

MR. MIEROWSKY RESIGNS FROM S.A. BOARD OF JEWISH EDUCATION

Notable Work for Hebrew Education

THE South African Board of Jewish Education regrets to announce that its Director, Mr. D. Mierowsky, will relinquish his post as from the 1st May.

Mr. Mierowsky, who, in 1928, at the invitation of the S.A. Zionist Federation and the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies, acted as Organiser of the first Education Conference in Bloemfontein, has been associated with the Board ever since its inception. For a period of several years he served as Organising-Secretary to the Board and in 1931 assumed the Directorship of the Board which office he has held ever since.

In the course of his term of office, Mr. Mierowsky travelled throughout the length and breadth of South Africa and paid many inspection visits not only to the large communities but also to a great number of the smaller communities. He has been responsible for the establishment of a number of new schools and Kindergartens as well as for the re-organisation of existing schools. By means of his numerous public addresses and conferences with committees and teachers he has created a deeper interest in matters of Jewish education. His various publications

such as history lessons, festival lessons, present day Jewish knowledge and Hebrew self taught have been of considerable help to teachers and students.

Steps have already been taken to secure from overseas the services of a leading Jewish educationalist to succeed Mr. Mierowsky. The Board is in communication with all the leading Jewish educational institutions in the world, and in making its choice will pay attention not only to scholarship, culture and erudition, but also to educational experience in western communities.

It is the intention of the Board to separate the offices of Inspector and Propagandist. The Propagandist will, in the future, not do any inspection work but confine himself exclusively to propaganda on behalf of Jewish education. The Director will in future spend much more time in travelling and will remain in each community for a much longer period than has been the vogue up till now, which will enable him not only to carry out inspections but also to give model lessons in the various subjects and offer general advice and guidance to teachers and communities.

During the next few months Mr. Mierowsky will continue to be in charge of the office during the mornings, and every effort will be made by the Board to give its affiliated bodies as much service as possible.

Official Opening of New School in Upington.—On May 12 Mr. Mierowsky will visit Upington for the purpose of opening the newly-erected local Hebrew school.

Hebrew Self Taught.—Lesson No. XIII. of this series has been issued and distributed a fortnight ago. Lesson No. XIV. is now being completed and will be issued in the course of next week.

History Lesson.—Lesson No. XXII. of the "Story of the Jewish People" has been issued and distributed.

Matriculation Syllabus.—The following is the Joint Matriculation Board's syllabus for 1938: The First Book of Kings; Joel and Amos (ed. Rabnitzky and Bialik); J. B. Levner: Bar Kochba (ed. Barkai, Warsaw); M. J. Levenson: The following poems: R. Jehudah Halevi, Hatefilah, El Hakechovim (vol. Levenson series Dor Dor v'Sofrov, Dvir, Palestine).

RETURN VISIT TO JOHANNESBURG



Miss Molly Picon

THE famous Jewish character actress, Miss Molly Picon, is paying a return visit to Johannesburg next week, when she will appear on Tuesday and Wednesday (May 4 and 5) at the Standard Theatre. This great little artist will give another recital after the style of her last concert in Johannesburg just before she went on a most successful tour of the Union.

During the last month she has visited the leading towns of South Africa and has been enthusiastically acclaimed in all of them. Audiences of all types and ages have come to see this great star of the American Yiddish Theatre who possesses the genius of being able to bring on to the stage a world of human beings, real as we ourselves are real, human and easily recognizable by all of us.

For her programme at the Standard Theatre next week, she has selected many songs and sketches which she has not yet performed before in Johannesburg, and these include "The Wedding Ceremony," "Temperamental Tilly," "All in a Lifetime," "The World is a Stage" and "An Open-air Idyll."

There can be no doubt that the Johannesburg Jewish public will again pack the Standard on the occasion of Molly Picon's recital.

COLOSSEUM THEATRE ATTRACTION.

"The Charge of the Light Brigade" continues to draw crowded audiences to the Colosseum Theatre. This film is outstanding for the magnificent acting of Errol Flynn and for the remarkable production of the battle scenes and the charge itself. After the run of this film, the Colosseum Theatre offers "Give Me Your Heart," starring the lovely Kay Francis. The story tells of an English society girl who tries to make a happy life for herself after having fallen in love with another woman's husband. Supporting Miss Francis are George Brent and Roland Young. The supporting programme is good.

Breyten

As a result of a very pleasant card afternoon given by Mr. and Mrs. H. Meyer, Zionist funds benefited to the goodly amount of £6 6s. The Zionist Society tenders its grateful appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Meyer for arranging this very successful and well-attended function.

City Jewish Ladies' Benevolent Society

The fifteenth annual general meeting of the above association took place at the H.O.D. Hall, de la Rue Street, on Wednesday, May 27, 1937, at 8.15 p.m.

According to the annual report £866 was paid out during the year for charitable purposes. The present report points out that the calls on the society for assistance were more than ever before and that at times difficulty was experienced by the society to meet the numerous demands. Every case, however, was thoroughly investigated, not one being refused assistance.

The report contains remarks of appreciation in reference to those who assisted the committee by the donation of tickets, collections, etc., and to the various merchants and members for their kind donations which made it possible for the society to continue its activities. The report is signed by the following executive members as well as by the members of the committee: Mrs. S. Lewenthal (chairlady); Mesdames K. Steiner, M. Miller (vice-chairladies); Mrs. Tobias (hon. treasurer); and Mrs. Tobias, Miss P. Bulk and Mrs. Lewenthal (hon. joint secretaries).

Obituary

Mr. Israel Plotz (Johannesburg)

The death has occurred of Israel Plotz, one of the best photographers and one of the two men in the cinema business in South Africa. The deceased came to Johannesburg before the South African War and since then has lived in various parts of the country. He was in Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban, but returned to Johannesburg 20 years ago to settle. Mr. Plotz was esteemed by a large circle of friends and was noted for his charitable and genial nature. He leaves a widow and three daughters: Mrs. Sidney H. Plotz, Mrs. Nathan Finn and Mrs. Ethel Plotz.

Mrs. Annetta Goldsmith (Johannesburg)

South Africa has lost another pioneer in the passing of Mrs. Annetta Goldsmith who died on Wednesday evening at the Norman Nurseries Home, Johannesburg.

The deceased, together with her husband, the late Mr. Isaac Goldsmith, arrived in South Africa in 1888. In 1910 the couple settled in Johannesburg where Mrs. Goldsmith has lived since. She was predeceased by her husband in 1916. Mrs. Goldsmith survived by her two daughters, Henrietta Weinbrenn and Mrs. F. Levenstein, also her son Mr. Adolph Goldsmith.

"THE GREAT BARRIER" AT THE PLAZA.

A picture full of thrilling and action is the current attraction at the Plaza Theatre. This is "The Great Barrier." In this story of the Canadian Pacific Railway, Richard Arden has the leading role and he is supported by a good cast including Lilli Palmer. The supporting programme is well up to standard and includes a news reel showing a fight between Max Baer and Tom Farr.

ALEXANDRA HOTEL, MUIZENBERG.

Situated right on the famous Muizenberg Beach. The Hotel entrance practically opens on the snow white sands.

Under the personal supervision of Mr. L. Neave, who has successfully managed the Hotel for almost 30 years.

MAURICE SAMUEL

TO ADDRESS

Youth Meeting



Subject:-

The Structure of the Homeland

Monday Evening, the 17th May, at the Coronation Hall.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

YOUTH - - 1/-

SENIORS - - 2/6

Tickets obtainable from Zionist Youth Executive, 30 Progress Buildings, Phone 22-6821. Also from Zionist Youth Societies and at the door.

CUTHBERTS FOR DANCING SHOES—Ladies and Gents