

Forthcoming Events.

United Zionist Party.—The Public Meeting at which Prof. Rabbi Israel Abrahamis will give his impressions of the recent World Zionist Congress at Basle will now take place on Monday, February 10th at 8.15 p.m. at the Zionist Hall. All welcome.

Scopus Club.—The next meeting will be held at the Talmud Torah Hall, Hope Street, on Sunday, 9th February, at 8.15 p.m. Mr. A. M. Melamet, Secretary of the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies (Cape Committee), will give a talk on "The Board and the Community", in which he will explain the functions and duties of the Board.

New Hebrew Congregation Ladies' Guild.—The next meeting will take place at the Synagogue Hall, Roeland Street, on Monday, 10th February, at 2.30 p.m. Mrs. A. Kirzner will act as hostess. Rabbi E. W. Kirzner will address the gathering.

Chana Krikler Tzodoka Society will hold the next meeting at the Talmud Torah Hall, Wherry Road, Muizenberg, on Tuesday, 11th February, at 2.30 p.m. Members, visitors and friends welcome. The Hostess will be Mrs. Kanter of the Haifa Hotel, Hansen Road, Muizenberg.

Palestine Maritime League.—A meeting of workers and sympathisers will be held on Sunday, 9th inst. at 10.30 a.m. at the Zionist Hall, to launch a membership drive. All interested are asked to attend.

Cape Town Jewish Youth Club.—The annual General elections will be held at "Rosecourt", Breda Street, Cape Town, on Sunday evening, 9th February, at 7.45 p.m. sharp. All welcome. Members are to bring their membership cards along in order that they may be able to vote.

Hanoar Herzl.—Everybody is invited to attend an informal dance which will be held at the Talmud Torah Hall, Marais Road, Sea Point, on Sunday evening, 9th February. Refreshments will be served. Donation 1s. per person. Dancing: 8 p.m. - midnight.

Woodstock and Salt River Zionist Youth Society.—The first meeting to be held this year will take place at the Talmud Torah Hall, Woodstock, on Friday, 7th February, at 8 p.m. The programme will include a sicha on "The Histadruth" and a discussion on the forthcoming dance to be held on the 16th March.

Green and Sea Point Wizo Circle.—The next meeting will take place on Thursday, 13th February, at 10.15 a.m. at the Synagogue Hall, Marais Road, Sea Point. Mrs. Mary Segal will speak on "Our Children Come Home". All welcome.

Yiddish and English Impersonations by Hedy Haas.

Commenting on the concert given by Hedy Haas, the famous Continental stage celebrity, on Saturday, 25th January, at the Muizenberg Pavilion, the "Argus" says: "... Miss Haas is an entertainer of charm and distinction ... Her impressions showed wit and originality, and her singing, as always, was delightful ... Best yet presented at the Cape ..."

This gifted artist is presenting a second show at the Muizenberg Pavilion on Saturday, 15th February.

Miss Haas has been fortunate in securing for this event the assistance of other artists of excellent reputation: "The Cantabile Trio," most popular from its numerous broadcasts, Dagny Keightley, one of our best known violinists, and Walter Swanson, leading figure in Cape Town's music world, who will be at the piano. As this is Miss Haas's last recital of the season at Muizenberg, those who enjoy the unusual in entertainment are recommended not to miss this opportunity.

Erna Vamos— An Impression.

A most interesting and unusual exhibition of pastels and oils by Erna Vamos was held at Ashbey's Art Galleries for ten days ending January 23rd last. It was opened by Vera, Lady Terrington.

Most of the work exhibited covered studies and portraits of natives in the Congo, where the artist has lived for a number of years. Visitors to the Galleries were deeply impressed by her sensitive and cultured manner in the treatment of pastel chalks as shown in the many studies portrayed. This, combined with a natural sense of vision gave a clear understanding of her insight into the individual character and personality of her subject both in European and Native portraiture.

Madame Vamos finds the medium of pastels a better proposition when working with natives as there is always a tendency that after the first sitting they may not come back again. To most art lovers this was a happy situation as it gave Madame Vamos a splendid opportunity to display her rare and exquisite gift of reflecting in each of her beautiful pastel studies an expression of devotion to sincerity and pure form. Her pictures of still life carried out in this medium are perfect examples of a combination of arrangement and balance with a complete absence of overcrowding so often a fault with some artists when executing a still life picture.

Exhibitions mostly comprising pastels are seldom seen in Cape Town and for this reason art lovers welcomed Madame Vamos' visit and came in large numbers to express appreciation of the work of an artist perhaps unknown in South Africa but with a brilliant reputation already earned in Europe and the Congo.

Her oils, of which unfortunately there were too few, showed a strong and virile quality of application along with a fine perception of her characters marked by pure artistic ability.

On the whole the Vamos exhibition gave a vivid impression of her genius, warmth and versatility as shown in her monotonous. As a portraitist she ranks high in the realms of art and it is hoped Madame Vamos may be persuaded to remain a little longer in the Cape to be able to carry out commissions for portraits offered her.

F. W.

Obituary.

MR. WOOLF ROGOFF.

The death took place on Tuesday at the age of 75 of Mr. Woolf Rogoff, an old and highly respected member of the community.

The late Mr. Rogoff was a fine Hebrew and Talmudic scholar and was one of the first teachers at the local Talmud Torah. He was deeply devoted to Jewish culture and tradition and was a strict observer of all the tenets of Judaism. Simple and unassuming by nature, he was held in esteem by all who knew him.

The funeral took place on Wednesday morning. Rabbi I. Abrahamis delivered a Hespel.

Sincere sympathy is extended to his wife and children in their sad bereavement.

Prague.

A People's Tribunal has suspended proceedings against Benjamin Murlstein, who was accused of having displayed an unworthy behaviour in his relations with the Nazis in his position as a member of the Council of Elders in the Terezin Ghetto. Murlstein was released from detention. Jewish public opinion here disagrees with the decision of the court, insisting that Murlstein has failed in his duty towards his fellow prisoners. He intends to emigrate to Switzerland.

Social & Personal.

The marriage of Ada, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Traub, to Harold, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Michels, will take place on Tuesday, 11th February, 1947, at 6.30 p.m. at the Vredenoek Synagogue.

The engagement is announced of Shura Cann, of Krugersdorp, to Werner Gutman, of Deneysville.

Mr. Harold Blumberg has obtained the degree of B.A. of the University of South Africa.

The engagement is announced of Dorothy Robinson (ex Petty Officer, S.W.A.N.S.), daughter of Mr. Walter Robinson, Secretary of the Green and Sea Point Hebrew Congregation, and Mrs. Robinson, to George Rom (ex S.A.A.F.), son of Mrs. Rom, Cape Town, and the late Mr. Rom of Nieuwoudtville.

The engagement is announced of Sybil, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Borkum, to David (Dots), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sadowsky; both of "Kibbutz Habonim."

The engagement is announced of Gladys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Saacks, of Katanga, Ave. de l'Hermite, Sea Point, to Wolfe, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. F. Fish, of Ceres.

The marriage of Ethel, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Levy of Claremont to Esau (Issy), third son of Mr. D. and the late Mrs. Shapiro of Benoni, will be solemnised at the Claremont Synagogue on Sunday, 9th February, at 2.30 p.m.

Dr. and Mrs. C. Davis (née Freda Marks), of Johannesburg, are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter.

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"Moledet."

ATTRACTIVE BOOKLET.

The Book Department of the South African Zionist Federation has recently received a limited number of copies of "Moledet," prepared by the Jewish National Fund, Education Department, of Great Britain.

This booklet of over a hundred pages is most attractively drawn up and is abundantly illustrated. It contains stories, quizzes, facts, games, articles on the festivals, etc., etc. and should prove most interesting and educational to our youth. The price for this booklet is 1s. 6d.

Copies are obtainable locally at the Cape Zionist Youth Executive, 22, Chames Buildings, Barrack Street, Cape Town.

Jerusalem.

The students at the Hebrew Technical College in Haifa refused to pay increased tuition fees, and their studies were halted recently. Their fees had been raised from £45 to £60 yearly, and the students argued that an increase from £25 to £45 was justifiable in war-time, but that the further increase was unreasonable. The School authorities claim that the increase is necessary to cover an expected deficit.

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FRIDAY, 21st FEBRUARY.

Details of the special Festival Concerts will be announced in these columns in due course.

N.B.: The Orchestra will play in the Broadcasting Studio on Thursday, 13th February, and Sundays, 9th and 16th February.

These Concerts will be broadcast, but members of the public will not be admitted to the Studio.

Admission to the Symphony Concert on Thursday, 20th February, will be by invitation only.

MILNERTON TURF CLUB.

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PLAZA.

No announcement of a forthcoming motion picture could be more impressive than this... Norma Shearer has returned to the screen.

The popular and courageous actress is now starring at the Plaza Theatre in the title role of "Marie Antoinette," a vehicle chosen for her by the late Irving Thalberg, who was her husband and guide. Co-starred with her for the first time is Tyrone Power, playing the role of the romantic and dashing young Count Axel de Fersen, the nobleman who dared to love a Queen of France.

In a cast of 152 supporting players prominent roles are played by John Barrymore as King Louis XV, Robert Morley as Louis August, Dauphin of France, Anita Louise as the Princess de Lamballe, Joseph Schildkraut as the Duke d'Orleans, Gladys George as Madame du Barry and Henry Stephenson as Count de Mercy.

Hunt Stromberg brought this production to the screen after several years of deliberation. A vast studio concentrated on it. W. S. van Dyke II, the director who gave you "San Francisco," "Naughty Marietta" and other motion picture triumphs, was at the directorial helm.

Jerusalem.

Charles Munch, of Paris, Van Bynem, of Holland, and Leonard Bernstein, of America, will be guest conductors of the Palestine Philharmonic Orchestra this season. Mrs. H. Baily, of the Orchestra Management, announced at the recent annual meeting of the Jerusalem branch of the Orchestra Association.