

The S.A. Jewish Orphanage

A REVIEW OF THE MONTH.

This month's Bulletin of the South African Jewish Orphanage reports a total of 355 children in the care of this Institution.

Although the figures for the August ordinary revenue showed an improvement compared with those of the preceding August, the total—£785 12s. 11d.—was less than that of the previous month, and considerably less than that of the previous month's expenditure. The extraordinary revenue for August included the following Bed Endowment donations:—£105 for two Beds by Mr. and Mrs. B. Elkin, in the names of their children (received per Mr. I. Heymann), and £50 by the Brakpan Orphanage Branch, making the fourth Bed endowed by this Branch. A list of 25 country Branches that remitted collections included in the August revenue is given. This includes £64 11s. 6d. from Brakpan, £37 14s. 8d. from Volksrust, £36 11s. from Bloemfontein, and £35 12s. 6d. from Benoni.

Preparations are going on apace for the Annual Orphanage Ball to be held on Wednesday, November 7th at the City Hall. Mrs. E. Brasch is the Chairlady of the Ball Committee, and the Hon. Secretary is Mr. Alec Henochsberg (102 Commissioner Street, Telephone 33-7639).

Simultaneous with the Orphanage Ball in Johannesburg is "Orphanage Day" throughout the country that outside Branches have been asked to celebrate by holding some function in aid of this Institution on Wednesday, November 7th. Some of the Branches have already reported the functions they intend holding on "Orphanage Day."

A new Orphanage Branch has been formed in Nigel, the Committee of which is as follows:— Mrs. J. Kirshon, Chairlady; Mrs. L. Goodman, Hon. Secretary; Mesdames I. Rosenthal, M. Danilowitz, Kramer, I. Bonner, S. Goldstein, M. J. Plen, Yankelowitz, M. Lowenstein and Mr. W. Blumson.

At the annual general meeting of the members of the Brakpan Branch, held in the local Synagogue, the following Committee was elected for the ensuing year:— Chairlady, Mrs. H. Blumenfeld; Vice-Chairlady, Mrs. A. M. Weintraub; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. H. Linton; Joint Hon. Secretaries, Mesdames A. Firer and G. Miller; Committee, Mesdames H. L. Miller, G. L. Kaplan, J. Silverman, Markunsky, Furman, I. J. Smith, L. Kinkel, H. I. Hoffman, A. Sapire, C. Joffe and Altshuler.

The Services at the Orphanage Synagogue on New Year and Day of Atonement were well attended. Mr. J. Klewansky and Mr. C. Patlansky kindly acted as First and Second Readers, respectively.

Lecture by Dr. Rosenfeld

NEXT MEETING OF PALESTINE CLUB

The 104th meeting of the Palestine Club will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. Kowarsky, 10, Elm Street, Houghton, on Saturday, October 6th at 8.15 p.m. On this occasion Dr. A. Rosenfeld, who is on a visit to South Africa in the interests of the Maccabiah movement, will deliver an address on "Jewish Youth and its Future in Palestine."

Lectures on Jewish Topics

DR. LANDAU AT WOLMARANS STREET SYNAGOGUE.

The Chief Rabbi Dr. J. L. Landau will deliver a series of lectures on Jewish topics, commencing on Saturday next, October 13. These lectures are for ladies and will be delivered after the morning services at the Wolmarans Street Synagogue. All Jewish ladies interested are cordially invited to attend these lectures.

THE CONSTANTINE POGROMS

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Berber nationalist leaders and aroused them to strike at the French government through the Jewish community. The machinations of Hitlerite propagandists, added to an aggravated economic situation, where the natives are heavily in debt to Jewish shopkeepers and bankers, produce a dangerous ferment. Then Eli Kalifa decided to get drunk: and Jewish blood stained the streets of Constantine, and Jewish women and children's bodies lay cut to pieces in the sun, and the Jews of the world forgot about Hitler and wondered what catastrophe would descend upon them next.



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Johannesburg Symphony Society

IS Johannesburg growing up? Two packed and enthusiastic houses within the week. The first to hear an all Bach programme, wonderfully interpreted by Harold Samuel, the second to applaud unstintingly a symphony concert, by a new body of players, under the very able and sensitive baton of Joseph Traunek, a newcomer to the city, and a gifted and welcome addition to the musical ranks.

An orchestra takes a long time to build up, to get the necessary cohesion, precision of attack and control of nuance necessary to the interpretation of symphonic work.

Bearing this in mind, and with regard to the limited resources at his disposal, Mr. Traunek conveyed an impression of sensitive musicianship, with an ear for the finer shadings and a grip of line that made the form of the works chosen an instructive essay in musical education. The works performed were the Mozart E flat symphony, the Haydn cello concerto and the Egmont overture. With all his great regard for clarity of outline and beauty of tone and phrasing Mr. Traunek was nevertheless hampered by his material.

Poor tone in certain sections of the orchestra, and hesitation in the entries clouded the conductor's purpose.

Mr. Cherniavsky, as soloist in the concerto, gave of his best, and Haydn's music was made to sound lively, soulful and cheerful in turn, and it was pure music, not the display of fireworks so often associated with a concerto.

It will be a significant reflection on the culture of Johannesburg if the venture does not get the wholehearted support it deserves.

H. S.

Athletics at the Jewish Guild

The S.A. Jewish Athletic Association have announced their affiliation with the Johannesburg Jewish Guild, whose athletic and gymnastic section they will henceforth control. It is hoped that all members of the S.A.J.A.A. will join the Guild, as well as all interested in Jewish sporting activities generally. There will be a small subscription charge of 6s. 3d. per head per quarter to defray the expenses of this section. Activities will comprise boxing, wrestling, football, athletics and sport generally. And it is hoped to be able to send a suitable team for the Maccabiah Games next year. Committee members will be in attendance most evenings at the Guild to supply full particulars.

Vigorous Soccer

On Saturday afternoon last an exciting football match was played at Rosettenville between the South African Jewish Athletic Association and Susmans. The match, which was marked by good play generally, resulted in a victory for the S.A.J.A.A., the score being 9-2.

"A Shilling Day"

The preparations for the Shilling Day for the Palestine Workers' Fund, which is to take place on Sunday, the 14th inst., are proceeding apace. More canvassers are required and all friends of the Working Palestine, who desire to participate in this work, are requested to communicate at once with the Secretary, P.O. Box 2588, Johannesburg.

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