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CELEBRATED 20TH ANNIVERSARY.

On Monday, October 27th, the largest Jewish friendly society in South Africa—the Hebrew Order of David—celebrated the 20th anniversary of its establishment. On this occasion, the mother lodge of the Order—the Dr. Herzl Lodge—held a meeting at the Masonic Hall, Johannesburg, at which official visits were paid by delegations from lodges in all parts of the country, as well as by the Grand Lodge.

The chair was taken by Bro. S. Jossel. An appeal was made by Sir Harry Graumann for a building fund to establish a central meeting hall, and a sum of £700 was promised in donations. The Mayor of Johannesburg (Councillor M. J. Harris) congratulated the order on the splendid progress it was making.

MEAT FREE OF CHARGE.

The Witwatersrand Wholesale Butchers' Association have decided to provide the Jewish Orphanage, in Johannesburg, with meat free of charge. This is a munificent donation, as the monthly meat bill of the Orphanage amounts to on the average about £35 to £40. The Orphanage Committee are naturally very grateful for this splendid support on the part of the butchers of Johannesburg.

LECTURE BY ADV. DE SAXE.

On Tuesday afternoon, the members of the Women's Zionist League gathered in the Jewish Guild building to listen to a lecture delivered by Mr. Adv. De Saxe, on "Orthodoxy and Modern Zionism." Mrs. J. L. Landau presided.

THE THEATRE.

"THE CHINESE PUZZLE."

Mr. Leon M. Lion, who introduced himself to the South African play-going public on Monday evening, chose a fine dramatic vehicle in "The Chinese Puzzle," a play of which he is part author. In the chief character, Mr. Lion was able to give a representation of a weird Chinese diplomat. He did this in a manner which fascinated the audience throughout the evening, and his power of repression in acting was very finely demonstrated.

The chief actor was assisted by a charming leading lady in Miss Renee Kelly, who sympathetically rendered a part in the skin of which it must have been temperamentally difficult for her to have entered.

Mr. Lion has surrounded himself with adequate support in the rest of the company, and the decorations and production are of an order rarely seen in this country. "The Chinese Puzzle" intrigues and interests, and there can be no doubt that it will prove a great attraction at His Majesty's Theatre for some time to come.

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NEW MINISTER AT KROONSTAD.

Rev. J. Slomowitz has been appointed Minister of the Kroonstad Hebrew Congregation, and takes up his duties next week. He was formerly Minister successively of the Hebrew congregations of Pietermaritzburg, Boksburg North and Bertrams. Mr. Slomowitz has always taken an active part in Zionist work and rendered conspicuously good service towards the Young Israel movement. He is a prominent Freemason and is an authority on the Biblical and alchemical elements in Freemasonry, on which subjects he has written much. In Kroonstad he succeeds Rev. E. H. Matthews, who has gone to Krugersdorp and who was for many years a tower of strength to Kroonstad Zionism.

FOR THE JEWISH ORPHANAGE.

On Wednesday evening, November 12th, and Saturday evening, November 15th, at the Standard Theatre, variety entertainments will be given in aid of the Jewish Orphanage. The performers will be the orphans, and the programme will consist of two playlets in Yiddish, produced by Mr. A. Ovedorf, and an English play written by Carrie Rothkugel and produced by Pearl Adler, who will also be responsible for training the children in dancing. Mr. Cassarghi is the musical director, Mr. Lillie, the drill master, and Miss Jammy the accompanist throughout. Mrs. M. I. Isaacson has kindly undertaken the making of the children's dresses.

The South African Jewish Orphanage acknowledges, with thanks, the sum of £24 from Mr. A. Gundelfinger, of Pretoria, being half of a collection of £48, which was made from the first and second class Jewish passengers on the "Arundel Castle," which arrived in Capetown on September 29th, the collection being made on the eve of Rosh Hashona. The other half was donated to the Cape Jewish Orphanage.

THE NATHAN BEQUEST.

The Jewish Orphanage, in Johannesburg, has received £140 from the Estate of the late Albert Solomon Nathan of Pietermaritzburg. This amount of £140 will be paid every year to the Orphanage for fifty years, and represents an annuity of £100, and £40 to be devoted to the payment of two dowries of £20 each to two girl inmates of the institution.

HUGE BAZAAR.

The Orphanage Committee has decided to hold a huge bazaar early next year, the proceeds of which will be entirely devoted to the Orphanage, which institution is sadly in need of funds.

The formation of branch aid societies is proceeding apace. Some weeks ago, an aid society was formed in Parys, and now a branch has been established in Krugersdorp as the result of a public meeting held at the Communal Hall, which was addressed by Messrs. D. Getz and M. Rose.

A branch aid society has also been formed in Benoni. At a party held on the 15th ult. under the auspices of the Benoni branch, at the residence of Mrs. Kelmowitz, the sum of £52 11s. 6d. was realised for the orphans. An additional £43 was realised at the Benoni Synagogue for the same purpose. The Benoni branch is busy organising a concert and dance to be held on November 26th.

A branch aid society is also being formed in La Rochelle.

DR. LANDAU'S NEW DRAMA.

Dr. Landau's new drama, "Israel Be'sh't" has just been published in Vienna, and we hope shortly to be able to publish a review of this work. Copies of the book will be obtainable at the offices of the S.A. Zionist Federation.

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