

Boksburg

The Pidjan Haben of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Levin took place last Sunday. The sum of 10s. was donated for the Jewish Orphanage.

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The anniversaries of the deaths of Theodor Herzl and Chaim Nachman Bialik were commemorated in suitable manner on the 28th ult., by the local Zionist society. A meeting took place at the residence of Mrs. H. J. Heller, at which Rev. Borowitz intoned the Haskarah. The speakers were Rev. Borowitz and Messrs. A. Sacks and Brill. A number of trees were donated by those present to be planted in the Herzl Memorial Forest.

Ficksburg

The Ficksburg Zionist Society is to be congratulated on the excellent results obtained from their last J.N.F. Box clearance. Special mention must be made of the three best boxes which yielded the following amounts: P. Furman, £3 13s. 3d.; M. B. Cohen, £2 4s. 6d.; S. Milner, £2 1s.

On the 27th ult., a Herzl-Bialik memorial service was held at the local synagogue under the auspices of the Zionist Society. Rev. H. J. Oleska gave an address on the lives and work of Dr. Herzl and Ch. N. Bialik, following which the Haskarah was intoned.

A J.N.F. Box was then handed round and the amount of £3 was collected for the purpose of planting trees in the name of the Ficksburg Zionist Society. This amount was remitted to the Head Office of the Jewish National Fund in Johannesburg.

George

Mrs. C. Wolk, wife of Rev. I. Wolk, accompanied by her two children, arrived in George from Palestine recently.

On Monday, the 5th inst., Mr. Maurice Samuel, the eminent American lecturer, novelist and traveller, addressed a large audience in the local Town Hall.

The Mayor of George, Cr. J. D. Meyer, presided and was supported on the platform by Mr. Alex Comay, president of the local Hebrew congregation.

In the most eloquent speech heard in George for many a long year, Mr. Samuel described to his audience the reconstruction of Palestine and subsequently touched on the problems confronting the Jews to-day.

Some striking tributes were paid to Mr. Samuel after his speech by Gentile members of the audience—Messrs. R. B. Greer, who recalled his friendship with Dr. Hertz in Johannesburg, and by Messrs. C. C. Frost and W. E. Schroder. All these gentlemen expressed gratitude, on behalf of the Gentile community, for the brilliant lecture. The chairman also added a further tribute. Mr. Comay thanked Mr. Samuel on behalf of the Jewish community.

Grahamstown

At the wedding of Dr. and Mrs. Sacks, of Grahamstown, the amount of £1 15s. was donated by the guests for the purpose of planting trees in the Herzl Forest in Eretz Israel.

Kingwilliamstown

The amount of £4 1s. 3d. was collected at the wedding of Miss Shapiro and Mr. Kaplan, of Kingwilliamstown, for the Jewish National Fund.

FROM TOWN AND COUNTRY

News of Jewish Activities Throughout South Africa

(From Our Own Correspondents)

Kroonstad

ON Saturday evening, the 10th inst., the Kroonstad Zionist Society had the privilege of listening to an excellent address by the renowned lecturer and author, Mr. Maurice Samuel. A large gathering was present, comprising a number of visitors from the outlying district.

Mr. Samuel spoke on "Jewry and the World Popular Front," and his address was followed with the keenest attention. Questions were put and suitably responded to.

Oudtshoorn, C.P.

On Sunday, the 27th ult., the local Herzl Ladies' Zionist Society held its monthly social at the Hebrew School Hall. There were a large number of ladies present, including many visitors from outlying districts. Miss Kussel presided. Mrs. Rose Friedlander, of the Bnoth Zion Association of Capetown, read an interesting paper on the "Work of the Jewish Woman, past and present." Mrs. Maze read a well prepared article on the life of the composer Mendelssohn, and Miss Annie Sieff played two of his "Songs without Words." Mrs. Seuseri, a visitor from Eretz Israel, gave a most interesting talk on "Child education in Palestine."

The various items were much appreciated, and the society wishes to thank all who gave their services, especially the two lady visitors.

A meeting in commemoration of the anniversary of the deaths of Dr. Theodor Herzl and of Chaim Bialik was held in the Queen Street Synagogue, Oudtshoorn, on 29th ult. under the auspices of the Local Young Israel Society. There was a fairly large attendance.

Mr. Sam Locketz spoke on Bialik and dwelt on the great part the poet played in the Hebrew renaissance. The speaker dealt with Bialik's life in Palestine, and showed the great influence he exerted in the cultural life of the Yishuv.

Mr. B. Arenstein spoke on Bialik's youth and the great influences he made on his generation. Rev. Wolfson intoned the "Haskorah."

Mr. Simon Weinstein dealt with the life of Herzl. The speaker spoke on Herzl's "Judenstaat," saying that Herzl was a modern prophet who died in the midst of his prophesies.

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Port Elizabeth

On the 15th ult. the monthly "At Home" was given by Mrs. A. Levy, at her residence. Papers were read by Mrs. J. Mirkin, H. Rubin, and H. Bernstein, while Mrs. M. Cibleman proposed a vote of thanks to the hostess and speakers.

During the all-too-brief visit of Dr. Goldman and Mrs. E. Hayman, the vice-chairlady, Mrs. S. Bergman, took the opportunity of entertaining the distinguished visitors and a host of enthusiastic supporters at her home.

The "At Home" this month was held at the residence of Mrs. I. Cooper, on the 13th inst. The speaker was Mrs. Florence Bennun, who gave an illuminating paper on the great national poet and philosopher, Jehuda Halevi. She also read three sketch poems from one of the modern Jewish poetesses, Jessie Sampter. Mrs. Bennun's paper was received with enthusiastic acclamation.

Mrs. M. Cibleman, accompanied by Miss Golda Stein, charmingly sang several songs. Mrs. Goss ably proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker, singer and hostess.

Senekal

ON SUNDAY, the 11th inst., Senekal and district had the pleasure of receiving Mr. Maurice Samuel. After being met at Steynsrust, he was entertained to lunch by Mr. and Mrs. G. Muller, and in the evening was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Dwolatzky.

Visitors from Marquard, Clocolan and other towns contributed to a record gathering of over 100, who listened to a masterly survey on the "Dangers of Partition." Mr. Samuel's address will long be remembered by those who were privileged to be present.

Mr. I. Greenman, chairman of the local Hebrew Congregation, proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker, seconded by Mr. A. Kristal, of Paul Roux. After the meeting the gathering was entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dwolatzky. The following morning Miss Y. Kristal travelled to Senekal to accompany Mr. Samuel's to Bethlehem.

Tweespruit

The small community of Tweespruit is to be congratulated on the excellent results obtained from its last clearance of J.N.F. Boxes. Seven boxes yielded an amount of £12 1s. 6d.

Upington

The annual meeting of the Gordonia Zionist association was held at the Communal Hall on the 6th inst. Mr. H. Blum, the chairman of the society, presided over a large gathering. Miss S. Lenhoff, hon. secretary and treasurer, presented the financial statement, which was adopted.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Chairman, Rev. B. Wulf; vice-chairman, Mr. B. Nurick; hon. secretary and treasurer, Miss S. Len-

hoff; committee, Mesdames H. Blum, J. Kowen, B. Weinreich, I. Blumberg, M. L. Nurick and Miss S. Brower.

A cultural sub-committee was appointed consisting of Rev. B. Wulf, Dr. E. L. Galgut, and Messrs. H. Jacobson, Phil Morris and L. Caplan.

The meeting continued with the annual recitation competition, the judge being Mr. Phil Morris, assisted by Misses A. Nurick and S. Robinson. Many children rendered enjoyable recitations. Mrs. H. Blum presented the prizes to the successful competitors.

Hebrew classes for adults have been resumed under the instruction of Mr. L. Caplan as Hebrew teacher. The classes are held in the Communal Hall.

Villiers

A luncheon was given by Mr. and Mrs. Tager at Villiers in honour of their son, Mr. M. Tager and the future daughter-in-law, Miss S. Rodin. It was decided to identify the Sinchah in an appropriate manner with the redemption of the soil of Eretz Israel for the Jewish people and the amount of £6 12s. 6d. was collected for this purpose and sent to the Head Office of the Jewish National Fund in Johannesburg.

Witbank

On Sunday afternoon, the 5th ult., a Herzl Memorial Service was held at the synagogue. The service was well attended and the Haboron and Habonot turned out in full force.

Mr. D. Zinner and Rev. L. Goldberg delivered stirring addresses in Yiddish and English respectively. "Haskorah" was effectively intoned by Rev. L. Goldberg.

A successful mass meeting took place on Wednesday evening, the 3rd ult., at the Athlone Hall, when the distinguished Zionist emissary, Rabbi Meir Berlin, visited Witbank accompanied by Rabbi Schwartz.

After the chairman, Rev. L. Goldberg, introduced the visitor, Rabbi Schwartz delivered a short but eloquent address in which he stressed the importance of the Jewish National Fund.

Rabbi Meir Berlin delivered a powerful and stirring address which made a profound impression on the audience.

Worcester

The last clearance of J.N.F. Boxes in Worcester yielded the splendid amount of £37 15s. 7d. Special attention must be made of the first and outstanding yields. These were as follows: Mr. I. Shirkin, £7 3s. 6d.; J. Friedman, £4 15s. 3d.; Mr. J. Wilk, £4 15s.; Mr. W. Heine, £3 12s. 6d.

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