

IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

Zionist Conversazione.

At the Zionist Conversazione on Tuesday night Mr. D. Getz reviewed the reports for 1933 both of the Palestine Administration and of the Jewish Agency which were presented to the last Meeting of the Mandates Commission of the League of Nations.

Both reports are lengthy affairs—as Mr. Getz himself pointed out, a notable feature of the Administration's report is its increase in bulk every year—but he extracted the more important features from them, drawing attention to and in several cases commenting on them.

He paid special attention to questions of immigration, trade and industry (the citrus industry particularly), education, and the so-called Arab "displacement." At the conclusion of his review, questions were put to the speaker who replied to them all. Later on in the evening he quoted further facts and figures from the reports.

A review of this kind, in which authoritative information may be obtained on practically every aspect of Palestine's development, is something new in the history of the Zionist Conversaciones and may prove a most useful form of acquainting those interested with the position in the Homeland. It helped to provide in every way a most interesting and instructive evening on Tuesday.

Mr. Myer Joffe acted as host, and during the evening a pianoforte solo was given by Miss M. Bliden and a song by Mr. Witepsky. The Jewish news was read as usual.

Oneg Shabbos.

Rabbi Z. Schwartz was the speaker at the last Oneg Shabbos gathering. He chose as his subject, "Land and Language."

The speaker dealt eloquently with the different epochs in Jewish history in which various foreign dialects, such as Aramaic and Chaldean, took precedence over Hebrew. Hebrew as the Jewish national tongue, however, overcame all foreign influences and was to-day the language of the Jews in Eretz Israel and in certain portions of the Diaspora. Only by an intense study of Hebrew could we become fully qualified to settle in our land.

Mr. M. Wolozinsky, who presided over the large gathering, spoke at the outset on the great loss which Jewry had sustained in the death of Chaim Nachman Bialik.

Bialik was the founder of the Oneg Shabbos in Tel-Aviv, the offspring of which was the Cape Town Oneg Shabbos.

Mr. Wolozinsky mentioned some of Bialik's brilliant "oral law" which was usually overlooked when one spoke on Bialik the poet.

Cantor M. B. Konwiser, Rev. N. M. Rabinowitz and Mr. Lipschitz also contributed to the success of the afternoon by rendering various songs which were greatly appreciated.

B.O.Z.S.

A meeting of the B.O.Z.S. was held at the Zionist Hall on Saturday evening last.

Chaver Kaganson, the Vice-Chairman, opened the meeting. The news was read after the minutes had been read and adopted.

"Judas Maccabeus" was the subject of an interesting lecture delivered by Chaver Berelowitz, after which a sports talk was given by Chaver Schwartz, the Sports Organiser.

Chaver Gilinsky gave a lecture on "Josephus Flavius."

A debate followed on the subject, "That private enterprise in Palestine should be prohibited." The movers were Master Levine and Chaver Schwartz, and the opponents were Chaver Charloff and Chaver Tarshish.

The motion was carried and the meeting concluded with "Hatikvah."

Bnoth Zion Meeting in Tamboers Kloof.

A meeting of the Tamboers Kloof Branch of the Bnoth Zion Association will be held at the residence of Mrs. I. Chaimowitz, St. Albans, 15, Woodside Road, at 3.30 p.m. on Monday, 23rd inst. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

Rabbi Gervis to Speak at Woodstock.

"Rabbi Yehuda Halevy" is the subject of a lecture to be delivered by Rabbi I. M. Gervis, under the auspices of the Woodstock and Salt River Jewish Cultural Circle, on Tuesday, 24th inst., at 8.15 p.m., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. P. Marks, 2, Salisbury Street, Woodstock. Members are kindly invited to attend.

Cape Town Maccabee Organisation.

In conjunction with the Cape Town Herzlia the Cape Town Maccabee Organisation held a memorial evening for the late Ch. Bialik last week. Mr. C. Maissel took the chair. The speakers, Rabbi Gervis and J. Bobrov, dealt exhaustively and effectively with the personality and life-work of Bialik and the great loss suffered by the Jewish community of the world in his death.

Miss I. Trakman and Miss D. Radowsky recited from Bialik's works. Mr. I. Lipschitz sang a song based on one of Bialik's poems. Cantor Konviser intoned the Haskorah, and the meeting closed with the singing of the Hatikvah.

The fortnightly cultural meeting will take place at the Talmud Torah Hall, Hope Street, on Tuesday, the 24th inst., at 8.15 p.m.

Mizrachi Meeting at Durbanville.

A Mizrachi meeting took place on Sunday, 15th inst., at the Durbanville Synagogue. Messrs. Shuel and Pogrund of Cape

Town and N. Dorogow of Johannesburg attended. Mr. S. Borok presided.

After Mr. Shuel and Mr. Pogrund had addressed the audience and explained the significance of the Mizrachi, a canvass for members took place and practically all present became members.

Mr. Borok afterwards referred to the death of Chaim N. Bialik in eloquent terms and made an appeal for trees in the Herzl Forest.

After a vote of thanks to the lecturers, the meeting concluded with the singing of Hatikvah.

Observatory-Mowbray Jewish Guild.

A meeting of the above Society was held at "Eldorado," Observatory, the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Jaffe, on Thursday, 12th July. Dr. Lizerbrum was in the chair and fifty members attended.

Dr. I. M. Hurwitz addressed the gathering on "Mendelssohn and His Times." He pointed out how Moses Mendelssohn had risen from a home of poverty to be one of the greatest men in Germany. He had had to struggle through his fifty-six years of life before he reached the pinnacle of fame.

Dr. Hurwitz's lecture was very appreciatively received.

Tea and refreshments were kindly provided by the hostess.

After Mr. Flax had thanked Dr. Hurwitz and Miss Uday, the hostess, the meeting concluded with the singing of the Hatikvah.

The library is progressing favourably and in the Sports Section the soccer and table tennis teams are undefeated to date.

Wynberg Hebrew Congregation.

A meeting of the Wynberg Hebrew Congregation was held on Sunday, the 7th instant, in connection with an appeal for funds towards the newly-erected building of the Cape Town Jewish Aged Home.

Mr. P. Maisel, the President of the Congregation, introduced Mr. H. Rosen, the Chairman of the Aged Home, and referred to his strenuous work which had contributed largely to the flourishing state of the institution which he so ably represented.

Mr. Rosen then gave a detailed account of his committee's activities in connection with the new building, which, though very comfortable for its inmates, was not large enough to cope with the long list of applicants desirous of being admitted. This fact was the best proof of its indispensability. The Jewish Aged Home, went on Mr. Rosen, was not only a haven for old people who found themselves stranded in the evening of their lives, but also a refuge for invalids from all over the Province and sometimes even from beyond its borders.

The members present responded generously to the appeal, and Mr. A. Anziska volunteered to go out canvassing in the Wynberg area for more subscriptions and donations.

A vote of thanks by Mr. S. M. Kaplan to the speaker concluded the meeting.

In Brief.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Policansky, of Tel-Aviv, Palestine, arrive in Cape Town on Monday, 23rd inst., by the "Windsor Castle" on a visit.

Mr. Max Gurland leaves on Thursday, 26th inst., by the "Duilio" on his return to Palestine, after spending two months in Cape Town.

Bernard Lionel, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Hermann Wolff, will read Maftir and the Haftorah at the Roeland Street Synagogue on Saturday, July 28th. At Home: Sunday, July 29th, "Bonheur," St. John's Road, Sea Point, 3.30 to 6 p.m. All relatives and friends cordially invited. No cards.

Mr. H. M. Bloch returned to Cape Town on Monday from a visit to his parents in Maquassi.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Schach are leaving next Thursday by the "Duilio" on a trip to Europe.

Mr. S. Jocum, of Muizenberg, left on Wednesday for Johannesburg.

Mrs. Theresa Vilenski leaves on Thursday, 26th inst., by the "Duilio" on a trip abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Cohen returned on Monday from a holiday trip to Lourenco Marques.

Mr. Alexander Isaacs, who is studying at London University, is in South Africa on vacation and is staying with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. George Isaacs, of Oranjezicht.

Mr. P. Machanik, of Pretoria, arrived in Cape Town on Monday on a short visit.

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The "Jewish Conspiracy."

PORT ELIZABETH DOCUMENT CITED IN GERMANY.

Berlin.

"The exaggerated reports and misstatements about the events in Germany which are appearing in the foreign press are due solely to Jewish influence," the "Voelkischer Beobachter," the official organ of Chancellor Hitler, complains.

In the "Deutsche Zeitung," Von Leers, the well-known Nazi publicist, who is the author of the pamphlet "The Jews are Looking at You," alleges that there is a Jewish conspiracy behind the recent events in Germany. He tries to back up his allegation by reproducing a letter said to have been written by a Jewish physician now in Haifa to an acquaintance in Germany, in which a medical argument is used, he says, in order to cover up very definite political allusions to these developments. He also reproduces in the article the leaflet purporting to give the text of an anti-Christian sermon alleged to have been delivered in the Western Road Synagogue, in Port Elizabeth, by Rev. A. Levy, setting out the plans for a coming Jewish domination. The leaflet is at present the subject of legal proceedings in South Africa.

Jewish Professor Honoured.

Rome.

Professor Attilio Momigliano, who belongs to a well-known Rabbinical family, has been appointed to the Chair of Italian Literature at the University of Florence, the city associated with Dante.

He succeeds Senator Manzoni, the great historian of Italian literature, who is retiring on reaching the age limit.

Dr. Brodetsky Received by Colonial Secretary.

London.

Professor S. Brodetsky, head of the Political Department of the Jewish Agency in London, and Mr. A. Lourie, Political Secretary of the London Executive, have been received by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, at the Colonial Office, and discussed matters relating to Jewish immigration into Palestine and other problems affecting the Jewish National Home.

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