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A Welcome to Zionist Visitors

A RECEPTION IN CAPE TOWN.

A PLEASANT reception in honour of Zionist visitors to the Peninsula was held under the auspices of the Dorshei Zion and Bnoth Zion Associations on the 9th inst., at the Zionist Hall, Capetown.

In the course of an address of welcome to those present, the chairman, Mr. I. Ochberg, said that they had reason to be proud of the progress and development of Palestine in recent years. South African Jewry had done much for their cause. And those South African Jews who had settled in Palestine had also proved worthy of the name of this country.

After Miss Maggie Oblowitz, on behalf of the Bnoth Zion Association, extended a cordial welcome to the visitors, Mr. M. Alexander, K.C., M.P., made the presentation of Golden Book certificates to Miss M. Oblowitz (whose name was inscribed by the Bnoth Zion Association on the occasion of her visit to Palestine) and to Mr. and Mrs. S. Gesundheit and Dr. and Mrs. S. E. Kark, whose names were inscribed by the Dorshei Zion Association on the occasion of their silver weddings. In making the presentations, Mr. Alexander referred in glowing terms to the great services rendered to the national cause by the recipients. In the case of Dr. and Mrs. Kark, he stated that although they themselves had donated \$20 for the inscription of their names on the occasion of their silver wedding, the Dorshei Zion Association had seen fit to inscribe their names once again.

Miss M. Oblowitz, Mrs. Gesundheit (in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Gesundheit) and Dr. Kark suitably responded.

The next speaker was Mr. H. M. Bloch, who gave an interesting address on the present position of Zionism.

Mrs. B. Reinhold (chairman of the Women's Zionist League, of Johannesburg) in replying on behalf of the women visitors, spoke of the importance of women's work in the Zionist movement. Women, she said, did their work on a non-party basis and worked harmoniously together. She thanked those responsible for the cordial welcome.

Mr. M. Kentridge, on behalf of the men visitors, said it was a privilege to enjoy the hospitality of Capetown, which served as an example to other parts of the Union. He expressed his deep appreciation of the fine reception given to the visitors.

The following artists contributed to the programme: Mr. H. Uhlmann (pianoforte solo), Miss E. Richman, accompanied by Miss P. Linde (songs), Miss P. Linde (pianoforte solo), Mr. I. Lipschitz, accompanied by Mr. Sher (songs), and Mr. M. Natas (humorous reading).

Mrs. R. Movsovic proposed a vote of thanks to the artists.

"THERE'S ALWAYS TO-MORROW" AT THE PLAZA.

Binnie Barnes — who once toured South Africa in a vaudeville turn—is a newcomer to the screen and is the leading lady in the Plaza Theatre's attraction for this week—"There's Always To-Morrow." This is the story of an American business man, whose family seem unable to satisfy his love for domesticity. He, therefore, seeks it elsewhere and finds it with Binnie Barnes (as "Alice," his former secretary), who nobly steps out of the picture when she has straightened out the domestic troubles of her lover. There is a fine supporting programme at the Plaza Theatre this week.

"ALIBI AT J.B."

On Thursday evening a new play entitled "Alibi at J.B." was heard over the Johannesburg Broadcasting Station. It was from the pen of Mr. Percy Baneshik and proved to be a particularly good thriller in a novel setting.

Mr. Baneshik is a young Johannesburg writer and dramatist, who is well-known to broadcast listeners — especially among the children—who know him as "Uncle Percy." Some months ago Mr. Baneshik wrote a broadcast thriller entitled "Tall Story," and his work is developing and becoming more mature.

Yeoville Hebrew School

ADDITIONAL CLASS-ROOMS OPENED

ON Sunday afternoon last Mr. Sam Kruger officially opened the two recently built additional rooms in connection with the Yeoville Hebrew Schools. These were erected in order to meet the increased demand for school accommodation by the United Hebrew Schools. Mr. Kruger, who was deeply interested in Jewish education, was one of the principal donors of the building fund.

Mr. I. H. Lewsen, president of the United Hebrew Congregation, presented Mr. Kruger with a silver key, suitably inscribed, in honour of the occasion.

Chief Rabbi Dr. J. L. Landau gave an inspiring address on the importance of the occasion and the urgent need for co-operation in the education of Jewish children in Johannesburg.

Mr. Louis Spitz, chairman of the Synagogue Council, presided over the function and also over the reception which followed the ceremony, and at which further felicitous speeches were delivered.

Chief Cantor Alter and the Park Synagogue choir rendered suitable musical items which were much appreciated.

Johannesburg Women's Zionist League

LECTURE BY MR. I. GOSS.

On Tuesday afternoon, the 28th inst., at 3 p.m., a meeting of the Literary Section of Johannesburg Women's Zionist League will be held at the Langham Hotel. The lecturer for the occasion will be Mr. I. Goss, whose subject will be "The Jews of the 17th Century." Mrs. R. L. Frankel will read news items and current Zionist events. All ladies are cordially invited.

Don Cossack Choir

Booking is now open in Johannesburg for the season of the Don Cossack Choir, who will make their bow at His Majesty's Theatre, on Monday, February 3.

This band of Russian singers will come fresh from their triumphs in Capetown, where their distinctive chorus work and whirlwind dancing made a deep impression.

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