

The Jewish Deaf Association of London

On May 20th some 26 members of the Jewish Deaf Association in London started a fortnight's holiday in Israel. Although it is now sometime since we have returned home, we are still talking about the wonderful time we spent there.

We found everybody most helpful and ever ready to go out of their way to make us feel at home and welcome.

Most of the time was spent touring the country from North to South, and East to West, visiting all the interesting historical and Holy Places.

Our evenings were spent at Clubs for the Deaf. On our arrival in Jerusalem, we found Shmuel Landau waiting to invite us to the Club he frequents, and which was fortunately for us, quite close to the hotel we stayed in. At the club we found a reception arranged in our honor and

in no time we overcame the language difficulties and were communicating with our Jerusalem friends.

It was no less in Haifa. We were welcomed by Shoshana Amikan and Hermina Bujon who showed us their beautiful premises. At the same time we had the pleasure of seeing the paintings of a deaf Haifa member who was holding an exhibition of his work just at that time in the Club itself.

All the visits we went on were efficiently arranged for us by Chaim Apter of Helen Keller Home in Tel Aviv prior to our arrival in Israel. Had we had more time we would have visited other clubs in Israel.

Last but not least we have to thank the Committee of Helen Keller Home in Tel Aviv for kindly making all the arrangements with the clubs we found



*The London Deaf Club Group during their visit to Israel
Emil Stryker is seen standing 3rd on left.*

time to visit, as well as for the fine reception accorded us on our arrival. Just to give the whole excursion a perfect ending, on our last night in Israel we were treated to a most interesting performance by the Demama Movement & Mime Group and a guest mime artiste.

We found everyone at Helen Keller Home most friendly, obliging, and helpful, and it is impossible to single out anyone, because everybody made us

feel at home on their premises. We take this opportunity of asking Mr. Asher Strulowits and the Central Executive Secretary Mr. Haim Apter to convey our thanks to all concerned for the lovely gift we received on parting, and the hospitality they extended to us.

The meeting of our members with the Deaf in Israel certainly added to a most memorable holiday.

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