

In and Around the Peninsula

Another Zion Association.

A meeting of the Observatory-Mowbray branch was held at the residence of Mrs. Stein, 9 Glencaird Road, Mowbray, on Wednesday afternoon, April 14.

Mrs. Hodes, who was in the chair, introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. J. M. Weinreich, who gave a most interesting address entitled "Behind the Scenes at Wizo."

Mrs. L. Rogoff, the delegate of the branch to the last Zionist conference, gave a brief report.

Miss R. Levinson proposed a vote of thanks to both speakers, and also thanked Mrs. Stein for her kind hospitality.

Muizenberg Jewish Ladies' Society.

The annual general meeting took place on Tuesday, April 13, at the Talmud Torah Hall. Mrs. Julia Dombey presided over a large attendance. In her address she dealt with the various amounts distributed locally during the past year and showed how the needs of the less privileged members of the Jewish community had been carefully and conscientiously considered and met. Mrs. Dombey thanked the treasurer, Mrs. Zinn, the secretary, Mrs. Rakin, and the committee for their work, and paid a special tribute to Mrs. Goldberg, to whom the society owed a debt of gratitude for her untiring efforts for the benefit of the society. Tea was provided by Mrs. Seftel, senior.

Mrs. Greenblo proposed and Mrs. Bloch seconded the adoption of the report and balance sheet, which was carried unanimously.

The election of office-bearers resulted in Mrs. Dombey (chairlady), Mrs. Goldberg (vice-chairlady), Mrs. Zinn (treasurer) and Mrs. Rakin (secretary) being re-elected en bloc. The following committee was elected: Mrs. Berelowitz, Mrs. Poswolsky, Mrs. Brint, with the addition of Mrs. Satusky, jun., Mrs. Ger, Mrs. G. Resnick and Mrs. Seftel.

Miss Friedman then gave a reading which was much enjoyed by all. Mrs. E. Seftel sang delightfully, accompanied by Mrs. Lamude.

After tea Miss Lurie spoke on the work of the Board of Guardians, with whom this society co-operated.

Mrs. Bloch proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. E. Seftel, Mrs. Lamude and Miss Friedman; also to Miss Lurie, who specially came from town. A vote of thanks was also passed to the hostess, Mrs. L. Seftel.

Cape Town Jewish Reform Congregation.

Nearly 300 people attended the Congregational Seder of Temple Israel, the Cape Town Jewish Reform Congregation, on Friday, April 23. The Seder was held in the new Temple Hall and was conducted by Rabbi David Sherman. Dr. Freund chanted the Kiddush and the singing of the traditional Passover melodies was directed by Mr. J. Cohen. Master Martin Abro received a prize for finding the Afikomen. Dr. H. Kramer, president of the congregation, welcomed the guests and said that there

was a need for many more such community Seders.

The Seder was preceded by the Passover Eve service, which was attended by 400 people.

A symbolic Seder was held for the children of the Hebrew School on Saturday morning, April 24, immediately following the Passover morning service. Rabbi Sherman explained the meaning of the Passover symbols to the children, and Passover refreshments were served by the Sisterhood. The Kiddush was chanted by Rufus Moss-Rendell and Martin Abro.

A special feature of both Seders was a dramatic interpretation of the Elijah ritual.

An Oneg Yom Tov programme was held on Thursday evening, April 29. Following the service, the congregation adjourned to the Community House, where a Jewish Book Week exhibit was displayed. Rabbi Sherman spoke on "Books in the Arsenal of Judaism." Tea was served by the Sisterhood.

On Friday morning immediately following the service, the children were shown some of the latest films on Palestine.

Temple Israel will launch a full-scale activities programme immediately following the Passover festival. Mrs. Rene Ahrenson, well-known play producer, will convene a meeting in the Community House on Sunday morning, May 2, to initiate the Temple Dramatics Society.

A badminton court has been set up in the Temple Hall, and the Temple Badminton Group will hold its first session on Monday evening, May 11, at 8 o'clock.

The table tennis section meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Wilkomir Society.

A meeting took place on Monday, April 26, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. Rubik. Mr. M. Reingold was in the chair.

Mr. Rubik gave the members an extensive report of the work done so far by the society. It was decided to make a special effort to enrol more members. A resolution was adopted to extend a helping hand to any landmen who lived even in the districts around Wilkomir, as the number of those remaining from the city itself were very few. The knowledge of the whereabouts of any such person would greatly be appreciated by the vice-chairman, Mr. W. Rubik, 5 Holmfirth Road, Sea Point. Means of swelling the society's funds were then discussed, and it was decided to contribute an ambulance to Magen David Adom as soon as the society's finances would allow it.

After a vote of thanks to the host and hostess the meeting was closed.

Hospital Kosher Kitchen.

The committee of the Kosher Kitchen most gratefully acknowledges the sum of £50, being a bequest from the estate of the late Mrs. E. Aronowitz.

Social & Personal.

Mr. Lionel Bowman, the Cape Town pianist, has been awarded the honorary degree of Associate of the Royal Academy of Music for distinguished ex-students of the Academy. Among other engagements, Mr. Bowman is to play at a lunch-hour concert at the Wigmore Hall in London shortly. He will leave England in October on a concert tour of the United States.

Mr. H. J. Wetzstein, who obtained the B.Sc. degree in electrical engineering with distinction at the University of Cape Town, has been awarded the first of the Chamber of Industries' W. J. Laité Scholarships. The Scholarship, which is of the value of £200 a year and is tenable for two years, will be used by him for research at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Mr. Wetzstein has also been awarded a scholarship by the Council of the University of Cape Town for overseas post-graduate work.

Mrs. Edith Schach leaves in the Capetown Castle on Friday, 30th April, to join her son Leonard, who is presently on the Continent studying Modern Theatre Organisation and Production Methods. They will meet in London and then leave for Amsterdam to be present at the Sixtieth Anniversary Celebrations of the famous Concertgebouw Orchestra.

The engagement is announced of Shulamith, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Gotlieb, of Muizenberg, to Simon, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Poliva, of Tel Aviv.

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