

## YOUTH ALIYAH CAMPAIGN

### Mrs. Muriel Rosin's Tour of the Copper Belt

THE Youth Aliyah Campaign in Rhodesia is meeting with splendid response. Meetings have been held in various centres throughout the territory, and contributions everywhere have been most generous. Mrs. Muriel Rosin, well-known Zionist worker of Salisbury, visited a number of towns in the Copperbelt on behalf of Youth Aliyah and was received with the utmost cordiality everywhere.

#### Kitwe

Mrs. Rosin commenced her tour at Kitwe, where she received a rousing welcome from the community. Mrs. Rosin addressed the Jewish women of the town at the home of Mrs. N. M. Schulman on Saturday evening, June 17. Her listeners were deeply moved, and decided unanimously to further the cause of Youth Aliyah by holding various functions, including a morning market in the near future. Great enthusiasm prevailed on the following day, when the entire community was present in force to welcome Mrs. Rosin at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gersh. After a most informative address, the community enthusiastically responded to the call of Youth Aliyah, and a luncheon in honour of the visitor concluded a really memorable function. The hostesses were Mrs. S. Gersh and Mrs. S. Diamond. Special mention must be made of the ready manner in which Mr. Harry Gersh co-operated with Mrs. Rosin and arranged visits for her to various other centres around Kitwe.

#### Chingola

The same Sunday afternoon Mrs. Rosin visited Chingola where she addressed a well-attended meeting under the auspices of the newly-formed Chingola Zionist Society. Mr. J. Silberberg, chairman of the society, presided. The meeting took the form of an afternoon tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dobkins, and after Mrs. Rosin's most enlightening talk, on Youth Aliyah, the community generously responded. Mrs. Rosin was assured of the support of the new society in the interests of future Zionist work.

#### Luanshya

On Monday, June 19, an excellent attendance greeted Mrs. Rosin at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zlotnik in Luanshya. Mrs. Zlotnik, who presided, is to be complimented on her untiring efforts in arranging this meeting. Mrs. Rosin's address was listened to with great interest, and the community's response was of a fine standard. A cake donated by Mrs. A. Rosenfeld fetched a large amount on American auction, and a fine sum was realised as the result of a competition, the prize for which was a bag, which was given by Mrs. I. Goldberg. The women of the town intend holding various functions in order to raise still further the community's contribution.

#### Mufulira

On Wednesday, June 21, Mrs. Rosin addressed a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Illion, Mufulira. There was a record attendance. The meeting was followed by a delightful reception in honour of the delegation, and the community responded in a most outstanding manner. The Jewish Women's Society in Mufulira has been very active recently, and has helped swell the funds of Youth Aliyah considerably.

#### Selukwe

As the result of the combined efforts of Mr. A. Kaplan of Gwelo and Mrs. Brill of Selukwe, Selukwe has shown real enthusiasm and initiative on behalf of Youth Aliyah. All on its own, without waiting for an official delegation, Selukwe is enthusiastically taking up the cause, and a splendid start has been made.

#### Kimberley Union of Jewish Women

There was an interesting little ceremony at a well-attended social of the Kimberley branch of the Union of Jewish Women, when the chairman of the branch, Mrs. P. Horowitz, handed over a large cheque to Mr. H. Stoller, chairman of the Kimberley Youth Aliyah committee. The branch hopes to augment this sum in the near future.

#### Induction of Rev. I. Swarc

The induction of the Rev. Israel Swarc as Minister of the Claremont Hebrew Congregation took place at the Claremont Synagogue on June 25. Cantor M. Katzin officiated in the presence of Rabbi E. W. Kirzner at the impressive service. The guests then adjourned to the Talmud Torah, where an official welcome took place.

## On Active Service

By I.M.

### Soldiers Discover Italian Jews— Farewell to Major Ernst



AN interesting account of the manner in which Palestinian and other Jewish soldiers had discovered Jews in isolated parts of Southern Italy was given to me by Capt. M. Natas, the much-travelled padre, who is now back in the Union after one and a half years "up North." Capt. Natas was attached to the S.A.A.F. Advance Transit Depot in Italy and had occasion to meet many co-religionists in the various units scattered around the country.

*In some cases, the padre says, there were small batches of Jews, Italian born as well as refugees from Northern Italy and Yugoslavia, who had been out of touch with Jewish life ever since the outbreak of the war, and their first meeting with Jewish soldiers was of a most dramatic nature.*

He was much impressed by the excellent work done by Palestinian Jewish soldiers for refugees in Bari. They had inaugurated Hebrew classes and Jewish children were receiving not only Jewish education, but also instruction in secular subjects. Zionist offices had also been opened up in Bari.

Both Jews and also many non-Jews were deeply moved by the fact that they were able to share in the liberation of the refugees and bestow medical and other care upon them.

"Whenever I asked a Jewish soldier what I could do for him," Padre Natas told me, "the reply invariably was: 'don't worry about me—first do something for these unfortunate people'."

A FAREWELL function under the auspices of the Union of Jewish Women's Troops Entertainment Committee, Pretoria, and in honour of Major S. Ernst, Assistant P.J.C., and Lt.-Col. H. S. Roseman, second in command of the Voortrekkerhoogte Military Hospital, took place at the Jewish Memorial Hall on Tuesday, July 4. Capt. S. Weinstein presided over a large and representative gathering of the army and the community.

Presentations were made to Major Ernst on behalf of the Jewish Chaplaincy, the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies and the soldiers in the Voortrekkerhoogte Pretoria areas. A tree certificate was also presented to Lt.-Col. Roseman on behalf of the Chaplaincy.

Addresses were delivered by Rabbi W. Hirsch, representing the Jewish Chaplaincy; Mr. N. Kirschner (S.A. Zionist Federation); Mr. Klipin (S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies); Capt. L. Lovell (Jewish Soldiers' Association); S/M S. Klevansky (Swartkop Air Station); Mrs. R. Sapirstein (the U.J.W.T.E.C.); and Mr. S. Ougus (the Pretoria Jewish Community).

Major Ernst and Lt.-Col. Roseman responded in moving addresses.

A cordial welcome was extended to the Rev. Capt. M. Natas who recently returned from up North, and godspeed was wished to Rabbi I. Friedman, C.F., Capt. L. H. Penn and Cpl. Alec Tourag, who were leaving for the Middle East.

### ROLL OF HONOUR

#### KILLED IN ACTION

Pte. Ralph Hack, son of Mrs. A. Hack, 806 Africa House, Rissik Street, Johannesburg.

#### WOUNDED OR INJURED

Sgt. Nathan Gordon, son of Mrs. S. Gordon, 34 Hastings Court, Quartz Street, Johannesburg.

Pte. Manuel Rodin, son of Mrs. Martha Kay, 4 Kingfold Court, Bezuidenhout Street, Johannesburg.

Pte. Reuben Steinberg, son of Mrs. J. Steinberg, 370 Pietermaritzburg Street, Pietermaritzburg.

Spr. Barney Dworsky, son of Mr. A. Dworsky, Balmoral, Witbank District.

Tpr. Max Harris, son of Mr. B. Harris, Burg Street, Rustenburg.

Tpr. Leslie Stein, son of Mr. I. Stein, 327 Main Street, Johannesburg.

#### RELEASED BY ALLIED FORCES IN ITALY

Pte. Bennett Sher, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Sher, 7 Rugley Road, Vredehoek Estate, Cape.

Gnr. Barney Singer, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Singer, "Rompevlei Farm," Lansdown, C.P.

Pte. Ivan Borkum, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Borkum, Church Street, Oudtshoorn, C.P.

#### RELEASED BY ALLIED FORCES IN ITALY

Gnr. Louis I. Solomon, brother of Mrs. M. M. Simmons, 8 Stewart Crescent, Bloemfontein.

Pte. Abe Liferow, son of Mr. A. Liferow, 64 Raleigh Street, Yeoville, Johannesburg.

Pte. Louis Price, son of Mr. S. Price, "Sandylands," Flora Road, Steenberg, P.O. Retreat.

Pte. Jack Rosen, son of Mrs. H. Green, P.O. Box 2p, Delmas, Transvaal.

#### MENTIONED IN DISPATCHES (Twice)

Squadron - Leader Oscar Hyman Sennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Sennett, Worcester, C.P.

#### Lecture on Jewish Music

The Progressive Music Society has arranged a special lecture on the development of Jewish Music from Biblical times to the present day. This lecture will be delivered by Rev. S. Kibel, who is an authority on the subject, and has devoted many years of study and research to it. It will take place at the Left Club, 147 Commissioner Street, on Wednesday, July 19, at 8 p.m.

Admission is free, and a cordial invitation is extended to all lovers of Jewish music.



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