

Pnina Saltzman Should Return With Israel Orchestra

Mr. Yellin's Tribute To Brilliant Pianist

SUBSTANTIAL contribution to the Palestine Orchestra and Habimah Theatres will be made as a result of a concert given by Pnina Saltzman at the Luthje's Langham Hotel on Saturday night.

The concert was organised by the Friends of the Palestine Orchestra and Habimah and Ohel Theatres and attended by a large and distinguished gathering. The ballroom of the hotel was tastefully decorated and offered a fine setting for the concert.

The concert was arranged by the dramatic committee of the Friends, headed by Mr. Solly Yellin, the chairman. At the conclusion of the concert Mr. Yellin addressed the gathering, expressing his thanks and appreciation to all who helped make the function a financial and artistic success. Paying tribute to Mr. Saltzman, Mr. Yellin said that before the Jewish State was proclaimed Pnina Saltzman acted as an ambassador of goodwill to every country she visited. "Last time she came to us from Palestine, and now she has come from the small land of Israel—small in size but great in material and achievement. The orchestra, Habimah and Ohel are some of the other great cultural institutions form part and parcel of the Yishuv's tremendous creative achievements and every man and woman in Israel is interested in the

work and future of these institutions."

Mr. Yellin expressed the hope that Miss Saltzman, on her next visit to South Africa, would be accompanied by the Israeli Orchestra.

Mrs. Mary Goldfoot, on behalf of the "Friends," made a presentation to Miss Saltzman.

The programme included four works by Chopin, all played with charm and grace by Miss Saltzman. The pieces were in the nature of melodic meditations, and the pianist, seemingly without effort, brought out all the suave romanticism and occasional moody power of the music.

The Suite by Ben Haim, a Palestinian composer, showed an entirely different Miss Saltzman. This work is a vigorous and vivacious piece of music despite the air of restless stirring which runs through it. I have a sneaking suspicion that Miss Saltzman enjoyed the Suite far more than she did the Chopin selection.

I was particularly grateful to Miss Saltzman for playing the Mussorgsky "Pictures at an Exhibition" and for expressing so adequately the power and the beauty of the work.

patriotism Miss McLoughlin struck up the strains of "God Save the Queen." Pandemonium reigned. There were boos and there was cheering. Undeterred, the President took his place.

At the conclusion of her "solo," President Reitz rose with dignity, apologised for interrupting Miss McLoughlin's performance and asked her to oblige him by repeating her solo. Miss McLoughlin flounced on to the platform, bowed and promptly burst forth once again into the strains of "God Save the Queen!"

Excitement there was in plenty. Top-hatted, Calvinist Oom Paul dominated the scene at the war's end. Of the opening of the Great Synagogue Mrs. Gerstle, singing in the choir at the time, confirms the story of the President's famous dedication. This is her memory of his words: "There was silence in the impressive body of the building. It was a moment of great achievement. President Kruger rose to speak the solemn benediction. We could hardly believe our ears as he rolled out the phrase. 'In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ I declare this synagogue open.'"

Palestine and the Red Cross are Mrs. Gerstle's chief interests in Beverly Hills, Los Angeles. "American Jews collected between eight and ten million dollars last year. That takes some doing."

—MOLLY STEIN.

MR. HERBER LEAVES FOR OVERSEAS



MR. H. HERBER

MR. H. HERBER left by air on Monday evening on a six-week's business trip to England and the continent. He is accompanied by Mrs. Herber.

Mr. Herber is the chairman of the Johannesburg committee of the Israeli United Appeal. In an interview with a representative of the "Zionist Record" just before his departure, he expressed regret that he had to give up working for the campaign for a while and said that he was looking forward to resuming the work on his return.

Johannesburg had made a fine start and the campaign was progressing satisfactorily. He had a very good committee and he felt sure that they would continue with their task and reach the target set for the city.

"It is quite unnecessary for me," stated Mr. Herber, "to stress the urgency of the United Israeli Appeal. I know full well that South African Jewry will respond with their customary generosity and that the workers will rally to the cause with the utmost devotion."

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shown why it is essential for the applicant to leave the city. A further permit has then to be obtained. Mr. Lipkin travelled to Bab el Wad, where a check was made by the UNO representative. As this was at the beginning of July, when Ramleh was still in Arab hands, his party travelled through Hulda to Haifa. From there he travelled by plane to South Africa, via Rome, Athens and Cyprus.

Mr. Lipkin, who is an accountant, intends to practise his profession when he returns to Israel. He was for some time Construction Engineer of the Haifa Harbour, where he was concerned with its financial administration.

Mr. Lipkin told me he had been pleasantly surprised at the comprehensive Zionist work of the Jewish community in this country. He felt that keen interest was being shown in Israel's struggle, and that there was a strong desire to know the correct picture of what was happening there.

Mr. Zvi Lipkin Interviewed On Arrival From Israel

(From Our Cape Town Correspondent)

ONE of the most recent visitors to this country from Israel is Mr. Zvi Lipkin, of Jerusalem, whose wife, formerly Rhoda Gesundheit, and their two sons, aged nine and three, had preceded him on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Gesundheit, the well-known members of the Jewish community in Cape Town.

Mr. Lipkin represents the third generation of his family to live in Palestine—both his grandfather and his father were born there. Mr. Lipkin, until the termination of the British mandate, held the important position of Assistant Commissioner of Income Tax for the whole of Palestine. He was in the Government service for twenty-five years.

In an interview with Mr. Lipkin, I asked him what the feeling was about the truce, which had been declared nearly a fortnight before his departure. In Jerusalem, he said, the feeling was one of intense relief. An improvement in the food position had already taken place before his departure, and every day a convoy of at least 150 lorries of food arrived. For the first time in many months, vegetables and other scarce food-stuffs could be obtained. Water, said Mr. Lipkin, was the best distributed commodity. It was brought by truck to each building in Jerusalem, from where it had to be fetched by the inhabitants.

Public Services

Asked about the public services, Mr. Lipkin said they had started to disintegrate long before the termination of the Mandate. The Jewish authorities had begun to organise them some time before, so that by the 14th of May the nucleus of a Public Service was already in existence. Several of the Jews who had been employed by the Administration were now serving the Israeli

Government.

Of the morale in the country, Mr. Lipkin said it was very high. There was a feeling of pride in our boys and girls, who, though so few against so many, were achieving such wonderful successes. Although the State was young, it was already running on smooth and sound lines. It was only six weeks old at the time he left, yet it was fulfilling all the normal function of a State. It was unfortunate that Israel was founded at a time of war when other requirements were heavy. However, the inhabitants were doing their share by accepting uncomplainingly increase in the customs and excise duties. Already four million of the five million pounds floated by Israel as a loan had been raised.

Of Jerusalem, Mr. Lipkin said that the damage to the residential parts had not been as great as people in this country imagined. The damage to the "Palestine Post" and Ben Yehuda Street had been greater than that done by shelling generally.

Before his departure from Israel, Mr. Lipkin had to obtain a permit from the Jewish authorities in Jerusalem. This is only issued by the Yaadat Hamatzav if good cause is

ISRAELI UNITED APPEAL Strong Pretoria Committee Elected

UNDER the auspices of the Pretoria Zionist Council, a large meeting was held of all committee members of Jewish Societies and Institutions to launch the Israeli United Appeal. Rabbi Dr. E. Neufeld was in the chair, and the guest speakers were Mr. L. Tager and Mr. L. Feit. Rabbi Neufeld drew the attention of the public to the present situation in Israel, and appealed to all to do their best to support their fellow-

Mr. L. Tager, National Chairman of the Israeli United Appeal, made an appeal to people to trouble themselves about the Emergency Campaign so that the target set for the Israeli United Appeal should be reached. Mr. L. Feit, in supporting Tager's appeal, stressed the urgency of the present situation.

Mr. Tager had answered a number of questions put to him, and the committee and executive was elected, with Rabbi Dr. E. Neufeld as President, and Mr. Robert Jacobson as Chairman. Mr. N. Jacobson was elected Secretary.

The members present were very enthusiastic about the Campaign, and expressed the hope that the target would be reached.

Delmos

The Israeli United Appeal was held in Delmos on Monday, July 27, a meeting which was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. Shill. The meeting was addressed by Mr. Lewin and Mr. L. Marks. Mrs. van der Vaal Vice-chairman, Mr. S. S. and Mr. L. Coleman were members of the Johannesburg Appeal. Mr. Samuels was in the

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The Israeli United Appeal was held at the home of Mrs. P. Factor on Tuesday, August 27. Mr. H. Trope and Adv. Hanson urged maximum support for the I.U.A. Mr. L. Coleman was in the chair, and Mr. S. S. was in the chair.

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