

IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

Bnoth Zion Association.

The Annual General Meeting of the Sea Point Branch took place on Monday afternoon, 18th March, at Alphen House and was well attended.

Mrs. Wolff, who presided, welcomed all visitors amongst whom was Mrs. Hirshowitz (Pretoria) Mrs. Abrahams and members of the Executives of different branches. She thanked the Executive of the Bnoth Zion for their assistance, and advice especially Mrs. Segal who was at all times ever ready to help.

She regretted the fact that the quota of £550 for the J.N.F. had not been reached.

The Executive of the Branch had discussed with the Central Committee the advisability of extending the Branch and this was agreed upon in order to cope with the increased Jewish population in Sea Point.

Mrs. Wolff thanked the two vice-chair-ladies, Mesdames Heneck and Spiro, for their co-operation and especially Mrs. Heneck for acting on her behalf during her absence. She thanked the Treasurer and Secretary, Mesdames Kossick and Mullne, for the hard work they had done.

Mrs. Epstein congratulated the Executive and Committee on the work that had been done and stated that she was very pleased with the extension of the Branch, which she felt would be of great benefit; she hoped that the present membership of 320 would be doubled. She stated that if responsibility was shared by all members of the Committee for the great work to be done success would be assured and the Branch would be inscribed in the Golden Book. She then formally moved the adoption of the Report and Balance Sheet.

This was seconded by Mrs. Hurwitz who wished the two Branches every success.

Mrs. Wolff thanked Miss Cohen for the excellent work of the Sewing Circle during the year and the large parcel of articles sent to Palestine. She expressed pleasure in enrolling Mrs. N. Newman as Joint-Convenor.

Mrs. Phillips said that for the large population of Sea Point the number of Sewing Circle members was totally inadequate and asked members to join the Wizo Sewing Circle.

Mrs. Zuckerman expressed appreciation of the work done by the Sea Point women and wished them every success in their big task which depended only on themselves and hoped they would go from strength to strength.

The election of office-bearers resulted as follows:—

Extension "A."

Chairlady, Mrs. Wolff; Vice-Chairlady, Mrs. Katz; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Wilensky; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Kossick. Committee: Miss Cohen, Mesdames Spiro, Fig, Wise, Arons, N. Newman, Anziska, Smiedt, Sass, H. Solomon, Lessem, Levinkind.

Extension "B."

Joint-Chairladies, Mrs. Segal and Mrs. Heneck; Vice-Chairlady, Mrs. Zuckerman;

Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Samson; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Mullne. Committee: Mesdames Aronson, Clain, Fine, Bloch, Klein, Maraney, Levy, Greenblo, M. Robinson, Feitelberg, Maister, Platt, Walder, Bloomberg, Mosselsohn, Wilder.

Mrs. Segal then took the chair and spoke of the great work to be done. Sea Point was one of the most popular suburbs and she stated that the Branch must cope with the influx of new people settling here. She said it was necessary for every member of the Committee to do some propaganda.

Mrs. Segal presented a certificate for Trees to Mrs. Wolff on behalf of the Executive of the Bnoth Zion, in appreciation of her good work.

Mrs. Wolff warmly welcomed Mr. S. M. Levin, who was the guest speaker.

Mr. Levin delighted and interested his listeners with his views on the present world position and its effect on Jewish life. He stated that in these days of world turmoil all Jews were supporting the Allies, and in Palestine 92 per cent. of the available strength had joined up; as a matter of fact Jews all over the world were doing their bit. Unfortunately war created more problems than it solved. It was hoped that the end of the war would see the end of anti-Semitism but one could not be sure of this. He stated that homelessness was one of the most serious causes of anti-Semitism, and it was essential to remove the cause. The very serious refugee problem makes it more and more essential to have a home. The speaker impressed upon all his listeners to do the very urgent Zionist work now.

Jews in Palestine had wrought miracles and South Africa would now have the opportunity in the Keren Hayesod Campaign to help as much as possible.

Mrs. Segal thanked Mr. Levin for his interesting address, and Mr. and Mrs. Bowman for their kind hospitality.

Kowno Hebrew Friendly Society.

A large and enthusiastic gathering of members and friends assembled at the Zionist Hall on Sunday, 24th March, 1940, to celebrate the Fortieth Anniversary of the Society and annual Purim evening.

The President, Mr. Langman, who was in the chair, welcomed the guests, and after giving a brief outline of the Society's activities during the year, called upon Rev. S. Michelson to deliver an address on Purim. The speaker, in a very able manner, stressed the great importance of the happy festival which, unfortunately, the Jewish people were not in a position to celebrate in customary fashion. He referred to the tragic position of Jewry and very optimistically expressed the opinion that the present persecutors of the Jews would share the fate of Haman.

Cantor G. Golub, of Wynberg, rendered several Hebrew and Jewish folk-songs and received a great ovation. In a short and dramatic address Cantor Golub appealed for funds towards the Polish Relief, and after

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Social & Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Raphaely are expected to return to-day from a visit to South America.

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The marriage of Mary German, of Cape Town, to Robert Abrahamson, of Wynberg, will take place at the Gardens Synagogue on Sunday, March 31st, at 3 p.m.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. Lieberman (née Helena Hersman) are being congratulated on the birth of a son.

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an American Auction Sale was held, a sum of £12 was collected, from part of which, local institutions will benefit.

Two humorous monologues were delivered by Mr. G. Laden, which created a great deal of amusement.

Mr. Kuperman delivered a short address dealing with the charitable activities of the Society, and the efforts made by several members of the Committee who devote much time in keeping the members together. He stressed in particular the valuable work and devotion of the Secretary.

The Vice-President, Mr. I. Bell, moved a hearty vote of thanks to all the speakers and artists.

Mr. Bell expressed on behalf of the Society, his sincerest appreciation of Mr. Henry Katzen, the Secretary, to whom the success of the function was due.

Mr. Katzen suitably replied.

Rev. N. Cohen, who seconded the vote of thanks, endorsed the Vice-Chairman's remarks, and hoped that during the next few months, Jewry in this country and in other parts of the world would be able to celebrate their festivals with much happier hearts, and that the Jewish people would be freed from their sorrows and distress.

Woodstock and Salt River Jewish Ladies' Society.

The Annual General Meeting took place at the Talmud Torah Hall, Woodstock, on Monday, 18th March. Mrs. P. Marks was in the chair. After reporting on a year's successful activities, she thanked her Executive and Committee for their loyal support.

Miss Masha Kassel rendered a piano solo.

Mrs. M. Alexander congratulated the Chairlady and Committee on their excellent results. She appealed to all present to interest themselves in National Service.

Mrs. A. Rubin, Treasurer, read the financial statement.

Congratulations were also conveyed by Mesdames Mirvish and C. Bloch, of the Union of Jewish Women.

Mrs. I. Abrahams was unable to attend but sent a very warm letter of appreciation of the work done by Mrs. P. Marks and her Committee.

Rev. Kassel proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the visitors of the evening.

Mrs. Zuckerman appealed for funds for the Ezra Maternity Home in Palestine.

The Chairlady and Rev. Kassel both drew the attention of the audience to the im-

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proved lighting condition of the hall, and both paid tribute to the efforts of Mr. A. Rubin for having undertaken and completed all arrangements in connection with this.

After tea the election took place with the following result: Hon. Life Chairlady, Mrs. P. Marks; Hon. Life Vice-Chairlady, Mrs. L. Katz; Chairlady, Mrs. A. L. Furman; Vice-Chairlady, Mrs. E. Baigel; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. S. Marks; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Kushner. Committee: Mesdames Kalmonowitz, E. Derman, Chames, I. Merkel, Z. Galloon, Hart, Korodetz, M. Katz, R. Katz, Spitzglass, Davidowitz, W. Schein, M. Munitz, Bagraim and Blaiberg.

"At Home" at Woodstock.

There was on excellent attendance at the combined "At Home" of the Woodstock and Salt River Jewish Cultural Circle and Bnoth Zion, which was held on Thursday evening, the 21st March, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Marks.

Rev. S. Kassel, who was in the chair, welcomed Mr. S. M. Levin, visitors and members, and the newly-elected Committee of the Bnoth Zion and Ladies' Society.

Mr. Levin, the guest speaker, delivered a brilliant address on "Jewry and the War," and gave a comprehensive survey of the position of Jewry since the Hitler regime. "As war creates more problems than it solves our need of Palestine is now more urgent than ever," he said.

Mr. Levin appealed to the audience to support the Keren Hayesod Campaign and also to buy the Shekel, thus reaffirming their solidarity with the Zionist movement.

After tea some very interesting lantern slides were shown by Mr. Levin with a running commentary, showing the progress of the Palestine Maritime League since its inception.

Mr. A. J. Basker, on behalf of the combined societies, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Levin and also to the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. S. Marks.

Mr. A. Traub seconded the vote of thanks.

Annual Children's Purim Treat.

On Sunday, the 24th inst., the Annual Purim Treat, arranged by Rabbi Abrahams for the children who attend the Children's Services in the Great Synagogue on Sabbath mornings, was held.

During the course of an interesting programme which was contributed to by the

Hebrew Kindergarten, the Habonim and the Hashitilim, Hamman-Tashen and refreshments were served to the children.

Rabbi Abrahams, at the conclusion, in a short speech stressed the importance of the Children's Services and asked parents to see that their children made every effort to attend these services.

Special thanks are due to the various artists, Mrs. Mibashan and Miss Katz of the Kindergarten and the Great Synagogue Ladies' Guild, who were responsible for the refreshments.

Silver Wedding Celebration.

The silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Stander, of Parow, was celebrated at their residence recently at a dinner.

Mr. N. Brayton, acting as chairman, proposed the toast of Mr. and Mrs. Stander. This was followed by an address by Rabbi B. Lipshitz, in which he referred to the good work that Mr. and Mrs. Stander had done for the Parow Hebrew Congregation during their twenty-five years' residence in Parow.

Mr. M. Levin also spoke, and Mr. J. Stander replied on behalf of his parents.

Cape Town Jewish Girls' Association.

A very interesting evening was spent at the last meeting at the Zionist Hall, when Mrs. Chas. Winckley gave a delightful recital on her clavichord of music relating to that instrument. It was a most instructive address and all those present thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

At the close of the meeting the Chairlady, Miss Minnie Cohen, suitably thanked Mrs. Winckley, and expressed the hope that Mrs. Winckley would continue this series in the near future.

Woodstock and Salt River Hebrew Kindergarten.

The Purim Haggigah which was held on Friday morning at the Talmud Torah Hall by the children of the above Gan was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Rev. S. Kassel presided.

The children gave three acts depicting the story of Purim accompanied by songs; this was greatly appreciated by the audience.

After tea which was served by the Ladies' Society, Mrs. S. Marks, on behalf of the Woodstock and Salt River Cultural Circle, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Surovsky (Ganneneth) for the success of the Haggigah and also thanked Mrs. M. Munitz who so ably assisted at the piano.

Obituary.

Mrs. SARAH FRANKS.

Cable news has been received of the death in England on 26th March of Mrs. Sarah Franks.

The late Mrs. Franks was Matron of the Cape Jewish Aged Home for twelve years. She resigned last year owing to ill-health and was granted a pension; she left in May for England to be with her children.

Mrs. Franks carried out her duties as Matron and Sister in a most capable and praiseworthy manner and was held in the highest esteem by the Committee of the Home. When she first arrived at the Home there were only fifteen inmates, but by the time of her departure the number had grown to sixty. To each one Mrs. Franks gave her devoted care and attention and she won the deep affection and respect of all.

The sincerest sympathy is extended to her family in their bereavement.

Game-Reserve Photographs Wanted.

FOR BOOK TO BE PRODUCED IN AID OF WAR FUNDS.

The Committee, established in Cape Town to produce a 450-page volume, entitled "Sanctuary," entirely in aid of war funds, will be grateful if those in a position to do so, will offer photographs taken in any of the Union's game reserves for consideration when a selection of pictures is made for reproduction in the book.

Mr. C. S. Stokes, the writer of the volume, has given his 120,000 word manuscript to the Production Committee wholly without charge, and all who are assisting towards its publication are rendering service gratuitously. The Committee therefore hopes to enjoy the free use of photographs accepted, which will, wherever this is required, be acknowledged to the photographers concerned.

All interested in the undertaking are invited to communicate with the "Sanctuary" Production Committee, 117, Boston House, Strand Street, Cape Town.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31st—
The Day of National Census.

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