

## Zionist Youth Activities.

### SUCCESSFUL CHANUKAH FUNCTION AT ZIONIST HALL.

There was a large attendance at the Chanukah function held in the Major Zionist Hall on Thursday, 6th December. The function was combined with a farewell to Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Levin as well as the presentation of Golden Book certificates to Messrs. Lazarow and Levin.

The evening opened with a picturesque Hadlika ceremony. The Brochot were intoned by Mr. Solly Kessler. Dr. A. Birnbaum, the guest speaker, traced the heroic and successful struggle of the Maccabees and drew object lessons for the youth of to-day. Referring to Mr. Bevin's accusation that the Jews endeavoured to get ahead of the queue, he declared that in the fight for right and justice the Jews would always be proud and eager to be at the head of the queue. In the critical period in which Jewry was living to-day the struggle of the Maccabees as well as their triumph was an eternal inspiration.

During the evening a number of delightful Chanukah scenes were presented by the children of the Cape Town Talmud Torah under the expert direction of Miss Ruth Resnick. The singing was accompanied on the piano by a pupil of the Talmud Torah as well as Miss Miriam Bank. Miss Myrtle Katz recited a suitable Chanukah poem in English.

In presenting the Golden Book Certificate to Mr. S. M. Levin, Mr. L. Lichtenstein, who was chairman of the Cape Zionist Youth Executive at a time when the Golden Book Certificate was announced, paid tribute to Mr. Levin's outstanding services to the Zionist Movement and to the continued interest he still displayed in the Youth.

The Golden Book Certificate to Mr. Duncan Lazarow was presented by Mr. R. B. Egert. Mr. Egert referring to Mr. Lazarow's outstanding record of devoted service to Young Israel Camp, emphasised the consistency of Mr. Lazarow's devotion to Zionist Youth, not only in camp matters but in the general running of the Zionist Youth Movement. Mr. Lazarow's services to the Youth could be reckoned not only in years but decades. Messrs. Lazarow and Levin suitably replied.

After the tea interval Mr. George Wilk, in bidding farewell to Sam and Harriet on their departure for an extended visit to Eretz Israel, referred to many interesting incidents and events in Mr. and Mrs. Levin's association with Zionist Youth. All of them emphasised the work they had put in towards the advancement of Zionism among the youth of the Western Province. As a token of friendship and appreciation as well as a farewell gift, the Executive presented Mr. Levin with a leather portfolio. Miss Katz then read a message from the Youth of the Western Province to the Youth of the Yishuv which Mr. and Mrs. Levin were asked to transmit. Both Mr. and Mrs. Levin replied to the speaker. Mr. Levin in bidding farewell to the Youth referred to his pleasant reminiscences in his long association with the Youth and expressed his desire to ever continue his work among the Youth, a sphere of Zionist work which was very near to his heart.

Sunday, 9th December, was "Society Day" for Cape Town Z.Y.S. The members of the society met at the station and proceeded to Seaforth for the day. There members swam, sunbathed, had lunch and otherwise enjoyed themselves. This very pleasant day was rounded off by a dance at "Rosecourt" in the evening, which also proved a great success.

**Sea Point Zionist Socialist Youth.**—A meeting of the Sea Point Zionist Socialist Youth held on Sunday night, 9th December, was opened with the singing of Hebrew songs. This was followed by a lengthy discussion on the present situation in the post-war world, with special emphasis on the Palestine position.

The lecture of the evening was given by Alicia Bernstein on the New Zionist Organisation and Jewish State Party. She dealt with the Revisionists, their break from the Zionist organisation and the formation of the New Zionist Organisation. During the course of her lecture Alicia pointed out the futility of their policy and stressed its shortcomings. Discussion followed the lecture and the meeting terminated with the singing of Techezaknah.

The annual meeting of the Paarl Z.Y.S. was held in the Talmud Torah Hall on Thursday, 6th December. In his annual report, Mr. N. Sutin, the retiring chairman, mentioned that the past year had been a successful one. Members had been present at several conferences and had done useful work. Mr. O. Roup, retiring vice-chairman and treasurer, reported on the financial position of the society, the most successful function being a fete held in August, which realised over £50. Miss Sybil Berman, J.N.F. commissioner, submitted her annual report, after which the office-bearers for 1946 were elected as follows: Chairman, Mr. Ruby

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## Evening of Brilliant Entertainment.



Hedy Haas.

Hedy Haas, famous Continental stage celebrity, is appearing in a new programme of Yiddish and Russian songs and impersonations on Saturday, December 29th, at the Pavilion, Muizenberg.

Her scale of artistry enables her to introduce in rapid succession character impressions of widely contrasting nature. The "Rand Daily Mail" says: "Miss Hedy Haas was enthusiastically recalled on each appearance . . ." while "The Star" comments: "Hedy Haas showed a wide versatility in recording the various emotions—Joy, Despair, Sympathy, and so on.

Other artists on the programme are: Vera Poppé, world-renowned 'cellist, and Walter Morgan, Cape Town's radio entertainer. A highly entertaining evening is anticipated.

## "Chronicle" Seaside Camp.

The "Chronicle" Seaside Camp is now in full swing and the children are enjoying themselves to their heart's content. They are in the best of health and spirits and are deriving the utmost benefit from their much-needed holiday. They are under excellent supervision and are receiving the best of care and attention.

Thanks are due to all who have contributed and particularly to the Union of Jewish Women, who have sent in a cheque for £52 10s.

THIS WEEK'S LIST.		£	s.	d.
Previously acknowledged	...	293	3	0
Union of Jewish Women (Cape Town Branch)	...	52	10	0
Balmoral Hotel, Muizenberg; New Hebrew Congregation Ladies' Guild, each £3 3s.	...	6	6	0
Mrs. N. Wolman, I. Kagan, each £2 2s.	...	4	4	0
Shula and Meir Winokur, Mrs. F. Feigel, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Rubin, Mr. and Mrs. David Getz, each £1 1s.	...	4	4	0
T. Dissler 10s. 6d.; Group of farmer children 7s. 3d.	...	17	9	
Solomon Mordecai Lison, J. Miller, Bellville, Master Isadore Arelisky, each 10s. 6d.	...	1	11	6
Mrs. S. Jocum (in memory of Sylvia Jocum), Mrs. H. Glaser, each 10s.	...	1	0	0
		£363	16	3

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Birkan; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Lionel Sutton; Vice-chairlady, Miss Sybil Berman; additional members, Messrs. Cecil Berson and Moses Silbert, Misses Eileen Cywes and Mary Friedman.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

The next meeting of the Cape Town Z.Y.S. will take place at "Rosecourt" on Friday night, 14th instant, at 8.15 p.m. There will be a novel "Question Time" and a lecture by Sam Berelowitz on "The Hibbat Zion Movement."

The Claremont-Kenilworth Zionist Youth Society will hold a dance in aid of the S.A. Jewish War Appeal in the Talmud Torah Hall, Grove Avenue, Claremont, on Sunday, 23rd December, at 8 p.m. Donation 2/6. Refreshments free.

## Paarl Talmud Torah.

The Annual Prize Distribution and Chanukah Concert took place on Wednesday, 5th December at the Talmud Torah Hall. Mr. B. Volks, President of the Congregation, extended a welcome to all those present. Mr. J. J. Geffen, Convenor of the Talmud Torah Sub-Committee, referred to the excellent work done in the Talmud Torah and tribute to the Principal, Mr. I. Gulis, for results obtained by him.

The Chanukah Concert, which was conducted throughout in Hebrew, opened with the lighting of the Chanukah Lights by one of the pupils, followed by the singing of Maoz Tsur and Al Hanimim. The concert was followed by the following scenes: The Story of Menorah, The Chanukiyah, The Living Menorah of Eight Little Candles narrating the story of Chanukah, Channa and her Seven Sons, and a one-act play entitled the Hasmoneans.

The distribution of prizes was preceded by short addresses delivered by Rev. Melamed, Mr. I. Gulis and Mr. M. Semer, who distributed the prizes.

Mr. Gulis made special mention of the fact that it was a very satisfactory feature of the Talmud Torah that for the past two years all the mitzvah boys, eight in number, were still in the Hebrew classes.

## Relatives Sought.

Will anyone knowing the whereabouts of any of the following kindly communicate with the Relatives Department of the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies, 413, Security Buildings, Exchange Place, Cape Town (Telephone 2-5066).

Fi. Frank, tailor, believed to be in Cape Town—sought by Gutta Gelmis.

Manuscha Hoppe—sought by Fanny Karnovsky, refugee in Sweden.

Abraham Lewitan, believed to be in Cape Town.

Mr. Steinf, believed to be in Cape Town.

Mr. J. Bernstein, Cape Town—sought by Elie Zyberberg (we hold cable).

Adler family—sought by Dawid Beer Adler (we have postcard).

Szloma Lifszic—sought by Faktor Fiszkun (we have postcard).

Leo Schumer, Cape Town—sought by Isi Tepeman in Tel Aviv (we hold letter).

## The Tzanzer Rebbe.

Prof. Rabbi Israel Abrahams, Chief Rabbi of the Cape Town Hebrew Congregation, gave a reception at his home in honour of Rabbi Israel Habastam, the well-known Chassidic Rebbe who is on a short visit to Cape Town. A number of prominent Cape Town men were present.

Rabbi Abrahams, in his address, stressed the good deeds done by the honoured guest and the part he played in saving many Jews during the war. He warmly appealed to those present to support the Rebbe in his mission to South Africa.

The last meeting of the year of the Paarl Talmud Torah Group (Literary Section) was held at the residence of Mrs. L. Berman. The nature of the programme was an Open Forum, with the following subjects:

"In view of Mr. Bevin's statement, do you consider the rioting in Palestine or not?" and the following team discussed this question very ably and in great detail: Miss Ruth Blumberg, Messrs. M. Katz, J. Marcus, E. Hourwitz, and Mr. A. J. Volks. The second subject was "What would you teach your child?" and the following team treated this subject very well, too: Mrs. C. Rabinowitz, Mrs. J. Jaffe, Mrs. R. R. Kaplan, Mrs. A. J. Volks, and Mrs. E. Berman.

The Convenor, Mrs. Fanny Levinsohn, thanked all those who had taken part in the discussion, and the Secretary, Mrs. Ethel Marcus, for all the arrangements for the meeting. She expressed the Section's thanks to the hostesses, Mrs. L. Berman, Mrs. S. Birkan, and Mrs. H. Davidowitz. Mr. A. J. Volks proposed a vote of thanks to the Convenor.

## Remittances to Shanghai and Roumania.

Money can now be sent to relatives in Shanghai and Roumania through the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies—up to the amount of £10 per person per month.