

In and Around the Peninsula

S.A. Jewish War Appeal—Women's Campaign.

Mrs. Minna Levitas was the guest speaker at a meeting of ladies, at the residence of Mrs. Merkel, Milner Road, Woodstock.

The speaker gave a graphic description of her experiences when visiting the D.P. camps and the appalling state of those who were already living in communities. She stressed the importance of a constant awareness of the plight of our brethren, many of whom were the pick of Jewry, who were now reduced to beggary. Contributions should be given not in a spirit of charity but with a full understanding of all that they have done and were doing for us as a nation. The feeling that they were unwanted and forgotten contributed largely to the demoralisation of the D.P.'s, which could be combated by instilling in them a sense of oneness with us.

The audience was deeply moved by Mrs. Levitas' vivid descriptions and felt privileged to have obtained a glimpse "behind the scene."

Mrs. Benson, of the Cape Town War Appeal Committee, added words of encouragement to the workers, and Miss B. Lazarow moved a vote of thanks to the speakers and the hostess.

The Women's War Appeal Campaign at Paarl, was successfully inaugurated on Monday, afternoon, 20th October, at the Central Hotel. There was a large attendance and a generous response followed the powerful appeal made by Mrs. Levitas and supported by Mrs. Sloman.

On Monday evening a similar meeting was held at Wellington and was addressed by Mrs. Levitas and Mrs. Blumberg. A vigorous canvass is being made in both centres, and great credit is due to Mrs. Sutin and Mrs. Perlman and their respective committees for the elaborate arrangements made for both meetings.

Broth Zion Association.

Several successful Card Parties have been held and convened by Mrs. R. Sacks and Mrs. F. Salber, of the Vredehoek branch, resulting in a handsome sum of money which has been contributed towards the J.N.F.

The splendid effort is greatly appreciated by the members of the above branch.

Green and Sea Point Hebrew School—Parent-Teacher Association.

A meeting was held in the Synagogue Hall, Marais Road, Sea Point, on Wednesday, 15th October.

Mr. J. Rotstein presided and in declaring the meeting open, stated he was very gratified to see such a good attendance of Parents.

The Draft Constitution was read and after discussion was approved and adopted.

A most interesting lecture was delivered by Dr. S. C. Shore on "The Prevention of Ill-health Mental and Physical in the School Child." Stressing the fact that the two influences acting simultaneously on the child were the home and the school, the lecturer pointed out that much of the ill health that arises apparently in the school is due to home influence.

Dr. Shore, dealing with one mental side of ill health, emphasised that children in poor health are not necessarily backward mentally but they are just children who are beginning to develop unhealthy habits of adjustment to difficulties.

We must rid ourselves of the absurd notion that academic progress is the most important thing in a child's life. Furthermore, what a

child needs is a cheerful, well-poised unprejudiced teacher and parents, who should not treat the mental and emotional health of the children with unconcern but should seek the most precise and scientific information.

Tea was served, after which some of the audience asked the lecturer questions, to which he replied.

Dr. Shrook, in proposing a vote of thanks, stated he was very interested to hear the lecturer emphasise the complementary character of the physical and mental sides of health.

The Chairman then informed the meeting that all arrangements for the Grand Chanukah Ball in aid of the Talmud Torah funds had been concluded and that it would be held on Tuesday, 2nd December. He appealed to the ladies to help, to which there was a good response.

S.A. Jewish Ex-Service League.

At the monthly meeting held at the Minor Zionist Hall on 14th October, Major A. Z. Berman, M.P.C., the League's delegates to the recent Congress of the Board of Deputies, gave a review of the business of the Congress, which evoked a number of questions. Mr. A. Robinson, Regional Organiser of the National War Memorial Health Foundation, gave a resume of the work and needs of the Foundation, and urged members of the League to

Magnificent Gesture by Gentile Lady.

BEQUEST TO CAPE JEWISH AGED HOME.

About six months ago Mrs. E. Hardy, of Kenya, visited the Cape Jewish Aged Home. Herself a cripple, she was very much impressed with what is being done for the aged sick.

To use her own words: "That so beautiful a building should have been erected and so much care should be given to people who are old, feeble and sick is unique."

Recently this lady passed away, and in terms of her will she has bequeathed to this Home 500 acres of ground, the approximate value of which is £30 per acre. The Committee are at the moment considering in what form this grand gesture should be perpetuated.

support it, as it was the only national war memorial scheme in South Africa.

Dr. H. Freund presided, and a vote of thanks was passed to both speakers.

The League is to be associated with the functions in connection with the forthcoming visit to Cape Town of Field-Marshal Montgomery.

Zionist Socialist Party.

"Relations between Jews and Arabs" proved an interesting subject for discussion at the recent study circle meeting arranged by the Cape Town branch, which took place at the house of Mr. I. Bitnun, Firmount Road, Sea Point, on Sunday night, 19th October.

Mr. Sam Rubinstein introduced the subject, giving a picture of Arab life in Palestine and discussing the attitude of the Histadruth to the problems of the Arab working masses as well as the point of view of organisations like the Hashomer Hatzair. A keen discussion followed, during which Mr. M. Ben-Arie gave interesting facts of his experience with the Arabs of Palestine. Mr. L. Karabelnik presided at the meeting.

Maitland Ladies' Benevolent Society.

A Social Evening was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Schwabsky on Thursday, 16th October, in honour of Mr. and Mrs. W. Samson, who have recently moved to Muizenberg. A certificate inscribing their names in the Golden Book was presented to them.

The Chairlady, Mrs. Urdang, after welcoming the guests called upon Mr. Kaufman, Rev. Efron and Cantor Immerman to address the gathering.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Samson each responded and thanked the speakers wholeheartedly for their kind words and gift.

After musical items by Mrs. Stoltzman, Cantor Immerman and Mr. Ozinsky had been rendered, a sumptuous tea was served, after which the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Schwabsky.

Goodwood Zionist Society.

The Goodwood Zionist Society has just concluded another session of consistent activity. Although the community numbers only a handful, the society has been very busy with gratifying results for a number of Zionist causes. Recently, for example, this small band of devoted workers handed in amounts of £150 for the Jewish National Fund, £125 for Youth Aliyah and £40 for Wizo, all as a result of functions held within the community.

Warmest congratulations are due to all responsible.

Rondebosch Massadah.

A highly successful meeting was held on Monday, 13th October, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Green, Milner Road, Rondebosch.

The programme consisted of a Brains Trust, the "Brains" being Mrs. H. Lieberman, Councillor B. A. Levitas, Adv. L. Rubin and Adv. G. Gordon, some of whose rhetorical replies were both amusing and appropriate.

Mr. Archie Dorfan, who proved an extremely able question-master, welcomed among the 70 members present a number of visitors from various sister Massadahs.

Both questions and answers were controversial and informative, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was had by all.

It is hoped that the Rondebosch Massadah may again benefit from the talents of these four excellent speakers at some future date.

Barmitzvah Celebration.

Shalom Itzhak, only son of Mrs. S. Nurok and the late Mr. A. Nurok, read a Portion of the Law and Maftir at the Great Synagogue on Saturday 18th October.

At the Brocha which was held at the "Herzlia" Hostel, Mr. J. Gitlin was in the chair and paid a tribute to the memory of the Barmitzvah's father, the late Mr. A. Nurok. Mr. Z. Avin spoke of his close association with Mrs. Nurok in Zionist work since childhood days and praised the Barmitzvah as a scholar of the United Hebrew Schools; he was sure that, under the influence of his home and school, he would be a devoted and steadfast Jew. Rabbi M. Morgenstern also spoke of his close association with Mrs. and the late Mr. Nurok.

A reception was held at the Zionist Hall on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Z. Avin was in the chair. Mr. R. Back proposed the toast of the Barmitzvah. Rabbi M. Morgenstern presented the Barmitzvah with the certificate of the Cape Board of Jewish Education. Mr. B. L. Rubik proposed the toast of the mother of the Barmitzvah. The Barmitzvah responded in English and Hebrew. Mr. Ginsberg responded on behalf of Mrs. Nurok.

The name of the Barmitzvah has been inscribed in the Sefer Barmitzvah by his mother.

Green and Sea Point Chevrah Lomdei Torah.

Shabbos Bereishis was observed at the Sea Point Synagogue by the Green

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Social & Personal.

Mr. Morris Kentridge, M.P., and Mr. Abel Shaban have left Johannesburg on a visit to Palestine. They will be away for about ten days.

The engagement is announced of Woolf, only son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Kantor, of 53, Belmont Avenue, Oranjezicht, and Jeanette, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Mauerberger, of "Alwyne," Tennant Road, Wynberg.

The engagement is announced of Dr. Maurice Nellen, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Katzenellenbogen, of Sea Point, and Rasa Amelia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick Lawrence, of London.

Mrs. Hilda Mirvish left on Monday by air on a visit to Palestine.

Mr. J. H. Hanson, Organiser-Secretary of the Cape Committee of the S.A. Jewish War Appeal, left last week-end on an extensive trip in connection with the War Appeal Campaign to Namaqualand and South-West Africa. He expects to be away for about three weeks.

Mrs. E. Levite, of Muizenberg, has returned from an extended visit to Palestine and England.

Dr. and Mrs. Velva Schrire (née Ruth Goldberg) are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter.

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and Sea Point Chevrah Lomdei Torah, when members were called to the Torah, and a Brocha was held after the Service in the Synagogue Hall.

Mr. A. Yach, Vice-President, presided at the request of the President, Mr. M. Sacks, and the speakers were Rabbi Dr. A. T. Shrook, Mr. Archie Sacks, Vice-President of the Congregation, Mr. M. Helfand, Mr. M. L. Aronson and Rev. I. L. Pakter.

Jerusalem.

The Brenner Prize of Literature has been awarded to Mrs. Rahel Katznelson, a well-known Histadruth leader, for her volume of essays "Massoth u'Reshimot" recently published by Am Oved.

SILVER WEDDING.

JOFFE—PRAED.—Married on 31st October, 1922, by the late Rev. Wilder at the Roeland Street Synagogue, Morris Joseph to Rebecca Rose (Beccie).

Address: "Shalvo," Bantry Road, Bantry Bay.

BARMITZVAH POSTPONED.

KLEIN.—The Barmitzvah of Max, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. H. Klein, which was to have taken place on 25th October, has been postponed until further notice owing to illness.

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POST OF PRINCIPAL AND/OR SENIOR HEBREW TEACHER

Applications, in writing, are invited for the above post and should be forwarded to the undersigned, from whom further particulars may be obtained, up to Noon on Wednesday, 12th November, 1947. The salary will be in accordance with the scales of the S.A. Board of Jewish Education, and duties will commence with the new term in January, 1948.

M. CHOSACK,
Secretary.