

## In and Around the Peninsula.

### Judean Central Council of the Cape Province.

On Sunday, the 12th inst., the first Council meeting of the year took place. Owing to the absence of the Chairman the Treasurer presided over a fairly large attendance of members. He, in opening the meeting, welcomed the large number of new representatives and expressed the hope that they would co-operate with the Executive in making the various schemes, to be undertaken in the coming session successful.

The election of the Executive then took place, the results being as follows:—President, Mr. H. Zuckerman; Vice-President, Miss H. Suchedowitz; Treasurer, Mr. E. Miller; Joint Hon. Secretaries, the Misses D. Segal and R. Simenhoff; Publicity Agent, Mr. E. Kluk, and additional member Mr. Sol Cohen. Mr. S. Levin was elected Acting Convener of the Cultural Sub-Committee and Mr. S. Cohen Convener of the Camp Sub-Committee. Mr. S. Kovalsky was re-elected Associate Editor of the "Judean" for the Cape and Mr. S. Frank additional member of the Judean Sub-Committee.

### The Jewish "Pop" Concert.

The special Jewish concert given in the City Hall on Saturday evening last attracted a large audience, the greater portion of whom were members of the Jewish Community.

Oberkantor Katzin contributed a considerable share of the programme and proved a very great attraction. Both in the operatic arias as well as in Jewish songs, his voice showed up to great advantage; the Jewish songs, by virtue of their familiarity, proving the more popular. Time and again Mr. Katzin had to respond with encores to the vociferous applause. His voice is very clear and pure in tone and well controlled. There appeared at times a tendency to take things at a rather slow tempo, but this did not detract from the enjoyment of all his numbers. He was ably accompanied by Mr. Miller.

Mr. Ralph Koorland, mention of whom we inadvertently omitted in our last week's notice, gave a violin solo in most excellent manner and gained a well deserved double encore.

The delightful playing of Mr. I. Chossack on the Xylophone also received double encores, and he, too, responded with Jewish melodies. His rendering of Kol Nidrei perhaps being rather unsuitable for his instrument.

Mr. Pickerill directed his "Fantasia on Jewish Folk Tunes," which he had written

for the occasion. The orchestration was very interesting and the audience applauded it in fitting manner.

This concert proved a great success and the audience, who were very insistent for encores, were lucky in receiving so many. As we surmised last week, the evening proved a gala night for Jewish concert goers.

### Rev. A. P. Bender.

We take this opportunity of extending to Mr. Bender our heartiest good wishes and felicitations on this his sixty-eighth birthday, which falls on Thursday of this week. We hope that he may be spared amongst us for a long life of health and happiness and continue his good work for many years to come.

### Young Judeans Debate.

The meeting of the Cape Town Young Judeans on Saturday, April 11th, took the form of a debate. Mr. S. M. Levin presided. The subject under discussion was "That Palestine is the only possible Jewish National Home." Mr. S. Wyner, seconded by Miss F. Joffe, moved the motion, which was opposed by Mr. L. Cooper and Mr. L. Jochelson. Various members of the Society participated in the debate which proved brisk and interesting.

The motion, when put to the vote, was carried by a large majority.

The latter part of the evening took the form of a Society Newspaper and provided both humorous and serious articles, read by their respective authors.

After a vote of thanks by Mr. H. Zuckerman the meeting concluded with the singing of *Hatikvah*.

### "Library" Concert.

There will be a concert in the Zionist Hall on Sunday evening, April 19th, in aid of the Zionist Hall Library.

We drew your attention in our issue before last to the fact that the library caters for all tastes and has a varied collection of books and papers in Hebrew, Yiddish and English.

It acts, too, as a reading room for many who spend a quiet hour reading the books and newspapers, which otherwise might be inaccessible to them. Visit the library any evening or on Sunday, in fact whenever it is open, and you will have difficulty in procuring a seat or even a copy of a paper. It is always full.

The library is in need of funds. Consequently the Committee has decided to have

this concert to try and raise some money. They promise a very attractive programme. Come on Sunday evening to the Zionist Hall and serve a double purpose—namely enjoy yourselves and help the library.

### The Zionist Conversazione.

There was a good attendance at the Zionist conversazione at the Zionist Hall on Tuesday evening. The host was Mr. J. Weinreich, who apologised for the absence of Mrs. Weinreich. Unfortunately she was detained at home because of illness.

The usual news bulletin was read by Mr. Getz, after which a paper dealing with the lack of religious practice amongst the youth of to-day was read by Advocate M. Barnett. Amongst the reasons for this lack, he suggested that the services did not hold the attention of the younger members of the community and should be more inspiring and impressive.

The discussion which followed was animated and Messrs. M. Horwitz, M. Jaffe, D. Getz, Rev. S. Kassel and Dr. C. Resnekov took part.

Advocate P. Clouts and Mr. Benzion S. Hersch, of Johannesburg, spoke on the "Problems of the Next Congress at Basle."

Mr. Hersch participated as a guest and appealed to those present to vote for South African representatives, when the time for the choice of delegates came.

During the course of the evening Dr. S. E. Kark took the opportunity of the occasion to wish Mr. J. Zuckerman Godspeed. He is leaving this week for Europe and intends visiting Palestine and being present at the Seventeenth Zionist Congress. Dr. Kark enlarged on the useful work Mr. Zuckerman had done in the cause of Zionism. He had worked unceasingly for the cause since the inception of the Dorshei Zion Association some thirty years ago. He would be greatly missed during his absence, but was sure to return from his trip rejuvenated by his experiences, and with renewed vigour to continue his work in the noble cause.

Mr. Zuckerman replied suitably.

Miss P. Cosay, accompanied by Mr. Boris Rome, supplied the musical items.

### "Sabbatai Zevi" Trial.

On Sunday evening last at the Zionist Hall, the Kadimah Association acted as a Court of Trial on Sabbatai Zevi, the self-styled Messiah of the Seventeenth Century.

Before the trial commenced, Mr. Z. Avin, the President, expressed their sympathy with the relatives of the late Morris Rabinowitz, a former comrade, who had met his death in a tragic manner. As a mark of respect all present stood up in their places.

There were the tribunal witnesses, advocates and the full paraphernalia of a court of trial.

The proceedings throughout were exceedingly interesting and were much appreciated by all present.

A successful evening concluded in the usual manner.

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