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#### **NEW PRODUCTION BY** REPERTORY PLAYERS

#### "The Late Christopher Bean"

A rollicking comedy, dealing with domestic life in a small town and the effects upon it that the prospect of wealth can have, is to be the next production by the Johannesburg Repertory Players.

This play, "The Late Christopher Bean," translated from the French by Emlyn Williams, and so adapted that it is a perfect picture of family life anywhere, will be presented at the Standard Theatre from Friday, April 10, till Saturday April 18. Miss Muriel Alexander is the producer, and her cast consists of an outstanding number of experienced and talented players.

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#### RECEPTION TO MISS LEONTINE SAGAN

Mr. and Mrs. Israel Kuper entertained a large party at their home yesterday evening to meet Miss Leontine Sagan prior to her production of the great Russian drama, "The Lower Depths" by Maxim Gorki, at the Library Theatre from Thursday, April 9, for two weeks.

The production, which is being sponsored by the Unity Theatre Group, will benefit the Alexandra Crinic and the Springbok League.

#### GOLDEN WEDDING AT TWEESPRUIT

On the occasion of their Golden Wedding, the names of Mr. and Mrs. A. Shevel, of Tweespruit, have been inscribed in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund by their daughter, son-in-law, sons and daughters-in-law. Mr. and Mrs. M. Miller have bought trees in the name of Mr. and Mrs. Shevel on this occasion and in addition the fine amount of £3 was collected.

#### A CHARITY PRE-VIEW

A particularly attractive film pre-A particularly attractive film preview for two excellent causes—the Home Comforts Fund and the Medical Aid for Russia Fund—will take place in the Twentieth Century Theatre on Wednesday, April 22, when the latest Carmen Miranda hit, "Week-End in Havana," will be shown for the first time in Johannesburg. This will be preceded by an original stage show, "American Vaudeville," for which the proscenium at the Twentieth Century is being specially rebuilt.



## Social and

The marriage of Luba, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ch. Friedstein, to Simon, youngest son of Mr. Bilchick and the late Mrs. Bilchick, will take place at the Benoni Park Synagogue on 29th March, at 5 p.m.

Mark Lionel, son of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Greenberg, of New Hanover, Natal, will read a portion of the Law in the Pine Street Synagogue, Pie-termaritzburg, on Saturday, March 28th

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Garsh (nee Sarah Klein), of Kimberley, on the birth of a bonny daughter on the 19th March at the Kimberley Hospi-tal. Mrs. Garsh has for a number of years been Assistant Secretary of the Griqualand West Ezrath Zion Asso-ciation

The engagement has been announced in Port Elizabeth of Fay, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Gillis, of Petrusville, Cape, to Dr. Abe M. Kawalsky, only son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Kawalsky, of Colesberg.

Captain and Mrs. J. S. Taback (nee Belle Jacobson) are being congratu-lated on the birth of a daughter at the Moedersbond, Pretoria.

The engagement is announced Zena, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Shapiro, of Houghton, Johannesburg, to S/Sgt. Reuben Gar (T.S.C.) eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. H. Gar, of Johannesburg, formerly of Bloemfontein.

Dennis Michael, son of Dr. and Mrs. B. Krikler, of Miuzenberg, will read a portion of the Law and Maftir at the Muizenberg Synagogue, on Saturday, March 28.

The marriage of Thelma Cohen, of East London, to Morris Ossin of Benoni, will take place at the Synagogue, East London, on Sunday, March 29.

The engagement is announced of Nina, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Seeff, and Bennie, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Kaplan. Both of Johannesburg.

#### PORT ELIZABETH WOMEN'S ZIONIST LEAGUE

#### Mrs. S. Weinronk's Fine Work

AT the 19th annual meeting of the A T the 19th annual meeting of the Port Elizabeth Women's Zionist League held at the Emanuel Hall on the 17th March, Mrs. S. Weinronk, the retiring president, paid warm tribute to the Executive Committee, whose devotion had made the previous year an outstanding success. Although the League had undertaken to double the annual J.N.F. quota from £500 to £1,000, this amount had been exceeded by £240. Mrs. Weinronk urged those present to redouble their efforts for the upbuilding of Palestine. Palestine.

Mrs. Tarlie, the hon. treasurer, stated that the League had participated in many activities, including the War Fund and the United War Appeal. In proposing the vote of thanks to Mrs. Weinronk, Mrs. Tarlie paid glowing tribute to her unflinching devotion.

Mrs. L. Dubb was unanimously elected president. In an inspiring speech, she exhorted those present to make Zionism a real, urgent and spiritual part of their lives.

On the recommendation that the On the recommendation that the retiring president automatically becomes additional vice-president, Mrs. S. Weinronk was elected to act in this capacity with Mrs. Bergman. Others elected were: Mrs. Tarlie, hon. treasurer; Mrs. A. C. Rummell, hon. secretary; Mrs. S. Matheson, J.N.F. Commissioner; and Mrs. H. Katz, K.H. Commissioner.

The following committee was elected: Mesdames H. Bernstein, Bach, Edelson, J. Goldman, Ross, Abel, Butlion, R. Miller, N. E. Rosenberg, S. Topic, S. Lurie, Scheffer, L. Goldman, M. Levin, Sacke, Lovius, H. Rubin, A. Stein, Heideman, M. Rummell, M. Katz, S. N. Kaplan and Miss Levin.

During the tea interval, Miss Rita, Slobbedman, of Cradock, sang.

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## Personal

#### A MUSICAL EVENING THIS SUNDAY NIGHT

#### At Home of Mrs. W. Senior

Among the artists who will contribute to the programme being presented at the "Musical Evening" at Mrs. W. Senior's residence on Sunday, 29th March, is Miss Jean Gluckmann, the well-known singer. Through an error her name was omitted from the list of artists published last week, that of Mrs. Lena Morrison's having been given instead. The other artists who have kindly consented to appear are Bruno Raikin, Taubie Kushlick and Rev. S. Backon.

The concert is in aid of the Jewish National Fund, and is being arranged by the Saxonwold Branch of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist

#### Songs of Jewish Interest

A programme of songs of Jewish interest will be presented by Mrs. Fanny Hilson from the Durban Studio of the South African Broadcasting Corporation on Monday, 30th March, at 7 p.m. The programme will include several Palestinian folk

#### DR. L. F. FREED

Dr. Louis Franklin Freed has been awarded the Degree of D.Phil. by the University of Pretoria for a thesis entitled: "The Problem of Prostitution in Johannesburg: A Sociological Survey." Dr. Freed, who was also awarded the status of M.A. in sociology last year, was recently elected a Member of the Royal Society of South Africa, and a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society in London.

Dr. Freed's thesis is to be pub-

Dr. Freed's thesis is to be published in America this year. He is a well-known communal worker and is a son of Mr. N. Freed, and the late Mrs. Hannah C. Freed, of Johannesburg.

On Saturday, 14th March, Elie, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Schochet, of Parys, read a portion of the Law in the local synagogue. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Schochet entertained the members of the congregation and many other visitors. Mr. S. Marcus was in the chair and the speakers included the Rev. Fisher, Mr. L. Loon and Mr. S. Miller. The Barmitzvah delivered a fine address, and Mr. Schochet responded.

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#### Around the Cinemas

#### "Bitter Sweet" at Metro

A record success is being scored by "Bitter Sweet" at the Metro Theatre. Owing to the enormous patronage given by film-goers to the latest Jeanette Macdonald-Nelson Eddy film, it is entering its third week.

The delightful music and words of Noel Coward's operetta is giving great pleasure and the singing and acting of the leading artists has never been seen to better advantage, nor have they been seen in a more picturesque setting.

#### "Miracle on Main Street" at Plaza

Marking the triumphant stardom of Margo, "The Miracle on Main Street" is pleasing audiences at the Plaza theatre. This is a stirring tale of love and regeneration set in the picturesque Mexican quarter of Los Angeles. The Plaza programme this week includes another presentation of "Movie Quiz." This is a popular attraction conducted by the well-known radio personality, Pat Sprake.

#### "Alice in Wonderland" at Standard

Great interest is being shown in the return season of the charming child fantasy, "Alice in Wonderland," which commences at the Standard Theatre at the matinee performance on Saturday, March 28. Other special matinees will take place on Wednesday, April 1, Good Friday, April 3, Saturday, April 4, and Easter Monday, April 6. The season finishes at the evening performance on Easter Monday.

#### "Pimpernel Smith" at Curzon

That superb actor, Leslie Howard, is seen in "Pimpernel Smith" at the Curzon theatre this week. The film has had a record breaking success at all the theatres at which it has been shown and there is no reason why it should not repeat this great success during its run at the Curzon. Daily matinees besides the evening performances are offered here.

#### "Dangerous Moonlight" at Colosseum

Presenting Anton Walbrook in the most distinguished role of his career and offering a grand combination of and offering a grand combination of fragrant romance, scintillating musi-ca, and vivid aerial thrills, "Danger-ous Moonlight," R.K.O. Radio's great new British feature is the attraction at the Colosseum Theatre.

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serve his country, is the structure upon which has been erected a powerful emotional drama. In the story is woven scenes of the vicious Nazi air attack in Warsaw and many of the exciting air sequences to the film were made with the co-operation of the Royal Air Force.

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