

RHODESIAN ZIONIST YOUTH CONFERENCE IN BULAWAYO

A CALL to the Youth to intensify Chalutzith was made by Mrs. J. Davidoff, when she addressed the first Rhodesian Zionist Youth Conference held in Bulawayo recently. Only on that basis, said Mrs. Davidoff, would Palestine be built and become the final solution to the age-old question of Jewish wanderings.

"The ranks of men and women who have guided the destinies of South African Zionism," she said, "are being thinned out, and as their places become vacant, we look to your ranks to fill them."

Mr. Samuel Rabinovitz said that the Youth Conference was one more manifestation of the Rhodesian Zionist Council becoming an organised entity north of the Limpopo.

"I have also emerged from Youth in this very town, but never do I remember, has Youth been so imbued with this noble ideal of the Jewish people, as it is to-day.

"You Youth," said the Rev. Dr. I. H. Levine, "are the personal link in the chain of Jewish life, the link, not only in the life of a people but of an approach to life. Prepare yourselves, and do not fail your people in the hour of their greatest need."

Mr. I. Lasovsky, of Salisbury, vice-President of the Rhodesian Zionist Council, wished conference every success.

Mr. Abe Abrahamson, Youth Convener of the Rhodesian Zionist Council, who presided, in addressing the delegates, said that the conference marked the progress of the past, but more especially, the road for the future. "This conference must launch us on a period of greater endeavour on behalf of our national ideal."

The report submitted to Conference by the Youth Convener showed that three new societies—Bulawayo, Livingstone and Elizabethville—had been formed. A Habonim Group was started in Que Que. Special mention was made of the work of Mr. E. Udwin, formerly secretary of the Rhodesian Zionist Council, who had rendered invaluable services.

The Hebrew University Scholarship Fund had already reached a very fine total and functions in aid of this fund would again be organised in the coming session.

Rhodesian Youth had contributed generously to the Keren Hayesod, the Keren Kayemeth, and the Youth Aliyah campaigns. In addition, support had been given to the Keren Aliyah Fund.

Study groups had been formed in Bulawayo, Salisbury and Livingstone. During the course of the year Rhodesian Zionist Youth had been addressed by Mr. Joshua Leibner, Mr.

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SPECIAL POST-MATRICULATION COURSE OF STUDY IN PALESTINE FOR S.A. JEWISH YOUTH

Scholarships Established by Various Bodies

AS a result of the visit to Eretz Israel of Rabbi J. L. Zlotnik and Dr. A. Birnbaum and their discussions with Jewish institutions there, the Youth Department of the Jewish Agency has evolved a scheme whereby 20 to 25 matriculated youth from South Africa will be enabled to undergo an interesting and most useful course of study in Palestine.

The scheme provides for the following three groups of students:

A. Those who wish to learn at first hand about life and conditions of Eretz Israel, and to obtain a workable knowledge of Hebrew both in speech and writing.

B. Those who intend to take up regular courses either at the Hebrew University or at one of the Teachers' Training Colleges, and for this purpose want to acquire adequate knowledge of Hebrew.

C. Those who desire to receive special training in order to qualify as "madrichim" (leaders) of South African Zionist Youth.

Two Periods

The course will begin in March, 1946, to allow students matriculating this year to reach Palestine in good time. It will be divided into two periods:

The first period will last from March to September, 1946 (six months). Students of all the three groups will attend it, and apart from intensive study of Hebrew it will also include lectures on Jewish history, Hebrew literature and Palestinography in conjunction with trips through the country.

During the second period, which will last from October, 1946, to February, 1947 (five months), the students of group C will stay in a work camp, entering fully into the life of the settlement and continuing their education under the guidance of a special instructor, whereas students of group A who neither intend to become madrichim nor to enter an institution of higher education in Palestine will spend their time in settlements

working and continuing their Hebrew studies. Students of both these groups will be able to return to South Africa in March, 1947, and arrive in good time for the opening of the South African University.

Students of group B who plan to enter the Hebrew University or some other educational institution will be able to do so almost immediately after the conclusion of the first period, as the University of Palestine re-opens towards the end of October.

The estimated cost per student is from £250 to £300, including travelling expenses and maintenance for the whole year.

Bursaries

The S.A. Zionist Federation, the S.A. Board of Jewish Education and the Cape Board of Jewish Education attach the greatest importance to this scheme and have created a Bursary Fund to which all the three organisations have contributed substantial amounts. This Fund will enable deserving candidates who are not in a position to defray all or part of the expenses to proceed to Palestine and to take part in this course of study. The above mentioned institutions have also formed a joint Selection Board which will select candidates and decide on the subventions to be granted to them.

To enable the Youth Department of the Jewish Agency to make all the necessary preparations in good time it is essential that all prospective students of the course send in their applications to the "Palestine Scholarship Selection Board" (P.O. Box 18, Johannesburg, or Box 2578 Cape Town), not later than 15th October, 1945.

PNINA SALZMAN TO PLAY WITH MALCOLM SERGEANT

GLOWING tribute and appreciation for the artistry of Pnina Salzman come from Australia where she has been giving concerts since the beginning of April.

Her first recital was in Sydney where she played to wounded servicemen in one of the city's largest military hospitals. On V-E day when all theatres and cinema houses were closed, she was asked to give a concert for the Red Cross, who were entertaining 2,000 servicemen and women. This performance, which was heralded as one of the finest Australia had heard, was followed later by other concerts in response to many requests.

On her arrival in Melbourne her first concert was again at a military hospital and was relayed to patients in bed unable to attend in the Recreation Hall. She will remain in Australia until the end of July, and before leaving for New Zealand, will play in all the large centres of the country. On her return to Australia in August, Miss Salzman will give two further performances in aid of the Palestine Orchestra.

She has been invited to broadcast over the Australian radio and to be a co-artist with the guest-conductors Sir Malcolm Sargent of England, Sir Ernest Macmillan of Canada and Professor Bernard Henry of Melbourne.

Miss Salzman likes the Australian people and finds them most appreciative and responsive to good music.

Tschernichowsky Evening

AN illustrated talk on Saul Tschernichowsky, the Hebrew poet, was given at the home of Mrs. A. Behrman on Sunday last, under the auspices of the S.A. Friends of Palestine Orchestra and the Habimah Theatre. Mrs. Jeanny Targowsky introduced the poet in a novel way and recited some of his best-known poems in English translations. Her beautiful voice made listening to "Credo" and "Baruch of Mayenoe" a particular pleasure.

Mr. R. Schalit, in his able and expressive manner, recited in Hebrew. Mrs. Gertie Hirschmann gave a beautiful rendering of Tschernichowsky's songs set to music by J. Idelson and B. Grossman. The evening was a great success, and its high cultural standard was in keeping with the traditions of the South African Friends of Palestine Orchestra and Habimah Theatre.

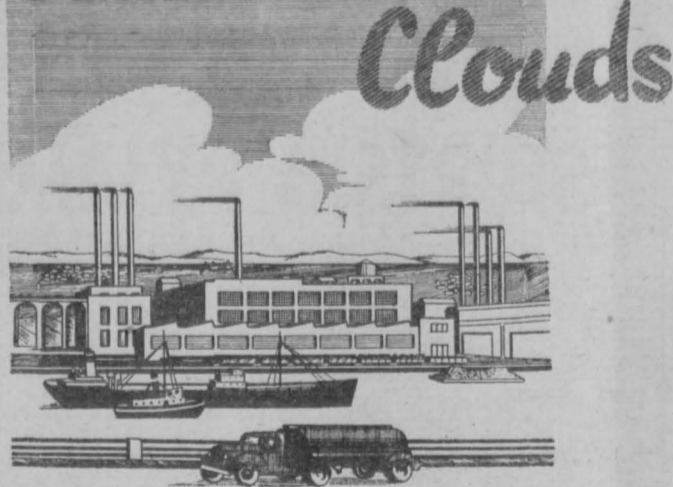
Messrs. C. Legum and L. Cooper to Speak on Britain's New Government

AN analysis of Britain's new Government will be presented from a Zionist Socialist Party Platform on Sunday night, July 29, when Colin Legum and Leslie Cooper will address a public meeting at the Coronation Hall.

Recent meetings held by the Party have proved both successful and informative and it is expected that the topical nature of Sunday's meeting will draw a large crowd.

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