

In and Around the Peninsula

Bnoth Zion Association.

In celebration of Succoth a novel function took the form of a radio-television afternoon at the Zionist Hall last Monday. Although the meeting was intended to take place at the minor hall, a record attendance made an adjournment to the major hall imperative and before long the big hall was almost filled to capacity. The eagerness of the members to enjoy Yom Tov together was satisfied by a varied programme that was excellent throughout.

Mrs. Mary Segal, the announcer, broadcast "Thoughts for 5706." She emphasised that despite political obstacles the Jewish cause would triumph because it was just. Palestine could be built only with a faith in humanity and humanity dared not disappoint the suffering Jewish people. Ultimately the work of the upbuilding of Palestine would depend upon the serious efforts of the Jewish people scattered the world over. She wished the members a year of wonderful achievement in their Zionist work. Mrs. Segal welcomed Miss Plotkin, a visitor from Wizo (Australia).

Mrs. Harriet Levin presented the radio news-reel in a most interesting manner and her commentary on current events was very thoughtful.

Mrs. A. Allschwang, who was accompanied by Mrs. Daniels, rendered two brilliant violin solos to the delight of the large audience. Mr. G. Laden with his usual wit and sustained humour gave an original sketch, "If I were the President of the Bnoth Zion," and the members were satisfied that he was not eligible for the position.

After tea, which was served by the Oranjezicht Branch, Mr. Boris Rome, accompanied by Miss Ruth Rome, rendered a number of appealing songs in Yiddish and Hebrew. His singing was much appreciated.

Mrs. Cecil Harris presented a radio talk on "The Harvest Festival." She captivated the audience with her poetic imagination, beauty of language and lucidity of thought. She traced the history of the harvest festival and showed how it was celebrated in the different lands of the diaspora throughout the years of the dispersion. She drew vivid pictures of the symbolism of the festival and applied them to the national movement; the insecurity of the "succah" was contrasted with the permanency of the "home." The lesson was well taught and easily mastered.

United Hebrew Schools.

On Saturday, 22nd September, over 200 parents, past-pupils and pupils of the Talmud Torah gathered in the school hall for the Succoth service which was conducted entirely by the pupils and past-pupils themselves.

After the service a unique function took place in the form of a contest of Hebrew recitations and poems by the children of the school. Among the judges were committee members, past-pupils and teachers. A large number of children participated, and the judges found that the following pupils had distinguished themselves: Simon Kugel, Hymie Burlak, Madeline Wine, Jacob Kruss, Rachel Levinsohn, Shirley Malamed, Leah Stern, Judy Zinman, Hilda Barron and Louis Barron.

Thereafter, all retired to the Succah, where an Oneg Succoth was held. Succoth songs and the school-songs were sung and refreshments were served. So ended an extremely enjoyable function.

Cape Peninsula Women's Mizrahi Association.

A very large gathering attended the annual meeting of the Vredehoek branch at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Arelisky, 20 Bradwell Road.

Mrs. J. Goodman welcomed members and guests from various branches.

Mrs. T. Charchat, on taking the chair during the election of the Committee, brought greetings from the other branches and congratulated Vredehoek on the splendid work they had done in the past year and wished the members success in the ensuing year. The Chairlady's and Treasurer's reports were read by Mesdames Goodman and Gottchalk respectively and were received with much applause.

The following new Committee was then elected: Mesdames H. Broide, Chairlady; J. Goodman, Vice-Chairlady; H. Brom, Vice-Chairlady; I. Gottchalk, Treasurer; M. Leopold, Hon. Secretary.

The dress raffle in aid of the Beth Avraham Fund realised £37 and was won by Mrs. Jankelowitz, Lady Grey Street, Paarl (ticket No. 7772). Three cups and saucers kindly donated by Mrs. Kavnat were raffled and won by Mrs. H. Lipshatz.

Mrs. E. W. Kirzner congratulated the branch on its fine record for the past year and stressed

the importance of further cultural work at Mizrahi meetings.

Mrs. Leopold proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the hostess and guests of the afternoon.

The members of the Sea Point branch made a special effort to raise £77 10s. 6d., being £52 10s. 6d. for food parcels and £25 for Beth Avraham Fund.

The Chairlady and Committee wish to thank all those who participated in raising this amount.

A members' Succoth celebration was held by the Cape Town Branch on Monday evening, 24th September, at the Minor Zionist Hall.

Mrs. T. Charchat, in the chair, welcomed the large gathering and later introduced the speaker, Mr. R. B. Egert, who, speaking in Yiddish, delivered a most interesting and eloquent address on Succoth, which was very much appreciated by all present.

Cantor A. Immerman rendered beautiful Jewish folk songs which the audience thoroughly enjoyed.

A hearty vote of thanks was moved by Mrs. Cohen to the speakers and guests.

Massadah Association of Vredehoek.

A "living newspaper" evening was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Kaplan, "Romema," Yeoville Road, on 18th September. Mr. W. Sebba acted as editor and after a thoughtful editorial introduced the audience to each of the contributors. Miss M. Bank read an article on Bialik illustrated by extracts from his poems, and also contributed a humorous article on women's fashions. The "cable page news" was in the hands of Mr. J. Hanson who also read a selection of Jewish jokes. Miss F. Rabinowitz delivered an extremely interesting paper on the High Festivals, while Mrs. R. Sebba read an article from the "Jewish Times" giving a vivid and ghastly account of the plight of the Jew in Europe to-day. The musical section of the paper was in the hands of Mr. Konvisser who contributed some Hebrew songs. The evening concluded with a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Kaplan for their hospitality.

Meeting at Wynberg.

At a combined meeting of the Wynberg branch of the Bnoth Zion Association and the Wynberg Zionist Society, held in the Communal Hall on Thursday evening, 20th September, Mr. Y. Levene of Palestine gave an address on "Palestine Today."

Mr. Levene gave a graphic and personal description of every phase of Jewish life, activity and achievement in Palestine. He gave facts and figures to illustrate the remarkable progress in agriculture and industry during the past 25 years, and stressed the fact that the experience gained by the present Jewish population in Palestine was of incalculable benefit for our future Zionist effort.

Mrs. A. Kramer presided and a vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. J. L. Feinberg.

Bequest to Ort-Oze.

The South African Ort-Oze (Cape) has been left the sum of £82 being a bequest from the estate of the late Joseph Braude. This amount is part of the residue of the estate which was left for distribution amongst charitable and other institutions; the Executors of the estate accordingly selected the S.A. Ort-Oze (Cape) as one of the eligible institutions to benefit from this estate.

Histadruth Ivrith.

A meeting in memory of Alexander Ziskind Rabinowitz was held at the Zionist Hall on Thursday night, 20th September. Mr. B. Stein was in the chair.

Mr. Z. Avin said Alexander Ziskind Rabinowitz was the last of those who formed a link between past generations and the present. He gave a comprehensive account of his life and activities before and after his arrival in Eretz Israel where he was loved and honoured by all sections of the population. While being an ardent Socialist, he was a firm upholder of Jewish faith and tradition. He was a disciple of Tolstoy and tried to carry out his teachings in practice. He was always full of hope and never despaired. He was convinced that the day would come when his Utopian ideals would be realised.

Estate Late Leib Lentin.

The late Leib Lentin left the following bequests which have been duly paid, namely: Koshur Kitchen (Groote Schuur Hospital), £100; Jewish Aged Home (Cape Town), £50; Cape Jewish Board of Guardians, £50; Cape Jewish Orphanage, £50; Bikkur Cholim (Cape Town), £50; Jewish National Fund of Palestine, £50.

Dorshei Zion Association.

The Zionist Hall was filled to capacity on Monday night when a Succoth celebration (Beth Hashoevah) was held under the auspices of the Dorshei Zion Association. Mr. J. ... conducted the proceedings and the following participated: Cantor Katzin, Cantor Rome, Mr. Laden, Miss Resnick, Miss ... Lampen, Master Kassel and Master ... was community singing and a very ... ing was spent by all present.

Cape Mizrahi Organisation.

A meeting of the combined executive in the Board-room of the Union of ... on the 19th September to welcome ... Markovitz, the Chairman of the ... who recently returned from a visit to ...

After Mr. M. Aronson, the acting ... had outlined the activities of the organization Mr. Markovitz's absence, Mr. ... an eloquent address on the position of the Argentine and U.S.A., stressing ... disintegration in some of the countries ... visited and the vital necessity for ... epoch-making period in history to ... poverty of spirit and the absence of a ... pride of many Jews in the diaspora ... tirely to the lack of a national ... Jewish spirit and real nationalism is ... developed.

Claremont Zionist Society.

The first study circle was held at ... Harfield Road, Kenilworth, the ... Mrs. A. Katz, on Thursday, September ... Mrs. H. Lieberman, who was the ... reviewed "Palestine, Land of Promise ... W. C. Lowdermilk, paying tribute to ... as a lover of the land, scientist and ... ian. The address was highly appreciated ... followed by a debate. Mr. Bloom ... Swarcz and Mr. Katz participated.

Zionist Socialist Party.

On Thursday, 13th September, a ... Paarl branch was held. Adv. Harry ... who delivered an address on "The Jewish ... Progress," stressed the importance of ... a lead in all progressive and liberal ... any Jew co-operating with those holding ... views forfeits the right to equality and ...

The meeting was very well attended ... discussion which followed showed the ... the audience had taken in the points ... Mr. Lulu Rabinowitz thanked the ... behalf of the party.

Sea Point Massadah Association.

The last meeting took the form of a ... Discussion Group. It was held at ... Mr. and Mrs. H. Getz of Sea Point, and ... number of members who attended ... joyed the content and informality of ... ceedings.

Mr. H. Vogelmann presented a paper ... London Congress, Mrs. H. Levin discussed ... Truman's recent statements and the ... pretation, and Mr. A. Silber read a paper ... plight of European Jewry. Mr. S. ... a very interesting presentation of Jewish ... which was followed by a review of the ... book "Co-operative Living in Palestine" ... I. Rabinowitz. Mr. S. M. Levin was the ... master in a very amusing quiz, in which ... members participated, and followed the ... short talk on Succoth.

The meeting concluded with a vote of ... to the host and hostess.

Green and Sea Point Wizo Circle.

A well attended meeting took place ... dence of Mrs. N. Newman on Wednesday ... September.

Mrs. C. Marks read a chapter from ... in the Desert" dealing with the Pica ... played in its formation by Edmond de ... A comprehensive news commentary was ... by Mrs. Feinstein.

Mrs. M. Aronson gave an interesting ... the High Festivals and Succoth and ... drew attention to the significance of ... days.

Mr. E. Dobkin, Director of the Jewish ... Immigration Department, who returned ... salem on 28th August, brought with ... volumes containing the names of 60,000 ... survivors in Poland as registered by the ... Committee of Polish Jews in Warsaw, ... gistration of the names of survivors was ... by the Committee immediately after the ... of Poland.