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*News of Jewish Activities Throughout South Africa*

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## Benoni

ORT-OZE and Jewry.

Dr. A. Syngalowski addressed a meeting at Benoni on the above subject on Wednesday evening, the 19th inst. He dealt with the confusion prevailing at the present time and the sad plight it had caused. In the case of the Jewish people, the state of chaos was even worse than among others, with the result that the Jewish position was acute. He further dealt with the work of the ORT-OZE in Eastern Europe for impoverished Jewry.

Mr. N. Kirschner paid a tribute to Dr. Syngalowski for his address. Mr. A. J. Levy, chairman of the United Hebrew Institutions of Benoni, who presided, thanked the speakers.

## Bethlehem

There was a large attendance at the synagogue on Sunday afternoon, the 9th ult., to witness a most impressive ceremony, the occasion being a "Siyem Hatorah." The donor of the Sepher Torah, Mrs. L. Roberts, received the congratulations of all present.

Mr. N. W. Kaplan thanked Mrs. Roberts on behalf of the congregation for her presentation. Rev. Lidven proposed the toast of the Torah, and Rabbi Dr. B. Rabinowitz of Palestine responded in an eloquent address.

As a result of the inscription in the Torah by everyone present, an appreciable amount was donated to various charities. In the evening, Mrs. Roberts entertained a large gathering at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Tyler.

## Ermelo

The Ermelo Zionist Society arranged a special meeting for July 23 in memory of the late Theodor Herzl, Chaim Nachman Bialik and Nahum Sokolow. The chairman, Mr. Garber, delivered an eloquent address in the course of which he paid tribute to these great sons of Israel. The amount of £4 10s. was collected towards the planting of 15 trees in the name of these leaders.

## Kingwilliamstown

At the Bris Milah of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Senich the amount of £1 10s. was collected for the Jewish National Fund.

## Kirkwood

There was a large attendance at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sher on Sunday night, 17th inst., when a Zionist meeting was held. After society business had been transacted, items were rendered by the Misses Ray Joffee, Joyce Tavachowitz, Fannie Aronson, and Rosy Aronson.

The monthly news bulletin as well as a Zionist pamphlet were read, after which the chairman, Mr. Edelson, spoke eloquently on the work of the late Nahum Sokolow. The society has collected and remitted donations of a total of fourteen trees given in memory of Dr. Herzl.

## Koffiefontein

An enjoyable dance was held recently at Koffiefontein in aid of the funds of the local Hebrew Congregation. A large number of dancers from surrounding towns and farms attended.

The hall was most artistically decorated in the Jewish National colours of blue and white, the centre piece forming the Shield of David, which idea was also carried out on the windows and stage. The lighting arrangements were most unusual and presented a very homely atmosphere. Dancing continued till the early hours of the morning, to the music supplied by the Faure-Smith Augmented Orchestra. Blue and white were also the predominating colours in the supper room.

## Kroonstad

The annual general meeting of the Kroonstad Jewish Women's Benevolent Society was held at the Talmud Torah Hall on the 13th inst. Mrs. W. Kretzmer presided over a fairly large attendance of members. The chairlady delivered a report on the society's activities during the past year. The treasurer, Mrs. M. Wainer, submitted the financial statement. The reports were both unanimously adopted.

The new committee was elected as follows: Chairlady, Mrs. W. Kretzmer; vice-chairlady, Mrs. L. Goldblatt; hon. treasurer, Mrs. M. Wainer; hon. secretary, Mrs. M. Lessem. Committee: Mesdames H. Jacobs, A. M. Kaplan, G. Grad, I. Goldsmith, H. Tuback, B. Mervis, A. Savage, I. Mann, E. Jacobson and A. Orkin.



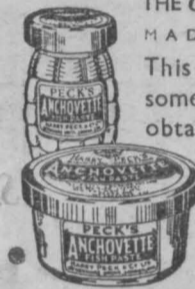
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## Winburg

The monthly "at home" of the Winburg Zionist Society was held on Sunday, the 16th inst., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. D. Bloom. Mr. H. Zimmerman presided. During the evening, Mrs. J. Kaplan, the vice-chairlady, read a humorous sketch on J.N.F. work.

Mr. Gotz delivered a lecture on the life and character of the late Rabbi Kook. The debate on "Will Palestine prove to be the ultimate solution to the Jewish problem?" was continued. The following speakers participated: Miss C. Zimmerman, Messrs. J. Kaplan, S. Gotz, P. G. Musiker, A. J. Jacobson, B. Kaplan, L. Kaplan, H. Simon and A. Bloom.

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