

FROM TOWN AND COUNTRY

From our own
Correspondents.

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GERMISTON.

A successful "At Home," in aid of the new wing for the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosen on Saturday last. Close on a hundred people were present. Oberkantor M. Katzin and Mrs. P. Ordman delighted the gathering with their singing. As a result of this function about £18 was realised.

Mesdames S. H. Arkin, N. L. Ginsberg, L. Niefeld and M. Wigdorowitz have been re-elected as president, vice-president, treasurer and hon. secretary, respectively, of the Germiston and District Jewish Women's Benevolent Society. Those elected on the committee are Mesdames Z. Hareven, M. Margolius, Goldblatt, T. Kramer, M. Huftel, S. Wigdorowitz, Swon, B. Steinberg, Sheoman, Senior, Bulkin, A. Melman, P. Silver, W. H. Wyscheik, H. Benjamin and S. Lipschitz.

LIVINGSTONE.

The annual general meeting of the Livingstone Herzl Zionist Society was held at the residence of Mr. Elias Kopelowitz on Sunday, 12th November.

The following office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. L. Hochstein; Vice-President, Mr. E. Kopelowitz; Secretary, Treasurer and Collector, Miss Helene Sher; Assistant Secretary, Miss E. Wasserson; Committee: Mesdames J. Shapiro, A. Susman, H. Kopelowitz, and Messrs. H. Wasserson and P. H. Seider.

During the evening refreshments were kindly served by Mrs. E. Kopelowitz, and after the agenda of the meeting was concluded the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

MARTZBURG.

Mr. A. A. Burnett, radiologist at the local sanatorium, gave a lecture at the Synagogue Hall on X-Rays. There was a big attendance present, presided over by the Rev. J. I. Levine. Mr. R. Isaacs proposed, and Mr. I. Caminsky seconded, a vote of thanks to the lecturer.

The election of officers for the ensuing year of the Chevra-Kadisha was held recently, when the following were elected:—Mr. H. L. Blumenfeld, President; Mr. A. Brook, Vice-President; Mr. J. Myers, Treasurer; Mr. J. Sklarchick, Secretary; Committee: Messrs. J. Ingel, P. Eagle, S. Caminsky, and Kretzmar. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. A. N. Jacobs, who for the past ten years combined the offices of Treasurer and Secretary, and rendered yeoman services to the Society.

Mr. D. Steinberg has presented the Synagogue with a pair of solid brass candlesticks for Yom-Kippur candles.

MOLTENO.

On Sunday, the 23rd ult., local Jewry picnicked at the Plantation, where young and old indulged in sports. The function was under the auspices of the Zionist Society, and a most enjoyable day was spent.

PAROW.

A function to welcome back Mr. B. Berold, on his return from Palestine, was held in the Communal Hall recently. There was a representative gathering present, over which Mr. Freedman presided.

Mr. H. Daitsh, in welcoming Mr. Berold, said that it was quite unnecessary to introduce their guest, who was so well known as an old member of the congregation. He felt sure that after his return from Palestine Mr. Berold would sacrifice even more of his time towards the furtherance of our cause.

Mr. Berold gave a clear description of life in Palestine as it is to-day. Every Jew should try to visit Palestine, and if possible to settle there. Mr. Berold illustrated his address

with lantern slides, which added to the enjoyment of the lecture.

The Dunam Drive, in aid of the Jewish National Fund, is proceeding locally, and promises to be a big success.

POTCHEFSTROOM.

At a meeting of the Potchefstroom Judean Society held on Sunday, 16th November, it was decided to form an intellectual and cultural sub-section, under the name of "Tarbut." A committee was elected consisting of the following:—E. Greenblat (Chairman), Miss R. Levitt (Secretary), and B. Marks, L. Klivyansky and Miss R. Sack.

The first cultural evening took place on Friday, the 29th ult., at which there was an excellent attendance. Short addresses on different subjects were delivered by the Rev. D. Gordon, M. Greenblat (in Hebrew), Dr. J. Schneider and Miss R. Sack.

THABA 'NCHU.

Mr. E. Dreyer, the chairman of the local branch of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, has forwarded to the head office in Johannesburg the sum of £1 11s. 6d. being the monthly collection for subscription kindly made by the Rev. B.Kamber.

WARMBATHS.

During the recent High Festivals at the local Synagogue Mr. I. Lipschitz, of Nylstroom, and Mr. C. Whyte, of Settlers, each made an offering of £1 1s. for the South African Jewish Orphanage. A cheque for the amount of £2 2s. has been received by the Orphanage from Mr. I. Lipschitz.

WITBANK.

The annual general meeting of the local Zionist Society was held in the Athlone Hall on Sunday, 23rd November, and was largely attended by the members. The balance sheet from the previous year's activities, which showed a healthy financial position, was unanimously adopted. An election of office-bearers for the ensuing year took place, with the following result:—Chairman, Mr. P. Froman; Vice-Chairman, Mrs. G. Young; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Ruby S. Myers; Committee: Mesdames Dembo, Gordon, M. H. Katz, Klatzky, Milwidsky, Markiles, Rosenberg, Misses M. Katz, S. Hirshman, Messrs. Hayman, Ginsberg, and Rev. P. Rosenberg.

Opportunity was taken of bidding farewell to the retiring Chairman, Mr. J. E. Manasewitz, and Mrs. Manasewitz, who are taking up residence in Pretoria; and the retiring Hon. Secretary, Mrs. G. Young, in making a presentation to the Chairman, paid eloquent tribute to his yeoman services to the Cause of Zionism during his many years of association with the Society. Mr. Manasewitz suitably replied.

Witbank's second year's Dunam Drive was launched at the meeting, about £16 being collected. This, however, is only the infancy of the effort, as further sums were promised, whilst preparations were immediately put in hand for enlarging the scope of the Drive so as to obtain the full measure of Witbank's quota for the Jewish National Fund.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chair and to the owners of the Athlone Hotel for the loan of the hall.

WORCESTER.

A general meeting of the Worcester B'nei U'benoth Zion was held in the Zionist Hall on Saturday, the 22nd ult., at 8 p.m., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. The election resulted as follows:—Chairman, Mr. A. Volks; Vice-Chairman, Mr. I. Shirkin; Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Wilk; Secretary, Mr. J. Friedman; National Fund Representative, Mr. M. Rabinowitz; Committee: Mesdames J. Wilk, Bloch, and Miss S. Broudie, Messrs. John Lange, I. J. Sennett, E. Traub, J. Rabinowitz, M. Shandling, M. Broudie, and L. Volks; Hon. Auditors, Messrs. B. Shirkin and R. Sackinovsky.

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