

INES OF COMMUNICATION

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would remind readers of the Record of Jewish War Services which is being compiled by the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies. Information is required as to regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Jews serving in the Forces as well as home address.

in the Desert.

L. Shulman, writing from the Middle as a description of a "kosher Pesach" Desert. His letter is very amusing and is just as it is written. Here it is: Sure that you had a fine Pesach this The Seider was no doubt perfect. Your main cin hora, asked the four questions carefully; the kneidlach melted in your the wine could not have been better. auf alle gutte Yidden gesogt! Its possible that during the Seider you and said, 'Ya, our poor yiddishe boys they probably don't know that its Your dear old mother-in-law, bless and a tear, blew her nose violently and reading the Haggadah in a louder

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cent. Kosher.

mister, please console yourself, and lady ditto. In at least one camp, of Mitzrayim, numerous Jewish soldiers a hundred per cent. kosher Pesach. you are writing to the Adjutant. (what's going on!). Nu-nu, suppose does, it can't hurt to tell him He may even print this. Lots of folks at home may like to see it. (O.K., O.K., write on Mac-raising a person of higher rank is a of the M.D.C. (Military Dis-ade), so I cannot tell you what all think of our Senior Chaplain Padre gesunt zol er zein . . . You may idea of what he has accomplished our welfare, apart from his noble the preservation of yiddishkeit among

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at S.A. Base.

you know the S.A. Base boasts of a Not just a temporary affair, but constructed House of Worship; with an ark and real pews. We have compulsory church parades, yet every evening and Saturday morning there than the mere requisite minyan the services. Hebrew classes are . . . but I am wandering. I began about our Pesach. I'll go back

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ers at Seider.

Monday night, April 19, our Synagogue overflowing. At the conclusion of the ma-ariv service the Padre led to the Seider. A former N.A.A.F.I. had been converted into a special Mess and Kitchen. Now picture to a room about 90 feet long and 25 feet three long tables extending along the length of the room. At one end another at right angles to the three. White New tableware (borrowed heaven the where). Matzo, bottles of wine. the tables are about 250 men and e to uniform and of all ranks. The rates the kiddush. One of the boys four questions. The Padre replies states, making appropriate remarks. the Passover ritual Sure, we had works! The meal? What did you The wine flowed. Song and kneid at duck and (you are right) the in-Passover prunes!"

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ful Seider.

dinner the O.C., S.A.M.C., Wing. well-chosen phrases, thanked the

Padre on behalf of the entire gathering. He expressed what we all felt, a sincere appreciation and gratitude for a most wonderful Seider, one that no one present will ever forget. In his reply the Padre conveyed that he could have accomplished but little without the spiritual support of the Principal Jewish Chaplain, Lieut.-Colonel Levinson, and most important, the financial support of the Jewish Board of Deputies. (Many thanks, O, benign Board!). Then followed jollifications. The Palestinianians sang Hebrew songs. We sang Sarie Marais, Members of the U.D.F. Entertainment Unit were persuaded to display their talents. Oh boy! it was some Seider. Indeed we can never forget it."

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No Chometz.

"Next morning a service in the Shool. Then another magnificent Seider, if anything, even greater than the first. Throughout the eight days of Pesach three meals were served daily in the special mess. I don't know whether the super excellent food was not set as bait for would-be transgressors, but it served the purpose! Many of us did not partake of anything chometzdik all the days of Pesach. I may mention that for certain of the men (I was one of them) a walk of almost a mile was involved. Yes sir, that was Pesach in the Desert."

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Hebrew Language a Connecting Link.

Another interesting letter has arrived from Capt. Natas, and his observations, after close contact with the North African Jewish Communities are most interesting. He and the South African Jewish soldiers too were surprised and delighted to hear Hebrew spoken so perfectly. After this many of our soldiers made a good effort to renew the Hebrew they had been taught in their Talmud Torah, so as to carry on conversations with the Jewish people they met! Says the Padre, ". . . I realised that the Hebrew language is not only a national manifestation but it is the only link that connects Jewry in the world."

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Major-General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson at a concert given by the Palestine Orchestra in Cairo.

Soldiers' Interest in Liberated Jews.

Padre Natas tells of the great interest shown by Palestinian and South African Jews in their brethren in the liberated territories. Says he, "I could mention many acts of self-denial which I saw on the part of our soldiers. When my colleague, Major Potashnik, came back from his visit to the forward areas, he told me about a fine gesture which some of our South African soldiers made to the Jewish people in the hours of their need, and later I saw many similar deeds of interest and loyalty to our suffering brethren on the part of our men. It is also very encouraging to note the interest which the military authorities show in the amelioration of the position of the Jewish communities which had suffered so much as a result of the robbery and violence, confiscation and banishment, perpetrated against them by the Germans and Italians. It is hoped that when the battles are over in this part of the world the conditions of life will improve very considerably, and the Jewish communities have every reason to expect a better and happier existence in the very near future." Well, since the receipt of the Padre's letter, events up in North Africa have changed the position entirely, and the Jewish communities have now been liberated in the whole of northern Africa, and are enjoying their freedom under benevolent Allied rule.

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The Lancaster Bomber.

Britain's famous bomber, the Lancaster, has been much in the news as a result of the recent "dam episode" in Germany, and it is a matter of interest that Mr. Charles Goldberg, the thirty-year-old B.Sc., of Sunderland, was one of the "Avro" team which produced this machine, Britain's latest and most effective big bomber. Mr. Goldberg, whose uncle is Mr. Harry Goldberg, of Yeoville, Johannesburg, and who is a cousin of Miss Eve Krawitz, a member of the staff of the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies, Cape Town, was educated at Sunderland Junior Technical School. He served his apprenticeship as a marine engineer. He won a scholarship to the Technical College, and obtained his B.Sc. (London) before joining the staff of Reyrolle & Co., Ltd. In 1935 he went to Wolverhampton as technical assistant to Boulton Paul Aircraft, Ltd., and he was concerned in the production of the Defiant. Two years later he became stress assistant for the Avro Co. and helped to produce the Manchester bomber. Now he is technical assistant to Mr. Roy Chadwick, the Lancaster's chief designer. The Lancaster, Mr. Goldberg told an interviewer, was designed and produced in record time. "And you can take it from me," he said, "that it's the best bomber in the world."

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The Palestine Orchestra.

Recently the "Chronicle" printed a letter received from the General Secretary of the Palestine Orchestra, Mr. S. B. Lewertoff, to the Hon. Secretary of the Cape Town branch of the Palestine Orchestra Society (S.A.). This week I reproduce a photograph of General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, C.-in-C., Middle East taken at one of the big concerts held in Cairo, by the Orchestra Society. That attended by Sir Henry was the fourth and last of the Egyptian season, and at each of the concerts there were many men of the Union Forces present.

The Orchestra, during its Egyptian tour, has given concerts in Cairo, in Alexandria, in R.A.F. Camps, in the Fleet Club, in the famous "Music for All," the centre for all ranks in Cairo, and last, but by no means least, in the Great Synagogue, Alexandria, at a special service for the Jewish men of the Forces.

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A Young Colonel.

One of the youngest high officers in the Imperial Forces is Lieut.-Colonel Cyril Spiro, (Continued on Next Page).

UNITED PARTY ELECTION TALKS (No. 3)



HE SAVED THE HONOUR OF SOUTH AFRICA

Have you ever thought of the debt South Africa and its people owe to General Smuts?

In the hour of our gravest danger he saved our honour. Have you thought of what might have been if the Union of South Africa had not placed her harbours, wealth and man-power at the service of the United Nations?

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Support Your Government

Inserted by the General Secretary, P.O. Box 404, Pretoria.

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whose father-in-law, Mr. Samuel Cohen, has been in the Union for the past four years, and is at present staying at a Sea Point Hotel. Lieut. Colonel Spiro is thirty-two years of age, quite a youngster to be a battalion commander, and he has been posted to the India Command. Mr. Samuel Cohen is a brother of Mr. Israel Cohen, up till recently Secretary of the British Zionist Federation and a well-known writer on Jewish topics. Mr. Cohen's son, Julius, is a major in the R.A.M.C. and is at present stationed in England. He was with the B.E.F. in France and was evacuated from Dunkirk.

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Gen. Smuts' Birthday.

The following telegram was sent to Field Marshal Smuts on the occasion of his birthday by Colonel I. Levinson, C.F.:

"On behalf of all Jewish troops respectfully tender heartiest birthday congratulations to yourself and Oufna and best wishes for speedy consummation of all your noble efforts for world peace."

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Service for Brig. Kisch in Tripoli Synagogue.

At 11 a.m. on May 7th a Memorial Service was held at the Tripoli Military Synagogue for

Brigadier Kisch C.B., C.B.E., D.S.C., late Chief Engineer, Eighth Army. The Senior Jewish Chaplain, Eighth Army, Major Rabinowitz, officiated and among those present were Brig. Lusch, Military Governor of Tripolitania, Brig. Stamer representing General Montgomery, representatives of the local Jewish community and Capt. Natas, South African chaplain.

The service opened with the hymn, "O God Our Help in Ages Past," and after the reading of a few Psalms, Major Rabinowitz delivered an address taking as his text "Know Ye not that a Prince, a great man has fallen this day in Israel."

Brigadier Kisch, he said, would be mourned by many including the Jews of Libya, for whom he did his utmost. Only three months before he had attended the Sabbath morning service at this very Synagogue where he was called to the Reading of the Law and later offered the Prayer for the Royal Family.

He was buried near Gabes with three Christians. He fought side by side with them and now rests together with them.

The Ark was then opened and before an open Sefer Torah the Memorial Prayer was read, the Last Post was sounded and Kaddish was recited by the Chief Chaplain.

The service was most impressive due not only to its simplicity but also to the sprinkling of members from the various services of most of the Allied countries.

Weary Limbs? Drowsiness? Backache?



Your System Sounds an ALARM
(Your GALL-BLADDER is the danger point)

KIDNEY TROUBLE IS ONLY A SYMPTOM

Always tired? Exhausted over nothing at all? Plagued by bouts of backache and spasms of melancholia? Disturbed by thoughts of serious kidney trouble with all its complications? What you must remember is that the trouble does not begin there. *It begins with the gall-bladder.*

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