

Clergy Criticised At Meeting Of Bikkur Cholim

NEGLECTED DUTY TO THE SICK

THE Jewish clergy came in for severe criticism at the sixth annual general meeting of the Jewish Society for Visiting the Sick, held on Sunday morning, members complaining bitterly that the clergy neglected their duty of visiting the sick and that they did not co-operate with the society.

Chief Rabbi L. I. Rabinowitz, who addressed the gathering, said that the question would be dealt with at the next meeting of the Ministers' Association, taking place this week, and that he would see to it that it was placed first on the agenda.

The matter was raised by Mr. L. H. Cohen, who said that they could hardly expect the general public to take an interest in the work of the society if the ministers did not do so. With the exception of the ministers of the local Reform Congregation, who visited the sick regularly every week, and with one or two other notable exceptions, the clergy as a whole woefully neglected their duty in this direction.

Mr. H. Sadowsky suggested that every congregation, on engaging a new minister, should stipulate that his duties shall include the visiting of the sick.

Professor Rabinowitz said that no institution in Johannesburg had had such a meteoric rise as the Bikkur Cholim, which showed that its establishment had provided a great want. The society had proved itself a progressive conscience for the improve-



Mr. Morris Cohen, who was elected Chairman

ment of the community.

He paid special tribute to Mr. Morris Cohen and he thanked the society for having included five deaf and dumb children in their children's sea-side camp.

Mr. L. Isaacson, chairman of the society, who presided, said that during the year the society had continued to carry out its work in full measure. More workers, however, were urgently needed.

Reporting on the second annual sea-side camp for under-privileged Jewish children, arranged by the society, at Lakeside in December, Mr. Morris Cohen, chairman of the Seaside Fund, said that the camp had proved an outstanding success. 100 children were sent as compared with 75 the year before. In addition to the cost of the camp, £400 was spent in providing clothing for the children. If sufficient donations were obtained for the purpose, another 100 children would be given a holiday at the coast again this year.

Mr. H. Blank urged that an effort should be made to send more children. He also felt that merely providing a holiday for poor children

Sophie Tucker Wants

Reporting on the seaside camp for the annual general society on Sunday Morris Cohen said visited America la Sophie Tucker, of Mama" fame, and the Bikkur Cholim poor children.

The famous act very soul of char moved. Two weeks turn from the Un Bikkur Cholim re for 200 dollars

"We wish to see poor children to the year, and I hope many Sophie Tucker nesburg," he said.

was not sufficient, should try, with other institutions, ren in every way.

Mr. Isaacson said was considering arranging a camp in tion to the one in Du also considering ways side helping poor childre n proper place in socie

The financial report by Mr. H. J. Marks In recognition of vices, Mr. Marks wa honorary life member

The retiring chair son, was elected an president.

Mr. Morris Cohen ly elected chairman year.

Messrs. L. H. Coh were elected vice-ch Nieberg, treasurer; World" hon. secretary; and kel, T. Cohen and trustees.

The members of the Mesdames P. Klein, Slomowitz, J. Cohen, Feldman, Z. Hurwitz, W. Mark, Rabbi Dr. and Messrs. B. D. B. Savetz, H. Sadow kin, S. Raphaelson, Beitler, D. Rubin, S and D. R. W. Mark

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Balfour Park to Present "Night Must Fall"

The Balfour Park Cultural Section is presenting "Night Must Fall," by Emyln Williams, on August 23-28 inclusive. The play is being produced by Anita Coleman and the cast includes a number of actors who have won a considerable reputation in local theatrical circles.

Mr. Berlinski to Teach at Conservatoire of Music

Mr. Jacques Berlinski, the noted French composer and conductor, has joined the "Johannesburg Conservatoire of Music" (Director: Dr. Bronislaw Fryling) as teacher of theoretical subjects, harmony, composition and conducting.

He studied at the National Paris Conservatoire of Music, where he won the highest distinction for his works in theory, composition and conducting and finished the courses as a Laureate of the Paris Conservatoire of Music.

He then conducted in Paris and in Bruxelles and at the same time was working at his compositions, one of which, "The Kanaan," won in 1948 the First Prize at a composer's competition in New York.

Federation of Lithuanians To Hold

The Federation of Lithuanians has undertaken to assist in the erection of dwellings for Lithuanian refugees in Johannesburg. The object in view the Federation is arranging a grand gala at the Selborne Hall on September 8, 1948. Tickets are taking part of the Federation of Lithuanians, 37 Nevada Street, City (phone 22) from Mrs. Lazersohn and at Greaterman's.

Mr. Goodman to Jewish Workers

"THE Social Role of the Jewish Workers" will be the subject to be given by Mr. Goodman, 37 Ross Street, Doornfontein, on Friday, August 9, at 8 p.m.