

# Military Notes

## PROMOTED!



**CAPTAIN DAN GONSKI**

—of the 2nd Battalion, R.L.I., who has just been promoted to the rank of Captain.

Captain Gonski is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Gonski, of Johannesburg, and is believed to be the youngest captain in the army, being only twenty-four years of age.

## BOOKS FOR THE TROOPS AT BASES AND IN HOSPITAL

### Thousands More Needed

South African soldiers at bases and in hospitals are clamouring for books to read. Although the Y.M.C.A. and Toc H War Fund Committee have already sent the troops some 36,000 books up to date, these have proved insufficient to satisfy the literary appetites of our young men in the forces.

Arrangements are being made to despatch thousands of additional books, if the public will only supply them. Another great need is for packing cases, which should not be larger than 2ft. x 2ft. x 2ft.

In Johannesburg books can be left at the Public Library, with whom the Y.M.C.A. and Toc H Committee are co-operating, or they will be called for once a week at the homes of people who notify the Library that they have books available for the soldiers. In the country areas donors of books for the troops can rail or post them free to the librarian of the nearest of the following towns: Johannesburg, Pretoria, Capetown, Durban, East London, Port Elizabeth, Maritzburg, Kimberley, Ladysmith and Bloemfontein. Such parcels should not exceed 7lb. and should be marked "Books for the Troops."

## A GALLANT YOUNG RHODESIAN

### Military Medal Awarded to Pte. A. M. M. Ruda

**T**HE Military Medal has been awarded to Private A. M. M. Ruda for distinguished service with the British forces in the Italian East African campaign.

This gallant young soldier, who is only twenty years of age, hails from Rhodesia. He is the son of Mrs. S. Feigenbaum (of the Windsor Hotel), Salisbury, and the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Rabinowitz, of Bulawayo, who are well-known Zionists in that town. He is also the

nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Jacobs, of Johannesburg.

Private Ruda received his education at the Milton School, Bulawayo. School-days over, he entered the employ of Messrs. N. Jacobs and Co., of Johannesburg. As soon as the war broke out, he went to England and joined up there. The news of his award adds yet another Jewish name to the list of those who have rendered distinguished service in the present struggle for freedom and democracy.



**CAPTAIN S. MICHELSON**

—who is serving with the S.A.M.C. "up North." He arrived in this country from England soon after the outbreak of war and was one of the first Jewish men to join the Defence Force.

## ROLL OF HONOUR

Amongst the South African casualties announced this week by the War Department are the following:

### WOUNDED

Acting-Sergeant I. C. Sack, son of Mr. K. Sack, Vereeniging.

Lance - Bombardier M. M. Borkum, son of Mr. T. Borkum, Oudtshoorn.

## "TIGER BURNS" AND HIS BROTHER

Sergeant "Tiger Burns" (Dan Levin) is a popular member of the Transvaal Irish who are "up North." He is seen on the right of the photograph. Whilst escorting Italian prisoners from Abyssinia to Nairobi, he met his brother, Flight-Sergeant Max Levin (left). Since the photograph was taken the two brothers have returned to the fighting lines "up North."



Cheer up! all ye who winter dread,  
Who hate its "colds" and dreary days,  
A brighter prospect looms ahead,  
A time of health and wiser ways.  
Be up-to-date! for comfort's sake,  
And try a treatment prompt and sure;  
You'll prove its merits when you take  
One dose of Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.

**MOSMARK MATZOS**

South Africa's Best

## AN AUDITION FOR ARTISTS

### Many Offers to Perform at Concerts for Soldiers

In response to the various appeals issued by Mr. Harold Miller for artists to perform at the concerts for soldiers held at the Jewish Guild every Sunday afternoon, many artists have come forward to offer their services.

An audition for artists will be held at the Jewish Guild on Thursday, 29th May, at 8 p.m., and it is hoped that those who have offered their services will attend this audition with music, instruments, etc.