



YOUNG ISRAEL COLUMNS.

Bulawayo.

There was an attendance of about seventy members at a very successful meeting of the Junior Zionist Society in the Jewish Guild Hall on Sunday, 23rd ultimo. It was announced that a fancy dress ball would be held in June to raise money for some Zion Fund. An address was delivered by Rev. M. I. Cohen, who traced Jewish history from the earliest times to the present day, showing how the Jew had always been persecuted yet remained firm in his faith. He made an inspiring appeal to all present to study the history and literature of their people if they desired to follow in the steps of their forefathers and be Jews in the true sense of the word. Votes of thanks to the lecturer and chairman, followed by the usual tea and social, concluded the meeting.

Kroonstad.

On Sunday, 23rd March, a very interesting lecture was delivered to the Young Israel Society by Mr. L. A. Shoul in the Synagogue Chambers. Afterwards a general meeting was held to discuss the question of the age limit. After much heated discussion it was decided to leave the society as at present.

On Saturday, 5th April, a very successful children's fancy dress dance was held in the Victoria Hall. Admission was sixpence for members and one shilling for non-members. Costumes were numerous and varied, and the judges, Mesdames E. Mervis and P. Rabinowitz and Mr. L. A. Shoul, had a very difficult task in choosing the best costumes. Prize winners were as follows:—Girls, 12 and under, Mabel Leventhal, Myra Farber and Haidee Kaplan; boys, 12 and under, Baby Jacobson and Julius Kaplan; girls (general), Ada Meyer and Hylda Kopelowitz; boys (general), Issie Grossmark and Samson Jacobson (assisted by Miss Z. Jacobson as "Wandering Jew and his Daughter"). During the interval light refreshments were served. Dancing was continued till a late hour, when a most enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

Krugersdorp.

There was a large gathering of members and supporters of the Pirchei-Zion Society in the Communal

Hall on February 27th, when a farewell social was given and a presentation made to Miss Zelda Caplan on her departure for England. In making the presentation, the chairman (Mr. J. Frack) spoke of Miss Caplan as one of their most popular members and most energetic workers. They wished her the best of luck in her new sphere. Other speakers re-echoed these wishes, and Miss Caplan suitably responded.

Early in March the literary and debating section organised a very interesting mock trial, which took place in the same hall, and provoked much amusement and enjoyment, to which the judge, Mr. A. Jacobs; public prosecutor, Mr. J. Frack; defending counsel, Mr. J. Klug; and the prisoner, Mr. A. Chiert, largely contributed.

On March 12th, at the same hall, the Society's children's fancy dress carnival was held, and proved a great success. The Mayoress, Mrs. S. Jacobs, who was presented with a bouquet by Gladys Friedman, kindly judged the competitors, and afterwards awarded the prizes. In the evening a social and dance was held, which was well patronised. Sincere thanks are tendered to the Misses L. Feldman, S. Danker and H. Goodman, and Messrs. L. Heyman and Feldman, for the items which they rendered.

On March 30th an inter-debate between the Johannesburg Y.I.S. and the Society took place. Bad weather was responsible for the poor attendance, but the proceedings were most interesting. The subject was "Are Young Israel Societies of more importance in South Africa than Talmud Torahs." The visitors, led by Messrs. J. Gering and W. Witkin, took the affirmative, whilst Messrs. Klug and Rose, opposed on behalf of the local Society. The motion was carried.

Towards the end of this month the Society is embarking on its three months' campaign, and in view of the enthusiasm displayed, it is hoped that a considerable sum will be raised for the good cause. The Society earnestly trusts that it will receive the same support as formerly from every Rand community.

Moorreesburg.

The local Young Israel Society held a social on March 30th at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Saacks. The president of the Society, in some introductory remarks, reported on the recent activities of the Society, and welcomed those present, including some visitors from Hopefield. The following contributed to the programme:—The Misses Eva Hen, T. Sindler, R. Loon, A. Klitzman, Ettie Saacks, M. Pokroy, E. Fish, Annie Landsman, and R. Klitzman, and Messrs. B. Fish, Philip Landsman, Max Pokroy, H. Saacks, J. Fish, J. Hen and S. Hen. Refreshments were then served, and an American auction took place of a cake presented by Mrs. I. Landsman, the proceedings going to the local synagogue. A little dance followed, and a vote of thanks to the host and hostess and the singing of "Hatikvah" concluded the evening.

Port Elizabeth.

DAUGHTERS OF ZION—APRIL REPORT.

A lecture, entitled "Will Zionism Succeed?" was given by Mr. B. Weinronk on Sunday, the 6th April, at the Emanuel Hall. There was a fairly good attendance. The President of the Society, Miss A. Kalmin,

presided, assisted on the platform by the hon. secretary, Miss G. Martinson. The lecturer spoke in Yiddish for about an hour, and the audience listened with rapt attention. In conclusion, the lecturer said that Zionism would succeed in spite of the apathy of some of our wealthy brethren. A heated discussion followed, and the Rev. N. Levine proposed a vote of thanks to the lecturer.

A book tea, social and dance was held at the Emanuel Hall on Tuesday, 8th April. The object was to bring the members together and to improve the society's financial position. The hall was beautifully decorated in blue and white, and on the walls the Jewish flags hung, while small tables were arranged in a circle around the room. On the stage were palms around which blue and white drapings were arranged. During the first part of the evening, when the guessing competition was on, musical items were rendered by the following artistes: Mrs. M. Gosschalk, Miss Jackson, Mr. Leon Lurie and Miss A. Kalmin. Bok's syncopated orchestra rendered a few selections and also played for the dance. Mrs. N. Levine, whose assistance was invaluable to the committee in organising this affair, and Mrs. Abe Kaplan, both acted as judges. At about 10 o'clock refreshments were served by an able committee. Prizes had been kindly donated by Mrs. N. Levine and Mr. B. Weinronk. The lucky winners were: Miss L. Perkempner, Miss G. Weinronk, Miss R. Rubin and Master H. Taitz, the booby prizes going to Mr. B. Kiel and Miss D. Stein. Mrs. B. Weinronk gracefully distributed them amidst hearty applause. Mrs. N. Levine then, on behalf of the D.Z.S., thanked the artistes for their kind assistance in contributing to the musical programme, and the president (Miss Kalmin) then in a few words thanked Mrs. Levine for her kind assistance, and also those present for their support. Dancing was kept up until midnight. The affair was a financial as well as a social success.

A lecture on Passover was given by Rev. N. Levine on Sunday, the 2nd day of Pesach, at the Shool Hall, to the D.Z.S. The lecture lasted for nearly an hour, and was heartily enjoyed by all those present. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Rev. Levine.

The heartfelt sympathy of the Society is extended to Mr. Noick and family in their sad bereavement.

Potchefstroom.

A representative gathering of members was present at the opening of the fourth year in the annals of the Young Israel Society, when the third annual general meeting took place at the Synagogue Chambers on Sunday, February 24th. After the minutes of the last annual general meeting had been read and adopted, a report of the Transvaal Young Israel Conference was read. In his report the chairman remarked on the fair progress made during the past year, and stated that it compared beyond doubt very favourably with that of former years. The marked increase in membership was also a very favourable sign of progress. The Society is financially sound, although liberal expenditure had taken place as regards entertainments and socials, two picnics also being held, both of which proved to be successes. A ping-pong tournament took place and was both socially and financially a success. Thanks are due to Mr. B.

Levy for delivering a lecture on Pesach. A reading, as well as several debates, were held during the course of the year. An inter-debate with Johannesburg was also held towards the end of last year. The useful practice adopted during the previous year of granting a monthly sum of money to the library fund has been continued, and thanks to this the library has progressed very favourably. On National Fund Day the Society disposed of £3 worth of stamps, and thanks are due to Messrs. M. Hyman and J. Cohen for their efforts in this direction. Complaint was made of the lack of encouragement from the Senior Zionist Society. After this, the election of officers took place, with the following results:—Chairman, Mr. M. Singer; vice-chairman, Miss F. Mintz; treasurer, Miss G. Hare; secretary, Miss S. J. Cohen; committee members, Misses M. Levy, M. Sherr, L. Beare, Messrs. M. Monk, C. Levy, A. Berchowitz, M. A. Silber and S. W. Hirschmann. Miss R. Sack was appointed librarian, this carrying with it a place on the committee. Miss F. Sack was re-appointed supervisor.

Pretoria.

The Young Israel Society of this town, which recently affiliated to the S.A. Zionist Federation, has been showing great activity during the past few months. Lectures have been delivered by Mr. H. W. Wedeclefsky, of Johannesburg, on "A Land Conquered by an Ideal," and by Mr. G. Osrin on "Zionism," whilst Miss R. Gavronsky gave a reading entitled "Palestine Reclaimed," which was very interesting. A number of successful debates have been held, one of which, on the subject "That the Jew has benefited by his exile," aroused very keen discussion. The social side of the Society's activity has not been overlooked. It has already held a number of functions, all of which were successful. A month ago the semi-annual general meeting was held, when the following were elected to office:—Chairman, Mr. D. J. Goldblatt; vice-chairman, Mr. O. Galgut; treasurer, Mr. S. Bliss; joint hon. secretaries, Mr. S. Levin and Miss F. E. Shure; committee, Misses C. Wolson, M. Wolson, R. Kaminsky, G. Rudolph and Mr. M. Goldberg.

Robertson.

On Sunday, March 23rd, the Young Israel Society held a social at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Dvortz. Mr. M. Horwitz presided. The following contributed to an interesting programme:—The Misses H. Schachat, E. Goldberg, B. Friedman, and Messrs. M. Goldberg, S. Schachat, M. Solomon and D. Sandler. The feature of the evening was a mock trial, in which the judge was K. Hoffmann; counsel, Messrs. M. Hotz and M. Horwitz; accused, H. Lipschitz; interpreter, I. Groll; orderly, S. Horwitz. The proceedings were of a very humorous order, Mr. I. Groll, together with Mr. S. Lekoch and Miss B. Solomon as witnesses, provoking much laughter. For a first attempt the trial was a great success. A vote of thanks to the host and hostess and the artistes, proposed by Mr. Josefowitz, and the singing of "Hatikvah" and "God Save the King," concluded the evening.

On Saturday evening, March 28th, about twenty-five members of the Society went by train to Worcester at the invitation of the Worcester J.Z.S., to participate in an inter-debate between Paarl and

Worcester J.Z.S., which took place the following evening.

On Sunday, April 13th, an election was held at the Hebrew School, with the following result:—Hon. president, Rev. Josefowitz; president, Mr. M. Horwitz; vice-president, Mr. K. Hoffmann; secretary Mr. S. Horwitz; treasurer, Mr. I. Groll; committee, Misses H. Schachat and A. Hoffmann, and Messrs. K. Sandler and I. Bluser.

Standerton.

The ninth annual general meeting of the Young Israel Society was held in the Synagogue on February 17th. Mr. Greenblatt presided over a good attendance. The president, in his report, stated that the Society was in a satisfactory condition. The membership was about the same as last year: seventy-five. There were a few honorary members who contributed a large share to the revenue. He urged adults to give the Society their assistance, especially financially. He regretted that a few honorary members who had pledged regular contributions towards the upkeep of the orphans maintained by the Society had paid nothing during the past two years, and severely criticised their action. The Society was now affiliated to the Young Israel Central Executive of the Transvaal and to the South African Zionist Federation. A cow and calf had been presented to the South African Jewish Orphanage. The Society's funds had benefited considerably by the sale of a calf, donated by Mr. Issy Simons. The Society was grateful to various donors and to those who kindly arranged house parties, the proceeds of which enabled the Society to carry on. A children's party, given by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Michel, was much enjoyed. The two orphans maintained by the Society were in Standerton during the school holidays, and various local residents showed them much kindness and hospitality. Thanks were tendered to the members of the committee for their active support, especially Miss. R. Mandelstam, the hon. secretary, and Mr. S. Seigel, the hon. treasurer. The financial statement for the period November, 1922, to November, 1923, showed: Income, £113 3s. 2d.; expenditure £96 17s. 11d. The report and financial statement having been unanimously adopted, an election of office-bearers took place for the ensuing year. Miss R. Mandelstam and Mr. I. Simons were elected delegates to the Young Israel Central Executive.

Transvaal, and to the Zionist Conference. A unanimous vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Albert Greenblatt for his past work, guidance and assistance rendered to the Society. Mr. Greenblatt, in reply, said that it had been his greatest pleasure to be associated with young Jewry.

Stellenbosch.

A successful concert, under the auspices of the Young Israel Society, was held in the Pageant-de-Luxe Hall, on Sunday, April 13th. The stage was tastefully decorated, and after the president had opened the proceedings, the concert took place. There were a large number of items on the programme, all of which were carried through without a hitch. During the interval a box of chocolates, presented by Mrs. A. E. Lewis, was auctioneered by Mr. M. Friedman. A most enjoyable evening concluded with the singing of "Hatikvah" and the National Anthem.

Worcester.

Sunday, March 30th, was a red-letter day in the annals of the Junior Zionist Society. An inter-debate had been arranged for that evening between the Society, the Young Maccabean Society of Paarl, and the Young Israel Society of Robertson. The members of these societies arrived on the Saturday evening in full force, and practically the whole of the local Society turned out at the station to receive them. A number of members of the Ceres Young Israel Society also came over. In the morning the committees of the various societies had a round-table conference in the Zionist Hall, presided over by Mr. Harry Broudie, chairman of the local Society, who briefly welcomed the visitors. Mr. Jacob Leader, ex-president of the Worcester Society, moved a resolution deploring the apathy shown by the Cape Judean Central Executive towards some of the societies. After a heated discussion, a resolution was adopted on the motion of Mr. M. Roup, Paarl, stating that the members of the Young Israel Societies of Worcester, Paarl and Robertson, unanimously urged the Cape Executive to continue its good work, and pledged themselves to support the "Judean" so as to save it from extinction. Several other resolutions were discussed, and many minor matters disposed of. During the proceedings, Mr. Leader presented a report on the history

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and work of the Worcester Society from its foundation to date, a *résumé* of which is given below. In the afternoon the visitors were entertained to tea at Mrs. Cohen's residence, where an enjoyable afternoon was spent. The Commercial Hotel Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity in the evening, when the great event of the day took place in the form of a social given by the local Society. The president, Mr. Harry Broudie, extended a warm welcome to all present. A selection was then given by the members of the Jewish orchestra, which had been formed and trained by Mr. Louis Volks, hon. secretary of the Society. The following artistes also contributed to the musical programme:—The Misses M. Goldberg and Leah Lange, and Messrs. B. Fogelman, J. Pessach, M. Lange, R. Rabinowitz and others. Then followed the inter-debate between Worcester and Paarl, Robertson supporting both sides. Jacob Leader (Worcester), moved: "That the Jew had benefited by living amongst non-Jews." Karl Hoffman (Robertson) seconded. M. Roup (President, Paarl Y.M.S.) opposed, and was ably supported by his vice-president, Miss Miller. A discussion followed, and, on a vote being taken, the result was declared a tie.

Refreshments were then served, after which an illuminated address was presented to the ex-president, Jacob Leader. Mr. I. J. Senitzky referred to the great services of Mr. Leader during his presidentship of nearly six years. Mrs. Volks then presented the address to Mr. Leader, who expressed his keen appreciation for their gift and for the glowing terms in which it had been tendered to him. He thanked them all for the confidence they had shown in him for the last six years, and only regretted that he had not been able to do more. He hoped that on his return to Worcester he would find that the Society had advanced and grown enormously. Mr. M. Roup cordially invited the Worcester and Robertson societies to come over to Paarl during the June vacation. After a vote of thanks to the visitors, on the motion of Mr. I. Shirken, dancing was indulged in till past midnight.

The following morning the Paarl and Worcester societies played a cricket match, Paarl proving victorious. This terminated a most successful and enjoyable week-end.

SUMMARY OF REPORT OF ACTIVITIES OF WORCESTER JUNIOR ZIONIST SOCIETY, 1913-1924.

The Society was formed in February, 1913, at the instigation of Rev. M. Hertzowitz. John Lange was the first president, being succeeded in March, 1916, by David Levin. Rev. Hertzowitz represented the Society at the Sixth South African Zionist Conference in April, 1916. About this time, owing to financial difficulties, the Society was threatened with extinction, being only saved by the energetic work of Mr. H. Windisch. In January, 1917, Rev. Hertzowitz was elected president, and the Society's activity showed an increase, especially on the literary side, chiefly owing to the president's lectures and encouragement. In January, 1919, Mr. Hertzowitz again represented the Society at the Seventh South African Zionist Conference. Jacob Leader was elected president in February, 1919, and was re-elected unopposed every succeeding year. Shortly after his taking over the

chair, the practice was adopted of appointing two seniors as supervisors of the Society. The membership, which in 1919 was 21, now stands at 70. The practice of holding debates has been greatly encouraged in recent years, and these have had excellent influence upon the members. Recently the Society greatly benefited by the help of Mr. I. Shirken. In July, 1922, the first inter-debate with the Robertson Young Israel Society took place. This was held at Robertson, and the Worcester party consisted of 35, including a number of visitors. The Worcester Society won the debate, but lost the football match which followed.

Last year the Society affiliated with the Cape Judean Central Executive. A noteworthy activity during that year was the recitation competition, in which neighbouring societies were invited to compete. Four of these societies accepted the invitation. The same year Robertson was again visited for an inter-debate, about 40 making the trip from Worcester. On this occasion the result of the previous year was reversed, Worcester losing the debate but winning the Rugby match. A return inter-debate with Robertson was held shortly afterwards at Worcester, a contingent of 40 coming over who succeeded in winning the debate by a small majority. In October, on the occasion of the birthday of the secretary, Louis Volks, an enjoyable concert was held. The Society sent a representative to Johannesburg to attend the Ninth South African Zionist Conference, but, owing to its postponement, he was unable to attend, and Mr. Harry Rajak, of Johannesburg, worthily represented the Society.

Recently the Society has drafted a suitable constitution. As the result of numerous concerts and socials held by the Society during the past few years, it is to-day in a very sound financial position. The officers, committee and members have tried throughout, not only to achieve good results, but to maintain the Society's good name and prestige.

The hope is expressed that seniors will take more interest in the Society, and that more debates and social functions will be held, also that the Society should endeavour to stage little plays.

In concluding the above report, the retiring president earnestly appealed to the members to further Zionist interests and to take an active part in their great movement. So long as the Society had a true Zionist programme it would live and flourish.

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