

Carnival

For the Redemption of the Sharon

The past week has been a very busy one in the carrying out of a number of activities. Several important functions have served not only to increase appreciably the receipts of the Carnival but have constituted attractive features in themselves.

Mock Congress.

This was the outstanding event of the week and proved a big success in every respect. It was entertaining, instructive and financially successful. A special report of this event appears elsewhere in this issue.

The S.A. Zeire Zion, who were responsible for this function, have already been approached to give repeat performances of the Mock Congress in Johannesburg and on the Reef and, judging from the intense enthusiasm with which the performance on Monday evening was received, there is every reason to believe that the repeat performance will be accorded as hearty a welcome as that which was given to it on Monday night.

Although the final accounts are not yet to hand, it is expected that the net proceeds of Monday's performance will exceed £40.

The Zeire Zion are already busy preparing for the Jewish play which it is intended to stage at the Standard Theatre on September 21st (Motze Yom Kippur). The play to be staged is Sholom Aleichem's famous masterpiece, "Es iz shver tzu zein a Yid" (It is difficult to be a Jew). In addition, the Zeire Zion are also making plans for holding an artistic evening at the Jewish Guild later in September. All these functions are part of the Zeire Zion contribution to the Carnival effort.

Grand Concert at Germiston.

Under the auspices of the Germiston Women's Zionist League, a Grand Concert was held last Sunday night at the Rialto Kinema, and was attended by a large and enthusiastic audience, and proved an artistic social and financial success.

The following have contributed to the programme: Miss R. A. Shames, B.A., piano solo; Mr. Harold Joffe, songs; Madame Ravodna's pupils: Misses J. Maclaren, M. Kerbel, M. Sturman, R. Cullen, R. Morris, R. Starfield, R. Smith H. Hebenstall, dancing; Miss Gertrude Cohen, piano accordion; Miss Jean Gluckman, songs; Miss Anne Sacks, L.R.A.M., violin solo; Miss Rose Licker fiffleuse (musical whistling); Mr. Wilfred Patley monologue; Misses Marion Goldstein and Alice Barnett, sketch.

The accompanists were Mrs. Ernie Solomon, Miss Minnie Sacks and Mrs. J. J. Fine.

Mr. Zvi Hareven, Chairman of the Zionist Society, delivered an inspiring address on the Sharon Redemption and conveyed thanks to the Mayor (Councillor Zwanopel), who was present, for his kind patronage, to the management of the Kinemas, and to Mr. Chimes for granting the use of the Rialto gratis, and to the representatives of the Press for their co-operation, to Mesdames Margolius, Benjamin, Ordman, Swartz, Hareven and Messrs. Cohen and Benjamin for their devoted work, and to the artists for their fine performance.

The arrangements in the theatre were in the hands of Mr. H. Benjamin, Mr. B. Smith, Miss Kaplan and Mr. Richards.

The executive responsible for the organisation were Mrs. Hareven, Chair; Mrs. Margolius, Vice-Chair,

and Mrs. Benjamin, who undertook the arduous task of the Honorary Secretary and Treasurer. The concert yielded a net amount of over £30 for the Carnival.

National Concert by Mayfair Branch.

The Mayfair branch of the League gave a most successful evening at the Lyceum Bioscope on Sunday, the 28th June. The programme consisted of the "K'far Yeladim" film, the Palestine film, "Springtime in Palestine," and between the two, a most interesting Concert by the Johannesburg Music Club, under the directorship of Mrs. L. D. Phillips. The following were the items rendered by the members of the Club:— Opening chorus, being the "Soldiers Chorus" from Faust sung by the entire company. Mr. Dave Kaplan sang "Eli, Eli." Then came a lady's trio in English, "A Nocturne," rendered by Mesdames Wall and Goodman and Miss Weinfeld. Mrs. B. M. Cartoon gave a delightful solo in Yiddish, which was followed by a Hebrew quartette, "Zocharti Loch" (from the Rosh Hashonah Service) sung by Mesdames Wall and Goodman and Messrs. B. Rabinowitz and L. D. Wall. Miss T. Weinfeld sang some fine solos both in English and Yiddish. Then the entire company sang "Sweet and Low." The programme was concluded with the singing of "Boruch Habo." In addition to the above-mentioned artistes, Miss Lily Goldberg and Mr. S. Couzin assisted in the chorus.

The committee desire to thank the Music Club for their delightful performance, Mr. Shapiro for the loan of the Bioscope, Messrs. Wicks, Ltd., Honey Bee Candy Co. and Crown Confectioners, for sweets which they kindly donated and which were sold during the evening, also to the Transvaal Paper Co. for their contribution of cardboard boxes used for the sale of sweets.

This most entertaining and instructive function yielded over £30 net.

Boksburg Activities.

Reference was already made in these columns to the visit which was paid on the 18th June by Mesdames Greenberg, Hayman and Gluckman. At the meeting of the ladies referred to, a definite undertaking was given by the general meeting of the Women's Zionist Society of Boksburg and Boksburg North, held at the residence of Mrs. Berman, to participate in the Johannesburg effort and cover the quota of Boksburg and Boksburg North amounting to £165. A strong committee was elected to organise a comprehensive programme of work, consisting of the following ladies: Mrs. B. Mendelsohn (President); Mesdames Berman and Saretzky (Vice-Presidents); Mrs. G. Jenks (Treasurer); Mrs. E. Miller (Hon. Secretary); Committee: Mesdames Bentel, Baitler, Block, Crusd, Quint, Melman, Myer, Rosen, Steinberg, Galglis, Gell, Stonefield, Freedman, Hyman, Lowenstein, Marovitz, Feinberg and Rubenstein.

As a first step the meeting decided to hold a Ball on the 26th August, for which Mesdames Myer and Mendelsohn agreed to act as conveners. In addition, all the ladies present agreed to arrange separately or in couples smaller functions as a means of raising money.

It is significant that the meeting gave particular attention to the cultural needs of the Boksburg and Boksburg North community. At the suggestion of the visitors, it was decided to form a cultural section who would organise lectures at frequent intervals. Mrs. Hayman kindly offered to give the first lecture in August.

The meeting also undertook to attend to the box-work and carry out regular and systematic clearances.

A start has already been made in holding a series of smaller functions. A card party was held on the 27th June at the residence of Mrs. Bentel, Ninth Street, Boksburg North. It was organised by Mesdames Bentel and Steinberg and yielded the sum of £7.

Other Successful Functions.

A successful "bridge" afternoon was held on Wednesday, June 24th, for which Mesdames H. Daniels, Isaac Marks, L. Patley and I. Ginsberg were responsible. The two latter ladies lent their homes for the joint function, which proved most enjoyable. They also provided two turkeys, which were raffled, much to the amusement of the guests. The handsome amount of £25 10s. was realised as a result of this pleasant afternoon. This was held under the auspices of the Saxonwold branch.

On Thursday night, the 25th June, a most enjoyable programme was screened at the Malvern Cinema. The Belgravia branch were responsible for the success of this evening, which realised the fine sum of over £21. The committee desire to thank Mr. and Mrs. J. Jacobson for the loan of the Bioscope.

Two very successful functions were held under the auspices of the Parktown Branch last Saturday evening at the homes of Mesdames Moross and Schneider. The amounts raised were respectively £30 2s. and £31. A most pleasant evening was spent and the organisers are to be congratulated on the success of their undertaking.

Last Tuesday afternoon a very enjoyable bridge drive was held at the residence of Mrs. M. Stein, 17, Saratoga Avenue. About 45 ladies were present. Mrs. Teeger donated a beautiful hand-made tea cloth with serviettes, which realised over £3 10s. The total proceeds of the afternoon amounted to £12 14s.

The Committee of the Houghton Branch wish to thank Mrs. Feinstein, of 9, Houghton Mansions, for her contribution to the Bridge Drive, organised under the auspices of the above branch on Wednesday, June 17th, at the residences of Mesdames G. Nathanson and N. Katzenellenbogen, which we are pleased to announce, realised £23 6s.

Berea Branch Has Busy Week.

It is pleasing to report that the Berea branch has been fortunate in securing the valuable services of Mrs. M. Kentridge, who has joined the committee.

On Saturday, June 27th, a card evening was arranged by Mesdames Balkin and Kessel, held at the homes of both ladies. It proved to be a most entertaining evening and the handsome sum of £31 was raised as a result.

An enjoyable programme was shown at the Hippodrome Bioscope on Tuesday evening last. The hall was crowded and people were even turned away. The actual amount raised is not yet known, but it is estimated to be a substantial figure.

Forthcoming Functions.

We are pleased to announce the programme of events which has been arranged to take place during the months of July and August.

Mrs. J. Emdin of 108 Hunter Street, Yeoville, is organising a card party at her residence, to take place on the 18th July.

July 25th is the date reserved for the dance organised by the Doornfontein Branch, to be held at the H.O.D. Hall, and also for the card party arranged by Mrs. I. B. Rudiazky at her residence. The latter event is under the auspices of the Berea Branch.

Performance by Jewish Guild.

The Johannesburg Jewish Guild, in common with the Zionist bodies and societies of the City, is also making a valuable contribution to the Carnival effort. This will take the form of a performance by the Dramatic section of the Guild of the play "A Murder has been Arranged," which has met with such outstanding suc-

cess when it was staged last week. This special performance will take place on the 29th instant at the Jewish Guild Hall.

August promises to be a very busy month, and readers are reminded to watch these columns for the announcements of the interesting events.

Mrs. S. Furman, of 53 Webb Street, Yeoville, is responsible for the arrangements of the ladies' doubles tennis tournament to be held on Tuesday afternoon, August 4th, at the Wimbledon courts. The entrance fee is 5s. per couple.

On August 1st Mesdames N. B. and Frank Levy are organising a card evening to be held at the home of the former-mentioned lady, 52 Doris Street.

Wednesday, August 5th, is the date of the big Utility Bazaar arranged under the auspices of the Yeoville Branch. This, as mentioned previously, is to be held at the Jewish Guild, and promises to be a fete well worth attending by young and old.

Mrs. A. I. Miller is arranging a card evening at her residence on August 8th.

Under the auspices of the Parktown Branch, Mrs. S. M. Gordon is organising a function at her residence on August 15th.

Readers are reminded of the pleasant function which is to be held on August 16th at the residence of Mr. C. Leon. This will take the form of a variety show, and the arrangements are in the capable hands of Mesdames Daniels, Braun, Hayman, Franks and Edelstein. This promises to be another outstanding success.

Mrs. B. Rheinhold, of 1, St. Paul's Road, is arranging a card evening, to be held at her home on August 22nd.

Dance-lovers have not forgotten our previous announcement of the cabaret which is to be held at the Langham Hotel on August 26th. The arrangements are being made by the Observatory Branch.

The Houghton Branch is actively busy organising an entertaining evening for August 30th. This will take the form of a play reading and the rendering of musical items to be held at the Yeoville Cinema. Fuller details will be given later.

Any enquiries in connection with the any of the above-mentioned functions can be made at the Carnival Office, 19 Jeppe Arcade, or Phone Central 2354.

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