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ZIONIST VOORTREKKERS.

A century ago a great dynamic power from within drove the Voortrekkers to accomplish feats of indomitable courage in the face of untold obstacles and hardships. This great spirit which inspired these early South African pioneers was their love for religious and political freedom, and the passionate desire to preserve their historic culture.

With this spirit the descendants of the people who gave the world the Book of Books have much in common. For this spirit, the people who for thousands of years have trekked in the face of incredible difficulties and dangers in order to retain their spiritual freedom and historic life, will have a deep and fraternal understanding.

The pioneers of South Africa had set out to conquer and cultivate new expanses where they might build their own homeland upon which the foundation of eternal freedom and nationalism would be built. It is true that many lives were lost and great difficulties had to be overcome; but since the people willed it, these obstacles were mere flotsam before an overwhelming flood - a flood of national will-power.

We Jews of to-day are in the same boat as these pioneers. Truly the obstacles are great which now confront us, but the people will it, and the will of the people is like the all-



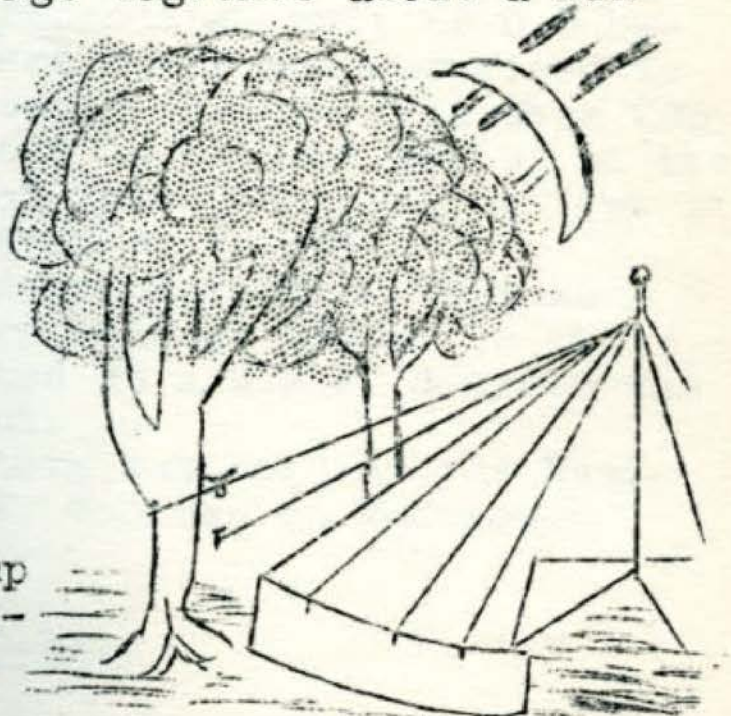
powerful flood. Already numerous obstacles have been swept aside, unfortunately at the cost of many lives. Our once malaria stricken Eretz Israel has been made fit for human habitation, the fields which have lain fallow for thousands of years now yield their annual crops and the once-forgotten Hebrew language has been re-enthroned with the Crown of Life. There is no stopping the flood of nationalism and its achievements. Pioneers in this country set out in search of their liberty and found it - we are on the same path and our goal will be achieved when we have trodden it.

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### YOUNG ISRAEL CAMPS.

Last Friday saw the opening of what is bound to be another successful Young Israel Camp at the Strand. This annual gathering of Jewish Youth brings together about a hundred and fifty Junior Zionists from all parts of the country.

They come to an atmosphere that breathes Zionism. The Camp is run by Zionists, for Zionists, on Zionist lines. Aided by fourteen years of experience, the Camp Committee has created an organization which ensures an



outstanding seaside holiday. But the Strand Camp is more than a seaside holiday. It brings young Jews together, perhaps for the



first time in a truly Jewish environment. They are just one big Jewish Family. The open air and Hebrew songs bring to life a latent Jewish spirit in the camper - that same spirit which binds the Chalutz to the soil.

On Sunday, January 15th 1939, a hundred and fifty healthy, sun-tanned campers will reluctantly return to their homes after spending sixteen glorious days of a never-to-be forgotten holiday in a Zionist atmosphere and Jewish environment.

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### YESTERDAY.

The dance and Krazy Kampfire Konsert which was held in aid of the Austrian & Polish Jewish Relief Fund on Saturday night the 10th December, proved to be a social success although a number of artists let us down at the last moment. The nett profit was disappointing, only £2.0.5 being realised. We were sorry and surprised to learn from the doorkeeper that no less than four of our members had come in without paying on the plea that they did not intend dancing or that it was too late in the evening to pay.

The affair in commemoration of Chanukah which was to have been held on Sunday 18th December, was postponed as a J.N.F. concert was held on the same night.

A committee meeting was held at the Residence of Mr. & Mrs. E. Gootman on Wednesday night 14th December.

### TO-DAY.

The balance-sheet of the Annual dance has now been drawn up, showing a nett cash profit of £23.2.8d. excluding a sum of £2.15.0. which is still outstanding.



The result of our Essay competition is published on another page.

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TO-MORROW.

An Inter-Society Tennis Match and Dance with a country society will be held on January 15th, 1938.

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Society Social Skits.

GLADYS SAACKS seems to be very popular lately. Firstly a not-too-sober youth kissed her at the Bioscope Cafe and secondly, an attractive stranger paid for her lunch at the Del-Monico. I wonder what the next will do?



RAIE MUNITZ has gone out to Muizenberg twice this season, baggage and all, but has postponed her stay on both occasions as the masculine element had not come up to expectations.

In whom was JACKIE KRAMER so interested at the Kamp Fire that he forgot to lock the doors and windows of the Talmud Torah



Hall after he had undertaken to do so?

GUS KAWALSKY has been spending the last fortnight in Johannesburg.

It tickled RAIE KAUFMAN at our last function to realise that she was cradle-snatching. Mothers should not let their kids out when Raie's about.

Since hearing BARNEY JOFFE perform at the Kamp Fire Konsert Mr. Samuel Goldwyn has offered him a contract to take the leading role in the Broadway Melody of 1939.

MYER KRAMER seems to be developing good taste. What do you think of his partner at the Kamp Fire?

Congratulations to ETHEL DRUS and CHARLES KAWALSKY who have done exceedingly well in the recent Varsity Exams.

*The Wandering Jew*

STOP PRESS.

At the time of going to press, the result of the Essay Competition is not yet to hand. Members will be notified of the result in the next circular which is sent out.

Jehudah Ozinsky (Maitland Y.I. Society) has been awarded the free camp holiday which our combined societies won.



DO YOU KNOW? - - - - - by JACO.

- (1) That January the 10th is the 57th anniversary of the foundation of the Jewish National Fund (Keren Kayemeth L'yisrael)?
- (2) That Mr. M. Ussishkin (who was 75 years old last August) has been president of this fund since 1923?
- (3) That this fund acquires land in Eretz Israel which shall be the inalienable property of the Jewish People?
- (4) That the Keren Hayesod (or Palestine Foundation Fund) which was established in 1920 finances colonisation, immigration, public health, educational, religious and other institutions?
- (5) That in 1917 the J.N.F. owned 16,000 dunams of land, whereas to-day it owns over 410,000 dunams?
- (6) That the citrus exports of Eretz Israel have increased from  $7\frac{1}{4}$  million cases in 1935 to 11 million cases in 1937, and now constitutes 7% of the world's output?
- (7) That 56% of the Jewish settlements in Eretz Israel are on J.N.F. land?
- (8) That in 1919 Jews formed 1/10th of the population of Eretz Israel but now total about 450,000 (i.e. over 32%)?
- (9) That Tel Aviv is an all Jewish City of over 154,000 inhabitants and that Jews in Jerusalem number 77 thousand of 127,000?
- (10) That during the 1936 riots the construction of the Tel Aviv port was started exclusively with Jewish labour?



AUSTRIAN AND POLISH JEWISH RELIEF FUND.

Following on Mr B. Katzef's appeal in our last issue, for contributions to the above fund, a committee has been formed and we wish to acknowledge the following donations:-

Mr. A. Beresowski.	£3	-	-
Mr. B. Katzef.	2	10	-
Mr. S. Saacks.	2	2	-
Mr. D. Kramer	1	11	6
Miss L. Saacks.	1	10	-
Mr. M. Bleden.	1	1	-
Mr. W. Fish.	1	1	-
Miss R. Gootman.	1	1	-
Mr. B. Kaufman,	1	1	-
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LETTERS TO  
THE EDITOR.

CRITICISM.

The Editor,  
The Maitland Echo.

Sir,

On reading my issue of the Maitland Echo of last month, I observe that certain members of the Maitland Junior Zionist Society have been most severely criticised for showing an apparent lack of interest and enthusiasm in the welfare and activities of our Society. This appeared in the Social Skits Column.

Whether or not there is any truth in the remarks made I am not prepared to discuss, but



I do feel that our Journal is not the place for such criticism, as it tends to reflect unfavourably on the dignity of the individuals concerned and is something which should be suppressed rather than encouraged. Such criticism commonly called "ragging" is reminiscent of a School Magazine, and not of a Zionist paper being necessarily contrary to the very spirit of Zionism, and in particular to that spirit of camaraderie which it is desired to instil into members.

Trusting that my comments will be accepted in the spirit in which it is offered.

SOLLY BERNBERG.

Albertyn Road,  
MUIZENBERG.

(Members are expected to accept the lighter side of this paper in the spirit in which it is written - Ed.)

CORRESPONDENT WANTED.

Sir - Will you kindly advertise in your column (and especially among the Juniors of Maitland) for a correspondent either boy or girl with a Jewish girl of about 14 years of age in Canada.

I shall only be too pleased to give any applicants her address.

WOLFE FISH.

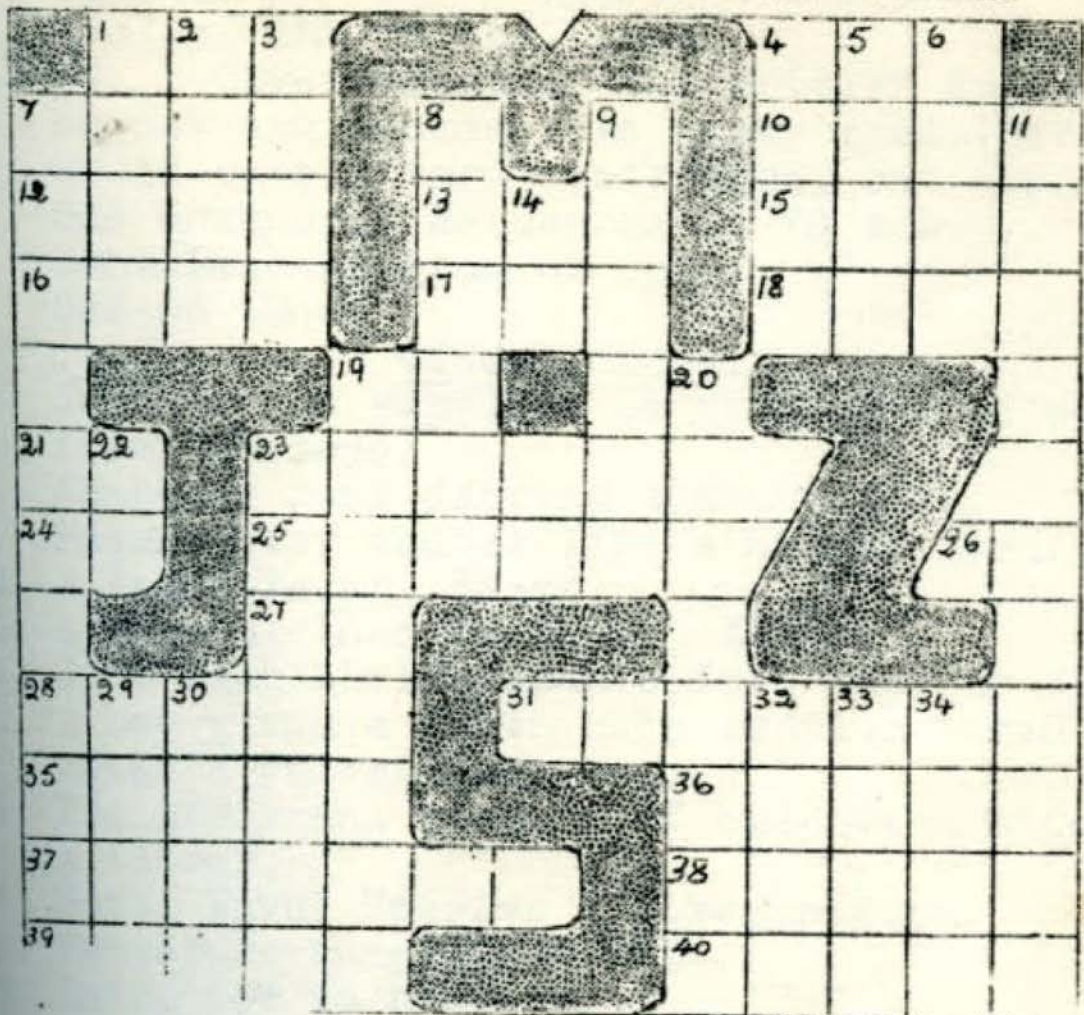
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

The solution to the M.J.Z.S. crossword puzzle will be published in the February issue of this paper.



## The M. J. Z. S. CROSSWORD PUZZLE. No. 2.

Clues Down.

1. He contributes towards our "Echo".
2. Sailors spoil rats.
3. To the leeward.
4. Ma, he calls your attention; or cleans his throat.
5. Pity or a book of the Bible.
6. All Rosh-Hashonah greetings to --Yisroel.
7. Days of great rejoicing to boys and parents?
8. The hero of Givat Brenner.
9. What our Jewish teachers are not.
11. Jacob's heritage.
14. Preposition.
19. The continents to which Jews emigrated after the 1881 pogroms. (Reversed).
20. Celebration of the victory of the Maccabees



over the Romans.

22. Thanks.
23. A city, one in the world.
- 26 & 34. Chief Rabbi in the British Empire.
29. Robust and sounds like heavy rain. (Revers)
30. Would make a hard black wood, but why. ( " )
32. She conquered Jerusalem in 70 A.D.
33. Senseless anagram of brim.
34. See 26 Down.

#### Clues Across.

1. In short it supplies us with news of Jews from overseas.
4. Noah may have drowned without this.
7. Pagan deity sounds like a Hebrew lord.
10. A Palestinian Swamp.
12. A coastal town of Eretz Israel.
13. Jews wash their hands before they do this.
15. A bee gives a youth organisation named after a Palestinian hero.
16. The Afrikaans process of oxidation becomes a flower.
17. Royal Naval Reserve (Abbreviation).
18. Senseless anagram of helm.
19. Latin for to himself.
21. Pronoun.
23. The Most popular Hebrew Book in the World. (6 Letters)
24. Thanks.
25. Race it. (2 words 1. 5) (Anagram) Reversed.
26. Lie makes a popular craze.
27. To me. (Hebrew).
28. Senseless anagram of raven.
31. Official organ of anti-Jewish Propoganda in Germany.
35. O. Vale. (Anagram). (2 words 1.4.)
36. Venomous hooded snake.
37. Theatre which first produced "Der Dybbuk".
38. This is usually said of a small child. (Two Words 1.4.).
39. Seven Hebrews?.
40. Author of "Der Judenstat" and founder of Political Zionism.





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