

Women's Zionist Societies in Western Province.

Outstanding Tour of Miss Sally Burstein.

Miss Sally Burstein, who has been spending the past few weeks in the Cape on an organisational and lecture tour arranged under the auspices of the S.A. Women's Zionist Executive Council and the Women's Committee of the Western Province Zionist Council, has met with a most enthusiastic response wherever she has been. Societies have taken full advantage of her first-hand experience of conditions in Europe and her knowledge of current affairs, and in all centres not only has she created keener Zionist enthusiasm but she has helped to strengthen considerably all existing societies.

The following is an account of Miss Burstein's activities during the first fortnight of her stay:

PIQUETBERG.—On Wednesday, August 18, Miss Burstein delivered an address on "W.I.Z.O. in Israel" at the residence of Mrs. F. Baraitser, who presided. Her address created a deep impression and advantage was taken of the opportunity to launch the W.I.Z.O. Campaign in Piquetberg, with outstanding results. At this meeting Mrs. Platt also spoke on "W.I.Z.O. in England."

HERMANUS.—Miss Burstein travelled to Hermanus on Sunday, August 22, and spoke to an audience of men and women at the Seahurst Hotel on "W.I.Z.O. in D.P. Camps and Europe." Special thanks are due to Mrs. O. Geffen, the chairlady, for her capable assistance and to the hostess, Mrs. Allen. Here, too, support for the W.I.Z.O. Campaign was outstanding.

OBSERVATORY / MOWBRAY.—Miss Burstein was the guest speaker at a social evening held at the residence of Mrs. Milun, 33 Wrensch Road, under the auspices of the Both Zion and Men's Zionist Society. There was a large attendance. Two films, "Forgotten Children" and "Assignment Tel-Aviv," were shown, after which Miss Burstein spoke on "Steps to Statehood."

VREDEHOEK.—On Tuesday, August 24, there was another large attendance at an address of Miss Burstein at a meeting of the Vredehoek branch of the Both Zion on the subject "Israel—Since May 15." Miss Burstein was listened to with great attention and her talk was followed by keen discussion.

SEA POINT.—On Wednesday morning, August 25, Mrs. Pearl Rubin was hostess to a very largely attended meeting held at Sea Point when Miss Burstein gave a talk on "Political and International Aspects of the Establishment of the State of Israel." The talk was followed by a reading and sustained discussion. Mrs. M. Epstein was in the chair.

DURBANVILLE.—The newly formed women's group at Durbanville had its first meeting on Wednesday evening, August 25, at the residence of Mrs. S. Lipshitz. Miss Bur-

stein delivered a most interesting talk on "The Part Played by W.I.Z.O. in Israel." Every woman resident was present, and a most enthusiastic atmosphere prevailed. Mrs. M. Sher was in the chair. A most gratifying report was presented of the new society's fund-raising activities to date, and in the short period it has been in existence it has already a splendid record to its credit.

After Miss Burstein's address an excellent sum was contributed to the W.I.Z.O. Campaign, representing a maximum effort from all present. The group also agreed to be incorporated as a branch of the Bnoth Zion Association.

WORCESTER.—The following day, Thursday, August 26, Miss Burstein travelled to Worcester, where, at the residence of Mrs. Sagor, she delivered an inspiring address on the subject, "The Zionist Factor in the D.P. Camps of Europe." Keen interest in the talk was displayed by the audience and animated discussion followed. Mrs. Simon Heller was in the chair, and in addition to the reading of the news bulletin musical items were rendered by Mrs. Sagor.

WOLSELEY, CERES, WELLINGTON.—On Sunday, August 29, Miss Burstein visited three centres. In the morning she met the few local residents of Wolseley at the residence of Mrs. Batten and secured excellent support from them for the W.I.Z.O. Campaign. A W.I.Z.O. group was formed, with Mrs. Yamey as chairlady. In the afternoon Miss Burstein went on to Ceres, where a new women's society was formed. After she had delivered a talk on W.I.Z.O. the campaign was inaugurated, and a most gratifying result obtained. The office-bearers of the new society are: Chairlady, Mrs. J. Hartstone; hon. secretary, Mrs. W. Metter; cultural convener, Mrs. G. Fish; sewing convener, Mrs. S. Fish.

In the evening Miss Burstein proceeded to Wellington, where there was a good audience of men and women in the Talmud Torah Hall. Mrs. D. L. Perlman presided, and Miss Burstein gave an interesting talk on "The Children of the D.P. Camps and their Preparation for Life in Israel."

PAARL.—On Monday, August 30, Miss Burstein was the speaker at a very successful meeting held at the Talmud Torah Hall, Paarl, her subject being "Israel Since May 15." Mrs. Lipshitz was in the chair.

During the first nine days of September Miss Burstein addressed a number of additional meetings in Cape Town and also in Malmesbury, Robertson and Swellendam. Reports of these functions will appear later.

On Sunday, the 12th inst., Miss Burstein will fly to Windhoek and she will also visit Keetmanshoop, Upington and Namaqualand before returning to the Cape.

Magen David Adom.

Massadah Association: At a social evening organised by this Association and held at the home of Mrs. Shevren, 63, Buxton Avenue, Oranjezicht, the money raised for the purchase of a standard Ambulance for Magen David Adom in Israel was handed over to the local branch of this organisation. Mr. E. Charlaff, Chairman of M.D.A., Western Province, addressed the gathering and officially received the money from Mr. S. Charlaff, convener of the Massadah Ball.

Oranjezicht Branch: This Branch was responsible for the organisation of two very successful concerts, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dia-

represented the Central Committee of M.D.A. on both occasions and conducted the American auction of a painting by Dorothy Leeb and a silver salver.

Thanks: Special thanks are due to Mr. Hausmann, who has been responsible for all the photography for this organisation and has generously done this gratis.

Gifts and Comforts: All M.D.A. work parties are engaged in the knitting of hospital gifts and comforts, which include hospital, bed, surgical socks, and knee-caps. White wool and knitting instructions are obtainable at the central office at 610, Permanent Building, Darling Street. Assistance will be welcomed from all interested persons.

Painting: The painting of the Wailing Wall by Wren Sargeant and do-



ANOTHER AMBULANCE PURCHASED FOR M.D.A. Mr. S. Charlaff, convener of the Massadah Association Ball, presenting a cheque of £1,350 for the purchase of a standard Ambulance to Mr. E. Charlaff, Chairman of Magen David Adom.

mond. Well-known artists performed on both occasions and ensured the success of the concerts. On the first night the artists were Mr. Nat Kofsky, Mr. Calder Middleton, Alys Voupoli and Mrs. Louis Diamond. The second night included a trio, Mr. Mark Goodman, Mr. Ornstein and Mrs. L. Diamond, two pianos—Mrs. L. Diamond and Alys Voupoli, and a singer, Mrs. Ethne Seftel. Mr. Walter Gradner

nated by him to the M.D.A., is still available. Any interested persons can view this work at the central office.

General: M.D.A. work is in progress throughout the Peninsula. It is, however, important to note the following in order to co-ordinate all activities: **All persons or organisations intending to arrange functions for M.D.A. must inform the central office of their proposed plans well in advance.**

BEQUEST FOR TWO EX-SOLDIERS.

Two ex-servicemen, one Jewish and the other non-Jewish, will benefit as the result of the will of the late Mr. Myer Leibowitz, who bequeathed a sum of £1,000 for the purpose. Each one will receive £500.

The qualifications laid down in the will are that the beneficiary must have been on full-time military service in the armed forces of the Union or of any of her allies during the last war. The one beneficiary must be a person professing the Jewish faith and born of Jewish parents, and the other beneficiary must be a non-Jewish European person.

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