

IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

Bnoth Zion Association.

The annual general meeting of the Gardens Branch took place at the Zionist Hall on Thursday evening, 26th March.

Mrs. Ch. Maissel was in the chair, and reported on the activities of the year, referring specially to the study circle under the leadership of Mrs. D. Charlaff.

Mrs. M. Cohen and Adv. Maggie Oblowitz congratulated the Branch on the progress made and extended good wishes for the future.

Mrs. E. Charlaff read an article, "A Samaritan Garden," by H. Levin.

The following is the result of the elections:—

Mrs. Ch. Maissel (President), Mrs. Ch. Cohen and Mrs. D. Charlaff (Vice-Presidents), Mrs. B. Buntman (Secretary), Mrs. L. Bloch (Treasurer). Committee: Mesdames M. Berelowitz, E. Charlaff, G. Laden, I. Bitnun, Liberman, Kaplan and Miss B. Lewis.

The annual general meeting of the Muizenberg Branch took place at the Atlantic Hotel on Tuesday, March 31st. Mrs. Movsovic was in the chair, and thanked the Executive Committee and members in general for their support. She pointed out that the most important piece of work done was the clearing of the J.N.F. boxes, which had yielded £105 for the year.

She announced that Mrs. Leeb had kindly offered her hotel (the Atlantic) for all future meetings on condition that the money collected for tea was given to the J.N.F. She thanked Mrs. Leeb for her generous gesture.

Mrs. Satusky presented the report and financial statement and thanked all those who had helped to bring about so creditable a state of affairs.

Mrs. Trappler, supported by Adv. M. Oblowitz, seconded, and the report was unanimously adopted.

Adv. Maggie Oblowitz gave a very interesting talk in which she showed that Zionism could supply satisfaction and fulfilment in the life of the Jewish woman.

The following is the result of the elections: Mrs. S. R. Sloman, president; Mrs. S. Jocum, vice-president; Mrs. L. Satusky, hon. secretary; Mrs. I. Fine, hon. treasurer. Committee: Mesdames Berman, Canard, Futeran, Joelson, King, Miller, Nell, Rostowsky, Rifkin, Shapiro, Shaskolsky, Symons, Seftel, Teubes and Weinreich.

Miss Ziona Cohen played a piano solo, and Mrs. J. Weinreich sang two very pleasing songs.

Mrs. Futeran thanked Miss Oblowitz and Mrs. Sloman the artists for contributing so much towards a very pleasant afternoon.

Oneg Shabbos.

The Oneg Shabbos celebration at the Zionist Hall has been postponed until Saturday, 11th April (Pesach).

Grand Variety Concert.

A very enjoyable concert under the auspices of the Zionist Socialist Party took place at the Zionist Hall on Sunday night.

The following contributed to the programme:—Sign. Rosita Silvestri (songs), Miss Rose Kessel (pianoforte solo), Mr. B. Berman (accordion solo), Mrs. M. Melamed (recitations), Mr. Kristian Halvorsen (songs), Mr. D. B. Aaron (magic), Miss H. Oblowitz (recitation), Pupils of Miss Elvira Kirsch (exhibition dances).

Ken Betar.

A third Seder will be held on Wednesday, 3th inst., at 8.30 p.m. in the Betar Hall, Wandel Street. An excellent programme comprising musical, humorous and other items has been drawn up, and a jolly evening is assured for all. Visitors will be welcome.

Ken Betar.

A flannel dance will take place on Sunday, 5th inst., at 8.15 p.m. at Philips' Studio, Wellington Fruit Store Buildings, Longmarket St. Refreshments free. Admission by donation.

Cape Town Herzlia.

A debate was held at the Zionist Hall on Monday night, the 30th ultimo, the subject being "That Zionism change its present-day policy in Palestine and concentrate more on industry." Mr. Roberts moved, Mr. Katovsky seconded by Miss Friedman opposed. Addressing the large audience which attended, Mr. Roberts contended that the difficulty confronting the Zionist Organisation was the exorbitant price demanded for land. By discontinuing for some years the purchase of land, and concentrating on the building up of industry, the price of land, based on laws of supply and demand, must drop. When the price had dropped sufficiently large tracts could be purchased and developed. The opposition to the motion contended that a people must be attached firmly to the soil, that the basic principles of Zionism and the acquisition and development of land, and that tariff walls and lack of markets and of raw materials must render the motion futile.

As announced previously a Bialik (Study) Circle has been formed with an interesting programme of lectures. The next meeting of the circle will be held at 76, New Church Street, Cape Town, where addresses on "Moses Hess" and "Kalisher," the fore-runners of Zionism, will be delivered by Misses Friedman and Shein. All are welcome.

The next meeting of the Society will be on Sunday night, 5th inst., when Mr. Mandelbrote, senior lecturer in Constitutional History at the Cape Town University will speak on "The Political Emancipation of the Jews in England, from the time of Cromwell."

Social and Personal.

Owing to pressing business and private reasons Mr. A. I. Miller, of Johannesburg, Vice-Chairman of the S.A. Zionist Federation, has found himself compelled to relinquish membership of the Executive Council of the Federation.

Harvey, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Miller, of Johannesburg, will read a portion of the Law and Maftir at the Berea Synagogue on Saturday, April 4th. An "At Home" will be held in the afternoon from 3 to 6 p.m. at "Faineholm," 26, Lily Avenue, Berea, Johannesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Abraham are leaving to-day in the "Duilio" on a visit to Europe and Palestine.

Miss N. Miller, of Port Elizabeth, is leaving to-day in the "Duilio" for Palestine.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Nelson arrived on Monday in the "Arundel Castle" from London on a visit to South Africa.

Dr. J. (Frik) Friedlander, of Cape Town, left this week on the S.S. "Umona" to continue his studies in London.

South Peninsula Zionist Society.

A special conversazione took place at the Talmud Torah Hall, Wherry Road, Muizenberg, on the 29th March, 1936.

Mr. D. L. Davidowitz presided over a fairly large gathering and extended a hearty welcome to Advocate and Mrs. Alexander, and Mr. and Mrs. Baumberg, Mrs. Alexander's parents, Mr. I. Ochberg, Mr. J. Weinreich and all present.

Adv. M. Alexander, K.C., M.P., delivered a very interesting address on "Jewry in South Africa—Past and Present." Adv. Alexander, who was in a reminiscent mood, traced the growth of the Jewish community in South Africa from small beginnings to its present position as a large and influential part of the general community of South Africa.

He also referred to his activities in connection with the combating of the anti-Semitic movement in South Africa and he stated that from personal experience he considered that the anti-Semitic movement in South Africa was subsiding.

During the evening musical items were rendered by Mrs. Teubes, Mr. Canin and a humorous reading by Mr. M. Natas, which were very much appreciated.

Dr. B. Krikler proposed a vote of thanks to Adv. Alexander and said that when the history of Jewry in South Africa is written, Adv. Alexander will occupy one of the foremost places in that history.

The annual meeting of the Society also took place the same evening and Mr. D. L. Davidowitz gave a report of the Society's activities during the year and referred to the coming Keren Hayesod Campaign; he expressed the hope that the Muizenberg community would respond in the same manner as in the last campaign.

Mr. Tucker, the Hon. Treasurer, submitted the financial statement, which was adopted, and the following Executive and Committee

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OUR CHILDREN'S CIRCLE

Conducted by **COUSIN HELEN.**

Our Motto:

"Do not unto others, what you would not have others do unto you."

"A little child shall lead them."—Isaiah xi., 6.

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My Dear Little Cousins,

On Monday night we shall again be celebrating the opening of the great festival of Pesach which reminds us of the deliverance of the Jewish people from Egyptian bondage. For thousands of years the Jews in every part of the world have observed this festival as a season which marks the regaining of their liberty and have told over and over again the wonderful story related in the Haggadah read at the Seder on Pesach. I am sure many of you will be asking the "Mah Nishtana," the four questions asking why the Seder night is different from any other night. If you cannot altogether understand the answer that is given in the language of the Haggadah, I hope you will read the translation in English, and I am sure you will enjoy the lovely tales told there. The real story of why we celebrate Pesach is told in the Book of Exodus in the Bible; the Haggadah, in addition to this story, contains many beautiful legends which have grown up during the course of the ages.

We can learn many lessons to-day from the story of Passover. Pharaoh was a very wicked king to the Jews and he was punished for his wickedness. There are many wicked rulers to-day who are ill-treating the Jewish people, but we can be sure that their fate will be similar to that of Pharaoh.

Moses, we are told, came to the conclusion after many trials and tribulations that the old generation which he led out of Egypt would never be suitable to dwell in the Land of Promise, so he caused the people of Israel to wander in the desert until a new generation would arise, who would be able to appreciate, to know and to value the freedom they had gained. He realised that the hope of Israel was in the youth of Israel and the same is true even to-day.

By observing and carrying out the ancient customs and traditions connected with the festival of Pesach we are reminded from year to year that in spite of the fact that we are scattered all over the world, and that we are persecuted in many lands we are still a free people and can hold up our heads in pride. It gives us strength and courage to continue with the upbuilding of our own national home in Eretz Israel towards which Jews all over the world are looking with hope and faith.

"Addir Hu."

God of Might
God of Right
Thee we give all glory.
Thine the praise
In our days,
As in ages hoary.

When we hear
Year by year,
Our redemption's story.
Now as erst,
When Thou first
Mad'st the proclamation,

Warning loud
Ev'ry proud
Ev'ry tyrant nation,
We Thy fame
Still proclaim,
God of our salvation.

—G. Gotheil.

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were elected for the coming year: Mr. D. L. Davidowitz, chairman; Mr. W. Satusky, vice-chairman; Mr. J. Tucker, hon. treasurer; Mr. M. Aronson, hon. secretary, and the following Committee: Mr. L. Rifkin, Mr. S. Apter, Dr. B. Krikler, Mr. N. Wolman, Mr. J. Lehrman, Mr. Sher, Mr. Shaskolsky, Rev. Frank, Mr. L. Seftel, Mr. M. Rifkin. The evening terminated with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Histadrut Ivrit (Hebrew Circle).

A Pesach evening will take place on Wednesday, 8th April, at 8.15 p.m., at the Zionist Hall, Cape Town. An real Yomtov programme has been arranged.

Rev. Effron will deliver an address on "Pesach."

Parow, Bellville, Durbanville Ladies' Zionist Society.

A very successful card party was held last Sunday night at the residence of Mrs. L. Katz, Parow, in aid of Zionist Funds.

Zionist Socialist Party.

The next "Chaverim Gathering" will be held on Sunday evening, the 5th April, 1936, at 8.15 p.m., in the Zionist Hall, Hope Street. An interesting programme has been arranged.

All members and friends are cordially invited to be present.

C.T. Jewish Girls' Association.

Mrs. J. Weinreich presided over a large number of members and visitors at the Zionist Hall on Monday evening when Mrs. M. Alexander spoke about Australia, giving a general survey of the country, at the same time pointing out the important part played by Jewry in commerce and communal life.

A general discussion followed the address which was most interesting and comprehensive. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks passed by Miss A. Hurwitz.

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The next meeting will take place on Monday, the 20th April.

Green and Sea Point Jewish Guild.

On Thursday, 26th March, Mr. S. M. Levin, Chairman of the Cape Zionist Youth Executive, Mr. D. Lazarow and other members of the Executive visited the Guild.

Mr. J. Hanson was in the chair and Mr. D. Lubinsky read the news-sheet.

Mr. Levin spoke informally to a very small number of members on the Organisation of the Jewish Youth Movement in South Africa, while Mr. Lazarow gave a reading on the Hebrew University.

