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REPORTS OF JEWISH ACTIVITIES IN THE MOTHER CITY

From Our Own Correspondent.

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## SUCCOTH.

Peacefully and tranquilly the first two days of Succoth have passed. The Synagogues one and all have again been attended by the community in large numbers—though not, of course, as large as on Rosh Hashonah or Yom Kippur—and the services in all have been as impressive as ever.

Both the Capetown Hebrew Congregation and the New Hebrew Congregation erected Succahs this year as usual. Both of them were very charming and were attended by large crowds of youngsters who were served with refreshments on both days. At the Orphanage a very delightful Succah was again built by the children under the supervision of the principal, Mr. Ch. Beresinski, and a large number of guests attended the "At Home," which was held there on Sunday afternoon last. All were evidently greatly impressed by the handsome spectacle which the Succah presented.

It is somewhat deplorable that the number of Succahs in the city decreases every year. Time was when every Jew who had the facilities to erect a Succah did so; to-day the Succahs erected by private individuals can be counted on one's fingertips. The Succah is the distinctive feature—is, as a matter of fact, the very essence—of this festival, and its appearance does more towards bringing home the significance of the latter than all the Synagogue-going and prayers in the world. It is to be sincerely trusted that the age-old custom of building it will not die out as completely as it gives promise of doing at present.

## A TOUR TO PALESTINE.

A notice in the latest issue of the "Judean"—incidentally, it might be stated, a very creditable edition—has attracted our attention. It refers to a scheme for a tour of South African Young Israelites to Palestine, which is being arranged by the S.A. Young Israel Federation in conjunction with the N.U.S.A.S. (the National Union of S.A. Students), and the principle of which has already been agreed upon by both parties.

No one will deny that the scheme is an excellent one and that it will do a great deal of good if it materialises. To many, especially of the younger people, Zionism is still just so much "blurb." They have heard a great deal of talk about a National Home, of Palestine which is some far-away country to the east of the Mediterranean, of collection of monies for this or that Zionist fund, etc. But none of it really means or conveys much to them. And perhaps nothing will ever make it mean anything to them but a visit to Palestine itself. That is why we welcome the scheme for this tour. The N.U.S.A.S. tours, being as well organised as they are, provide a means whereby participants may travel at an exceptionally reduced rate and where every facility is given them to see the country properly. It is earnestly trusted that many Young Israelites will take advantage of the generosity of the N.U.S.A.S. in including them—even, we understand, if they are not 'Varsity students—in the proposed tour to Palestine and the Near East and that a large number of them will be found among the participants at the end of 1932.

There are other reasons why the scheme is an excellent one—even from a Jewish point of view. For one thing, an opportunity is provided for young Jews and Jewesses from all over the country to meet and to exchange views. In the course of their travels they will meet other co-religionists with whom too it will no doubt be interesting to compare notes; whilst

perhaps most useful of all, is the fact that they will be travelling with non-Jewish students who are interested in Palestine, not for Zionist or even theological reasons. These fellow-travellers will probably be the most interesting of all.

We sincerely trust it will not be long before we hear that the details of the scheme have been agreed upon and that it is soon to be put into operation. Certainly it holds promise of too much good to be compelled to die a premature death.

## DORSHEI ZION CONCERT.

The Dorshei Zion concerts have become very popular affairs and are eagerly welcomed by large numbers who attend them whenever they are held. Another of these concerts was held in the Zionist Hall on Sunday night last, and proved as enjoyable as its predecessors. It was also well attended.

The programme was a very good one. Items were contributed by Miss D. Apirion, who gave a pianoforte solo, Miss S. Kudewitzky, who gave a violin solo, Madame Helena Kantorowitz, who sang a number of Yiddish and English songs, the pupils of the Miriam and Elvira Kirsch School of Dancing, Mr. M. Losman, who recited and Mr. M. Natas, who also recited.

All the items were very much appreciated and there can be no doubt that the re-appearance of the artists on a future occasion will be eagerly awaited.

## CAPETOWN HEBREW CONGREGATION.

At the first meeting of the newly-elected committee of the Capetown Hebrew Congregation held last week, Mr. M. Rosen was appointed president, Mr. S. Gesundheit vice-president, and Mr. J. Frank treasurer.

## GENERAL.

The engagement is announced of Fanny, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Jacobsohn, of Woodstock, and Maurice Losman, of Capetown.

The Misses Riva and Paula Cosay returned to Capetown on Tuesday last from a trip to Europe and the Continent.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Jocum returned on Monday last to Capetown from a trip to Europe.

Mr. Alexander Levin delivered a lecture on "Succoth" at the Oneg Shabbos last Saturday afternoon. Mr. Ch. B. Levinsohn presided over a large attendance.

Mr. Benzion Hersch is at present in Capetown.

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