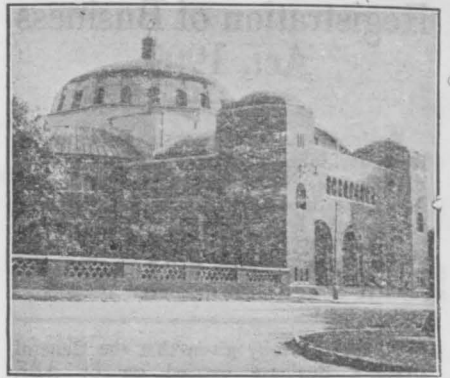




# JOHANNESBURG DAY BY DAY



### THE GUILD CABARET.

Under the new regime, the Jewish Guild has instituted a series of monthly cabarets, and these are proving very popular and enjoyable functions. On Tuesday evening last, more than a hundred couples were dancing to excellent music provided by Clark and Adeler's band. The scene was a festive one, as the handsome dining-hall was decorated with pennons and greenery and many coloured balloons. A number of pretty girls in exceedingly smart frocks, added to the decorative effect.

Mrs. Hirsch, the secretary, had arranged for a dainty supper, and several girl members of the Guild volunteered to help with the waiting. They have done the same on previous occasions but have suffered some annoyance because certain ignoramuses failed to realise that they were really acting as assistant hostesses in order to make things more homely and agreeable, and to enable such an enjoyable function to be catered for at so small an expense. Several have withdrawn their services because some people received the impression that these charming girls in their fashionable frocks were being paid for their assistance, a strange misconception!

Tuesday evening's cabaret owed much to the delightful exhibition dances of Miss Poppins Solomon's pupils. The first was a cabaret waltz, danced by Miss Diana Leslie, dressed as a student of the Latin Quarter, and Miss Muriel Rosenberg, a beautiful girl whose dancing was the poetry of movement. Later there was an exhibition of the Charleston by six girls in quaint white and red costumes wearing white woolly wigs and scarlet pill-box hats. Miss Joyce Gothberg was very dainty as the solo dancer in this figure.

A number of well known people came to the cabaret, including Dr. Friedman and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Solomon.

### PRESENTATION TO MR. I. B. RADAIZKY.

There was a pause during the dancing at the Guild Cabaret on Tuesday evening when Dr. Bernard Friedman, on behalf of the Committee, made a presentation to Mr. I. B. Radaizky, who has been associated with the Jewish Guild for so many years. He has given valuable service as hon treasurer. It will be remembered that Mr. Radaizky recently brought a bride from Oudtshoorn in the charming person of Miss B. Kaplan, and it was to mark this happy event, that the Guild Committee presented a handsome silver cigarette box, and the Tennis Section presented a unique liqueur set, cased in a shell of amber lustre and silver filagree. The accompanying address, which contained an appropriate inscription, was beautifully illuminated in dark blue and gold, by Mr. Fisher, a member of the clerical staff of the Guild, who has shown genuine talent for work of this description.

### JEWISH MINISTERS IN SOCIAL CONCLAVE.

Under the aegis of the Union of Talmud Torahs, there was an interesting gathering of the ministers of the various congregations of town and Reef, at the Hebrew High School on Sunday afternoon of last week.

The function proved a great success, and was characterised by Chief Cantor Pincasovich as a unique event in the history of the Johannesburg Jewish community. He added that the United Talmud Torahs Council was the first Jewish body to invite the ministers to take an active part in communal work. This was a step in the right direction and augured well for the future. Speeches were made by the Rev. B. I. Beckman (Yeoville), Rev. Lipschitz (Bertrams) and Rev. Kaplan (Jeppe).

The ministers present formed themselves into a committee with the Chief Rabbi, Dr. J. L. Landau, as honorary convenor, Rabbi Gordon (convenor) and Mr. Alfred Manne as secretary.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chairman of the Committee, Mr. B. P. Marks, and to the ladies, Misses Marks and Miss Hurwitz, who so kindly assisted and presided at the tea-table.

### THE MUSICAL REVELLERS.

The Musical Art Section of the Jewish Guild will present a concert party under the title of "The Musical Revellers" in the Assembly Hall of the Guild on the 11th, 12th and 19th of this month. The troupe includes many well-known local amateurs, and their entertainment will be produced by Mr. Harold Miller.

The programme ranges from jazz to grand opera, and includes several dances and burlesque sketches.

Members of the Guild and their friends will be well advised to keep these dates open, for "The Musical Revellers" intend to provide a very bright show.

### THE WOMEN'S ZIONIST LEAGUE.

Last week I gave some particulars of the work of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League, but this is likely to take on even more importance in the future if the decision is taken on Wednesday next, to accept the responsibility for Givat Hamereh, the children's colony in Palestine. For a long time past it has been the desire of the League to work directly for some special object in Palestine, and various institutions have been discussed.

The Women's International Zionist Organisation is doing good work in the Jewish Homeland, and the Johannesburg League has assisted this organisation in the past, but the time has come for South African Women Zionists to undertake some special work that particularly appeals to them, and do in a small way what the women of America and Canada are able to do in a big way with their Hadassah.

Givat Hamereh was founded by South African Jews, and up till the

present time it has been maintained by them. Now the funds in hand can only support the colony for another year. Durban sympathisers and others in Rhodesia have contributed largely to the maintenance of the colony, and it is hoped that they will continue to do so, but the upkeep of Givat Hamereh requires a considerable sum per annum, and it is hoped that South African women Zionists, working together throughout the Union, will be able to raise sufficient funds to maintain the colony. If there is any deficit, the South African Zionist Federation will probably make it good. This is the proposal to be discussed at the annual general meeting to be held at the Guild on Wednesday afternoon, 8th June.

Meanwhile, the League has started another branch at Benoni. Mrs. J. L. Landau (president), Mrs. A. Schlosberg (treasurer), and the vice-president, addressed a meeting there on Thursday afternoon. Nearly sixty ladies were present. Mrs. Segal was in the chair. After the visitors had addressed the gathering, a large committee was formed.

During the afternoon Mrs. Krantz, of Brakpan, sang delightfully, and Mrs. Cuchlick's pianoforte solos proved equally enjoyable.

### DR. BRAMSON'S VISIT.

During the past week there have been several private gatherings to afford Dr. Leon Bramson an opportunity to meet leading representatives of the Rand Jewish community. The Doctor has already made many friends by his charm of manner and unaffected interest in South African problems and conditions. He expects to remain in the Union several months, during which time South African Jewry will have ample opportunity to learn at first hand of the circumstances affecting their brethren in Eastern Europe. Dr. Bramson has devoted his life to the care of the unhappy survivors of the great war in the areas of where Jews suffered more than any other war victims, for they were often sacrificed to the insensate hate of their own countrymen, and suffered as much from the ravages of the army which recruited the mass they did from the attacks of the enemy.

### MR. BENZION SHEIN.

Many good wishes accompany Mr. Benzion Shein who will soon leave South Africa to take up the study of medicine overseas. Mr. Shein is a young man of brilliant promise with special gifts of oratory. For several years he has done notable work for the South African Zionist Federation as a travelling propagandist. There can be very few towns and villages in the Union which have not received a visit from Mr. Shein. He has acquired in the process an enormous circle of friends and well-wishers who will follow his career with interest and look forward to meeting him again.

On Sunday evening Mr. Shein lectured at the Communal Hall, Benoni, under the auspices of the United Hebrew Institutions of the Reef town. Mr. B. Segal (president) was in the chair. The subject of the lecture was "Jewish Ideals in Modern Hebrew Poetry."

Mr. A. J. Levy moved the vote of thanks to the lecturer, supported by Mr. N. Kirschner and Mr. C. Miller. They all testified to the general appreciation of Mr. Shein's personality and services to Judaism.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirschner entertained a large gathering to tea at their residence after the meeting.

### THE REV. S. STEINBERG.

The services at the Berea Synagogue (owned by the North Johannesburg Hebrew Congregation) will gain in musical interest through the appointment of the Rev. S. Steinberg as Chazan. Mr. Steinberg has been officiating at the Roeland Street Synagogue, Cape Town, for several years, but he is no stranger to Johannesburg for he was at one time the Chazan of the Orthodox Hebrew Congregation at Fox Street Synagogue.

Arrangements are being made for an improved choral service at the Berea Synagogue, and it is hoped that an increased membership will result from the appointment of Mr. Steinberg.

### NUTSHELL COMMENTS.

The synagogue services were well attended during Shevuoth. Interesting sermons were delivered by the Chief Rabbi, Dr. J. L. Landau, in Park Synagogue, and by the Rev. Beckman at Yeoville. Dust and wind wrought havoc with local gardens, but palms and greenery lent a festive air to synagogue interiors.

The Blue Ball organised by Zeire Zion, will take place in the Town Hall on Wednesday evening, and although fancy dress is optional many will compete for the handsome prizes offered. The decorations will be of an original character and there will be several exhibition dances. Edgar Adeler's "8" will play the dance music.

Two interesting weddings will take place next Sunday. Miss Joyce Rosen will be married to Mr. Maurice Segal at Yeoville Synagogue, and Miss Flora Manasewitz will wed Mr. Victor Gratus, the ceremony taking place in Park Synagogue, Wolmarans Street and the reception in the Selborne Hall.

Mrs. Max Guinsberg, a well-known communal worker, sailed for Europe with the Farmers' Delegation. Mr. and Mrs. Guinsberg own a fine farm in the Standerton district.

Mr. Hertz Grossbard, whose recitals in Johannesburg have been so successful, will give a recital at Benoni on Sunday evening next, and he will appear at the Jewish Memorial Hall, Pretoria, on the following Wednesday.

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