

## Beaufort West

The members of the congregation assembled on Sabbath last on the occasion of the Barmitzvah of the youngest son of Mr. S. Goldenbaum. At the B'rochah the toast of the Barmitzvah was proposed by Mr. I. Karabus, the president of the congregation, supported by the Rev. A. Bruk, the minister. Captain I. Levinson, who was visiting the community on behalf of the S.A. Board of Jewish Education, addressed the Barmitzvah, who suitably responded. The health of the parents was proposed amid acclamation by Mr. S. Magid.

At a social held on Sunday, the 30th May, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. L. Magid, in aid of local charities, the President of the Congregation, Mr. I. Karabus welcomed Captain I. Levinson on behalf of the community.

Capt. Levinson stressed the importance of Hebrew Education for the youth, and urged those present to support the Cape Town Board of Education. A substantial sum was contributed to the Board by several members of the community.

## Pretoria

Under the auspices of the Pretoria Women's Zionist League, an "at home" was held in the Memorial Hall, Beatrix Street, on Wednesday, 15th June. Dr. Deborah Katzen spoke on the present Keren Hayesod Campaign.

The annual general meeting of the Hanoar was held on the 8th May, in the Pretoria Jewish Memorial Hall, and was attended by about 100 members, representatives of the senior Zionist bodies of Pretoria and also of the Transvaal Zionist Youth Executive. Mr. A. Wyscheik presided.

The reports of the chairman and treasurer covered the period, August, 1937, to April, 1938. Although at first glance it might have appeared that Hanoar had achieved comparatively little during this time, it was felt that the committee had done their best considering the apathy of the members. However, after criticism and proposals for the improved running of the society the following office-bearers were elected: Chairman, Mr. A. Wyscheik; vice-chairman, Mr. E. Riess; treasurer, Mr. J. Segal; secretaries, Misses R. Beiles and I. Rutowitz. Committee: Miss E. Brauer, and Messrs. M. Waisbrood, D. Zaidel, E. Shapiro, R. Hellmann, M. Weiner, and L. Falkson.

The Pretoria Zionist Society is holding a card evening in aid of its funds at Surrey Lodge, 519 Pretorius Street, Pretoria, on Saturday, the 25th June, at 8 p.m. Tickets are priced at 2s. each, and refreshments will be served free.

## Mossel Bay

The Barmitzvah of Master David Kaplan, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Kaplan of Mossel Bay, was celebrated last Sunday, and there was a large gathering at the reception given on this occasion. In a felicitous speech, Rev. Shatz, minister of the community, expressed the good wishes of all those present for the future well-being and success of Master Kaplan, the latter replying suitably. Congratulatory speeches were also delivered by several of the younger members of the community.

# COUNTRY ACTIVITIES

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## Kroonstad

Mr. L. Jankelowitz, the secretary of the Kroonstad Zionist Society, has returned from an extended visit to Palestine and the Continent.

On Sunday evening, the 15th May, Mr. Jankelowitz screened a film depicting his travels through Eretz Israel and the Continent. This proved most instructive.

Included in the film were scenes of the colonies, the work at the Tel-Aviv harbour, the Wizo girls' agricultural schools and many others. The film was received with enthusiasm by the local Zionists and a silver collection in aid of the J.N.F. realised a substantial amount.

Heartiest congratulations are being extended to Mr. H. E. Gersohn, the chairman of the Kroonstad Zionist Society, who was installed as Worshipful Master of the Lodge de Morgenster, No. 91 E.N. Kroonstad, on Saturday, 30th April.

Preparations are already well afoot for the annual Zionist ball to be held on the 22nd of June. This is one of the outstanding social events of the year and the ladies are leaving no stone unturned to surpass their previous successes.

Excellent work is being done for the J.N.F., and by the Women's Cultural Group.

## Middelburg (Tvl.)

A social evening was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Levin on May 14. This proved to be a very successful function both from the social, as well as from the financial, point of view.

Mrs. N. Brozin, hon. secretary of the local branch of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, has forwarded to that institution the sum of £2 being subscription collections from local members.

## Port Elizabeth

The monthly social gathering of the Women's Zionist League was held on Tuesday afternoon the 10th May, in the new Emmanuel Hall, the hostesses for the afternoon being Mesdames Kalish and Levin.

Mrs. Matheson presided and extended a cordial welcome to those present. Before reading the S.A. J.N.F. bulletin, she recalled the words of Mr. Ussishkin, the "grand old man of Jewry," at Zurich, when he said that "had we ten times as much land in Palestine, the question of partition would never have arisen." The bulletin was listened to with deep interest.

While tea was being served, Master Harold Davidson, accompanied on the piano by Miss Israelson, and on the accordion by Mr. Levinthal, rendered two songs. Mr. Levinthal, too, gave a solo. All the items were enthusiastically encored.

Mrs. L. Perl then read a chapter entitled the "New Culture," from Herbert Sidebotham's "Great Britain and Palestine." In this the author shows how a Renaissance of Jewish culture has proceeded side by side with the intense economic development.

Miss M. Solomon, accompanied by Mrs. R. Appel, then sang. Mrs. Morris gave a sympathetic reading of two articles from the "Wizo Review" entitled "Refuge for Children" and "Married Women in the Kvutzot."

The president announced that Mrs. M. Bernstein and Mrs. Weinronk had been unanimously elected life members of the society in recognition of their services and keen Zionist endeavour at all times.

Mrs. Katz proposed a vote of thanks to all those who had helped to make the afternoon so pleasant.

**Morning Market.**—A morning market was held on the Lag Bomer Day, May 19. It proved an outstanding success, being extremely well patronised and supported.

The enthusiasm of the workers, as well as of the supporters, was justified by the results, for the Jewish National Fund will benefit to the extent of about £50.

## Bethal

The S.A. Jewish Orphanage has received from Rev. W. Woolf the sum of £15 which was collected at the Bris Melah of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lazarus Schnaid, brought in by Mr. J. David in the name of Miss Zelda Schnaid.

## Durban

The May function of the Durban Women's Zionist League took place on the 30th of the month at the residence of Mrs. A. Kaplan and proved outstandingly successful. There was a large attendance. Before welcoming the gathering Mrs. Torf asked all present to stand as a mark of esteem to the late Mr. Leo Lipinski.

Mrs. Torf stressed the importance of Zionist activities, and referred to the heroism and the achievements of the women in the Yishuv. She also emphasised the part played by the Blue Boxes in the work of upbuilding.

Current news items were read by Mrs. A. Friedman, and Mrs. Menachemson gave a delightful paper on Shevuoth.

Musical items were contributed by Miss Z. Misroch, who played two classical numbers delightfully, as well as light music and by Mrs. H. Friedman who sang two charming songs. She was accompanied by Mrs. C. Israel.

In conclusion Mrs. M. Shapiro thanked the Chair, the artistes, Mrs. Menachemson and in particular Mrs. Kaplan for the use of her home and delightful tea.

## Salisbury

At the annual general meeting of the Salisbury Zionist Society held 10th April, the following officers were elected: Mr. B. S. ... president; Mr. C. E. Nathan, ... president; Mr. J. N. Alhadeff, ... surer; Mr. M. Gordon, hon. sec. Miss D. Lessem, assistant hon. retary. Committee: Rev. M. Komr Mesdames D. Lazarus, J. N. Alhadeff and H. Galante, Miss A. B. Messrs. R. D. Almeleh, D. Lazarus, E. Israel, H. Bersin, and S. Levinson.

## Thaba 'Nchu

Mr. E. Dreyer, chairman of local branch of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, has forwarded to that institution the sum of £12s., being a subscription collection from local members.

## Uppington

**Gordonia Women's Zionist Group.** A Women's Zionist Group formed in Uppington on the March under the above name.

Mrs. B. Nurick was elected vice-president, Mrs. T. Kowen, hon. secretary and Mesdames Benjamin, Gold, Ellert and Misses A. Nurick and Sack, committee members.

Monthly meetings are held at which four hostesses serve tea. Each member acts in turn as hostess. Sixpence is charged for tea and the money used for materials for the sewing, knitting circles. The garments made by the sewing circles are to be forwarded to the Child Welfare Institutions in Palestine. During tea, while working, papers of Jewish interest are read. The group consists of 33 members (there are 35 Jewish families in the town) and the meetings are well attended and very successful.

## Vrede

The S.A. Jewish Orphanage has received from Mrs. G. Wolman, secretary of the local Branch of S.A. Jewish Orphanage, the sum of £22s., being part proceeds of the Ladies' Guild Tea held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. Rose.

## Windhoek

The Windhoek Ladies' Zionist League held their monthly meeting at the residence of Mrs. B. Gamsu. It was well attended. Mrs. P. Rosen was in the Chair. Mrs. I. Goll read a paper entitled "Partition of Zionism," and the Chairlady read Wizo news, the various items received with great interest. Mrs. Shulman, a visitor from Stellenbosch, provided the musical fare in the form of a few Jewish songs.

A vote of thanks was passed to the hostess, Mrs. Gamsu and her mother, Mrs. Isaacson.

The Sewing Group is functioning successfully, and the next meeting will take place at the residence of Mrs. S. Beilin.

## Worcester

At the annual meeting of the Ladies' Zionist League held recently, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year, namely: Chairlady, A. H. Bloch; vice-chairlady, M. Vols; hon. treasurer, Mrs. J. Friedman; hon. secretary, Mrs. D. ... Committee: Mesdames J. Rabin, E. Shandling, I. J. Sennett, L. Jaffee, W. Heller, F. Brown, Heller, N. Donen and Misses C. Schitz, B. Stein, B. Shirkin and Sagor.

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