

# Personal

## A Repertory Theatre for Johannesburg *A Chat with Natala Korel*



[Photo by Levson.]

most towns in English-speaking countries there were repertory movements. There was no reason why such an institution should not exist in Johannesburg.

Miss Korel, who has had wide theatrical experience in Europe, is a South African who has been overseas for a number of years. In the course of a chat with a representative of the "Zionist Record," she stated that she was surprised to note, on her arrival here, that there was no professional theatre.

"So I decided to establish one," she said. "I want the public to see good plays and these could run here concurrently with London productions. In this manner, Johannesburg can get an idea of what is going on in London, instead of merely reading about it in their newspapers."

Miss Korel gave the interesting information that there was no dearth of professional players in this country. With the co-operation of the African Theatres, Ltd., an excellent company had been got together.

"It all depends on the support which Johannesburg play-goers will give to the project," she declared. "If that support is forthcoming, I can guarantee the production of a most interesting series of plays."

There was a representative gathering at the Carlton Hotel on Tuesday afternoon when those interested in the Repertory Theatre movement greeted Miss Natala Korel, who is due to open a season of plays.

Professor Gurney Laurie said that Miss Korel's scheme was welcomed by those interested in the theatre. In

### The Hasmoneans

Dr. H. Sonnabend (lecturer in Sociology at the Witwatersrand University) who has just returned from a trip to Europe, will give an address at a meeting of the Hasmoneans at Temple Israel, on Tuesday, April 18, at 8.15 p.m. The subject will be "Europe at the Crossroads." All interested are invited to attend.

### Pretoria Women's Zionist League

A meeting of the Pretoria Women's Zionist League will be held at the Memorial Hall, Beatrix Street, on Thursday, 27th April, at 3.30 p.m.

Mrs. H. Preiss, the Propagandist of the S.A. Women's Zionist Council, will address the gathering on "Youth of the Holy Land."

### Tennis Courts at Balfour Park

The official opening of the first six tennis courts of Balfour Park will take place to-morrow, at 2.30 p.m.

Miss Sheila Piercey, Miss Olive Craze, Willie Muir, Harold Silson, Norman Farquharson, Max Bertram and Ben Lurie will play exhibition games during the afternoon.

The courts are part of a large scheme which will be completed by the end of next year.

### Production at the Standard Theatre

This evening will see the opening performance of Natala Korel's production of "George and Margaret." This is an excellent comedy, which has been running for more than three years in the West End of London. Miss Korel has gathered together a fine company of professional artists and a successful repertory season is anticipated.

## Around the Cinemas

### "The Cantor's Son"

Packed houses have applauded the production of "The Cantor's Son" shown for the last three weeks at the Standard Theatre. The picture tells of a human story of love, sorrow and sacrifice and Moishe Oyshe, the brilliant singer delights his audiences with his fine tenor voice. The comic element is cleverly blended in the picture and a talented cast support the main star.

Owing to previous engagements at the Standard Theatre, the showing of the film ceased last night, but it will definitely be seen in Johannesburg again shortly in order to give patrons, who have not yet seen the production, an opportunity of doing so.

### Musical Comedy at the Plaza

Taking the part of a happy-go-lucky, vaudeville artist, Jack Benny heads the cast of "Stranded in Paris," Paramount's latest Musical Comedy, this week's attraction at the Plaza Theatre.

Joan Bennett plays opposite Jack Benny and supporting these two brilliant stars are Joyce Compton, Charley Grapewin, and Fritz Feld, as well as "The Yacht Club Boys," that excellent quartet, who present their four latest song hits.

### Hardy Family at the Metro

"Out West With The Hardys," now in its second week at the Metro Theatre, takes the well-known Hardy family on vacation to the ranching region of America.

In this, his latest role, Mickey Rooney surpasses all his previous performances. A lad of sixteen, who has been pronounced the finest baseballer at school, Mickey acquires a tremendous opinion of himself. Subsequent events show him that he is not as clever as he thought himself to be, and a careless action on his part helps him to reform before it is too late.

Virginia Weidler, a new juvenile "find," is a welcome addition to the usual "Hardy" cast.

With the rest of the family well up to their usual standard, the production is another enjoyable Hardy fun-film.

### "Men With Wings" at the Colosseum

Paramount's epic of aviation, "Men with Wings," starring Fred McMurry, Ray Milland and Louise Campbell, comes to the Colosseum Theatre this week. McMurry and Milland acquit themselves well in the leading roles and the supporting cast is carefully chosen. A delightful story, filmed in glorious technicolour with many daring scenes, "Men with Wings" offers excellent entertainment to theatre-goers.

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