

must not and we cannot let it pass in silence! Let us give the proof that we are "*Rachmonim b'nei rachmonim.*" Wake up, brother! Help your ruined brother, Help, help, help!!!

I am, etc.,

H. FRIEDLAND.

Johannesburg,

December 20th, 1914.

VOLUNTARY CIVILIAN TRAINING ASSOCIATION.

To the Editor, "S.A. Jewish Chronicle."

Sir,—I have been instructed to send you the following for public information:—

The deputation appointed at the emergency meeting of the V.C.T.A. on the 7th inst. met General Smuts on Saturday the 12th inst. at 11.30 a.m. The deputation consisted of Messrs. E. G. Clifford-Jones, R. Currie (Johannesburg), R. C. Perkins (East Rand), P. R. Cooke (Germiston), and the Secretary. Messrs. J. R. Addie (Witbank) and T. H. Bayldon (Roodepoort) were unable to attend.

The Minister sympathetically received the deputation and stated that the Government highly appreciated the spirit of the movement and could assure the deputation that the Association had served a very useful purpose.

On the question of the permanent establishment of the V.C.T.A. the Minister stated that he would appoint an Officer immediately to investigate the whole Organization, and upon his report the Minister would go into the matter, and after consideration of this report he would communicate with the Committee of the V.C.T.A.

The Minister further stated that some rifles would be provided for the members of the V.C.T.A. for instructional purposes, and he would deal definitely with the question as soon as he had received the report from the Officer to be appointed.

An Emergency Meeting was held in the Board Room, Consolidated Building, Johannesburg, on Thursday the 17th December, to receive the report of the deputation appointed to interview the Government on the permanent establishment of the V.C.T.A., and the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"This meeting, having heard the explanation of the deputation, resolved that the Association be continued until the receipt of the report from the Officer to be appointed by the Government, when a further meeting will be called."

Yours faithfully,

H. H. FISHER,

Secretary.

Johannesburg,

December 18th, 1914.

The Business registered Revenue Office Johannesburg, by E. H. Ellis trading as The Universal Motor Cycle Works, Stand 511, No. 83b Bezuidenhout Street, Be-trams, Johannesburg, has been abandoned as and from 30th November 1914.

Sims & Michel, Attorneys for Part (11. 18. 25)



THE STANDARD THEATRE.

A distinctly martial air prevailed at the above theatre during the present week, when Leo Trevor's fine play "Brother Officers" was continued by the talented members of Mr. Leonard Rayne's dramatic company, headed by Mr. Malcolm Tearle and Miss Eva Moss. The piece must be considered especially appropriate for the present time, when the air is ringing with war and interest is solely centred upon the military. The First Lancers, one of the British crack regiments, with its brilliant scarlet uniforms, draws its officers almost entirely from the aristocracy and it is therefore easily understood that a humble-born man, raised to a commission—although obtained by exceptional bravery—should feel very much out of place. This is the feeling which has taken hold of John Hinds V. C. who was raised from corporal to the rank of a lieutenant and who feels in the company of his brother officers very much like a fish out of water. But with a strong determination and aided by his friend Lieut. Lancelot Pleydell, whose life he saved, he soon adopts the manners of the "upper ten" and it will be seen that this role gives ample scope to an actor. In this Mr. Tearle succeeded remarkably well and his John Hinds was undoubtedly a true study from life which further strengthened the con-

viction that Mr. Tearle has developed into a first class artist. Miss Eva Moss played the part of Lady Honor Royden with a sweet abandonment and was at times simply irresistible. She wore exquisite gowns, a different one in each act, but, owing to our inexperience in these important matters, we are reluctantly unable to give details. Mr. Wallace Young was very convincing as Lieut. Pleydell, a part which suited him well in every respect. Another important part is that of Mr. Hutton (an Australian Millionaire) who is really the villain in the play and when we state that Mr. Burton Seymour excelled in the part, we are only doing this artist justice. The cast is a long one and the play was acted exceptionally well and was fully appreciated by large audiences. To-night (Christmas) the "Sign of the Cross" will be appropriately staged, with Miss Freda Godfrey in the part of Mercia. This thrilling drama has ever been a great favourite with Johannesburg audiences, and with Miss Godfrey taking the principal part, the piece becomes a special attraction, so that record houses should prevail at the Standard during the festive week.

The business Registered at the Revenue Office Johannesburg on 1st April 1914 by Miller Bro's, 62 Commissioner Street Johannesburg has been abandoned. Signed Miller Bro's, P. Cronson & Son Agents 48 Commissioner Street Phone 2300 Johannesburg. (24. 1. 8.)

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