

In and Around the Peninsula.

The Zionist Conversazione.

An animated discussion on Young Israel problems took place at the Zionist conversazione on Tuesday evening when Mr. S. Nell read a paper on the subject.

Mr. Nell traced the history and outlined the activities of Young Israel in this country. Speaking of the future, he stressed the need for a proper use to be made of the excellent Young Israel organisation which had been built up. Unfortunately, in recent years the S.A. Young Israel Federation had not been able to get out of the groove of doing merely routine work.

Up to the present the functions organised by Young Israel Societies lacked what might be called a scientific basis, and it was on the improving of this state of affairs that the Young Israel Federation had to concentrate. Mr. Nell favoured the formation of a Young Israel Bureau to replace the Young Israel Federation and to deal with this matter.

Speaking of the differences between seniors and juniors, Mr. Nell urged the need for a spirit of give and take, and an appreciation of the fact by those in charge of Young Israel activities that any slight the juniors may have suffered was entirely unintentional, and that by the exercise of tact a good deal more could be achieved than by resort to abuse and wild statements.

Those who participated in the discussion were Messrs. H. Zuckerman, R. Neil, S. Futeran, L. Matthews, Markman, P. Gross, O. Basson, Herman, J. Rubik, Cooper, H. B. Rogoff, M. Joffe, M. Lange and D. Getz. Mr. Nell, in summing up, dealt with the various points raised.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Getz acted as host and hostess, and at the beginning of the evening a pianoforte solo was given by Miss Freda Rogoff. The evening was brought to a close with the singing of Hatikvah.

Kindergarten Festival Concert.

The spirit of spring and harvest was beautifully revived last Sunday morning at the Shevuoth Concert given by the Bnoth Zion Hebrew Kindergartens at the Zionist Hall. Blossoming trees and greenery, little farmers bringing their "first fruits" to be sold in Jerusalem, the songs of the wheat farmers, sheep farmers, vegetable farmers and vintners, and a general spirit of gladness and rejoicing—all these gave colour and significance to a festival primarily associated with spring.

The supposed giving of the Torah to the people on Shevuoth was also not forgotten. Joyfully the little ones marched round the room carrying their miniature blue and white Torahs.

The Kindergarten Festival concerts continue to be a source of great pleasure both to the children and onlookers. But more than that, they fill one with amazement by their complete spontaneity, by the obvious joy with which the little performers feel, and by their skilful handling of a language totally foreign to them. The concerts speak wonders for the work being done by the kindergartens to-day.

The success of the kindergartens has undoubtedly to a large extent been due to excellent management on the part of the teachers. And so it is with not a little regret that the Bnoth Zion bids farewell to Miss Rivka Goldin, the Molteno Road *ganneneth*, who is to be married shortly and who has thus resigned her position.

A presentation, on behalf of the Bnoth Zion Committee and the parents of the pupils, was made to Miss Goldin at the concert on Sunday.

Miss Goldin's successor is Mrs. J. Mibashan, and all best wishes are extended to her for the success of this new undertaking.

In Aid of the Board of Guardians.

Under the auspices of the Bellville-Parow-Durbanville Ladies' Zionist Society, a card-party was given last week at the residence of Mrs. R. Berold at Parow, in aid of the Board of Guardians. The evening was a successful one, the sum of £9 2s. eventually accruing to the Board as a result.

Jewish Charity Concert.

A very successful concert in aid of the Cape Jewish Board of Guardians was held at the Opera House last Sunday night. There was a large attendance, and an extremely

well-balanced and enjoyable programme had been arranged. The use of the Opera House had been generously allowed by the African Consolidated Theatres Ltd., and the services of the artists, stage staff and printers had been gratuitously given.

The orchestra under the direction of Mr. H. Michelson gave some excellent renderings, and other items of the programme were danced by the pupils of Molly Hayward, by Vera Kirsch, who gave a Spanish dance, by Vera Kirsch's pupils, and by Signor Nagel and Senorita Ebbs, tango specialists. Mr. Felix de Cola gave a pianoforte solo, and several specially selected numbers were played by Louis Morris and His Band. The singing was contributed by Miss Edith Richmond, Mr. H. Batchelor-Smith and Helen Kantorowitz. Little Sybil Jacobs gave some clever Maurice Chevalier impersonations, while Nat Davis contributed an item entitled "Stuff and Nonsense." Recitations by Joy Brice and Beryl Kay, pupils of Miss Hinda Honikman, and a comedy sketch by Watts & Burke completed the programme.


The Hon. Organiser and House Manager was Mr. Harry Weinreich, the Hon. Musical Directors Messrs. H. Michelson and J. Lowndes, Hon. Accompanist Mr. Max Miller, and Hon. Stage Director Mr. Frank White.

A Hat Night.

Under the auspices of the Zionist Socialist Party a Hat Night will take place on Sunday, the 19th June, at 8.30 p.m. in the Zionist Hall. Social and political problems will be discussed. All are invited.

C.T. Jewish Youth Circle.

Under the auspices of the Cape Town Jewish Youth Circle a "Book Tea" was held in the Minor Zionist Hall on Sunday evening, 12th June. The proceedings were in the nature of a competition, provided by well designed representations of book titles and current newspaper advertisements. Prizes are to be awarded to the winners: Mr. Sol Cohen for the largest number of correct solutions of book titles; Mr. M. Falkson for the most original design of book



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title; Miss R. Basson for the largest number of correct solutions of advertisements. The singing of Hatikvah brought a very successful and well-attended meeting to a close.

Members are again notified that the proposed "Mock Trial" for Sunday, 19th June, has been postponed on account of the proximity of examinations.

Zionist Ball.

The Zionist Hall presented a very gay and festive appearance on Wednesday night when the Annual Zionist Ball took place. Red and peacock blue streamers formed the main feature of the decoration scheme, whilst a profusion of greenery also helped to render the total effect very pleasing. The stage was very beautifully decorated with palms and other plants, whilst the front of the hall, where seating accommodation had been provided, was tastefully arranged with greenery. Very beautiful, too, were the festoons of foliage interwoven with dark red roses which were suspended from the ceiling.

There was a fairly large gathering present and the atmosphere throughout the evening was a pleasant and congenial one. The music was provided by Louis Morris and His Band, and during the course of the evening an interlude was given by the pupils of the Miriam and Elvira Kirsch Studio. A sit-down supper was given in the Minor Hall.

The Ball Committee, which put in such excellent work for the success of the function, consisted of the following: Chairman, Mr. J. Weinreich; Hon. Secretary, Miss Jane Kaufman. Committee: Mesdames B. Berold, L. Burman, F. Clouts, Ch. Cohen, S. Gordon, M. H. Greenstein, M. Gurland, B. Jacobson, Ph. Press, J. Sarif, W. Sorokin, S. Zuckerman and Mr. L. Burman.

Oneg Shabbos.

At the Oneg Shabbos on Saturday, the 4th inst., Mrs. S. Gordon presided over a large gathering. Dr. S. E. Kark was the speaker, and he chose as his subject, "A Chapter of Genesis According to Modern Research."

The lecturer stressed the necessity of studying the ancient book scientifically and in accordance with modern research in ancient history and archaeological findings. As an illustration he gave the Biblical ethnological description of the various races of mankind, and compared it with the modern point of view.

Dr. J. Mibashan moved a vote of thanks to Dr. Kark for his interesting address. The usual singing and merrymaking took place, Miss Rabinowitz contributing a number of songs, and the function was shortly afterwards brought to a close.

At the Oneg Shabbos to-morrow afternoon Dr. J. Sachs will speak in Yiddish on A. D. Gordon. The function will commence at 4.30 p.m. sharp. All are welcome.

Dance at Muizenberg.

A dance under the auspices of the South Peninsula Jewish Club was held last Saturday night at the Marine Hotel, Muizenberg. There was a fairly large gathering present, and the affair proved a very enjoyable one. The music was supplied by Johnny Mills and His Rhythm Boys.

Junior Auxiliary to Board of Guardians.

On Sunday night, the 19th instant, at 8.15 p.m., the annual general meeting of the Junior Auxiliary to the Cape Jewish Board of Guardians will be held at the Old Synagogue, Gardens, for the reading of the Chairman and Treasurer's Report, the election of office-bearers, and amendment of the Constitution.

To all interested in charitable endeavour in the Peninsula a hearty welcome is extended.

Social Items.

Mr. D. Mierowsky, Director of the S.A. Board of Jewish Education, arrived in Cape Town on Wednesday. He is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Max Cohen.

Mr. Isaac Ochberg left yesterday by the Union Express for Johannesburg.

The marriage of Olga Genn, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Genn, of Jerusalem, to Herman Infeld, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Infeld, of Vienna, and at present in Port Elizabeth, will take place at the Bulawayo Synagogue, Bulawayo, on Sunday, June 26th, at 10.30 a.m.

Mr. Morris Alexander, K.C., M.P., left on Wednesday for Caledon on professional business.

Mr. M. Genn left on Wednesday on a trip to Johannesburg and Rhodesia.

Mr. B. Berold left on Tuesday on a short trip to Durban and Johannesburg.

The engagement is announced of Miss Fanny Rubik, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Rubik, of Wilkomir, Lithuania (sister of Mr. B. L. Rubik, LL.B.), to Alec Miller, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Miller, of Oudtshoorn.

Dr. B. Isaacson, of the Strand, leaves to-day for East London to attend the Medical Conference.

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