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**Huberman to Play with Palestine Orchestra**

The famous violinist, Mr. Bronislaw Huberman, founder of the Palestine Orchestra, intends visiting Palestine next season to appear as soloist with the orchestra.

Negotiations with the conductor, John Barbirolli, are in progress, and it is hoped that he and Evelyn Barbirolli (oboist) will be able to come to Palestine for concerts with the orchestra at some later date.

**Highest Soviet Award for Bravery**

MOSCOW, Monday.—The highest Soviet order for bravery, the title of "Hero of the Soviet Union," has been awarded to three more Jews, Major Alexander Bluystein, Jnr., Lieut. Emil Felsenstein, and Guards-Colonel Joseph Yufa.

Two Jewish girls, Vera Kashcheveva (22) and Zinaida Marseyeva (21), also received the same award.

**Correction**

Owing to a typographical error, a cable from Jerusalem under the heading "Should Silence Revisionist Claims," published in our last issue, stated that: "Mr. I. Gruenbaum has received a cable from the Barlas Agency in Ankara..." This should have read: "Mr. I. Gruenbaum has received a telegram from Mr. Barlas, representative of the Jewish Agency in Ankara..."

**Impressive Shevuoth Pageant at Balfouria Village**



"THE PRIESTESSES DANCE" — One of the highlights of the function

THE spirit of a Jewish festival as celebrated in the Yishuv was brought to the beautiful setting of Balfouria Village last Sunday afternoon in the form of a Shevuoth Pageant organised by the Hillbrow

branch of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League, in aid of the Jewish National Fund.

A large crowd gathered in the amphitheatre, in the shadow of the Tower, and the sun broke through the clouds to enhance the colourful ceremony which was threatened by the weather in the morning.

The procession produced by Mrs. J. Leibner and Mrs. R. Kirsch and staged by the Habonim, was most impressive. It was heralded by a large group of children representing various kibbutzim, carrying the first fruits to the accompaniment of Hebrew music and song. Then came the highlight of the afternoon—the Priestesses Dance, solemnly executed by a group of eight girls dressed in white robes which preceded the receiving of the fruits.

Colour was added to the festive atmosphere by the songs rendered by the Habonim Choir under the direction of Mr. L. Krokin, and the beautiful singing of "Kinnereth" by Miss Mary Anne Scher.

Enthusiastic participants were Mrs. Nadia Zvi Yebuda, who briefly addressed the gathering, and the Leibner family.

As the function coincided with the intercessory invasion services, a special prayer was offered by Capt. (Rev.) S. Kibel, at the start of the proceedings. Mrs. R. Melzter, chairman of the Hillbrow branch, welcomed the gathering, and short addresses were also delivered by Messrs. Louis Krokin and C. Hirschmann.

At the close of the proceedings certificates of trees were presented to Mrs. J. Leibner and Mrs. Kirsch by Mrs. D. Balkin, hon. life chairman of the Hillbrow branch, while Mrs. L. Tager, the accompanist, was the recipient of a box of chocolates in appreciation of their invaluable services.

Mrs. J. Davidoff, chairman of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League, congratulated the Hillbrow branch on initiating the function with such unqualified success.

The Jewish National Fund benefited considerably from the sale of fruit, vegetables, and home products.

**Religious Life in Ghettos**

THE Hungarian newspaper "Mayar Sag", describing the new life of the Jews in Hungary, states that the Jews in the ghettos are opening new synagogues and religious schools, and are becoming more attached to their religion. Saturday was being strictly observed as a day of rest in all ghettos.



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on SUNDAY, 25th JUNE, 1944, at 3 p.m.  
 in the Grounds, 6 South Street (off Harrow Road), Yeoville.

**SPEAKERS:** Mr. H. Herber, Chairman, S.A. Board of Jewish Education; Rabbi I. Kossowsky, Rav of Federation of Synagogues; Mr. N. Kirschner, Chairman, S.A. Zionist Federation; Adv. B. A. Ettlinger, President, S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies; Mr. B. Patley, President, United Hebrew Congregation of Johannesburg; Rabbi J. L. Zlotnik, Director, S.A. Board of Jewish Education.

**GUEST OF HONOUR:** Mrs. A. Landau.

**CHAIRMAN:** Mr. P. Froman (Chairman, Herber House).

Rabbi A. H. Lapin, Cantor S. Backon and the Wolmarans Street Synagogue choir will officiate.

THE PUBLIC IS CORDIALLY INVITED

Refreshments will be served.