

FROM TOWN AND COUNTRY

From our own
Correspondents.

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BENONI.

Under the auspices of the local Women's Zionist League, Mrs. Ch. Feinstein will deliver a lecture on "Dr. Theodor Herzl," at the residence of Mrs. M. Kahanowitz, 113 Howard Avenue, Benoni, on Tuesday, the 9th inst., at 3.30 p.m. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

CERES.

An enjoyable evening was spent when the local Zionist society held a social on the 12th ult., at the Town Hall. There was a large attendance which included many visitors from neighbouring villages.

Musical items were rendered by Miss Freda Baris, Miss Sax and Mr. Joe Natas; recitations by Miss H. Sarembok and Mr. A. Natas and humorous sketches by Messrs. M. and A. Natas. Thanks to all those who helped to make the evening a success was moved by Mr. N. Stern.

ERMELO.

On Sunday, 16th ult., the annual general meeting of the local Zionist Society was held at the synagogue, and the following officers and committee were elected for the ensuing year: Chairman, Mr. J. Garber; Vice-Chairman, Mr. I. Arenstein; Treasurer, Mrs. Toker; Secretary, Dr. P. Toker. Committee: Mrs. Blumberg, Mrs. Chait, Rev. M. Bloch, Messrs. Blumberg and Tabachowitz.

GERMISTON.

Under the auspices of the local Women's Zionist League, a Grand Sacred Concert will take place at the Apollo Theatre, Germiston, on Sunday evening, the 14th inst., at 8.45 p.m., in aid of the Sharon Redemption Fund.

HUMANSDORP.

Thanks to the valued efforts of Mrs. S. Clemans, twelve Shekolim were disposed of in this tiny community.

MAFEKING.

On his return from Rhodesia into the Union, Mr. Alexander Lewin visited Mafeking on Thursday, April 27, and the same evening addressed a meeting at the residence of Mr. Sankstein on "Zionism and Judaism in South Africa." His rousing and inspiring address produced a great effect on his hearers. At its conclusion he conferred with the committee of the Zionist Society on measures to be taken locally to revive Zionist interest, and a programme of future activities was planned. The first lecture under this programme was to be delivered by Rev. Perlman this week, whilst arrangements are being made for fortnightly talks on various Zionist subjects.

MEYERTON.

Mr. E. Shapiro disposed of 20 Shekolim in this village. To his remittance for these he added £5 2s. 6d. being the very handsome amount cleared from his National Fund Box.

OUTDSHOORN.

The Herzl Ladies' Zionist Society were put in charge of the sale of Shekolim, and in spite of their only receiving them at the eleventh hour, were able to dispose of 63 Shekolim, the results achieved by the collectors being as follows: Mrs. A. Kaufman and Mrs. J. Maze, 26; Miss S. Kussel and Miss E. Maltz, 13; Miss A. Sieff and Miss E. Maltz, 24.

PRETORIA.

The local Women's Zionist League held a card afternoon at the Memorial Hall last Tuesday, instead of their monthly "At Home." Those members and friends who were present spent a most enjoyable afternoon. The funds raised will go towards the inscription of Mrs. P. Machanick's name in the Golden Book of the National Fund.

SENEKAL.

An enjoyable evening was spent on the 30th ult., at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. Milch, in celebration of the Barmitzvah of their eldest son, Bernard. Councillor S. I. Gordon, Chairman of the local Hebrew Congregation, presided and delivered an address. Speeches were also delivered by Rev. Milch, Messrs. Mark, Greenman, Dwolatzky, Jacobs (Brakpan), Rewald, Muller and the Barmitzvah.

During the evening Mr. M. Mark auctioneered a cake which realised the sum of £6 8s. 3d., and was finally bought by Mrs. S. I. Gordon. The proceeds were in aid of the Jewish National Fund.

STRAND—SOMERSET WEST.

The monthly conversazione of the local Zionist Association was held on Sunday night, the 23rd ult., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Cantor, when Mr. E. Kluk of the Revisionist Organisation of Capetown addressed the gathering.

The host, before introducing the speaker, made reference to the Rev. A. P. Bender's 70th birthday and expressed the wish that he be spared many more years to be of service to Jewry. Mr. Miller, on behalf of the Somerset West community, expressed similar wishes.

Mr. Kluk, in opening his address, explained that Revisionism stands for a Jewish State on both sides of the Jordan. He dealt with the Weizmann policy and also referred *inter alia* to the Balfour Declaration and the Jewish Agency. He said that what we wanted was state-aided mass immigration and gave sound arguments to support his views. Another point which Mr. Kluk stressed was the establishment of a Jewish legion for the protection of Jewish life and property and to guard against pogroms.

Messrs. Benhari, —. Laden of Capetown, and Messrs. B. Cantor, Louis Shapiro, Sol. Friedman and Dr. B. Isaacson of the Strand, participated in a subsequent discussion, and Mr. Kluk replied to all questions put to him.

During the evening entertainment was provided by Miss Becky Barenblatt, Mr. Laden and Mr. Friedman.

Rev. Bardin moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Kluk, which Dr. Isaacson seconded.

The first lesson of the recently formed Hebrew Study Circle was held on the 24th ult., at the local synagogue. The class received overwhelming support. At the general meeting a resolution was moved pledging the Circle to do its utmost to assist in creating a market for Palestinian products in this country.

THABA 'NCHU.

At the celebration of the Bris Milah of the first born son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Blou, which took place on the 26th ult., the amount of £1 15s. was collected for the Jewish National Fund.

THEUNISSEN.

The Sixth Annual General Meeting of the Zionist Society was held on Sunday evening, April 30, at the Theunissen Hotel. Dr. A. Bernstein presided and reported on the activities of the past year. He made special reference to the fine work of Mrs. R. Rubinstein as honorary collector of subscriptions. The Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. I. Kirsner, then reported on the work of the year and voiced thanks to the Chairman and Committee for their assistance. The financial statement showed a favourable bank balance.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Chairlady, Mrs. M. Mandelzweig; Vice-Chairmen, Dr. A. Bernstein and Mr. H. Epstein (re-elected); Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Isaac Kirsner (re-elected). Committee: Mr. D. M. Rosin and Mesdames R. Rubinstein and J. Rosenberg (all re-elected).

Mr. Kirsner, who represented Theunissen at the Propaganda Conference of the Free State recently held in Bloemfontein, then delivered his report and the thanks of the meeting were accorded to him on the motion from the chair seconded by Mr. D. E. Kotzen.

A special meeting of the Committee is shortly being held to arrange for the Society's representation at the forthcoming South African Zionist Conference in Kimberley. After certain resolutions proposed by Mr. Mandelzweig had been adopted and the customary votes of thanks passed, the meeting concluded with the singing of Hatikvah.

After work—after tennis—after the sun goes down—
CHANDLER'S BEER!