

was made for Home Mission Funds. This was an increase on last year. The speaker next week will be Mr. Townsend.

Food For Spain.—A cabaret and dance, organised by the North Berks Liberal and Labour Parties, in aid of the Food for Spain Fund, was held at the Masonic Hall, Wallingford, on Friday evening last. A large gathering supported this worthy cause, and a feature of the evening was the Spanish dances performed by the Basque Children from the Refugee Home at Aston Bampton. Capt. A. D. Macdonald, M.C., the Prospective Liberal Candidate, and Mr. F. Bourne, the Prospective Labour Candidate for North Berks, spoke on the urgent need of help for Democratic Spain. Mrs. G. B. Deacon raised the sum of 25/6 through a competition for a basket of fruit, which, after being won by Miss M. Deacon, was given to the Basque children. Mr. J. Gallo, the well-known tenor vocalist, of Didcot, rendered several Spanish solos. At the request of numerous patrons, a collection was taken which realised £2 8s. 6d. A splendid programme of dance music was played by the "Melody Makers'" Dance Band, of Didcot. Amongst the numerous supporters present were Lord Faringdon, Mrs. Lockhart, Mr. Patrick Early (Prospective Candidate for North Oxon, and Chairman of the Aston Basque Refugee Committee), Councillor and Mrs. Andrews, and many prominent local residents. Those responsible for the organisation of the event included Councillor Andrews, Mr. W. Claridge, and members of the Wallingford Liberal and Labour Committees, along with the respective Liberal and Labour agents for the Division, Mr. G. B. Deacon, who acted as M.C., and Mr. W. B. Goodbody.

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