

## and Around the Peninsula

### of Jewish Women.

Minna Levitas presided at the largely Monthly Meeting held on Tuesday, 10th at the Zionist Hall. A number of new were welcomed, as well as Mrs. A. T. and a visitor from London, Mrs. R. Schaerf. Chairman apologised for the absence of the Chairman, who was not able to be present but had been unexpectedly called away. A series of addresses was presented by the newly "Civics" Section.

Rose Movsovic gave a review of Major's book, "Let's go into Politics." This was printed to show how, by the exercise of democratic rights, the voter can successfully Fascist tendencies in politics to-day. The describes fully the machinery of Government. Exercising the right to vote and choosing representatives in Government as well as in voluntary organisations, applied equally in the case of communal life. "Here, too," Mrs. said, "we must be careful not to let and intolerance sway judgment."

Dorothy Chanock gave an address on mat- connected with Health which had recently in the news. The Chairlady expressed ap- of the extremely interesting addresses by Mrs. Movsovic and Dr. Chanock, announced that the "Civics" Section would further addresses on current topics each

Pat Harris read a report of recent meetings S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies.

connection with the resolution unanimously by members at the last Monthly Meeting the Union set up a sub-committee under its to establish Hebrew Kindergartens in the area. Mrs. P. M. Clouts proposed that this plan be reviewed and reseeded, in view of that, in her opinion, the Board of Educa- should undertake this work as part of its work. While agreeing that the U.J.W. and such bodies should assist the Board wherever we should nevertheless stress the need for the Board to take under its wing all Jewish and institutions. The Chairman ex- that representatives of the Committee and of the Bnoth Zion and existing Hebrew Kindergarten Committees had had a full discussion with Dr. Birnbaum and that it was contended by the Board of Education that their function was to supervise and govern the academic side of the education and not necessarily to organise the setting-up and running of educational institutions. Mrs. Kagan seconded Mrs. Clouts' motion, but after a full discussion on the matter by members, Mrs. Clouts withdrew her motion and the original resolution was again carried unanimously.

Minna Levitas reported on the day-to-day activi- of the Union which had included a number of Collections, as well as the usual days at the Soldiers' Club and Mayor's Garden. A successful Pesach Dance had been held on Saturday, 7th April, for Jewish men and of the forces. This was convened by Mrs. H. Blumberg and Ruby Kahn, with the participation of Capt. Dison.

A letter was read from the S.A. Red Cross asking the Cavalcade Group for raising a sum of £45 at the stall held at Electricity House on Saturday.

Minna Levitas announced that she and the Hon. Mrs. Bane, would represent the Cape Branch at the forthcoming Interim Executive Meeting of the U.J.W. to take place in Johannesburg on the 17th and 18th instant, and resolutions would come before this meeting were read. A further donation of £50 has been received for the Union's war work from the Basutoland War

The Hurricanes Group were thanked for a dona- tion to the Palestine Maritime League for the Sailors' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

### Bnoth Zion Association.

A special function in the form of a Third Seder was held at the Zionist Hall on Tuesday after- noon, 10th inst., in celebration of Pesach. A "Hag- of Our Times," which was a modern drama written by Mrs. Helena Lieberman and Miss Marcia Gitlin, was read by members. The programme ranged from a Mah Nishtana to a Gadya. The readers were Mesdames M. Cohen, Z. Berold, M. Epstein, N. Jacob, D. Rabie, Mrs. Cohen, D. Myers and F. Gross.

Mrs. M. Segal, the president, spoke on the day-significance of the Festival of Free- dom. She welcomed Mrs. Schaerf, a visiting mem- ber of the Wizo Executive of London. Mrs.

Schaerf donated a golden lighter for competition in aid of Wizo and War Appeal funds.

During the afternoon Miss H. L. Guinsberg contributed an original article in the form of "A garland from the Midrash for Passover." Mrs. J. M. Weinreich gave renderings of three poems by Yehuda Halevi, Bialik and Abram Klein. Mrs. J. Abromowitz sang a poem of Bialik's translated into Yiddish by Yehuda Halevi and put to music by a Palestinian composer, and a Palestinian folk-song, Kuma Echa. Passover refreshments were served, and those present very much enjoyed the afternoon.

### Bnoth Zion Association—Gardens Branch.

The annual general meeting took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Friedman, "Pearl- view," Virginia Avenue, Gardens, on Monday evening, 26th March. There was a very large gathering of ladies as well as gentlemen visitors. The guests were entertained to songs by Miss Mildred Patz, and a humorous article read by Mr. Laden. Miss Marcia Gitlin delivered an inspiring address on current affairs, which was greatly appreciated.

The elections then took place: Mrs. Friedman was unanimously re-elected Chairlady; Mrs. Gold- berg, Vice-Chairlady; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. L. Buntman; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. R. Fialkov. The Committee was re-elected en bloc with a few new additions.

After tea Mrs. Ch. Cohen thanked the speaker and Mrs. Winokur for their participation. Votes of thanks to the artists and the host and hostess were proposed by Mrs. Fialkov and Mrs. Goldberg respectively.

### Bnoth Zion Association—Maitland Branch.

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A new Committee was elected as follows: Chair- lady, Mrs. M. Odes; Vice-Chairlady, Mrs. N. Geffen; Treasurer, Mrs. S. L. Odes; Secretary, Mrs. D. Immerman; Committee, Mesdames Back, Friedman, Stoltzman, Lang, Ozinsky, A. Davis, Lazarus, Joffe, Efron, Bub, H. Kramer, R. Kramer.

The addresses of Miss Gitlin and Mrs. Segal were listened to with great interest.

### Sea Point Massadah Association.

A pre-Seder Pesach evening was held at the Balmoral Hotel, Sea Point, on Tuesday evening, 27th March. After a news review Dr. A. Birn- baum delivered a stimulating address on "The Jewish Quest for Liberty throughout the Ages." He examined the differences between individual and national freedom and also between cultural and political freedom and showed how the cul- tural independence of the Jewish people had en- sured their survival despite political subjugation. After the tea interval, Mr. J. Blesovsky delivered an interesting talk on the "Symbolism of Pesach," drawing an analogy between the "slave complex" of those days and current events.

The Study Circle has been meeting regularly. After completing its syllabus on modern Zionism and Palestine, it is now studying party ideolo- gies. Talks on the United Zionist Party and the Zionist Socialist Party have already been given.

There was a good attendance of members and friends at the Hotel Bordeaux on Monday, April 9th, when the society extended an official welcome to Rabbi and Mrs. A. T. Shrock. Greetings were extended by the chairman, Mr. S. M. Levin, by Mr. E. Charlaff, chairman of the Combined Mas- sadah Associations, and by Mr. C. Traub, chair- man of the Sea Point Z.Y.S.

Responding to the welcome, Rabbi Shrock referred to the symbolic meaning of the term "Mas- sadah" and stressed that we needed to-day per- sons of the same calibre as the defenders of that fortress. Zionism to-day was a matter of "to be or not to be"; the non-Zionist reminded him of a person whose body might be intact but whose soul was consumed. Massadah had to tackle in- difference and apathy. The acid test of Zionism was settlement in Eretz Israel, but failing this members should be ambassadors of the Zionist ideal. To do this they must become familiar with Jewish history and culture and the Hebrew lan- guage. Events to-day place the importance of Eretz Israel above every other consideration. This was the programme which Massadah should

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## Conclusion of Miss M. Gitlin's Tour.

Miss Marcia Gitlin's enlightenment and organi- sation tour of the Western Province came to an end this week. For the past 2½ months Miss Gitlin has conducted a series of sustained visits to Zionist societies in town and country. Her primary purpose was to contact all women's groups on behalf of the S.A. Women's Zionist Council, and she has addressed all branches of the Bnoth Zion Association and met their committees, be- sides conferring with the Central Executive. In addition she has delivered a large number of ad- dresses to senior men's societies, as well as to Massadah branches and Zionist Youth. Invariably she has made an exceedingly fine impression through her eloquent and forceful description of conditions in Eretz Israel and her penetrating analysis of current Jewish problems.

Separate reports have appeared in these columns of most of Miss Gitlin's meetings. On Monday evening, 9th inst., at the request of the women of Paarl, Miss Gitlin paid a second visit to the Wizo of that town. There was an excellent turnout of members and Miss Gitlin devoted her talk to a discussion on the organisation of the women's group and answered questions dealing with their programme for the future.

At an informal luncheon held yesterday before her departure for Johannesburg, members of the Western Province Zionist Council bade farewell to Miss Gitlin and expressed the thanks of Zionists in this Province to her for her sterling and fruit- ful efforts.

## Social & Personal.

The engagement is announced between Dr. Gladys Levy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Levy, of Pretoria, and Prof. Benzion Beinart, of Grahamstown University, son of Mr. W. Beinart and the late Mrs. Beinart, of Cape Town (for- merly of Malmesbury).

The marriage of Jeanne, daughter of Councillor and Mrs. I. Frank, of Green Point, and Lieut. Eric Behrman, youngest son of Mrs. J. and the late Aaron Behrman, of Sea Point, took place on Tuesday, 10th April, at the Gardens Synagogue.

Mesdames Sloman, Harris, Levitas, Bane and Clouts are leaving on the 14th instant for Johan- nesburg to attend the Interim Executive Meeting of the Union of Jewish Women of South Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Liberman (née Selena Shas- kolsky) are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter.

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## Ellman - Wolozinsky

The marriage took place at the Bloemfontein Synagogue on Sunday, 8th April, of Hilda, only daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. M. Wolozinsky, to Percy, youngest son of Mrs. L. and the late Mr. J. L. Ellman. Rabbi Dr. M. Romm, assisted by Rev. D. B. Kuperberg, officiated. The unter- fuhrers were Mr. and Mrs. Morris Wolozinsky and Mr. and Mrs. Max Jubiler.

A reception was held at the Grand Hotel. Mr. A. L. Lewis was the chairman. Rabbi Dr. Romm proposed the toast of the bride and bridegroom; the bridegroom responded. Mr. H. L. Israel pro- posed the toast of the unterfuhrers and parents, to which Mr. M. Wolozinsky responded.

## שבת

Sabbath commences on April 13th at 6.9 p.m. and ends on April 14th at 6.55 p.m. Portion of Law: Tazriya, Metzera—Leviticus 12-15. Haftorah: Hashomayim Kisi—Isaiah 66.

## Bible Reading in Jewish Home.

The chapters to be read during the week com- mencing April 14th (1st Iyar) are Book of Psalms, 1-22.

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adopt and which he pledged himself to help to fulfil.

Rabbi Shrock's address was most enthusiastically received and he was warmly thanked by Mr. H. Vogelman and the Chairman.

During the course of the evening members of the Young Mizrahi presented an amusing sketch which was deeply appreciated.

### Maitland Jewish Cultural and Social Society.

A meeting took place on Sunday, 25th March, at the Talmud Torah Hall under the chairmanship of Dr. J. Jackson.

After Miss Patz had rendered several songs to her own accompaniment on the piano, the society was addressed by Mr. A. Goldberg, M.P., on "Bridgeheads to the Jewish Future." Generally speaking, he said, the morale of Jewry in the Union was low; due to uncertainty the Jews had no clear view—no bridgehead. They were prepared to leave everything in the hands of leaders and were quite satisfied with letting them issue leaflets to counter anti-semitism without doing anything themselves to combat the danger. The lower the morale of Jewry the more ammunition for the enemy—the anti-semitite.

Dealing with the problem of a world settlement, Mr. Goldberg said that we should not be satisfied with leaving the Jewish leaders to settle our problems at conferences, but that every individual should strive to play an active part in the rehabilitation of Jewry. Many people, he said, interpreted Zionism as meaning the establishment of a Jewish National Home in Palestine, but this was not quite correct, for in addition to the establishment of a National Home, Zionism also stood for equal rights in the diaspora. South African Jewry had a twofold role to play; not only should they be Zionists but also South Africans—and good ones at that.

A vote of thanks to the speaker and artist was proposed by Mr. B. Barron.

### Green and Sea Point Wizo Circle.

A well-attended meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. S. H. Zuckerman on Wednesday, 11th April. Mrs. Rose Cohen read the second chapter of Maurice Samuel's "Harvest in the Desert." This was followed by an interesting paper by Mrs. M. Segal on "Emancipation of Jewry in Western Europe during the 18th and 19th Centuries." Keen discussion took place and many members participated. The comprehensive news commentary was presented by Mr. A. Futeran and the meeting concluded with the reading by Mrs. M. Epstein from "The World of Sholem Aleichem."

Members are reminded that the next meeting will again take place at the residence of Mrs. Zuckerman, 24 Kloof Road, Sea Point, on Wednesday, 18th instant, at 10.30 a.m.

### Muizenberg-Kalk Bay Hebrew School.

On the evening of Saturday, March 24th, the pupils of the school assembled at the Talmud Torah Hall, Muizenberg, to celebrate the traditional Seder. Many parents and friends present formed an enthusiastic audience. The children read parts of the Haggada and sang the traditional songs of Pesach. Some pupils recited very ably in Hebrew. All were then treated to grapes, nuts and matzo.

Mr. E. Levite, principal of the school, addressed the gathering. He spoke on the significance of the festival and on the way it had been celebrated through the ages. He also spoke to the parents on the educational value of Pesach in the upbringing of the younger generation, and he appealed to them to restore the customs to their homes.

### Muizenberg Tanach Study Circle.

A large gathering took place on the Wednesday evening, Achron Shel Pesach, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. Benjamin. The lecturer of the Circle, Mr. E. Levite, read and expounded chapters 40-42 of Jeremiah. He gave a learned and broad survey of the epoch of Jeremiah which was followed by all with great interest. Songs and humorous readings by Mrs. S. Heyman and Messrs. H. Benjamin, J. Lehrman, A. Joffe and M. Asher contributed to the success of the function. Mr. B. L. Rubik in moving a vote of thanks to the host and hostess, drew a parallel between the time of Jeremiah and the present day.

### Massadah Association, Oranjezicht.

An enjoyable evening in conjunction with the Vredehoek Massadah was held at "Rosecourt" on March 27th. Miss Lemonsky read a short story entitled "A Seder in the Rhineland," by Heine. Miss F. Rabinowitz discussed "The Modern Application of Pesach"; Mr. R. B. Egert, "The Symbolism of the Haggadah"; Mr. D.

Meyerowitz, "The problem of rehabilitating dispersed European Jewry"; Mr. C. K. Friedlander, "The decline of Jewish Women in Jewish Life."

### Goodwood Zionist Society.

Miss Marcia Gitlin was the guest speaker at the monthly Zionist meeting held by the Goodwood Zionist Society on March 19th at the United Party Social Centre, Goodwood. Mrs. Ezer presided and introduced the speaker, who gave an illuminating address on the ideology of Zionism and the progress made in the building up of Eretz Israel. After tea the speaker replied to various questions from the floor and the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. C. Rabinowitz.

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A very successful private card evening arranged by Mrs. P. Richman and Mrs. R. Bloch was held at the residence of Mrs. Bloch, Main Road, Goodwood, on March 25th, in aid of Shul and Zionist funds. The sum of £55 15s. was realised.

### Jewish Reform Congregation.

The "Sisterhood" held a general meeting on Monday, 12th March. Mrs. Sloman, Chairlady of the S.A. Jewish War Appeal, Cape Town Women's Campaign, addressed the meeting.

Miss Sybil Marks is producing a play on the evenings of 28th and 30th April for the "Sisterhood." The total proceeds are to be given to the Jewish War Appeal.

### C.T. Jewish Reform Congregation.

Rabbi Dr. M. C. Weiler, President of the S.A. Union for Progressive Judaism, has arrived in Cape Town to attend the first annual General Meeting of the Union. Other arrivals for this meeting were Mr. M. Cassell, vice-president of the Union and president of the Johannesburg Jewish Reform Congregation; Mr. I. Greenberg, member of the Governing Body of the Union; Mr. V. Brasch, hon. secretary of the Union; Mrs. L. Reichman and Mrs. I. Greenberg, Sisterhood representatives of the Johannesburg Jewish Reform Congregation, and Mr. L. Reichman, representing the Springs and District Jewish Reform Congregation.

### Cape Jewish Aged Home.

The Hon. Treasurer of the above Home gratefully acknowledges the following two bequests: Estate late Mrs. S. R. Horwitch, £284 8s. 5d.; Estate late Benjamin Chapman, £50.

### Correction.

In the report of the Women's Mizrahi which appeared in our issue of 30th March, the author of the article on Sholem Aleichem should have read "Maurice Samuel."

## Great Synagogue Forum

WEDNESDAY, 18th APRIL, at 12.45 p.m.

in the

TALMUD TORAH HALL, Hope St., C.T.

Speaker: Mr. S. M. LEVIN, B.A., LL.B.

Subject: "THE JEWISH PEOPLE AND THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE."

## DVINSK SOCIETY

A MEETING OF FORMER RESIDENTS OF DVINSK AND ITS NEARBY DISTRICTS

will take place on

SUNDAY, 15th INST., at 10.30 a.m.

in the

ZIONIST HALL, HOPE STREET.

The presence of all interested will be appreciated.

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## Zionist Conversazio

### CAPT. L. R. DISON ON "ZIONISM AND THE S.A. JEWISH COMMUNITY"

Capt. L. R. Dison, Jewish Chaplain Forces attached to the Cape Command, address on "Zionism and the South African Jewish Community" at the Zionist Hall on night.

Mr. E. Charlaff was in the chair and a cordial welcome to Capt. Dison.

Capt. Dison said that when the diaspora took place and Jews were scattered over the world, their one desire was to return to that of their fathers. It was only due to the political leaders that life in foreign land was possible. Jeremiah said: "Seek you the city whither I have caused you to be away captive." Loyalty to the state in which Jew lives is ingrained in his character, of country is high among Jewish precepts of and pride in the country of one's adoption are constituent elements of good ship.

Capt. Dison went on to analyse the parts of what made up a good South African Jew, stressed that engaging in Zionist activity detract from good citizenship. South Africa holds the democratic way of life and in cracy Jews are allowed to live a full Jewish life. South African Zionists are loyal citizens of South Africa. Both interests of South Africa and the future of the Zionist State, Jews will work for the cooperation between Palestine and South Africa.

The Zionist approach to the defence of rights, said Capt. Dison, was open and they did not go in for apologetics; they that the ostensible reasons for anti-semitism nothing but excuses and they did not placate the anti-semites. Zionists view the Jewish problem as a world problem and a radical solution.

In the development of Jewish life in Africa they must brush aside apathy and inance. The leaders should be chosen for ledge, honesty and probity. There should be municipal councils concerned with all aspects of communal endeavour. These councils should be up in every centre and democratically elected. Those concerned with the running of the synagogue should have a broad historical perspective and should not be solely a place of prayer but a centre round which the whole of Jewish lives and grows. Pride of place and should be given to youth. Jewish day schools at least preparatory schools should be established all over the country and the status of teachers should be enhanced. There should be a closer link between the Hebrew schools and societies.

At the end of the war, said Capt. Dison, thousands of Jewish soldiers would be returning many of whom had received a new insight into things Jewish and would have a burning desire to assist in the upbuilding of Jewish life. Every endeavour must be made to secure their support for the great tasks which lie front the Jews of South Africa.

During the evening Mr. G. Laden read humorous reading and Mr. H. Konwiser sang Hebrew songs.

## CONSECRATIONS.

HORWITCH.—The consecration of the stone of the late Mrs. S. R. Horwitch, of Street, Gardens, will take place on Sunday, 15th inst., at 11.45 a.m., at Woltemade Street. Relatives and friends kindly attend.

SILBERT.—The consecration of the stone of the late Joe Silbert will take place at the cemetery on Sunday, 15th April, at 11.45 a.m. Relatives and friends kindly attend.

## THANKS

ROBINSON.—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Robinson and family wish to thank all the institutions and friends for their expressions of sympathy on the recent bereavement.

RUSKIN.—Master Rodney Ruskin wishes to thank relatives and friends for their gifts and letters on the occasion of his bereavement.