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The famous Cantor, Moshe Kusevitzky, of the Great Synagogue in Warsaw, is likely to visit South Africa in the near future.

Cantor Kusevitzky is at present on a tour of the United States, and is considering an offer he has received to tour South Africa, before returning to Poland.

MR. ENGELSBURG'S TOUR

SOMERSET EAST.

Mr. Englesberg lectured to the Somerset East Zionist Society on the 24th ult., and discussed the present situation in Palestine and the necessity for strengthening the Zionist Organisation. Much enthusiasm was shown by the audience.

FORT BEAUFORT, ADELAIDE AND DISTRICT.

A successful meeting took place at Fort Beaufort on Wednesday, the 26th ult., at which Mr. Englesberg delivered a brilliant address on current Zionist problems. Mr. S. Strelitz presided, and a vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. S. Galgut.

United Hebrew Institutions of Brakpan

ANNUAL MEETING HELD

The annual general meeting of the United Hebrew Institutions of Brakpan took place on the 27th ult. The election of office-bearers resulted as follows: Chairman, Mr. M. J. Robinson (re-elected for the third successive year); vice-chairman, Mr. A. Joffe (re-elected); hon. treasurer, Mr. H. Linton (re-elected); hon. secretary, Mr. Frank Jacobs (re-elected); delegate to the South African Jewish Board of Deputies, Mr. Charles Joffe (re-elected); trustees, Messrs. A. M. Waintraub and M. J. Tucker (re-elected); auditors, Messrs. L. Magley and H. Blumenfeld (re-elected). Committee: J. Silverman, I. J. Smith, P. Kramer, W. Horwitz, Ch. Joffe (hon. solicitor), M. Appelbaum, M. Adno, E. Waner, H. I. Hoffman.

Presentations were made to Messrs. H. Linton and Frank Jacobs, the hon. treasurer and hon. secretary respectively, who have both given years of service to the institutions.

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STEADY PROGRESS SHOWN

The report of the directors issued to shareholders for the quarter ended 31st December, 1937, shows that the total footage driven, risen and sunk during the quarter was 3,013 feet, of which 1,372 feet was on reef; 1,393 feet was sampled, of which 180 feet, equal to 12.9 per cent., was payable, averaging 12.2 dwts. over a channel width of 27.7 inches, equivalent to 339 inch-dwts. Included in these figures are 587 feet, advanced within the adjacent Poortje ground, in terms of the arrangement with East Rand Consolidated, Ltd. Underground equipment has been installed during the quarter and the number of employees in service at the end of the quarter was 45 Europeans and 295 natives.

SOUTH AFRICAN BOARD OF JEWISH EDUCATION

Hebrew Proficiency Test

Examinations for 1937

THE Council of the S.A. Board of Jewish Education announces the results of the recently held examinations in connection with the Hebrew Proficiency Test for 1937.

The following is the list of successful candidates:

- 1.—The number opposite the subject denotes the class of pass the candidate secured.
- 2.—First class pass denotes the attainment by the candidate of 70 per cent. of the marks and over; second class, 55 per cent. of the marks and over; third class, 40 per cent. and over.
- 3.—Subjects not mentioned are those in which candidates failed.
- 4.—An asterisk denotes that the candidate wrote only one part of the examinations; either the first or the second.
- 5.—The abbreviations for the examination subjects are: Pent. for Penta-teuch; F.P., Former Prophets; Heb., Hebrew; Gram., Grammar; His., History; L.C., Laws and Customs; Lit., Literature.

SENIOR PROFICIENCY EXAMINATIONS.

Krugersdorp. — *Sydney Ballon, Heb. Lit.—1; *Louis Gleich, Heb. Lit.—1; *Abe Edelstein, Heb. Lit.—3; Heb. and Gram.—3; *B. Zetzer, Heb. Lit.—3; *Phillip Zuck, Heb. Lit.—1.

JUNIOR PROFICIENCY EXAMINATIONS.

- 1.—Bulawayo—*A. J. Kiewelowitz, F.P.—3; His.—2; L.C.—2.
- 2.—Krugersdorp — *Alfred Essakow, Pent.—2; *Joseph Meyerowitz, Pent.—2; His.—3; *Joe Sack, Pent.—2; *Bernard Stuzin, Pent.—1; Wolfie Zager, Pent.—3; Ancil Zetzer, Heb. and Gram.—3; Pent.—1; F.P.—3; His.—3; L.C.—3.
- 3.—S.A. Jewish Orphanage — *Louis Rosengarten, Heb. and Gram.—3; Abraham Lurie, F.P.—3; His.—2; L.C.—3; Jonah Perkel, Heb. and Gram.—1; Pent.—3; F.P.—3; *Alec Zagory, Pent.—1; F.P.—3; His.—3; His.—3; L.C.—3.

United Latvia Sick Benefit Society

The fourth annual general meeting of the United Latvia Sick Benefit and Benevolent Society was held at the Jewish Guild on Sunday. Mr. W. Furman presented the report of the activities of the society for the past year, and the reports of the treasurer and the book-examiners were unanimously received.

The following were elected as office-bearers for the coming year: Mr. W. Furman, chairman; Dr. E. Neros, vice-chairman; Mr. L. Rivlin, hon. treasurer; Mr. A. Krein, hon. secretary; and Messrs. Brandt, Fogelwitz, Goot, Lager, Chemel, Dr. Gorohovsky and A. Sandler. Book-examiners: Messrs. Nadel, Lampert and Eliastam.

Mr. L. Rivlin was elected as deputy to the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies.

BOARD OF EDUCATION BANQUET

Mr. Hofmeyr Guest of Honor

THE Hon. J. H. Hofmeyr, Minister of Education, will be the guest of honor at a banquet to be held in town on February 17, at the S.A. Board of Education (Cape Town) which will launch a campaign for funds.

In a pamphlet just issued, the achievements of the Board during five years of its existence are set out. The order and discipline which now prevail in the schools, it is stated, are due mainly to the active supervision of the Board.

In regard to the future, the Board aims at establishing a Jewish school for boys and girls, and in hopes to solve that much vexing problem of how both a Jewish and general education may be obtained in a Jewish environment.

The Board, however, is hampered by a lack of funds. It is hoped that in the campaign auspiciously launched this month the Jewish community will demonstrate its interest in this most important body, and that, as a result, the will be placed on a sounder financial basis.

Combined Cultural Group Benoni

The first of a new series of regular cultural meetings to be held under the auspices of the above institution, will take place on this inst., at the Hebrew Hall. Adon Pinshaw will deliver an address on "The Development of the Jewish Community in South Africa." All are cordially invited to attend.

Brakpan Women's Zionist

The annual meeting of the institution was held at the Hotel on the 18th ult. There was a large attendance and the chairlady, Mrs. L. Bengis, presided. The treasurer submitted her report which closed that the finances of the society were sound.

The election of officers for the coming term took place and resulted as follows: Chairlady, Mrs. Ch. Bengis; vice-chairlady, Mrs. Altshuler; treasurer, Mrs. R. Levin; hon. secretary, Mrs. L. Kramer.

Committee: Mesdames Wadstein, Bengis, Appelbaum, Silverman, Panovka, Sinai, Rosenthal, Kaplin, A. Joffe. Delegate to the S.A. Board of Education, Mrs. Wainstein.

A programme of activities for the near future was decided upon.

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