

Mr. Tager's Further Tour

GOOD RESPONSE FOR KEREN HAYESOD.

Continuing his tour in the Free State Mr. Tager visited the following further places:

Kestell. On Wednesday, the 10th October, he addressed a gathering of the community at the hotel of Mrs. Legum whose guest he was during his stay in Kestell. The next day, accompanied by Mr. Alon, he completed the canvass.

Edenburg. He next visited Edenburg where he was the guest of Mr. Hirschson of the local hotel and obtained contributions from everyone of the local residents.

Reddersburg. On Saturday evening, the 13th inst. Mr. Tager addressed a meeting of the local residents of Reddersburg, who gathered at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. N. Sacks. After the address refreshments were served and liberal contributions were made to the fund.

Jagersfontein-Fauresmith. On Sunday morning he reached Jagersfontein where he spent the day as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Tobias. A meeting was arranged of the joint communities of Jagersfontein and Fauresmith for the following evening. A well attended meeting took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Morris, Fauresmith, over which Mr. Phillips presided.

Koffiefontein. On Sunday evening he addressed a meeting at Koffiefontein, which took place in the Synagogue, Mr. L. Karpas being in the chair. After the meeting the whole community was entertained at the residence of Mrs. Karpas. During his stay in Koffiefontein Mr. Tager was the guest of Mr. N. Karpas of the Royal Hotel.

Philippolis. Here a gathering took place at the hotel belonging to Mr. Berkowf who was Mr. Tager's host in Philippolis.

The result for the Keren Hayesod in all the abovementioned places Mr. Tager visited, taking into consideration the smallness of the communities and the financial circumstances in each case, was on the whole very satisfactory, and all thanks are due to those who assisted him as well as all those who extended their kind hospitality to the visitor.

United Zionist Socialist Party

A Chaverim Discussion will take place in the H.O.D. Hall on Sunday the 28th inst. at 8.15 p.m. (not on the 29th inst. as was announced last week.)

Mr. Ch. Achron will initiate a discussion on the subject, "Is Peace in Zionism Possible?"

Middelburg (T'vl.)

Mrs. N. Brozin, the Hon. Secretary of the local branch of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, has forwarded to that Institution the sum of £2, being September collection kindly made by Mrs. M. Birman.

Wizo Conference

The Women's Zionist Council of South Africa is now able to announce that the Wizo Conference will take place in Palestine on March 24th, 1935. It is hoped that a good many South African women will be present, and take advantage of the opportunity of meeting women Zionists from all over the world. The tourist boat leaving Cape Town on February 7th will enable members to attend the conference.

Further details may be had on application to the Federation offices.

Intermarriage as a Social and Historical Problem

Under the auspices of the Dr. Herzl Lodge, No. 1 Hebrew Order of David, an interesting lecture will be delivered by Chief Rabbi, Dr. J. L. Landau at the H.O.D. Hall, De Villiers Street, on Sunday, the 28th October at 8 pm. The subject of the lecture will be "Intermarriage as a Social and Historical Problem." Adv. M. Franks will preside. The public is cordially invited to be present.

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Johannesburg Symphony Society

FINE SECOND CONCERT

THERE was an exceptionally good attendance—indicative, one hopes, of the city's interest in good music—at the Wanderers Hall on Sunday evening last, when the Johannesburg Symphony Society, under the baton of Mr. Joseph Traunek, held its second symphony concert.

The programme on this occasion consisted of Handel's Concerto Grosso No. 3, Beethoven's Concerto No. 3 in C Minor, and Haydn's 7th Symphony in D Major. This latter was perhaps the best complete performance of the evening, though the Largo movement of the Beethoven Concerto seemed to be even better performed. This is a beautiful movement, full of deep feeling, and Mr. Traunek's interpretation brought out its full quality. Mr. Isidore Epstein was the soloist in this concerto. His performance, as one might expect from this fine player, was technically brilliant, and he was warmly applauded and recalled by the audience.

Handel's Concerto and Haydn's Symphony were equally warmly received. Mr. Traunek is undoubtedly a musician of fine sensitivity and especially in the Haydn Symphony was his keen musical sense displayed. He is an unaffected conductor, interested solely in the music he happens to be interpreting, and he has no time for the meretricious showmanship that has spoilt so many South African conductors who seemed to have promise. His orchestra is not yet under complete control, but this is a small imperfection which, one feels sure, will disappear soon. In the Handel Concerto Mr. M. Weinbrenn was the Violino Principal, and Mr. J. Kelly the Flauto solo.

Generally, it was felt that the orchestra had done even better than at the first concert, and there seems little doubt that it will eventually become an excellent combination.

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JOHANNESBURG HECHALUTZ

On the 11th of November the Johannesburg Hechalutz Organisation is organising a Grand Picnic to be held on the Chalutz Farm (Doornbosfontein). Tickets are obtainable from members of the Committee.

The Jewish History Section has proved a great success, and the lectures delivered by Mr. W. Rybko every Tuesday evening at 8.15 p.m. are of great interest. Physical Culture and boxing practices take place on Thursdays at 8.15 p.m. Hebrew Classes are held on Thursdays. Mr. Zadikoff is the Hebrew teacher, and the members show great interest.

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