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JEWISH COMMUNITY TO ACQUIRE "K'RIA"

*Imposing Sculpture By
Herman Wald*

A committee has been formed in Johannesburg to acquire Herman Wald's magnificent sculptural study, "K'ria", for the Jewish Community, as a memorial to martyred European Jewry.

"K'ria" is an imposing work, executed twice life size, symbolising, in the form of a striking Jewish figure, the Jewish tradition of rending the garments as an expression of mourning. Into it Wald has poured all his love for his people and his anguish over their tragedy. Ever since its completion, prominent Jewish personalities have urged that it should be acquired as a memorial by the community. A photograph of the sculpture appeared in our columns a few weeks ago.

The committee that has been formed with the object of thus acquiring the statue comprises Mr. A. I. Maisels, Chairman of the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies, Mr. B. Gering, Chairman of the S.A. Zionist Federation, Mr. Leo Feit, Mr. Richard Feldman, Mr. S. Yellin, Mr. A. Ovedoff, Mrs. Anne Witkin and Mr. L. Melamed (Honorary Secretary).

It is intended that "K'ria" be given its permanent home in the Communal Building, which, it is hoped, will be erected in Johannesburg before long; until then, it will be on display in some prominent Jewish public place.

The total cost of the sculpture, including the bronze casting, will be about £2,000. An appeal is made to members of the Jewish community to subscribe to this object. Contributions should be sent to "Committee for the Acquisition of Wald's K'ria," P.O. Box 1180, Johannesburg.