

IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

Hebrew Teachers' Association.

Dr. C. Resnekov, Chairman of the Board of Jewish Education, and who had just arrived from the Conference at Kimberley, was the guest of honour at the meeting of the Hebrew Teachers' Association on Sunday evening last at the Talmud Torah Hall. Mr. A. Levin who is also a representative of the Association on the Board of Education reported on matters on which opinions had been exchanged by the Board and by the Association.

Dr. Resnekov emphasised that in the parent teacher child chain, the teacher was the most important. He expressed the hope that the Teachers' Association by its united strength would do much towards awakening the parents' interest in Jewish educational matters. He reported that the Zionist Federation had undertaken the task of fostering Jewish education in South Africa.

A warm tribute was paid by the speaker to the enthusiasm of the women delegates. The Women's Conference had voted whole-hearted support for the encouragement of the study of Hebrew.

Mr. Lazar, of Paarl, read a paper on "The Peculiar Child." The present-day child, said the speaker, was cramped by too much modernity. Crime was usually the result of unhappiness, said Mr. Lazar, inability to adapt oneself to existing conditions. Punishment meted out to the child was a reflection on the state of mind of the parent or teacher. Education should be conducted on natural lines. Children especially peculiar children, should be given a sense of responsibility.

An interesting discussion followed in which Messrs. M. Tickin, Lederman, A. Levin, M. Natas, I. Hirschson, Z. Avin, A. Levitte and Mrs. Mibashan took part.

After Dr. Resnekov had made an appeal to the Association to consolidate its strength by roping-in every Hebrew teacher in the district the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Mr. Lazar for his interesting lecture.

Muizenberg Talmudical Society.

A very interesting function took place at Krikler's Hotel, Muizenberg, on Thursday, the 25th May, when the Muizenberg Talmudical Study Society (Chevra Gamorrah) celebrated a sium on "Baba Kama," also the fifth anniversary of its existence.

Mr. B. Philips, the Chairman, presided over a large gathering of members and guests. Rabbi M. Ch. Mirvish, the founder of the Society, delivered a very learned "Hadren" and address.

At the reception which followed, Mr. M. Aronson, the Lecturer of the Society ("Magid Hashiur") gave a short review on the completed "Masheches."

A welcome to the visitors was extended by Mr. Shapiro, and was ably supported

by Mr. Helfand a past lecturer of the Society. Rabbi Kramer, Rabbi Ruch and Mr. Ch. Levinson replied.

During the course of the evening traditional songs were rendered by Rev. M. N. Rabinowitz and Oberkantor M. Katzen.

A very pleasant "Shimcha" terminated with a vote of thanks proposed by Mr. A. Aronson to the Chairman and the Host and Hostess, Mr. and Mrs. A. Krikler.

Rabbi I. M. Gervis was unavoidably absent as he was at the Zionist Conference at Kimberley.

The Late Mr. M. Eilenberg.

Before the proceeding with the business of the evening at the last monthly meeting of the Cape Jewish Aged Home an enlargement of a photo of the late Mr. Maurice Eilenberg who had been President of the institution for many years and a committee member from its very inception until his decease, was unveiled by the Rev. A. P. Bender. Mr. Rosen recapitulated the services which Mr. Eilenberg had rendered to the institution. Mr. Bender in the course of his address, enlarged on the great communal work the late Mr. Eilenberg had done.

Bequests.

The Committee of the Cape Jewish Orphanage and the Treasurer of the Cape Jewish Aged Home gratefully acknowledge the sums of £61 2s. 1d. and £30 11s. 1d. respectively from the estate of the late Mr. Maurice Levy, of Muizenberg, per the Secretary of the Colonial Orphan Chamber and Trust Company.

Wynberg Jewish Circle.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Phillips acted as host and hostess to the members of the Wynberg Jewish Circle on Monday evening, 22nd May, when Adv. Gerald Gordon delivered an interesting lecture on "The Power of the Jews."

He alluded among other things to the inconsistent opinions held by the Gentile world with regard to the Jewish influence in all spheres of public life. Not deprecating Zionism, the speaker doubted whether the present national calamity could be averted by the negligible number of Jews in Palestine compared with the vast majority of Jews interwoven in the economic life of the countries in which they live and in which they play a large role. This fact is partly due, in the mind of the speaker, to the world-wide protest raised against the barbaric actions of the Hitlerites.

The following took part in the discussion which ensued: Miss Ray Cohen, Dr. W. Altshul and Messrs. J. L. Feinberg, M. Tickin, A. Roberts and H. Rifkin.

After the tea interval another discussion was introduced by the Chairlady of the function, Miss Shynie Rifkin. Mrs. P. Kaplan and Mr. J. L. Feinberg outlined what they considered should be the future lines on which the circle should be run.

It was decided to inaugurate a new series of lectures dealing with historical and literary subjects.

A vote of thanks was passed to the host and hostess and Adv. G. Gordon and there-with a most enjoyable evening concluded.

Oneg Shabbos.

A large gathering attended the last function of this society over which Mrs. Mibashan presided.

Mr. Z. Avin spoke on the "Bible." The speaker dwelt on the Prophets in particular, pointing out their courage of conviction and the urge of Prophetic Truth. Rev. Rosenberg rendered songs, which were greatly enjoyed.



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