

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.

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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