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FUNCTION IN HONOUR OF MR. KAMSON

An "at home" in honour of Mr. J. D. Kamson, the Hebrew and Yiddish poet at present on a visit to this country, was held at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. I. Balkin, on Wednesday evening, August 24th. Dr. Balkin introduced the guest of honour to those present.

Mr. Harry Lourie delivered a short address dealing with the place occupied by Mr. Kamson in modern Hebrew literature. Mr. Kamson then spoke of the significance of the city of Jerusalem and the place it had occupied in the heart of every Jew throughout the ages. He described the beauty of the Holy City, and compared the various aspects of the life led there during the past with the present. He also exhibited several films to illustrate his lecture.

During the evening, Cantor Berele Chagy, accompanied by Mr. Hyman Sachs, sang a Yiddish song written by Mr. Kamson.

The poet is here in connection with the publication of a three-volume work dealing with Jerusalem.

FOURTH ANNUAL BALL

Organised by Yeoville Bachurim

On Saturday, the 3rd inst., the Fourth Annual Ball of the Yeoville Bachurim will be held at the Selborne Hall. Charles Berman and his personal orchestra will play and there will be an exhibition of dancing during the evening by Bob Williams and Rita Donald. An enjoyable time is assured for all who will attend.

The proceeds will be in aid of the Modern Hebrew-English Kindergarten and Club Funds. The function is under the patronage of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. A. T. Shrock.

JEWISH GUILD

"Good Night Vienna" will be presented by the Jewish Guild Musical Art Section at the Guild, on Sunday, September 18th, and on September 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd and 24th. The producer is Mr. Harold Steafel.

No efforts have been spared to make this a production of outstanding merit. Original costumes have Municipal Choral Society, who staged Municipal Choral Society, who staged the show towards the end of last year.

Mr. Marcus Levy is the musical director, and Miss Reina Berman has trained the ballet.

The talented cast includes Madeleine Cohen, Iris Sarambock, Hilda Bauer, Mae Clive, Alfred Davis, Harry Shain, Harold Steafel, Ralph Clive, Michael Aronson, Mark Weintraub, Issie Abel, Bernard Blieden, Milton Lissack, Ethel Shaeffer, Lillian Swirsky, Naomi Reichenberg, as well as a very large chorus.

Booking opens at the Jewish Guild offices on Thursday, September 1st, but for the Sunday night performance members only may reserve seats.

The Wilner Sick Benefit Benevolent Society held a successful charity ball in the Selborne Hall on Saturday, August 27th, in aid of distressed Jewish families.

Leon, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Morris, 3, Cantyre Court, Frances Street, Bellevue, will read a portion of the Law at the Yeoville Synagogue on Saturday next, September, 3rd.



Social and

WEDDINGS

YELLIN—PATZ

The marriage of Helen, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Shill, of 11, Minni Street, Arcadia, Pretoria, to Harold, younger son of Mrs. L. Freedman and the late Mr. J. Freedman, of Pretoria, will take place on Sunday, September 4th, at the Pretoria Synagogue at 2.30 p.m.

The engagement is announced of Anne, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Abelowitz, to Max (Mike), second son of Mrs. and the late Mr. I. Freedman. Both of Randfontein.

The marriage of Beck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Harris (formerly of Bethal), to Sam, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. I. Klevansky, will take place at the Berea Synagogue on Sunday, the 4th September, at 7 p.m.

Monty, second son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Sogot, of Third Avenue, Melville, will read a portion of the Law on Saturday, September 3rd, at Auckland Park-Melville Synagogue.

The engagement is announced of Dolly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Kaplan, of Johannesburg, to Leslie, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. M. Wainer, formerly of Bultfontein and now of Johannesburg.

The marriage of Cécile, eldest daughter of Mrs. W. Treiwis, and Mr. Julius Fuchs will be solemnised at the Wolmarans Street Synagogue, Sunday, the 4th September, at 7.30 p.m.

The engagement is announced between Cecilia, niece of Mr. and Mrs. L. Katzen, of Boksburg North, and Reuben (Sonny), only son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Susman. Both of Johannesburg.

Cecil, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Z. Weintraub, 93, Park Street, Jeppe, will read Maffir at the Jeppe Synagogue, September 3rd.

The engagement is announced of Doreen, elder daughter of Mr. Max Joffe, of 88, Eckstein Street, Mountain View, to Max, elder son of Mrs. A. Wolff and the late Mr. H. Wolff, of Oudtshoorn.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Alexander, of Standerton (nee Lily Shapiro) are being congratulated on the birth of a son on the 26th August.

The engagement is announced of Bella Sarah, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Barishman of Norval's Pont, Cape, to Sam Benjamin Miller of Parow (formerly of Bethlehem) third son of Mrs. H. Miller, and the late Mr. A. Miller (formerly of Wynberg, Cape).

The marriage of Reg (Regina) Michalow and Joe Golding will take place on Sunday, 4th September, at 10.30 a.m. at the Yeoville Synagogue.

The engagement is announced between Lena, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gold, of Pretoria, and Joe, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. Martin, of Johannesburg.

The Rev. M. Altshuler performed the ceremony, on Sunday evening the 28th ultimo, at the Brakpan Synagogue, when Rae, second daughter of Mr. P. Patz and the late Mrs. Patz, was married to William, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Yellin, of Cape Town. Mr. John Kramer was the best man.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by her sister, Miss Gertie Patz, the maid of honour, and Misses Fanny Yellin and Edna Berkowitz were the bridesmaids.

The unterfuhrers were Mr. and Mrs. Yellin, and Mr. G. Stone and Mrs. Stone (sister of the bride).

Messrs. Syd Kramer, Reg. Weinberg, Willie Berkowitz and Leonard Rubenstein were the canopy bearers.

Leslie Tosefsky was page-boy.

At the reception which was held at the residence of Mr. Patz, the toast of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by Rev. Altshuler to which the bridegroom responded. Mrs. Altshuler proposed the toast of the parents and unterfuhrers to which Mr. Patz replied.

FRIEDMAN—HEARN

At the Wolmarans Street Synagogue on Sunday morning last, Claire, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hearn, was married to Mr. Norman Friedman, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Friedman. The Rev. Dr. A. T. Shrock officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father was attended by her attendants, Miss Sally Hearn, Miss Clarice Friedman, Miss Hannah Hearn and Miss Jacqueline Hearn.

The best man was Mr. Herbert Friedman.

The unterfuhrers were Mr. and Mrs. A. Hearn and Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Friedman. The pole-holders were Mr. Sam Manne, Mr. Maurice Opert, Mr. Archie Manne and Mr. Philip Lurie.

The toasts were proposed by Mr. M. J. Harris and Mr. Herbert Friedman.

Official presentations were made by the Bachelor Club, the Central News Agency and the Old Boys' Club.

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Mr. Ephraim Kluk

Leaves the Service of the S.A. Zionist Federation

Zionist workers throughout the country will learn with regret that Mr. Ephraim Kluk has resigned from his position as assistant-secretary of the S.A. Zionist Federation — a position he has held for over three years.

It will be remembered that in pursuance of his decision to enter the Zionist civil service, Mr. Kluk, during this period, spent some ten months in Palestine in order to acquaint himself with Zionist work at the Headquarters of the movement. Whilst in Eretz Israel, Mr. Kluk acted as a special constable and saw service during a period of riot and trouble. Upon his return to South Africa he threw himself whole-heartedly into his work as a Zionist official and earned for himself the appreciation and esteem of Zionist workers throughout the country.

Farewell to Staff

On Wednesday afternoon, a gathering of members of the staffs of the various departments of the Zionist Federation and the "Zionist Record" gave a farewell tea to Mr. Kluk.

The function was held in the Board Room of the Federation offices and was presided over by Mr. J. Alexander, the secretary, who referred in glowing terms to the loyalty, devotion and self-sacrifice shown by Mr. Kluk in the carrying out of his duties. He also wished him every success in the legal profession which he was now entering and expressed the conviction that Mr. Kluk would carry his devotion for the Zionist ideal into his new career.

Mr. David Dainow (Editor of the "Zionist Record") extended felicitations to Mr. Kluk on behalf of the staff of the journal and wished him success in his new undertakings.

On behalf of the combined staffs, a presentation of a number of Hebrew books was made to Mr. Kluk and also a certificate for a number of trees in Palestine.

In replying, Mr. Kluk expressed his appreciation of the presentation made him by his colleagues, and his regret at now severing his association with them as a co-worker. It was his intention to give himself whole-heartedly to Zionist service in the future, as he had done in the past, and he trusted that he would frequently come in contact with his former comrades.



MADAM CLAIRE BIRSEN-FUCHS

Operatic Singer Arrives from Vienna

There has arrived in Johannesburg an interesting personality in Madam Claire Birsen-Fuchs who has come direct from Vienna. She is the wife of Dr. Egon Fuchs, a well-known dental surgeon in Austria. Madam Birsen-Fuchs has sung in Volks Opera in Vienna and has appeared in the famous Concert Hall, and has done a considerable amount of broadcasting as well. She is the possessor of a magnificent voice.

Madame Birsen-Fuchs is leaving Johannesburg in a few days on a visit to her father in Rhodesia. Whilst there she will be doing concert-recitals with her brother, Mr. Leonid Birsen, the well-known violinist. In a few months time, Madame Birsen-Fuchs returns to Johannesburg to give recitals and her voice will also be heard over the radio.

A CABARET

The Ponewes Sick Benefit and Benevolent Society will hold a cabaret in the Selborne Hall on December 14, 1938, to raise funds for a fever ward for the hospital in Ponewes.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Lewin, of Naauwpoort, are being congratulated on the birth of a son, on the 17th instant.

JOHANNESBURG WOMEN'S ZIONIST LEAGUE

Booyens—Ophirton Branch. — A successful card evening organised by the committee of this branch was held on August 20th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. I. Jacobson, 42, Mentz Street, Booyens.

The committee made every effort to make this, the third function on their programme for the year, a great social and financial success.

During the evening a bottle of champagne, kindly donated by Mrs. Jacobson was competed for and realised the sum of £5.

Special thanks are due to Mr. Jacobson who capably carried out the duties of convener for the evening.

As a result of this function the Booyens branch of the League benefited by the sum of £30-2-11.

Yeoville Branch.—A social afternoon for members and National Fund box-holders is being held by the above branch of the League, at the residence of Mrs. Holtz, 12, Harley Street, on Wednesday, September 14th, at 3 p.m. Mrs. Rifka Kirsch will deliver an address on "Palestine Music." All members and box-holders are cordially invited.

Observatory - Yeoville - Bellevue Branches.—At a combined meeting of these three branches, held at the Scout Hall, Observatory, on Sunday night, Mr. E. Kluk addressed a large gathering on the "Chibbath Zion." Mrs. J. Cohen, vice-chair of the Observatory Branch, presided and Mrs. E. Soreson expressed the thanks of the audience to the speaker for his eloquent and inspiring address.

DOORNFONTEIN LADIES' MIZRACHI ORGANISATION

An Oneg Shabbat will be held under the auspices of the above organisation on Saturday, 3rd September at 3 p.m., at the Solsonia Lodge, 19, Charlton Terrace, Doornfontein. Rabbi W. Gold will address the gathering and musical items will be rendered by a well-known chazan and refreshments will be served. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to the general public.

Palestine Film Evening And Variety Programme

The programme which has been arranged by the Students' Zionist Association for Saturday, 3rd September, at 8.15 p.m. in the Coronation Hall, makes it certain that the audience will enjoy an evening of excellent entertainment.

The Palestine talkie, "The Land of Promise" will be screened and also a short newsreel rescribing the occupation of Tirath Zvi. The attractiveness of the programme is still further enhanced by the variety items arranged by the students. There is a nominal charge of 1s. for admission.

PLAZA ATTRACTIONS

THU Monday, the film at the Plaza Theatre will be "Swing Your Lady," with Frank McHugh, Allen Jenkins, Louise Fazenda, Humphrey Bogart and Nat Pendleton. After the beginning of the week, the attraction will be Paramount's new musical, "Romance in the Dark," featuring Gladys Swarthout and John Boles.



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