

"Chug Ivri"—"Bnei Bialik"

RECEPTION TO MR. KLEINMAN

A RECEPTION was held, under the auspices of the "Chug Ivri—Bnei Bialik," in honour of Mr. M. Kleinman, editor of "Haolam," at the Jewish Guild, Johannesburg, on Saturday evening last. Over 200 people were present.

Mr. J. Klewansky, who presided, heartily welcomed the distinguished guest. Dr. A. Birnbaum addressed the gathering on Kleinman, the author and journalist, and the prominent place he occupied in Hebrew literature. Mr. H. Lourie stressed the importance of the "Haolam," and appealed to all present to support this journal. Mr. J. Rubik spoke about Mr. Kleinman's important mission in this country, and the duty of all who spoke Hebrew to help in the revival of the Hebrew language.

Chief Rabbi Dr. J. L. Landau dealt with Hebrew publications in general. He recounted interesting incidents of his young days, when a new Hebrew publication was received with great enthusiasm. He emphasised Mr. Kleinman's important work for the "Haolam," and appealed to all to assist that organ.

Mr. Moses Kleinman, in an eloquent address, gave a careful analysis of the Jews as a normal nation. He pointed out the factors of such a life, and based them on Land and Language. Language, he said, was the existence of a nation. Land and language were always connected. But, unfortunately, it happened that Jews had lost touch with their language, and they had to regain contact once more.

Hebrew songs were sung by Mr. Mirwish, accompanied by Mr. Idelson, and by Masters Passman and Convisser, accompanied by Mr. H. Ichilchik. There were recitations by Miss Factor from the poems of Ch. N. Bialik and Chief Rabbi Dr. J. L. Landau.

Mr. Burgin heartily thanked the speakers and other participants on behalf of the organisation.

Women's Zionist League, Johannesburg

Belgravia Branch.—A joint business and literary meeting took place at the residence of Mrs. H. Aronowitz, 51 Hout Street, Belgravia, on Thursday afternoon, 6th inst. An interesting paper was read by Mrs. I. Adelson. About 30 ladies were present. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent by all.

Yeoville Branch.—A literary afternoon was held on Monday, 3rd inst., at the residence of Mrs. S. Seeff, 70 Eckstein Street, Observatory. A most interesting lecture on the Wizo work in Palestine was delivered by Mrs. E. Heyman. Mrs. Hurwitz read "News Items," and Miss Resnikowitz entertained the guests with elocution items. The afternoon proved most enjoyable. Mrs. Freedman proposed the votes of thanks.

A successful morning market was held by this branch on Thursday last, on the Yeoville Synagogue grounds. In spite of the bad weather, the market was well attended and a substantial amount was raised for the National Fund. The thanks of the committee are due to all those firms who kindly donated towards this market.

Presentation of a Car

A GIFT TO THE REV. A. T. SHROCK.

A PLEASANT little function was held recently at the Yeoville Synagogue Hall, when Rev. A. T. Shrock (minister of the Yeoville Synagogue), was presented, as a mark of appreciation, with a car by some of his congregants and admirers.

Mr. L. Sive (senior warden of the synagogue), presided, and, in making the presentation, referred to the high esteem in which the Rev. Shrock and his wife were held by the Jewish population of Yeoville and in Johannesburg generally.

Mr. L. Cohen (senior warden), expressed felicitations to Mr. and Mrs. Shrock and expressed the hope that the use of the car would greatly facilitate the arduous duties in connection with Mr. Shrock's work.

A suitable response was made by Mr. Shrock, who assured the gathering of his sincere thanks and that of his wife for the token of esteem to them that evening. The function was successfully arranged by the Yeoville Synagogue Ladies' Committee.

The Kindergarten Movement

A SUCCESSFUL CONCERT

AN event this week marking gratifying progress in educational methods and the attainment of Hebrew knowledge among the very young, was the successful concert in the Hebrew medium held at the Jewish Guild on Sunday afternoon last by the Yeoville and Berea Hebrew kindergartens.

The little ones taking part appeared to enjoy thoroughly participating in the Hebrew songs in celebration of Chanukah and to be quite at home in the Hebrew language. The achievements of some of the children were indeed remarkable.

This concert, the second of the series, was graced by the presence of the Mayor and Mayoress (Councillor and Mrs. Maurice Freeman). During the interval, Mrs. Feitelburg, the chairlady of the Kindergartens committee, addressed the large gathering. She complimented the teachers on their work and thanked them, Mr. D. Meirowsky, the Director of the South African Board of Jewish Education, her executive, the parents of the children and the supporters of these worthy institutions who assisted in the attainment of these achievements. She paid special praise to Mr. I. J. Hersch for having assisted her in forming the Kindergarten.

The Mayor expressed his pleasure at witnessing the successful development of the Hebrew Kindergarten idea, and praised the work of Mrs. Feitelburg and her committee.

Mr. Max Geffen, in expressing the pleasure of the parents at the progress shown, hoped that support would be given to the Kindergarten movement and that soon in every suburb there would be an opportunity for children in the formative receptive years to become acquainted with their own language and associations in this happy manner.

Mr. I. J. Hersch, vice-chairman of the South African Board of Hebrew Education, also expressed gratification at the progress shown.



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Nahum Gutman's Pictures

The exhibition of paintings of Palestine, old and new, by Nahum Gutman, which was held at the Carlton Hotel, has now closed. The exhibition attracted considerable interest and aroused much admiration.

Mr. Gutman is still spending some time in Johannesburg and is staying at the Berkeley Hotel. Those interested are notified that many of the pictures can still be seen by appointment with Mr. Gutman personally.

PONEWEZ SOCIETY TO BUILD A CLUB HALL.

The Ponewez Society has decided to build a large hall and club-house in Doornfontein, and at a general meeting held on Monday evening last a committee was formed to arrange a ball in aid of the society's funds.

Mr. D. H. Epstein was elected chairman; Miss Sipel, Miss Rabinowitz and Mr. Horwitz joint secretaries, and Mr. D. I. Fram treasurer.

POSTPONEMENT OF LECTURE.

The lecture scheduled to be held on Sunday next by Mr. S. Pines, manager of the Hechalutz Training Farm, on the subject of "Economic Problems in Palestine," has been postponed until Tuesday, the 18th inst. It will be held on that date at the Hechalutz Hall (corner Height and Beit Streets, Doornfontein), at 8.15 p.m. All interested are invited.

JAN KIEPURA AT THE PLAZA.

"My Song for You," showing at the Plaza and featuring Jan Kiepura in the leading role, is a brilliant medley of song, comedy, and romance. Jan Kiepura sings with bright and joyous abandon, not only the leading theme songs, but excerpts from opera. He is supported by Sonnie Hale. "My Song for You" is a film that will definitely appeal to all playgoers.

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