

FROM TOWN AND COUNTRY

News of Jewish Activities Throughout South Africa

From
Our Own Correspondents

Bethal

At the Bris Melah of Mordecai Hertz, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Kadish, the collection was bought for £11 by Mr. S. Friedman, the uncle of the child. The money was donated towards the cost of fencing the local Jewish burial ground.

Boksburg

Mr. and Mrs. S. Wendel, the well-known Zionist workers, who take a special interest in Zionist youth work, entertained recently at their residence in Vogelfontein, Boksburg, the retiring executive committee of Boksburg and Boksburg North Hatechiya Association. Cultural games were ably arranged by Mrs. Wendel. The chairman, Mr. H. Stonefield, thanked the host and hostess for their keen interest in the Hatechiya movement, and for the evening's entertainment.

The semi-annual general meeting of the Hatechiya will take place at the Boksburg North Hebrew Hall on Sunday, the 19th inst. Members and friends are asked to attend.

A memorial service for Herzl, Bialik and Sokolow will be held (under the auspices of the Hatechiya) at the Boksburg North Hebrew Hall on Sunday, the 12th inst. Rev. M. D. Klaff will officiate. Mr. H. S. Blank, the Grand Secretary of the H.O.D., will speak in English, and an address will also be given in Yiddish. The Jewish community on the Reef is cordially invited.

Claremont

A well-attended Oneg Shabos was held at the Talmud Torah Hall, Grove Avenue, Claremont, on Saturday, the 27th ult. Mr. M. Meyerowitz presided. Rabbi A. R. Abrahamson delivered an eloquent and instructive address on "Sokolow", dealing with the history of Zionism during his lifetime.

The speaker emphasised that with the death of Sokolow, the Jewish people lost one of its outstanding and most worthy sons and one who was imminently successful in every sphere of life. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. H. Kaplan.

Delarey Station (Tvl.)

Mr. Myer Merkel has forwarded to the S.A. Jewish Orphanage a donation of £5 from Mr. I. J. Theron, of the farm Kromdrai, P.O. Barberspan.

Johannesburg

The S.A. Jewish Orphanage has received from Mrs. S. Girson, the sum of £3 6s. 6d., being collected at the Bris Milah of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Rome

Middelburg (Tvl.)

Mrs. N. Brozin, the hon. secretary of the local branch of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, has forwarded to that Institution the sum of £3 5s., being £2 monthly subscriptions collected by Mrs. M. Birman, £1 collected at an "Orphanage" evening held at the residence of Mrs. N. Brozin, and 5s. donation by Mr. Gordon, of Nelspruit.

Phillipstown

The amount of £2 10s. was cleared from the J.N.F. Box of Mr. O. Berelowitz, of Phillipstown.

Pretoria

The Hebrew School.—The annual general meeting and distribution of prizes of the Miriam Marks Hebrew School was held last Sunday. Mr. L. Hack, President of the School Board, was in the chair. On opening the meeting he paid tribute to the memory of the late Nahum Sokolow, the whole audience rising. Subsequently he also referred to the death of the late Mr. J. Hirschowitz who was a member of the Talmud Torah Board and whose death was greatly regretted by everyone. The balance sheet, showing an annual expenditure of about £1,300, was unanimously passed.

The report of Dr. A. Birnbaum, of Johannesburg, who had examined the classes, was read. Mrs. Hack then distributed the prizes to successful prize-winners, and was subsequently thanked by the meeting on the motion of Mr. S. Kaplan.

The following members, representing the pupils of the Talmud Torah, were then elected to the committee: Miss F. Kaplan, and Messrs. J. Freedman, Swersky, Herzberg and Rom.

National Fund Donations.—The amount of £29 was contributed by the parents, relatives and friends of Gerald Berkow on the occasion of his Barmitzvah, which took place at the Pretoria Jewish Memorial Hall, on Sunday, June 7, in order to inscribe his name in the Golden Book.

The amount of £4 4s. was collected for the Jewish National Fund at the engagement of Miss F. Etin to Mr. Lurie.

The amount of £10 10s. was collected for the Jewish National Fund at the Barmitzvah of Julius Jaffe, which took place on Sunday, May 24, at the Pretoria Jewish Memorial Hall.

Salisbury

About 150 people were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Max Mande at a "sundowner" party in honour of their future daughter-in-law, Miss Sarah Wineberg of Johannesburg, whose marriage to Mr. Mark Mande took place on the 5th inst.

The tennis tournament finals were played on Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Hoffman's court on Sunday, 21st June, the following being the winners: Mrs. Lewin, Ladies Singles—Winner of the Stein Cup. Mr. L. Harries, Men's Singles—Winner of the Frankel Cup. Miss S. Chimowitz (of Gatooma) and Mr. L. Harris, Winners of the Lasovsky Cup. Mrs. Lewin and Mrs. S. Shalovsky, winners of the Ladies Doubles. In the evening, a short talk was given by Rev. M. Konviser on sport and Jewish training. Mr. H. S. Court, president of the Guild, was in the chair. Miss Babs Rabinowitz gave a pianoforte solo, Mrs. Lewin sang, and Miss Bertha Myers recited. Mrs. I. Lasovsky presented the cups.

There was a fair attendance at the cultural afternoon of the Women's Zionist Organisation given by Mrs. M. E. Kaplan. Mrs. J. Cohen read the news, and Mrs. L. S. Nathan read Jewish jokes and short items of Jewish interest.

Mrs. I. R. Rosin's cultural afternoon was well attended. Mrs. B. Joelson read the monthly news bulletin, and then a short story "The Red Mark" by Israel Zangwill. Stories by Jewish writers will be read at every cultural afternoon, as these seem to be much enjoyed. Mrs. Nathan concluded the afternoon by singing a number of songs.

The marriage of Mr. B. Kaplan of Mtoko and Miss Sadie Koval, formerly of Paarl, took place at the Synagogue on Sunday, 28th June, at 5 p.m. The unterfuhrers were Mr. and Mrs. Rupp, uncle and aunt of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Kaplan, both and sister-in-law of the bridegroom. About a hundred guests were subsequently entertained at a "sundowner" party given by Mr. and Mrs. Wernick at their residence in North Avenue.

Springs

A memorial service in joint commemoration of the Yahrzeit of the late Theodor Herzl and Chaim Nachman Bialik has been arranged by the Springs Zionist Society to take place in the Springs Synagogue on Monday night, the 13th July, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. D. S. Cohen will give a lecture on the lives and work of these two leaders, and the Rev. E. Melamed will deliver a short address.

Volksrust

Mrs. H. Serebro, the chairlady of the local branch of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, has forwarded to that Institution the sum of £6 10s. 6d., being £3 15s. 10d. proceeds of sale of second-hand clothes by Mrs. B. Fine, sen., £2 5s. monthly subscriptions collected by Miss Hylda Serebro and 10s. 6d. donation by Mrs. J. Kahn. Owing to Mrs. Leites having left Volksrust, Mrs. Leah Kahn has kindly taken over the hon. secretaryship of this branch.

Vrede

Mrs. R. Fredman, the hon. secretary of the local branch of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, has forwarded to that Institution the sum of £5 17s. 3d. which was collected at an "Orphanage evening" held at the residence of Mrs. M. Ellis. An enjoyable time was spent by all present.

Worcester

The annual ball of the Worcester Jewish Ladies Benevolent Society was held in the Zionist Hall recently. This function proved to be both a financial and social success due to the earnest efforts of members of the committee: Mrs. I. J. Sennet (chairlady), Mrs. A. J. Goss (vice-chairlady), Mrs. I. Jaffe (treasurer), Mrs. F. Brown (secretary), Mesdames Donen, Rabinowitz, L. Sacks, L. Volks, J. Friedman, S. Broudie, B. Glasser, E. Volks.

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