# FROM TOWN AND COUNTRY

From our own Correspondents.

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## BOKSBURG AND BOKSBURG NORTH.

On Thursday last, 20th inst., Mr. A. Harzfeld, accompanied by Mrs. K. Gluckmann, visited Boksburg with a view to reviving Zionist interest in Boksburg and Boksburg North. In the afternoon they addressed a gathering of ladies at the residence of Mrs. B. Mendelsohn, Chairlady of the Women's Zionist League, Mr. Harzfeld speaking on the Women Workers in Palestine. The general work of the society was discussed and Mrs. A. J. Saretzky was appointed Chairlady, Mrs. B. Mendelsohn being elected Honorary President.

In the evening, Mr. and Mrs. Saretzky entertained the members to dinner, after which a meeting took place at their house, about forty people being present. Mr. Harzfeld's address was most enthusiastically received, and a reorganisation of the Society took place, a strong and representative committee being appointed, with Mr. A. J. Saretzky as Chairman, Messrs. Shapiro and Friedman, Vice-Chairmen, Mr. H. Wulfsohn, Secretary, and Mr. Steinberg, Treasurer.

It was decided also to initiate the Dunam Drive and a subsequent meeting was arranged for Mr. Harzfeld to address. This meeting will take place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. L. Berman next Tuesday evening, May 2nd.

#### KIMBERLEY.

On Thursday night, 13th inst., an enjoyable function, under the auspices of the Young Israel Society, was held to celebrate Pesach in the Zionist Hall. Advocate Cohen gave a talk on the Youth Conference to be held here in May. A raffle was organised to swell the funds in this connection. There was dancing, games and community singing, Rev. Ch. Goldberg very kindly teaching the songs.

#### LADYBRAND,

On Saturday evening, 15th inst., Mr. and Mrs. J. Slomowitz (neé Sarah Libman) were "at home" to celebrate their silver wedding. Over eighty friends were present, including the brother and sister-in-law of the chosan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Slome, of Bloemfontein, Mr. and Mrs. Wasserman, of Bloemfontein, and Mr. Harry Slomowitz, eldest son, attorney of Vereeniging.

The rooms and tables were beautifully prepared and no pains were spared to make the function a grand success. Speeches were made by Mr. A. Friedgut, who acted as Chairman, and Messrs. H. Slomowitz, I. Israel and A. Steckoll, all of whom referred to the chosan and kale as having amply merited the happiness and success which their children and themselves had met with.

Following the usual toasts, a cake was put up for sale by American Auction by Mr. B. Proos, being bought by Mrs. J. Slome for £2, which has been divided equally between the Johannesburg Jewish Orphanage and the local Dunam Drive.

# LUSAKA.

A recent clearance of National Fund Boxes carried out by Mrs. I. Aberman, who has recently taken charge of National Fund work in Lusaka, yielded the sum of £9 13s. 6d., included in which is an amount of £6 16s. from the Box of Mrs. B. Glasser.

# PETRUSBURG.

At the Bris Milah of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Kroll, of Petrusburg, the sum of £3 10s. was collected to swell the coffers of the National Fund.

## PIETERSBURG.

Under the auspices of the Pietersburg and District Women's Zionist League, a Treasure Hunt was recently held which proved to be a social as well as a financial success. A net profit of £7 9s. 6d. was realised.

On the 26th ult. a social and musical evening was held. Mrs. D. Hirschman, the President, extended a cordial welcome to those present, and Mrs. B. Herman read an interesting paper on "The Martyrdom of Nicholas Antoine" and "Woman's Status in Jewry." During the evening, musical items were rendered by Mrs. A. Elkin, L. Salamon and Misses H. Susser and P. Susser.

## QUEENSTOWN.

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Was held recently at the local Synagogue. Mr. J. Tucker presided. Articles were read by Mr. N. Gordan and S. Frank, President. At the recent Bris Milah celebration of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Frank, the sum of £2 8s. was raised on behalf of the National Fund. At the recent wedding of Miss S. Blumenthal to Mr. S. Sorchy, the sum of £2 10s. was raised for the National Fund.

A sum of £4 10s. for the National Fund was collected at the wedding of Miss J. Strelitz to Mr. S. Hurwitz.

Altogether 67 Shekolim had been sold here, as follows:—27 by Mrs. Tucker and Mrs. M. Frank, 20 by Mr. J. Tucker, 5 by Mr. N. Gordon, 5 by Mrs. J. Papilsky, 10 by Mr. S. Hurwitz, of Fort Beaufort.

## SENEKAL.

A card evening was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. Muller on Saturday, the 2nd inst. There was a good attendance and a pleasant evening was spent. During the evening, presentations were made to Miss S. Matuson and Mr. N Rosenthal on their departure from Senekel. Both have been on the local committee of the Zionist Society for a number of years.

A picnic was held the following day at the farm of Mr. Goldblatt, which proved a great success.

## UITENHAGE.

Owing to unforseen and unavoidable reasons, Mr. H. J. Ofsowitz has been compelled to give up his position as Chairman of the Herzl Zionist Society. Mr. S. Pamensky has been appointed in his stead. The Secretary, Mr. Asarov, has also resigned owing to his impending departure from the town, and is succeeded by Miss Hettie Ofsowitz.

At the same meeting held on March 28th, at which these changes were made, the following elections also took place: Mr. Barney Levinthal as Vice-President, and Mrs. M. A. Ofsowitz, Miss Bessie Kalombus and Mr. Elias Kalmin as members of the Committee.

The Society intends to hold a big dance in the Town Hall early in June, and has elected a very energetic and efficient Entertainment Committee. A great financial and social success is hoped for. Amongst other activities of the Society, there was recently a social at the residence of Mrs. Rutenberg, which proved most enjoyable.

# VAN RHYNSDORP.

A concert in aid of the Jewish National Fund, organised by the Misses Charlotte Gelb and Bella Galombik, was held on Sunday, the 2nd inst., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Joffe. Those who participated in the concert were the Misses Rae, Elma and Feigel Joffe, Ida Galombik and Doreen and Melvine Gelb. The sum of £1 was realised. A vote of thanks was accorded to the hostess for her kind hospitality.

A Pesach social was held on the 16th inst., under the auspices of the Young Israel Society, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. I. Kaufman. Rev. B. Wulf, who presided, delivered an interesting address on the significance of Passover, and Miss Roslyn Binder and Master Solly Galombik read articles from the Passover Programme of the Zionist Y uth Council. Hebrew and English songs were rendered by the Cheder choir and recitations in Hebrew, Yiddish and English were recited by the Misses Melvine Gelb, Bella Galombik, Feigel Joffe, Cynthia Frank and Masters Philip Joffe and Basil Frank.

# WINDHOEK.

Thanks to the efforts of Mr. M. A. Isaacson, the President of the local Zionist Society, and his colleagues, the Society has now been thoroughly reorganised. As the result of a thorough canvass of the local Jewish residents, the membership has already reached 60, which it is confidently expected will be increased in the immediate future. In addition, some 50 residents have taken the Shekel this year, a number which represents a considerable advance on past years.

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Activity for the Jewish National Fund has yielded gratifying results for the Dunam Drive, as already reported in our columns, whilst the other departments of National Fund activity are receiving attention.

In the domain of propaganda and cultural work, efforts are being made to arrange for films and illustrated lectures. The Society is moreover taking active steps to secure a considerable number of new subscribers to this Journal, realising that there is no better means of keeping its members informed of all that is happening in Zionist and general Jewish life.

# WILLOWMORE.

The festival of Purim was recently celebrated by local Jewry at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. J. Rudy. There was present a large gathering, which listened with interest to the eloquent addresses delivered by the Rev. J. Rudy and Mr. K. Musikanth.

[Further Town and Country Reports unavoidably held over until next week.]