

In Port Elizabeth

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Jewish Benevolent Society.

The annual general meeting of this Society was held in the Emanuel Hall recently, when the following new members of the executive were elected: Chairman, Asher Kaplan; Vice-Chairman, A. Lewis; Treasurer, S. J. Weinberg; Joint Hon. Secretaries, Dr. P. Jabkowitz and S. Luntz. Committee: S. Cohen, J. Lax, A. Sheir, J. J. Kaplan, S. Matheson, M. Bernstein, A. Marock, J. Hefferman, J. Schumacher, with H. J. Rogaly, M. Mitchell, A. Schauder and the ministers of the two congregations as honorary members of the committee.

The Chairman for the past year reported to members the work that had been done, and urged on all those present to support the Society. The necessity for funds could not be sufficiently stressed, as continual demands on the Society's resources were being made.

Rev. Levy at the conclusion of the meeting paid high tribute to the services rendered by the outgoing Chairman, and said that the thanks of the community went out to him in no uncertain nor unstinted manner.

Jewish Ladies' Association.

The Harvest Cabaret which took place under the auspices of the Port Elizabeth Ladies' Zionist Association at the St. George's Hall on Tuesday, the 8th inst., was, though it had most of the pleasant attributes of each, a little more than either a dance or cabaret. There was something which distinctly belonged to that joyous feeling of the old-time Harvest Festival about it all—the note of work well done. The hall was well filled without being overcrowded, and the decorations, though simple, were in the best of taste. The yellow corn sheaves round the room with their bright red poppy bindings were significant of harvest time, while the silhouetted paper bats, green, yellow red and blue lights and the amusing dummy on the stage introduced a gay kaleidoscopic effect.

There were two cabaret turns to add to the pleasure of an already full evening. The first was a sailors' hornpipe jig by Miss Evelyn Duncan, alive with youth, which was deservedly encored; the second, later in the evening, was an interesting combination and solo dance cabaret turn by the Misses Fluffie Beatie and Evelyn Duncan and Messrs. Douglas Rogers and Frank Rogaly.

Wittes's Orchestra provided the music, and the frequency and length of the encores spoke for their excellence.

Pointcettias were predominant in the supper room decorations, and the supper was not only good but ably served.

"Maccabee" Organisation.

A largely-attended meeting was held in the Emanuel Hall on Sunday, 8th ult., for the purpose of forming a new society. A sub-committee was formed to consider the lines on which the society was to be run, and at a subsequent meeting on the 22nd ult., the following office-bearers were elected to their respective positions: Chairman, Mr. I. Solomon; Vice-Chairman, Mr. M. Zartz; Treasurer, Mr. J. Schochet; Secretary, Miss K. Silpert. The name of the organisation was decided upon as the "Maccabee" Organisation, Port Elizabeth Branch.

A Mock Banquet, unique in its character, formed the centre of interest on Sunday night, 6th July, which signalled the inaugural function of the "Maccabee" Organisation.

The hall was tastefully decorated with blue and white bunting to suit the occasion. Over 150 people sat down to supper. Speakers representing prominent figures were Messrs. I. Solomon, J. Schochet, M. Zartz, H. Weinronk, L. Leibowitz, J. Platzky, L. Epstein and L. Schiff. The banquet was carried out with full ceremony, telegrams being read by the Master of Ceremonies, toasts proposed and responded to, and a delightful supper served. Mr. Solomon, chairman of the society, welcomed the gathering and exhorted the members to take pride in the "Maccabee."

Musical items were rendered by Miss B. Sendzul, accompanied by Miss B. Adamstein, and Mr. O. Altschuler, accompanied by Miss B. Israel, snr.

Special thanks are due to Mr. Schochet and Miss J. Bloom, who were largely responsible for the success of the evening, also to the sub-committee; to Mr. A. Sendzul for his loan of tables and trestles, and to Messrs. P. Rubin, J. Rubin, S. Rapaport and L. Leibowitz, for their able services.

Dancing was indulged in till midnight to the excellent music provided by the Melody Four. A vote of thanks to the chair brought the proceedings to a successful close.

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In Pretoria

Women's Zionist League.—On Tuesday afternoon last, their usual monthly "At Home" was held by the Pretoria Women's Zionist League, in the Jewish Memorial Hall. There was an excellent attendance of members, and Mrs. P. Machanik presided.

Mr. J. W. Behr, M.A., the lecturer for the afternoon, gave a very interesting paper on "Ibsen," dealing particularly with his works relating to the freedom of women. It was much enjoyed and appreciated by the audience. Miss Feinberg delighted those present with two charming songs.

At the conclusion of the meeting Mrs. W. Ravid, on behalf of the League, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer and to Miss Feinberg.

Mr. Adolf Davis.—Advocate Adolf Davis, K.C., has been appointed to preside over the Income Tax Appeal court and has taken up duties in the Johannesburg session thereof. Mr. Davis has always interested himself very keenly in all Zionist affairs, and was the honorary president of the recent National Fund Fete held in the Capital.

Personal and General.

Mr. Kaminsky, Snr., won the prize offered by the Optimistic Seven in estimating the total realised in connection with the National Fund Fete just held.

Profoundest sorrow is felt with Messrs. Sydney and Walter Katzen on the death of their father in Tel Aviv. Mr. S. Katzen is an active National Fund organiser, Zionist worker and H.O.D. member.

Mrs. S. A. Klagsbrun has been elected to the Committee of the Pretoria Maternity Hospital.

Cable news has been received that Mr. and Mrs. J. Louis Saks and son have arrived in England per s.s. "Toledo," where they will be spending about twelve months, during which time Mr. Saks hopes to graduate in a refresher course in Optics.

Deepest sympathy is expressed with Mr. Morris Caplan of Irene on the death of his mother, which occurred in Bloemfontein last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jones are celebrating the barmitzvah of their eldest son, Cyril, to-morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Hack are being congratulated on the birth of a son.

The Barmitzvah of Maurice, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Solly Goldstein, will take place this week-end.

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