

Transvaal Young Israel Executive.

The newly-elected Executive of Transvaal Young Israel elected last month at the conference in Pretoria, met last week in the Board Room of the offices of the South African Zionist Federation. Mr. Israel Dunsky, the chairman, welcomed the newly-elected representatives, Messrs. I. Blankfield, N. Levitt and S. Oschry, and expressed the hope that their co-operation would help to further the interests of young Israel in the Transvaal.

The tentative programme of activities for the ensuing year was discussed, and it was decided that the following sub-committees be appointed: Cultural and Oratorical Competition—Mr. D. J. Etkind (convenor); and Messrs. Levitt and Blankfield. Sports—Mr. P. Rappoport as convenor, and with him Mr. D. J. Etkind. Judean Magazine — Mr. A. Abrahamson (convenor), and Mr. P. Rappoport. Camp—Mr. S. C. Ostrofsky (convenor) with Mr. Oschry and Mr. Blankfield. All secretarial work and minutes were placed in the hands of Miss L. Bolel and Miss Z. Amois.

It was unanimously decided that the "Young Israel Week" be again undertaken this year, as well as the Young Israel Cabaret.

Tenth Anniversary of the Death of Berdichevsky

Lecture by Mr. C. Gershtater.

On Saturday night, the 16th inst., Mr. C. Gershtater delivered a lecture before the Johannesburg Hebrew Speaking Circle on the life and works of M. J. Berdichevsky. The lecturer gave an analysis of the works of the great Hebrew writer, tracing his influence on the present generation of Hebrew writers and readers, and on the theory and practice of the Zionist movement. He referred to the great controversy that took place between Achad Ha'am and Berdichevsky and discussed the manner in which it is reflected in recent Hebrew literature.

The lecture was followed by a discussion in which Mr. Ben Moshe and Mr. Bakst, who presided, participated.

BROADCASTING LECTURES.

The lecture given on Thursday evening, the 14th inst., on the subject of "The Book of Esther" by Mrs. Selina Hirsch marks the inauguration of the second series of fifty lectures delivered over the Johannesburg Broadcasting Station.

The series has been organised by Mr. A. Couzin, and it is of interest to record that the first lecture was delivered by Mrs. Hirsch on September 23rd, 1927. These lectures of Jewish interest are delivered each month.

REGISTRATION OF LITHUANIAN SUBJECTS.

All Lithuanian subjects in South Africa are requested to register with the Lithuanian Consulate at Kloof Lodge, Kloof Road, Capetown, or at 485 Standard Bank Chambers, corner of President and Kruis Streets, Johannesburg, as soon as possible. Registrations will be accepted between 11 a.m. and 12 noon and 3 and 4 p.m. daily. Failure to register is punishable by law.

A NEW PHOTOGRAPHER.

A new photographic establishment has been opened in Johannesburg by Mr. M. Milcenson, who comes here with an excellent reputation from Europe as an efficient and artistic photographer. Since his arrival in this country some little time ago Mr. M. Milcenson has been engaged in cinema work but has now decided to establish himself as a photographer with premises at 44 Pritchard Street (near corner of Loveday Street). He looks forward to receiving the support of the ladies and gentlemen of the community.

United Hebrew Schools of Johannesburg.

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VACANCIES FOR SCHOLARS.

The 1932 School Session commenced on TUESDAY, JANUARY 19th, 1932, and Principals are in attendance at the undermentioned Schools on Sundays from 9—12 a.m. and on week-days 3—6 p.m., to enrol children:—

1. Berea Hebrew School, Synagogue, Tudhope Avenue, Berea.
2. Bertrams Hebrew School, 65 Ascot Road, Bertrams.
3. Doornfontein Hebrew School, Communal Hall, 76 Beit Street.
4. Hebrew High School, Hebrew School, cr. Claim and Wolmarans Sts.
5. La Rochelle Hebrew School, Fourth Street, La Rochelle.
6. Ophirton Hebrew School, Synagogue, Earp Street, Ophirton.
7. Yeoville Hebrew School, Synagogue, Hunter Street, Yeoville.

PUPILS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED AFTER FEBRUARY 1st.

It is further advised that applications for admission to the newly-established MODERN INSTITUTE FOR HIGHER HEBREW STUDIES (for advanced Hebrew Studies and for Matriculation and University Examinations), which is to be housed in the Hebrew High School, will be received until 1st FEBRUARY, 1932, by the Secretary at the Hebrew High School.

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In Capetown

CONCERT IN AID OF NATIONAL FUND.

A very successful concert in aid of the Jewish National Fund was held last Sunday night at His Majesty's Bioscope, Muizenberg, under the auspices of the Bnoth Zion Association. There was a large gathering present and a very enjoyable programme had been arranged.

Those who contributed to the programme were Mr. Boris Rome, who sang a number of Hebrew and Yiddish melodies; Mrs. P. Herbstein, who gave a 'cello solo; Mr. M. Losman, who recited; Miss Pearl Lazarus, who danced; Miss Ethel Fernandez, a pupil of Miss Lazarus', who also danced; Mrs. S. Karnovsky, of Johannesburg, who sang; Miss Lilian Gelb, who gave a 'cello solo and Miss Sylvia Kirsch who sang. During the course of the evening a lecturette on the significance of the Jewish National Fund was delivered by Mr. J. Herbstein.

CLOSING OF BOOK EXHIBITION.

The exhibition of Hebrew and Yiddish books which was held the previous week at the Zionist Hall under the auspices of the Brith Ivrit, was brought to a close on Wednesday night last. A large number of visitors attended the exhibition, but the financial results were not as successful as was hoped they would be.

Mr. B. L. Rubik presided over the closing ceremony. He stated that even though the exhibition had not been a success from a financial point of view, it had been successful in that it had brought to the knowledge of many people the fact that the Jewish people possessed a literature of which it might well be proud. Mr. Rubik thanked all those who had assisted and taken an interest in the exhibition.

Dr. J. Mibashan spoke briefly on the place of the Hebrew book, after which Dr. S. E. Kark formally declared the exhibition closed.

OBITUARY.

Mr. M. L. GREENBLATT (Standerton).

A prominent resident of Standerton, Mr. Morris Leopold Greenblatt (49), has passed away.

Mr. Greenblatt came to South Africa from London shortly before the Anglo-Boer War. In 1904 he married Miss Lily Simons, also of London, and opened a business at Standerton, which has grown to be one of the foremost in the town.

Mr. Greenblatt took an active part in municipal politics until a year or two ago, and was an energetic worker in the interests of Zionism and the local Hebrew Congregation. He was also a prominent Freemason, having been thrice Master of the Standerton Lodge of the English Constitution and Past Senior Grand Deacon of the Transvaal District Grand Lodge.



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