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RICHMOND NEWS.

Miss Strause, of New York, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. Thalheimer.

Mr. Sidney B. Rosenbaum returned this week from a visit to Savannah, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Baar, of Washington, D. C., are the guests of Rev. and Mrs. E. N. Calisch.

Rabbi E. N. Calisch will open the session of the State Senate with prayer each day this coming week.

Captain E. J. Levy, who for the last three weeks has been detained at home by sickness, is recovering rapidly.

Mr. Benjamin Kahnweiler, of New York, is on a visit to his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Kahnweiler, of west Grace street.

The date of Rabbi E. N. Calisch's lecture in Petersburg, for the benefit of the poor of that city, has been changed to Tuesday, January 16th.

Mrs. Lorenz Schwerin is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leiberth, who on the 17th of the present month will celebrate their silver wedding.

The Jefferson Literary and Social Circle meets next Thursday night, when the officers for the year will be inducted into their respective positions.

Misses Jeanne Myers and Kate Goodman leave Saturday evening for Savannah, Ga., where they will spend some time, remaining until after the Rosenbaum-Rosenheim wedding which is to come off in February.

Mr. I. S. Bier tendered several friends a supper at Zimmermann's last Sunday night in honor of the thirtieth birthday of Mr. Alfred S. Kraker. The other gentlemen present were Messrs. W. B. Nelson, A. D. Whitlock, and B. S. Kaufman.

The newly-elected Entertainment Committee of the Jefferson Literary and Social Circle has organized by electing Mr. I. H. Kaufman, chairman, and Mr. A. D. Whitlock, secretary. The committee is arranging for a series of entertainments, and an "informal" will be given the latter part of this month.

The new prayer-book for the congregation Beth Ahabah is now in the hands of the binder. It will contain 202 pages, exclusive of title, preface, and table of contents. The books will be bound in three styles—cloth, morocco, and half-morocco. So far as known the work is the first of its kind ever published in the South, and is one of which the compiler, Rabbi Calisch, and the printers, Messrs. Ezekiel & Bass, may well feel proud.

Through the efforts of Mr. S. Stern, president of the Sir Moses Montefiore congregation, of this city, the remains of Tucker, the Jewish pedler, who was murdered near Louisburg, N. C., about eighteen months ago, will be brought to Richmond for burial. The entire expense

of the interment, including transportation, will be borne by the congregation. At the time of the murder, the victim had about \$150 on his person. He stopped at the house of some negroes near Louisburg. Two men and women decoyed him into the woods, murdered him, took his money, and secreted the body. Only recently the skeleton was discovered and the four negroes arrested. As soon as the trial is over the remains will be forwarded.

Death of Mrs. Elizabeth Hirsh.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hirsh, mother of Mr. Samson Hirsh and wife of the late Abram Hirsh of this city, died in Baltimore last Sunday. Although 80 years of age Mrs. Hirsh was a remarkably healthy woman and up to a short time since, when she had the misfortune to receive a heavy fall, she bade fair to live for many years.

The remains were brought Richmond for interment. Those who accompanied the body were Mrs. Hirsh's brother, Mr. Herman Cone, Dr. Cone, his daughter, and Mr. Moses Cone, his son; Mrs. I. Guggenheimer, daughter of the deceased, her husband, and son, Mr. Caesar Guggenheimer; and Mr. Hirsh, who was with his mother when she died.

The funeral was from Mr. Hirsh's residence, 824 west Franklin street, at noon last Tuesday. Rabbi Calisch conducted the services. The attendance of friends was very large, and the floral tributes were among the most handsome ever seen in the city.

Buried on His Birthday.

The funeral of Mr. Ash Harris was held last Sunday morning at 11:30 o'clock from his late home in Henrico county, about two miles from Richmond. The interment was in the cemetery in this city, Rabbi Calisch officiating.

Had Mr. Harris lived he would have been 67 years of age on the day of his funeral.

Mercantile Club.

The annual meeting of the Mercantile Club was held last Sunday at which the following officers were elected:

President, Philip Whitlock; vice president, Charles Weil; secretary, Ellis Bottigheimer; treasurer, S. L. Bloomberg.

The board of directors was authorized to make such repairs and improvements as they might deem advisable. It is understood that a new billiard table is "on the list."

Candidates for Auditor.

Mr. Edward J. Warren, the present City Auditor, is a candidate for re-election. Mr. Warren has been connected with the Auditor's office for twelve years, during most of which time he has been confidential clerk to the Council Committee on Finance—a most important position. He has made an admirable officer.

Mr. E. A. Barber, who for six years past has been first deputy to the City Collector, is also a candidate for the office of City Auditor. In addition to his municipal experience Mr. Barber served sixteen years as auditor and six as treasurer of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company. Mr. Barber is an expert accountant.

The Marcuse-Schaap Marriage.

Mr. I. J. Marcuse and Miss Rosalie Schaap were married last Wednesday night at the Beth Ahabah synagogue in the presence of an immense assemblage of friends. The invited guests, who were of course in full-dress, occupied nearly the entire body of the edifice, presenting a scene of rare brilliancy, which was heightened in no small degree by the ferns tastily banked about the altar.

The bride, who wore an exquisite white-satin gown a la Duchesse, entered the synagogue with her brother, Mr. A. K. Schaap. Mr. A. J. Marcuse, the groom's brother, was best man, and Miss Hattie V. Lovenstein maid of honor. Rabbi Calisch performed the ceremony in an impressive manner which was in nowise detracted from by its brevity. Mr. Henry S. Hutzler was master of ceremonies, the other ushers being Messrs. Milton J. Straus, Alfred S. Kraker, Simon D. Stern, Joseph Mitteldorfer, M. I. Binswanger, Moses Marcuse, and W. D. Meyer.

After the marriage there was a handsome reception at the residence of Mr. A. K. Schaap, 11 west Clay street. Among the guests from other cities were Mayor and Mrs. S. H. Fishplate (the latter a sister of the bride), of Wilmington, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Strook, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Shreir, and Miss Moritz, all of New York; Miss Emily Eisfeld, of Burlington, Iowa, and Miss Kaufman, of Quincy, Ill.

To publish the names of the Richmonders present would be a useless task, as it would simply be list of those who are prominent in Jewish society.

The Washington German.

The Washington Social Club gave a full-dress german at Belvidere Halle last Tuesday evening. The figures were led by Miss Mary Thaw, who as an evidence of appreciation of her efforts, was presented with a lovely bouquet. A splendid supper was furnished by Caterer T. A. Hulcher.

The couples participating were:

Mr. Felix Hessberg, Miss Minnie Hessberg; Mr. Samuel Gunst, Miss Inez Goodman; Mr. Sidney Sycle, Miss Beulah Eichel; Mr. Sidney Lovenstein, Miss Jean Lovenstein; Mr. Samuel Eichel; Miss Marian Rosenheim; Mr. Gus Oestreicher, Miss Rita Myers; Mr. Joseph Goodman, Miss Kate Goodman; Mr. M. Kahnweiler, Miss Essie Straus; Mr. Albert Lang, Miss Bertha Lang; Mr. I. Wallerstein, Miss B. Wallerstein; Mr. I. Greenbaum, Miss Carrie Block; Mr. Fred. Block, Miss Minnie Block; Mr. Joseph Lang, Miss Ruth Lang; Mr. Moses Marcuse, Miss Sarah Hutzler; Mr. Albert Wise, Miss Fannie Mitteldorfer; Mr. Meno Mitteldorfer, Miss May Gladys Goldenberg; Mr. Gaston Kraker, Miss Flora Landauer; Mr. Joseph Kasminski, Miss Sadie Kasminski; Mr. A. Whitlock, Miss Sadie Whitlock; Mr. S. S. Rosendorf, Miss Rosa Weil; Mr. Joseph Cohen, Miss Esther Hirshberg; Mr. Gus Sycle, Miss Gertrude Mority, of New York.