

# Great Ovation for Tito Gobbi and Michal Hamburg.

At a brilliant recital given at the City Hall on Tuesday night to a crowded audience, Tito Gobbi, described as "Italy's most romantic singer," was received with unprecedented enthusiasm and Cape Town was undoubtedly thrilled to the core.

After the first group of songs, Handel's "Lascia Ch'io Pianga," Durante's "Virgin Tutt'Amor" and Caccini's "Amarilli"; Mr. Gobbi rose from mediocrity to triumph and changed the whole mood of the performance and captivated his audience with the immortal "Barbier di Seville" which he sung with complete abandon.

From this item onwards, Mr. Gobbi displayed the superb qualities of clarity of diction and colour coupled with the purity of an enchanting voice, taking one back to the "Golden Age of Singing."

After interval followed other songs by Tchaikowsky, Tosti and Alvarez. Among these was the gem of the evening, "Ideale" by Tosti, which for sheer beauty of tone and expression will long be remembered by this audience. Verdi's "Pari Siamo" (Rigoletto) and "Credo" (Otello) once more proved the success of the artist's performance. During the whole performance each song repeatedly recalled the singer for another encore among which was the unforgettable "Nozze di Figaro" by Mozart, and finally after the last item, Mr. Gobbi was forced to deliver two encores entitled "Non Pui Andrai" and a Neapolitan song.

Tilde de Reus sympathetically accompanied Mr. Gobbi but could not take the place of an orchestra which the rich baritone of the artist necessitated.

## MICHAL HAMBURG.

No less a triumph awaited Michal Hamburg. Her playing of the Mozart Sonata in B Flat, Faure's Nocturne in D Flat and Weber's Perpetuum Mobile were received with great enthusiasm. It is a long time since Cape Town audiences were privileged to hear a pianist of her calibre. Her clarity of tone, lightness of touch and superb modulation enchanted the listeners. It is to be regretted that the programme did not allow her more time. However, the enthusiasm of the crowd compelled her to give a number of encores among which was a Chopin Waltz.

We look forward to hearing these two great artists once more on Friday night.

## Forthcoming Events.

**Observatory-Mowbray B.Z.A.**—The next meeting of the Observatory-Mowbray Wizo Group will be held on Tuesday, 30th November at 2.30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Giger, 68, Main Road, Mowbray.

**Muizenberg Women's Mizrahi.**—Members and friends are cordially invited to a Charity Evening under the auspices of the Muizenberg branch on Sunday, 28th November at 8 p.m., in aid of food parcels to Israel, at Litvin's Private Hotel, Holland Road, Muizenberg. Bring your friends and spend an enjoyable evening for a good cause.

## IN MEMORIAM.

**MAISEL.**—In loving memory of Philip Maisel, of Wynberg, who passed away 22 days in Marchesvan in the year 1945. Sadly missed by his daughter Minnie, son-in-law Mayshel, and grandchildren Hillel, Saul, David and Naomi Ticktin.

# Habonim (S.A.) W.P.

## MACHANEH.

It is now estimated that well over 700 members of Habonim will be camping at Nahoon, East London. About 110 campers will be leaving Cape Town during December, arriving for the opening of Machaneh on 20th December. The biggest contingent (numbering 60) will be leaving on 19th December, while others will leave in an advance guard and the remainder by steamship along the coast. Preparations for the facilities, programme, etc., are already complete and it is expected that this National Machaneh will exceed anything previously held in content and quality.

## HASHTILIM MACHANEH.

Seeing that many children were unable to go to East London, the Habonim Movement in the W.P. are arranging small camps to take place over the next four week-ends. The first camp will take place this week-end at Cecelia's Plantation (just beyond Kirstenbosch). About 40 shtilim will participate.

## CHUG IVRI.

The Habonim Movement has started a Chug Ivri which meets every Wednesday night to participate in Ivrit, discussion, singing, etc. It has proved to be most successful.

## CHEVRAT MADRICHIM.

The regular Sunday night meetings at Rosecourt will take place as usual. Madrichim are urged to attend. Chaver Roman Egert will continue with the discussion on Chassidism.

## CHUG CHALUTZI.

The W.P. Habonim Chalutz Group is having an extremely important assefah this Monday night at Rosecourt to decide on changes and problems facing the chalutz organisation here. Members are reminded to note date and venue.

## HASHOMRIM KINNUSS.

Arrangements have been completed and it appears that the kinnuss is going to be an outstanding success. Shomrim are reminded that only those who pay their 5/- in advance will be able to participate in the Dance Festival, meals, outing, etc. Shomrim should therefore attend to this immediately and also prepare themselves for the various items of the kinnuss.

Watch this column for further Habonim announcements.

# Zionist Youth Activities

## HASHOMER HATZAIR CAMP AT GORDON'S BAY.

The Hashomer Hatzair are holding a camp at Gordon's Bay, commencing on 18th December and ending on 3rd January.

Dr. Ben Morrison, of Raleigh St., Yeoville, Johannesburg, will be in attendance for the duration of the camp. The organisation and care of the children is in the capable hands of three shlichim from Palestine.

The camp is situated in a beautiful spot, where bathing is safe. Food will be plentiful and nutritious. An excellent educational programme has been arranged. There will also be instruction in scouting, tiyulim, campfires, a Chanukah function, Onegei Shabbat on Friday nights, etc.

The charges for the camp are as follows: Children 12-14 years, £5; 14 years and upwards, £6.

Further details can be obtained by writing to Box 4157, or 49e, Upper Mill Street, Gardens.

When you intend coming to the **MIRKIN-SEEFF Kosher Hotel**  
25, O'Reilly Road, Berea, JOHANNESBURG  
Advance booking is essential.

# "Dapim Layed."

## (PAGES FOR THE CHILD.)

A very interesting 8-page newspaper has just reached South Africa. It is a Hebrew newspaper issued especially for the children of the Youth Aliyah in Europe, and printed in Paris.

Among the contents are an illustrated letter from a child in Afikim, an illustrated description of the Israeli stamps and their origin, a letter from a child in a concentration camp in the American zone in Germany, a story of a trip into the country, a comic strip, letters to the editor from children all over the world, and a crossword puzzle.

The Hebrew is written in a simple style, very readable to the average child of school-going age, and the contents are extremely interesting. The sponsors hereof are to be congratulated on the high standard achieved, and it is hoped that they will be able to make this a permanent newspaper. We are confident that children all over the world will eagerly welcome its appearance.

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