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**Association of Jewish Groups (Johannesburg)**

The flourishing state of this association has been stressed more than ever this month with the formation of two new groups, the Olga Ginsberg operating in Yeoville-Observatory under the chairmanship of Mr. S. Couzin, and the other, the Bialik, in Berea, under Mr. Horwitz. At the inaugural meeting of the latter officers were elected and the curriculum and modus operandi decided upon. To Mrs. O. Ginsberg goes again the credit for organising and instigating the formation of this group.

Mrs. Bex Dannenbaum read an excellently written paper on the Baal Shem at the residence of Mrs. Paglin, Grafton Road, to the first gathering of the newly-revived Olga Ginsberg group. The interest shown augurs well for the future of this group.

The last two meetings of the Israel Zangwill group were well attended, the increasing number of visitors eliciting the usual suggestion from the chairman, Mr. Karr, that new groups be formed, in order to avoid unwieldy meetings. At the residence of Miss Beinashowitz, Parktown, Miss F. Paglin re-read her much-discussed paper on Judaism and Christianity, this being followed by Mr. E. Eliovson's treatise on Moses, Founder of Preventive Medicine. The subject was discussed, many of the visitors taking part.

Mr. F. Gluckmann provided the paper on Monday last at the residence of Mrs. Lipworth, his subject being "The Haskalah Movement." He dealt with the maskilim from Moses Mendelsohn to Achad Ha'am and Sokolow, and their strivings after secular culture. In addition, Weizmann's recent speech in London from the *Zionist Record* and "The Problem of Palestine" from the *New Statesman* were read.

The Bar Kochba group, at its last gathering, read extracts from the Bible.

**Association of Jewish Groups (Pretoria)**

The venue of the meeting held on 11th inst. was the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Finkelstein, Arcadia, Pretoria, who kindly put their house at the disposal of the group and acted as host and hostess.

Miss L. Zway, M.A., read a paper on "The Effect of the Ghetto on the Life of the Jew." The subject was clearly thought out and the views, which were well expounded, gave rise to a lengthy and interesting discussion.

**Johannesburg Women's Zionist League**

**Hillbrow Branch.**—A literary afternoon will be held at the residence of Mrs. Kavin, 30, Alexandra Street, Berea, on the 30th inst., at 3 p.m., at which Mr. Goss will deliver a lecture on Hebrew literature. Hillbrow Branch is holding a morning market in aid of the National Fund on the 6th August, at the Berea Synagogue chambers, Tudhope Avenue. Vegetables and fruit will be sold at market prices. There will also be additional stalls of home-made sweets, cakes, canned fruit and preserves and flowers. Tea will be served. All those interested are cordially invited to support this market.

**Belgravia Branch.**—A combined Belgravia-Kensington literary meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. Fogel, on the 17th inst., when Miss B. L. Ben Jacob gave an interesting lecture on "Present day conditions in Palestine."

Mrs. B. Patley represented the Executive. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Hurwitz to the lecturer and the hostess.

**In Honour of Johannesburg's Jubilee**

**City to be Inscribed in Golden Book**

**ZIONISTS** will pay a happy tribute to Johannesburg on the occasion of the City's Jubilee this year through the inscription of the Golden City in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund. The scheme for this inscription comes from the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League, under whose auspices it will be carried into effect. A number of functions will be arranged specially for the purpose.

It is believed that Johannesburg will be the second city to be inscribed in the Golden Book. The first was Cardiff, Wales, which was inscribed by Welsh Zionists at an appropriate civic celebration.

**A. Z. Idelsohn Group in Pretoria**

**A FINE CONCERT.**

Pretoria Jewry were introduced on Saturday night, the 20th inst., to Jewish and Hebrew folk songs by the A. Z. Idelsohn musical group, whose performance was greatly appreciated by a large audience.

As the evening was an experiment in a new form of musical entertainment, the result can be regarded as satisfactory to a degree. The various items rendered were well received, the audience being particularly appreciative of the technique of the group of singers.

After the performance an impromptu dance was held in the small hall of the Jewish Memorial Hall.

The Pretoria Zionist Society, which sponsored the evening, is highly gratified at the public response to its efforts and hopes to stage further similar performances with a view to encouraging the cultural outlook of the Jewish community of Pretoria.

**A Celebration**

In connection with the recent closing of the competition for the composition of a choral number, the committee of the A. Z. Idelsohn Group has decided to hold a function in celebration of this event where one or two of the successful compositions will be performed. The function will take place at the Norwegian Hall (De Villiers and Quartz Streets) on Saturday, the 27th inst., at 8.15 p.m.

There will be music and dancing, and light refreshments will be provided free to members. Interested friends are welcome and will be admitted on introduction at a nominal fee.

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