Organisation for the Promotion of Traditional Judaism

Formation of Ladies' Section

CHIEF RABBI DR. J. L. LANDAU presided at a well-attended meeting of ladies which was held on Tuesday last at the residence of Mrs. C. W. Behrman, Bertrams, for the purpose of forming a Ladies' Section of the Organisation for the Promotion of Traditional Judaism.

The chairman, in opening the proceedings, drew attention to the great part played by Jewish women not only in Biblical times, but also throughout our history, and indicated how women to-day could likewise make a noble contribution towards the fostering of Judaism, especially in the home. He emphasised particularly the observance of Kashruth and Sabbath. He expressed the hope that this new movement would meet with success and would spread over the whole of South Africa. The chairman, in opening the proceedings,

Rabbi I. Kossowsky, who also stressed the importance of Sabbath and Kashruth, pointed out that the Organisation had been in existence for two years and whatever the results achieved during this period all would agree that there remained much to be done. In giving his blessing to the new movement, he sincerely hoped that the Ladies' Section would become a powerful force in the life of the community.

Rev. A. T. Shrock explained that the activities of the Ladies' Section would not be limited to the promotion of any one particular aspect of Judaism. He suggested that the Ladies' Section should organise lectures, study-circles, socials, and offer its assistance to institutions like the Hebrew schools, etc.

Rabbi S. Rosenzweig said that it was important that the Ladies' Section should exert every influence on youth and arrange necessary propaganda. He described the enormous difficulties that confronted the Organisation, and hoped that their struggles would not be in vain.

Rabbi E. Zimmerman recalled the many conversations he had with the Rev. Shrock during which great admiration was expressed of the excellent work being performed by the "Ben Zakkai" and "Sinai" Organisations in London. These would form models for our own work here. Mr. Jankelowitz endorsed these opinions.

All present promised their whole-hearted support. On the suggestion of Mrs. J. L. Landau, Mrs. Behrman was appointed convener for the next meeting which will be held on the 28th inst.

Jagersfontein - Fauresmith

Under the auspices of the Zionist Society, a social was held on the 5th inst., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. Savage. During the evening a competition was held, the prize for which was a clock presented by Mrs. Savage, which was won by Mr. E. Mazabow. As a result, the sum of £2 11s. 7d. was raised for the Jewish National Fund.

An "A. Z. Idelsohn" Evening

The "A. Z. Idelsohn" group of the Association of Jewish Groups is holding what promises to be an entertaining and instructive evening at the Elgin Hotel on Wednesday, the 5th June, when Professor P. R. Kirby, of the Witwatersrand University, will deliver an address on "The Musical Research of A. Z. Idelsohn," and Rabbi M. C. Weiler will speak on the "Life and Works of A. Z. Idelsohn." Musical illustrations will be rendered by members of the group.

Mr. D. Mierowsky will preside. All interested are invited.

Maccabi Athletes Welcomed Home

A happy function took place in Springs during the week, when the Springs Athletic Club held a special reception in honour of Mr. Philip Smith, the young Springs athlete, who did so well in the recent Maccabiah Games in Palestine. The Mayor ow Springs was present at this reception and extended to Mr. Smith the hearty congratulations of the whole sporting community of Springs. of Springs.

The Durban Athletic Club are arranging a similar reception in honour of Mr. M. Smith, the Durban sprinter.

League for a Working Palestine, Capetown

The next "League Evening" will be held in the Zionist Hall on Tuesday, the 4th June next. Mr. Jack Gordon will address the gathering. Further particulars will be announced later.

At a Tel-Hai evening, which took place some time ago, a substantial amount was collected for the "Binyan Tel-Hai Fund" which was inaugurated by the Histadruth. This money has since been forwarded to Palestine.



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Johannesburg Women's Zionis League

Langham Hotel.—On Monday after noon, at 3 p.m., at the Langha hotel, Rabbi M. C. Weiler will deliver a lecture on "Jewish Charity. During the course of the afternoon, Mr. A. S. Yahuda, who is here on a visit from London, will give a short address.

Yeoville.—An interesting literary after noon was held at the residence of Mr Mendelowitz on the 8th inst., at which the was an excellent attendance. Adv. Beatness Lipschitz addressed the meeting on "Tax Sacrifices of Giving." A vote of thanks the speaker was proposed by Mrs. J. How witch. Miss Jenny Israel rendered some delightful elegationary items. Mrs. S. Sieless of the speaker was proposed by M lightful elocutionary items. Mrs. S. Sid also addressed the gathering.

This branch is arranging a bioscope performance in aid of the J.N.F., to be held at the Yeoville Cinema, on the 10th June An excellent programme is assured.

Berea Branch.—Mrs. A. W. Katzen, of & Abel Road, gave a card evening on the 18th inst. in aid of the Jewish National Fund. A handsome sum of £15 was realised.

A bridge afternoon took place at the residence of Mrs. A. Lipschitz, Berea, on Tuesday, the 21st inst. This was arranged by Mesdames A. Lipschitz and I. Sachs in aid of the Jewish National Fund, which benefited to the extent of £7. The thanks of the branch are due to the organisers for their effort.

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