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BISHOP PARKER ON "RACE RELATIONSHIPS"

Interesting Address to Hasmoneans

The first luncheon of "The Hasmoneans," Men's Association of the Jewish Reform Congregation, was held on Tuesday, the 14th inst., at the station restaurant. The guest was the Rt. Rev. Bishop Parker, of Pretoria. Mr. I. Greenberg was in the chair, and Rabbi M. C. Weiler proposed a vote of thanks.

Bishop Parker spoke on "Some Thoughts on Race Relationships," and referred to the "exclusiveness" of the Jews in ancient times. He suggested that the cruel discriminations to which they were subject from their neighbours, were due to this factor rather than to any difference in moral and religious ideas.

The anti-Semitism of past centuries was a reproach to Christianity, of which Bishop Parker felt deeply conscious as a Christian clergyman.

Bishop Parker suggested that the root of anti-Semitism in this country was nothing but jealousy on the part of some of the poorer sections towards the commercial success of the Jewish people, whose faculties in that direction had been sharpened by centuries of depression.

In view of the discrimination which has been exercised against Jews in the past, that race could not help but take a sympathetic attitude towards the severe discrimination exercised by the white people in this country against the blacks.

Bishop Parker then analysed this particular form of discrimination, pointing out that while certain aspects of our policy towards the black people are dictated by considerations of economic self-interest, there was also the feeling in some quarters that the black man was not entitled to be regarded as a human being. Yet the attitude of the whites towards the blacks was changing. Much may be done in the next few years to redress the shortcomings pursued in the past.

Bishop Parker concluded by appealing to those present to become associated with some of the work being done to remove discrimination against the native.

Rabbi Weiler, in proposing a vote of thanks, pointed out that the "exclusiveness" of Jews in the past was not one so much of their own choice, but forced upon them by hostile neighbours. He felt sure that the Bishop's remarks regarding the appropriateness of members of a Jewish organisation such as "The Hasmoneans" devoting themselves to native welfare work would not fall on deaf ears, for any movement against discrimination was part of the mission of Israel.

Reception to Cantor and Mrs B. Chagy

On Saturday night, the 11th inst., a reception was held at the house of Mr. and Mrs. N. Bennun, Parkview, in honour of Cantor and Mrs. B. Chagy, under the auspices of the United Zionist Socialist Party. Representatives of different Jewish societies were present.

A fine programme was presented, the following taking part: L. Birsen (violin); H. Sachs (piano); Miss Walt (songs); F. Zygelbaum (humorous sketches); Miss R. Bennun (recitations), and finally, Cantor Chagy.

Mr. M. Lazar, who presided, on behalf of the United Socialist Party, presented Mr. Chagy with a leather-bound scrap book, while representatives of the Tushiya Club, Moadon, and the "Jewish Mail" paid tribute to Cantor and Mrs. Chagy.

"The English, Jews & Coolies" Racial Attack on Dingaans Day

THE "Daily Express" correspondent from Pietersburg, in the Northern Transvaal, wired on Monday:

At Moorddrift, the place near Potgietersrust where a party of Voortrekkers was murdered, Dingaans Day was commemorated by speeches which attacked the English, the Empire, Jews and "coolies."

Reports which have been received here reveal that the speakers scarcely referred to the Great Trek, but dealt almost exclusively with Slangers Nek, the Anglo-Boer War, concentration camps, Lord Milner and his policy, the "Jewish problem," and the "Indian problem."

While an English born Governor-General was addressing thousands of Afrikaners at Paardekraal, the English speaking people who attended the Moorddrift celebrations were

told that they had no right to be present. Paardekraal was mentioned with sneering references to the English.

Two of the speakers were teachers in the employ of the Transvaal Education Department and the violence of the anti-English outbursts of one of them has caused much commotion in the district.

Speeches Condemned

The majority of Afrikaans speaking people present condemned whole-heartedly the sentiments expressed by the speakers.

Since then there has been much discussion of what took place and many Afrikaans speaking residents of Potgietersrust have expressed their determination to prevent a recurrence "of a shameful exhibition" next year.

Habonim Camp in Capetown 400 Happy Boys and Girls

The 6th South African Annual Habonim Camp at Lakeside was officially opened by His Worship the Mayor of Capetown, Mr. W. C. Foster, on Sunday morning, the 19th inst. He expressed his pleasure at being present and his belief in the value of the movement. Rabbi Abrahams delivered a stirring address and paid tribute to the late Mr. A. P. Bender, in honour of whose memory the camp flag was flown at half-mast.

Mr. H. L. Stern, Ba-Koach of the Western Province, presided, and welcomed the Mayor and the many prominent visitors to the camp, who included Mr. C. E. Withinshaw, Scout Commissioner of the Western Province; Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Withinshaw, Mrs. R. Movsovic (Bnoth Zion Association); Adv. J. Herbstein (Dorshei Zion Association); Mrs. S. R. Sloman (Union of Jewish Women); Mrs. N. Lourie, Dr. D. Katzin.

The campers, numbering nearly 400 boys and girls from all parts of the Union and Rhodesia, were in full uniform. After the official proceedings visitors were entertained to tea and shown the camp which has a hospital tent, and administration tent with telephone installed.

Worcester

The last clearance of J.N.F. Boxes in Worcester yielded outstandingly good results. Particularly impressive are the following four box yields:—W. Heller, 98 12s.; J. Lange, 55 10s.; J. Friedman, 44 10s.; Dr. Lange, 42 15s.

Mr. Englesberg in the South Western Districts

Mr. N. Englesberg has now commenced his propaganda and organisation tour of the South Western districts.

During the current week he was due to visit Robertson and Swellendam. Other centres which he will visit in this section of his tour are Heidelberg, Riversdale, Mossel Bay, George and Oudtshoorn.

Vacation Course for Hebrew Teachers in Capetown

The annual vacation course organised by the Hebrew Teachers' Association was officially opened on Sunday, the 19th inst., at the new Talmud Torah, Capetown. Dr. Chas. Rosnekov, Chairman of the Board of Hebrew Education of the Western Province, presided, and addresses were given by Mr. Justice G. Frumkin, Mr. A. Sive (Chairman of the Hebrew Teachers' Association), Rabbi Ch. Mirvish, Dr. B. Rabinowitz, Mr. B. Chideckel.

The course, which is popular with Hebrew teachers, consists of a series of lectures and demonstration lessons and a number of social entertainments have been arranged for those attending.

"THE BRIDE WORE RED" AT THE METRO.

Metro Theatre's Christmas week attraction is "The Bride Wore Red." In this ultra-modern romance Joan Crawford has the leading role and Franchot Tone, Robert Young, and Billie Burke head an excellent supporting cast. The first half of the programme is most entertaining, and Dean Herrick gives a delightful musical interlude at the Metro Wurlitzer.

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