

IN AND AROUND THE PENINSULA

Chanukah Functions.

About three hundred people attend a very successful Chanukah concert held at the Talmud Torah Hall, Grove Avenue, Claremont, on Sunday, the 13th December, 1936, under the direction of Rabbi A. R. Abrahamson, supported by local and Cape Town talent. The following were the artistes who took part: Misses Freda and Jayne Gild, Ada and Fanny Abrahamson, Annie Kriger; Rabbi Abrahamson, Messrs. H. Blume, A. Miller, M. Goodman, and Masters J. Levy, Jackie Abrahamson, Jackie Farman, Joe Freedman, the B.O.Z.S. and the pupils of the Talmud Torah. Miss Gild was the accompanist.

Mr. Atkins, the Chairman of the Talmud Torah, presided, and the concert was opened by Mr. Harry Beck, the President of the Claremont Congregation, who paid tribute to the tremendous efforts on the part of Rabbi Abrahamson and the Education Committee. The Chanukah candles were then lit and Rabbi Abrahamson and the Choir sang Maoz Tzur, accompanied by Miss Jayne Gild.

An excellent and varied programme which included songs, recitations, monologues, lectures by members of the Talmud Torah on Chanukah, dances, and plays in both English and Hebrew, followed.

Tribute was paid to the organiser, Rabbi Abrahamson, by Mrs. Bloch and Mrs. Gorfinkel during the distribution of prizes and Chanukah presents to the pupils, which followed immediately after the concert.

Mr. H. Gorfinkel proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Rabbi Abrahamson, the Education Committee, and the artists.

On Sunday evening a large number of German immigrants and their friends gathered at "Rosecourt" to celebrate Chanukah. Mrs. L. Mirvish and Mrs. R. Friedlander were the hostesses and Rev. Kibel recited the prayers at lighting the candles. Everyone present joined in the singing of "Moaz Tzur," after which Rev. Kibel gave a talk on the significance of the festival.

On behalf of the immigrants, Mr. Herman expressed thanks to Rev. Kibel and the hostesses as well as appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Sonnenberg who had made these gatherings possible by their gift of the house.

A Chanukah concert was given by the children of the Wynberg Hebrew School and Kindergarten on Thursday, December 10th, in the hall of the Royal Hotel kindly lent by Mr. S. M. Kaplan. Songs and recitations by the Hebrew School children were very much enjoyed by the audience. The little tots of the kindergarten rendered songs and recitations in which the "trendel" played a part. There was also a sketch "Hasirim al Hakir," and in the eurythmics which is quite a novelty in local kindergartens the children really excelled themselves. The success of the evening was no doubt due to "gveret Chana" (Mrs. Shenowitz) the "ganenet," and Mr. Potashnik. Mr. Gordon also helped.

Dr. C. Resnekov was present and addressed the audience in a few well chosen words on the importance of Hebrew education. After a vote of thanks by Mr. S. Galloon the concert ended with the singing of Hatikvah.

A large gathering attended the Chanukah Service conducted by Cantor S. Kugel, at the Roeland Street Synagogue on Saturday last.

The Vice-President, Mr. I. Shuel, delivered an eloquent address on the significance of the Chanukah Festival and the kindling of the candles. He showed that the call of Mattathias to his people "Whosoever is zealous of the Law and covenant let him follow me," still remains the inspiration of the Jewish people.

Antiochus, who hated the Jews and their religion, was determined to destroy Judaism root and branch, a thing which appeared to him easy to execute on account of the hellenistic cult which had already penetrated into nearly all ranks and classes of the Jewish nation. But Israel stood the test and overcame its oppressors.

The fight of the Maccabees for freedom stands as a symbol for all times and generations. Whenever the Jewish nation is confronted with calamity—from whichever direction it may come—there is only one comfort and remedy: the unshaken belief in the God of Israel and that He will not forsake his children.

After the address Cantor S. Kugel conducted the Maariv Service, lit the Chanukah candles and sang "Maoz Zuz." His singing, accompanied by the playing of the organ, was greatly appreciated by the gathering.

On Sunday morning, the 13th inst., a very large gathering of parents and friends took place at the Parow Communal Hall in celebration of Chanukah. The children of the Kindergarten presented a play in Hebrew and several of them gave individual items. The senior pupils of the Hebrew School presented several short sketches, recitations and songs. The standard of both sections was exceptionally high. At the conclusion of the concert a presentation was made to Mrs. Lipshitz, the Kindergarten teacher, by her pupils. A most successful and enjoyable morning concluded with the singing of Hatikvah.

Forthcoming J.N.F. Concert.

The J.N.F. Concert at Muizenberg Pavilion on Sunday evening promises to be the outstanding affair of its kind this year. It is being run under the direct control of the Western Province Jewish National Fund Executive which ensures that Jewishness of tone and spirit for which that body is known.

Two very interesting and quite original symposia of Jewish melodies have been arranged by Mr. Pulvermacher. The one is built up of well known songs of the Galuth and the other of the new songs of Eretz Israel. These arrangements will be played by an instrumental trio and are certain to be keenly enjoyed.

Mr. S. Lubeck, the well-known baritone, will sing two song groups, one classical (including an aria from Halevy's "The Jewess") and the other Hebrew. The latter are an exceptionally appealing set. Miss Hannah Oblovitz, who has frequently delighted Jewish audiences with her elocution, will recite a Chanukah poem very suitable to the festival.

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Social and Personal.

The marriage of Hannah, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Suchedowitz, Garfield Road, Oranjezicht, Cape Town, to Max, second son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Katzen, of Johannesburg, will be solemnized in the Great Synagogue, Gardens, Cape Town, on Friday, 25th December, 1936, at 12 noon.

Mr. E. Kluk is returning to-morrow in the "Duilio" from Palestine, where he spent about a year at the Head Office of the Zionist Organisation in Jerusalem. He will be met by members of Committees of Zionist Societies in the Western Province at a reception in the Zionist Hall on Tuesday evening, 22nd inst.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Gluckmann have arrived from Johannesburg on a few weeks' holiday and are staying at the Esplanade Hotel, Muizenberg.

Mrs. M. Kentridge and family have arrived from Johannesburg on a few months' holiday.

Dr. B. G. Shapiro is leaving to-day in the "Edinburgh Castle" for London where he will continue his research studies.

Miss Lena Abelsohn is leaving to-day in the "Edinburgh Castle" and will spend a year in London teaching under the teachers' interchange scheme.

Mrs. Deborah Katzin, of Johannesburg, is spending a holiday at Muizenberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Cohen, of Kimberley, are spending a holiday at Hout Bay.

Mr. S. Kuper, of Johannesburg, is spending a holiday at Muizenberg.

Miss Anne Hersch, of Johannesburg, is spending a few weeks' holiday in Cape Town.

Mr. M. Wolozinsky, M.A., Lecturer in Hebrew at the University of Cape Town, and Miss H. Wolozinsky are leaving on Thursday for Johannesburg and Durban on three weeks' holiday.

Cable news has been received by Mr. and Mrs. S. Singer, of Brooklyn, that their son, Alec, has passed his final examinations in medicine at Liverpool University.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kaplan (nee Rose Newstead) are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter.

Cable news has been received that Bernard, son of Mr. S. and the late Mrs. Polonsky, has passed his final M.B., Ch.B. examination at Liverpool University.

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CONSECRATION.

HERMAN.—The consecration of the tombstone in memory of the late Mrs. Adele Herman will take place on Sunday, December 27th, at 11 a.m., at Woltemade, Eighth Gate.

DEATH.

BEROLD.—Barney, beloved husband of Fanny Berold and father of Lulu, May, George and Freda, passed away peacefully at his residence "Sharon," Fairfield Road, Parow, on Sunday, 13th instant. Deeply mourned.



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Finally, there will be a series of tableaux, depicting in nine scenes the history of Chanukah, its significance and its place in Jewish history and in our people's future hopes. They are being produced by Dr. Altschul. The co-operation of a large company of very willing workers has been obtained, and a colourful and impressive spectacle is promised. All those who saw and who heard of the last series of tableaux during Passover last year, will surely not miss this treat, which is really a rarity.

An evening of excellent entertainment is thus assured to all patrons of this concert. It only remains for the public to show that its appreciation is such as to make the arduous work of the organisers and artists worth while.

Muizenberg Talmud Torah Concert.

A more than ordinarily successful scholastic year was brought to a fitting conclusion on Tuesday night when the pupils of the Muizenberg Talmud Torah School staged a very interesting and entertaining performance in the Talmud Torah Hall at Muizenberg.

The programme which consisted of songs, sketches, tableaux and playlets was carried out entirely through the medium of Hebrew, but the histrionic ability of the performers was of such a high standard that even those members of the audience not very conversant with Hebrew were able to follow the various items with ease.

Much credit for the success of the concert is due to Mrs. Lily Satusky, who rendered valuable services in producing the plays and to her very able assistant, Mrs. N. Lamonsky, while Mrs. Canard's musical accompaniment contributed considerably to the efficiency of the production.

The most encouraging feature of the whole production was, however, the ease and understanding with which the children rendered their parts and the obvious enjoyment with which they entered into the spirit of the various characters which they portrayed. For this most credit must of course be given to the Principal of the Talmud Torah School and his enthusiastic and able assistants who have succeeded in making Hebrew a living language to the children and are kindling in them a true love for Judaism, its traditions and customs and a genuine pride in our achievements in the Homeland.

During the second half of the programme, Dr. C. Resnekov, Chairman of the South African Board of Jewish Education (Cape Committee), delivered an address which could not fail to be inspiring to all concerned with the vital subject of Jewish education and which, dwelling as it did on the necessity for co-operation between teachers, scholars and parents, pointed the way to continued progress and success in the Talmud Torah.

The concert was repeated with great success on Wednesday evening. Dr. H. W. Altschul delivered an address.

Bnoth Zion Association.

A card afternoon in aid of the J.N.F. Bazaar, to be held early in January at Muizenberg, will be given by Mrs. Herbstein on December 22nd, and a card evening, organised by Mrs. Fine and Mrs. Aarons at the residence of the latter on December 29th. It is hoped that the funds will benefit greatly as a result of these efforts.

“Chronicle” Seaside Camp Opened.

135 Children Under Canvas.

The Zionist Hall was the scene of much excitement and activity on Wednesday morning when one hundred and thirty-five children and twenty-eight assistants left for the “Chronicle” Seaside Camp at the Strand. Long before the appointed time most of the campers had arrived in the hall, carrying their belongings and the medical certificate without which no child was admitted.

Perfect order and discipline prevailed and the party left by charabanc, arriving at the Strand Park in time for lunch.

The following doctors examined the children free of charge before their departure: Dr. H. W. Altschul, Dr. P. Dickman, Dr. M. Gelb. Dr. I. Gurland, Dr. I. M. Hurwitz, Dr. J. Karpas, Dr. Rebecca Katz, Dr. C. Kaufman, Dr. H. Krafchik, Dr. S. Lange, Dr. M. E. Pimstone, Dr. C. Resnekov, Dr. C. Shapiro, Dr. L. Sive, Dr. S. Sieff, Dr. I. Waynick.

Although the Camp is now in progress, the lists for the fund are still open and contributions will be gratefully received. Gifts in kind will also be welcome.

THIS WEEK'S LIST.

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| Previously acknowledged | 272 | 2 | 4 |
| Mrs. A. Zieper (proceeds of card party) | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| Muizenberg Jewish Ladies' Society | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Swellendam Zionist Society | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Dr. C. Resnekov | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Paarl Junior Zionist Society | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Mrs. L. Kirschner (Collected) | 0 | 17 | 0 |
| Mrs. L. Rubinstein (Collected) | 0 | 17 | 0 |
| Rev. L. Kirschner | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Mr. H. Arenson | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Mrs. R. Hoffman | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Mr. M. and Miss H. Woloizinsky (In memory of their beloved mother) | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Mr. H. Berger (Lakeside) | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Rabkin & Hoffman | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Mr. M. N. Marks | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Mrs. I. Mordukhowitz | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Mrs. W. Halperin | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| Mrs. N. Sacks (Collected) | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| “Anonymous,” Tamboers Kloof | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| Mrs. B. S. Hersch (Johannesburg) | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| Jacob and Fanny Gross (Paarl) | 0 | 10 | 0 |

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| Miss D. Jacobs | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Talmudical Group (Luton Road) | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Mr. S. D. Cotton (Strand) | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Miss Anne Satz | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Mr. W. Stein | 0 | 2 | 6 |

Heidelberg—Collected per Mrs. M. Friedman.

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| Mr. T. Dissler | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Mrs. M. Friedman | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Hirschson Children | 0 | 7 | 6 |
| Mr. F. M. Woolf | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Dr. D. J. Sagor | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Mr. M. Yamey | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Abramowitz Children | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Mr. N. Kahn | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| Miss Lola Nainkin | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| Miss Celina Nainkin | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| Mr. M. Rother | 0 | 1 | 0 |

Muizenberg—Collected per Mrs. R. Movsovic.

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| Miss H. L. Guinsberg | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Dennis and Rochelle Krikler | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Mishie, Leo, Ruth and Naomi Fine | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| Leon and Rachel | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| Mr. M. Natas | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Asher | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Etta | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| David | 0 | 2 | 6 |

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