

Cape Zionist Youth Activities

The first lecture of Maurice Samuel will take place in the Major Hall on Thursday, June 10th, the subject being: "World Changes and Jewish Reactions."

All members are urged to attend the lecture of this renowned orator.

We are pleased to announce that there will be a special lecture by Maurice Samuel to the Youth on Sunday, 20th June in the Zionist Hall. Watch this column for further details.

There will be a J.N.F. Box clearance on Sunday, June 6th. Those willing to participate are requested to meet at the Zionist Hall at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday morning.

On Sunday night, 6th June a Youth Mass Meeting will be held in the Minor Zionist Hall, Hope Street, to be addressed by Messrs. A. Abrahamson and D. Dunsky both from the Youth Council, who have just returned from Eretz Israel. The opportunity of listening to a first-hand account of present conditions in Eretz Israel, should not be missed.

Green and Sea Point Jewish Guild.

The above Society held a very successful meeting in their new Club Rooms, Adelphi Buildings, on Wednesday, May 26th 1937.

Mr. J. Hanson presided over a very large attendance, and welcomed everyone to their new hall. He also thanked the Green and Sea Point Hebrew Congregation for their trouble and time they had spent in obtaining this room for the Jewish Guild. A letter was read from Mr. A. Sacks, Chairman of the Hebrew Congregation wishing them the best of luck. A report was next given of the Cape Zionist Youth Conference.

Mr. A. M. Jackson and Mr. Wittenberg spoke on behalf of the Green and Sea Point Shul.

During the interval Miss M. Furman rendered two delightful dances and Mr. D. Jacobs a piano solo. The Chairman then presented Miss Furman with a box of chocolates.

Dancing continued to a late hour and a successful meeting terminated with the singing of Hatikvah.

Cape Town Herzlia.

On Tuesday night in the Zionist Hall a well attended meeting of the Society was addressed by Mr. Solly Friedman who spoke on his impressions of "Eretz Israel" during the past two years. In the course of the evening the speaker touched upon every important aspect of Palestinian life, giving the audience a wonderfully clear picture of that gigantic constructive effort of Jewry.

Dealing first with the towns the speaker started his tour in Tel Aviv and was forcibly struck by its complete Jewishness and intense activity. This restless activity epitomises the modern Palestine. Jerusalem was a curious contrast with plenty of space and rather intellectually inclined. Haifa appears to be the city with the best future. The countryside is pretty and fragrant with nature. Perhaps the most useful section of the population were those in the Kvutzoh, who have a hard life but con-

tribute magnificently to the upbuilding of the land. Industry, however, has a great future and is making rapid progress.

The Arabs and their mode of living were also examined whilst the riots were spoken about in great length.

The Bialik Circle meets to-night at the residence of Mr. M. Saacks, 52, Wandel Street, Cape Town. Dr. Sher will talk on the "Period of Enlightenment."

Rev. I. H. Levine will speak at a Youth Conversazione in the Zionist Hall on Sunday 13 inst. The subject for discussion will be "Religion and Politics." All welcome.

ANNUAL DANCE. This event takes place on this Saturday night at the Queen's Hotel, Sea Point. Double tickets are 7/6. The support of the general public will be appreciated.

Stellenbosch Y.I. Society.

The junior members of the above Society met at the Talmud Torah Hall on Sunday, 29th May for the weekly Study Circle.

After Miss Naomi Segall had read the minutes of the last meeting Mr. Reynold Gelb spoke on the Revisionists. Much discussion took place and the meeting terminated with the singing of Hatikvah.

Observatory-Mowbray Jewish Guild.

A cultural meeting was held at Dr. Altschul's office on Wednesday, 26th May.

Mr. N. Gafenowitz read the news service and this was followed by an account of the life of Leo Pinsker by Mr. R. Rabinowitz.

Miss E. Gamsu then read a summary of Pinsker's Anti-emancipation. A lively discussion ensued.

An important feature of the meeting was the commencement of the cultural material distribution scheme.

After Hebrew songs had been sung the meeting closed with the singing of the Hatikvah.

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have been held over.

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An animated discussion followed in which the participants unanimously agreed with the views expressed by the lecturer. Mr. M. Natas, who was in the Chair, informed the members that the opening ceremony of the library would take place during June month, and expressed thanks to Mr. Avin for his instructive lecture.

Claremont Hebrew Congregation.

The ceremony of the presentation of a Sefer Torah by Mrs. Cohen took place at the Claremont Synagogue on Sunday, in the presence of a large gathering.

Rabbi A. R. Abrahamson officiated; Mr. Harry Bloom was the soloist, and Mr. I. Sher played the organ.

A reception was afterwards held in the Talmud Torah Hall by the Claremont Jewish Ladies' Society.

Mr. P. H. Beck, President of the Congregation, presided. Rabbi Abrahamson proposed the toast of Mrs. Cohen and Councillor Nelson of Paarl seconded.

Other speakers were Mr. Newstead, Mr. Gorfinkel and Mrs. Gorfinkel. Mrs. Cohen suitably replied and thanked the congregation for their appreciation of her gift. Special thanks were also expressed by the Chairman to Mrs. Cohen's son in Johannesburg.

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Barmitzvah Celebrations.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Bloch, of Walmer Road, Woodstock, celebrated the Barmitzvah of their only son Edwin, who read a portion of the Law in the Synagogue, Argyle Street, Woodstock, on Saturday, the 29th May.

A reception was held in the Talmud Torah Hall on Sunday evening, and the hall was filled to capacity with relatives and friends.

The guests were welcomed by the host, hostess and Edwin.

Mr. P. Marks, who acted as chairman of the evening, remarked that the large gathering was a tribute to the popularity of the parents.

Dr. B. Rabinowitz proposed the toast of the Barmitzvah, and presented Edwin with a certificate issued by the Jewish Board of Education, of which he is the first in Woodstock and Salt River to be a recipient.

The Barmitzvah in his speech paid tribute to his parents and grandfather, and concluded with the hope that the redemption of Israel would soon be realised.

Rev. S. Kassel proposed the toast of the parents.

On behalf of the Committee of the Woodstock and Salt River Broth Zion Association (of which Mrs. Bloch is the president), Mrs. Galloon made a presentation to Edwin of a silver goblet.

Mr. B. Bloch, in responding to the toasts, said he was happy to see such a large gathering of his friends and thanked everybody for their good wishes.

Mr. Shifrin, Past-Master of the Grand Order of Israel, offered his congratulations on behalf of the Society.

A vote of thanks to the speakers was proposed by Mr. A. J. Basker, who concluded with the remarks that the parents of the Barmitzvah deserved everything said about them.

A collection was made in aid of the Talmud Torah and the National Fund.

A thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent and dancing was indulged in to the strains of lively music until midnight.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wiener, of Plumstead, celebrated the Barmitzvah of their only son Samuel at the Claremont Talmud Torah Hall on the 23rd May. The toast of the Barmitzvah was proposed by Rabbi Abrahamson and the Barmitzvah suitably replied. The toast of the parents was proposed by Rev. Kassel and Mr. Sam Wilder replied.

Hebrew Teachers' Association.

At the last monthly meeting which took place on Thursday 27th May, an interesting lecture was delivered by the Chairman, Mr. Z. Avin. He analysed different methods of teaching the Hebrew language, and proved that the only successful method was to teach through the Hebrew medium, thereby achieving our aim both in the "Tanach" and in the "Hebrew language" which are the chief subjects in the Hebrew School. He also mentioned with regret that some congregations still compel their teachers to use the old translation method which leads to nowhere. After the lecture gramophone records of model lessons were listened to.

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