

Johannesburg Women's Zionist League

Annual general meeting of the Johannesburg branch took place on Tuesday afternoon, March 22, at the residence of Mrs. Ethel Hayman. There was an attendance of about 35 ladies.

Mrs. Anna Franks, who was in the chair, gave a very satisfactory report on the year's work. Mrs. S. Katzenbach, Mrs. B. Reinhold spoke on the subject of their words of praise and appreciation were much appreciated.

The following were elected to the committee for the ensuing year: Hon. life chairman, Mrs. S. Bloom; chairman, Mrs. A. Friedgut; vice-chairman, Mrs. G. Horwitz; hon. treasurer, Mrs. A. Smits; hon. secretary, Mrs. J. Whiteson; hon. assistant secretary, Mrs. W. M. Beder. Committee: Mesdames S. Benson, M. Black, W. Carel, M. Green, J. Kruger, M. I. Lipkin, S. W. Owens, I. Radus, B. Sachs, D. Saldsman, J. Schmidt, and H. L. Zinn.

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Johannesburg Jewish Reform Congregation.

COVER SERVICES

WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 15th, at 6.15.

THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 16th at 11 o'clock,

at Temple Israel, cor. Paul Nel and Clarendon Streets, off Clarendon Circle. All are Welcome.

FOURTH ANNUAL CONGREGATION SEDER

"SILVER HALL" of the Temple Israel, GEORGETTE,

on THURSDAY, 16th APRIL, at 7.30 p.m.

All are Welcome.

Reservations can be obtained from the Offices, 'Phone 44-2087.

Among those present were Mrs. B. Reinhold, Mrs. A. P. Cohen, and Mrs. Chaskelson. Mrs. Reinhold addressed the meeting which was much appreciated.

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United Hebrew Congregation of Johannesburg

A very successful Purim Celebration in the form of a Juvenile Fancy Dress Party, was held at the Yeoville Synagogue School Hall, on Saturday, the 19th ult. The hall was gaily decorated and a festive atmosphere prevailed.

There were about 250 children present, among whom about 100 were in fancy dress. The judges, Mesdames A. T. Shrock and A. Sive, had a difficult task in judging, as there were so many beautiful, original and amusing costumes. Mrs. G. Sieradzki presented the prizes.

The Misses Emily Dennis, Hazel Cranko, and little Audrey Sand delighted the audience with exhibition dancing.

Dr. A. T. Shrock, in a talk to the young people, stressed the significance of Purim, after which community singing in Hebrew and English took place to the accompaniment of Charles Smith's orchestra.

Mr. L. Slutzkin acted as M.C. The Yeoville Synagogue Ladies' Committee are to be congratulated on the success of this function.

S.A. ZIONIST YOUTH COUNCIL

Central Hebrew Classes

Acting in consultation with, and upon the instruction of the South African Zionist Federation, the S.A. Zionist Youth Council has decided to establish Central Hebrew Classes for Johannesburg at the Coronation Hall under the direction of competent teachers. The classes will be conducted under the auspices of the Transvaal Zionist Youth Executive as the local representatives of the Council.

The conditions under which the classes will be conducted are as follows:

- (1) All participants must be members of a recognised Zionist Youth or other Zionist Society or Organisation.
- (2) The following fees are payable by participants: (a) Zionist Youth and Habonim, 2s. 6d. per month; (b) Other Zionist bodies, 5s. per month.

All those interested may obtain application forms from any of the following:

The Organiser: Secretary, S.A. Zionist Youth Council, P.O. Box 18, Johannesburg. 'Phone 22-1351; The Secretary, Transvaal Zionist Youth Executive, Coronation Hall, cor. Plein and Claim Streets, Johannesburg. 'Phone 22-6821; The Secretary of the Women's Zionist League, P.O. Box 1428, or The Secretary, Habonim, 26 Progress Buildings, or the Secretary of any Zionist Youth Society.

DELIGHTFUL MUSICALE AT PLAZA.

Lovely singing, attractive costumes, and a delightful story all go to the making of "Music for Madame" showing at the Plaza this week. Nino Martini, who is undoubtedly one of the greatest tenors since Caruso, is responsible for some brilliant singing, and Joan Fontane, who takes the feminine lead, proves that she can act as well as she can sing.

An attractive feature of the programme is the performance of Lilian Warner, the American Blues Singer.

MERRY SHOW AT METRO.

Judy Garland, who achieved much fame as the little singing star of "Broadway Melody of 1938," makes a welcome re-appearance in the lively, musical and mirth-provoking show, "Everybody Sings," now being featured at the Metro. Billie Burke and Reginald Owen have leading roles, while Allan Jones and Fanny Brice, who also appear in this all-star cast, add to the attractions of the picture.

A brilliant Pete Smith short, entitled "The Romance of Radium," forms part of an excellent supporting programme.

BRIGHT FEATURE AT COLOSSEUM.

Irene Dunne acquits herself most creditably in "High, Wide and Handsome," the picture now being shown at the Colosseum. Randolph Scott plays opposite her, and the two make the most of the many opportunities which this film offers them. Scenes of a lavish splendour, glorious singing, and a thrilling and adventurous plot, make this show one of the best of its kind. The supporting programme is good, and altogether the film-goer gets full entertainment value for his evening at the Colosseum.

"THE FORUM"

New South African Weekly

"THE FORUM" is a most welcome addition to South African journalism. The ideals for which the paper stands must be shared by all who look forward to a united and undivided South Africa in which all sections of the population will have their place and function. In the language of its editorial, "To-day South Africa teems with heterogeneous elements and unsolved complexities, but it is our faith that devotion to South Africa undivided, with due recognition of the individuality of the parts, and with a readiness to work for the forging of the links, will at long last reward the faithful."

Notable, too, is the sane attitude which the paper takes up towards the racialism of to-day. Dealing with this subject, the editorial says:

"There has seldom been a time when the human intellect has so disgraced itself as the present, when the crudest racial generalisations are swallowed wholesale by apparently intelligent people."

The paper will aim at being objective and detached from party strife and controversy. It will also seek to present a weekly survey of South African and world events, which will be a "real review, giving balanced values to undistorted factual news."

The first issue is a most comprehensive one, and raises high hopes of what may be expected from this publication in the future.

Johannesburg Jewish Reform Congregation

On the occasion of the World Youth Day, organised by the World Union for Progressive Judaism, a special Youth Day Service will be held at Temple Israel, on the 8th April, at the usual Friday evening service. At the conclusion of the service an Oneg Shabbat will be held in the Hasmoneans room. All young members of the community are cordially invited.

The second annual Children's Seder will be held at the Temple after the Sabbath Morning Service at 11 o'clock, on the 9th April, 1938. All children are invited to attend.

The lectures by Rabbi M. C. Weiler, to the women of the Sisterhood of Temple Israel and their friends, will be held every alternate Tuesday morning at 10.30 a.m., until the 1st June, 1938, (inclusive) in the Sisterhood Reception Room. All interested should telephone Mrs. L. Gottlieb, No.: 41-1098.

Sylvia Mathey Studios Entertainment

"Lady Badoura" was the main feature of an entertainment at the Library Theatre last Wednesday night, when the pupils of Sylvia Mathey Studios delighted a fair audience with music and dancing. The other items on the programme proved to be equally enjoyable.

The fantasy, a tale from the "Thousand and One Nights," was produced in a most original manner. The dancing and the music was well handled by Mrs. C. O. A. Duggan and Miss Marie Petersen. The cast and producer are to be congratulated, and it is pleasing to note that the Central Fund of the Speech Training section of the S.A.S.M.T., in whose aid this entertainment was held, is to benefit.

CUTHBERTS FOR DANCING SHOES—Ladies and Gents