

FROM TOWN AND COUNTRY

From our own
Correspondents.

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GERMISTON.

A Purim Masked Fancy Dress Ball, under the auspices of the local Young Israel Society, will be held at the Hotel Alexander on Wednesday, March 15. It has been decided to elect a beauty queen who will be crowned Queen Esther of the Purim Ball. Prizes will also be awarded for the most beautiful, original and historical costumes. The Palmer-Barrett (Personal Five) Orchestra will supply the music and an enjoyable evening is assured to all who will attend. Tickets, which are 6s. 6d. double, can be obtained from any member of the Society. Masks will be obtainable at the door and it has been arranged for a special bus to take dancers home after the ball.

KIMBERLEY.

An extraordinary general meeting of the G.W. Ezrath Zion Association was held in the Zionist Hall on Sunday night, the 12th inst. Advocate D. Cohen, who presided, explained that as the result of the resignation of Mr. A. Slosberg as Chairman of the Society, and in view of a certain measure of stagnation which had set in in local Zionist work, the committee had felt that it would be in the best interest of Zionism in Kimberley if an entirely new committee were elected. He paid tribute to the work done by Mr. Slosberg as chairman for the last 10 years, and expressed regret at his resignation.

The following were then elected:—Chairman, Mr. H. Stoller; Vice-Chairmen, Rev. M. Konviser and Mr. Blumenthal; Treasurer, Mr. J. Frank; Hon. Secretary, Advocate Dave Cohen; Asst. Secretary, Miss S. Klein; Trustees, Messrs. Awerbuck and Damelin; Committee: Mesdames Stoller, Awerbuck and Paul, and the Misses Lincow, Kleinman, R. Shapiro, D. Shapiro, and F. Awerbuck; Messrs. Rev. Goldberg, Kramer, H. Frank, J. Friedman, E. Bloom, J. Maresky and Paul.

It was unanimously agreed to elect Mr. Slosberg to the position of Hon. Life President of the society. Mr. M. L. Genussow, in a speech, spoke in laudatory terms of Mr. Slosberg's work, and stated that he fully deserved the honour conferred on him. Mr. Slosberg suitably replied.

OUDTSHOORN.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Locketz are being congratulated on the birth of a son, on the 8th inst. At the Bris Milah £6 was collected for the National Fund.

The wedding was solemnised on the 12th inst., when Raye, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Abel, was married to Heinrich, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Hirsch, of George.

POTCHEFSTROOM.

Under the auspices of the Young Israel Society a general election took place and the following officers were appointed: Chairman, Mr. A. S. Shulman; vice-chairlady, Miss S. Sandler; supervisor, Mr. L. Klivjansky; secretary, Miss R. Herr; treasurer, Mr. D. Waks; committee, Messrs. B. Herr, E. Joffe and M. Fine; Menorah commissioner, Miss G. Sandler.

On the 27th ult. and 11th inst. the society held meetings. At the former Miss P. Pincus and Mr. Ch. Levy addressed the gathering, after which an impromptu debate was held. At the latter a dance concluded the evening. Thanks are due to Mrs. H. Solomon for kindly rendering the music.

PRETORIA.

The Women's Zionist League held an "at home" on Tuesday, the 7th inst., at the Memorial Hall, when the Rev. M. Rosenberg gave an address on "Romance in the Midrash, at which Mrs. Isaacson presided.

Rev. Rosenberg, in dealing with his subject, explained the many beautiful and romantic legends contained in the Midrash (the commentary on the Mosiac Laws).

Many more legends were related and an interesting and enjoyable afternoon was spent, after which the pupils of Miss Mary Poswolsky gave a dancing display.

Mrs. Machanic proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker and the artists. The hostesses for the afternoon were Mesdames Rostovsky, Etin, Schewitz and Been.

STRAND.

A general meeting of the local Young Israel Society was held on the 5th inst. On this occasion the subject of study circles was discussed and Mr. S. Friedman was proposed and seconded as convener.

Mr. Shapiro then delivered a short lecture on Napoleon's "Sanhedrin" which proved most interesting. Mr. Gotschalk proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker at the conclusion of the meeting.

WINBURG.

Last Sunday evening, the 12th inst., the Zionist Society held its monthly social at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. I. Sacks. Mr. H. Zimmerman, the President, welcomed one and all and then called upon Dr. I. Sacks, who delivered an address on Zionism which by general consent was found most interesting and instructive. After the Chairman had conveyed to the speaker the thanks of the Committee, cards were indulged in and a goodly sum realised for Zionist purposes.

In connection with the forthcoming Free State Zionist Propaganda Conference, Dr. and Mrs. I. Sacks and Mr. J. Kaplan have been appointed the Society's representatives.

O.F.S. Young Israel Central Council.

The O.F.S. Council, one of the most active bodies in Bloemfontein to-day, has embarked on a programme of great propaganda work for all societies affiliated to it.

On the 19th inst., Messrs. L. Lawrence, D. Melmed and S. Berman, three representatives of the O.F.S. Council visited Kimberley and the Society there, which was dormant, will re-assert itself once more, as the mission of the Council was a most successful one and a complete re-organisation has resulted. A dance was given in honour of the visitors. Adv. Cohen proposed a vote of thanks.

The Council sent out Mr. R. Chaitman to visit Bethlehem, and he reported that the organisation there was most satisfactory. A delegation of Messrs. Jacobson and Awerbach is to visit Winburg in the near future.

Besides this active propagandz work, the Council has arranged numerous inter-functions for societies, this branch of the work being left in the capable hands of Mr. Jack Holzman.

A word of praise is due to the Council for canvassing for new Menorah subscribers in Bloemfontein and for new Young Israel members for the Bloemfontein Society.

Mention must be made of the energetic efforts of the Secretaries, Misses Jane Berman and Ray Kaplan, the former of whom has now served the Council with remarkable credit for over four years.

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

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(Grootspeloken) B. Meyer, £1 8s. 9d.; (Pietersburg) African Stores, 2s. 10d.; Goldfields Hotel, 2s.; B. Herman, 4s. 9d.; Rev. I. J. Levine, 1s. 3d.; D. Lewis, 7s. 6d.; S. Palte, 5s. 9d.; Royal Hotel, 5s. 1d.; S. H. Solomon, 3s. 4d.; E. S. Tzger, 4s. 8d.

PIET RETIEF—

Mesdames Baranov, 3s.; D. Braude, 3s.; Davidson, 3s.; T. Fleisher, 4s.; M. Kaplan, 3s.; J. Lapidus, 8s. 3d.; R. Measroch, 5s. 9d.; L. Rade, 3s.; J. Salmenson, 3s.; G. Susser, 3s.; Mr. J. Werner, 3s.

REITZ—

Per Mesdames Ingel and Salaminis: B.

Lazarus, 7s.; A. M. Lazarus, 15s. 5d.; M. Manushewitz, 5d.; F. Marcuse, 1s. 9d.; J. M. M. Rosen, 4s. 9d.; J. Sacks, 2s. 3d.; M. Sher, Michaelson, 5s.; Reitz Hebrew Synagogue, 1s.; 2s. 5d.

ROODEPOORT—

S. H. Tannenbaum, 9s. 9d.

SELBORNE—

H. Levin (Coerney), 4s.

SEROWE—

Mrs. L. Solow, £3 15s.

STRAND—

Per L. Shapiro and H. Cantor: B. Cantor, £1 12s. 6d.; H. Cantor, 9s.; B. Cohen, £3; B. Friedman, 2s. 6d.; J. Goldberg, 2s. 6d.; J. Goldberg, 13s. 4d.; B. Isaacson, 5s.; B. Isaacson, 7s. 6d.; H. M. Jaffe, 5s.; I. Katz, 5s.; L. Katz,

5s.; I. Katz, 5s.; — Kruss, 6s. 3d.; — Lang, 19s.; P. Mendel, 6s. 3d.; P. Mendel, 1s.; W. Miller, 10s. 6d.; J. Meyers, 7s.; — Nochemowitz, 2s. 6d.; — Perel, 6s.; H. Shapiro, 2s. 6d.

VEREENIGING—

— Solomon, £1 19s. 7d.

VRYHEID—

£3 6s. 3d. (no details).

WESSELSBRON—

Dr. H. Schulgasser, 13s. 5d.; B. and H. Shevel, £1 16s. 9d.

ZASTRON—

Mesdames Abraham, 11s. 6d.; Brill, 10s.; Blumenau, 5s. 2d.; Eisenstein, 6s. 6d.; Gordon, 12s.; Grollman, 2s. 6d.; Levitt, 11s. 2d.; Muller, 5s. 7d.; May, 1s.; H. Meltz, 4s. 7d.; I. Meltz, 2s. 6d.; M. Meltz, 4s. 8d.; Pinshaw, 1s. 5d.; C. Rabinowitz, 5s.; C. H. Rabinowitz, 3s.; Young, 3s. 5d.