

**A UNIQUE EVENT IN
SYNAGOGUE HISTORY**

**Chanukah Service Broadcast From
the Great Synagogue in Cape
Town**

On Sunday, the 29th ult., the Annual Chanukah Military Service took place in the Great Synagogue, Cape Town.

For the first time in the history of South African Broadcasting, a Synagogue Service was relayed. Reports received from various parts of the country prove that the relay was of a very high standard, and exceedingly well received in all parts.

There were, in addition to the usual parade of Military and ex-Servicemen and women, a number of distinguished public persons present in the Congregation. Among these were the Administrator of the Cape Province, Captain F. Joubert, and Mrs. Joubert, His Worship the Mayor of Cape Town, Councillor W. Brinton, Col. and Mrs. Smedley Williams, Captain M. Burton, Secretary to the B.E.S.L., Captain W. P. Steenkamp, and many others.

The traditional Chanukah tunes were beautifully rendered by Mr. Boris Rome, assisted by the full choir and organ.

After Rabbi Abrahams had delivered an eloquent Sermon, the Reveille and Last Post were sounded by Bandsmen of the Duke of Edinburgh's Own Rifles Military Band. The service concluded with the singing of Hatkivah and God Save the King.

Yeoville Synagogue Social Club

This club recently held a Table Tennis Tournament, partly in aid of the Governor-General's War Fund. As the result of the function, a sum of fifty pounds has been sent to the Organisation. Great credit is due to the young members of this club for the initiative they have shown.

The winner of the £5 prize for donation ticket was Mr. L. Greenfield, 10 Yeo Street, Yeoville.

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The engagement is announced between Annie, only daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. B. Katz, of Fouriesburg, to Emanuel (Mannie), youngest son of Mr. and the late Mrs. J. Jacobs, of Potchefstroom.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. M. Pencharz, of Waverley Road, Bloemfontein, on the birth of a son at the New Maternity Home on the 22nd December.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Mannie Kobrin (nee Zelda David, formerly of Louis Trichardt) on the birth of a daughter at the Clarendon Nursing Home, Hillbrow, Johannesburg, on the 30th December.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. J. Batnitzky, of Johannesburg, on the birth of a son at the Frangwen Nursing Home, Hillbrow, on the 31st ultimo.

The engagement is announced of Miriam, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Eisenstein, Zastron, to Jackie Ogince, of Theunissen, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ogince, of Lithuania.

The engagement is announced of Deby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Friedman, of Wakkerstroom, to Maurice Abraham, second son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Klaff, of Durban, and nephew of Mrs. and the late Mr. A. D. Berkowitz, of Vereeniging.

The marriage of Annie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Lieberthal, of Vryburg, to Nathan Mendelow, of Lichtenburg, will take place at the Benoni Synagogue on Sunday, 5th January, at 11 a.m.

Raymond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Matuson, will read a portion of the Law and Maftir, at the Berea Synagogue, on 4th January.

A SOCIAL FUNCTION

Concert in Aid of Zionist-Socialist Party

At the home of Mrs. Ethel Hayman, in Jan Smuts Avenue, on Monday night, an interesting concert took place. The function was in aid of the Zionist-Socialist Party of South Africa. During the evening, Mrs. Hayman referred to the splendid work which the Histadruth was carrying out in Palestine. The Labour movement in that country was headed by men who were sacrificing their very lives for the cause of re-building, and it was the duty of all in South Africa to support them.

During the evening Miss Suzanne Margolis rendered a piano solo. Cantor I. Alter sang a number of Jewish folk songs and the Misses Barnes sang a selection of Mexican songs, which were highly appreciated.

The concert was one of a series of social functions being held in various homes for the benefit of the Zionist-Socialist Party.

Congratulations are being extended to Eli and Clarice Dubb (nee Clarice van Flymen), of Port Elizabeth, on the birth of a son on 24th December.

The engagement is announced of Leah, only daughter of Mrs. A. and the late Mr. A. W. Shapiro, of Johannesburg, to Morris Messel, formerly of Natal, now of Johannesburg, elder son of Mrs. P. and the late Mr. S. Meselevsky.

Congratulations are being extended to Abe and Bertina Dinner (nee Pelunsky), on the birth of a daughter, at Clarendon Nursing Home, on 28th December.

Congratulations are being extended to Renee and Bernard Shapiro, on the birth of a daughter at the Florence Nightingale Nursing Home, on 28th December.

Master Mark, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Kopelowitz, 84 Reitz Street, Kroonstad, will read a portion of the Law at the Kroonstad Synagogue, on Saturday morning, 4th January.

The marriage of Freda, youngest daughter of Mrs. A. and the late Mr. C. Weinfeld, to Jack Jankelowitz (Breyten), son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Jankelowitz, will take place at the Wolmarans Street Synagogue on Sunday, 5th January, at 7 p.m.

ENGAGEMENT.

WULFFHART-STRELITZ. — The engagement is announced of Henry, eldest son of Mr. W. and the late Mrs. Wulffhart, of Johannesburg, to Fanny, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Strelitz, of Queenstown.

Mr. Cassen Going on Tour

Mr. Gerald Cassen, the brilliant bass singer, is going on a tour of South Africa this month. He will leave Johannesburg on the 20th inst. for the coast, visiting studios of the South African Broadcasting Corporation at Cape Town, Durban and Grahamstown and will be away for about two months.

The tour will actually begin and end at the Johannesburg studio, and will include four recitals at Cape Town. Here he will sing "Music Upon the Breeze," a composition by Walter Swanson, who is musical director of the Cape Town Studio. His programme will also include Nilakantha's aria from Delibe's "Lakme," which Mr. Cassen will sing in Afrikaans, the translation having been done by Gideon Roos, of Johannesburg.

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Germiston Activities

On the recommendation of the Rev. Dr. A. Lichtigfeld, Minister of the Germiston Hebrew Congregation, the synagogue has decided to establish a permanent choir.

The Children's Service, which was initiated last year, proved so satisfactory that arrangements are being made to hold a Children's Service this year as soon as the children return from their holidays.

It is intended to facilitate Hebrew studies for boys from thirteen to seventeen years of age. All parents interested are asked to get in touch with the Rev. Dr. A. Lichtigfeld, who intends to establish a class or study group for this purpose.

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