

IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

C.T. Zionist Revisionists.

On Tuesday evening the above Association arranged a debate in the Zionist Hall, the subject being, "That a Bi-National State in Palestine is desirable."

Mr. M. Rosenblit, the mover of the motion, said that if Zionists did not realise that there were two nationalities in Palestine, then we would have an "Imperium in Imperio" because the Zionist Organisation would map out the policy for the Jew and the Palestine Administration would lay down a policy for the Arab. Such a policy could never have any good outcome and would ultimately lead to a clash between the two races.

The result of a Bi-National State would be a united front of the two Nationalities, and its Legislative Council representative of all Nationalists would think, not in terms of Arabs or Jews but in terms of a Palestine State, and would lay down a definite policy which would be in the interest of both races.

Mr. R. Kotlowitz, in opposing the motion, contended that if a Bi-National State was established in Palestine the Jews who are in a minority would only have equality of rights on paper, but in reality would be subject to legislation enforced by the majority, viz., the Arabs. The Jews also in the case of a Bi-National State in Palestine would be on the same basis nationally as they are at present in other countries of the Diaspora, and if this was the aim of Zionism, then all our past work and energy has been wasted and really utilised for consolidating the position of the Arab.

In conclusion he stated that the only solution of the Jewish problem, was not the establishment of a Bi-National State, but of a Jewish State in Palestine.

Mr. E. Sandler, who seconded the motion, said that where several nationalities live together within one state, the only rational basis of their life is for them to participate in the government of the state and to confine their respective national aspirations to their culture and social life.

Mr. S. Rosenthal who also opposed the motion held that a Bi-National State in Palestine was undesirable, because the Jews had for centuries been striving to re-establish themselves in the eyes of the world and therefore if the idea of a Jewish State was abolished it would make them feel that all their hopes and sacrifices had been in vain.

Mr. Ben Arie and Mr. N. Kapelus took part in the discussion which followed, and the motion, when put to the vote, was lost.

Dr. W. Altschul was in the chair.

The Junior Guardians.

The annual general meeting of the Junior Auxiliary to the Cape Jewish Board of Guardians was held in the Old Synagogue last Sunday night.

The Chairman, Mr. R. Kossuth-Sieradzki, in his report, emphasised the fact that while the justification and necessity for the movement had been proved beyond doubt, the manner in which it operated, particularly in regard to the collection of subscriptions—its primary object—was a source of profound regret. A shilling a month per member—and every young Jewish man and woman was a member—while constituting little or no sacrifice to the individual, meant collectively an important contribution to the Senior Board and under its judicious distribution, alleviation of much distress in our midst. He suggested various means of combating the apparent lethargy.

The reports of the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Maurice Oblowitz, and the Hon. Auditor, Mr. S. Emdin, were then delivered. The former disclosed that approximately £80 had been collected by the Society, of which sum only £15 was accounted for by subscriptions, the remainder of the revenue being derived from functions held. This fact received comment by the Auditor in his report.

Mr. I. J. Honikman, the Chairman of the Cape Jewish Board of Guardians, urged the Junior Auxiliary not to be discouraged but to maintain its endeavours which had become more necessary than ever before owing to the increase in the demand for assistance and the decrease in income, both factors being explicable to some extent as a result of the harassing times through which the country was passing. The Board looked expectantly to the Junior Auxiliary, he said, to assist in reducing and even wiping out its deficit.

The results of the election of office-bearers for the ensuing year were as follows:—

Chairman, Mr. R. Kossuth-Sieradzki; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. A. Pincus; Members: Miss, R. Garfinkel, Mrs. R. Gottlieb, Miss E. Guttman, Messrs. M. Oblowitz, S. Policansky, R. Raphaely and K. Sandler.

There was a general discussion and votes of thanks concluded the meeting.

Wynberg Jewish Circle.

The Wynberg Jewish Circle held a very successful evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Wolman, Main Road, Wynberg, on Monday last.

Miss R. Shapiro, the Convenor of the function, had compiled a newspaper consisting mainly of articles contributed by the members, and pertaining chiefly to local affairs. The paper was named "The

Wastepaper Basket," and that it was entertaining was evidenced by the general appreciation shown. A few serious articles dealing with educational subjects prevented the paper from assuming too light a tone. The personal element was very wittily dealt with and all present accepted it in the right spirit, considering it a great asset towards the success of the paper.

Misses R. Cohen and B. Rifkin assisted in the reading of the paper, and Mrs. I. Gordon proposed a vote of thanks to the host and hostess and the convenor.

The next function will be held on September 11th at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Kaplan, Lower Piers Road, Wynberg, and will take the form of a lecture by Miss R. Van Gelderen.

Concert at Orphanage.

The Winter Series of lectures at the Orphanage being now concluded, a grand concert specially arranged for the children will be given in the Ochberg Hall on Sunday evening next, September 3rd, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Harry Weinreich, Mr. I. Berkowitch and Miss Elma Feinhols are arranging a splendid children's programme which includes community singing in English and Hebrew.

Members of Committee and all friends who have attended any of these lectures are cordially invited.

Claremont Junior Zionist Society.

The above Society, which has just been organised, has commenced activities in real earnest and the support and enthusiasm of the members augurs well for the future.

On the 6th August a mass meeting was held in connection with the Youth Chalutz Scheme. Mr. Zuckerman and Mr. Friedman spoke on behalf of the Judean Central Council and promises to the value of £18 16s. 6d. were handed in at the meeting. This amount has been increased by private work on the part of the committee and the total to date is £32, of which £11 has already been forwarded.

On the 27th August a canvass for the distribution of boxes took place, forty-five new boxes being placed. It is hoped that before the district is completed at least another thirty will be distributed.

On the 3rd September the Society is holding a dance in aid of the Library and Building Funds in the Claremont Talmud Torah Hall, Grove Avenue. A full orchestra will be in attendance. Dancing will take place from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight. Invitations may be obtained on application to the Secretary.

Yiddish Play at Opera House.

The Opera House was well-filled on Sunday night when a performance of "Dos Yidishe Hartz" was given by the Stellenbosch Young Israel Society in aid of the Hospital Kosher Kitchen which benefited considerably.

The play was very well produced and acted, and great credit is due to the young actors for their ambitious undertaking. Special mention must be made of the

