

IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

Cape Jewish Orphanage Ball.

Mr. H. J. Stodel presided over a large gathering of ladies at the Alhambra Tea Room on Monday afternoon in connection with the forthcoming Orphanage Annual Ball which is to take place on 27th November, the convenors being Mrs. L. Gradner and Mrs. H. J. Stodel.

The meeting was addressed by Messrs. J. M. Weinreich and B. A. Crasnow; the ladies were very enthusiastic and are determined to make the ball a great success.

Mesdames Bertish and Kramer undertook the supervision of side stalls.

Zionist Socialist Party.

The first Open Forum took place on Sunday, the 8th inst., at the Zionist Hall, when Councillor A. Z. Berman spoke on a very interesting subject, "Dialectical Materialism."

Mr. B. Padowitz presided over a large gathering of people from all sections of the Jewish community.

Mr. Berman, at the outset, explained to his listeners the fundamental differences in the theories of Hegel and Karl Marx. Last century, said Mr. Berman, after the fall of the feudal system, Hegel and after him Marx, gave a clear definition of the dialectical philosophy. Hegel was the man who conceived the clash between ideas and ideals; all ideas, said Hegel, were derived from certain conditions in human life. Karl Marx was the one who understood and was the one to find the real evils of the present economic system; he put the Hegelian theory into shape and form, namely, that the human mode of life and thinking are only determined by economic consideration.

There have been many theories and ideologies with regard to the economic system of the world throughout the ages, and there has always been a struggle between class and class.

Mr. Berman claimed that history is really the result of the economic and political system of the world; it is man who is responsible for history. History is accidental and consequential and there can be no other history than Socialist history. The Nazi theory has also some fundamental principles, but it is not based on history. It is a creed which has mainly resulted from sudden occurrences in human life. But Socialism is the continuous idea of many generations and an idea which developed in the mind of the people by the struggle for existence. The difference between Nazism and Socialism is that the former idea is based on a blood theory and the Socialist idea is a brain theory. The only salvation for the present abnormal conditions in the economic system of the world would be a Socialist commonwealth which aims at a classless society, where every human being would be equal and have the same interest in life; but it is difficult to say, said Mr. Berman, what would happen

when there would be a classless society: new problems would naturally arise and whether new differentiations would arise, is difficult to answer.

An animated discussion took place, in which Messrs. Van Gelderen, R. Cohen, G. Gitlin and I. Schlusni participated, and to which Mr. Berman suitably replied.

Mr. Harry Rabinowitz gave a piano solo, Miss D. Radowsky read a news-sheet, Mr. A. Jaffe played the mandolin and Mr. G. Laden read a humorous story from the works of Oguz.

The Maccabee Cultural Society.

A Club Night will be held on Wednesday, 18th inst., at 8.15 p.m., at the Zionist Hall. A pleasant evening is assured.

Zionist Conversazione.

The next fortnightly Conversazione will take place at the Zionist Hall on Tuesday, 17th inst., at 8.15 p.m.

Councillor A. Z. Berman will speak on "Spengler, the philosopher of Nazism."

Continental Ball.

The Jewish public of Cape Town is reminded that a big Continental Ball will take place on Saturday, 21st September, at the City Mansions Hotel, Cape Town.

The ball is being arranged in aid of the United Appeal for Polish Jewry and is under the distinguished patronage of Mr. and Mrs. L. Gradner.

A most enjoyable evening is assured and this, together with the object of the ball, should attract a very large number of people.

Tickets are obtainable from Messrs. Darter & Sons, Adderley Street, or at the door.

Cape Province Maccabi Association.

A very enjoyable and successful dance was held at the Hotel Edward on Saturday night in aid of the Association's funds. The hall was decorated with red, white and blue streamers and dancing continued till midnight to the music of Miss Bloch's Orchestra.

The convenors were Messrs. Peimer, Segal, Myers, Woolf, Bolon and Miss Epstein. Two interludes by Miss Aubrey Miller and Master Tankle were very much enjoyed. There were also several novelty dances.

Omission.

We regret that in the report of the meeting of the Union of Jewish Women in last week's issue, the name of Olga Ryss, the famous singer, was inadvertently omitted. Her singing contributed greatly to the success of the afternoon.

Wynberg Jewish Youth Circle.

The first social of the new season was held on Saturday, 7th inst., at Wynberg.

The news service was delivered by Mr. F. Gluck, after which Miss L. Gelfand and

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Social and Personal.

Cable advice has been received of the engagement of Phyllis, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Braudo, of Tel-Aviv (formerly of Johannesburg), to Yadin Frumkin, son of Mr. Justice Frumkin and Mrs. Frumkin, of Jerusalem.

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The marriage took place on Sunday of Leah Burman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Geffen, of Cape Town, to H. M. (Bobby) Bloch, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bloch, of Maquassi.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Luntz, of Malmesbury, are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter.

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The marriage of Craine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Klein, of Hiddingh Avenue, Cape Town, to Mr. Sam Scher, of Cape Town (formerly of Worcester district) took place on Tuesday at the Roeland Street Synagogue.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. Sterner (nee Belle Futeran) are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter.

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Miss B. Jaffe gave piano solos, which were greatly enjoyed by the members. A picture competition arranged by Mr. F. Gluck was held, and Miss S. Slomowitz won the prize. The Wynberg Habonoth gave a very amusing interlude after which the meeting concluded with dancing.

On Sunday, the 8th inst., the third meeting of the Study Circle took place.

Mr. A. Katz delivered a paper dealing fully with the period of the Judges, fully describing Gideon, Deborah, Samuel and Samson. He then went on to describe the battles of Saul and the jealousy of Saul and David, ending with the death of Saul.

Collection at Bris Melah.

At the Bris Melah of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Myers, of Houston, the sum of £6 8s. was collected by Messrs. M. Rabie and R. Oblowitz to be divided equally between the Talmud Torah and the Hebrew Helping Hand Association.

Bnoth Zion Association (Green and Sea Branch).

A meeting was held at Alphen House on Tuesday afternoon, 10th inst., when Dr. I. M. Hurwitz gave a very enlightening address on "The Composition of the Jewish Race."

In the absence of the President, Mrs. Leon Segal presided and welcomed Miss Oblowitz. There was a fair attendance of members and friends. Mrs. Wolf read an interesting Palestinian news-sheet and Master Lionel Bowman rendered a number of piano solos which were much appreciated.

Dr. Hurwitz showed how there was no scientific justification for any claim to the purity of any race. He showed the absurdities of the "Nordic Theory" and maintained that there were no adequate proofs of Jewish inferiority, either scientific or historical.

Mrs. Pachter proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer and to Mr. and Mrs. Bowman for their kind hospitality.

