

# Personal

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK

### BENONI

#### Annual Meeting of Women Zionists.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the Benoni Women's Zionist League will take place on Tuesday, 30th June, at 3 p.m., at the Hebrew Hall, Bunyan Street. A collection of garments intended for Wizo institutions will be exhibited in the hall. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

#### Zionist Socialists Holding First Annual Meeting.

The first annual meeting of the Benoni Zionist Socialist Party will take place on 30th June, at 8.30 p.m., at the residence of Mrs. H. Phillips, 128 Woburn Avenue. A member of the Executive of the Party will be present. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

### GERMISTON

#### Herzl-Bialik Service.

Rev. Dr. A. Lichtigfeld will conduct a service and deliver a sermon on the significance of the Herzl-Bialik commemoration, on Friday, 3rd July, at 4.45 p.m., at the Rand Airport.

### JOHANNESBURG

#### Concert at Berea Hebrew School.

On Tuesday, the 30th inst., at 8 p.m., the pupils of the above school, which is conducted by the Berea Hebrew Congregation, will give a concert in the School Hall in Doris Street, Berea. Parents are cordially invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

#### Abraham Katz Memorial Meeting.

Under the auspices of the S.A. Young Mizrachi Organisation, a Memorial Meeting for the late Abraham Katz will be held at the Coronation Hall on Sunday, 28th inst., at 8.15 p.m.

Rabbi M. Kossowsky will address the gathering and Cantor Rudy will intone the Haskarah.

### JOHANNESBURG (continued)

#### Herzl-Bialik Mass Meeting on 5th July.

"Herzl and Bialik in the Crisis of To-day" will be the subject of a mass meeting to be held at the Clarendon Theatre on Sunday, 5th July, at 8.15 p.m. The speakers will be Dr. Alexander Goldstein and Mr. L. A. Pincus, and the chair will be taken by Mr. M. Kentridge, M.P.

The meeting is being held under the auspices of the combined Zionist Societies of Johannesburg. Seats may be reserved at the price of 1s. (unreserved free) at the 20th Century Theatre throughout the coming week, and at the Clarendon Theatre all day on Sunday, 5th July.

#### Mrs. Lily Tobias To Speak.

On Tuesday, 30th June, Mrs. Tobias will speak to members of the Yeoville Branch of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League, at a function to be held at 3 p.m. at the home of Mrs. H. Berman, 51 Grafton Road, Yeoville. All interested are welcome.

#### A Peretz Smolenskin Evening.

On the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the birth of the famous writer, Peretz Smolenskin, a literary evening has been arranged by the Histadruth Ivrit to take place on Sunday, the 28th inst., at 8.15 p.m., in the Coronation Hall.

Messrs. W. Rybko and Adv. Kagan will speak on the life and literary works of the above writer. Musical items and recitations will be rendered.

The Hebrew public is cordially invited to attend.

### KRUGERSDORP

#### Herzl-Bialik Memorial Service.

Under the auspices of the re-organised Krugersdorp Zionist Society, a Herzl-Bialik Memorial Service will be held in the Krugersdorp Synagogue on Sunday, 5th July, at 7.45 p.m.

Cantor S. Mandel, of Benoni, will intone the Haskarah and conduct the Maarev Service. The speakers will be Rabbi A. M. Gervis, of Johannesburg, and Rabbi L. Wolk, the Minister of the Krugersdorp Hebrew Congregation.

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## Around the Cinemas

### Comedy at Empire

"Jeannie," the charming story of a Scots lassie who spends a legacy of £200 in a brief life of gaiety in Vienna, is an entertaining British comedy film now showing at the Empire. Love and laughter, gorgeous gowns, and the light-hearted spirit of Vienna in the good old days, play their part in making this delightful picture one which should appeal to young and old alike. Barbara Mullen plays the ingenuous Scots girl, and Michael Redgrave is cast as a shrewd but kindly Yorkshire salesman.

### Thriller at Plaza

The Plaza is featuring one of the most exciting thrillers shown in the city for many months. "The Devil Commands" is its sinister title and Boris Karloff appears in the title role. The film tells the story of an inventor who believes that science will provide the key to unlock the door between the living and the dead. Karloff is supported by Amanda Duff and Richard Fiske.

### Norma Shearer at Metro

Sparkling, gay comedy is to be seen at the Metro this week in "We Were Dancing," a film co-starring Norma Shearer and Melvyn Douglas. A brilliant adaptation of Noel Coward's "To-Night at 8.30," the picture is outstanding for the excellence of its acting and its witty and amusing dialogue—flavoured, of course, with a cynical sophistication. Undoubtedly a film which will draw crowded houses.

### "Love on the Dole" at Colosseum

A film version of the famous novel and play "Love on the Dole," is the chief attraction at the Colosseum this week. This picture is a moving story of the hardships and grim struggles of workers in an industrial town in North England and depicts with stark reality life in the back streets. Altogether, a film to make one think. The distinguished cast is headed by Deborah Kerr, Mary Merrill, Clifford Evans and young Geoffrey Hibbart.

### "The Women" at Standard

"The Women," the Johannesburg Repertory Players' brilliant production, is to be seen at the Standard this week, owing to the insistent demand from the Johannesburg public that the play be continued for a longer period than was originally intended.

Over 50 delightfully-dressed women appear in this play, which depicts in daring fashion the love affairs of fashionable and idle American society women. The producer is Leontine Sagan.

### Mystery Film at 20th Century

"I Wake Up Screaming," the attraction at the Twentieth Century this week, is a clever mystery story based on the novel by Steve Fisher. One of the fastest moving films yet screened, it features those three outstanding stars, Betty Grable, Victor Mature and Carole Landis. An excellent plot, an unexpected ending, and many thrilling moments combine to make this picture first-class film-fare.

A touching glimpse of London life to-day is given in the short "A Letter From Home."

### TWO INTERESTING QUARTETS

#### Musical Society's Concert

A new string quartet—Bram Verhoef, Bobbie Evans, Jerry Schulman and Betty Pack—appeared at the concert given by the Johannesburg Musical Society, held at the Carlton Hotel on Wednesday night, 17th June. Two quartets comprised the programme, the Beethoven C. Sharp Minor, Op 131, and the Borodin No. 2 in D. Major.

The players did well in both performances. They showed superb technical control in their handling of the Beethoven, which calls for the utmost concentration both from performer and listener, if the full measure of enjoyment is to be extracted from it. Their rendering gave evidence of thorough rehearsal and an understanding of the composer's intention.

The Borodin, a tuneful and colourful composition, provided relaxation for both the audience and the performers, who approached this work with an effortless ease and gave to many of its passages a captivating charm.

### MUSICAL EVENING FOR J.N.F.

"I can foresee the establishment in Palestine of a Palestinian National School of Music that will play a vital part in the history of world music," said Mr. L. R. Dison when he lectured on "The Future of Jewish Music in Palestine," at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewishon, Johannesburg, last Sunday evening. The occasion was a musical evening arranged by the Henrietta Szold branch of the Women's Zionist League in aid of the Jewish National Fund.

Musical items were contributed by Mrs. Lena Morrison, who sang arias from operas by Meyerbeer and Halévy; Mrs. Gertrude Hirschmann, who sang a group of Russian songs, and Miss Sheila Michelow, who played some technically difficult compositions.

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