

## In and Around the Peninsula

### Bnoth Zion Association.

An enjoyable Pesach afternoon was held by the Vredehoek branch at the residence of Mrs. R. Marks, 11, Dominion Mansions, Vredehoek. One of the items of interest was a play called "A Suit of New Clothes," which was very ably performed by the players, especially by the children Judith Brenner and Pearl Dickman. A duet was rendered by Mrs. R. Marks and Mrs. B. Glaser, and several articles on Jewish Affairs were read by Mrs. Freda Dickman. A vote of thanks was moved by Mrs. S. Chesler to the hostess and the artists.

Wizo meetings are held every Wednesday morning at 10.30 by the Kenilworth branch of the Bnoth Zion. The hostess for the month of May is Mrs. R. Abelson, "Two Jays," Tennant Road, Kenilworth.

### Union of Jewish Women—(Somerset West-Strand Branch).

A representative gathering of members took place at the residence of Mrs. A. Perel, Audas Street, Somerset West, on Tuesday afternoon, 20th April. Mrs. A. Friedman, Chairman of the branch, presided.

Mrs. D. Harris, Chairman of the Cape Town branch, attended the meeting together with members of the Executive as also Mrs. Sutton, Chairman of the Paarl Branch and three members of their Committee.

Mesdames Harris, Sloman and Levitas, of the Cape Town branch, addressed the meeting. The main topics under discussion were the forthcoming Conference in Johannesburg on 10th, 11th and 12th May when the question of sending a delegate from this branch was raised and also the project to raise sufficient money within the next few years to build a wing to the Hostel of the Hebrew University in Palestine.

Mrs. M. Friedman, of the Strand, thanked the visitors and the hostess, Mrs. Perel.

### Rondebosch Hebrew Congregation.

The Rondebosch Hebrew Congregation is making good progress under the Chairmanship of Mr. M. Bobrov and his excellent Committee. They have purchased the historic property known as "Strathallan," Belmont Road, Rondebosch, which stands on considerably large grounds. Now, since they have their own home, with considerable alteration they hope soon to establish a beautiful house of worship.

Mr. Henry Harris and Arthur V. Jacob attended the meeting held on Wednesday, 28th April, as representatives of the Cape Town Hebrew Congregation.

The Rondebosch Hebrew Congregation is affiliated to the Cape Town Hebrew Congregation, and they are very pleased at the fact that the union may lead to a general union of all Cape Town Hebrew Congregations.

### Cape Peninsula Women's Mizrahi (Omen) Organisation.

The monthly meeting of the Oranjezicht-Tamboerskloof branch took place on Tuesday, 27th April, at the residence of Mrs. F. Romonofsky, Montrose Avenue. The Chairlady, Mrs. B. Benson, welcomed all present and

thanked the members of the Vredehoek branch for the support given to them at all their meetings. Mrs. Benson read an inspiring article on the activities of the "Omen" Women's Mizrahi in Eretz Israel, and appealed once again to members to give their loyal support to those in distress.

Mr. Jack Levin, the guest speaker, gave a most interesting talk in the form of questions and answers entitled "Are We Right?" He concluded by saying that our future lies within ourselves and not with the various nations we regard as friends. Let us not be over pessimistic or over optimistic, but let us have confidence in ourselves. This talk was enjoyed and appreciated by all.

### Magen David Adom.

A Bring and Buy Sale was held on Thursday, 15th April, at Herzlia, Yeville Road, Vredehoek, the residence of Mrs. J. Talberg.

The proceeds, which amounted to £25, will be contributed towards M.D.A. funds.

Mr. Lederman, of Wynberg, on the occasion of the Bris Milah of his infant son, has kindly donated the sum of 15/- towards the effort for Magen David Adom which the Union of Jewish Women are holding.

## Social & Personal.

Miss Rita Robinson and Miss Bessie Faiman, for many years on the staff of the Cape Jewish Board of Deputies, recently left for overseas and have joined the staff of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, London.

Miss Rita Robinson, who is in the Foreign Affairs Department, is the daughter of Mr. Walter Robinson, Secretary of the Green and Sea Point Hebrew Congregation, and Mrs. Robinson.

Gita Marks, of Cape Town, has won the £100 bursary awarded by the S.A.D.T.A. for study overseas, having taken first place in the Western Province ballet championships (senior section), held in the Woodstock Town Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Marks desire to bid farewell to all relatives and friends. They are leaving in the Athlone Castle on Friday, 14th May, on a visit to England and America.

The engagement is announced between Rebecca, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Kessler, of Oranjezicht, and Eli (Alec) Poplak, of Claremont, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Poplak, of Lithuania.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Segal (née Ruth Shacksnovis) are being congratulated on the birth of a son.

The Palestine Special Emergency Fund acknowledges receipt of the sum of £13, being "Afikomen money" collected by Mr. and Mrs. L. Krawchuk and family, of Oranjezicht, and Mr. and Mrs. L. Rubin, of Mowbray.

## Esther Salaman and Paul Hamburger to Give Joint Recital.

Esther Salaman, mezzo-soprano, and Paul Hamburger, pianist, will give their first Joint Recital at the City Hall on Saturday, 22nd May at 8.15 p.m.

Miss Salaman has a very large repertoire, and is noted particularly



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for her folk songs, which she sings in six languages, and early English songs.

Mr. Hamburger, who is a Viennese, was given a British Council Scholarship to the Royal College of Music in London. He has been lecturing on the history of music at Cambridge and giving lessons and concerts there. Both Miss Salaman and Mr. Hamburger were members of the Arts Council, and throughout the war worked very hard giving concerts for C.E.M.A., as the Council was then called, and E.N.S.A.

## Fine Gesture by Barmitzvah Boy.

Leslie Carr, a pupil of the Hebrew Schools of the United Jewish Reform Congregation, Johannesburg, has decided to forgo his Barmitzvah reception and to donate 100 guineas to the following institutions: 50 guineas to the United Aged Home in Jerusalem; 50 guineas to the Institute for the Blind in Jerusalem.

Leslie's Barmitzvah will take place at Temple Israel, Johannesburg, on Saturday, 8th May, and his fine gesture is highly commendable. It is interesting to note that Leslie is following the example of his older brother Denis, who made a similar donation on the occasion of his Barmitzvah in February, 1946.

## THANKS.

MARKS (MORDUKHOVITZ).—The sons and daughters of the late Mrs. Mary Mordukhovitz and their families wish to express their heartfelt thanks to all their relatives and friends for the kind sympathy extended to them in their sad bereavement.

## Dr. & Mrs. James McDonald in Cape Town.

### MANY MEETINGS DURING SHORT STAY.

Dr. James G. McDonald, the celebrated American political figure and outspoken champion of the Zionist cause, was due to arrive in Cape Town from Durban, accompanied by Mrs. McDonald, on Wednesday afternoon. Owing to the holiday yesterday it was not possible to interview Cape Town's distinguished guests before going to press, but a full account of their activities will be published next week. This will include addresses at the City Hall, Cape Town, on Wednesday evening, and at Worcester last night, as well as a meeting with members of Zionist and other communal committees held yesterday morning.

For his three remaining days in Cape Town Dr. McDonald has to fulfil a very crowded programme. He will be the guest of honour at a luncheon to be given by Mr. Max Sonnenberg to-day, to which a number of leading citizens have been invited. In the afternoon he will meet the church authorities, and to-night Dr. and Mrs. McDonald will be entertained by Professor Wilcocks, Principal of the Stellenbosch University, and members of his staff.

To-morrow evening Dr. McDonald will deliver an address at a reception under the auspices of the Combined Muizenberg and Wynberg Zionist Societies at the Balmoral Hotel, Muizenberg, while his final appearance will be at the Odeon Theatre on Sunday evening. At this meeting Dr. McDonald will give an address on "The Future of the Holy Land." Mr. H. M. Bloch will preside.

## Mr. D. Dunsky to Visit Western Province.

Mr. David Dunsky, Chairman of the Information Department of the S.A. Zionist Federation and Chairman of the Transvaal Zionist Council, will spend a week touring societies in the Western Province at the invitation of the Western Province Zionist Council.

Mr. Dunsky visited Eretz Israel recently on a special mission and will be able to report on the position there as he found it. He is an eloquent and forceful speaker and Western Province audiences will no doubt benefit to a great extent from his forthcoming visit.

In view of the short time spent in the Cape he will not be able to visit every centre, and consequently he will confine his tour to those communities which were not addressed by Mr. B. Gering or Dr. James McDonald.

His programme is as follows:—

- Monday, 10th May: Paarl.
- Tuesday, 11th May: Parow-Bellville, together with Goodwood and Durbanville.
- Wednesday, 12th May: Wellington.
- Thursday, 13th May: Ovservatory-Mowbray.
- Monday, 17th May: Oudtshoorn

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