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RABBI J. L. ZLOTNIK

To Visit Kroonstad

Rabbi J. L. Zlotnik, Director of the S.A. Board of Jewish Education, will visit Kroonstad on Sunday, 11th August. During the course of his visit Rabbi Zlotnik will address a meeting of the local Zionist Society.

**ISADOR EPSTEIN TO
BROADCAST**

A Series of Modern Works

Mr. Isidor Epstein, the distinguished piano virtuoso, commences on Sunday next, the 11th inst., at 5.45 p.m., a series of broadcasts of modern works from the Johannesburg Broadcasting Station. Some of the works will have their first performance in this country.

Mr. Epstein has purposely chosen compositions not in the ultra-modern style, but rather of a lighter texture and which will be easier to follow at a first hearing. The remainder of the series takes place on the 18th and 25th August.

**MR. GERALD CASSEN TO
BROADCAST**

The famous South African bass, Mr. Gerald Cassen, has arranged to give some broadcast recitals from the Johannesburg radio. He will sing several well-known operatic arias with orchestral accompaniment. The first recital took place on Monday evening when the gifted singer rendered a series of Russian songs. The next recital is due to take place on August 28, on the "A" programme.

"THE RAINS CAME"

**Continued Attraction at 20th
Century Theatre**

Rarely is a famous book, which has been read and enjoyed by millions, been transferred to the screen with such devoted fidelity, such unsparing care and cost as "The Rains Came." For realism's sake, 20th Century-Fox sent a sound crew all the way to the province of Baroda, India, to record native songs and dances for this production. It is the first time that a film studio has sent a sound crew as great a distance for this purpose. All the colour and pageantry of India is therefore realistic and beautiful.

Myrna Loy acts superbly while Tyrone Power and George Brent give splendid account of themselves. Darryl F. Zanuck's sensational new discovery, Brenda Joyce, is an attraction to a memorable film.

Social and

WEDDING IN CLAREMONT

Singer—Jaffe

The marriage of Anne, youngest daughter of Mr. Michael and the late Mrs. Singer, of Petach-Tikvah, Palestine, late of Retavos, Lithuania, and the youngest son of the Rev. M. and Mrs. Jaffe, of Saldanha Bay, was held on Sunday morning last, at the Claremont Synagogue. Rabbi A. R. Abrahamson officiated.

The bridesmaids were Miss Ada Abrahamson and Miss M. London and the pole-holders were Messrs. Sacks, Mr. Jaffe, B. Sank and M. Sank. The duties of best man were carried out by J. Yankelowitz.

A luncheon was afterwards given at the Haifa restaurant, Capetown. Rabbi Abrahamson proposed the toast of the bride and bridegroom, to which the bridegroom responded, and the toast of the parents and unterfuhrers was proposed by Mr. Steve Levin, of Vredenberg. The toast of Mr. and Mrs. Singer, brother and sister-in-law of the bride, was proposed by Mr. R. Newstead, and the toast of the guests was proposed by Mr. Maisel. Rabbi A. R. Abrahamson presided at the Sheva-Broches which were held later.

The engagement is announced between Sylvia, youngest daughter of Mrs. A. Rosenberg and the late Mr. M. Rosenberg, and Reg, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hofmann. Both of Johannesburg.

The engagement is announced of Ruth, youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. Isaac Lyons, of Parkwood, Johannesburg, to Charles, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Miller, of Vrededorf, O.F.S.

Mrs. L. Greenberg to Speak

Mrs. L. Greenberg will be the speaker at the annual general meeting of the Pretoria Women's Zionist League, to be held in the Memorial Hall, Pretoria, at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21.

Doornfontein Women's Mizrahi

An Oneg Shabbas was held by the above organisation at the residence of Mrs. Goldsmith, Charlton Terrace, Doornfontein. About sixty ladies attended.

Mrs. Shapiro, in opening the function, introduced the speaker, Mr. E. A. Bakst, who delivered a striking address on Shabbas. Miss E. Biderman spoke on the practical ideas of the Young Mizrahi: Miss Biderman, Mr. Fogelman and Bros. Goldsmith delighted the audience with Hebrew and Jewish songs. The Oneg Shabbas concluded after Mrs. Sokolowski had proposed a vote of thanks to the speakers, the singers and the hostess.

The Rev. Dr. A. T. Shrock has returned to Johannesburg from a visit to the Cape.

The marriage of Sybil, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Myer Stein, of Witbank, and Dr. Harry Solomon Shak, of Sabie, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. I. Shakinovsky, of Naauwpoort, C.P., will take place at the Witbank Synagogue on Sunday, 18th August, at 12 noon. No cards.

The engagement is announced of Thelma (Dovee), only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Faivelsohn, to Charles, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Sherman, both of Johannesburg.

The engagement is announced of Madge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Kaplan, formerly of Durban, to Ivan, of the 1st (Vol.) I.L.H., youngest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. E. Klein, of Johannesburg.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Gottlieb, of Klerksdorp, on the birth of a son, on July 31.

The engagement has been announced between Dolly, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Alperstein, of Kingwilliamstown, to Leo, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Kossowsky, of Johannesburg (formerly of East London).

The engagement has been announced between Golda, daughter of Mrs. and the late Rev. Isakov, and Werner, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Gruebel. Both of Johannesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Broomberg (nee Fay Golub), are being congratulated on the birth of a son, on July 28.

The engagement has been announced of Doreen, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Kangisser, to Morry, only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Bernitz. Both of Randfontein.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Cohen (nee Anne Romoff), of Vereeniging, are being congratulated on the birth of a son, on July 31.

The engagement is announced of Myra, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Revinson, of Capetown, to David, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lipshitz, of Muller Street, Yeoville.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Etkind (nee Fanny Sieff), of Carnock Court, on the birth of a daughter, on July 28.

The engagement is announced between Bessie Simon, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Simon, of Randfontein, to Archie Kaplan, only son of Mr. D. Kaplan and Mrs. L. Kaplan, of Port Elizabeth.

The marriage of Asne, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Katzen, of Francis Street, Observatory, to Herbert, only son of Mrs. H. Nathan and the late Mr. P. G. Nathan, will take place at the Yeoville Synagogue, on Wednesday, August 14, at 4.30 p.m.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ginsberg, of Read Avenue, Pretoria, on the birth of a son, on July 30.

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Personal

Conversazione in Capetown

"Hitler's Predecessor" was the subject of an interesting talk given by Dr. Felix Gross at the fortnightly Zionist conversazione held at the Zionist Hall, Capetown, on Tuesday evening, 30th July.

Dr. Gross pointed out that the Nazi movement of to-day was the natural heir of the violent anti-Semitic movement which swept Germany during the second half of the 19th century. Then as now anti-Semitism was used as a tool in the struggle between reactionary and liberal forces. Men like Adolf Stoecker, Professor Trietschke, Count Waldersee and Wilhelm Marr had only paved the way for modern Hitlerism which was utilising anti-Semitism as a forward column for the Nazi attempt at dominating the world.

Dr. S. E. Kark was in the chair and Miss R. Rabinowitz rendered a piano-forte solo.

Hashomer Hatzair Activities

On Friday, 26th July, a successful Herzl-Bialik meeting was held at the Maon. The programme included songs, recitations and readings from the works of the two great leaders.

The third issue of "Lanoar" made its appearance this week. It contains articles on Bialik, the work of the movement in Poland, Halutzith in war time, etc.

In connection with the fifth anniversary of the movement in South Africa, the month of September has been declared a "Chodesh-Hayovel" (Anniversary Month), during which the organisational and educational structure of the movement will be strengthened. A public meeting will be held at the Coronation Hall, at which there will be an exhibition of the work of Hashomer-Hatzair. Further details will be published later.

At the beginning of September the Hachsharah centre of the Hashomer Hatzair and the S.A. Hechalutz will be officially opened. The S.A. Zionist Youth Council is taking an active part in the establishment of this centre, which will be on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Ginsburg, Ascent, O.F.S. The first group to leave will consist of six chaverim, and by the end of this year it is hoped to have about twelve chaverim on the farm.

Thaba 'Nchu

Mr. E. Dreyer, chairman of the local branch of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, has forwarded to that institution the sum of £1 14s. 6d., being subscription collections from local members.

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A Social at Cradock

A social was held at the residence of Mrs. B. Kahn on Sunday evening, 21st July. There was a good attendance of members of the Zionist Society, who thoroughly enjoyed the evening. A cake baked by the hostess was donated as a prize in a competition, the proceeds of which helped to increase the funds. A substantial sum was raised for funds, while the card tables made a goodly sum for the J.N.F. boxes.

UNIQUE MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

The Novachord Heard in

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The first public performance in South Africa on a most versatile musical instrument took place on Thursday morning last during the showing of the film, "The Rains Came." The performer was Dean Herrick and the instrument the Novachord—an invention by Laurens Hammond, brought to this country by the well-known music house of Messrs. Polliacks and Mackays, who will be the sole agents for this instrument in the Union.

The new instrument resembles somewhat a spinet piano with a keyboard of the traditional type; otherwise it is very much different from any other musical instrument in existence. It possesses no strings, hammers, reels or pipes, yet solely by the means of thermionic valves it has a number of really delightful tone qualities, reminiscent of a whole range of musical instruments.

Mr. Herrick was able to demonstrate the ease of handling this new instrument. As a matter of fact, the Novachord can be mastered in a few moments by anyone who has a knowledge of piano playing. At present there are only two Novachords in South Africa, one in Johannesburg and the other in Cape Town, but it is likely that many more of these instruments will be needed in this country very shortly.

"Dr. Syn" at the Standard

George Arliss, well remembered for his fine portrayal of the role of Benjamin Disraeli and other famous characters, is now featured in "Dr. Syn," the film attraction at the Standard Theatre this week. In this particular film, however, George Arliss has a rather different role, that of a dual personality, who is a preacher by day and the head of a band of smugglers at night, who by their activities baffle the revenue office in England. Supporting features consisting of news, shorts and cartoons complete the programme at the Theatre this week.

Around the Cinemas and Theatres

"Florian" at the Metro

"Florian," the feature attraction at the Metro Theatre this week, is based on Felix Salten's novel, and the film combines spectacle, drama, romance and comedy. It is both unusual and absorbing in theme, and holds the attention of the audience from beginning to end. A new starring team is introduced in the persons of Robert Young, last seen in "Northwest Passage," and Helen Gilbert, while the supporting cast includes such names as Lee Bowman, Reginald Owen, Lucille Watson, and the famous Ballerina Irina Baranova. The preliminary part of the programme includes topical South African and overseas news reels, interesting shorts and a musical interlude on the Wurlitzer by Tommy MacLennan.

"The Saint's Double Trouble" at the Plaza

The Plaza Theatre this week will present "The Saint's Double Trouble" depicting the latest "Saint" adventures with George Sanders in the role of Simon Templar. This is yet another of R.K.O.'s excellent productions, and the picture has a lot to recommend it, for it is full of drama, humour and adventure. With the supporting programme devoted to the screening of the latest war news, entertaining shorts and a musical interlude, Plaza patrons will be able to spend an enjoyable evening at the Theatre this week.

"It's a Date" at the Colosseum

In "It's a Date," Deanna Durbin, who first made her debut in 1936 in "Three Smart Girls," now emerges as a young lady in which she plays opposite two romantic stars—Lewis Howard and Walter Pidgeon. Kay Francis plays the role of her actress mother. In this picture, Deanna Durbin once again scores a success as a fine actress, and her delightful voice is a treat in itself. Packed with humorous incidents, the film is a riot of mirth from beginning to end, and provides thoroughly good entertainment for young and old. Others in the cast include Eugene Palette, Samuel S. Hinds, Fritz Field, S. Z. Sakall, Henry Stephenson, and Harry Owens and his Royal Hawaiians. In the supporting programme Charles Manning and his orchestra entertain in their usual inimitable way, and some interesting news reels and shorts are featured on the screen.

"U-Boat 29" at the Empire

Columbia's sensational picture "U-Boat 29," showing at the Empire Theatre again this week, brings to the screen a wartime story of the struggle between German and British agents. The two British agents are played by Sebastian Shaw and Valerie Hobson, and the role of the spy is taken by Conrad Veidt. The film depicts the actions of two loyal agents as they work to prevent the torpedoing of a squadron. The rest of the programme is devoted to the screening of the latest overseas news, some interesting shorts and a musical interlude.

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