. Cohen.

A Hebrew Recitation "Chanukah," by Julius Jaffe, a dancing display by the pupils of Miss Mary Poswolsky, as well as a solo dance by her, were much enjoyed. Mr. A. Poswolsky gave a violin solo and the Habonoth gave a delightful camp fire display. Mrs. S. Susman sang.

In Bloemfontein

(From our own Correspondent.)

The fifth annual meeting of the local Women's Zionist Society was held on the 5th inst. Mrs. Tcherney presided.

The Chairlady gave a resume of the year's work, which indicated that there had been a great improvement on previous years. Mrs. Tcherney also referred in eloquent terms to the important role played by women in Jewish national work.

Mrs. Tcherney reported the successful result of the collection from the National Fund Boxes, and voiced her thanks for the invaluable work of the convener, Mrs. Fogel.

The Chairlady further thanked the executive and committee, pointing out that the success

of the society can be attributed to the enthusiasm of the committee, the honorary secretary, Mrs. Lewis and the assistant secretary, Mrs. Fogel who did yeoman work during the year.

The election of executive and committee resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Tcherney; Vice-Chairlady, Mrs. Lapping; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Friedman; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. R. Lewis; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. B. Fogel. Committee: Mesdames Collins, Stein, Casper, Klassnik, Mendelsohn, Thalrose, Abelkop, Painsinger, Hotz, Morris, Sacks, Lurie, Simmons, Drobis. Convener of National Fund Boxes, Mrs. B. Fogel.

The annual general meeting of the local branch of the Union of Jewish Women of South Africa was held on the 30th ult., at the Communal Hall. Mrs. Shtein, after an absence of some months overseas, presided, and also thanked the vice-president, Mrs. Herberg, and the members, for their cordial welcome.

Mrs. Shtein gave a survey of the excellent work being carried out by the London Union of Jewish Women in all branches of social welfare. As a result of this information, it was decided to widen the field of activity of the local Union, instead of adhering as hitherto to cultural work only.

Mrs. Shtein then read her annual report which indicated that good work had been achieved by the organisation. The president thanked the committee members for their co-operation during the year and the election of officers followed.