

The Jewish Guild.

I have, this week, a regular budget of news, concerning the doings of the members of the Jewish Guild. There has been a great spurt of activity there, and from all indications it looks like being the sort of spurt that will develop into a habit.

I have been thinking and perhaps my readers have too, that while I have been writing, over and over again, about the value of social centres for our young people, the Jewish Section of the Johannesburg public, has all the time ben perfectly well served in this respect. I think it is rather typical of our race. Isolated up to a certain point, by certain religious traditions, and certain laws as to household hygiene-diet, on the part of the orthodox, in this town; we attend the public meetings of other citizens, who call for funds for their churches and their institutions, and while we help them with our money, our own people have built wonderful synagogues, orphanages and this perfectly splendid club, and everything is done quietly without any appeal to the public or any flag wagging. I am not casting aspersions on the other sections of this cosmopolitan community, I am making a sort of excuse, for having emphasised in these columns of a Jewish paper, a sort of sermon about what we should do for our young while all the time we have missed doing the very things I preached about. On Saturday last there was a splendid concert at the Guild, organised by Mr. Alf. Feitelberg. The programme, though a trifle too long, was thoroughly well balanced, including Songs, Dances, Recitations and musical items. Artists who kindly gave their services and whose performances were greatly appreciated by a large audience included The Sand Trio, an Instrumental Trio, Tilly Kaplan, a talented young dancer, from the Jewish orphanage, who was a finalist in a clever classical dance in the recent Eisteddfod contests and who with Ida Cooke, who was a prize winner in the Eisteddfod and who gave an operatic number, on the programme and both pupils of Pearl Adler and Lily Browse. Tilly Weinfeld, a talented singer, R. Kofsky, Stanley Argyle, Beatrice Alexander, the well-known and gifted singer, Sheila Collins, a wonderful child violinist a pupil of Miss Violet Jamieson, of the Harrison Conservatoire of Music, and Reg. Smith, two charming children, Freda and Winsome Fowler, pupils of Dorothy Gardiner.

The accompanists were Miss M. Joffe, Signor Margottini and Mrs. Jamieson. During the course of the evening, Mr. Kam, the new hon. social organiser was introduced by Mr. Goodman.

For the "Star" Seaside Fund.

A well attended meeting of the organisers of the Entertainment in aid of the "Star" Seaside Fund, which is to be held at the Standard Theatre on Wednesday, 26th instant, took place at the Carlton Hotel on Saturday morning. There were present Mrs. C. D. Don in the chair, Mrs. D. W. Sims, Mesdames

M. Deeble, W. Scott, Locker, Baldwin, Harvey, Du Toit, Pirie, Riley, Harrison, O. Sullivan, Grant-Smith and Miss K. Peacocke. Mrs. C. D. Don handed in ten pounds, being a contribution from the Corner House towards the purchase of gallery seats for children of the various orphanages and Mrs. D. W. Sims announced a similar contribution on behalf of Sir Harry Graumann and herself. The sincere thanks of the Committee was expressed and it was hoped that a further contribution of ten pounds might be forthcoming as the capacity of the gallery should easily command at least thirty pounds.

It was reported that the entertainment which is being produced by the Misses Pearl Adler and Lily Browse will be of exceptional interest, as in addition to two beautiful Ballets by their pupils, some of the leading singers in town whose names will be announced later, have promised their services. Mrs. Deeble and Mrs. Scott, who are organising a Tennis Tournament in aid of the expenses of the entertainment, reported most satisfactory progress and response. It will be held on the Park View Courts, on Tuesday, May IIth, the entrance fee is 10/- per couple. Luncheon and Tea provided and several valuable prizes have been donated.

Mrs. Braude and Mrs. Rubenstein have kindly offered to assist Mrs. Heyman and Mrs. Shapiro on the Programme Committee and Mrs. Heyman has consented to act as Hon. Treasurer.

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