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THE MAITLAND JUNIOR ZIONIST SOCIETY



JEWISH NATIONAL FUND.

Under the distinguished leadership of Colonel F.H. Kisch the Jewish National Fund Campaign is now in full swing throughout the Country. The Colonel has made his appeal to the local community and it now remains for the Maitland Youth to do their bit.

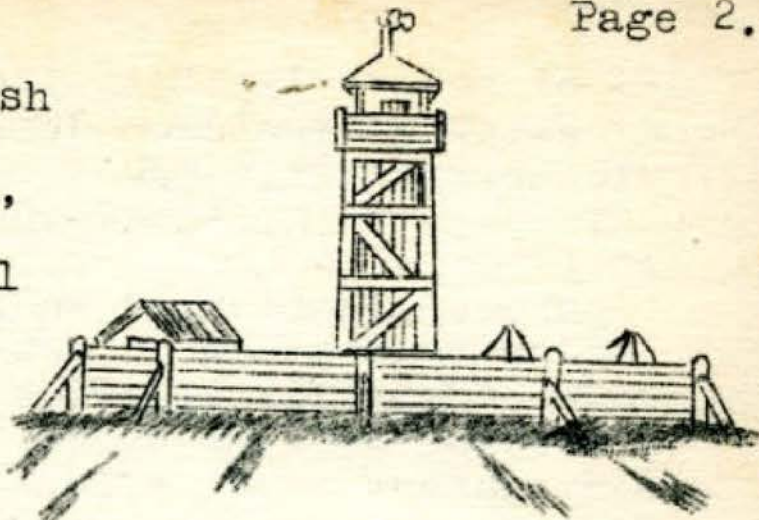
The objects of the Jewish National Fund are:

1. To acquire land in Eretz Yisrael with the voluntary contributions of the Jewish people, such land to be the inalienable property of the Jewish people.
2. To lease the land exclusively on hereditary leasehold for cultivation or building thereon.
3. To facilitate the settlement of working farmers.
4. To ensure the right use of the soil.
5. To combat speculation in land values.
6. To ensure the cultivation of land by Jews.

That is what the fund is and stands for.

During the past 36 months of terrorism in Eretz Yisrael, 36 new settlements have been established. This means one new outpost of Zionism for every month. Thus undismayed, we continue our triumphant upbuilding of the Jewish National Home, and every new dunam of

land that the Jewish National Fund acquires strengthens, entrenches and extends the political and economic position of Jewish Palestine.



It is to this Fund that you will shortly be asked to contribute. The J.N.F. is playing an outstanding role in the redemption of the soil in Eretz Yisrael. Today, more than ever, will you in this trying hour, give the Jewish National Fund the means to acquire more and more land?

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A REPLY TO MR. MAX BLE DIN.

Last month in a letter to this paper Mr. Max Bledin saw fit to take to task the Jewish Nation for wasting time, money, and energy on 'a spot in the East'. "It would be a far saner policy, 'to fight Facism and to assist other minority sections", said Mr. Bledin.

If he had only realised the difference between Zionism and Territorialism, he might have written something more constructive in outlook and more authentic in facts. The simple case which makes Mr. Bledin's argument pointless is that we Zionists are not out to save our bodies but to preserve our souls.

The Jews regard themselves and are recognised by others as a people. They have a common language, a national History, an ancient and modern culture, which represents their national aspirations and traditions and a national religion. The only thing which they require

to raise them to full national status is the return of their ancient homeland in which they could develop the ideas and civilization of Israel on the land of Israel.

The realisation of this ideal does not depend on the presence or absence of anti-semitism. It makes little difference whether the nations amongst which we live persecute us or not - the necessity for a Jewish Homeland remains unaffected. The urgent need from a humanitarian point of view becomes particularly more marked only in days of persecution, but the desire of Zionists for the "spot in the East" in which to preserve the soul and not necessarily to save the body of the Jew remain unchanged throughout the ages.

Anti-semitism did not originate with the rise of **Fascism** and will not end with its destruction. Only the restoration of the Jews as a power in Eretz Yisrael, which will enable them to live a normal life, both spiritually and politically, will solve the Jewish Problem.

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NEWS OF THE MONTH.

TUESDAY EVENINGS.

During the month of June, this weekly gathering never exceeded 7 or 8 members.

Some members complain that even when they do turn up there is nothing to do. It is for them to make new suggestions. The Editor will be pleased to receive letters containing criticism and suggestions.

HEBREW CLASSES.

This group consisting of 5 members meets regularly every Saturday afternoon. They re-

port favourable progress and welcome any further members. Details may be had from Mr. J. W. Fish.

MID-YEAR FLANNEL DANCE.



As a result of a mid-year flannel dance held in the Talmud Torah Hall on June 4th, the Abraham Katz Memorial Fund benefited by the sum of £2.0.0.

COLONEL KISCH AT MAITLAND.

On Sunday morning the 18th of June Colonel Kisch and Mr. J. J. Wilk addressed a meeting in the Talmud Torah Hall. Mr. W. Samson was in the chair. Dr. Altschul and Mr. A. Kaufman also spoke. The response to the appeal was a good one.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

The committee met at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. Schwabsky on Thursday night, 22nd June. General business was attended to and the next function discussed.

ANNUAL DANCE.

Tentative arrangements for our Annual Dance have been made. The venue will be the Maitland Town Hall and the date early in October.

COLONEL KISCH ADDRESSES ZIONIST YOUTH.

On Wednesday evening 21st June a reception was given to Colonel Kisch by Cape Zionist Youth and Habonim. The large gathering responded generously to the appeal on behalf of the J.N.F.

Society Social Skits.

Following on my report last month that PORKY LEVIN and SAM BERMAN were holding holding political meetings daily at George's Cafe in furtherance of their candidature for the Mayorship of Kensington, I learn that they have both withdrawn.

"That chap" SHAPIRO has allowed his name to go forward and has been returned unopposed.

Heartiest congratulations to BESSIE GOOTMAN and JOE MILLER who both announced their engagements on the 10th of June. Bessie became engaged to Mr. Louis Maisel and Joe to Miss Luba Lewin of Cape Town. (See what our Poet Laureate has to say about it on another page).



At BESSIE GOOTMAN'S engagement party I notice NORMAN JACOBSON and GLADYS SAACKS disappear together during the evening. Norman's excuse for these temporary absences do not bear publication for fear of having to pay

amusement tax.

BEN KAUFMAN, as usual, rolled up late to the party just in time to eat.

At the first midnight matinee to be held at the Maitland bioscope, I noticed BECKY GOOTMAN, WOLFE FISH and BEN KAUFMAN came in together. I suppose the boys went fifty-fifty!

It must have been hard on BENNIE BLEDDIN who was rudely interrupted by BASIL JACOBSON at the engagement party.

Bennie was sitting in his car and was in the act of improving his art of kissing. And what a delightful partner he had!

I see she spends her Sunday mornings with him.



Congratulations to SYD SAACKS on passing his Final Law examinations. Well done!

The Wandering Jew

LETTERS TO

THE EDITOR.

THAT COMMITTEE AGAIN.

The Editor,
The Maitland Echo.

Sir,

About two months ago the committee of the Maitland Junior Zionist Society decided that no longer would time and energy be wasted in attracting disinterested members within the Society by means of social entertainments. "An intensive cultural programme is to be brought into practise", they said, "even though such a policy might decrease the membership". You praised them on their long overdue but wise decision. But that is as far as the matter went. As so often happens the committee

decided - but did nothing. Not a single meeting has been called in furtherance of the above decision.

I will borrow a motto from a famous South African school to point to the moral "Spectemur Agendo" - we are judged by our deeds.

SYDNEY SAACKS.

Main Road,
Maitland.

HABONIM IN MAITLAND.

Sir - It may not be generally known that on Sunday 25th June the first meeting of the new Maitland Gedud was held in the Talmud Torah Hall. Eleven local Jewish boys between the ages of 11 and 16 have joined this Gedud and I expect more will join when they know about its formation.

In this short space it is impossible for me to set out the aims and objects of Habonim. In brief their aim is to become true citizens of South Africa and good Jews.

As one who has always been keenly interested in Habonim, I will watch the progress of the Maitland Gedud very closely.

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EDITORIAL NOTICE.

All letters, poems and other contributions must be addressed to:-

The Editor,

The Maitland Echo,

Zion Villa,

Ferndale Road, Maitland.

THE MAITLAND YOUNG ISRAEL SOCIETY.

At our bi-annual election held on 10th. at the Talmud Torah Hall, the following were elected as the committee of the above Society:

Chairman -- M. Lang.
 Vice-Chairman -- Z. Ostrin.
 Treasurer -- J. Carlin.
 Secretary -- J. Mendelowitz.

Additional Committee Members:-

Miss M. Singer, Miss S. Stoltzman,
 M. Berman.

The Committee have appointed J. Odes as J.N.F. commissioner and the following sub-committee members:-

Miss M. Kramer, M. Brodie and A. Katzef.

SPORT.

On the 18th. of June a football match was played against Sea Point on the Green Point Common. Only 9 of our team turned up, the absentees being J. Odes and L. Immerman. We were handicapped but nevertheless put up a stout defence. After being 3 goals down at half-time we rallied well in the second half and I. Shuman scored 2 goals to make the final score 3-2.

MEETING.

On Saturday night June 24th. a general meeting was held in the committee rooms of the Talmud Torah Hall. Mr. P. Zuckerman of the Executive was present and during the evening members indulged in the singing of Hebrew songs.

The meeting closed early as we had to have a committee meeting afterwards. At the committee meeting Mr. Zuckerman suggested new ideas to us as to how we should carry on the activities of our Society.

BEWARE!

The age of archers has come to stay
 Cupid scored two bulls one day.
 He shot Big Bess and Louis too
 As for Luba and Joe? That's noth-
 ing new!

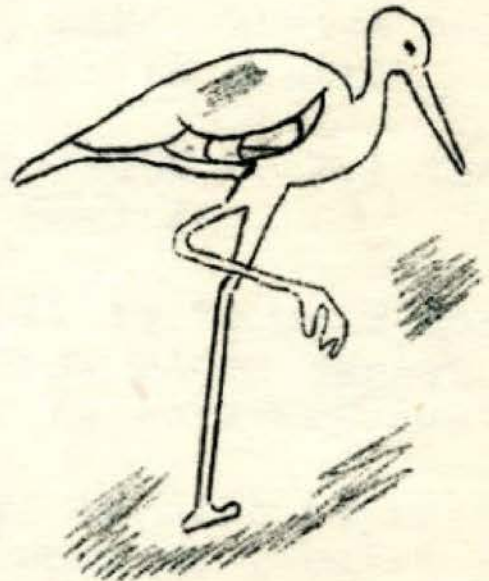


It started all the natural way,
 That is what these four will say.
 But now we'll tell what Cupid
 knows,
 For that is how the story goes.

One sunny day he did enquire,
 If four young hearts did love
 desire.

These hearts beat fast, those
 eyes shone bright
 And it started all that thrilling night.

His seeds well sown love
 took a walk,
 He went to consult his
 friend the Stork
 And as they couldn't see
 a catch
 They decided to make this
 thing a match.



So now you men- and women
 haters too
 Just think of what may hap
 to you
 And if you think that you're immune,
 Think back of that fateful 10th. of June.

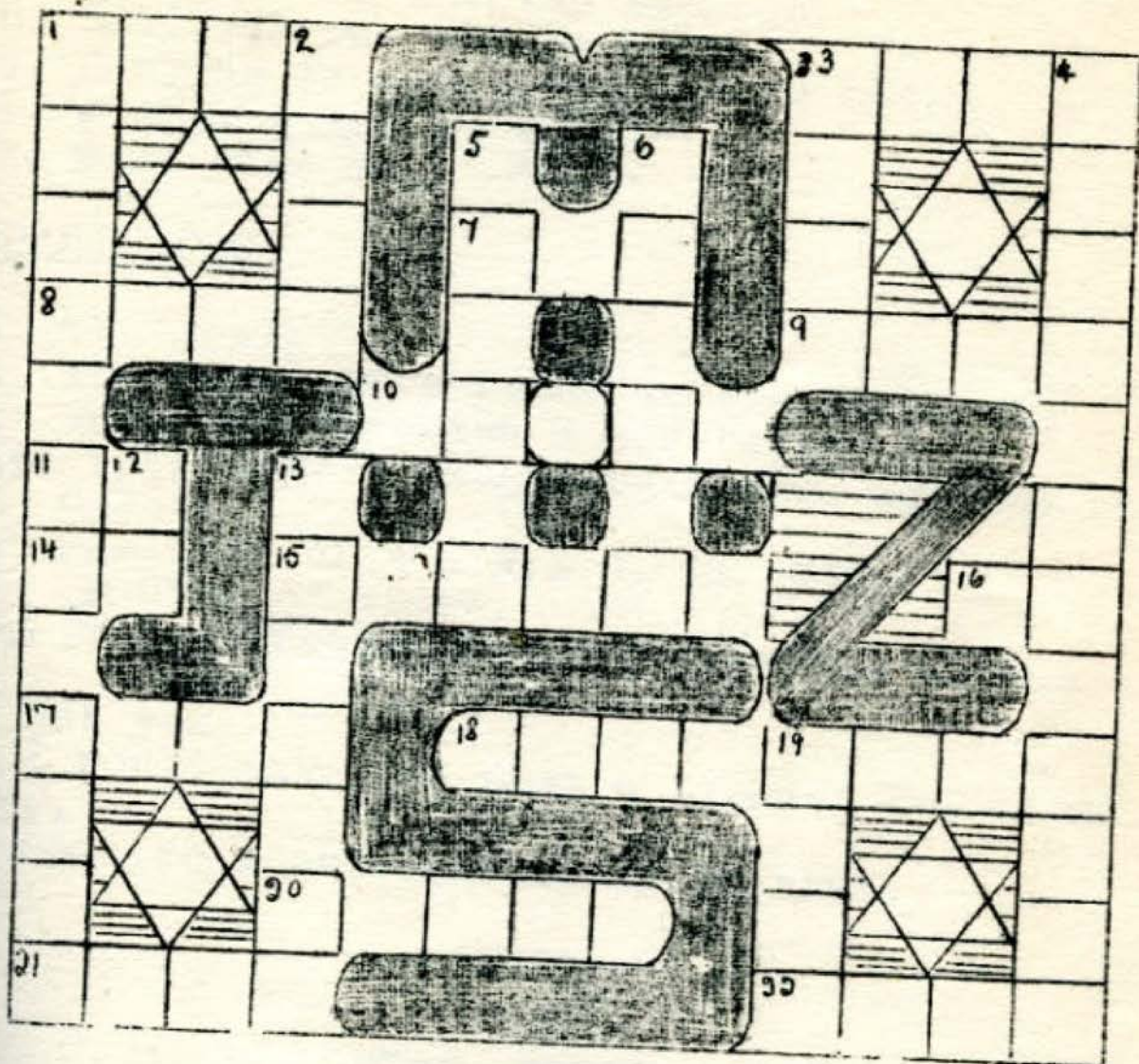
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COMING SHORTLY ! **≡≡≡** OUR ANNUAL DANCE
 SEND IN YOUR NOVEL SUGGESTIONS !

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

- (1) That the three weeks from the 17th Tamuz (July 4th) to 9th Av (July 25th) are a memorial of the greatest tragedies of our Nation?
- (2) That on the first of these days (Shiv'oh Oser B'Tamuz) a breach was made in the walls of Jerusalem by the Romans in 70 A.D. and has therefore been ordained as a day of Fasting?
- (3) That on the other day (Tisha B'Av) of the same year, Titus, the Roman General captured Jerusalem and destroyed the 2nd Temple?
- (4) That our 1st Temple had been razed on the same day (586 B.C.) by Nebuchadnezzar?
- (5) That on the same day (135 C.E.) the last Jewish stronghold of Bar Kochba fell to the Romans, and that he, Rabbi Abeiva and all those who revolted were put to death?
- (6) That on Tisha B'Av (1492 C. E.) the Jews were expelled from Spain?
- (7) **That consequently it is to us a day of great mourning and fasting, a day important to our Nation as Yom Kippur is to every Jew?**
- (8) That in our prayers we also express the hope that Zion will soon be rebuilt and that the Jews will once more live a free national life in Eretz Yisrael?
- (9) That during these three weeks of national calamity, also died our great leader Theodore Herzl (20th Tamuz 1904) and our great Hebrew poet Chaim N. Bialik (21st Tamuz 1932) ?

M. J. Z. S. CROSSWORD PUZZLE No. 4.



CLUES ACROSS.

1. The leader of the Karaite Movement among the Jews,
3. A festival we celebrate 12 times a year.
7. Behold.
8. Within.
9. The Russo- Jewish organisation formed last century for the colonization of Eretz Yisrael.
10. One change from phase to form.
11. Exclamation or retort.
14. Not you.

15. Jacob descendants are for the greater part liars.
16. A denial.
17. Rats to the Russian Emperor.
18. Hatikvah was set to music by him.
20. Con, he is surely a Jew.
21. A Chum mixed up a lot.
22. What rats do.

CLUES DOWN.

1. The Jewish persecutor in the Diaspora.
2. The mount on which Moses "died".
3. Ruth, Naomi's daughter-in-law. was one of this tribe.
4. President of the W.Z.O. in 1931.
5. The Star of Judah.
6. Its destruction meant dispersion to the Jews.
12. Not you.
13. I would make the East a Zionist Political Party.
19. Gone to a celebration on Shabbat.

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STOP PRESS .

Mr. Phillip Davies, an ex-member of the Maitland Junior Zionist Society, and at present at the Royal Dental College, London, has passed the dental examination.

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ITS DUTY;

ARE YOU DOING YOURS?