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EXECUTIVE.

The Executive draws the attention of societies to the final arrangements for the forthcoming Y.I. Camp. Rabbi and Mrs. Israel Abrahams will pay an official visit on Monday afternoon, January 1st, and the public is cordially invited to attend. One of the highlights of camp will be the screening of two newly released Palestine films at the Somerset West Town Hall on Thursday, January 4th. The Grand Ball takes place at the White House Hotel on Saturday, January 6th. Week-enders are again reminded that they must make application in the usual way.

OUDTSHOORN Y.I. SOCIETY.

A Chanukah Social was held in the Hebrew School on Thursday evening, 7th December. The Chairman, Mr. B. T. Arenstein, presided over a well attended meeting of about 67 members.

The Chanukah Candles were lit while Mr. A. Immerman conducted the Chanukah service.

The first item of the evening was a piano duet by the Misses M. Lipschitz and S. Gutstein. Their music was of a high standard and members heartily applauded their excellent effort. A musical item followed, rendered by the well-known Oudtshoorn Orchestra, namely Messrs. G. Treisman (piano-accordion), Hymie Miller and Harold Miller (mouth organs), M. Watkins (violin), and S. Lewis who sang.

The third item was a lecture on Chanukah by Mr. A. Tooch.

During the interval "latkas" were served to a surprisingly hungry audience.

The next item was a mouth organ solo rendered by Mr. B. J. Noieck, following which the Misses N. Friedman and I. Rabie gave a tap-dancing display accompanied by the orchestra who also played lively war tunes and Hebrew Folk Songs, the audience joining in.

Mr. A. Tooch proposed a vote of thanks to the members who helped to make the evening such a success. Before closing, the Chairman took the opportunity of wishing all matriculants the best of luck in their future spheres of life.

Most of the members of the society will be attending one or other of the forthcoming Zionist Youth Camps,

The Habonim Camp.

Once again by the "Wemmer Stream" is the encampment of Habonim, in that locality so favoured that it is the first to merit a visit in two successive years.

It is a bigger camp than last year's: instead of 30 bonim and 10 bonot there are now 60 and 20 respectively. The site is, however, very large and accommodates these numbers plus about 20 madrikhim and the 2nd Muizenberg (Jewish) Boy Scouts with ease.

The bonim are camping in two gedudim (Eneq and Galil) and the bonot as Gedud Sharon. Each gedud has its own kitchen and "dining-room" and provides a cook and an orderly gevutzan for the day.

A hive of busy bees descended on the camp-site on Wednesday, glorifying in the honour of being in the advance party and revelling in its work. They fixed up the headquarters with its tents and stores and hospital and got ready the camp-sites. Clearing the bush in places, getting staves and poles ready, making stores, and attending to the sanitation were their main jobs. A small group of budding engineers (or dock labourers) threw a dam across the river to improve the bathing amenities.

Yesterday a swarm of khaki-clad boys and girls burst out of the train at Wemmers Hoek in a hailstorm of rucksacks and bedding, and after a lively hike for a mile or two, descended upon the camp.

By to-day all is shipshape and sprightly: the qevutzot have been stabilised with the current rate of exchange quoted at a "worker" for a "slacker and a bottle of Iron Brew." The first camp-fire belied in its zest the tiring first day. Camp is making ready for the Shabat: for the sunset and the traditional stroll along the road, singing and swinging along, for the quiet of to-morrow, and the beginning of the new week.

Above all, camp is looking forward to seeing a host of parents and friends on Tuesday, 26th, and extends to them all a hearty welcome.

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TWO NEW RELEASES TO BE SCREENED.

Considerable interest attaches to the announcement that two new films depicting the great task of national reconstruction in Eretz Israel are to be released early in the New Year.

The first is a full-length film produced by the J.N.F. entitled "A Homeland in the Making." It presents a vivid picture of the latest achievements in land acquisition and general progress in Palestine, and was very well received when exhibited recently in Johannesburg and on the Reef. The film is exceptionally well produced and the English commentary is given by a B.B.C. announcer.

The second film has just reached this country and is called "There is Hope for Thy Children." It deals graphically with the work of the Youth Aliyah in its rehabilitation of young Jewish lives and the transplanting of Jewish children from countries of persecution to a land of new opportunities and freedom. It is a sound film similar to the former.

Both these outstanding pictures will be screened at the Town Hall, Somerset West on Thursday, January 4th, at 8.30 p.m. The show has been arranged in conjunction with the forthcoming Strand Young Israel Camp and the films are being hurried from Johannesburg for the occasion. Residents and visitors should note that these films will not be shown in Cape Town or district for some time to come and that the screening at Somerset West is for one night only—Thursday, January 4th. Admission has been fixed at the nominal sum of 1/6 plus tax.

Booking plans open shortly at the Zionist Youth Office. Phone 2-1904.

Youth Aliyah.

This campaign is now drawing to a close. There are one or two places which it is the intention of members of the Youth Aliyah Campaign Committee to visit, but it is merely necessary at this stage to request canvassers, who still have cards outstanding, to complete their visits and send returns in to the Honorary Secretary.

There is one pleasant item to report and that is that owing to the excellent work done by the Committee of the Wellington Zionist Society the total of the donations originally promised at the meeting which was held, have been almost doubled.

