

## IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

### Bnoth Zion Association.

The last meeting of the Bnoth Zion Association took the form of a morning tea at the Zionist Hall on Thursday, 18th March. There was a very good attendance. Mrs. R. Movsovic was in the chair.

Mr. M. Natas gave a very interesting analysis of what provokes Jewish humour. He treated the subject from a psychological and philosophical standpoint, illustrating his observations by reference to Hebrew and Yiddish authors and to Jewish life in all its phases.

Mrs. Ch. Cohen proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the speaker and Mrs. L. Segal seconded.

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The annual general meeting of the Muizenberg Branch was held at the Atlantic Hotel on Monday, March 22nd.

Mrs. Sloman presided over a large attendance of members and friends, and extended a warm welcome to Mesdames Movsovic and Epstein, who represented the Central Executive, Mrs. Clouts, Mrs. Shapiro, chairlady of the Observatory-Mowbray Branch, and Mrs. Bloch, chairlady of the Claremont Branch.

The Chairman's report showed that a creditable amount of work had been done during the past year, the high light of 1936/37 activities being the Holiday Fair, held on January 5th. Great credit was due to Mrs. Jocum, the convener, Mrs. Libby Cohen, the hon. organising secretary, and all the ladies, individually and collectively, who had helped to make the Fair the success it was.

Emphasis was laid on the fact that the interest of members in the welfare of their branch could only be completed by closely following the work, routine and other, of the Central Committee of the Bnoth Zion Association and by attending the annual meeting which was to be held in April, and the hope was expressed that the incoming committee would concentrate on cultural work.

The report was formally adopted on the motion of Mrs. Bailen, seconded by Mrs. Joelson. Mrs. Clouts, speaking on behalf of the Central Committee, congratulated the branch on its achievements and pointed out that more than half of the total amount of monies raised during the year by the B.Z.A. for the Jewish National Fund had come from Muizenberg. She paid a special tribute to Mrs. Sloman for her disinterested efforts on behalf of the Society and to Mrs. Jocum in connection with the clearance of the J.N.F. boxes.

The election of office-bearers and committee took place by ballot, the following being the result: Chairlady, Mrs. S. R. Sloman; Vice-chairlady, Mrs. J. Herbstein; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. B. Joelson; Hon. Secretary, Miss M. Oblovitz; Committee, Mesdames Taubes, Jocum, Schapera, Symons, Futeran, Getz, Fine, Hessen, Seftel, Natas, Rifkin and Satusky.

Mrs. Epstein (Sea Point) and Mrs. Schapiro (Rosebank) kindly acted as scrutineers.

After tea, Mrs. W. P. Steenkamp gave a most interesting address on her recent trip to Palestine. She spoke of the sufferings of the early Christian martyrs, traces of which were noticeable from the historical remains at Rome and threw illuminating sidelights on her journey to and sojourn in the Holy Land. Her speech was followed with the greatest attention by an enthralled audience.

Mrs. J. Weinreich moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Steenkamp and hoped to see the latter in such public position where she could make her liberal opinions felt.

Mrs. Sloman thanked Mrs. Leeb for her hospitality and explained that a certificate of trees, secured in Mrs. Leeb's name and intended for presentation at that meeting had not arrived in time.

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The annual general meeting of the Kenilworth-Wynberg Branch was held on Monday, March 22nd, at the residence of Mrs. Frenkel, Main Avenue, Kenilworth. There was a very poor attendance of members.

The meeting was opened by the chairlady, Mrs. M. D. Immerman, who welcomed all present, particularly Miss M. Oblovitz and Mrs. L. Segal, who represented the central Executive.

Mrs. Immerman then read a report of the year's activities, and also a financial report drawn up by the Treasurer, Mrs. M. Ackerman. Nominations were called for the Executive and Committee for the coming year, and the following were elected: Mrs. H. G. Wise, Chairlady; Mrs. J. Gottlieb, Vice-chairlady; Mrs. M. D. Immerman, Secretary; Mrs. M. Ackerman, Treasurer. Committee: Mesdames Matz, Berelowitz, Atlas, Hecker, Hammerschlag, Gordon, Kaplan, Weiner and Kamionsky.

Mrs. Segal and Miss Oblovitz made short speeches congratulating the retiring committee on its work, and wishing the new committee good luck for the future.

After Mrs. Wise had assumed the chair, the meeting adjourned for tea, and finally closed with a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Frenkel for her kind hospitality.

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The annual general meeting of the Gardens Branch took place on Monday evening, 22nd March, at the Zionist Hall.

Mrs. Ch. Maisel was in the chair. A report of the activities of the branch for the year was read. The committee had shown considerable activity during the Keren Hayesod campaign with good results. Particular mention must be made of the amount of £100 raised for the Hebrew Kindergarten, Mrs. D. Charloff being chiefly responsible.

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## Social and Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Awerbuch, of Bloemfontein, sail on Friday, 9th April by the Stirling Castle, on an extended visit to their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Rubin in London. Mr. and Mrs. Akerbuch will afterwards proceed to the continent and London.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Talberg (nee Bessie Danker) are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter.

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Mrs. Movsovic, the President of the Association, in moving the adoption of the report, congratulated the branch, stressing the work of the Cultural Section.

The following ladies were elected: Mrs. Louis Block, Chairlady; Mrs. Ch. Cohen, Vice-chairlady; Mrs. B. Buntman, Secretary and Treasurer; Committee, Mrs. D. Charloff, Mrs. E. Charloff, Mrs. Levy, Mrs. Laden, Mrs. Lieberman, Mrs. Bitmun, Mrs. Rabinowitz, Mrs. L. Klein, Miss B. Lewis, Mrs. Levin.

Mrs. Lieberman of the Sea Point Branch gave an address on "Our Place in the World," which was very interesting indeed and this concluded a very successful and enjoyable meeting.

The Annual General Meeting of the Tamboers Kloof Branch took place on March 30th, at the residence of Mrs. Rabkin, Queen's Road, Tamboers Kloof.

Mrs. Kantey in her presidential report touched on the activities of the Society for the past year and regretted the apathy of most of the members.

A new Executive and Committee were then elected as follows: Mrs. Kantey, Acting President; Mrs. Friedlander, Acting Vice-President; Mrs. Rabkin, Treasurer; Mrs. I. Kleinman, Secretary. Committee: Mesdames D. Cohen, Kahn, Richman, Grodzinski, Chaimowitz, Smith, J. Cohen, Sakinofsky and Misses Nell and Manasewitz.

Mrs. Clouts then asked that we concentrate principally on National Fund work till the end of this year and hoped Tamboers Kloof would collect at least £150.

Mrs. Movsovic then addressed the gathering in a most inspiring speech on "What influence has our work on us and what influence have we on our work."

Miss Nell proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Movsovic and Mrs. Friedlander to Mrs. Rabkin.

### United Council of Hebrew Congregations.

At a meeting held on Sunday, March 21st, the following Executive was elected: Adv. M. Alexander, K.C., M.P., President; Mr. A. M. Jackson, Vice-president; Mr. I. Mauerberger, Hon. Treasurer.

The twenty constituent congregations have still to elect representatives to the Council who will act as committee.

### Zionist Socialist Study Group.

Mr. A. Z. Berman's postponed lecture will be delivered on Monday, 5th April, in the Zionist Hall at 8.15 p.m. The subject will be: "The Elementary Principles of Socialism: The Case against Capitalism." All welcome.

