From Town and Country

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

Bloemfontein

In conjunction with the senior Zionist Society, the Herzlia Association held a Herzl memorial meeting at the Communal Hall on Sunday, the 1st ult. Adv. N. Philips was the principal speaker and gave an outstanding address on the life and work of Theodor Herzl.

On the 11th ult., a cultural meeting was held at the Queen's Hotel, at which Miss Rubinstein presented a resumé of the news of the Zionist Record, and Mr. N. Woolf delivered a most interesting and instructive address on "Self-Reliance, and Its Application to the Jew."

On the 28th ult, a Zionist ball was held in conjunction with the senior Zionist Society, and proved a most successful function, socially as well as financially; and on the 5th and 6th inst. the annual Young Israel conference took place, the Herzlia delegates being Miss D. Woolf and Messrs. S. Melmed and M. Sher.

Boksburg

A ball, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the Talmud Torah Building Fund, is to be held at the Town Hall on Wednesday, the 29th inst., at 8.15 p.m.

A limited number of tickets are now available and those who intend attending the ball should procure tickets immediately from Miss M. Michelson, the secretary, or from Mrs. A. J. Saretzky, the convenor of the ball (at 23, Cason Road, Boksburg North) or from members of the committee

A feature of the evening will be the exhibition dances by Miss Wendy Hardy and pupils and the special numbers to be rendered by that popular band, Dookey's Master Keys.

Claremont.

On Thursday, the 2nd inst., a Memorial Shloshim Service was held at the Claremont Synagogue, in memory of the great Hebrew poet, Chaim Nachman Bialik.

There was a large attendance. Rabbi Abrahamson delivered an impressive address dwelling on the life and works of the deceased. He compared in this respect the deceased. He compared in this respect Bialik with Yehudah Ha'Levi. The speaker expressed the universal regret felt by Jewry at the death of Bialik.

Dordrecht

The first annual general meeting of the local Zionist Society was held in June under the chairmanship of Mrs. L. Stein, who expressed thanks to the Committee and members for their support. The Society was formed as the outcome of a visit by Mr. Alexander Lewin in June of last year and, despite the small number of the local residents, the Society has carried on excellently. The teas held in aid of the Dunam Drive have helped not only financially but also socially, providing an opportunity for the Jewish residents of Dordrecht and especially of the district to come together monthly and spend a very happy evening together. The outgoing Committee was re-elected en bloc as follows: President, Mrs. L. Stein; Vice-President, Mrs. B. Levin; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Telena Stern; Committee, Mr. U. Melzer, Miss S. Karstaedt, Mrs. I. Maltz, Mr. H. Melzer.

The Committee desires through this medium to extend a welcome to the new members who joined during the past year, and an equally warm welcome in advance to the many more members who it is hoped will now join.

A pleasant little function was held at the residence of Mrs. Kowarski on the 5th inst. when an amount of £2 8s. was raised for the Jewish National Fund.

East London.

The local Jewish Women's Zionist League held their General Meeting on July 18th when the following officers and Committee were elected:—President, Mrs. I. Sapire, (unanimously re-elected); Vice-President, Mrs. D. Spiro (unanimously re-elected); Treasurer, Mrs. D. Lazarus; Secretary, Mrs. A. Addleson (re-elected); Committee:—Mesdames B. Behr, E. H. Lewis, I. J. Abelman, N. Strelitz, D. Gottlieb, Finn, L. Horwitz, O. Altshuler, H. Prussoff, O. Ruttenberg, J. Kaplan, and A. Kossowsky.

Kingwilliamstown

The second annual function of the Ayin Yakov society was held at the residence of the president, Mr. I. Kabelsky, who entertained the members and their families to dinner. A most enjoyable time was spent.

Speeches were delivered by the Rev. Mr. D. Gorden (the founder of the society), Mr. C. Alperstein, vice-president of the Congregation (in the absence of the president), Messrs. L. Moss, M. B. Cohen and J. Cohen.

Kirkwood

The Zionist Society held a successful monthly meeting at the residence of Mrs. L. Lewis on August 12th. Various Society matters were attended to. A reading by Miss L. Thal of a lecture on Zionism as an ideal was much enjoyed and appreciated. Refreshments were served and a vote of thanks accorded the hostess on the motion of Mr. Joffe, after which the singing of Hatikvah closed the meeting.

Messina

On the occasion of the Bris Milah of the on the occasion of the Bris Mutan of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Silverman on July 20th a collection was made for the National Fund which yielded £10 10s. On the 22nd Mr. and Mrs. Silverman entertained the members of the community in celebration of the happy family event.

Oudtshoorn

The monthly meeting of the Herzl Ladies' Zionist Society was held at the residence of Mrs. I. Sindler, and was well attended. The meeting passed a vote of condolence with the widow of the late Chaim Nachman Bialik, and with the Yishub in Palestine, in the irreparable loss sustained by the Jewish people and by Hebrew literature.

Pretoria

Hanoar: The fancy dress parade and baby show will take place this Sunday, 26th inst., at the Memorial Hall at 3 p.m. The proceeds are to be devoted to the Transvaal Zionist Youth effort.

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Port Elizabeth

The monthly social of the Ladies' Zionist League was held at the residence of Mrs. L. Klein, on the 14th inst. Mrs. A. Levy, vice-president, who was in the chair, asked all present to assist in making the present Keren Hayesod campaign a record one. Several announcements were made including one stating that a dance was to be held at the Park Hotel on the 29th inst., the proceeds of which would go to the National Fund.

Mrs. S. Weinronk read an interesting paper dealing with the present position of Jewry in Palestine and elsewhere, which was greatly appreciated, as were also songs and recitations by Mrs. A. Barris and Miss Cecilia Bergman. Mrs. Levy thanked the hostess and the ladies who had assisted in making the afternoon such a success.

Riversdale

At the Herzl Memorial meeting held here last month the sum of £4 4s. was collected for the planting of trees in the Herzl Woods in Palestine.

Senekal

The annual ball on Wednesday was well attended and proved a most enjoyable function. The object was to raise money for the Jewish National Fund, and the sum of £75 was the result.

The ball proved a great social success and congratulations are due to the committee for their splendid achievement.

Somerset West

Under the auspices of the local Zionist Under the auspices of the local Zionist Society a meeting was organised to commemorate the *jahrzeit* of Dr. Herzl. Rev. Altshuler intoned the *Haskarah* in a most impressive manner, after which he delivered an address on the life and ideals of Dr. Herzl. A collection for the Tree Fund took place and the sum of £6 18s. was raised.

During the evening a further sum of £4 was collected as a result of various games and the sale of "Hatikvas."

The hostess of the evening was Mrs. E. G. Levin, to whom thanks are due.

Standerton

A large number of people were present at the celebration of the bris milah of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Seigel, Rev. A. K. Coblentz acted as Mohel. To mark the occasion Mr. Seigel donated £1 1s. to the Jewish National Fund.

Winburg

The Zionist Society's usual monthly "At Home" took place on Saturday evening, 18th inst., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Pincus. Mr. Zimmerman, from the chair, expressed pleasure at the fine result achieved by Winburg for the Keren Hayesod. It was decided to send a bon voyage telegram to Mr. Leib Jaffe who had honoured Winburg with a visit.

After varied Zionist business had been transacted and announcements made, thanks were extended to the host and hostess for their hospitality.