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Chief Rabbi Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Landau being unable to thank their numerous friends individually for the many wires and letters of congratulation, which they have received in the course of the last few days, take this opportunity through the press to assure them that they cordially appreciate their good wishes and felicitations.

BRIS MILAH CELEBRATION IN BELGIAN CONGO

A happy event took place recently in Elisabethville (Belgian Congo), when the Bris Milah was celebrated of the son born to Monsieur and Madame Abner Soriano. The ceremony took place in the Elisabethville Synagogue on April 27th, and the function was attended by prominent members of the Jewish community.

Monsieur Soriano is the President of the Elisabethville Zionist Society, which has been so prominent in all branches of Zionist service. Recently, under the guidance of M. Soriano, magnificent financial response was made to the appeal for the Jewish National Fund.

PALESTINIAN SOLDIERS COMFORTS FUND

A general meeting of the above-named group was held in the form of a social at the residence of Miss S. Hareven on Sunday evening, 10th instant. A report of activities since its inauguration a year ago was presented by the chairman, Mr. D. Etkind.

Mr. R. Bennun gave an interesting address on "Palestine in the Second World War." The programme also included a number of songs delightfully rendered by Mrs. S. Hirschmann and a humorous sketch composed and read by Mr. J. Fine. During the evening the programme of future work was discussed.

A J.N.F. FUNCTION

The Jewish National Fund acknowledges the sum of £22 raised by Mrs. J. Penn, of Goldreich Street, Hillbrow, at a special function. As a result of this function, the Jewish Ladies' Benevolent Society also benefited to the extent of £5 and the Orphanage by £1 15s.

JOHANNESBURG WOMEN'S MIZRACHI

Southern Suburbs Branch.—A successful card afternoon was held at the residence of Mrs. S. Sack, Rosettenville, on Wednesday, 6th May, under the auspices of the above branch. The proceeds were in aid of the Jewish National Fund.

The marriage of Dora, only daughter of Mrs. Sonia Gorshel (and the late Solomon Kroll), to Air-Sgt. Joe Cohen (S.A.A.F.), youngest son of Mrs. Flora Cohen and the late Mr. Getzel Cohen, will take place at the Wolmarans Street Synagogue, on Sunday, 17th May.

The engagement is announced of Ida, younger daughter of Mrs. Flora Cohen and the late Mr. Getzel Cohen, to Samuel, elder son of Mrs. F. Hoffmann and the late Mr. A. D. Hoffmann.

The engagement is announced of Marion, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Misnum, of Johannesburg (formerly of Heilbron), to Ruvy, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Bennun, of Port Elizabeth.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Gottlieb (nee Golda Stein), are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter on 7th May, at East London.

The marriage of Lily Rebecca, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Miller, of Cape Town, to Dr. Isaac Rabinowitz, of Roodepoort, second son of the Rev. and Mrs. N. M. Rabinowitz, of Cape Town, will take place on *Igru Chag Shevuoth*, 24th May, at 2.30 p.m., at the Roeland Street Synagogue, Cape Town.

The marriage of Thelma, elder daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. S. J. Weinberg, of Summerstrand, Port Elizabeth, to Sergeant Issy Beira, younger son of Mrs. and the late Mr. B. Beira, of Johannesburg, will take place at the Berea Synagogue on Sunday, the 24th May, at 10.30 a.m.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. I. R. Rosen, M.D., and Mrs. Rosen, of Salisbury, upon the birth of a son. Mrs. Rosen is a prominent Zionist and social worker in Salisbury.

A "Zionist Youth" Engagement

The engagement is announced between Ellie, daughter of Mrs. S. and the late Mr. F. Fish, of Ceres, Cape, and Harry, son of Mr. L. and the late Mrs. Melmed, of Bay Beach Hotel, Three Anchor Bay (formerly of Naauwpoort).

Both Miss Fish and Mr. Melmed are well known in the Zionist Youth movement, in which they are still taking a prominent part.

Ball at the Carlton Hotel

On Saturday (to-morrow) evening, the fourth annual ball of the Herzian Zionist Youth Society will be held at the Carlton Hotel. The Palestine Troop Comforts will benefit as a result of the function. An excellent orchestra has been engaged and all who attend are assured of an enjoyable evening.

A Musical Evening

Mrs. W. Senior is giving a "Musical Evening" at her home in St. Andrew's Road, Parktown, on Sunday, 7th June, in aid of the Jewish National Fund.

This function is under the auspices of the Saxonwold branch of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League and should have been held on 29th March, but was postponed owing to the Day of Prayer. Those who hold tickets for the previous date may use them for this occasion.

The engagement is announced of Major Simon Michelson, S.A.M.C., elder son of Mrs. W. Michelson and the late Mr. W. Michelson, of Boksburg, and Miss Rose Rabie, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Rabie, of Sonrondom, The Glen, Sea Point.

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