

In and Around the Peninsula

Cape Peninsula Women's Mizrahi Organisation.

An "At Home" under the auspices of the Sea Point Branch was held on Thursday afternoon, 25th January, at Mrs. P. Marks' residence, 27 Avenue Le Sueur, Sea Point. Mrs. Marks, the Chairlady, opened the meeting and welcomed all present, also the guest speaker, Dr. A. Birnbaum, who delivered an address on the place of the Talmud Torah in our life.

Dr. Birnbaum gave a most interesting and comprehensive review of the state of Hebrew education in this country and drew a parallel with the Jewish education of children in Eretz Israel. He said that Hebrew education must have the strict supervision either of the community or of the parents: that the great advantage of sending children to the Talmud Torah is that they are under the supervision of the Board of Jewish Education and their respective committees, and that a real Jewish atmosphere prevails there. Most of the Talmud Torahs have expert teaching staffs, and even in the short period that children attend, a great effort is made to inculcate a love for Hebrew and kindred subjects.

Mr. M. L. Aronson, the Chairman of the Education Committee of the Green and Sea Point Talmud Torah, made an appeal to the mothers present to interest themselves in the local Talmud Torah by sending their own children and also to influence others to do likewise. He suggested that the ladies form themselves into a small sub-committee for that purpose.

Several questions were put to the speaker, to which Dr. Birnbaum replied.

Mrs. J. Herman proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker.

Zionist Socialist Party.

There was a large attendance of members of the Senior Party and Youth Groups on Wednesday, 31st January, at a special meeting called to discuss current events.

Mr. S. Abel was in the chair and welcomed all those present. In surveying the political position in Palestine to-day, he said that we cannot depend on humanitarian friends; we have to rely on our own constructive efforts. It is our duty to establish closer collaboration with Socialist elements and no stone should be left unturned to win the support of Soviet Russia for Zionism.

Mr. U. Birnbaum followed with a news service from Palestine, giving the latest items of news of the progress and developments in the Homeland.

Mr. E. Kluk then addressed the meeting on "Our Immediate Tasks." He dealt with the internal position within the Mapai and stated that the results of the elections to the Histadruth and the Vaad Leumi have had a salutary effect. The Labour Movement has emerged, as a result, strengthened and consolidated as never before. Proceeding to deal with the recrudescence of terrorism, he showed how, in our particular circumstances, it was a completely ineffective form of political warfare and has great dangers for outside and inside, for, if not checked, it may lead to civil war. The best way to eliminate the terror is to eliminate its psychological breeding grounds. It was essential for the future of our cause to create a sympathetic understanding on the part of the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R., but Great Britain still remained the centre of gravity of the Zionist Movement. The growing strength of the Labour Movement in England was a hopeful sign. The only hope for the million Jews that remained out of six million Jews in Europe was mass transportation to Palestine. To achieve that we required absolute freedom of immigration, material and financial assistance from the outside world, and powers of statehood within the country. Concluding, the speaker dealt with the local scene and urged the necessity for the establishment of a united front of all labour and progressive forces in order to resist the rising tide of Fascism.

General discussion followed in which Messrs. B. Melmed, B. Singer and H. Goldin participated. Mr. Kluk replied to the points raised.

Histadruth Ivrit.

The Moadon was reopened after the summer season on Sunday night last in the Library of the United Hebrew Schools, Cape Town. Dr. A. Birnbaum initiated a Sicha on "The Future of Hebrew in South Africa" which proved to be informative and interesting. A number of those present participated in the discussion which followed. There was a good attendance of members over which Mr. J. Blesovsky presided.

Ella Goldstein's Birthday Concert.

Ella Goldstein could not have had a more fitting birthday present than the rapturous applause of a perfectly satisfied audience at the Colosseum on Monday night, February 5th. The concert was conducted by her father, Professor Uriel Goldstein, whose sympathetic direction set the note of enjoyment which characterised the evening.

Ella's rendering of the Beethoven "Emperor" concerto was brilliant and of surprising strength and maturity.

The highlight of the evening, if the reaction of the audience is considered, was the Saint-Saëns Concerto in G minor, the contrasts of which gave scope to the young artist's versatility of expressive emotion. The youthful vigour of the second movement was most refreshing and the technical brilliance of the last brought the ovation that resulted in two encores—the Granados Andalusia and a Chopin Etude.

J.C.

Jerusalem.

"Haaretz" reports that the Syrian Government has decided to send a number of its officials to Palestine to investigate modern agricultural methods and to study the work of Palestine's Agricultural Experimental Station.

A DATE
to remember
Sunday, March 4th
and
A DUTY
to perform
taking and spreading the
SHEKEL
the symbol of
Jewish National
Unity

אגודות הציונים

Western Province Zionist Council and
Combined Zionist Societies of Muizenberg

Miss Marcia Gitlin

will be the Guest Speaker at the next

HOLIDAY CONVERSAZIONE

On **TUESDAY, 13th FEBRUARY** at 8.15 p.m.

at the

TALMUD TORAH HALL, MUIZENBERG.

All Welcome.

Watch the Press Announcements for the forthcoming Grand J.N.F. Trial at the Muizenberg Pavilion on Tuesday, 20th February, at 8 p.m.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

Employment wanted for Storemen, Barmen, Tradesmen or workers in any other capacity.—Please 'phone S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies, 2-5066.

Social & Personal

The marriage between Diana, daughter and Mrs. D. Friedgood, Cape Town, Ernest Stern, only son of Mr. and Mrs. of Columbus, Ohio, U.S.A., will take place at the Wolmarans Street Synagogue, on 11th February, at 12 noon. Address: Mansions, Prospect Road, Berea, Johannesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Solly Friedman (nee Cohen) of Haifa, Palestine, are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Heller, of Worcester (Sonia Davidoff) are being congratulated on the birth of a son.

Forthcoming Events

Conversazione at Muizenberg.

The next Holiday Conversazione will take place on Tuesday, 13th February, at 8.15 p.m. at Talmud Torah Hall, Muizenberg. Miss Gitlin will be the guest speaker. All welcome.

Meeting at Sea Point.

A public meeting to be addressed by Mrs. Dunsky and Miss Marcia Gitlin will take place at the Odeon Theatre, Sea Point, on Sunday, 15th February, at 8.15 p.m. under the auspices of the Combined Zionist Societies of Cape Town. Reservations may be made at the Zionist Office, 100 Strand Street, or the Odeon Theatre.

Vredehoek Cultural Circle.

The first meeting of the season will take place on Thursday, 15th February, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Arelisky, 20 Bradwell Road, Vredehoek, Cape Town. Dr. A. Birnbaum, Director of Hebrew Education in the Cape, will speak on "Some Impressions of Palestine." A suitable programme has been arranged and all are welcome.

J.N.F. Grand Trial.

The J.N.F. Trial will take place as previously on Tuesday, 20th February, at the Muizenberg Pavilion Hall. The case is the Yishuv (the Jews of Eretz Israel) accused, South African Jewry, is called to answer the following charge: "Failing to adequately establish the Jewish National Fund, the institution established for the redemption of the Israel."

Histadruth Ivrit.

The Moadon will be open on Sunday, 15th February, from 7.30 to 10.30 p.m. in the Library of the United Hebrew Schools. Latest newspapers and periodicals are available.

EVENING OF JEWISH MUSIC MUIZENBERG PAVILION

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Simone Saless, the well-known Violinist, will play Hebrew Melody by Bloch and Nigun by Bloch, etc.

Harry Rabinowitz, the well-known Radio Baritone in Hebrew and Yiddish Songs

12th FEBRUARY, at 8 p.m.

Prices: 10/-, 7/6, 5/- and 3/-, including

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JUNIOR HANOAR HAMIZRAH

A MEETING

will be held

On **FRIDAY 9th FEBRUARY** at 8 p.m.
At "**ROSECOURT**"

All Juniors Welcome.