

## In and Around the Peninsula

### Zion Association.

A very well-attended meeting of the Observatory Branch was held at the residence of Mr. Mrs. J. Danielewitz, Arnold Street, Observatory, on Wednesday evening, 26th July. Mrs. Danielewitz presided and welcomed Mrs. Yehuda and Mrs. Leibner and all present.

Mrs. Yehuda described the life in a moshav, giving as an example her settlement, Nahalal. She described work there from the very beginning when there was no habitation for man or beast; today the settlement was a flourishing one doing its share in the upbuilding of the homeland and the war effort. Behind all this work was the Jewish National Fund, the Keren Hayesod and the Wizo, which had made all this possible.

Mrs. Leibner said that women and men in Palestine were doing a good job, but they needed the help and strength of those outside. It was the foresight of Zionists all over the world which made it possible to-day for Palestine to accept many refugees. There was still a great deal to be done and women must do their share by supporting the Keren Hayesod and Wizo in their many and important undertakings. Besides all this it was their duty to bring up a generation who would carry on the work and who would want to go to Palestine in order that Jewry may in all time be rooted in the soil of Palestine. Both speakers were warmly applauded for their addresses.

Mrs. C. Shapiro briefly outlined the activities of the branch during the past two months and appealed for support for the Keren Hayesod-Wizo campaign.

During the evening Miss Patz rendered some charming songs which were much appreciated. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks moved by Mrs. Saacks to the speakers, the artiste, and the host and hostess for their gracious hospitality.

The monthly "At Home" of the Muizenberg Branch took place at the Balmoral Hotel, the guest speakers being Mrs. Yehuda and Mrs. Leibner. Mrs. F. Jocum was in the chair and welcomed the visitors.

Mrs. Yehuda dealt with the life of the women in Palestine, where they work side by side with the men—no matter how hard or dangerous the task may be. She said it was amazing what had been achieved in the last twenty years. She herself believed she had benefited more from Palestine than she had sacrificed in going there. It was an honour to participate in what was being done there. Palestine, which was the poorest country in the Middle East, was to-day an oasis in the desert. Even if it were not for what was happening in Europe to-day, every Jew should participate in the upbuilding of the Homeland which was for the benefit of every Jew.

Mrs. Leibner described the life of the communal settlements, the creches, and the upbringing of the young generation. She added that of all our resources in Palestine the greatest was our people. People should be coming to Palestine not only because they had to, but because they wanted to come.

Mrs. Mary Segal thanked the speakers and said that she felt sure the women of Muizenberg would respond generously to the women's campaign of the Keren Hayesod which supports all Wizo activities in Palestine. She also thanked the proprietors of the Balmoral Hotel for their kind hospitality.

### Massadah Association of Vredehoek.

An interesting meeting was held on Tuesday, August 1st, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Yankelowitz, "Romema," Yeoville Road, when Dr. L. Mirvish and Mr. C. Marks spoke on "Ort-Oze and Occupational Guidance." Dr. Mirvish traced the origins and history of Ort-Oze in Europe and South Africa, pointing out that the Cape Town Branch was founded in 1942 with the express purpose of guiding young Jews into skilled trades. Vocational guidance cannot wipe out anti-Semitism but it can help to make the Jewish community a much more healthy one.

Mr. C. Marks said that between 60 and 70 skilled trades were controlled by the Government so that boys and girls were guaranteed a living wage at the termination of their apprenticeship. The Technical Sub-committee, of which he was chairman, was most anxious not to place a child in a wrong alley. In Johannesburg this committee was most active and out of 300 applicants over half were placed. Teaching the parents was more difficult than teaching the youth, as the average Jewish parent does not look upon labour as dignified. Mr. Marks then went on to give details of trades and apprenticeships and appealed to those present to assist in the work of the Ort.

Discussion followed, participated in by Miss M. Bank, Mr. W. Sebba, Mr. J. H. Hanson and Mr. J. Bobrov, to which both speakers replied. Mrs. J. Dickman proposed votes of thanks to the speakers and to Mr. and Mrs. Yankelowitz for their hospitality. At the beginning of the evening Miss M. Bank read an excerpt from "The Making of the Modern Jew" and Mr. J. Hanson made an appeal on behalf of the Keren Hayesod.

### Histadruth Ivrit.

There was a large attendance at the official opening of the Moadon (Hebrew Club) at the Zionist Hall on Sunday night.

Mr. J. Blesovsky was in the chair and welcomed all present, particularly Mr. and Mrs. Leibner, Mrs. Yehuda and Mr. Lazar. He explained the aims and objects of the Moadon, which it was intended would unite those who know and love the Hebrew language. He hoped all those present would do their best to make it a success.

Mr. Lazar said that all over South Africa there was a reawakening of interest in Hebrew. Cape Town had always been a stronghold of Hebrew education and should take a leading part in this renewed interest in the language. Throughout their history, which was one long story of suffering and persecution, the Jews had never neglected their language and culture; indeed after each period of suffering they emerged stronger culturally and spiritually. The centres of Hebrew cultural life in Europe had been destroyed. Eretz Israel was now the mainspring of Hebrew culture and literature; a large number of books were produced there and the aim of the Moadon was not only to provide a centre for Hebrew-speaking people locally but to encourage the support of Hebrew writers. He wished the new venture every success.

Mr. J. Gitlin extended best wishes on behalf of the W.P. Zionist Council and hoped that the Moadon would go from strength to strength.

Mrs. Leibner said that what bound the young generation in Palestine together more than anything else was the Hebrew language which was their mother tongue. She described the development of Hebrew as a living language and how it was adapted to everyday needs.

Mrs. Yehuda on behalf of the Histadrut Haovdim in Eretz Israel wished the Moadon success. She described life in the Moshavim, particularly in Nahalal and the great developments which had taken place during the last twenty years.

Mr. Leibner spoke of the difficulties with which the Hebrew language was confronted in Palestine, where people were gathered from all the corners of the world, speaking a multitude of languages. It was comparatively easy to learn to speak the language, but not really to know it. A new Hebrew literature was being produced and a national culture was developing; there was no such thing as international culture. The only way of saving Jewish youth from assimilation was to save the Jewish culture for the Jewish people.

Mr. Z. Avin thanked the speakers and said he was confident that the Moadon would be a success.

There was community singing led by Mrs. Leibner, Mrs. Yehuda and Mr. Lison and a pleasant evening was spent by all.

### Society of Jews and Christians.

The annual general meeting took place on Tuesday evening, August 1st, at the Metropolitan Hall, Burg Street.

The Dowager Lady de Villiers presided. She expressed regret at the fact that the activities of the Society of Jews and Christians were not being taken more seriously. The relationship of the two, she thought, was deteriorating, and it

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## Social & Personal.

The marriage of Leah, youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Nathan Newman (formerly Bredasdorp), now of 6 Albany Road, Sea Point, to Capt. Myer Druker, only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Druker, of Oranjezicht, will be solemnised at the Sea Point Synagogue on Tuesday, 15th August, at 2.30 p.m. Reception, Zionist Hall, 3—6 p.m. Relatives and friends cordially invited. Please accept this as the only intimation.

The engagement is announced of Lea, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Glick, of "Kadimah," Virginia Avenue, Vredehoek, to Sam Krawitz (Sergeant, S.A.M.C.), of Vrede, O.F.S.

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was time that something was done to bring about a better understanding of their points of view.

Dr. A. M. Moll, M.P., said that unless the standard of health, and with it the social and economic position of the natives and non-Europeans in South Africa was raised, the whole structure of the standard of living in this country would be undermined. As a member of the National Health Services Commission he emphasised that the great task of making a healthy, happy and economically sound South Africa was not insuperable.

Mr. M. Alexander, K.C., M.P., said that unfortunately a great deal of prejudice existed against the Jews regarding the part they played in the present war. It was incontestable, however, that in proportion to their numbers, the Jews had reason to be proud of their record in this war. Many of them had obtained the highest awards for bravery.

Rabbi I. Abrahams moved a vote of thanks to the speakers.

With one or two exceptions former office-bearers were re-appointed for the ensuing year.

### Diocesan Church Synod Resolution.

In the course of a letter addressed to the Diocesan Church Synod in connection with the resolution concerning the Jewish people, passed at their recent conference, Rabbi I. Abrahams said: "In these times of human crisis and of unparalleled Jewish suffering, the words of sympathy and fellowship expressed by your Church Synod touches the Jewish heart deeply, and encourages us to hope that in the days ahead, when the war and its barbarities are over, the religions of the world may unite in fostering a new spirit of brotherly love and sincere co-operation among all the children of men."

### Maitland Jewish Cultural and Social Society.

A meeting was held on Sunday, 30th July, at the Talmud Torah Hall, under the chairmanship of Dr. J. Jackson. The main item of the evening was a debate on the subject "That anti-Semitism is a force that makes Jewry loyal to their religion." The proposer of the motion was Mr. H. Immerman, supported by Dr. D. Bloch, and the opposers were Mr. A. Kaufman, supported by Cantor Immerman.

### Wilkomerer Landsleit Society.

On Sunday, 6th August, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rubik, Sea Point, a meeting of Wilkomerer Landsleit was held and a temporary committee was formed, of which the main purpose will be to assist Wilkomerer to return to their homes in Wilkomer. During the evening Mr. G. Laden gave a recitation. All interested in the above society should communicate with the Secretary, P.O. Box 1673, or 'phone 2-9429 or 4-6188.

### Muizenberg Tanach Study Circle.

This circle has been meeting every Friday night to study Tanach. Mr. E. Levite, the Principal of the Muizenberg Hebrew School, has been reading the book of Isaiah.

On Friday night, August 4th, the members met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Gamsu to celebrate the "Siyum" of the book of Isaiah. Mr.

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Levite ably expounded the last chapter of the book. This was followed by community singing and by some delightful songs rendered by Cantor Goldwasser and Mr. J. Lehrman. Captain M. Natas also entertained the gathering with some of the latest Palestinian Hebrew songs.

It has been decided to begin with the study of the book of Jeremiah. The first chapter will be read on Friday, August 11th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Borok.

Muizenberg Zionist Societies.

A function in honour of Capt. M. Natas was held on Wednesday, August 2nd, at the Talmud Torah Hall. Mr. E. Levite presided. Mr. R. Oblovitz welcomed Capt. Natas on behalf of the men Zionists and Mrs. S. Jocum on behalf of the women Zionists.

Capt. M. Natas related some of his experiences up North. He praised the work of our boys in the army and their spirit of sacrifice. He told of the work the Jewish boys have done for the Jewish refugees.

During the evening a humorous reading was given by Mr. I. Smith, which was very much appreciated. Cantor Goldwasser entertained the gathering with some songs and Mr. Asher read his latest poems. A vote of thanks was moved by Mr. R. M. Rifkin.

Women's Mizrahi Organisation.

An enjoyable function took place on August 1st at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Levine, Vredehoek Avenue. After the chairlady, Mrs. Berzack, had welcomed the large gathering, Mr. A. Immerman rendered songs which were greatly appreciated by all.

In the course of an interesting address Rabbi Dr. E. W. Kirzner dwelt on the moral lesson to be derived from the message of Shabbos Nachamu and on the inspiration to be drawn from the ideal of Nechamah embodying hope and faith in the restoration of Israel and revival of our people in our homeland on the principles of the glorious faith of our fathers.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. H. Braude to the hostess for her warm hospitality.

Address Wanted.

The addresses are wanted of: Chaim Fritzsche, formerly of Lachaviczze, Poland; the brother of Sarah Ashforz; and Eug. Gliksman, formerly of Warsaw.

Please communicate with S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies, 413 Security Buildings, Exchange Place, Cape Town (phone 2-5066).

A meeting of the Worcester Women's Zionist League (Wizo) was held at the residence of Mrs. J. Friedman on July 25th. Mrs. Lipman gave a brief report of the Keren Hayesod reception which she attended in Cape Town. It was decided not to hold a special Women's Keren Hayesod Campaign in Worcester. Mrs. Harry Broudie read an interesting article on "Chavera."

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CONSECRATION.

BEINKINSTADT. — The consecration of the tombstone of the late Moses Beinkinstadt will take place at Woltemade No. 3, eighth gate, on Sunday 13th August, at 11.30 a.m. Relatives and friends kindly invited to attend.

WILK.—The consecration of the tombstone of the late Rachel Wilk will take place at Pinelands Cemetery on Sunday, 13th August, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends kindly invited to attend.

Bible Reading in Jewish Home.

The chapters to be read during the week commencing Saturday, 12th August (23rd Av) are 2nd Kings, 19 to 25.