



Vol. 5.

No. 3.

TABLE OF CONTENTS.

	Page.
Chanukah—Editorial	1
A Phantasy—By Rev. M. Konviser	2
Jews in Rhodesia—By Rev. M. I. Cohen	3
The Candid Page—By J. Cohen	7
The Art of Singing—By J. Evans	8
Early Days in Bulawayo	11
Our Sports Corner—By I. Scher	23
Some Jewish Aspects of the Laws of England—By Charles Weinberg	27
Hear and Hear, Salisbury Notes, Guild Notes, etc.	

EVERY YEAR A BONUS YEAR.

FOR ALL THAT IS BEST IN

LIFE ASSURANCE

CONSULT

THE COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY, LIMITED

WHICH HAS OCCUPIED

A Leading Position in Life Assurance on the Mutual principle
for more than Sixty Years.

The ramifications of the Society are Empire Wide.

Its Well-Invested Funds total
over £18,000,000.

BRANCH OFFICES IN RHODESIA :

Salisbury :

Manica House,
Manica Road.

Agencies throughout

Northern and
Southern Rhodesia.

Bulawayo :

Taramal House,
Main Street.

Head Office for Southern Africa : 106, ADDERLEY STREET, CAPE TOWN.

And at JOHANNESBURG, DURBAN, BLOEMFONTEIN, PORT ELIZABETH;
also LONDON, and all Australian States and New Zealand.

The Jewish Guild Journal

THE ORGAN OF RHODESIAN JEWRY.

Issued by the Bulawayo Jewish Guild Literary Circle. All communications to be addressed to P.O. Box 977, Bulawayo.

Vol. 5.

BULAWAYO, NOVEMBER, 1937—CHANUCAH 5698.

No. 3.

CHANUCAH

THE HELLENISM of Syria in the second century B.C. was but a pale reflection of the "Splendour that was Greece," but enjoyed the prestige of a brilliant world civilisation. Yet the feet of this "Golden Image" were of clay, and the outer brilliance and glory of Syrian Hellenism could not compensate for its inner corruption and moral bankruptcy. In the time of Antiochus Ephiphanes, Judea was surrounded on all sides by Hellenistic communities, and even within the tiny Jewish state, the ruling classes were largely dominated by Hellenistic life and thought. Allegiance to Antioch seemed the path to wealth and power and influence, and the attractions of Hellenism easily led to disloyalty to Judaism. The hostility of Antiochus and his friends eventually brought about a dread alternative. The Jews were forced to choose between apostasy and death. They were betrayed by their leaders. Could they find power to resist? How were these unarmed peasants to meet the attacks of Imperial Syria and its traitorous allies in Judea?

Now, long before this period, Ezra and his followers had begun a remarkable cultural work. They had created schools and colleges in which the scriptures were studied. They had created the Synagogue and its services. They had planted deep in the hearts of the people a knowledge and love of the national traditions and a devotion to the faith of Israel. Idolatry had been completely eradicated. The ceremonies of Judaism were devotedly observed, and the Temple was revered as the centre of the national religious life. The attempt to destroy this faith and to substitute the corrupt idolatry of the Hellenists was bound to arouse the opposition of a profoundly religious people.

The "rebels" were few at first, but they were prepared to "live or to die nobly." Martyrs kindled a flame of self-sacrifice that roused the people to a heroic resistance against apparently overwhelming odds. Faced by a long, a fierce war, the

inherent rottenness of the Seleucid dynasty manifested itself in the progressive crumbling of the Empire. First religious, and then political, independence was won, and the Maccabaeen War was followed by a remarkable development of the Jewish people in all directions. The religious evolution that followed was destined to have profound consequences for the future. The Maccabees have left an inspiration for all succeeding ages.

Tyranny renews itself in ever-changing form. It has been said that "without vision the people perish," but often, too, the inner faith that courts sacrifice and martyrdom, is also required to achieve liberty. The spirit of Daniel and his friends, of Judas Maccabaeus and his followers, can never become obsolete. The lights of Chanukah must illuminate consecrated hearts, or will fail to inspire. Is the Maccabaeen spirit dead in us, or the faith that wrought victory then, and so often since? The perpetual light in our Synagogues gives answer. The heroism of the Chaluzim in Palestine gives answer. The unseen-Maccabaeen-forces of the past will renew their evidence among us in our own days.

Let us be prepared.

GUILD HALL.

In view of the fact that the Guild Hall and the Minor Hall have become very popular lately it is essential that secretaries of all societies reserve the Hall for functions as far in advance as possible. Otherwise they may find that the Hall has already been booked.

It is absolutely necessary that the Hall be reserved for all functions—however small, even rehearsals and afternoon functions. This is to prevent clashing and also to ensure that the services of the caretaker and native servants are available.

Mr. Ben Baron is in charge of Hall bookings.

CHANUCAH---The Feast of Heroism

A PHANTASY

By Rev. M. Konviser, B.A., Salisbury.

You little lights! Burning so prettily on my window-sill this evening, I greet you, and I greet all those companions of yours, because you have once more heralded this charming feast of Chanukah.

I salute you, because you have taught me to kindle continually the star of hope in the twilight of despair. You have given me eloquently the inspiring message of this Festival.

You scintillate so beautifully in every Jewish home. Nothing seems to me more beautiful than this pious act which gives you life; nothing seems to me more wonderful than to see you shine; nothing seems to me more consoling than to think of those heroic adventures which you bring to mind. It is the great heroes that make history, and sublime history that makes immortal peoples, and it is to such a people, who has its origin in its ideal bond of its destiny linked with that of its God, that I have the honour of belonging—such is your humble yet very insistent message.

And now, this heroism, in what does it consist? In the sword? No. Actions which cause death are no great actions; what we admire in Moses, our teacher, was not his killing the Egyptian, but rather showing Pharaoh what Jewish principle meant; what we admire in Mattathias, the High Priest, was not his killing the few idolators, but rather his prompt refusal to worship these idols, which "have eyes but see not."

What we are celebrating to-day is not the history of a miracle, but the miracle of history. You are the symbols to remind us of this great truth and the other truths of our noble Faith. You remind us of a victory of truth over falsehood, a victory of Justice over iniquity, a victory of the unique God over the idols, a victory of the religion of Israel over paganism. For when these Maccabees died, they gave to their contemporaries and future generations the cult of the living God.

And so, I am indeed happy when I see you, because I now see how we, too, can kindle our torches at the flame of the old, yet ever new altars of Judaism. And though in an hour or so, you will have given up your soul in that thin streak of smoke, you will always make us conscious of the fact that the momentous struggle in which Greek

and Jew clashed arms, is not an isolated case in our history. Unceasing is the struggle between those who look upon life as beauty, and those who regard it as duty. But the ideal of that little band of Maccabees will never be forgotten, for they "held aloft the torch of pure religion at a time when the thick darkness was covering the nations."

We shall therefore remember that when we kindle you, O beautiful little lights, we shall also kindle in our hearts a perpetual enthusiasm for our age-long traditions. It will continue to fire our imagination and infuse into every fibre of our being a fresh love for our romantic and wonderful past. For "age cannot wither nor custom stale the beauty and the charm of this Festival of Chanukah."

You little lights! You shine with such modesty, and if I have placed you on my window-sill, it is because you have awakened in me all those wonderful thoughts of this feast of heroism; it is because I know of the twenty centuries of wanderings and sufferings; of the miracles; of our persistence; it is because I am confident that like your Menorah, the Faith of Israel shines and will always shine, because no power in the world will ever extinguish it.
Kislev 5698.

♦

HEBREW FOR ADULTS.

When we note the manner in which certain people say *Kadish*, or how many there are who are unable to follow the Service, we cannot help thinking that there must be many among us who would like to re-furnish their Hebrew. After all, we started English classes for Immigrants, why should we not start Hebrew Classes for the many adults who would like to take up study of Hebrew. Apart from those who would like to be able to follow the Services, there must be not a few who would like to study the language in a modern scientific way, so as to be able to get in touch with modern Hebrew literature.

Whether we want to join in singing Hebrew songs, or to join in Shool choir, or to read the current Hebrew Press, a knowledge of the language is essential. We invite all those who would like to take up the study of Hebrew to communicate with Rev. Cohen.

We do not believe that there will be very great difficulties in meeting a genuine demand. We say genuine advisedly, for people cannot learn a language unless they are prepared to give time to it; and even the ability to read fluently must take some time.

JEW IN RHODESIA

By the Rev. M. I. Cohen, B.A., M.B.E.

There are folk with whom one cannot argue, and still less enter into public controversy. Neither individuals nor groups are required to offer a justification of their existence, nor to furnish proof that they are making contributions of value to the life of the country. Yet one owes it to one's own self-respect to be able to offer such a vindication, and to be able at any time to give reasonable people information or explanations, tending to remove misunderstandings and to promote goodwill. Here, then, is a very brief and rough attempt at such a group vindication.

The Jews have been prominently associated with this country since its very beginnings. There were Jews in the Occupation Columns. Large numbers took part in the '93 and '96 and Boer Wars, and still greater numbers in the Great War. It is only necessary to mention the name of Alfred Beit, the great collaborator of Cecil Rhodes, and he was not the only Jew who supported the Founder. Messrs. Julius Weil of Mafeking played an enormous part in equipping the early settlers, and especially the troops in '96. At the first sale of stands in Bulawayo, Salisbury and Gwelo, Jews took a prominent part. The Bulawayo Hebrew Congregation was formed in 1894, the Salisbury Hebrew Congregation a year later, and the Gwelo Congregation a few years later still.

When I arrived in Bulawayo in March, 1900, there were some three hundred Jews in the town. Now there are about eight hundred: that is, there has been an average increase of about 13.5 per annum. This slow increase is due to three facts: (1) Low birth rate; (2) The small rate of immigration per annum when taken over a long period; (3) Emigration. The same causes have operated throughout Rhodesia, and the percentage of Jewish population to the whole has remained remarkably uniform, and is no higher than it was in the early days. But the fact that the Jewish population is long

established, and the immigration rate low, has had important consequences.

At the present time a very large proportion of the Jewish population of Rhodesia is Rhodesian or British born. Secondly, a large proportion of those foreign born has been here so long that they have become thoroughly integrated into the national life. And, thirdly, these two classes so dominate our communal life that they have created its standards, and newcomers are quickly absorbed and assimilated, not merely into the communal life, but also the general life of the country. Foreign born Jewish children are integrated into the life of our schools with remarkable celerity and completeness, and the same applies to our youth, who form the bulk of Jewish immigrants.

I have already indicated that we have taken our full share in the wars of this country. Can we justify ourselves in this peace-time records? Leaving out of consideration such men as the Beits, the Weils, Sir Edmund Davis, Sir Ernest Oppenheimer, what can we say of the local resident Jewish population? The Jews are workers. They earn their own living, and have always given employment to a very large number of whites and natives. They maintain their own poor, and are no burden on the State. By solidarity, mutual helpfulness and self-sacrificing effort, they have enabled their weaker members to become economically independent. They do not contribute to the poor white types, and are conspicuous for their happy family life, and for their devotion to their children. They created the Kafir business in this country and have played a dominant part in the cattle trade since the early Barotse days to the present time. They have contributed conspicuously to the establishment of Rhodesian industries. They have taken a very full part in mining enterprise, and though they have taken a lesser part in farming, they have done useful work in tobacco growing. They have taken no small

(Continued on page 5)

R. CHITRIN & CO.,

**Wholesale Merchants and
Direct Importers.**

Specialising in Kaffir Truck.

**88 FIFE STREET,
BULAWAYO.**

P.O. Box 375.

Phone 2052.

Phone 2002. Tel.: "Contractors." P.O. Box 247.

FOX & BOOKLESS

**Transport Contractors and
Warehousemen.**

**CUSTOMS CLEARING AND
FORWARDING AGENTS.**

**OFFICIAL AGENTS FOR SOUTHERN
RHODESIA SWEEPSTAKE TICKETS.**

104, ABERCORN STREET, BULAWAYO.

**ALL CLASSES OF IMPORTED TIMBERS,
DOORS, STEEL WINDOWS, PAINTS AND
OILS, ETC.**

**RHODESIAN TIMBERS FOR FENCING,
GUIDE BLOCK AND MINING CONSTRUCTION
GENERALLY.**

Obtainable Cheaper at

**RHODESIA NATIVE TIMBER
CONCESSIONS.**

Dial 3110.

Telegrams: "Hepker."

Bulawayo.

**TRY OUR
"INSULITE"**

(The Wood-Fibre Insulating Board).

**PITCHPINE—ALL-HEART—VIRGIN
QUALITY,
FOR ALL MINING CONSTRUCTION.**

Drink and Enjoy

SYPHON SODA WATER

**IT IS ECONOMICAL AND INEXPENSIVE,
BECAUSE**

**ONE SYPHON WILL SERVE FIVE GOOD
DRINKS.**

The retail price of H. & S. Syphons being 4/3
for ½ dozen; 9d. each; subject to 5% discount
for cash or prompt payment.

Serve Very Cold.

**HADDON & SLY,
FIFE STREET ——— BULAWAYO.**

JEWS IN RHODESIA—(Continued).

(Continued from page 3)

part in public life. The first Mayor of Bulawayo, Adolph Hirschler, was a Jew, and he was followed by three other Jewish Mayors, E. Basch, H. B. Ellenbogen and C. M. Harris. They and their wives have taken a very prominent part in every phase of life in Bulawayo, and Mrs. Basch was awarded the M.B.E. for her devoted Red Cross work during the war. Salisbury has also had its Jewish Mayors—Julius Van Praagh during the Boer War and Mr. Lezard, M.B.E., during the Great War. Louis Landau did notable work as a Town Councillor both in Bulawayo and Salisbury. One has only to mention such names as Mack, Harris, Nat Arnold, Bob Bernstein, Jack Goldberg and L. Braude to show something of the work we have done in Salisbury. Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson (M.B.E.) have done yeoman work in Gwelo, as well as Mr. Max Danziger and others.

Jews have been active members of Village Management Boards and Sanitary Boards all over the country. They took a prominent part in the establishment of our National System of Undenominational Education, and Mr. G. Sessel was the originator of our Eisteddfod. Jews are to be found working for all our public institutions. While C. Salomon, L. Landau, I. Pieters, J. Ralstein and M. Pevsner have been outstanding in charitable gifts, the general Jewish community are well known for their generosity in this connection. Jews have taken their fair share in the musical and artistic and cultural life of the country, and the Bulawayo Jewish Guild Hall is a beehive of activity in all these respects.

Devoted citizenship is not only compatible with, but presupposes, devotion to one's own group-cultural traditions, and the Jews and Scotch well exemplify this combination of complementary loyalties. Till the Great War Rhodesia was largely isolated from the great world without. The Jewish community of this country has, from a cultural and spiritual standpoint, been self-made. It has received very little assistance from without.

The Jews of Bulawayo have built a Synagogue, Communal Hall, and Hebrew School of which any community might be proud. They have provided every possible facility for the religious and cultural development of their community, and have always shown much solicitude for the welfare of their young people. The care of immigrants, their economical establishment and absorption into the life of the country, have entailed continuous self-sacrificing effort for the last forty years without intercession. Surely this is a work of national importance. This is equally true of Salisbury and of other centres in a lesser degree. There has been no parochial outlook in this connection, but the whole of Southern and Northern Rhodesia have been envisaged in the work of the main centres. Two main ideals have been preached from the very start and down to the present time. Our people are exhorted constantly to do honour to the Jewish name, and to fulfil the highest ideals of citizenship by taking the fullest possible part in public life, and in the fostering of the development of the country in all directions. The Jews of Rhodesia represent a positive and progressive element in the life of the country. By a long historic record of achievement they can not only justify themselves before any competent and impartial tribunal, but they have every hope, by a continuation of their efforts, of contributing still more richly to Rhodesian life and development in the future. There are Jews outside the communal organisation, and the creation of a sense of public responsibility in such a large section of the community is cause for legitimate congratulation.

In summing up, I cannot do better than to quote from a brilliant speech delivered the other day by Mr. Hofmeyr, that splendid humanist, at a meeting of the "Society of Jews and Christians" which is doing such fine work on the Rand, and a branch of which I should like to see established in Rhodesia. What Mr. Hofmeyr says of the Union is equally true of this country: "There is a very real danger in this insidious Anti-Semitic propaganda. In other countries it

(Continued on page 6)

JEWS IN RHODESIA—(Continued).

(Continued from page 5)

has been used as a means to destroy democracy. There are those who would like to use it in the same way in our land. We must not blind ourselves to the possible danger of anti-Semitism as a precursor of dictatorship. If we love liberty and democracy in South Africa, if we wish to maintain them, we must fight with all the power at our command anything which tends to subvert liberty and democracy. We should oppose the evil growth of anti-Semitism. It is not by stimulating hostility against a section of the people, but only by welcoming the contributions of all sections, that we can hope to build a great South African nation." Mr. Hofmeyr said he regarded anti-Semitism to-day as one of the things in the national life most evil, hateful and deplorable and entirely foreign to the spirit and tradition of the South African people. The South African tradition of hospitality, of welcoming the stranger within their gates, had been moulded by the Jewish book, "World conditions to-day dictate a selective policy as regards immigration, but once we have admitted strangers, it is a Christian policy to give equal treatment to all who have lawfully entered into our land. What I want to see is a nation which is a united whole, which comprehends the different elements within it, without destroying their diversity. But while my doctrine of assimilability does not want everybody to feel alike, it does want all South Africans to be first and foremost South Africans. While each element in the nation values and retains what is distinctive in its own heritage, it must regard that as a contribution to the common stock. It means a similarity, not a likeness, in our common devotion to South Africa. And this otherness of the Jew must be regarded as his distinctive contribution to the common stock of our nation. The Jews were welcomed to this country at the beginning and their qualities brought them prosperity, advancement and success. Now that success, to some extent, has brought its Nemesis. In some spheres the Jew was prosperous to an extent disproportionate to

the numerical element he constituted in the country. That had created envy, and blinded some people to the truth that the prosperity of one section of the community did not mean the impoverishment of the other, but the enrichment of the community as a whole.

If the Jew had not come to South Africa, it would have been an immeasurably poorer country. If, by the wave of a magic wand, all the Jews could be removed from the country, the shock to the country's prosperity and credit would be irreparable. I stand in gratitude at the thought of the part the Jew has played in the development of South Africa. The Jew has contributed, along with the rest of us, to the prosperity of the South African nation." In these notable words Mr. Hofmeyr has spoken for Rhodesia as well as for the Union.

ALIEN IMMIGRATION FIGURES.

There are some people who, whenever they refer to aliens, talk of "hordes" of them. At the last census in 1936 there were 53,484 Britishers in the country, and 1,923 non-British. Since that time British prosperity has caused a notable diminution in the desire to emigrate. On the other hand the desperate conditions in many other countries has created an immense necessity for emigration. Hence during the period May, 1936, to October, 1937, we have had 3,706 British immigrants into Southern Rhodesia and 410 European aliens, 64 Asiatics and 21 Coloured. There is therefore still a great disparity in favour of the British element, and the total percentage of aliens in the country to-day is little more than four per cent. Of course the figures in this connection have always been jealously watched by the Government, and as soon as there appears an undue element of aliens, more or less severe restrictions are imposed, and higher standards are exacted. Immigrants are not divided by religions, but I am sure that not more than one-third at the most of the alien immigrants since the Census are Jews. And the standard of these Jewish immigrants has been a high one for the most part.

THE CANDID PAGE

For long this page has plagued and stung to tears

The hopeful reader bent on things mischievous,

Expecting scandal for to pay arrears,
And juicy tit-bits fit to bust and leave us
Shocked at some dire disclosure anent the other,

And joyed to wink and whisper "Hush!
draw hither."

The page called candid held good promise for

A deal of light amusement, if no more.
Alas! The world's illusion, life's a snare;
The author proffered nothing that is rare.
In place of meaty matter, bad and bold,
It was but mawkish stuff when all is told.

Each quarter with dry politics he bored,
Or wrote in hackneyed style of Palestine.
Could he no better fare forsooth afford
Than Arab hate, or German, or Ukraine?
If truth were told, the page was read by few,
For who so critical as every Jew?

So now the time has come to call a halt
To vapid outpourings in pompous pilpul
prose,
Sans substance, grip and lacking earthly
salt,
For most of you and surely all of those
Who, when adjured to read a line for their
sake,
Turn pale, grow faint, and straightway plead
a headache.

Enough of rant on ancient foreign cables
From Tel Aviv and Berlin, Warsaw, Rome;
'Tis hard enough to tell the truth from
fables.
Let's talk of things much nearer dearer
home.
The local scene in this our own great city
Gives far more scope for language bright
and witty.

First the Shool, where thrice a year we meet
And high above the cantor's voice we greet:
"Good Yom Tov, friend, I do not like my
seat!"

On slightest pretext beat a quick retreat.
To speak of motor cars with due decorum
They advertised but failed to find a quorum.

The Guild, of which this Journal is a section,
Has much prestige and members eke to show
Who, though but sparsely seen at each election,

At other times survene and yield the dough
To pay for tea and jazz at every hop.
Where dress remains de rigueur, aught else
de trop.

Forgive, good friends, the trope just perpetrated.

The poet's lot is sad, my French is bad,
And head with tortured phrase for days is
sated.

Do better, Fetter, if you can, begad!
I give you leave to try your hand at diction;
If you excel, then all I say is fiction.

Reverting to the Guild with all its branches,
We cater now in many diverse ways
To guard the youth from Fortune's evil
chances.

Inside the hall on Sunday nights and days
We give them chess and bridge, and billiards,
snooker,
And other means to save their surplus lucre.

On top of this we ope our Circles wide
To English, Hebrew, Yiddish literati;
And members flaunting lofty highbrow side,
Preferring bookish talk to any party.
These come to lectures visitors deliver,
But not so those who dwell across the river.

I mean the Matjesumshlope's turbid stream
Which separates the town like whey from
cream.

On one side all the brains, or so they thinks;
The other's fond of golf and flogs the links.
What they do after dark when Venus blinks
To me is as the riddle of the Sphinx.

With sport our folk is more than well provided.

The Nomads show their mettle at the wicket.
At Badminton we cannot be derided.
Of golf I spoke in terms not wholly cricket.
You go to Parkvue for some atmosphere
And stop a frisky ball with your Berea.

A gentle word about the Journal here:
Contributors may modestly compare
Themselves with Hans Fallada, Feuchtwanger.

That's stretching it a bit too far, I fear.
Myself with equal justice could proclaim
That I and Shaw and Kipling are the same.

(Continued on page 8)

THE ART OF SINGING.

By Jean Evans, B.A., L.T.C.L., L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M.

Nature has not been equally generous of her gifts. To some she has bestowed with a lavish hand, to others less liberally, and to the great majority to a very limited degree.

Beautiful voices are not uncommon. They may be numbered by hundreds of thousands, and if voices were the only needed requisite, the supply of singers would far exceed the demand. A century or two may produce great interpretive artists, but were the works of composers to depend solely on the few, the public would be deprived of much musical enjoyment. The best teaching in the world cannot produce genius in any art, but good singers, who are now and always have been in demand, are the product of conscientious and scientific study.

Persistent effort, patient hard work, may more than make up for the lack of superior vocal endowment, and it is often those of mediocre ability who attain the height of their ambition. It requires more than mere voice to achieve this end, and the road to the top is not an easy path.

So few people realise the importance of the elementary work and many are deluded into believing that repertory and style alone are sufficient to become masters of vocal art. The most important part of vocal work is to conquer technique and to make that the solid foundation. With perfect technique it should be easy for vocalists, granted that they have sufficient musical intelligence, to give expression to every shade of feeling.

Although all the arts are the expression of human feeling, sculpture in form, painting in line and colour, music in a wider sense, might be termed the universal language of the emotions.

As the reading of best authors develops taste in literature, and the study of masterpieces of sculpture and painting is a step towards appreciating those arts, so hearing and listening to the works of great composers interpreted by good artists will help in the acquirement of good musical sense. The most unsophisticated person can see what inspired the painter or sculptor to express himself, but he cannot understand what music means nor what it is intended to express. Music is really on the same footing as painting—the only difference is that the artist formulates his impressions through the eyes, and the musician formu-

lates the direct expression of man's inner-most feelings.

One must feel music, not think it. It is the emotional appeal that is of real value. Many people go to concerts with a view to criticism, hearing only faults, the occasional wrong note, incorrect breathing, ignoring altogether the one quality which is the fundamental factor in the art. The public should consider art not as a matter of fashion, but should feel its true and profound enjoyment, and it is the artist's task through offering his best and most carefully prepared achievement to educate the public. He has a message to deliver; he is the link between the composer and the public, and this he endeavours to achieve with simplicity and sincerity.

Presupposing natural gifts, magnificent results may be accomplished by proper study, but even the most perfect method is not sufficient to produce a great singer. Musical intelligence, temperament, interpretive ability and an intellectual understanding of the work to be performed are most necessary for a finished artist.

The acquisition of the art of singing ought to go hand in hand with the other branches of education, for it is a most important aid to culture, and singing has a peculiar power of elevating the mind. It has been said that "Song is the basis of all music, and that in the human voice we have the most perfect and in fact the most wonderful of all instruments."

THE CANDID PAGE

(Continued from page 7)

A proper sense of values and proportion
At all times helps towards a good digestion.
Without resort to fanciful distortion,
This Journal is a mighty fine production.
But swollen head may grow into a tumour
And mortify the priceless sense of humour.

Now having made amends and set to rights
All past restraints and feeble want of candour,

I haste to add that malice sheer delights
Me not; in this I am no rude offender.
What profit could accrue if these my lyrics
Should send you into fits of mild hysterics?

Indeed, these lines are but a sad dismissal.
'Tis time to go; why wait till late for cue
Like warning gong—ding dong—or hooting
whistle?

I bid this candid page a last adieu.
Shalom! but not, I hope, auf wiedersehn.
My name this time, for rhyme, is

J. COHEN.

Guild Notes.

The two functions held before the General Meeting of the Guild consisted of the Annual Ball on the 2nd August and a dance on the 6th October, and I think it is generally agreed that both were very popular. The Committee departed from the usual practice of making the August function take the form of a Fancy Dress Carnival, as it was felt that for the last few years the number of members who took the trouble of making or hiring costumes for the occasion was very limited. Great care was taken in organising this dance. The hall was magnificently decorated, for which our thanks are due to Rev. Weinberg, who had only just returned with Mrs. Weinberg from a long holiday overseas. There were balloons and streamers and in general no effort or expense was spared to give the dance "the carnival spirit." The Committee was amply rewarded for its work by the large and enthusiastic attendance. The October dance was also very well attended and proved very popular.

Annual Meeting.—There was a large muster of members present at the Annual Meeting and the eagerness shown in the debates that arose and in the desire to serve on the committee indicates a new spirit in the community which is very pleasing.

Mr. B. Goldstein, in moving the adoption of the Report and Balance Sheet, reviewed the work done during the year. He stated that the renovations and the extension to the Memorial Hall provided an opportunity to extend the activities of the Society in new directions and full advantage was taken of the facilities that it offered. Mr. Goldstein dealt with the three resolutions passed at the last Annual Meeting, and said that the Committee found that it was not practical to establish tennis courts as part of the Guild, but the Society was instrumental in founding the Parkvue Tennis Club, which welcomes the membership of members of the Guild and the public in general.

The second resolution dealing with the billiards table was carried out in its entirety and the success in this respect was excellent. The facilities for playing badminton, which was the subject of the third resolution, was also arranged with some success.

Dealing with the matter of finance the Chairman stated that the results in this connection were very good and thanks were due to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. Landau, and the ladies of the Committee, for their splendid work during the year.

The Dramatic Section was only able to arrange two entertainments during the course of the year, which were very well received, but the Chairman felt that whilst functions of this nature were very much appreciated, there was a very limited number of members who were willing to assist in this section to produce the plays that they desired. Mr. Goldstein appealed to members for support in this respect, which was very much needed.

The Chairman concluded his speech by thanking the members of the Committee for the special effort they had made during the year under review, which made it possible to carry out with great success an unusually large programme.

The Report was seconded by Mr. H. B. Ellenbogen, in the course of which he reminded the meeting of the Idlers Club which was actually the foundation on which the present Guild was built.

There was some discussion in the case of the Literary Circle, but it was generally acknowledged that the high standard maintained by the Circle during the year fully warranted the expenditure.

The result of the election was as follows:—

Officers: Mr. B. Goldstein (President); Mr. A. Landau (Vice-President); Mr. N. Jacobson (Treasurer); Mrs. B. Rabinovitz (Hon. Secretary); Rev. M. I. Cohen (Hon. Chaplain).

Committee: Miss D. Rubinstein, Miss J. Salomon, Mrs. A. J. Lassman, Miss C. Margolis, Mrs. J. Blumenthal, Mrs. M. Bernstein, Mrs. I. Isaacson, Miss R. Blumberg, Mrs. W. Kaplan, Miss R. Rabinovitz, Mrs. C. I. Jacobs, Mr. C. I. Jacobs, Mr. B. Baron, Mr. C. Landau, Mr. A. Sarif, Mr. J. Cohen, Mr. R. Sarif, Mr. I. Isaacson, Dr. L. Weinberg, Mr. C. Gershter, Rev. A. Weinberg (Hon. Life Member).

Hon. Auditors: Mr. L. Rubinstein, Mr. S. Rabinovitz.

The new Committee commenced its term of office with a dance on the 9th November which was a great success and, providing the finances of the Guild permit, it is hoped to hold a dance every month, which will be additional to any other form of entertainment that the Committee may arrange.

It has been suggested that there are a number of people who would like to play bridge at the Guild during dance nights and as an experiment such facilities will be provided at the next dance, and if sufficient demand is shown, there will be no difficulty in arranging for this to be one of the features at our dances.

(Continued on page 12)

Two Lines Thoroughly
Recommended.

EXPRESS SALAD OIL
BEST FOR SALADS, FRYING, ETC.

EXPRESS BAR SOAP
FOR ECONOMICAL USE.

Both these lines are obtainable at all
Leading Grocers.

INSIST ON "EXPRESS"

Manufactured in S. Rhodesia.

J. FRANKEL,
SALISBURY.

Wholesale Merchant.

KAFFIR TRUCK
A Speciality.

EUROPEAN LINES ALSO
STOCKED.

Business done throughout the two Rhodesias.

SPEKE AVENUE - P.O. Box 230.

Every Penny
goes further
at

MORRISON'S

MAIL ORDER RHOD. (PTY.), LTD.

31a Ninth Avenue,
BULAWAYO.

P.O. Box 1017

Phone 3217.

ASK OR WRITE FOR OUR
: LATEST CATALOGUE :
(Issued free on request)



THE FATHER OF ALL SCOTCH WHISKIES

EARLY DAYS IN BULAWAYO.

INTERVIEW WITH MRS. ROSE JACOBS.

"When I look back at the two score years spent in this town, I feel proud of our people in Bulawayo who have always been in the front rank of all benevolent and charitable activity. I am so glad to see that the younger people are following in our footsteps and that every cause for charity, irrespective of creed and colour, receives a ready response on the part of our co-religionists. Very often we even top the list!"

The above remarks were made to a representative of the *Guild Journal* by Mrs. Rose Jacobs, who may rightly be described as the "grand old lady of Bulawayo Jewry." Mrs. Jacobs has been associated for the past 40 years with almost every benevolent and charitable endeavour in Bulawayo. She has been one of the foundation members of the Loyal Women's Guild and has done yeoman service during the Great War.

"I arrived in Bulawayo over forty years ago. Mine was the first Jewish wedding in Bulawayo. There was no Jewish Minister then, and no Synagogue. There was not even a Chuppah, and together with a few other Jewish ladies we made the Chuppah. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Joseph Sabar, to whom I should like to pay tribute. He had not been an official marriage officer, and some correspondence took place with the High Commissioner regarding his recognition as such.

"At that time there was a goodly number of Jewish men and women in Bulawayo. They all shared the hardships and vicissitudes of pioneer life. When the rebellion broke out soon afterwards, the Jewish men joined on horseback to defend the white community, and a few Jewish women helped in every way to look after the defenceless women and children."

The first ladies' society was the Ladies' Un denominational Society, formed by Lady Heyman, which did excellent work in helping in all cases of distress. When the Society was founded, Mrs. Jacobs, who was a member of the committee, carried out a canvas amongst the Jewish settlers, as a result of which £25 was handed to the treasurer—a most substantial sum in those days. Mrs. Jacobs has known personally most of the original pioneers and founders of Rhodesia, and their wives. As an excellent raconteur

she has many stories to tell of the spirit of friendship, selflessness and self-sacrifice which prevailed amongst the people of Bulawayo in the early days.

Whilst in the Cape she had established a close friendship with the late Mr. Jan Hofmeyer. He was, remarked Mrs. Jacobs, a poet in the full sense of the word. Every blade of grass, every flower contained a message for him. He impressed upon me a lesson which I should like to hand over to my younger co-religionists, namely, that in every public endeavour one should avoid the limelight and try and work hard behind the leaders.

Speaking of the Great War, Mrs. Jacobs stated that she is proud of the fact that our people had a full share of the great relief work done in those days by the people behind the lines. As for actual service the Jewish sons of Rhodesia had served in excess of their proportion to the general population, and this fact was publicly recognised by Sir Bouchier Wrey. As for our Jewish women, they were simply wonderful. Some of the poorer amongst them who could not afford to attend meetings and donate money, offered to sew and do needlework for the soldiers. By the end of 1914, Mrs. Jacobs formed a Society entitled "The Jewish Ladies' Work Committee." The object of the Society was "to make and collect such articles as are enumerated in Sir Frederick Treves' list of requirements of the British Ambulance Society." Amongst those who served on the committee were Mrs. Heyman Hepker, the late Mrs. Basch, the late Mrs. C. Salomon, Mrs. L. Landau, and Mrs. Palco. Whilst many of the records of the excellent achievements of this Society are not available, Mrs. Jacobs possesses a box of correspondence which she greatly cherishes. Some of the letters have an epic touch and are well worth reproducing here. One is a copy of a letter written by Lieutenant Col. W. Tanner, General Staff Officer of the Divisional Headquarters, "C" Force, Luderitzbucht, South-West Africa, and is dated 23rd November, 1914. It reads as follows:

"I am instructed by the General Officer Commanding 'C' Force, to thank you for the veils you have so kindly sent up for distribution to the troops under his

EARLY DAYS IN BULAWAYO

(Continued from page 11)

command. They are most useful in protecting the eyes during sand and dust-storms, which are very frequent in these parts, and they are much appreciated by all who received them. The veils have been issued to the Natal Carbineers, and another 500 would be required to complete the issue to this regiment. They prefer the green colour with the elastic band. The ordinary light motoring veils appear to be the most suitable material, mosquito netting would be much too large a mesh to keep out the dust. The veils are worn round the hats like pugarees, or carried in the pockets when not in use, and are worn hanging down over the face and tucked into the tunic at the neck during the duststorms.

"As you say in your letter, we have to sit or lie for long hours in the sun without protection, there is nothing else to sit or lie under, as there are no trees, no bushes, no grass, nothing green in the country except the veils, for which every member of the force who has received one is grateful to the sender."

Mrs. Jacobs recollects that hundreds of these veils were made by the Jewish women of Bulawayo and sent off to South West Africa. Amongst her correspondence there were numerous letters from the military authorities in East Africa, South West Africa, Salisbury and Livingstone thanking the Jewish Ladies' Work Committee for comforts sent to recruits. One letter signed by the Commandant General of the B.S.A.P. and dated 16th December, 1915, concluded with the words: "I shall be much obliged, if you will express to the Jewish ladies my warmest thanks for the kindly interest they are taking in our troops on active service in Northern Rhodesia." Another letter is written under the head of the Belgian Legation, Belgrave Square, London, S.W., and is dated January 5th, 1915. It acknowledges receipt of a "useful selection of garments for which I must thank you and the many members of your Committee very sincerely. The serge dresses, petticoats, boys' suits, etc., will give much comfort to many of my suffering and destitute compatriots and they have already been included in one of the large consignments that have been just sent over to Belgium." The letter concludes with the words: "on behalf of my countrymen I beg to offer you my very sincere and heartfelt thanks for the kindness and generosity that

has been expended by the members of your Committee."

A similar letter signed by the Consulate de Belgique refers to the fact that the ladies of the Jewish community have undertaken to clothe a hundred Belgian children.

Mrs. Jacobs also mentioned the wonderful work done by the Jewish community here towards the relief of the Jews of Poland and Ukraine at the last stages of the war. "Many non-Jewish residents of this country have often helped me and I remember with gratitude the various gifts both in money and in kind received from various people." Referring to her recent assistance in the National Fund Work for the W.Z.O., Mrs. Jacobs thought that if God grant her strength, she would continue with this important work. "I should like to urge our young people to work steadfastly for the upbuilding of Palestine. It is a great and noble undertaking, and every Jew ought to do his share."

G.

GUILD NOTES

(Continued from page 9)

The Dramatic Section is now busy rehearsing "The Maitlands," a three-act play, which will be staged on the 14th December. Mrs. Stanhope is the producer and there is a cast of ten performers. It is quite a long time since the Guild produced a full three-act play and the present performance will no doubt attract a large audience.

The Guild tennis tournament, which was played on the Parkvue courts, was very keenly contested by a record number of both ladies and gentlemen. The winners of the handicap tournament were N. Fredman and Mrs. E. S. Cohen, with C. Ralstein and Mrs. Hodes as runners-up.

The play for the singles championship has, at the time of writing, not been completed, and here again it was pleasing to see a record number of competitors.

We are expecting during the December holidays the visit of a Salisbury Guild cricket team which will play against our team for the Kaufman Cup. The tentative arrangements that have been made are that the team arrives in Bulawayo on Saturday, the 25th December, and will play on the following Sunday and Monday. The Guild has appointed a sub-committee to deal with the entertainment of our visitors, but no final decisions have been made in this respect.

BULAWAYO CHOVEVI ZION

There was an excellent attendance at the semi-annual general meeting of our Society, which took place on the 25th of November. Mr. O. Kaufman who presided dealt with the activities of the Society for the past few months and noted with satisfaction that the committee has been active in every direction of Zionist endeavour. The Keren Hayesod campaign has been completed most successfully and the same applies to the National Fund Drive. The Society has been represented at the South African Zionist Conference and for the first time in the history of Rhodesian Jewry we had a delegate at the Congress. Mr. Kaufman then referred to the recently established South African Advisory Zionist Council a meeting of which he had attended in Johannesburg early in November as a representative of Rhodesian Zionists. The meeting has fully convinced him that the council has fully justified itself and is bound to do some good work in the cause of Zionism. At the same meeting he had occasion to meet Mr. Justice Frumkin, of Palestine, who is now on a visit to South Africa in the interests of the Hebrew University. He hoped that this valuable institution would receive every assistance.

Mr. Rev. Cohen then addressed the gathering on the present position in Zionism and in conclusion referred to the work done by Mr. Samuel Rabinovitz on the Zionist Committee. He then called upon the chairman to present Mr. Rabinovitz with a Golden Book Certificate of the National Fund.

After thanking the committee for the honour extended to him Mr. Rabinovitz delivered a detailed address on his impressions of the Zionist Congress at Zuerich. He thought his presence there as a delegate a great compliment not only to himself but also to the community in Rhodesia which he represented and he wished to take the opportunity of thanking the Federation and particularly Mr. Lasar Braude who enabled him to serve in the capacity of delegate. It was a great experience which he could not share with his audience by mere words. Mr. Rabinovitz then described the composition of the Congress, the various parties, leaders

and delegates. He contrasted the types of Jewry met at an international gathering of this nature. He then went on to describe the momentous debate on partition and to explain the attitude taken up by the South African Delegation in voting for the majority resolution. The speech, which lasted for over an hour, was listened to with utmost attention by all present. A vote of thanks to the speaker was proposed by Rev. M. I. Cohen.

An interesting innovation of the meeting was the Zionist literature stall in charge of Mr. Dubitsky.

OBITUARY

MR. NATHAN RABINOVITCH.

A gloom has spread over the community through the lamented and untimely death of the late Nathan Rabinovitch. I remember the day when he and his sister first came to the Hebrew Classes. Their attendance, conduct and general demeanour made me eager to meet their parents and see their home.

"Natie" was remarkably popular at school, and a fine athlete. He attended School regularly and was a staunch supporter of Young Israel. Whenever he undertook a job, he did it thoroughly, and we could always rely on him. He did splendid work for the Guild, until business compelled him to spend most of his time on the road. He was esteemed all over the country, and was on terms of personal friendship with a host of clients. They could all depend upon him as we had learned to do. He was as devoted an employee as he was devoted as a son, brother, husband, father and friend. And what a loyal Jew he was! Any symptom of anti-Semitism distressed him, and how he loved to attend our functions and services whenever he had the opportunity!

In his domestic life he was most happy, and his death is a tragic bereavement to those near and dear to him. To his dear wife and lovely little daughter, to his parents, to his sisters and brothers, our profoundest sympathies are extended. All the wonderful devotion of his family and friends could not save this precious life. How vain are all words in the presence of such a tragedy. We are left silently mourning with the bereaved.

May gentle time bring some measure of consolation and comfort. The fragrant memory of his gracious personality will never fade away from those who knew and loved him. The memory of the righteous is forever blessed.

M.I.C.

For Value in

Underwear, Drapery, Household Linen, Stationery, Kitchenware, Crockery, Cutlery, Tools and Brushware, go to

Economy Bazaars

LIMITED.

BULAWAYO,
Abercorn Street,
Box 712.

SALISBURY
Speke Avenue,
Box 491.

UMTALI,
Main Street,
Box 138.

NDOLA,
Opp. Hotel,
Box 181.

Also at **LUSAKA** and **LUANSHYA**.

Kosher Meat.

BEST QUALITY OF

KOSHER BEEF & MUTTON DAILY.

WE SPECIALISE IN

Kosher Polonies, Sausages,
Smoked Beef, Mutton, Etc.

Charter Butchery

OFFICIAL KOSHER MEAT PURVEYORS TO THE
CONGREGATION.

P.O. Box 56. Phone 217.
Abercorn Street, Bulawayo.

Progress Soap, Oil and Chemical Co., Ltd., Bulawayo.

Box 548.

Phone 2095.

Manufacturers of the Famous:

O.K. BLUE MOTTLED SOAP,
O.K. YELLOW SOAP,
WESTMINSTER SOAP,
PROGRESS SOAP,
O.K. CARBOLIC in Cartons.

Soft Soaps, Washing Soda, Caustic Soda,
Brilliantines, and also the Finest

O.K. COOKING AND SALAD OIL.
OIL CARES FOR CATTLE FEED.

Insist on your Grocer for our
Brands.

"DAWN CHRONOMETER"



HIGH PRECISION
TIMEKEEPERS IN
MANY
DELIGHTFUL
DESIGNS.

May we post you our
Illustrated Catalogue?
FREE.

Our Range of
MODERN
JEWELLERY
represents the finest
value in the country.

Trade Inquiries
Invited.



**THE RHODESIAN WATCH &
JEWELLERY CO., LTD.**

"THE GIFT HOUSE."

ABERCORN STREET, BULAWAYO.
Phone 3488. (Wholesale & Retail.) P.O. Box 997.



HEAR AND HEAR

By "EAVESDROPPER."

A WELCOME RESPITE.

It is pleasing to report a lull in the feverish communal activity that has been our lot within the last few weeks. Most societies have gone into recess for the next two months because of the heat and because of the fact that so many of our "organisers" are to be away at the Coast. To these we wish a pleasant time.

HAPPY OCCASIONS.

There was a sundowner celebration of Miss Dora Gordon's engagement to Mr. Barney Bloom, of Salisbury. Some of his family came down for the event and we were happy to meet them. Mr. and Mrs. Rothbaum were recently "at home" on the occasion of their silver wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Favalsh entertained the whole town when their daughter Joyce became engaged to Mr. Mandelstam. Mr. D. Soffer has announced his engagement to a lady from Escombe. We will have to wait till the Christmas week-end to meet Mr. Herbert Lassman's fiancée. Mr. and Mrs. Lassman made a dash to Salisbury for the celebration of the engagement. A very young Miss Gershater, and an equally young Master Brenner have made their appearance in Bulawayo. The weddings of Mr. and Mrs. Wertheimer, of Germany, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fox, and Mr. and Mrs. Len Michaela, were recent gay affairs. And we have many more weddings to look forward to in the near future.

A weekly Barmitzvah has been the slogan, and the lucky boys to date have been Jackie Brenner, Harold Jacobs, Raymond Feigenbaum, Jackie Rubenstein.

OUR VISITORS.

Mr. Lumie, whose home has until recently been in Switzerland, gave us some delightful hours of music. Mr. D. Dunsky and Mr. W. Cohn, of the Union, gave us some very inspiring talks on Zionism and the Jewish situation. On their return visit from Salisbury, they were accompanied by Mr. B. S. Leon, of Salisbury, who added his quota of inspiration. It was Miss Gerber's interesting way of celebrating her twenty-first birthday by inviting members of the Young Israel Society and others interested to meet and listen to these speakers.

Mr. and Mrs. Michelson, sister and brother-in-law of Mr. I. D. Fryde, came here on holiday, but did some very useful work on behalf of the Cape Jewish Orphanage. They both declared they were charmed with Bulawayo and its people. Mr. Michelson is writing a Yiddish history of the Jews of South Africa, and he was good enough to tell a gathering of the Yiddish Speaking Circle about it. Miss Rogaly was a Johannesburg visitor staying with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ellenbogen. Dr. Sonnabend spent three weeks here, during which he gave a lecture to the Literary Circle and worked on the English translation of his book. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cohen were happy to entertain their sister, Mrs. Jacobs, and her fiancé, Mr. Hurwitz. Miss Flaum

is a visitor to Bulawayo. A lady who comes from Palestine, she has done a good deal of travelling and is extremely interesting on, and interested in, many subjects.

OF PARTICULAR INTEREST.

The versatility of the Margolis family.

The fact that Mrs. Evans was the soloist at the first Municipal Orchestra concert.

The growing popularity of the singing of Hebrew songs at all Jewish functions.

The intense activity that is a Sunday morning feature at the Guild Hall. The Habonim meet there, the young bloods play bowls, the Guild rehearses a play, the Hebrew Congregation has a meeting, the Library is open for the exchange of books, and Mr. Gershtater conducts his Hebrew classes.

FAREWELL.

We were reluctant to say good-bye to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Friend and family, who have now settled in Salisbury. We met, some of us, at a farewell function to bid God speed to Mr. M. Bina, who is now in Cape Town.

WELCOME.

We are pleased to have with us Miss Leanora Granger, who is doing architectural work; Miss Brenda Arcenson, who is in the Art Section of "The Bulawayo Chronicle"; Mr. and Mrs. Symmonds and Mr. and Mrs. Samuels, Mrs. Sonnabend, who, with her young daughter, has joined Mr. Sonnabend of "Masco's." It is a far cry from Paris to Bulawayo, but we hope she will be happy here. Miss Marcia Sale and Miss Peggy Rubenstein are two young people who "have come home" again. Mr. H. Bradlow, who has decided to make Bulawayo his home, has promised to give the Literary Circle a lecture towards the end of January. Mr. and Mrs. Shragger, of Salisbury, have now settled here, and Mr. Shragger delighted us with some excellent jokes at the recent Chanukah function. Miss Rachael Sandler, the radiologist, has paid one of her periodical visits to Bulawayo.

HOME AGAIN.

Mrs. M. Ralstein is back again from a trip to Italy. She has the happiness of looking forward to the wedding of her son Alex to Miss Daphne Rubenstein. Dr. R. Sandler came back with her. A visit to Berlin was included in her interesting itinerary. Mr. Oscar Marcus and Mr. Simon Marcus have many interesting stories to tell about their visit to London, New York, Bucharest and Paris.

OUR FUTURE INTELLECTUALS.

Girls: Hazel Haimowitz was awarded the second prize in poster drawing for Empire Shopping Week. Bertha Wasserson carried off the Junior Tennis Cup. Zlona Cohen received the Rhodes Literary Prize in Form V.; her sister,

(Continued on page 16)

JEWISH LADIES' COMMUNAL LEAGUE.

The activities of the League continue and the demands are growing from day to day. The members of our committee are in constant touch with hospitals and mental homes and we feel that a lot of very necessary and useful work has been put in by our League in that direction.

We are hoping to augment our funds in a substantial way with the co-operation of the various societies, by holding a bazaar early in the coming year. We know that we have never appealed to our public in vain and that this effort will prove a very great success. Our ever-helpful public, we feel sure, will realise how much their help means to us.

We would welcome new members, especially in the outside districts, where we hope to establish a real interest in our work.

We had a visit from the Rev. and Mrs. Michaelson, on behalf of the Cape Town Orphanage, who in a very able manner pointed out the urgent need of this deserving institution. This orphanage, built many years ago to accommodate two dozen children, now accommodates over 100 without any buildings having been added. We feel that this cause is very deserving of support.

Again we are responsible for part fares to the seaside for children joining the Habonim Camp.

It is difficult to give in detail our activities, which cover a very wide field, but we sincerely hope that our supporters will continue to co-operate with us as they have done in the past and help to bring in new members.

A. LANDAU,

Hon. Secretary.

LOUIS LANDAU HEBREW SCHOOL.

During the last week of November Rev. M. I. Cohen carried out an examination in all the classes of the Hebrew School. In addition two pupils are taking Hebrew in the J.C. Examination, and one pupil took the Proficiency Test of the S.A. Board of Jewish Education. The Barmitzvah Examinations were also held recently and we are glad to note that nearly all boys who were Bar-

mitzvah in Bulawayo last year have sat for the examination. The Barmitzvah Examination was set by Mr. D. Mierowsky, Director of the United Hebrew Schools of Johannesburg, and comprised a number of questions dealing with Jewish history, ancient and modern, Laws and Customs, and present-day Jewish knowledge. For the first time since the Barmitzvah Examination was established, two girls took the examination. Both have passed and one came second in the order of achievement. We hope that in future all senior girls will take the examination.

Prizes: The Education Committee announces the following prizes, which will be awarded to pupils of the school out of the proceeds of the Louis Landau Bequest:

Barmitzvah Examination—

Scripture: 1st Prize, £2 2s.; 2nd Prize, £1 1s.

Hebrew: 1st Prize, £2 2s.; 2nd Prize, £1 1s.

Best Junior Boy: A Kiddush Cup.

Scholarship for pupil passing Hebrew in the J.C.: £10.

The prizes and certificates will be awarded this year at a special Chanukah function which is to be held at the Guild Hall on Sunday afternoon, 5th of December. It is hoped that a large gathering of parents, pupils and friends will be present.

HEAR and HEAR

(Continued from page 15)

Naomi, was the winner of the Birchenough Prize for Geography in Form III. Sonia Krikler recited at the Eveline School Speech Night, received Honours in the Intermediate Trinity College Elocution Examination, and carried off the Birchenough Prize for Geography in Form II. Her cousin, Phiona Krikler, received the Birchenough Prize for History in Form IV.

Boys: Abe Abrahamson was the winner of a Birchenough Prize for History in Form IV, and an Elocution Prize awarded the Milton School Council. Leon Nussbaum was another Birchenough Prize winner for English History in Form IV. The Baldachin family performed the hat trick, when Ann and Basil won Rhodes Trustee Prizes at the Convent School.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES.

A Guild Three-Act Play on the 14th December.

A visit from the Salisbury Guild Cricket Team over the Christmas week-end.

A play with a junior cast, some time in January.

Salisbury Notes

Remascence.

THE heading of this column is too large a word to be applied to the doings of so small a community as ours, yet it is difficult to find a word that would cover the meaning so well. Many factors have contributed towards the greater interest which is now shown by the younger members of the community in all things Jewish. In their own sphere there is much more co-operation, and things that a year or two ago appeared to them as not necessary now seem quite usual. In the main all societies have benefited by this, and there is an excellent attendance at all meetings. Naturally the bulk of the social functions were staged by the Guild, although the W.Z.O. too, are going steadily on their way.

While this is all very gratifying there is, of course, a fly in the ointment, and in this case it consists of some little difficulty which we have to contend with in our religious bodies. They are, however, periodical, and like Jews we usually get over them. Finance is, of course, the root of the trouble, and this being the case we at least have the saving grace of preserving our good humour and dignity, even after acrimonious discussions. Salisbury has learnt that whoever disagrees with any particular opinion does not necessarily disagree with the people holding opposite opinion, and thus there is no necessity of severing friendship; particularly as each side works for what he thinks is the good of the community.

The Benevolent Society, the Zionist Society and the Guild all finished up with very satisfactory balance sheets. The amount of money standing to their credits is not the criterion by which prosperity is gauged. It is the membership that counts, and the amount of support, particularly moral support, that is given by the members which indicates the true state of affairs. Our community has been particularly honoured by the election of Mr. B. S. Leon to the Advisory Council of the Zionist Executive in Johannesburg. This has created a fresh interest in Zionism. We can now get first-hand information of what is being done at Headquarters, and of late we have been able to explain the necessity of Zionism to a larger number of people here than has been possible previously.

A number of people are leaving for the Union during this year end, and it would seem that a number of Committees will be denuded of their members for a month or two, but by February everything should be in full swing again.

SALISBURY HEBREW CONGREGATION.

The annual general meeting took place on Sunday, September 12th, but we only got as far as the discussion of the Balance Sheet. A few measures led to considerable discussion, and owing to lack of time the meeting was postponed until October 10th. The meeting confirmed a further contract of three years for their Minister, Rev. M. Konviser. At an increased stipend. The Committee for the ensuing year consists of the following:

President: Mr. H. Shapiro; Vice-President: Mr. B. I. Hoffman; Treasurer: Mr. H. Krikler; Secretary: Mr. N. Krikler; Assistant Secretary: Mr. N. Price; Committee: Messrs. S. Gruber, M. E. Kaplan, I. Pichanick, B. S. Leon; Examiners of Books: Messrs. C. E. Nathan and A. M. Hoffman.

HEBREW SEPHARADIC SOCIETY.

This Society held its annual general meeting in the Duthie Hall on Sunday, September 5th, when a resolution was passed rescinding the system for Hebrew tuition owing to the fact that the parents desired to pay for this themselves, and that there was a drain on the Society's funds. The resolution was passed with only two dissentients. The President's report showed that very small progress was being made, but nevertheless the financial position is getting stronger every year. The following are the officers elected for 1937/8. President: Mr. B. D. Almeleh; Vice-President: Mr. L. Samia; Gabbhai: Mr. M. Alhadeff; Treasurer: Mr. J. Taruca; Secretary: Mr. M. Banatar; President: Hebra Kadiasha; Mr. J. C. Benatar; Committee: Messrs. A. Benzonna, J. N. Alhadeff, S. Habib and Moise Levy.

Since this meeting Miss D. Lessem has undertaken the tuition of the children.

SALISBURY ZIONIST SOCIETY.

Much greater activity has taken place of late, particularly in view of the reports that Mr. B. S. Leon, the President, and Rev. M. Konviser were able to bring from the Conference in Kimberley, in addition to the heavy spade work done by the Vice-President, Mr. C. E. Nathan. All Zionist meetings that have been held were well attended, and the last meeting under their auspices, which took place on November 22nd, called at very short notice, was particularly well attended by the younger section. This is just as well, because the object was to establish a Youth Movement Society here. Two very able lecturers, Mr. I. Dunskey and Mr. W. Cohn, kept us enthralled with their very straight talks on matters which concerned us and which we probably did not notice, or shut our eyes to. The Youth Movement duly came into being and the election of officers to take charge of the Society resulted in the following being elected:

Chairman: Mr. J. Pichanick; Vice-Chairman: Mr. S. Levinson; Secretary: Mrs. J. Pichanick; Treasurer: Miss M. Paul; Committee: Messrs. S. Jones, L. Bloom, I. Gruber and H. Stern.

Officers of the Zionist Society are as follows:—

President: Mr. B. S. Leon; Vice-President: Mr. C. E. Nathan; Treasurer/Secretary: Mr. H. Bersin; Committee: Messrs. H. S. Court, B. D. Almeleh, H. J. Hoffman, Rev. M. Konviser, Mr. H. Shapiro, and Mr. T. Rabinowitz; Messrs. F. Jacobson, D. and R. Lessem and Mrs. Konviser.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

The annual general meeting was rather poorly attended when, in the absence of Mr. B. I. Hoffman through illness, Mr. I. Lasovsky occupied the chair. The balance sheet reflected a satisfactory year of

(Continued on page 19)

SALISBURY NOTES.

(Continued from page 19)

sky and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Court and family, Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Hoffman and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hoffman and family, Mr. M. Sklar and Miss "Babs" Sklar.

MR. B. S. LEON ON "PARTITION."

The following is an extract from a lecture given by Mr. B. S. Leon to the Salisbury Zionist Society on his return from the Conference at Kimberley. He discussed the question of partition from his own point of view. It should be of interest since opinion is divided on the question of partition. Mr. Leon has been appointed a member of the Advisory Council and recently returned from Johannesburg, where he attended a meeting of this Council.

H. S. C.

"I should like to mention the fact that though the Conference was against partition, they did not wish to withdraw their confidence from our leader, Dr. Weizman, who has a certain amount of faith in partition. Only one man spoke in favour of partition, and withdrew his resolution when he realised the spirit of the meeting, which I think is a pity.

"Personally I am in favour of partition for various reasons. First of all, I do not believe in helping to civilise the Arab at our expense, nor to encourage him in his progress and education. Our policy for the last fifteen years has been to work with him and to make him our equal. If we continue to do so our task of creating a National Home becomes almost impossible. In a race for future supremacy they will win, for time and numbers are in their favour. The time is passing when we could say that one Jew was equal to five Arabs; to-day they are nearly our equals. We cannot hope to win a home of our own if we carry on like this. In my humble opinion we must proceed on our own; develop our State with our own resources, and leave the Arabs to theirs. Let them progress, or revert to their nomadic life if they choose.

"In this very Hall about six years ago, Dr. Weizmann stated, 'My first duty is to put 500,000 Jews into Palestine and then they will be able to take care of themselves.' We can see now what he meant and if the present 50,000 Jews have given us the right to a Jewish State, then Dr. Weizmann's ultimate policy to put 2,000,000 Jews into Palestine or part of Palestine, quickly, is a sound one. He then went on to state that if we could only bring 2,000,000 Jews into Palestine it would open such a wide perspective that even he was not yet ready to dream of it; because he believed in the forces of our people. I think as he does, that abolition of the Mandate is a prelude to the evolution of the Balfour Declaration. It is a different path, but we must choose to follow it, because that is the way to greater accomplishments.

"From these remarks you can see what his hopes are for the future. His hopes are our hopes, and I would like to see every Jew support him, and whatever the outcome of the findings of the Commission, we must try to support our leaders more and more if we are to succeed.

"After reading in the 'Eleventh Hour' the long letter from Mr. Marks to Mr. Ormsby Gore,

and also that of our great leader, Mr. Ussiskin, I consider that Dr. Weizmann's scheme of partition shows greater chance of success and a quicker and surer way of securing a National Home.

"One thing that comes to my mind is that an influx of 2½ to 3 million Jews in the next twenty-five years will mean that the Arabs will also increase to that extent, if not more; but whereas we will have progressed, the Arab, left to his own resources, will either remain stationary or will retrogress, with results that must be obvious.

"One school of thought that I should like to see developed, and which would suit us Jews living in the British Empire, is to try to get the Jewish State to be part of the British Empire if it at all possible; thus ensuring in this way protection from the inside, and prestige outside."

Mr. Leon also dealt with his impressions of the Zionist Conference, and particularly the Youth Gatherings at Kimberley. The seriousness of their deliberations and the talent and enthusiasm of the young people; the manner in which their well-informed and eloquent young leaders dealt with problems confronting Jewry to-day, made him feel that here indeed was the nucleus of the statesmanship, vision and courage required for the establishment of a Jewish Parliament in Palestine.

THEY SPEAK OF JEWRY

"WHAT makes anti-Semitism so peculiarly revolting is that Our Lord in His human ancestry was a Jew. It is said that the standard of commercial morality among the Jews is low. I am not in a position to judge as to how far this is true; but apparently commercial morality among Christians is sometimes far from what it should be. On the other hand I have known Christians who have been employed by Jews to speak in the highest terms of their employers. There is no doubt that the Jewish race has its own contribution to make to the well-being of South Africa."—The Right Rev. W. Parker (Bishop of Pretoria).

"SOUTH AFRICA will not have any ghettoes, and if I understand the sense of fairness and of freedom in this country as I have seen it in my time, the people of South Africa would never contemplate a solution of that kind with regard to the Jews or any other section of the people."—General Smuts.

"OF late, we have heard a clear challenge to the democratic ideal. . . . The people of America are rightly determined to keep that growing menace from our shores. No one cherishes more deeply than I the civil and religious liberty achieved by blood and anguish through many centuries of Anglo-American history.

"Since the earliest days of the American colonies, down through the years, we have a record of patriotic participation by Jewish citizens in the establishment and maintenance of the United States both in peace and war."—President Roosevelt.

"WE believe that the purpose of God for the Jewish nation was not that they should not pass on the lesson He had taught them to those who lived in spiritual darkness, throughout the world. A spirit of national arrogance is threatening this country and unproved accusations against the Jews are disturbing the possible co-operation of the various races."—'Church Weekly.'

W.Z.O. NOTES.

W.Z.O. activities since the last report in the Guild Journal have continued with unabated vigour, the chief immediate task being to raise money for the National Fund. In this connection special thanks are due to Mrs. Rose Jacobs, Mrs. Myer Solomon, Mrs. H. Radowsky, Mrs. I. Sarif and Mrs. B. Rubinstein for their individual efforts in helping the committee towards the realisation of its programme. The initiative displayed by these ladies is much to be admired and is thoroughly appreciated.

On September 29th the W.Z.O. was "at home" to a large number of members and friends at a combined Succoth Evening organised by the W.Z.O. and sponsored by all the other Jewish societies in Bulawayo. An address by the Rev. M. I. Cohen on the significance of the Succoth Festival was followed by music and song rendered by Mrs. L. Lieberman and Mrs. I. Fliegelman, Mrs. Fliegelman giving generously of her talent with extra numbers which were loudly acclaimed. Mrs. L. Fredman gave a number of humorous Jewish readings interspersed with original humour of her own. Other humorous sketches were read by Miss Celia Margolis, to whom special thanks are due for coming forward at short notice.

Mrs. Joe Ellenbogen was hostess on October the 26th, when the W.Z.O. was addressed by the Rev. Michelson, who, with Mrs. Michelson, was on a short visit to Rhodesia. He spoke of the influence of the Jewish mother and the Jewish home in fostering religion and imbuing the young with a sense of Jewish nationality. Mrs. I. Kollenberg read a number of interesting news items. Mrs. D. A. Blumberg, in moving a vote of thanks to the speakers and to the hostess, emphasised that it was necessary for Jewish women to realise their responsibilities to a greater extent.

Dr. Sonnabend was the guest of the organisation on the 9th November, when Mrs. L. Y. Schur was the hostess. He spoke of the present anti-Jewish movements in the Union of South Africa and indicated how these movements were being countered by responsible Jewish bodies in the larger towns. Some people, he said, were of the opinion that this was not the time to try and impress upon the general public how the Jewish people had contributed to civilisation and to prosperity and culture in the Union, and this reminded him of the story concerning the Yeshiva-bochur, the sun and the moon. The Yeshiva-bochur being

asked which of the two he considered the more important—the sun or the moon—replied that the moon far transcended the sun because the latter appeared only in the daytime when there was light in any case. He, Dr. Sonnabend, felt that in these dark days for Jews light was needed all the time. News items were read by Mrs. W. Kaplan and Mrs. C. I. Jacobs proposed the vote of thanks.

While these lines are being written, arrangements are still in hand for the Card Evening which has been organised by the W.Z.O. to take place at the Guild Hall on the evening of Sunday the 28th November. It is hoped that the function will be well patronised.

ANNA COHEN,

President.

LEARN A TRADE—An appeal to the Jewish Youth of South Africa.

To Jewish youths, about to decide on their future careers, we say: Do not take up a blind-ally occupation. Learn a trade.

To the Jewish parents we say: The greatest security you can provide for your children, is to enable them to learn a trade.

Economists throughout the world say: The rapid changes which the world is undergoing, point to the gradual curtailment of private commercial spheres and the introduction of Government Trusts, Co-operatives and Monopolies of one kind and another.

Recent history has amply and tragically demonstrated that whenever a change takes place in the social and economic structure of a country, the middle-man, the person engaged in trading and commerce, is the first to suffer and to go under.

The future of South Africa lies in industrial and agricultural development, and we must see to it that greater numbers of our youth learn trades and industrial occupations.

We have excellent trade schools, technical colleges and schools of agriculture, and the Jewish youth should make use of them in greater numbers.

Jewish youth, ensure your future by learning a trade.

(Issued by Ort-Oze, Association for Jewish Labour and Health, S.A. Branch, Johannesburg).

MEIKLES' ASSOCIATED HOTELS OF RHODESIA

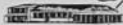
BULAWAYO - GRAND HOTEL
 CONCESSION - MEIKLES HOTEL
 GWELO - MIDLANDS HOTEL
 HARTLEY - HARTLEY HOTEL
 SALISBURY - MEIKLES HOTEL
 SELUKWE - GRAND HOTEL
 UMTALI - CECIL HOTEL
 UMTALI - ROYAL HOTEL
 VICTORIA - HOTEL VICTORIA

— CONTROLLED BY —

THE THOMAS MEIKLE TRUST & INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

Recommended by
 THE AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION
 OF RHODESIA

— and the —
 Royal Automobile Club - South Africa



Approved by
 IMPERIAL AIRWAYS
 and its
 Leading Tourist Agents

Accommodation can be arranged at any of the above by application to the office of one of its associated Hotels.

The Oldest yet the Most Modern

ELLENBOGEN'S have been established in Rhodesia since 1897, and it has been their aim to keep up with the Furnishing Styles of the times. Consequently Ellenbogen's stock of Furniture and Furnishings is the largest and best selected in Rhodesia.

CALL AND SEE FOR YOURSELVES.

ELLENBOGEN & CO.,

Bulawayo and Salisbury.

HORTORS LIMITED.

SOLE DISTRIBUTORS:

UNDERWOOD TYPEWRITERS
 MONROE CALCULATING MACHINE
 ORIGINAL ODHNER CALCULATOR
 RONEO-NEOPOST FRANKING MACHINE
 SUNDSTRAND ADDING MACHINE
 G.F. ALL STEEL OFFICE EQUIPMENT
 ACME VISIBLE RECORD SYSTEMS
 OZALID SENITIZED PRODUCTS
 KALAMAZOO LOOSE-LEAF SYSTEMS
 Etc., etc.

WILLOUGHBY'S BUILDINGS,
 Selborne Avenue, BULAWAYO.

P.O. Box 767.

Telephone 2240.



OUR SPORTS CORNER.

By I. SCHER.



Writing up the news in this section has always been a most interesting diversion, yet, as the writer, I have never been able to rid myself of the impression that the same people do the same things, year in and year out. What I mean is that their efforts do not appear to be directed at any particular goal, and there is a lack of ambition to extend beyond a certain standard.

Obviously, all that satisfies is to leave things as they are, without the slightest inclination to seek fresh fields outside those to which they have become accustomed in the past. There are, particularly amongst the youth leaving schools, athletes who have excelled in various branches of sport; youngsters who are bright-eyed and fit, yet, through lack of encouragement, allow themselves to become flabby, blasé, and adopt an attitude of unbecoming self-importance which is turning a good foundation laid by the schools into inconspicuous rubble.

During an interview with the Rev. M. I. Cohen on this subject, he pointed out how a great deal could be done to further the sporting activities of Jewish youth, not only in Bulawayo but throughout Rhodesia, by an endeavour to bring out latent talent. Rev. Cohen has always been enthusiastically interested in seeing the physique of Jewish youth reach a standard which would turn weaklings into men who, by reason of their athletic perfection, would command the admiration and respect of their fellow citizens. The field of sport can attain this end where a study circle, literary circle, or debating section would fail. A great deal can be done in furthering and widening our sporting activities, and I firmly believe that the Young Israel Society constitutes a body which can effectively undertake this scheme. A certain amount of forethought would soon bring home to them the Jewish National importance of fostering the movement.

The main idea would be to contact the Jewish youth of Rhodesia; to encourage them to improve the standard of whatever sport they participate in; to keep fit and hardy, with the object of holding a competition in Bulawayo at a certain date in order to pick a team to send to the Maccabi Trials held in Johannesburg. This in itself affords a worthy object, and even if the con-

testants would not be selected to go to Palestine, they would have had the opportunity of meeting South Africa's finest Jewish athletes. If they do go overseas, well, the honour of meeting the finest Jewish athletes in the world in their own land would be an enviable one.

Very little appears to be known of the Maccabi, but the reader can be assured that the organisation, which consists of 150,000, and amongst which are many of the world's top liners, is universally supported. A glance through the paper issued by the Maccabi called "The Maccabi World Union," indicates only too clearly how prominently Jews figure in European sporting circles.

As an instance, I notice that six Austrian Jewish swimming champions—three men and three ladies—were selected to compete at the Olympic Games in Berlin. They were, incidentally, suspended for refusing to take part, but an indication of how indispensable at least one lady—Miss Judith Deutch—was is shown by the fact that this ban was raised in her case to allow her to participate at the London Maccabi swimming gala.

Then we see that a crowd of three thousand witnessed a water polo match at the Maccabi Swimming Pool in Haifa between a Maccabi team and a Syrian team. It is, however, impossible to give here even a brief summary of the activities of this Society.

The Maccabi Games are held once every two years in Palestine, and sees a gathering of the finest types of Jewish athletes in the world. Therefore, our object in view, although perhaps a very ambitious one, is definitely worthy of most serious thought. It would be an invaluable effort on behalf of our numerous boys and girls leaving school, not to speak of certain outstanding boxers, runners, etc., included amongst the elder section.

GYMNASTICS.

There is a movement afoot to form a gymnastic section which it is hoped will receive the support it deserves. Previous attempts have been made to form classes,

(Continued on page 24).

You have yet to discover the
FINEST BICYCLE for Rhodesia . . . if you have not seen
the

"PHILLIPS"

POPULAR MODEL

For quality, for value, for general outstanding excellence you will find this model very hard to beat! It has been specially produced for the Rhodesian market and represents an entirely British-made product of outstanding merit

Sole Agents and Wholesale Distributors:

THE RHODESIA ECONOMIC CYCLE WORKS

P.O. Box 156
Phone 2649

Telegrams: "Lieberman"
114 Abercorn St., Bulawayo

PHONE 2608.

CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY, LTD.

Wholesale
Merchants,

FIFE STREET,
BULAWAYO.

P.O. BOX 256.

OUR SPORTS CORNER.

(Continued on page 23).

but for some reason have petered out. Gymnastic displays, particularly if they are good, are always popular.

I believe that in 1903 the Jewish youth of Bulawayo formed themselves into a club called the Idlers, with a gymnastic and cricket section known as the Wanderers. Many of our present prominent citizens participated in the activities, and, with Mr. A. Bernstein as instructor, often gave gym displays which drew the total Jewish population of three hundred men, women and children into the old Guild Hall. In addition, there were many prominent citizens present who were agreeably surprised, and formed different opinions than those they previously had. With the increase in our ranks to almost 900, I feel sure that the men and women of to-day could put on a display which would make us feel proud of our Jewish youth.

CRICKET.

While speaking of impressions, it is unfortunate that the Nomads have been unable to continue their matches against country teams. They had formed many valuable connections, and left a spirit of goodwill wherever they went.

Preparations have been made to meet the Salisbury Jewish Guild cricket team in Bulawayo during the week-end on the 26th and 27th December. I hear that Salisbury are determined to take the Cup back with them, and are working very seriously to achieve this end.

The Nomads played their first practice match against an Indian XI on the 21st November. The Indians batted first and made 160 runs, leaving the Nomads very anxious in the knowledge that they had one hour and 20 minutes in which to pass this score. They did it, however, and scored 198 runs at the expense of seven wickets. The best Nomad scores were: S. Barnett 51, A. Grevler 43, J. Baron 25, and N. Thal 36. N. Thal also took four wickets.

At a meeting held recently Mr. S. Barnett was elected captain of the Nomads, with Mr. A. Grevler as vice-captain.

Through rearrangement of the Cricket League, it has been impossible to fix matches owing to the fact that not only were players not available, but it has been impossible to obtain a playing ground on Sunday mornings as they were all being made use of by the Cricket League.

(Continued on page 25).

OUR SPORT CORNER.

(Continued from page 24).

TENNIS.

It is gratifying to note that Guild Members playing for Parkvue have been doing extremely well in Bulawayo tennis circles generally. Miss H. Gerber is, without doubt, still in her top form, and has recently twice represented Bulawayo against Midlands. Mr. T. Zacks was also invited to participate in representative matches against Midlands. The Guild is also very proud of the achievement of Miss H. Radowsky and Miss H. Gerber in their winning the Callies Club ladies open doubles championship, playing for Parkvue. These two ladies, together with Mrs. W. Kaplan, Mrs. C. Treger, Miss J. Solomon, Mrs. A. Kaplan, Miss Aberman, and many others, have been particularly successful in First League tennis competitions in Bulawayo.

It is obvious from this that the Guild is providing a constant source of players of which the community can be justly proud. Also obvious is the fact that Parkvue has been instrumental in bringing out much hidden talent, and, as mentioned in a previous issue, the Guild will find it increasingly difficult when selecting players for their inter-town matches. Some of the most promising and hitherto unknown players, amongst whom we see N. Fredman, C. Ralstein, S. Sher, A. Sarif and many others, are showing excellent form, and will no doubt retain previous Guild standards in the tennis world.

Guild competitions being held at Parkvue have shown many surprise results. The intense heat does not appear to damp the enthusiasm of the players spiritually, though it may do so physically. The mixed doubles were won by Mrs. E. S. Cohen and N. Fredman, the runners-up being Mrs. Hodes and C. Ralstein. At the time of writing there are no other results available in view of the fact that the other matches have not yet been completed. The men's singles are being keenly contested, and the matches have all indicated that the winner, whoever he may be, will have to fight hard for his victory.

It is pleasing to note that the tournament has been run with precision, and has indicated methodical organisation which was conspicuous by its absence in a previous tournament. The catering arrangements, however, leave room for improvement. The present system of mobbing the table where tea is being served does not appear to be quite as it should, and it is generally felt that arrangements similar to those by other clubs would be very satisfactory.

LITERARY CIRCLE NOTES.

Since the last report of the activities of the Circle we have had only four functions, but these have been well attended and have proved very successful.

On the 11th of October a "Living Newspaper Evening" was held. Humorous and interesting papers were contributed by Mr. C. Gershater, Mr. J. Cohen, Mr. H. Goiz, Mr. C. Landau, Mr. E. Zacks and Mr. Max Gordon, whose "Sermon of the Week" was particularly amusing.

Lucky travellers in the person of Mrs. A. Weinberg, Miss M. Boyer, Miss R. Blumberg, Mr. H. Goiz and Mr. B. Goldstein on the 25th of October told a large and interested audience of their experiences in many lands.

During his short visit to Bulawayo Dr. H. Sonnabend was again kind enough to address the Circle. His subject, "Jewish Realities," proved stimulating and provoking and was discussed avidly.

The Chanukah function held on the 29th of November was very enjoyable, and our thanks are due to Rev. M. I. Cohen, Rev. A. Weinberg, Miss Brenda Aaronson, Miss L. Solomon, Miss R. Rabinovitz and the enthusiastic vocalists of the Young Israel Society.

As is our usual custom, we are going into recess for the month of December, but hope to commence our functions at the beginning of next year with renewed vigour.

CECILIA MARGOLIS,

Hon. Secretary.

Messrs. Hy. Baron and Jack Palte have obtained their "A" licences for flying. Mr. B. Goldstein has already done his "solo" and expects his licence shortly. Dr. Weinberg is, of course, an old hand at the game. This is quite in the tradition of Jewish sky-piloting.

BULAWAYO JEWISH
GUILD

FORTHCOMING FUNCTIONS:

December 14th:

"THE MAITLANDS"

Three-act Play produced by Mrs. Stanhope.

December 25th:

VISIT OF SALISBURY GUILD CRICKET
TEAM

S. S. GROSSBERG

Wholesale Merchant,
Fife Street.

DIRECT IMPORTER OF KAFFIR TRUCK,
CLOTHING, ETC.

STOCKISTS OF THE

ES-ES-GEE PLOWS

and all kinds of Plow Parts.

Telegrams: "Grossberg." P.O. Box 377.

BULAWAYO.

C. Salomon & Kaufman,

LIMITED,

BULAWAYO and SALISBURY.

Box 380.

Box 338.

**General Wholesale
Merchants.**

LARGE ASSORTED STOCKS OF KAFFIR
TRUCK.

WIDE RANGE OF GOODS FOR EUROPEAN
TRADE.

PLOWS AND PLOW PARTS.

Leather and Grindery Department.

Sole Stockists of

SALCO AND SALOMONDER PLOWS.

Telegraphic Addresses:

"Salomander," BULAWAYO;

"Salomander," SALISBURY.

Quality
Fashion
Shoes
FOR
Ladies
AND
Men



For the Best
Values, try
Cuthberts first

CUTHBERT'S

8th Ave., BULAWAYO.

H. B. Ellenbogen

**THE
KAFFIR TRUCK
SPECIALIST**

Wholesale Only

BULAWAYO.

P.O. Box 323.

Corner MARKET SQUARE and FIFE
STREET.

SOME JEWISH ASPECTS OF THE LAWS OF ENGLAND.

(Continued from Page 27).

lish Law, and his office is regulated solely by his agreement or contract with the Congregation.

About 1760 the London Committee of Deputies of the British Jews was founded and received statutory recognition. This committee is now popularly known as the Jewish Board of Deputies. It is the representative body of the Jews in England to which every synagogue in the British Empire is entitled to elect one or more deputies, a general election being held every three years.

In 1842 a congregation of Jews was formed under the title of the West London Congregation of British Jews, with a reformed ritual. This new body was refused recognition by the Jewish Board of Deputies, acting under the advice of The Chief Rabbi and other eminent ecclesiastical authorities. However, the West London Synagogue applied to Parliament and a special Act was passed granting the Congregation powers and privileges equivalent to the Jewish Board of Deputies.

Since the return of the Jews to England in the Seventeenth Century, it has been the custom of the Courts to comply as far as possible with Jewish religious scruples. Arrangements have been made for cases in which Jews are parties or necessary witnesses not to be taken on a Saturday or other Jewish Holy Day.

A Jew has been excused from giving notice of dishonour of a bill of exchange on a Jewish Holy Day on it being proved that it was his custom to keep his place of business closed on the Sabbath.

Jews who object on religious grounds to mark a ballot paper on the Sabbath Day may, if the Poll is held on a Saturday, have their votes recorded by the Presiding Officer. This privilege, peculiarly enough, may only be exercised on a Saturday, but not when the Poll takes place in any other Jewish Holy Day, no matter how important.

A Jew who owns a factory may, if he closes his factory until sunset on a Saturday, employ his staff from sunset until 9 o'clock in the evening. If he closes all day Saturday, he may either employ his staff an extra hour every day or open on Sundays.

A Jewish barber who closes his shop on Saturdays, may carry on business on Sundays. So great has Jewish emancipation become, that in an election by parishioners of a vicar, Jews are entitled to vote, but not Roman Catholics!

According to English Law, a marriage must be solemnised with open doors, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., and in the presence of two witnesses. But a Jewish marriage may take place behind closed doors at any time and witnesses are not necessary.

As far as his personal capacity is concerned, there is now no limit to the heights to which a Jew may attain in England. He may become a member of the British Cabinet, like Lord Samuel and Mr. Hore Belisha. He may become the Master of the Rolls, like the late Lord Jessel. He may become Attorney-General, Lord Chief Justice, and even Viceroy of India like the late Lord Reading. He may become Governor-General of one of His Majesty's Dominions, like Sir Isaac Isaacs. There is one exception. A Jew may not become Lord Chancellor. Such an appointment would be unconstitutional.

Disraeli once said that Providence would deal good or ill fortune to nations according as they

dealt ill or well by the Jews. This is not to say that persecution of the Jews involves the ruin of the state. It is true, however, that a persecuting state contains elements which may ultimately ruin it. History verifies this profound saying.

The three greatest nations in the world are noted for their liberal and just treatment of the Jews. Other nations, particularly the dictatorship nations, have brought the condemnation of the world upon them by reason of their Jewish policy, a policy inspired by hate and envy. Jewry is still wandering in the desert of racial hatred. The "Promised Land" has yet to be reached. Seldom in history have the Jews passed through such difficult times as at the present. The Jewish National Home has been given with one hand and snatched away with the other. The Holy Land is once again the scene of terrorism and bloodshed. How will it all end?

For the present we must rest, assured that behind us, protecting us and helping us is the power and influence of Great Britain, whose domestic laws, as we have seen, recognise the right of the Jews to live as a free people, politically and spiritually, to enjoy and practise the principles of their religion without let or hindrance and to join equally with their fellow citizens in the government of the country in which they live.

It is the confidence in this great Power which must still inspire hope and optimism in every Jewish heart.

Authorities consulted: Hansell on "Ecclesiastical Law"; Macpherson on "Charities"; Halsbury's "Laws of England"; Chitty's "Statutes."

(Copyright reserved).

Smoke the Best.

**JOHN CHAPMAN'S
IRISH MIXTURE**

Sold Everywhere.

Rhodesian Trade Enquiries should be
addressed to:—

Messrs. Feigenbaum Bros.,

P.O. Box 354, Bulawayo.

USE BRENCO

FLOOR POLISH, STOEP POLISH
SCOURING POWDER, DISINFECTANT

Obtainable at all Stores

Manufactured by

THE UNITED SOAP AND CHEMICAL
WORKS LTD.

P. O. Box 873.

BULAWAYO

Phone 3214

When you call for whisky and soda ask for

“SPEY ROYAL” AND
SODA

---and see that you get it!

GUARANTEED **10 YEARS OLD**

Distilled by W. & A. GILBEY, LTD.

Trade Enquiries:

THE UNION AGENCIES,

BOX 2, BULAWAYO.

BOX 746, SALISBURY.

BULAWAYO CHEVRA KADISHA

The annual general meeting of our society took place on Sunday, November 21st, at the Guild Hall. There was a good attendance. Mr. D. A. Blumberg, who was in the chair, expressed the sincere regret of the society at the losses sustained by the community during the year under review. He referred in particular to the death of Mr. Robert Aserman, who had been a member of the Society for some 30 years.

In submitting the Annual Report the Chairman commented on the good work done and on the spirit of co-operation and devotedness which prevailed among the members of his Committee. He called attention to the very small revenue derived by the Society from the Mikvah and thought that the loss on this institution should be made good by the Synagogue authorities.

The Chairman stated that 15 free loans were granted during the year, and he was glad to report that the Fund was fulfilling its functions by giving assistance to needy co-religionists.

Mr. M. Abrahamson, Treasurer of the Society, gave a survey of the financial position, which he considered most satisfactory. There were ample funds for loans in cases of need. He thought that measures should be taken to rebuild the present premises of the Mikvah. He also thanked all members of the Committee as well as the Synagogue authorities who had helped them in various matters. In the discussion which ensued, Messrs. P. Landau, S. Rabinovitz and A. Weinberg participated. The adoption of the report was then moved by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. H. B. Ellenbogen, who complimented all concerned on the fine work done during the year. The election of officers and Committee resulted as follows: Messrs. D. A. Blumberg (President), Max Baron (Vice-President), M. Abrahamson (Treasurer), M. L. Price (Secretary), A. Weinberg, Moses Rabinovitz (Hon. Life Vice-Presidents), A. Jacobs and S. S. Grossberg (Trustees), Ben Baron (Hon. Legal Adviser), L. A. Rubenstein (Hon. Auditor), O. Kaufman, M. Chitrin, L. Kaplan, S. Kivelowitz, M. King, S. Rothbaum, P. Shawen, S. Schiff, S. White, M. Middledorf. Ladies' Committee: Mesdames A. Weinberg, Weiner, Treger, Schiff, Margolia, Rothbaum, Kivelowitz, Bloch, Cohen, Szmeler. The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

THE MACCABEES

By H. LIPTZ.

Arise ye sons of Maccabee
The trumpet sounds the hour;
Your swords will set your people free
From tyrants' crushing power.

No more may Satan so profane
Our ancient holy shrine;
No more must heathen presence stain
The House of the Divine.

May Hannah's sons in spirit show
Their sacrifice not vain,
And be your aid to overthrow
Aggression's wicked reign.

Recall the years of Israel's pride
That feed the mystic flame,
And in your hearts let but abide
The thought of Israel's name.

From hillsides let the trumpet call
To battle with the foe;
May retribution swiftly fall
And tyrants overthrow.

The spirit of your past ne'er dies,
Unquenched, immortal fire;
It sanctifies your people's cries
And strengthens when you tire.

Unfurl your banners in the breeze
And point to David's shield,
Recruits to join you Maccabees
Will follow to the field.

The hosts approach you thousands strong
With Satan as their guide,
To God let all your thoughts belong
And in His trust confide.

Fight on ye sons of Maccabee
Till victory be won;
From Israel Satan's hosts will flee
And vengeance will be done.

PALESTINE LECTURE AT "TEN CLUB."

On Sunday night, October 17th, Abe Abrahamson delivered a lecture to the "Ten Club," a club formed at the Milton School for the discussion of political and social problems. The subject was "The Palestine Mandate." He outlined the fundamentals of Zionism and went on to the McMahon Pledge, the Balfour Declaration, and the Mandate. He then described modern Palestine and contrasted it with the Palestine of the Turkish Empire. The speaker then answered various questions.

Mr. Lloyd, the chairman, in moving a vote of thanks, said that the speaker had delivered a most instructive address, and that he was qualified to talk about Palestine, not only because his race was keenly interested in Palestinian affairs, but because he had made a comprehensive study of the subject.

D. E.

H. GORDON & SON

Wholesale Grocers, Wine and
Spirit Merchants.

AGENTS FOR:

ROYON 3-STAR FRENCH BRANDY.

GRIERSON'S No. 1 VAT WHISKY.

MARTIN'S V.V.O. WHISKY.

Box 85, Fife Street, BULAWAYO.

Tels.: "NILTON."

P.O. Box 68.

THE HOTEL NILTON, SHABANI.

The Half-way House to the
Great Zimbabwe Ruins.

Proprietors:

RALSTEIN BROS. & KRIKLER.

This Hotel is one of the most up to date in Southern Rhodesia. 30 Bedrooms with hot and cold water service in every room. Electrically lighted throughout. Water-borne Sewerage. 6 Lock-up Garages. 3 Sample Rooms. Spring Dance Floor. Radio Reception. Golf and Fishing, etc. Its Cuisine, etc., is recognised as comparable with any hotel in the country.

TERMS MODERATE.

Apply MANAGER.

Landau Bros., Ltd.

Wholesale General Merchants.

BULAWAYO.

Up-to-date Stores of Kaffir
Truck of all description at
competitive prices.

Sole Agents in Rhodesia for
"ALPHA" & "BETA" PLOUGHS.

P.O. Box 347 - Bulawayo.

Telegram: "LANDAU."

WHOLESALE ONLY.

OSBORN'S QUALITY BAKERS.

WHY DENY YOURSELF THE
PLEASURE OF GOOD BREAD?
OSBORN'S CRISPBREAD WILL
REDUCE YOUR WEIGHT!

OSBORN'S Bakery.

Phones: Office 3361, Cafe 2600, Bakery 2621.

Telegrams: "Osborn's." P.O. Box 430.

BULAWAYO

JACOB WAISLITZ IN BULAWAYO

Mr. Waislitz, of the Vilna Troupe, has paid two visits to Bulawayo. In the first instance he gave a one-man recital of excerpts from the finest world literature, produced "Two Hundred Thousand," with a cast of local Yiddish amateurs, and assisted at the Zionist Society's Herzl Memorial Evening.

On his second visit he treated us to some more of his versatility at a recital and at the Chanukah programme arranged by the Literary Circle.

But it is his production of "The Song of Tribulation" that makes his stay in Bulawayo memorable. For on this occasion he not only added to his reputation as an actor, but also showed us the modern influence in production. I refer to his fine sense of grouping as in the scene with the beggars, and his use of chorus as in the writing of the love-letter in Act 1. To disguise amateurs so that they are the characters they are supposed to depict, and not themselves, shows his deftness with make-up and his sense of the proper dressing of parts.

The play, "The Song of Tribulation," is a melodrama, with a prologue, three acts, and an epilogue. It is the story of Yoshke, the fiddle player, and the cause of his madness. The theme is a sad one, and it was a pity that some of the audience failed to appreciate this. There is still a tendency in Bulawayo to think that every Yiddish production is a comedy.

Mr. Waislitz played Yoshke, the sensitive, gentle, timid son of Berl, the water-carrier. He loves Scheine, the poor relation of Madame, and this love is Yoshke's life. Scheine, although lovable, Semiontschik, Madame's son, agrees to become engaged to Yoshke, realising that Semiontschik was not genuine in his promise of love. Yoshke in the meantime wins 40,000 roubles in a lottery and gives Scheine the lot. Deserted by Scheine, tormented by the cries of the beggars, whose pleas for alms he cannot now satisfy, tortured by the poignant scene wherein his father has to resume his water-carrying, a means of livelihood that has been his for twenty-eight years, and which he had hoped to renounce on his son becoming a "millionaire," Yoshke loses his reason and becomes the village idiot.

Mr. Waislitz gave us a wonderful Yoshke, now hopeless, now hopeful, of love. His writing of the love letter from Scheine to Semiontschik, in the first act, in which he pours out his own love, his almost dithering delight at his engagement, his naive love tokens to Scheine, his almost demented acceptance of her duplicity, his on-the-verge-of-madness scene with the beggars, were masterly.

And the local amateurs showed that they had taken Mr. Waislitz's training seriously. Seldom have amateurs given such finished performances. Mr. Mirbach, as Berl, Yoshke's father, was excellent in the scene when he bids farewell to his buckets. He decides them after twenty-eight years, for now his son will support him with his lottery money. And how fine was his going "back to harness" when he realises that Yoshke has given all to Scheine, and that Scheine has fled with Semiontschik.

Miss L. Gershaber played the part of Roisele, Madame's daughter, who understood Yoshke—and appreciated his sensitiveness, with fine sympathy. Mrs. Meyers was a haughty Madame, until she compared complaints with Hodesh, a common busy-body. Miss Bella Ross was effectively disguised as Hodesh, and gave an outstanding interpretation of this character, equalling her success in "Two Hundred Thousand."

The humorous touches in the play were effectively supplied by Mr. Spiro, as Mendel, who is interested in promoting the match between Yoshke and Scheine. And as Scheine, Mrs. Evenary gave a true picture of the forlorn girl, who renounced by the man she loves, is coerced into becoming engaged to Yoshke. Mr. Cessman, as Scheike, the chimney sweep, ignorant, but well-meaning, was true to type. Mr. Liberman, as the benevolent Rabbi, and Mr. Renbogn as the red-nosed Chief of Police, completed a well rehearsed and capable cast.

In conclusion I must say that Mr. Waislitz has done something for the Jewish community in bringing us a step nearer to an appreciation of the best in Yiddish literature and drama, although the plays "Two Hundred Thousand" and "The Song of Tribulation" do not head the list of Yiddish productions.

I sincerely hope that it will not be long before Mr. Waislitz visits us again, bringing with him a new repertoire. In the meantime we wish him all success with the venture that is so near his heart, that of building his own Yiddish theatre.

R. RABINOVITZ

At the Caledonian Banquet the other evening Mr. Gilchrist said that we were out to build a new nation in Rhodesia. For this purpose we would have to make the fullest use of the varied gifts of all sections of the people, including "Jewish courage and genius."

We were glad to see Mr. N. Wolfe in town on the occasion of his daughter's marriage. Mr. Wolfe has done splendid work in Umvuma for very many years. Once he presented an address to General Smuts on behalf of the Umvuma Hebrew Congregation.

LOUIS LANDAU HEBREW SCHOOL

SUNDAY, 5th December, 3.30 p.m.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES
AND BARMITZVAH
CERTIFICATES

The Jewish Community is cordially
invited to attend.

BULAWAYO YOUNG ISRAEL SOCIETY

Since the last appearance of our notes in these columns, the Society has endeavoured to direct its activities towards cultural and educational functions and to interest our boys and girls in the movement that caters solely for them. It has been felt, however, that we are not receiving the support of every member. We deplore the fact that many stay away from our meetings, which are undoubtedly of cultural value and from which they could derive much benefit, and we want to impress upon our members the necessity of being fully acquainted with matters Jewish. The times we are passing through to-day, emphasise again and again, the need for exact knowledge of our people, our history and traditions. Only by self-assurance and power gained from study and learning can we hope to combat the forces of ignorance of our people and its aspirations which are threatening to shake the very foundations of our existence in this country and which may gradually undermine our morale. We appeal, therefore, to you members of the Society, to assist our functions, for your own sake. We can assure you, that by joining our movement you will not be wasting your time and will become a credit to the community.

A "Guest Night" at which Mr. H. B. Ellenbogen and Mr. H. E. Lazarus were the "guests" was held on the 23rd September. Mr. Ellenbogen gave a very vivid and illuminating account of the state of Anti-Semitism in the Union. He then spoke about the difficulties, disappointments and general activities of the "Idlers Club"—formed by the Jewish boys of Bulawayo of 37 years ago. His many amusing anecdotes kept the "hosts" in roars of laughter. Mr. Lazarus spoke on "Thinking," and stressed the importance of living intelligently and carefully, and of questioning and improving matters affecting everyday life. Reverend Cohen also referred to the early days of local youth and emphasised the urgent need for unity and co-operation among Jews of all nations. Reading on the significance of Succoth concluded a very enjoyable evening.

The first Oratorical Contest to be held by the Society took place on Monday, 18th October. Speakers at this function were Miss Ruth Blumberg, Max Gordon, Haig Kaplan, Sonny Fisher and Cassie Weinberg. Mr. C. I. Jacobs, who acted as judge, declared Mr. Fisher the best speaker with Mr. Kaplan the runner-up. Criticisms of the speakers by the audience, and impromptu talks on communal affairs ended the meeting.

An Oneg Shabat, also a first attempt by our Society, but at the same time quite a successful one, terminated the Sabbath of October 30th happily. Addresses were given by Rev. M. I. Cohen and Mr. C. Gershtater on the significance and purpose of what one might call an "institution" in Palestine and which has turned out to be such a fine "export" to this country. Mr. M. Gordon also commented on the value of the Sabbath. Hebrew songs and the dancing of the Hora added to the enjoyment of the gathering.

The highlight of this year's activity has been the visit of Mr. Dave Dunskey and Mr. Walter Cohn. These two young men, besides being keen Zionists, are very energetic Youth workers—Mr. Dunskey is chairman of the Transvaal Zionist Youth Executive and Mr. Cohn has been a representative on the Youth Council. As the first official visit paid us for a long time this delegation has been voted a success and a personal triumph of devotion and unselfish work in the Youth cause as exemplified by our visitors.

Two public meetings at which we had the opportunity of hearing them speak were the Oneg Shabat, on Saturday, 20th November, and the Mass Meeting, on Sunday, November 21st. Rarely has it been our good fortune to listen to such impassioned, stirring and straight talks. It speaks volumes for Mr. Dunskey's abilities that he was able to "hold" a large audience on Sunday evening to well past 11 o'clock.

In their addresses Messrs. Dunskey and Cohn outlined and carefully analysed our position in South Africa and made it clear to us that our main duty was the upbuilding of the National Home. His references to the courage and self-sacrifice of the Halutzim made us feel proud of the Yishuv. A feature of both meetings was the singing of Hebrew songs in which all joined wholeheartedly. Merely to record the visit would not tell how great the enthusiasm created locally has been but we must go further and say that our two visitors have brought home to those who heard them a keener realisation of the tasks to be accomplished.

Already plans are afoot for the formation of a Study Circle and even a more active cultural programme is foreseen. At the mass meeting a suggestion was made that Dunskey and Cohn be inscribed in the Youth Book of Service. This met with the unanimous approval of all present and contributions were made there and then for the funds necessary for the inscription of the names. We feel that this is only a small reward for voluntary services, gladly given, in the interests of the Society.

(Continued on page 35).

HABONIM NOTES

Gedud Kinneret: The attendance has been somewhat irregular due to the fact that the girls are preparing for examinations. Good work is being done by those attending regularly, and it is hoped that all those going to Camp will have passed Hakhdashah, Madrega, Shniya and Madrega Rishona. Our meeting on September 12th, 1937, concluded with an impromptu concert, which proved very successful.

On Sunday, October 3rd, 1937, a party of eleven of us, together with Rosh Adela Aberman, went to the North Park for outdoor cooking, fire-making tests, and practising heights, weights and distances. We are pleased to record that we all passed the cooking tests for Madrega Shniya and Madrega Rishona. Rosh seemed very pleased with us, as she had marked us very strictly, taking into consideration cleanliness and tidiness. Fire-making tests for Madrega Shniya were also passed and then we practised heights, weights and distances.

Mr. Sonny Moss, a keen Scouter and an ex-Rosh, has very kindly undertaken to give us a series of Camp lectures. The first of these was given on October 10th, 1937, and it was most interesting and instructive. We feel that we shall benefit greatly from these lectures. They will probably be given every two weeks.

Unfortunately, however, on October 24th, Mr. Moss was unable to give his lecture owing to an accident he had had, and Mrs. Kaplan gave a very interesting and informal talk on Camp such as the one we will attend in December. We were allowed to ask questions, and a pleasant hour was passed. We wish to record our thanks and appreciation to Mr. Moss, and wish him a speedy recovery.

We received a visit from Miss Slomith Flaum, a visitor from Palestine. She gave us a most inspiring talk on Palestine, and touched on many other subjects.

Hashitlim: There is still no Officer available to take charge of Hashitlim, but Rosh Adela Aberman keeps them together for a while at each meeting, and they have all passed the majority of the tests for the Madrega Aleph.

Hashmrot: These are few in number but those young ladies who attend regularly are keen and interested and are working very well. The meetings on September 19th and 26th were held in Mrs. Kaplan's Succah and were much enjoyed.

The deepest sympathy is felt for our "Hashitlim Mascot," little Judy Rabinovitch, her mummy and entire family, in the recent sad loss of her dear daddy.

Investiture of Officers: The Investiture of Officers took place in the Shul at 8 p.m. on Sunday, November 14th. There was a fair attendance in the Shul and the Gedudim looked very smart in full uniform.

Rosh Adela Aberman and Rosh Haig Kaplan were invested and received their Warrants of Office from the Ba-Koach. Mrs. S. G. Kaplan.

Rev. Cohen and Rev. Weinberg conducted the Maariv service and Rev. Cohen delivered a most inspiring address.

The Initiation Ceremony took place immediately afterwards in the Guild Hall. The Peticha was very well conducted by the Raabe Kevutzot of both Gedudim, and the Kevutzot and Gedud cries were lustily given. The Habonim song was next sung and then the enrolment took place.

The following received their Hakhdashah Badge: Gedud Kinset Shomrot: Leah Solomon, Eveline

Wolfe, Gedud Kinneret: Reena Abrahamson (Asher), Nina Kollenberg (Naphtali), Dorothy Bernstein (Benjamin), Ada Chadowitz (Benjamin). Gedud Bialik: Mischa Bernic (Naphtali), Arthur Bernic (Naphtali), David Salomon (Dan), Reggie Sagar (Dan), Eddie Solomon (Gad), Norman Bernstein (Gad).

We heartily congratulate the following for having passed and received the Madrega Shniya Badge: Beryl Fredman (Asher), Nita Margolis (Yehuda), Jean Yodaiken (Yehuda), Sylvia Radowsky (Naphtali), Thelma Baron (Naphtali).

We extend our congratulations to Rosh Kevutzah Asher Bernice Kaplan and Rosh Kevutzah Benjamin Debbie Lyall for having attained the Gardener's Proficiency Badge.

The Ba-Koach warmly welcomed all the parents and friends who were present, and the Rev. Cohen delivered a short address.

The ceremony was followed by a concert arranged by Gedud Akiba and Rosh Haig Kaplan is to be congratulated on the successful performance given by him and the Gedud.

BULAWAYO YOUNG ISRAEL SOCIETY.

(Continued from page 34).

Another event of great importance has been the Concert and Dramatic Entertainment given on Tuesday, 23rd November. A good crowd was present and it goes without saying that the "show" was thoroughly enjoyed.

The opening item on the programme, a piano solo by Ena Cohen, was well received. This was followed by a recitation by Celia Margolis whose encore, "Maning Sick," was appreciated by all "employers." Then Walter Ginsburg and Ralph Moss certainly put across the dialogue "Liars" in a most convincing way. Next came Harry Gerber, and as usual that inimitable way of his in "tickling the ivories" brought rounds of applause as well as many 'cores for him.

However, the one-act play proved to be the "piece de resistance" of the evening. It was extremely well acted and the producer, Celia Margolis and the cast are to be complimented on its successful and excellent performance. The humorous situations and gestures with which the play abounded took the fancy of the audience—very susceptible to English plays with a Yiddish element—and if laughter is any indication of their feelings then the play must certainly have satisfied. Those who took part were Jack Margolis, Hymie Baron, Cassie Weinberg, Adela Aberman, Sonny Fisher, Helen Gerber, Haig Kaplan, Basil Kaufman and David Baron. Behind the scenes Alex Ralstein ably carried out his duties as stage manager. The concert was an all-Young Israel one and we wish to express our thanks to everyone who assisted.

We have just learnt that Messrs. Dunskey and Cohn have formed a Youth Society in Salisbury. Congratulations Salisbury!

SALISBURY HABONIM NOTES.

GEDUD BIALIK.

We are glad to report that since our last notes appeared, our roll call has been maintained despite the difficulty of getting school boarders to attend and the intervening examinations.

Shatal Joe Stern has now returned from Overseas, where he represented Rhodesia at the Coronation, and under his able hands, the Hashtilim are forging ahead.

During the month of August, an enjoyable picnic was held at Prince Edward Dam, where a number of Bonim successfully undertook the cooking test. Other outings were held at Eastern Falls, Hillside Rocks, and the Kopje.

Roshim Goldman and Price have taken their hands full with the spurt on by the Bonim to pass the Madrega Shinya.

"Camp" is the sole topic of conversation at Gedud meetings, and the lucky participants are looking forward to jolly times on the sands. Before leaving it is our intention to hold a Chanukah concert as a farewell to the campers. Habonim activities will be terminated, however, on their departure to camp, and we hope that on their return they will show renewed zest and vigour for the work in the building of Palestine.

GEDUD TAMAR.

One of the most interesting functions which has taken place since last our notes appeared, was the delightful concert given by the Habonot. This was the first public appearance of Gedud Tamar and Roshim Bernin, Smith and Paul are to be congratulated upon a most successful entertainment. The programme commenced with the Petihah ceremony; this was followed by the presentation of the Hakedashah badges by the Segan Ba-Koach, Mr. Lionel Harris. Bonah Sylvia Lerner was presented with the Madrigal Shinah.

The Rev. Mr. Konviser thereafter spoke most interestingly on "The Significance of the Lighting of the Candle." The concert concluded with an appeal by the Segan Bakoach for the enrolment of "Friends of the Movement," and it is gratifying to find his appeal was met so wholeheartedly. The Bonot then made a presentation to Segan Rosh Bernon as a token of their gratitude for her hard work.

During the evening the Eva Stein Cup for the best Kevutzah was presented by Rosh Florence Smith to Kevutzah Naphtali.

The concert proceeded with musical items in which the following Bonot took part: Hilda Benatar, Hilda Rosenberg, Rosh Kevutzah, Daphne Shapiro, Rebecca Lessem, and Charlotte Kaplan.

A short sketch followed, and the Bonot are to be congratulated on the high standard of acting.

The part taken by Mrs. Abdela, Mrs. L. Ellenbogen and Mrs. Evans in local musical life recalls the similar role played by the Loewenstark family during the '96 Rebellion and for many years after. The whole family was exceedingly gifted musically, and were related to the famous Irene Scharrer. The daughters, Pearl and Ethel (now Mrs. Ethel Hayman), were also prominent in local theatricals. Another outstanding figure was Mr. Harry Charles. Mr. Jack Moss created and conducted a very popular "Banjo, Mandoline and Guitar Band," and ran many musical and dramatic shows. In the early

(Continued at foot of next column).

NEWS FROM COUNTRY CENTRES.

LIVINGSTONE.

The Annual General Meeting of the Livingstone Herzl Zionist Society took place on the 2nd of September. The President, Mr. E. Kopelowitz, submitted a report in which he stated that the Society has not been as active as before, and this was largely due to the departure of various members from the town. He recorded with regret the resignations of the Lessem family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sossem, and Miss Helen Hesselson, and expressed his appreciation of their services. The Chairman also reported that during the year under review the Society entertained several distinguished visitors. These included Mrs. Ethel Heyman and her daughter, Mr. A. Abrahamson, of the Zionist Federation, and Mr. Ben Yehuda. All these visitors have addressed the community in Livingstone.

The Livingstone Zionist Society regrets to record the death of Mrs. F. Scher, who was a staunch and devoted member of the community. Profoundest sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

GWELO.

Mr. D. Dunskey and Mr. Cohn, the two leaders of the Zionist Youth Movement in South Africa, visited Gwelo on the 19th ult. They were accompanied by Mr. B. S. Leon, of Salisbury. A meeting of all Jewish residents of Gwelo and Selukwe took place at the Synagogue, and speeches were delivered by the visitors which created a profound impression on all present. The meeting was a great success, and a Zionist Society has been formed, of which Mr. Jacobson has been elected President and Mr. Joseph Benatar, Vice-president.

GATOOMA.

As a result of a meeting of the Jewish residents held in Gatooma Scouts' Hall on the 24th ult., a strong Zionist Committee has been formed, with Mr. Basil Hayman as Chairman. The meeting was addressed by Messrs. B. S. Leon, D. Dunskey and Cohn. A similar meeting was also held at Que Que at the residence of Mr. Rubin Sloman. Mr. Solly Aronowitz was elected as Chairman of the Zionist Committee which was formed.

days of the old Umtali township. "Mafuta" Lazarus was the leading figure in amateur theatricals. If memory serves me right, one of the Jews in the Pioneer Column was also gifted in this direction. For many years past we have had musical and dramatic performances at the Guild Hall. So the recent Yiddish plays are only in keeping with what is a long-established Jewish tradition in Rhodesia.

STAR PRINTING WORKS

(Proprietor: H. ZIV).

*For
Quality
Printing*

ENQUIRIES SOLICITED.

M.T.A. BUILDINGS, 6th AVENUE,
Phone 2402. P.O. Box 499.
BULAWAYO.

The finest Virginia
Blend cigarettes
ever produced

Mayfair

*With the true Virginia
Flavour and Aroma*



9' for 25
1 1/2 for 50
Corker Plain



Choose Wisely---
Choose Well---

Drink Wisely---
Drink

MARTELL

Trade Enquiries:


THE UNION AGENCIES,

BOX 2, BULAWAYO.



BOX 746, SALISBURY.

THEY'RE GOOD!

- 
- (1) PHILIPS RADIO RECEIVERS
 - (2) PHILIPS LAMPS
 - (3) PHILIPS AMPLIFIER EQUIPMENT for
Dance Halls, Etc.
 - (4) PHILIPS MICROPHONES for Public
Address, and
OF SPECIAL INTEREST to the Medical
and Dental Professions
 - (5) PHILIPS DIATHERMY APPARATUS
AND
 - (6) PHILIPS PORTABLE X RAY PLANTS
-

*Apply for Full Particulars, Prices and Terms to the
Sole Rhodesian Distributors:*



THE WIRELESS SPECIALISTS

PHONE 3099.

SALISBURY.

P.O. BOX 1098.