

In Pretoria

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Women's Zionist League.—The League held their monthly "at home" on Tuesday, the 12th inst., at the Memorial Hall. Mrs. Ravid presided and welcomed the speaker of the afternoon, Mr. M. Melmet, who chose as his subject "The Physical Emancipation of the Jewish Race."

Mr. Melmet traced the manner in which the hardy nomadic Jews of ancient days, depending on their swords for their existence, had degenerated in the ghettos, losing their virility and strength. To-day, however the speaker continued, the position of the Jew was changing. Jewish athletes were coming into prominence, and during the World War Jews had been extremely well represented as combatants.

Mrs. Fanny Sugarman, accompanied by Miss Maty Kumin, sang charmingly and was repeatedly encored. Mrs. Rosenberg proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker and the artists.

The hostesses of the afternoon were Mrs. Millstein, Mrs. Janover, Mrs. Ravid and Mrs. Machanik.

Jewish Amateurs.—The largest "house" for many years greeted the Pretoria Jewish Amateurs at the Opera House, when Noah Elstein's "Israel in the Kitchen" was staged on Thursday, the 7th inst.

The entire cast did very well, but special mention must be made of the clever acting of Mesdames C. Isaacson, J. Schaffer, L. Ossip and Miss J. Rostowsky. They were ably supported by Miss E. Zaidel and Messrs. A. Abrahamson, A. Kirsch, D. M. Schlosberg, A. Grinblatt, A. Brick and M. Jaffe.

A special word of congratulation is due to the producer, Mr. Sol Cohen, to whose efforts the great artistic success of the play was largely due. Rabbi Hirsch made a presentation to him on behalf of the cast, and thanked the Capitol Orchestra for the music.

Mr. J. Greenstein.—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Saks were the host and hostess at a party held in the Masonic Hotel on Saturday, the 16th inst., in honour of Mr. Jack Greenstein, prior to his departure for Bloemfontein to be married. Many friends and Zionist co-workers came to express their good wishes.

Chevre Kadisha.—The committee were "at home" to some 250 members at the Memorial Hall on Sunday, the 17th inst., when the opportunity was taken to bid farewell to Mr. S. Jaffe, who is retiring from active work on account of ill-health. Rabbi Hirsch, who presided, paid tribute to the excellent work that Mr. Jaffe had done over a period of many years, and expressed the general regret at his forced retirement. The President, Mr. M. Leibman, presented Mr. Jaffe with an illuminated address, which was read by Mr. H. Stein, the secretary. Mr. Jaffe suitably replied, and Mr. H. Shames thanked the ladies for the refreshments and the Judean Scouts for their assistance.

National Fund.—At the wedding of Miss Esther Rudolph to Mr. Joe Schewitz an amount of £4 15s. was collected, and a collection at the Barmitzvah celebration of Jack, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Sher, yielded an amount of £11 15s. Mr. Morris Shill has donated £5 to mark his marriage to Miss Ruby Miller.

"GOLD DIGGERS" AT THE COLOSSEUM

Warner Bros. achieve yet another great success in their production "Gold Diggers of 1933," a musical extravaganza, showing this week at the Colosseum Theatre. There is a strong cast, which is headed by Warren Williams, Joan Blondell and Ruby Keeler. Spectacular scenes, plenty of humour and many good musical numbers combine to make up an excellent entertainment. The supporting programme this week is good, and the Colosseum Orchestra again excel themselves.

Hechalutz Organisation

On Sunday, the 17th inst., Mr. J. Zinn, the well-known Germiston Zionist, delivered a lecture at the Hechalutz Hall, his subject being "Jewish Life in the Diaspora and in Eretz Israel." Mr. N. Saitowitz presided, and there was a fair attendance. After the lecture discussions took place.

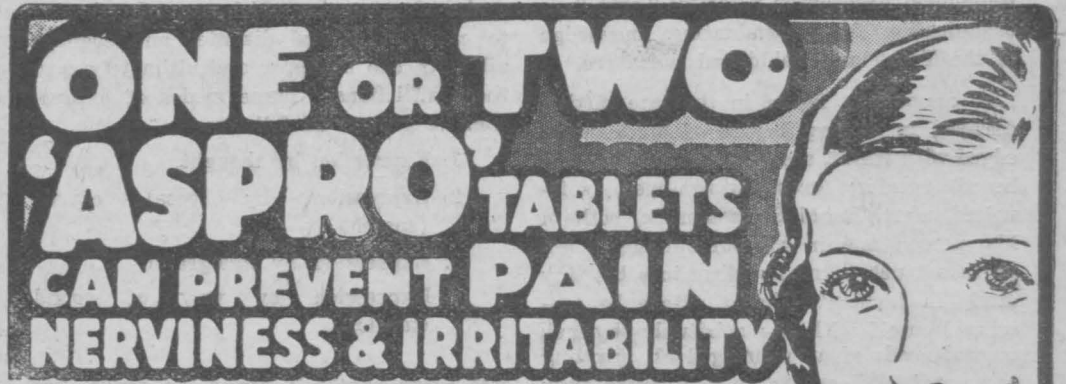
The monthly social will be held on Saturday, the 23rd inst., at the Hechalutz Hall (corner Height and Beit Streets, Doornfontein), at 8.15 p.m. An enjoyable evening is assured to all participants.

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BENONI WOMEN'S ZIONIST LEAGUE

The annual general meeting of the above society will take place on Monday, June 25th, at 3 p.m., at the Hebrew Hall, Bunyan Street (and not on June 27th, as stated in the circulars posted to members). Members are asked to note change of date.

Under the auspices of the Hechalutz Organisation a "Living Newspaper" will be held on July 1st at the Hechalutz Hall, commencing at 8 p.m. All those who wish to participate are asked to send in articles, either in Hebrew, Yiddish or English to the Chaverot Levin and Wolmer, P.O. Box 6239. All members and sympathisers are invited.



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