

IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

Leiwik Recital by Mr. Jacob Waislitz.

Under the auspices of the Zionist Socialist Party, Mr. Jacob Waislitz gave a recital of the works of the great Yiddish poet H. Leiwik at the Zionist Hall on Wednesday night.

Mr. Waislitz dealt in a masterly and comprehensive manner with the literary career of the poet and by means of extracts from his works showed the greatness of his intellect and his deep feeling. The fundamental ideas underlying his poems are a profound human sympathy and understanding and an appreciation of the worth of the individual as such. He belongs to the humanistic school and longs to see man free and independent. As a dramatist he is supreme and in his 14 dramas he touches all aspects and problems of Jewish life.

Mr. Waislitz appealed to the audience to study the works of Leiwik so as to form some appreciation of his great genius. He gave artistic renderings of several of Leiwik's poems as well as extracts from "Der Golem," and received a fine ovation.

Mr. Waislitz read a message of congratulation which it was proposed to send to Leiwik from the meeting on the occasion of his 50th birthday.

Mr. Z. Avin was in the chair and thanked Mr. Waislitz for what had proved a great literary and spiritual treat. He wished him bon voyage to Australia and success in his new life in that country.

Y.I. Camp.

In addition to the details of office-bearers already published, it is announced that Mr. S. Weinstein has undertaken to take charge of the Junior Section of the Strand Camp, which commences on Thursday, 28th inst. Mrs. M. Zuckerman, the indefatigable Zionist worker, who has now established her home in Tel-Aviv, has kindly consented to act as chaperon.

A large number of applications have already been received and those who have not yet submitted applications are urged to do so within the next week, in order that sufficient accommodation can be provided. Week-enders are also required to submit applications in writing.

Those in possession of Free Holiday Booklets are requested to return these by Wednesday, 20th inst., as the competition closes on that day.

Woodstock-Salt River Hebrew Kindergartens.

The Chanukah Concert by the pupils of the above Gan, which took place at the Talmud Torah Hall, Woodstock, on Sunday morning, proved an outstanding success and the hall was filled to capacity with an appreciative audience.

Rabbi I. Abrahams in opening the Concert, spoke of the importance of the Gan in implanting in the children the real spirit of the Maccabees. His address was listened to with rapt attention. He wished Miss Glaser (Ganneth), who is leaving for Johannesburg, every success in a similar position she was undertaking, and congratulated her on the success of her work.

The Concert opened with "A Palestinian Garden at Night." It depicted Palestine

at dusk and the blessing of electricity to the population—thanks to Mr. Pinchas Rutenberg and his band of Chalutzim.

The second part "Sefer Hadvarim," by Ch. N. Bialik, was most realistic—the characters coming to life out of Bialik's book. This act concluded with a recitation "Einenu," an elegy on the beloved man who is no more.

During the interval, Dr. Ch. Resnekov (first Chairman of the Gan Committee), spoke on the importance of Kindergarten work. He thanked Miss Glaser for her work in this connection.

In the third part "Chanukah" the children excelled themselves. The Children's Band, Matityahu and his five sons, Yehudah Hamaccabi training his Maccabim, were most effective.

The Chassidim making merry on Chanukah brought the house down.

The acts were beautifully produced and the melodies throughout were very appropriate.

Mrs. M. Zuckerman thanked Miss Glaser for the success of the Concert, and for the spirit she had implanted in the children.

Miss Glaser responded.

Mrs. Zuckerman thanked Miss Surovsky (Assistant Ganneth) and Mrs. M. Munitz who accompanied so ably at the piano.

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In the evening a farewell to Miss Glaser was given by the Woodstock and Salt River Jewish Cultural Circle at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Traub, Pearl Villa, Florida Road, Vredehoek. A presentation was made to Miss Glaser by the Chairman of the Circle, Rev. S. Kassel.

Rev. Kassel also made a presentation to Miss Surovsky for her work in connection with the Kindergarten.

The Chairman of the evening (Mr. A. Rubin) announced that Miss Glaser had inscribed the Gan in the Sefer Haya'eled.

Bnoth Zion Hebrew Kindergartens.

A Chanukah Oneg Shabbat was given by the pupils of the above Kindergartens at the Rose and Wolf Harris Hall of the United Hebrew Schools last Friday morning in the presence of parents and friends who were welcomed by Mrs. Max Cohen.

The children sang and performed delightfully and entered into the real spirit of the festival. Most of them had been transformed into little Maccabees and it was clear that they grasped the true meaning of Chanukah.

Those present thoroughly enjoyed the performance and were much impressed with the children's fluency in the Hebrew language.

Wynberg Hebrew School.

On Sunday evening there was a large gathering in the Wynberg Communal Hall for a children's Chanukah evening. Cantor G. Golub conducted the Blessing of the Candles with a choir of the Hebrew School. Rev. Gordon delivered a brief talk on Chanukah.

Mr. E. Charlaff showed two Eretz Israel films which were greatly appreciated by

both the children and parents. Mr. S. Wolman, treasurer of the school, then distributed prizes to the school children. With the singing of Hatikvah the evening closed.

Wynberg Oneg Shabbat Society.

The last Oneg Shabbat of the season was held on Saturday afternoon in the Communal Hall Wynberg, preceded by the Mincha service conducted by Master Sydney Goldstein. The guest speaker was Dr. C. Resnekov of Woodstock, who delivered a very interesting lecture on the significance of Chanukah. Dr. Resnekov was heartily thanked for his frequent visits to Wynberg and his lectures, which were always interesting and stimulating. Cantor G. Golub participated with Hebrew songs. Mr. S. Galoon presided.

Muizenberg-Kalk Bay Hebrew School

The Annual General Meeting of the above institution took place on Sunday morning, 10th inst., at which the following office-bearers were elected: Chairman, Mr. M. Shagan; Vice-Chairman, Mr. L. Seftel; Treasurer, Mr. M. Gamsu; Secretary, Mr. M. Sacks; Committee: Mrs. S. Jocum, Miss H. L. Guinsberg, Messrs. Aaron, N. Emdin, K. Jacobson, J. Tucker and M. Futeran.

The meeting was followed by a delightful concert presented by pupils of the school. Recitations and songs in Hebrew told the audience the reasons for the celebrations of Chanukah and its significance. The programme concluded with a beautifully portrayed scene of Eretz Israel as the only refuge for the many homeless Jews.

Dr. Birnbaum addressed the children thereafter and asked them to continue with the study of the Hebrew language and Judaism. He expressed his appreciation of the fine work of the school. A very happy morning for both the pupils and the large gathering of parents came to an end with the distribution of prizes by Mrs. N. Wolman.

Wynberg Hebrew Congregation.

At the Annual General Meeting of the above Congregation, Mr. L. Michalowsky was elected Treasurer. The names of the new Committee were published last week.

Acknowledgments.

The Treasurer of the Keren Hayesod acknowledges the receipt of the sum of £100 from the estate of the late Lewis Kottler.

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The Treasurer of the Hebrew Helping Hand Association acknowledges the receipt of the sum of £250 from the estate of the late Harry Harris.

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The Hon. Treasurer of the Cape Jewish Board of Guardians acknowledges the receipt of £500 bequeathed to the Institution by the late Mr. Harry Harris.

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Engagement.

The engagement is announced of Riva, only daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Verblun, and Nathan, second youngest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Isaac Movsowitz. Both of Cape Town.