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## CAPETOWN COMMENTS.

### MR. BENDER'S TRIBUTE TO WOMEN.

#### THE S.A.H.D.B. SOCIETY.

#### GENERAL NEWS.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

Despite his many and varied activities on behalf of the local Jewish Community, Rev. A. P. Bender energetically discharges his manifold duties in connection with non-Jewish Institutions. As Vice-Chairman of the District Nursing Association Committee, and of the Free Dispensary, he delivered an eloquent address at Wednesday's meeting of the Women's Municipal Association, taking as his theme the part played by women in safeguarding and promoting the health of the community, not only in their own homes, but in promoting the medical and nursing services of the City. Paying a tribute to the two women City Councillors, who he hoped would in the future be joined by more female municipal legislators, Mr. Bender said the District Nursing Organisation, worked by a Committee of the Hospital Board, was the most admirably managed organisation he knew, and was an example to others all over the Union, and an inspiration to kindred organisations. Mr. Bender then reviewed the activities of the Free Dispensary and the Victoria Nurses' Institute as well as the Lady Michaelis Orthopaedic Home, and he referred to the Women's Municipal Association, which he said was working for a City Council which would equip the city with every requirement for a healthy population, and make it easy and natural for all sections to be well. What was needed was more women on the Council to secure that Capetown shall take a lead in providing for the fullest health requirements of all. In conclusion, Mr. Bender referred to the City's present hospital accommodation, which he described as notoriously inadequate. He only wished that another woman would give a start to a big hospital on the Groot Schuur site. Our need for hospitals was the most pathetic and urgent need of the community. He looked forward to the ceremony of laying the foundation-stone of the New Somerset Hospital at Groot Schuur, a consummation which would be achieved by the co-operation of all the noble women of Capetown who regard themselves the trustees of the poor without respect of nationality or creed.

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Last Sunday evening at the Zionist Hall, Hope Street, a reception was given to Mr. Isaac Ochberg by the Dorshei Zion Association and the Bnoth Zion Association. Mr. Ochberg recently returned after a visit to Europe and Palestine. Felicitous speeches were made by Mr. I. Schwartz, Advocate M. Alexander, Mr. B. Rubik, Mr. J. Gesundheit and Mrs. Schrire. Mr. Ochberg, in reply, gave an interesting address upon his visit to the Holy Land. During the evening musical items were submitted and enjoyed by the large assembly.

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A very enjoyable dance was held at the Goede Frouw Hall on Tuesday evening. It was arranged

by the Maccabean Association, and marked the end of the Annual Season.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. Mauerberger and family left for London and the Continent by Friday's mail boat. Mr. Mauerberger is a Director of Ackerman's Ltd., Managing Director of Bergers Ltd., and Proprietor of the Paarl Woollen Mills.

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Mr. I. Kramer, of Kimberley, left by the same steamer on a business trip to London.

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The half-yearly general meeting of members of the S.A. Hebrew Dividing Benefit Society was held on Sunday last and was well attended. In presenting his report, the President, Mr. H. Leventosh, said that that report marked the completion of three consecutive years of office as President, which he regarded as a great honour. He desired to record his sense of gratitude for the honour they had conferred on him and he appreciated the confidence reposed in him. Continuing, Mr. Leventosh regretted that the health of members had given cause for anxiety, but whilst the first quarter of the period under review had been very bad, he was glad to report a considerable improvement since. Death had claimed two members of the Society, viz. E. Goldsmith and M. Snider. On the brighter side three members had, said the speaker, "decided to be selfish no longer and had joined the ranks of the married men." They were Messrs. M. Wingreen, I. Sandler and L. Isenstein. The President announced that a Conference was shortly to be held at which representatives of the various Institutions would be present to discuss the project of erecting a Communal Hall in Capetown. In conclusion, the President expressed his thanks to the Vice-Chairman, Mr. I. Vermont, the Secretary, Mr. I. Silver, and to the Auditors, Messrs. J. Carasov, H. Hirsch and J. Benson.

Mr. I. Vermont referred to the recent Salt River railway disaster and the following resolution was adopted:—

"That the S.A.H.D.B. Society expresses its deep condolence with the relatives of those killed in the Salt River accident and their sympathy with those injured."

The election of officers and committee was then proceeded with. By unanimous resolution the President, Vice-President, Hon. Treasurers, Secretary and Auditors were re-elected. The Committee were elected as follows: Messrs. M. Linde, M. Ruch, Sacks, J. Shaper, J. Poser, C. Shenker and A. Yeller.

To mark the appreciation of his fellow members of the work done by Mr. J. Berman, the President presented him with a wristlet watch suitably inscribed, and in doing so said that Mr. Berman had gone out of his way to render assistance to the Society; he had made many new members and in every way had promoted the interests of the S.A.H.D.B. Society. Mr. Berman suitably responded.

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Advocate Arthur Shacksnovis was married to Miss Violet Wolf at the Gardens Synagogue on Wednesday afternoon. It was a very popular wedding and the ceremony, performed by the Rev. A. P. Bender, assisted by the Rev. M. Kirschner, was witnessed by a very large gathering.

The Synagogue had been decorated with arums and green leaves, while the white and gold canopy was adorned with festoons of proteas and lilies. It was a pink and gold wedding, and the shades

were beautifully suited to the brunette colouring of the pretty young bride and her attendants. Very lovely did she look as she came down the aisle on her father's arm. Her frock of fine gold lace had a long fitted bodice, from which the full skirt hung in soft folds. The skirt was slit up at intervals, showing an underslip of pale pink charmeuse trimmed with narrow horizontal bands of gold, which also edged the neck of the frock. Above each slit in the skirt was a satin rose, and the bride carried a bouquet of ping roses and ferns. Her coronet was of gold lace arranged fanwise above the gold veil which fell over her shoulders and down to her waist, and she carried a beautifully-worked handkerchief. The bridesmaids were Miss Eva Wolf, Miss Lily Shacksnovis, Miss Ida Hamburg, and Miss Gertie Wolf. Their becoming frocks were of salmon georgette trimmed at shoulder and hem with applique, autumn tinted flowers. The long bodices were slit up the sides to reveal gold tissue slips, and they wore head-dresses of gold tissue and net. Three little flower girls, Phyllis Wolf, Dorothy Franks and Bubbles Berks, were also in attendance. Mr. Max Shacksnovis, the bridegroom's brother, was best man, and the canopy holders were Messrs. Jack Gerber, Harold Kramer, A. Bloomberg and H. Dembitzer.

Among the numerous guests present were a large number of young friends of the bride and bridegroom, who made the reception a very gay and happy one. Many 'Varsity students, including the first XV., were present, and they gave tongue in no uncertain manner during the singing of "For They are Jolly Good Fellows" and the 'Varsity war cry. After the ceremony a delightful reception was held in the City Hall, which was charmingly decorated with palms and greenery. The guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. A. Wolf, Mr. J. B. Shacksnovis, father of the bridegroom, and Mrs. Berks, an aunt of the late Mrs. Shacksnovis. Mrs. Wolf wore a handsome frock of deep champagne georgette heavily beaded in crystal and a smart black satin turban hat trimmed with ospreys. Mrs. Berks was in black charmeuse trimmed with gold and a black hat. After the young couple had received the congratulations of their many friends, the procession was formed and they walked up the hall to the strains of the Wedding March. Tables with refreshments were dotted all over the hall, and at these the guests partook of tea while the toasts were proposed.

The toast of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by the Rev. A. P. Bender, that of the parents by Advocate M. Alexander, K.C., M.L.A., and that of the bridesmaids by Mr. Leslie Guthrie, captain of the 'Varsity football team, of which the bridegroom is a leading member. Later in the afternoon tables and chairs were cleared away and the guests danced to the music of Harry Jacobson's orchestra. The bride left for the honeymoon in a charming cyclamen three-piece suit and a becoming grey hat. The young couple left amid a shower of confetti for a destination which is a profound secret. The many letters and telegrams received from overseas and from this country included one from the Provost Oriel College, Oxford, where the bridegroom took his B.A. Jurisprudence, and one from Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Wylie, resident secretary of the Rhodes Trust, Oxford.

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The list of Mr. Shacksnovis' scholastic successes is formidable. He started at the age of 14, with a first class, first division in the Matriculation examination, coming top in South Africa.

He passed his B.A. (Capetown University), and in his final year gained exhibitions in Philosophy and the Classics. He then took his M.A. degree, gaining the Queen Victoria Scholarship of £150 a year for three years. He next took his LL.B. and was admitted as an Advocate, and was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship for the Cape of £350 a year for three years.

This took him to Oriel College, Oxford, where he took his B.A. Honours Jurisprudence, again coming first and winning the prize.

This achievement of Mr. Shacksnovis was particularly creditable, for his mother's death, after he had been at Oxford two years, decided him to return to South Africa to be with his father, and the examination was taken in two years instead of the accepted three.

But it is as an athlete that he is best known, for while at Oxford he found time to go in for practically every sport, gaining a blue for Rugger and also for swimming, and incidentally representing his College and the 'Varsity at Soccer.

He has no intention of giving up sport now that he is being married. His bride is also interested in sport.

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The marriage of Mr. Hilton Stern, of Capetown, to Miss Doris Sussman, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Sussman, of Kimberley, was solemnised at the Memorial Road Synagogue, Kimberley. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Beckman, of Johannesburg, and the Synagogue was packed by friends of the contracting parties. The bride, who was given away by her father, was beautifully gowned in ivory crepe de chine, beaded with floral sprays in iridescent bugle beads. Her train was of ivory georgette, lined with silver tissue, caught on the shoulders with sprays of orange blossom. Her veil of silk tulle had corners of real lace, and was surmounted by a Spanish head-dress. She carried a bouquet of pale pink and white carnations and ferns. The maid of honour, Miss Beryl Bergman, wore lettuce green georgette over silver lace, with a head-dress of silver tissue and green georgette. She carried a bouquet of pink carnations and ferns. The two little flower girls, Loraine and Sheila Sussman, sisters of the bride, were dainty in pettalled frocks of pink taffeta over silver lace. The bridegroom was supported by his brother, Mr. L. H. Stern, of Capetown, and the canopy bearers were Messrs. L. Hochschild, I. Kramer, L. Liebowitz, and H. Sussman. The unterfuhrers were Mr. and Mrs. P. Sussman, Mrs. W. Stern and Mr. Gerber. The reception was held in the City Hall, which was decorated with many coloured streamers and baskets of ferns and roses. Mr. and Mrs. Sussman, Mrs. Stern and Mr. Gerber received the guests, Mrs. Sussman wearing oak brown charmeuse, embroidered in gold, and Mrs. Stern in a lovely shade of autumn brown satin edged with fur. The guests included a number from Capetown, among them were Miss Gerber and Miss Sieradzki. Lady Lange and Miss Lange were present, Mrs. Hutton and Mrs. X. L. Parkin, Mrs. Ross-Frames, Mrs. Micklem, Mrs. L. F. Lezard, Miss Cohen (sister of Mrs. P. Sussman), and very many others. Mr. Gerber proposed the toast of bride and groom and Sir David Harris that of the parents, laying great stress on their work in the City and Mrs. Sussman's interest in work for charities. Mr. Hochschild toasted the bridesmaid and flower girls. The Mayor, Mr. G. T. Belding, and Mr. Byrne spoke on behalf of the visitors and Mr. Louis F. Lezard on behalf of the Griqualand West Hebrew Congregation.