

Cape Zionist Youth Activities

The following is a continuation of the Report which appeared in last week's issue of the recent Town and Country Rally held at Paarl.

Adv. Comay, who was the Chairman of Congress, explained that by special permission a British Delegation was attending the Congress and called upon Mr. S. L. Gross, the leader of the delegation, to make a statement. Mr. S. L. Gross stated that the British Government was not prepared to continue with the mandate as at present constituted, and he attempted to show that the position of the Arabs had to be considered as well as that of the Jews. He next stated what benefits the Partition scheme would afford the Jews and urged upon the Congress the necessity of accepting the scheme.

Mr. E. Charloff on behalf of the Executive of the World Zionist Organisation, and the General Zionists, initiated the discussion, and after having vigorously attacked the British Government's actions during the riots, and with regard to immigration, where it was being attempted to fix a high political level, proceeded to call upon the Congress to accept the Partition principle while rejecting the present offered state as being absolutely inadequate.

Mr. S. Katz, leader of the Zionist Societies, supported the Executive in its desire to accept the principle of Partition and drew attention to the fact that we would have been offered more if we would have worked harder in the past. We must learn from that, and must take what we can get, and then try to get more still.

On behalf of the Mizrahi, Mr. J. Levinsohn attacked the whole scheme and called for the absolute rejection of the whole principle of Partition. We had, he declared, to strive for the whole of that land promised to Jacob as a dwelling place for his descendants. The Jewish State Party also attacked the Partition scheme. Its leader, Mr. A. Beresowski, vigorously demanded the implementing of the mandate and the honouring by Britain of her obligations.

Although these were the general views of the parties, there existed strong minorities in both the General Zionists and the Zionist Socialists who strongly opposed Partition.

Messrs. L. Cooper and M. Katovsky put forward the attitudes of these minorities and after having attacked the Palestine Administration for not having carried out its obligations, called for the mandate to be given another trial, without being condemned prior to its being put into practice even.

The whole issue was discussed fully, and at length it became quite apparent that there was a definite strong bias amongst most of the speakers against Partition. In the afternoon after the various leaders had summed up their attitudes, Mr. Charloff unanimously accepted amidst applause: "That Congress rejects the Partition plan proposed by the Royal Commission." The speaker next moved: "That this Congress empowers the Executive to ascertain from His Majesty's Government the precise terms in regard to the proposed establishment of the Jewish State, and to report

back to Congress." The resolution met with strong opposition and Mr. A. L. Roberts after having delivered a slashing attack on it proposed an amendment:

"That this Congress instructs the incoming Executive to demand from the British Government the full implementing of the Mandate," which was carried by an overwhelming majority.

An official luncheon was given to delegates at which the toast of Eretz Israel and the World Zionist Organisation was given by Mr. M. Rabinowitz, and replied to by Adv. Comay. Mr. M. Katovsky proposed the toast to the Congregation, the Paarl Leeman Zion Society and the Paarl J.Z. Society, to which Mr. D. Nelson responded. Mrs. Melmed on behalf of the Women's Benevolent Society, replied to the toast then proposed by Miss F. Gross.

On Sunday evening the Paarl J.Z. Society was "At Home" to delegates and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all those present.

CAPE ZIONIST YOUTH EXECUTIVE.

Hazamer Choir. The Executive has great pleasure in informing all interested that under the very able baton of Mr. Himmilstein, a Choir has been formed. This Choir will specialise in Jewish melodies both in Hebrew and Yiddish. There is still room for a few more willing to join. Meetings are held every Thursday night at 8.15 p.m. The next meeting will take place on Thursday, 4th November.

CAPE TOWN HERZLIA.

On Sunday, 31st inst., in the Zionist Hall, Mrs. Leon Segall will speak to the society on her impressions of Congress. The Speaker has already spoken to the senior organisation on this subject with great success and members are invited to bring their friends to this meeting.

Bialik Circle. Last Friday night Mr. Tichauer read a paper on Theodor Herzl and Max Nordau. The large audience appreciated the paper, especially in view of the fact that the speaker is a comparatively new member of the Society and one of the former German refugees.

Physical Culture. Those ladies who are interested in their physical well-being are invited to be present at the Zionist Hall on Monday night at 8.15 p.m. Miss Marie Fine, the convenor, will commence her class, and those wishing to enrol need not necessarily be members of the Society. All money outstanding for the Dramatic Play Evening must be handed in at the meeting on Sunday night.

Table Tennis. This section will meet as usual on Tuesday night, but this time at "Rosevourt," in Breda Street. Two tables will be used, and anybody interested will be welcome.

Dramatic Section. The artistes, who combined to make the Play Evening the magnificent success it was, are to be heartily congratulated in their meritorious performances. It is not generally known under what circumstances the plays were produced, and the producer, Mrs. Nell, deserves a special word of praise.

Those who are interested in this section, will be pleased to know that it will be given much more attention than has hitherto been the case. The society intends converting this group into a Dramatic Art Centre for Jewish Youth in Cape Town, and this first production is an inspiring encouragement for the future.

All outstanding tickets and money from the Play Evening must be handed in at the next meeting.

CLAREMONT-WYNBERG J.Z. SOCIETY.

On Sunday evening, the 10th inst., the first meeting of the above society took place in the newly built Communal Hall at Wynberg.

After the Chairman, Mr. A. Katz, had introduced the speaker for the evening, Rev. Levine, who was accompanied by his wife, to a very large audience, Mr. H. Shuel delivered a very interesting and instructive news service which was followed by jokes read by the Chairman. Mr. W. Sebba then delivered a J.N.F. Lecture.

Rev. Levine then proceeded to deliver a most brilliant lecture on "Jews in the Diaspora." At the outset, the speaker mentioned the two aspects of which Zionism was composed, namely that of Herzl and Achad Ha-am. In conclusion he stated that if it were not for Jewish life in Babylonia after the decline of Palestine, Jews would have ceased to exist.

During the interval tea was served and the local members indulged in community singing. Mr. I. Wolman sang a song which was very much appreciated by the audience. After the interval discussion took place, to which the speaker ably responded.

Mr. Maurice Meyerowitz proposed a vote of thanks and the meeting concluded with the singing of the Hatikvah.

SEA POINT HABONIM.

On Sunday, 10th October, Sea Point Habonim (Gedud Matityahu) played Oranjezicht B.O.Z. Society at Table Tennis. The match was played at the residence of J. Mauberger and was won by Sea Point Habonim by 245 points.

For the winners, J. Mauerberger, J. Marks, C. Swiel and C. Israelson won all their games, and were plus 66, 63, 57 and 32 points respectively. S. Horwitz won 4 games and was plus 27. For the losers, Sadowski won 1 game and was -30 points.

STELLENBOSCH Y.I. SOCIETY.

A very interesting meeting took place at the Talmud Torah Hall. After the minutes of the last meeting had been read, the news service was delivered by various members of the society. A novel "Balloon Race" then followed, various members participating in the debate, impersonating various well-known characters such as Weizmann, Hitler, Stalin and Jabotinsky.

Hebrew songs were indulged in, and a very successful meeting terminated with the singing of Hatikvah.

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OUDTSHOORN Y.I. SOCIETY.

An Oneg Shabbos was held in the Hebrew School. The hall was appropriately decorated with greens, flowers, etc. A large number of grown-ups as well as a large gathering of the Youth attended. Rev. and Mrs. N. Woolfsohn were the guests of honour, Rev. Woolfsohn having attained his 50th year of ministerial service as minister to the Oudtshoorn Congregation. The Chairman, Mr. B. Arenstien, opened the proceedings by congratulating the distinguished guest on behalf of the society. He thanked Rev. and Mrs. Woolfsohn for being present, hence giving the society a great honour by attending their meeting especially since he was celebrating his Golden Jubilee.

Master A. Toock and Miss R. Witz rendered recitations in English and Hebrew respectively, which were much appreciated. Mr. S. Weinstein then delivered a very inspiring address. Mr. H. Friedland, a former president of the congregation and a colleague of Rev. Woolfsohn, made a short speech, at the conclusion of which Rev. Woolfsohn spoke. He was heartily applauded. Following this there was an interlude during which light refreshments were served, whereupon the gathering resumed with the singing of Hebrew songs under the able conducting of Mr. Z. Lisson.

Before the conclusion Mr. S. Miller (senior), thanked all those who had so kindly assisted in making the affair a pleasant and happy one.

The meeting ended with the singing of the Hatikvah.

GREEN AND SEA POINT JEWISH GUILD.

Conversazione. The acquisition of a piano enabled the Guild to hold its first *Conversazione* at its Clubroom on Monday evening, the 25th inst.

Dr. I. Hurwitz gave a very interesting talk on "What the Jews have done in the making of South African History"—sketching vividly the part played by various Jews since the days of the Dutch East India Company.

Miss L. Landon performed two piano solos and Master Colin Traub sang two songs.

Dance. The Guild's Fourth Annual Dance will be held at the Bay Beach Hotel on Saturday, the 30th October, and preparations for the novel atmospheric decorations are in hand. No effort is being spared to transform the hall into something out of the ordinary. Double tickets at 8/6 each are obtainable from either Darters or from any Guild member.

Tables may be booked by telephoning 4-3971.

Sokolow Circle. A successful meeting was held at the residence of Mr. G. Sacks on Friday, the 22nd. Miss Sylvia Furman delivered a lecture on the Biblical Epoch and Mr. I. Sacks read the News Service, as also a paper on "The Rothschilds"—prepared by Mr. A. Nocky who was unable to be present.

Hebrew. This class is progressing favourably under the very able tuition of Rev. I. H. Levine.

Library. Several donations have made it possible to extend the library considerably and members are making full use of the facilities offered. Donations of suitable books are more than welcome.

MUIZENBERG Y.I. SOCIETY.

The last official meeting of the 1937 session was held in the Talmud Torah Hall, Muizenberg, on Sunday, 24th inst. Mr. I. Sacks presided. The meeting took the form of a "Variety Evening," and played well up to its name except for a short "break" which occurred when the films which comprised one part of the attractive programme, got entangled.

After Mr. C. Slome delivered the customary News-Service, Messrs. Myers and Ressel entertained the rather large audience with a few musical items. Mr. S. Levinsohn next read a comprehensive paper on "Zionism," after which a short play was staged by the Society's dramatic section. A moderately successful opening concluded with the singing of Hatikvah.

CAPE TOWN YOUNG JUDEANS.

A meeting was held at the Old Shul on Saturday, 21st inst. Mr. J. Aronson was in the chair. There was a large audience present, and the News Service was delivered by the Chairman. To brighten up the programme Misses E. Weiner and N. Beck rendered two piano solos.

Mr. A. Jonas gave a short account of the forthcoming Young Israel Camp which proved very interesting. Heckling and a humorous hat game were indulged in. A successful meeting terminated with the singing of Hatikvah.

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Ort Union.

INTERESTING PAMPHLET.

The Central Board of the Ort Union has issued an interesting pamphlet in connection with the International Exhibition of Arts and Technics in Paris. This pamphlet is beautifully printed and illustrated and contains articles by M. Pierre Mille, M. Edmond Fleg, and Dr. A. Syngalowski as well as a full description of the Ort stand at the International Exhibition.

The pamphlet is eloquent testimony to the important work which the Ort is doing and the excellent results achieved.

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The next meeting will be held at the Old Shul on the 30th October. All welcome.

B.O.Z.S. (OANJEZICHT).

A most interesting meeting was held at the residence of Chaver S. Kantor on Friday last. Chaver A. Walt was in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting was read, and followed by a paper entitled "The Bible and its Influence on the World" read by Chaver O. Rechtman. Chaver S. Kantor then read a paper entitled "Attempts on Modernising the Bible." An interesting lecture was then delivered by Mr. L. Cooper on "The Jew in the World To-day."

CLAREMONT-WYNBERG B.O.Z. SOCIETY.

Elections were held on Sunday, 24th October. Chaver W. Sebba was in the chair and after the minutes of the last election had been read, he called upon Chaver P. Gordon, the Chairman, to deliver a report of the Society's activities during the last six months. Discussion followed. Chaver H. Preiss then read the Treasurer's report. The result of the elections are:—

Chairman: E. Wolman; Vice-Chairman: H. Preiss; Secretary: S. Galloon; Treasurer: P. Gordon; J.N.F. Committee: J. Katz; Song Committee: I. Wolman; Librarian: L. Chait; Sports Captain: J. Galloon.

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