

## In and Around the Peninsula

### Zionist Socialist Party.

More than 300 people attended Mr. Alexander Lewin's first meeting at the Minor Zionist Hall, Cape Town, on 29th June. Many were turned away through lack of seating accommodation. Mr. Lewin, who has recently returned from Palestine, spoke in Yiddish on "The Struggles of the Yishuv."

Mr. E. Kluk, Chairman of the Western Province Zionist Socialist Council, presided.

The police regime, instituted by the British in Palestine, the policy of racial discrimination and the treatment of those immigrants who actually managed to reach Aretz from Europe's concentration camps, were but further stains in the chequered cloth of Britain's mandatory activities in Palestine, said Mr. Lewin.

Referring to terrorism, Mr. Lewin declared that a policy of "terrorism" without a justifiable goal was pointless. Nevertheless those who had not worked to build Eretz Israel had no right to speak in the name of the Yishuv. "Activism," said the speaker, "is not standing on platforms and boasting of deeds of courage. Activism is chalutzit, it means giving one's life and sweat and blood."

We must not give any support to the Irgun and Stern Gang, who had dissociated themselves from the organised Yishuv, continued the speaker. Only the Haganah and the organised Yishuv had a right to build and fight in the name of Zionism and the Yishuv. The important work in Palestine, concluded Mr. Lewin, was to bring people into the land and to absorb them into the Yishuv.

At a crowded meeting at the Paarl Talmud Torah Hall on Monday night, Mr. Lewin stressed the fact that the security of Palestine lay in the hands of those who were doing the constructive work of upbuilding. It was the Haganah who had quelled recent Arab outrages in Palestine in spite of the failure of the large British military force concentrated in Palestine to do so. Mr. G. Hoffman, Chairman of the Paarl branch of the Zionist Socialist Party, presided at the meeting. A new technicolour film, "Gateway to Freedom," was shown to a large and appreciative audience.

### Cape Peninsula Women's Mizrahi Organisation.

A satisfactory sum of money in aid of "Homes for Refugees" was raised at a Bring and Buy Sale under the auspices of the Gardens Branch on Thursday, 26th June, at the residence of Mrs. I. Shuel, Mill Street. Mrs. E. W. Kirzner expressed grateful thanks to Mrs. M. Levin, Vice-Chairlady of the branch, for organising the function, to Mrs. Shuel for her kind and generous hospitality, and to those who helped to make this occasion such a successful and enjoyable one.

The monthly meeting of the Claremont branch took place on Wednesday, 25th June, at the residence of Mrs. E. Adelman, Stanhope Road. Mrs. M. Harris, Vice-Chairlady of the branch, was in the chair and welcomed members and visitors from the other branches. The guest speaker, Mr. E. Levite, of Muizenberg, gave an interesting talk on Keren Kayemeth and appealed to all to participate in the forthcoming campaign. An announcement was made and members were asked to help at an all-day Bazaar at the Zionist Hall on 16th October in aid of Mizrahi institutions and other worthy causes in Eretz Israel. Mrs. Harris announced that an amount of £20 was raised in aid of refugee children at a dance under the auspices of the Claremont Ladies' Society. A vote

of thanks to the speaker, Mrs. Harris for the refreshments and to Mrs. Adelman for her hospitality concluded an enjoyable evening.

### Sea Point Massadah Association.

Dr. Joseph Sachs was the speaker at a meeting of the Sea Point Massadah Association, held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Schaffer, on Monday, 23rd June.

Taking as his subject "The Bible as Literature," Dr. Sachs said that, although the Bible was a best-seller, it was unfortunately not treated as a best-seller and criticised as such. In the Bible one found both the spiritual and the sensuous. Dr. Sachs quoted extracts from the Hebrew and showed how, in translation, the original poetic sound was lost.

The Bible, said Dr. Sachs, has a warmth of feeling, and is bright with understanding and faith. There is also a primitive strength which arises partly from the fact that the sentences are spontaneous. The flesh and the spirit combine, and because the good and bad qualities of human nature are described, the characters are more human than Greek characters. In the Bible there is also nourishment for the child.

Dr. Sachs gave quotations from the Hebrew to show how, in translation, the onomatopoeia of the original is lost. "The Bible is an imperishable book—the immortal book of an immortal people," he concluded.

An interesting discussion followed Dr. Sach's address.

Mrs. Sadie Levine was in the chair, and a vote of thanks to the speaker was proposed by Mr. S. M. Levin.

### Observatory and Mowbray Zionist Society and Observatory and Mowbray Bnoth Zion Branch.

A combined meeting of the above Societies took place on Thursday, 26th June, at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. C. Shapiro. Mrs. Shapiro presided.

The guest speaker was Adv. G. Gordon, who spoke on "The Issues before U.N.O.'s Palestine Enquiry." The speaker gave a very lucid analysis of the position as it exists to-day, and the probable outcome of the Commission's work. Mr. G. Laden gave two humorous readings, which were much appreciated.

This meeting was also the occasion of the annual meeting and election of officers of the Observatory and Mowbray Zionist Society. The retiring executive, consisting of Mr. M. Stein, President, Dr. C. Shapiro, Vice-President, Mr. W. Nurock, Treasurer, and Mr. L. Hodes, Hon. Secretary, were re-elected en bloc. The following Committee was elected: Dr. M. Kaplan, Messrs. M. Chiat, Y. Danilewitz, H. Goldblatt, H. Shattenstein, J. Mindel, H. Oppenheimer and Zackon.

Mr. L. Hodes proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker, to Mr. Laden and to the host and hostess.

### Bnoth Zion Association.

A very enjoyable and interesting afternoon was spent by members of the Vredehoek branch at the residence of Mrs. Hirschon, "Bien-Venu," Vredehoek. Mrs. Bex Reichlin read an interesting paper on the "Psychology of the Jew," which delighted the gathering immensely.

A discussion on the subject followed, in which those present took part.

After tea the Vice-Chairlady, Mrs. R. Marks, discussed the forthcoming S.A. Zionist Conference.

Mrs. A. Kantor thanked the speaker and the hostess for a delightful afternoon.

### Scopus Club.

In his introduction to the programme of recorded music which he presented to the Scopus Club at the French Club on Sunday evening, 29th June, Mr. Aubrey Sebba stressed the fact that he

had chosen music which was essentially tuneful and melodious. It was, however, a delightful surprise to find that his selection did not consist of music which is frequently heard and, therefore, almost over-popular and hackneyed.

Moreover, the programme gave the audience the opportunity of comparing the different styles of the modern English, Russian and American composers as amongst other recordings which Mr. Sebba played were excerpts from William Walton's "Facade Suite," Prokofiev's "Classical Symphony" and Aaron Copland's suite "El Salon Mexico." Amongst the works of the old masters which Mr. Sebba had chosen to play were "Jesu Man of Joy Desiring" and an excerpt from the Mozart "Piano Concerto in E Flat."

The latter half of the evening was devoted to a selection of records which Mr. Sebba called "Voices from the Past." This was indeed a treat for music lovers as it consisted of original recordings, collected by the late Mr. I. Sebba of the famous voices of great singers such as Caruso, Tetrazini, Clara Butt, Melba, Chaliapin and others.

The evening ended with the playing of a recording of Mossourgsky's "Night on Bald Mountain."

### Green and Sea Point Synagogue Women's Association.

The Second Annual General Meeting was held on Thursday, 12th June at the Synagogue Hall.

Mrs. A. T. Shrock presided and gave a detailed report of the activities of the Association during the past year. Reports were also read by the Treasurer, Mrs. Wilensky, and by Mrs. Herman on behalf of the Sewing Group.

A very interesting address was given by Miss Guinsberg on "The Primitive Gods and the Poetry of Nature in the Old Testament."

The news that a Kindergarten would be opened on 15th July was received with great acclamation by all present.

### Woodstock and Salt River Wizo.

At the fortnightly gathering of the Wizo, held on the 23rd June, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Munitz, Birkdale Avenue, Woodstock. Mr. Dov Senderowitz, the guest speaker, was welcomed by Mrs. I. Merkel, the Chairlady.

There was a good attendance and Mr. Senderowitz was given an excellent hearing. He spoke in a refreshing and invigorating manner showing not only a deep and sympathetic understanding of present day life and events in Palestine, but with a practical knowledge of "settlement life" and farming.

Questions were answered by the speaker who elaborated each one with a "lecturette" on the problems raised,

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## SOUTH AFRICAN ZIONIST CONFERENCE

ZIONIST HALL, CAPE TOWN  
JULY 9th — 13th

### Opening Session:

WEDNESDAY, 9th JULY, at 8.15 p.m.  
Greetings from overseas and local organisations.

Presidential Address by Mr. N. Kirschner.

Limited accommodation for members of the public.

Tickets (gratis) obtainable at Zionist Office, 85, Plain Street, Cape Town.

A certain number of non-delegates can be accommodated at the Sabbath Eve Dinner, followed by Oneg Shabbat, to be held at the Zionist Hall on Friday, 11th July, following a special Synagogue Service. Reservations, which will be dealt with strictly in rotation, may be made at the Zionist Office.

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## שבת

Sabbath commences on 4th July at 5.30 p.m. and ends on 5th July at 6.16 p.m. Portion of Law: Balak, Numbers, chps. 12 to 25. Haftorah: V'yoho Sharith, Micah, chp. 5.

## BARMITZVAH.

AVERBUCH. — Leonard, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Berel Averbuch, "Swansbourne," Marmion Rd., Oranjezicht, will read a portion of the Law and Maftir at the Vredehoek Synagogue on Saturday, 5th July. "At Home": Saturday, 5th July, from 6 p.m. Relatives and friends please accept this as the only intimation.

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thus intensifying the interest of a most appreciative audience.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Senderowitz and to the host and hostess for their kind hospitality was proposed by Miss B. Lazarow.

## ..A.. Fashion Parade

Under the Patronage of the  
Mayoress Mrs. A. Bloomberg

In aid of Children and Youth Aliyah

Presented by Mr. Yanni Evangelidi of Trickwear

CITY HALL

15th July, 1947

at 2.45 p.m.

TICKETS: 10/6

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