



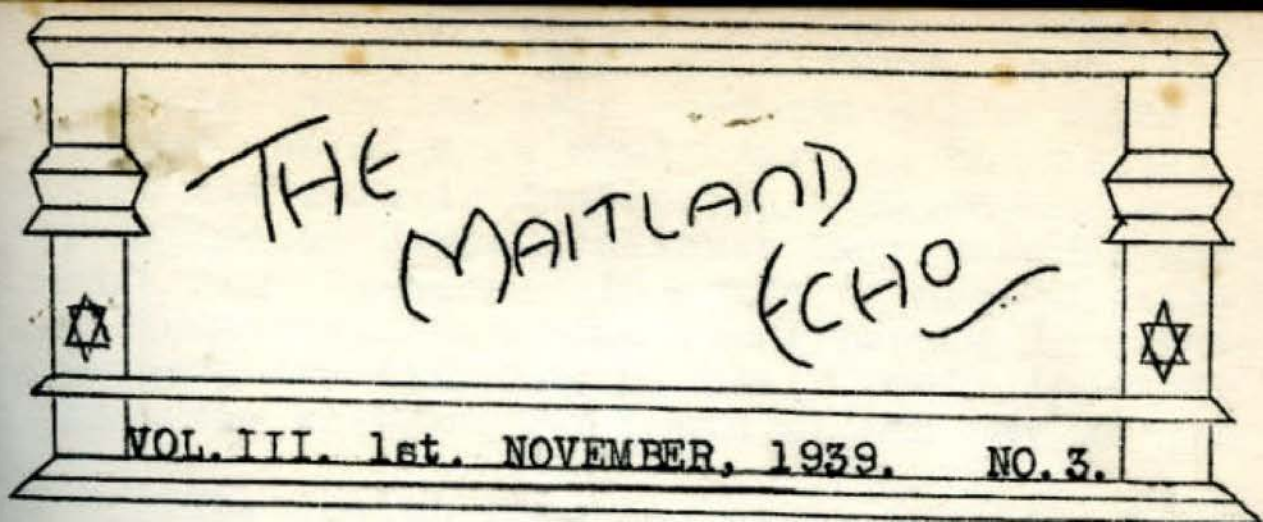
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YOUTH ALIYAH.

The Youth Aliyah is the movement for the immigration into Eretz Yisrael of Jewish boys and girls from Central Europe. The plight of the Jewish child in this part of the world is tragic and indescribably horrible. It is the cries of these children, cries of the child victims of Hitlerism that the Youth Aliyah answers by transplanting them to Eretz Yisrael. They too want to live. As General Smuts has declared, "It is a cause of humanity, in a form which no human being can fail to respond to unless he has ceased to be human".

The children selected by the Youth Aliyah are given an agricultural and manual training over a period of two years in Eretz Yisrael to enable them to take their place in the life of the country. In the first five years of the movement 5,000 Jewish boys and girls were admitted to Palestine, saved from the destruction in Central Europe. After their two years course the boys and girls, who never knew physical labour, are able to take their position in the life of the country. They fit themselves for pioneering work and many have founded new settlements.

One question will be asked, and that is whether the continuation of this work will be

possible under present conditions. Mrs. Ilse Warburg, who has been conducting the Youth Aliyah campaign in South Africa, has stated that the work is continuing. Since the war hundreds of Jewish children have reached Denmark from Germany. In spite of most difficult circumstances numerous young people in Greater Germany are standing by their posts in order that the work of the Youth Aliyah may go on.

The Jewish boys and girls from the countries of destruction are finding a new home in Palestine. And Eretz Yisrael needs this Youth as much as the Youth needs Eretz Yisrael. The British officials themselves describe these Youth as the "finest possible colonising material". Help us rescue our Youth and at the same time to build up Eretz Yisrael.

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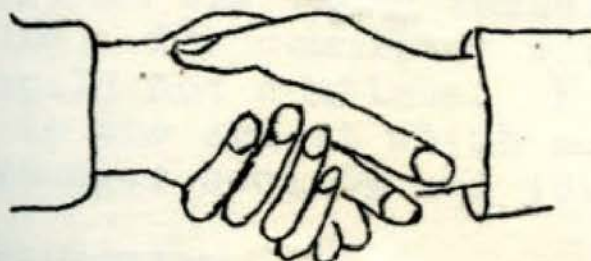
GO-OPERATION.

An agreement has been arrived at between the Maitland Young Israel Society and our own Society whereby members of the former will be asked to resign from their Society when they attain the age of sixteen years. The reason which prompted this arrangement was that if the younger Society retained their members until it suited them our influx of members would be cut off entirely. The result would be that not only would our membership dwindle but that there would be two local young Zionist Societies in opposition to one another.

The Junior Zionist Society proposed the above solution, but at first the Young Israel Society saw great difficulty in agreeing to it. They said that they would not only be losing their members but also their leaders. We pointed out to them that in any event they would not be able to retain the same leaders

always; every organisation must change its executive at some time or other. Furthermore if the Young Israel Society would retain its members until they reached the age of seventeen or eighteen, their Society would have to cater for members between the ages of eleven and eighteen. The difference in ideas between the younger and older section would be irreconcilable.

The Y.I. Society appreciated these points and they are to be congratulated on agreeing to the above proposal. The benefit to be derived from this move will be reaped in the near future. It is pleasing to note that such co-operation between the two local Societies exists.



NEWS OF THE MONTH.

SIMCHAS TORAH FUNCTION.

Our Chairlady, Becky Gootman, was at home on Thursday evening 5th October to members and friends. The occasion was Simchas Torah and this was celebrated in a true festive spirit. There was a good spread and the large gathering enjoyed themselves to the full.

Various games were played during the course of the evening and this provided much amusement. Late in the evening the entertainment rose to great heights when some of the skits that appeared in the Echo during the last year were discussed.



LECTURE.

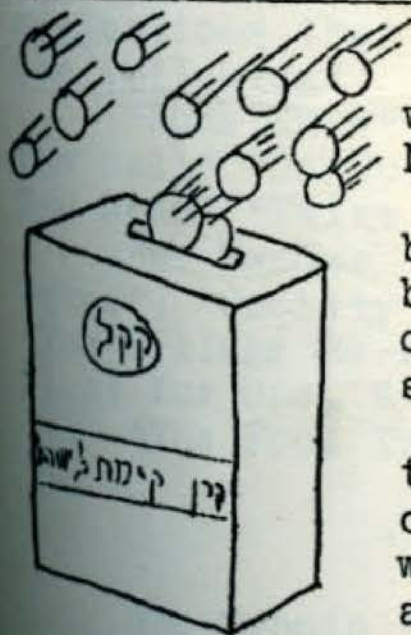
Owing to examinations pending there were only a few members at the hall on Sunday night 22nd October, when Joe Hansen reviewed the position of the Jews during these days of stress.

The Habonim had a meeting in another part of the hall during the same evening and joined up with us after they had concluded.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

The chief point under discussion at the committee meeting held at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. R. Kramer on Sunday 15th October, was the question of members of our society being members of the Young Israel Society at the same time. The committee were unanimous that this could not continue. No decision was reached as to the age at which members should leave the younger society and join ours.

BLUE BOX COLLECTION.



The next J.N.F. collection will take place on Sunday November the 12th.

Members are requested to be ready with their blue boxes so that they may be cleared with the least possible delay.

Will anyone who is able to assist in the clearance of boxes please communicate with Becky Gootman as soon as possible.

NEXT FUNCTION.

Members will be circularised as to the next function in due course.

Society Social Skits

I am leaving the selection of the new title to this column to the popular vote of my readers. What I want is a title which will indicate that this column contains items which are topical and of local interest; anyway I am leaving it to you to choose from those that appear below.

Amongst those that I liked were "The Village Re-Echoes", "Twixt Ourselves", "Sound Waves", "Little Sir Echo", "Society Sounds" and "Just Us".

Send your vote to "The Wandering Jew", c/o The Maitland Echo, Zion Villa, Ferndale Road, Maitland.

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A story could be written from some of the suggestions that poured in. How do you like the following?

"None Knew", "Just Us" "Emanating From The Hall" "On Our Wanderings" "By The Side Of The Road" "Twixt Koeberg And Woltemade".

"We WanderAnd A Wonder". "Sound Waves", "Society Whisperings", "Tit-Bits", "The Village Re-Echoes" "Maitland News". "A Light For One, A Light For A Hundred".

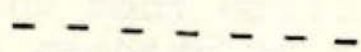
"The Fool Talks".

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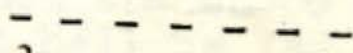
The Tennis season has started very well for some members of our Society. Both Myer Kramer and Syd Saacks have been chosen



for the Maitland First Team. Many other of our members are playing at the local club and it now remains for our Sports Convenor (Der bester in der Medinah) to arrange an inter-Society Tennis match.



Bubbles Singer has followed Gladys Saacks' lead by going to Shul on Friday nights. The girls need another eight more for a Minyan. But jones aside this is a fine example which should be followed by more of the female sex. You will probably find the congregation downstairs increasing if one or two more girls attend Shul.



The alteration in the tone of my column has met with a mixed reception. This is what one reader thinks about it:-



In days of yore that have gone by,
Oft would I shiver and deep I sigh,
When some pleasure myself I would stint
For the fear of seeing it in print.
But now I am free and easy
I can do as I damn well pleasy,
I can pet and cuddle and hug and kiss
And you won't even know who's the Miss.
So folks get up to mischief galore
And thank God that the Skits are no more.



Many of our members are busy cramming for and writing exams. To them I wish the very best of luck.

The only results that I know as yet are those of Charles Kawalsky who has again done extremely well. He is doing his final engineering this

year and he got first class passes for the subjects which he wrote, in fact he gained 110% for one subject!

Charles is writing his thesis at the moment and will no doubt qualify this year. He is one of the many brilliant students that have been members of the Maitland Junior Zionist Society.

The Wandering Jew

MAITLAND YOUNG ISRAEL SOCIETY.

On Sunday 1st October, fifteen of our members attended the Succoth Evening arranged at the Zionist Hall by the Sub-Committee for Junior Societies.

The following day so many members attended the picnic held on Table Mountain that it was an outstanding success.

At a general meeting held on Saturday 7th October, Jack Joffe, a member of our society, delivered a lecture on the "Significance of Succoth". Many questions were asked and answered.

On the next day at a Committee Meeting held at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. M. Singer it was decided to arrange the official closing function for Saturday 21st October, 1939.

This function took the form of "A Grand Bust Up". Even though no special amusements were arranged all present thoroughly enjoyed the cold drinks, ice creams, sweets and sandwiches. About 50 members and visitors attended.

In cricket the Society has not fared too well, having once lost to Gedud Ir-Dan, (Maitland). On Sunday the 22nd we were badly defeated by Gedud Tel-Aviv (Wynberg). We hope



to avenge these defeats in return matches later in the season.

For the benefit of the members we publish here the attendances of committee members at meetings. Remember that the next General Election will take place on Saturday night February the 3rd 1940. In the meantime our Society will be closed until then.

Attendances:-

		<u>Present</u>	<u>Possible</u>
Chairman:	M. Lang	15	15
Vice-Chairman:	Z. Ostrin	14	15
Secretary:	J. Mendelowitz	14	15
Treasurer:	J. Carlin	13	15
Committee:	Miss M. Singer	11	12
	Miss S. Stoltzman	10	15
	J. Frumer	8	8
	M. Berman	6	7

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ANOTHER WORD-PUZZLE.

Who was the father of Psycho-Analysis?

(The initial letters of the solution for each of the following twelve questions will in order form the answer to No. 13)

- (1) King - built the first Temple about 1000B.C.
- (2) The Philistines and other neighbours of the Israelites were worshippers of - .
- (3) The greatest Jewish historian was -.
- (4) -, or the Hebrew name for Lake Hule in Palestine.

- (5) We are prohibited by Jewish Law from practising - although Shylock was an offender.
- (6) The French Revolutionary Ideas were spread across Europe by -.
- (7) - was thrown into the lion's den but remained unhurt.
- (8) The rainbow is the token of the Lord's Promise never to cause another -.
- (9) - is an agricultural settlement not from Rishon le Zion.
- (10) Baron - de Rothschild financially supported almost all the earliest settlements in Eretz Yisrael.
- (11) The historic Zionist Congress of 1903 rejected the British proposals of a Jewish state in -.
- (12) The great Jewish Prophetess in the time of the Judges was -.
- (13) The Jewish founder of Psycho-Analysis who died recently was Professor -.

The following is the solution to last month's word-puzzle:-

- (1) Titus. (2) Rishon le Zion.
 (3) Ussischkin. (4) Maimonides. (5) Pinsker.
 (6) Ezra. (7) Landau. (8) Dreyfus.
 (9) Omer. (10) Rashi.

The Hero of Tel Hai was TRUMPELDOR.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

"DO YOUR BIT".



The Editor,
The Maitland Echo.

Sir,

The average man in the street when confronted with the question, "Have you signed on yet?" will generally answer, "I will go willingly when I am

called." This is a foolish view to adopt because it is most necessary to volunteer immediately.

There is no point in men saying that they will gladly join when South Africa calls them to arms. An untrained soldier is no use to anyone, he is a danger to himself and to the forces that depend upon him. All that is necessary for those who are anxious to "do their bit", is for them to join the Active Citizen Force.

The urgent need for service at the present time should be a sufficient stimulus to young men.

Here is an excellent opportunity for local Jewish men of eligible age to show their loyalty. One or two members of our Society have already signed on. Now is the time for the others to "do their bit". Men are needed. Fall in!

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