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A MILITARY MARRIAGE IN CAIRO



Sgt. Miriam Rubin and Lieut.
Norman Blumberg

An interesting event took place on the 8th inst., at the Ashkanazi Synagogue in Cairo, when Sgt. Miriam (Micky) Rubin was married to Lieut. Norman Blumberg. The bride is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. S. Rubin, of Kensington, Johannesburg, and the bridegroom, who belongs to a unit of the S.A. Tank Corps, is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Blumberg, of Buffelsjagte River, District Swellendam.

The ceremony was carried out by Capt. (Rev.) J. Potashnik, one of the Jewish Chaplains to the S.A. Forces. He was assisted by a British rabbi and by a Jewish Chaplain of the R.A.F.

Three of the children of Rev. and Mrs. Rubin are in the army. Besides the sergeant who has just married, there is another daughter, Flight-Sgt. Lily Rubin, in the S.A.A.F., and Captain S. M. Rubin of the S.A.M.C.

A BARMITZVAH IN PORT ELIZABETH Master Isaac Katz

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Katz, of 1 King George's Road, Port Elizabeth, who have for many years been actively associated with Zionist and communal work in the city, are being congratulated on the Barmitzvah of their youngest son, Isaac, which was celebrated at the Raleigh Street Synagogue on 10th October.

On Saturday morning, after the service, and on Sunday afternoon, the many friends of the family foregathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Katz to pay tribute to the high esteem in which they are held. In recognition of the outstanding service which Mrs. Katz has rendered to the Zionist cause, the Port Elizabeth W.Z.L. has inscribed the name of the Barmitzvah in the Sefer Barmitzvah. In a spontaneous gesture of appreciation of the honour bestowed upon him, Isaac Katz subsequently contributed £3 3s to the J.N.F.

BROADCASTING OF SOVIET SONGS

This (Friday) evening from 7.45 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the Johannesburg radio ("A" transmission) there will be a broadcast of Soviet songs. This will continue for five weeks.

On the "B" transmission a further series of Russian songs will be broadcast every Monday for three weeks from 6 p.m. to 6.25 p.m. These Russian songs are being presented by Mr. Salia Aronovsky, of the Broadcast Orchestra.

A BARMITZVAH AT PILGRIMS REST

The Jewish National Fund gratefully acknowledges the sum of £2 8s. for planting trees in Palestine. This amount was collected by Mr. N. Metz on the occasion of the Barmitzvah of Chone Henech Dredzen, of Pilgrims Rest.

MR. A. SMITH

In honour of his seventieth birthday, Mr. A. Smith was "at home" with Mrs. Smith on Sunday evening last. Among those present were representatives of various institutions with which he has been connected for many years.

Mr. J. Feitelberg, chairman of the Federation of Synagogues of the Transvaal, presided. Felicitous speeches were delivered by Rabbi A. M. Gervis, Mr. N. Kirschner, chairman of the S.A. Zionist Federation, Councillor A. Bloch, Mr. I. J. Hersch and others.

During the evening some original poems and sketches by Mr. A. Smith were read and keenly enjoyed.

Social and

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. R. Laks of Pretoria, on the birth of a son.

The engagement is announced of Leah, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Chemel (formerly of Haifa, Palestine), to Maurice, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Brittan. Both of Johannesburg.

Marshall Eric, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Robinson, 100 Central Avenue, Salisbury, will read a portion of the Law in the Salisbury Synagogue on the 24th October.

The marriage of Phyllis, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Feigenbaum of 42a Duncan Road, Bulawayo, to Henry, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. C. H. Waks of Lithuania, will take place at the Bulawayo Synagogue on Tuesday, 10th November, at 3.15 p.m.

The marriage of Goldie, daughter of Mrs. M. and the late Mr. S. Berman, formerly of Volksrust, to Israel (Issy), son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Aronovitz, will take place on Sunday, 25th October, at the Jeppe Synagogue.

Congratulations are being received by Mr. and Mrs. A. Marks of Potchefstroom, on the birth of a daughter, which took place on Sunday, 18th October.

SEFER HAYELED BAROMETER

As a result of the Sefer Hayered Barometer, Mr. Ch. Winokur has ordered from the Jewish National Fund two Sefer Hayered inscriptions.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Budgor of Uniondale, have inscribed their daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. P. Alstadt of Middelburg, Cape, have inscribed their son.

WEEKLY ZIONIST LUNCHEON

Dr. Lewis Bato will be the guest speaker at the weekly Zionist Luncheon to be held at the Carlton Hotel on Friday, 30th October, at 1 p.m. The function is under the auspices of the Johannesburg Zionist Association. Dr. Bato will speak on "The Falasha Jews of Abyssinia."

PLAY BY LOCAL DRAMATIST

To be Performed at Coronation
Hall

A play, "Awakening," by a local writer, Margaret Straseberg, is to be produced at the Coronation Hall on Wednesday, October 28th, at 8 p.m. The performance is being organised by the Yeoville Branch of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League and the proceeds are in aid of the Jewish National Fund.

YOUNG MIZRACHI'S SUCCESSFUL DANCE

The dance held by the Young Mizrachi at the H.O.D. Hall on the night of Saturday, 17th October, proved a great success, both socially and financially. As a result of this function the Palestine Soldiers Comforts will benefit by a substantial amount.

The committee responsible for the dance were: Organiser and chairman, Chaver R. Lurie; convener, Chaver S. Aber. Committee: Chaveroth G. Oskowitz, B. Sherman, O. Rybko, L. Binder, A. Morgenstern, and the Chaverim Berelowitz and Sparks.

Cabaret items were presented by Miss Ph. Sher and Miss Pelman.

FILM PREMIERE AT THE 20th CENTURY

A Women's Zionist League Function

The Johannesburg Women's Zionist League is busy working for the premiere of a film to be shown through the kind courtesy of Mr. Norman Lourie at the 20th Century Theatre, on Wednesday, 2nd December, at 8.15 p.m.

Included in an excellent programme, details of which will be given later, there will be the first showing of a new Palestinian "short," called "Palestine on the March."

Tickets are available from all members of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League or the theatre.

A BRIDGE AFTERNOON

The committee of the Jewish Girls' Residential Club is holding a bridge afternoon at Casa Mia on Monday, November 2nd, when it is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

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We reproduce a photograph taken of part of the large group of lady helpers at the Soldiers' Rest Room and Recreational Centre in the Jewish Guild War Memorial Hall, Johannesburg. The Mayor of Johannesburg, Mr. A. R. Thorburn, congratulated the ladies upon their splendid work, stating that since the inception of the Club 338,385 meals had been served to the troops.

METRO THEATRE'S TENTH BIRTHDAY

MESSAGES of congratulation are pouring into the Metro Theatre management on the occasion this week of the Metro Theatre's Tenth Anniversary.

Names which the Metro Theatre has made famous during the past ten years include Judy Garland, Nelson Eddy, Greer Garson, Hedy Lamarr, Eleanor Powell, Rosalind Russell, James Stewart, Ann Sothern, Robert Taylor, Lana Turner, Robert Young, Kathryn Grayson, and from the previous decade include Garbo, Crawford, Jeanette MacDonald, Lewis Stone, Lionel Barrymore, Wallace Beery, Clark Gable, Myrna Loy, Robert Montgomery, Frank Morgan, William Powell, Mickey Rooney, Norma Shearer and Spencer Tracy.

During the ten years the theatre has played to ten million people, shown 468 feature pictures, run about two miles of film through its projectors at every performance, and about 14,500 miles of film in the ten years.

Mr. Ben M. Cohn, General Manager of the Metro Theatres in South Africa, now headquartered in Johannesburg, stated yesterday:—"We are frequently asked how the war affects film production and the arrival of films to this country. We, at the Metro, are very glad to announce that we have a wide and varied selection of excellent films on hand for early showings, including "I Married An Angel," co-starring Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy; "Rio Rita," with Abbott and Costello and

Kathryn Grayson; "Her Cardboard Lover," with Norma Shearer and Robert Taylor; and many others."

Mr. M. Whippman, Manager of the Metro Theatre, has been at the Metro since its opening day in 1932.

ROSE ALPER'S RECITAL

On Thursday, the 15th inst., Rose Alper, the talented operatic singer, gave a recital at the Carlton Hotel under the auspices of the Johannesburg Musical Society. This was the first recital by this gifted artiste since her return from England some time ago.

Miss Alper presented a programme of thirty songs and certainly set herself an exacting task. Apart from operatic arias, she also chose groups from the classical, French, old English, modern English and Russian schools. Her finest undoubtedly was a Schubert song in which she rose to great heights of artistry.

Miss Alper, who is the possessor of a soprano voice of rich quality with fine range, warmth, colour and flexibility, entered into the spirit of the various songs and gave an excellent performance throughout.

Leslie Hirst played the clarinet obligato for Schubert's "Shepherd of the Rock," and Frances Friedman was a capable accompanist at the piano.

PRETORIA

Mr. W. Ravid, the chairman of the local branch of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage, has forwarded the sum of £10 13s. to that institution, being clearances from Orphanage boxes in Pretoria.

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Around the Cinemas

"Hatter's Castle" at Colosseum

It may not be strictly Cronin's version, but even the author could not raise any objection to this clever film—adaptation of the book which brought him fortune. The essential spirit remains. The censor's blue pencil has done little to mar the lovely Scottish settings, the tenseness of the drama, and the brilliant characterisation. Robert Newton, in his first leading part, gives a powerful performance as Brodie, while Deborah Kerr, in the role of his daughter, and Emlyn Williams as the gay scoundrel, are noteworthy. Beatrice Varley (the long-suffering wife), Enid Stamp Taylor (Brodie's mistress), and James Mason are other stars who ally with an excellent cast to make this one of the memorable pictures of the year.

"Chu Chin Chow" at Empire

The good old tale of the East, told as Oscar Ashe knows how, still has the appeal it carried a quarter of a century ago, when it was the rage of London. Spectacular settings, exquisite gowns, real camels and a donkey and a goat help to make it most thrilling fairy-tale ever sung in Johannesburg. Harry Hambleton sings his part of the Robber Chief, Abu Hassan, with all the vigour of his magnificent voice. May Cooper combines excellent acting with a really lovely voice, while John Allen and Harold Steafel give equally good performances. Moira Mandley, the solo dancer, is a delight to watch. Mr. Charles Manning and Mr. Drummond Bell are in charge of the musical direction.

"Bitter Sweet" at Curzon

Jeanette MacDonald, enchanting as ever, sings her way delightfully through her most romantic story. Debonair Nelson Eddy is her partner in this love-story, and together they make a splendid team. The daily matinee at this Hillbrow house continues to attract.

"Crossroads" at Metro

Blackmail, intrigue, excitement and adventure conspire to make the new bill of fare at the Metro a worthy presentation for the theatre's tenth birthday. In "Crossroads," William Powell, intelligent and powerful, is supported by lovely Hedy Lamarr. Basil Rathbone, slick and suave as usual, Claire Trevor and Felix Bressart are others in this really fine and exciting film.

"Night in New Orleans" at Plaza

Chills and laughter, murder and mirth are the keynotes to the film, "Night in New Orleans" at the Plaza.

Preston Foster, as a detective, shows a versatile talent in getting out of difficult situations, with the help of Patricia Morrison, who takes the part of his wife. Albert Dekker is the supporting lead in this exciting film.

Fine Film in Technicolour at 20th Century

"To the Shores of Tripoli," one of Darryl F. Zanuck's finest achievements, comes to the 20th Century to-morrow. The topical, colourful epic is filled with comedy and romance, and is dedicated to the Marine Corps. The stars of the show are John Payne, Maureen O'Hara ("How Green Was My Valley"), Randolph Scott, Nancy Kelly, William Tracy and Henry Morgan.

JOHANNESBURG WOMEN'S MIZRACHI ORGANISATION

Southern Suburbs Branch.—A successful and enjoyable social and literary afternoon took place at the Broadway Hotel, Rosettenville, on the 7th inst., under the auspices of the above organisation. Mrs. A. L. Kaplan presided. Mrs. Rachel Katz delivered an inspiring address on "Mizrachi and Zionism." Mrs. J. L. Zlotnik also spoke.

The gathering was entertained during the tea interval by a number of talented artists.

Mrs. Phil Sack proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker, the artists and the hostess, Mrs. J. Suskin.

Northern Branch.

The general meeting of the Northern branch of the Women's Mizrachi Organisation took place on Wednesday, 30th September, at the home of Mrs. L. Smith, 31 Raleigh Street, Yeoville.

The retiring chairman, Mrs. J. L. Zlotnik, presented a report of the activities during the period under re-

view, and Mrs. Tubiansky, the hon. treasurer, submitted the financial report. Outstanding progress has been made by the branch, 240 new members having been enrolled. Mr. Abraham Smith, chairman of the Mizrachi Organisation, delivered an inspiring address on the "Ideology of Mizrachi."

The election of officers resulted as follows: Hon. President, Mrs. J. L. Zlotnik; chairman, Mrs. A. Tubiansky; vice-chairmen, Mesdames S. Kretzmer, B. Berman, and L. Smith; joint hon. secretaries, Mesdames A. M. Gervis and Hersch; hon. treasurer, Mrs. I. Rabinowitz; committee, Mesdames M. Kirson, Levinson, Friedman, A. Smith, Rom, I. Myers, Grossberg, Kupowitz, Ross, Hirshowitz, Ch. Davidowitz, B. Kaufman, I. Kaufman, I. Green, Glass, H. Kahn.

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