IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

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Zionist Conversazione.

The next fortnightly Zionist Conversazione will be held at the Zionist Hall on Tuesday, 26th April, at 8.15 p.m., and will take the form of a reception to Mr. Max Sonnenberg, M.P.C., and Mrs. Sonnenberg. Rabbi Israel Abrahams will speak on "The Ideal of Public Service." All welcome

Bnoth Zion Association.

The Annual General Meeting will take place at the Zionist Hall on Thursday, 28th April, at 2.30 p.m.

Hebrew Kindergartens.

Mrs. Eli Ross held a function at her residence in aid of the Hebrew Kindergartens which realised £17.

S.A. Board of Jewish Education (Cape Committee).

On Sunday the second day of Passover, Cap. I. Levinson, Principal of Hillel College, delivered an impressive address to the Muizenberg Hebrew Congregation, during the course of which he made an earnest appeal on behalf of the Board, explaining what the Board had already achieved and what it hoped to achieve in the immediate future.

Basing his remarks on the prayer beginning with "On account of our sins we have been exiled from our land," he stressed the pronouncement of the immortal Herzl, that the return of Judaism must be concomitant with the return to Eretz Israel. "The Board of Jewish Education," said Mr. Levinson, "was out to do all in its power to make the pronouncement of Dr. Herzl a reality."

The address made a profound impression on the congregation and gained much sympathy for the aims and ideals of the Board.

"Oneg Yom Tov" at Wynberg.

A very pleasant Oneg Yom Tov was spent on Sunday afternoon, the 17th April, in the Wynberg Communal Hall; after the usual Mincha Service conducted by Master Trudman, everybody adjourned to the Hall where refreshments were served.

Dr. R. Resnekov spoke on Pesach Celebrations and Rev. Ch. Gordon gave a discourse on the Hagadah.

Cantor Golub led the children in Pesach songs and also read from Sholem Aleichem.

Mr. S. M. Kaplan moved a vote of thanks to all the participants. The Chairman, Mr. Galloon, expressed the hope that in due course the bigger boys would also attend such pleasant functions.

Obituary.

Mrs. MINNIE COHEN.

The death took place on Sunday of Mrs. Minnie Cohen, widow of the late Marks Israel Cohen, one of the founders of the Roeland Street Synagogue.

The late Mrs. Cohen was one of the oldest residents amongst the Jewish Community of Cape Town having been resident in Cape Town for more than 50 years. She was a well known personality and was highly respected for her charitable disposition and generous response to the needy. She was a foundation member of most of the charitable institutions here and will be sadly missed in many circles.

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Joseph Szigeti.

VIRTUOSO OF THE VIOLIN.

Joseph Szigeti, virtuoso of the violin, who will give his first concert in South Africa at the City Hall, Cape Town, on Tuesday, April 26th, made his first appearance outside Budapest in 1907 when he made his English debut at the Wigmore Hall, London. So great was his success, that he stayed in England for close on seven years, during which period he toured with Melba, Busoni and Backhaus, and appeared continually in London. He built a great reputation for himself by his unusually beautiful playing.



Joseph Szigeti.

From 1917 until 1924, he succeeded Henri Marteau as Professor of the "classe de virtuosite" at the Geneva Conservatoire of Music.

He has appeared as soloist at the Mengelberg concerts in Amsterdam, the Cologne concerts in Paris, the Ysaye concerts in Brussels, and with the Philharmonic Societies in Madrid, Helsingfors, Budapest, Bucharest, Christiania and Stockholm. He has also appeared as soloist under the conductorship of Richard Strauss, Busoni, Mengelberg, Ysaye, Bruno Walter and other famous musical figures.

Szigeti made his first tour of America in 1925, sponsored by Leopold Stokowski, and played with every great orchestra in the States. His playing created a veritable sensation; since then, America has claimed him every year, and his recitals in New York, Chicago and other centres have always drawn "sold out" houses.

His fame spread to the Far East, and after a triumphant first tour of Japan, he was compelled to return for several more recitals.

Mr. Szigeti's programme on Tuesday night will be as follows:—

Rimsky-Korsakoff. Russian Dance from "Petroushka"

Stravinsky.

Cape Town's Jewish Youth Centre.

PRETORIA.

OFFICIAL OPENING NEXT WEDNESDAY.

Wednesday night, 27th April, will mark an event of some importance not only for the Jewish Youth of Cape Town but for the entire Jewish community. Mr. Max Sonnenberg, M.P.C., will officially open at "Rosecourt," Breda Street, what has already come to be known as the Jewish Youth Centre.

Until recently Jewish Youth bodies in Cape Town-Zionist and otherwise-have been hampered in their work through not having a rendezvous which could be called their own. "Rosecourt" fills this gap in the communal amenities of Cape Town. But the purpose which it will fulfil does not end there. It is intended that "Rose-court" shall be more than a mere venue for committee meetings and general meetings. It will be a congenial club with its doors always wide open. There the younger members of the Jewish community may gather at any time and spend their leisure hours usefully, either in the library, which it is hoped will soon be established, or in exchanging ideas. But youth requires stimulus for the body no less than for the mind and to this end facilities are provided for games such as table tennis, and light refreshments will always be obtainable on the premises.

Its success or failure depends primarily upon the youth themselves, but the response has been so eager that there seems little to fear on this score.

This venture has been made possible only through the public spiritedness and generosity of Mr. Max Sonnenberg who has permitted the use of this valuable building for the purpose. Mr. Sonnenberg's foresight in providing, as it were, a centre for the circle of Jewish Youth in Cape Town will earn the gratitude of every section of the present Cape Town Jewry, and by virtue of his action it can be postulated with greater certainty that there will also be a future Cape Town Jewry to remember him and to hold him in esteem.

Combined Zionist Societies.

A meeting will be held in the Zionist Hall on Sunday, 24th April, at 8.15 p.m. Messrs. J. Herbstein and H. M. Bloch will speak on "Futilities of Revisionism." Mr. A. M. Abrahams, Hon. Life President of the S.A. Zionist Federation, will preside. Admission Free. Seats may be reserved at the Zionist Hall on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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The funeral took place on Monday and was largely attended. The chief mourners were her sons Messrs. Isaac Cohen (Deputy Engineer of Cape Divisional Council) and Dr. David Cohen of Warmbaths, who had flown down to the funeral, her daughters Mesdames Goldblatt, Rubenstein, Rosegarten and the Misses Janet and Sarah Cohen and her brother, Mr. H. Block.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family in their bereavement.