

MISCHA ELMAN'S FINAL TRIUMPH

Great Playing at the Colosseum

MISCHA ELMAN gave his final concert in Johannesburg on Sunday night last. A festival of music has ended, though the memory of an artist will remain for many a long day, until perhaps the longing of music-lovers will bring him back to enchant us again with his masterly playing and profound interpretations.

In the Colosseum after the official programme ended, the audience stood and cheered Elman, actuated as much by his magnificent performance as by the hopes that such hearty appreciation would evoke suitable response. In this respect, there was, as usual, no disappointment.

And so after the final curtain descended, Elman, as it were, vanished, leaving, however, a note of satisfaction and hope that will keep his memory green and inspire local enthusiasts to emulate his standards.

The programme for this concert was finely selected, including as it did works by Handel, Beethoven and Vieuxtemps. Two sonatas, the "A Major," by the first-mentioned composer, and the famous "Spring" Sonata in F Major by Beethoven, occupied the first half of the session, after which the splendid Concerto in D Minor for the famous Belgian violinist, and a bracket of lighter items brought the formal recital to a close.

Vladimir Padwa was at the piano on this occasion as he has been through the entire series of Elman concerts, and to him, as well as to the maestro, South Africa in general and the Rand in particular, owes a debt of sincere gratitude for many hours of pleasure.

MAURICE SAMUEL IN JOHANNESBURG

LAST LECTURE TUESDAY NEXT.

The celebrated orator and writer, Mr. Maurice Samuel, will deliver his final lecture in Johannesburg on Tuesday next at 3 p.m., at the Langham Hotel, when he will speak on "The Anatomy of Jewish Humour," under the auspices of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League (Literary Circle). It is anticipated that there will be a large gathering to hear this gifted speaker.

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Dr. Malan and the Jewish Issue

"DIE VADERLAND," of the 26th ult., contains a leading article on the attitude of Dr. Malan to the Jewish question. The writer maintains that the Nationalist leader finds it difficult to make up his mind to embrace full-fledged anti-Semitism. The Nationalist Party inspired anti-Semitic speeches in Parliament, but all their concrete proposals were directed against Jewish immigration, and they have not as yet proposed anything which would affect the position of those Jews who are already in the country.

"Die Vaderland" thinks that the hotheads of the Nationalist Party are trying to force the hands of their leader. In this connection is quoted the declaration of Mr. Erasmus that his party will introduce a quota, which will make it possible only for a limited number of Jews to occupy certain positions and to take up certain occupations. According to "Die Vaderland" this quota issue is about to become a part of the Nationalist programme. Dr. Malan finds it difficult to agree to this proposal, especially in view of the fact that it is not so long ago when he emphatically declared himself to be against any discrimination as far as the Jews already residing in the country are concerned. Now he is being forced by his followers to take up a stand in full contrast with the declarations made during last year. The leader concludes with the words that Dr. Malan "is about to become a pawn in the hands of irresponsible elements."

OBITUARY

MR HERMANN WERTHEIM (Johannesburg).

The death of a unique personality, Mr. Hermann Wertheim, occurred at his residence in Yeoville on the 31st ult., at the age of 88.

The deceased arrived in South Africa from Germany in 1863. He was in business in Graaff-Reinet where his firm became well-known throughout the Midlands before the Boer War.

Mr. Wertheim retired from active participation in business in 1896, and after spending some years in Europe, he returned to South Africa with Mrs. Wertheim and made his home in Johannesburg.

Mr. Wertheim is survived by his widow, his sons, Julius and Max; and his daughter, Mrs. Fanny Marx.

DR. LANDAU'S VISIT TO KRUGERSDORP

On Sunday, the 25th inst., Chief Rabbi Dr. J. L. Landau paid an official visit to the Jewish community of Krugersdorp. His visit coincided with the *sium* and consecration of a sefer torah on that day donated to the synagogue by Mr. E. Klass.

Dr. and Mrs. Landau were met at Witpoortjie by the president of the United Hebrew Institutions and members of the council, and escorted to the Communal Hall, which was decorated for the occasion. A large and appreciative audience of Krugersdorp and Randfontein Jewry attended.

During the afternoon, refreshments were served and the ceremonial of the *sium hatorah* performed. Mr. Saul Phillips, the president of the institutions, welcomed Dr. and Mrs. Landau and the other guests on behalf of the community. Dr. Landau replied in an eloquent speech, dealing with the significance of the Torah in Jewish life.

The scroll was then carried to the synagogue by the donor, Mr. E. Klass, where it was received by Dr. Landau, who placed it in the Ark.

In the evening, Dr. Landau delivered a lecture to a large audience, presided over by Mr. Saul Phillips at the Communal Hall, after which a vote of thanks to the visitors was proposed by Rev. L. Wolk. Prior to the lecture Dr. and Mrs. Landau and Mr. Saul Phillips were entertained to dinner by the Rev. and Mrs. L. Wolk at their residence.

Berea Hebrew School

We have been requested by the Berea Hebrew Congregation to announce that in order to remove any misapprehension that may arise from numerous rumours and statements circulated, the congregation informs the public that the Berea Hebrew School under its control is now in full operation, and that classes have been resumed at the old premises, cor. Doris Street and Tudhope Avenue. The school is under the principalship of Mr. J. Lak.

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A CAPETOWN WEDDING FRIEDMAN—COHEN.

Miss Cecilia Cohen, daughter Mrs. Ray Cohen, of Capetown, married on Sunday, the 25th inst., the Great Synagogue in Capetown. Mr. Solly Friedman, of Haifa, Palestine, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Friedman, of Strand. The Rev. A. P. Bender officiated and Mr. Boris was the organist.

The bride was given away by her uncle, Mr. Morris Garb. Miss Cohen was the maid of honour. Miss Louie Cohen and Miss Ruth were the bridesmaids. The bridegroom was Miss Ruth Friedman, A. Friedman, the bridegroom's brother, was best man, and groomsmen Messrs. Sidney Friedman and Sidney Cohen. Mr. and Mrs. M. Heneck were the unterfuhren.

A reception was held at the Hall, where Mr. J. Friedman presided. The Rev. A. P. Bender proposed the health of the bride and bridegroom and Adv. Joseph Herbststein proposed the toast of "Eretz Israel." The bride and bridegroom are leaving for "Dunvegan Castle" for Palestine August 6, where they are taking permanent residence.

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Report of the Directors

In a report by the Board of Directors for the quarter ended 30th June 1937, it is learnt that the total age driven, risen and sunk during the quarter was 1,586 feet, of which 1,556 feet were on reef; 1,556 feet sampled, of which 570 feet, or 36.6 per cent. was payable, averaging 10.9 dwts. over a channel of 25.6 inches, equivalent to 27.7 dwts. In addition to the above age driven, a total of 709 feet was drilled in pilot boreholes with a view to paying intersections.

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