

# Our Relatives Live in South Africa



We haven't heard from them since Hitler came to us in 1939.

Yankel died in the Ghetto Battle of Warsaw.

Berel was killed by the Gestapo—don't ask how.

Malke was taken to Germany—she was only 18.

Little David is suffering from T.B.—he is two years old.

Old Aunt Sarah is living in the forests and last winter lost an arm through frostbite.

Father has lost his reason through his suffering.

But we have Relatives in Africa  
We can last out with adequate help

*Will they help?*  
★ **Give to the Jewish War Appeal**  
*and make sure*

**When you sit down to a meal  
Think of the Jewish War Appeal**

## Dr. Colin Steyn on Balfour Declaration.

### IMPRESSIVE MEETING IN JOHANNESBURG.

"I do not believe in any partial solution of the Palestine question. For me there can only be one solution, the creation of a free independent Jewish State within the old historic boundaries," said Dr. Colin Steyn, Minister of Justice, when he addressed an impressive Balfour Day meeting at the Coronation Hall, Johannesburg, on Monday night.

The meeting was crowded to capacity and on the platform with the speakers were Mr. Justice Brandeis, General Thomas Holcomb, United States Minister to the Union, Mr. Jonkheer W. F. van Lennep, Netherlands Minister, the Consul-General for China, Denmark, Poland and Switzerland, the Consul for Belgium, the Vice-Consul for the U.S.S.R., the Canadian Trade Commissioner, and a representative of the Royal Greek Legation. Dr. Steyn said that the Balfour Declaration was issued in acknowledgment of the justice of Jewry's national claims and the recognition of the Jewish contribution to the Allied cause in every sphere of war activity during the Great War. He paid tribute to Jewish achievements in Palestine during the last 27 years. The task of making Palestine a Jewish state still remained, he said, would be preferable if this were achieved by friendly and peaceful negotiations with the Arabs, but if not, Palestine should be opened to unrestricted Jewish immigration which would eventually lead to a Jewish state.

Continuing in Afrikaans, Dr. Steyn said that if there was one land and one section of the people who should support Zionism to the uttermost it was the South African people and the Afrikaans nation. South Africans had much for which to thank their Jewish fellow citizens. From early days Jews had played a significant role in the development of South Africa. A young people like the Afrikaners needed friends. The Jews had always been their friends and Afrikaners should reject the pernicious ideologies which were trying to find a way into South Africa and realise that the old faithful friends were the best.

Concluding, Dr. Steyn reaffirmed his faith in the justice of the Zionist cause. "Victory for the Jewish people," he said, "will be a mighty blow in the cause of freedom all over the world. If the Jewish people achieve their goal of a Jewish commonwealth a bulwark will be created for the security of small nations all over the world."

Mr. N. Kirschner, Chairman of the S.A. Zionist Federation, reviewed the vicissitudes of the last 27 years and the unhappy plight of Jewry. Palestine, he said, was the only beacon of light and Jewry's just claims to their homeland must be fulfilled.

Mr. L. A. Pincus expressed appreciation to Dr. Steyn and the representatives of the many nations present.

Mr. M. Kentridge, M.P., who presided, read a message from Senator Brookes, Chairman of the S.A. Pro-Palestine Committee, stating: "I should like to join Dr. Steyn and the other speakers in publicly declaring my continued support of the Balfour Declaration and my desire to see it effectively put into practice. I stand firmly for unrestricted Jewish immigration into Palestine and for its evolution into a self-governing state with a Jewish majority as soon as possible." The meeting opened with "Die Stem" and "God Save the King" and closed with "Hatikvah."

## דורשי ציון

DORSHEI ZION ASSOCIATION (Cape Town).

The Next

## Zionist Conversazione

will be held at the ZIONIST HALL

on TUESDAY, 14th NOVEMBER, at 8.15 p.m.

and will take the form of a Farewell to Mr. A. BLAHOVSKY (Consul-General for Czechoslovakia) and Mrs. Blahovsky, who are shortly leaving South Africa.

ALL WELCOME.

## Dr. Weizmann's Seventieth Birthday.

### PREPARATIONS FOR UNIVERSAL CELEBRATIONS.

There is considerable enthusiasm in local Zionist circles in anticipation of the seventieth birthday of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the Zionist Organisation, which falls on November 27th. A number of individuals have already inscribed Dr. Weizmann's name in the Golden Book and several additional inscriptions by societies and individuals are expected.

Zionist Societies are planning to hold suitable functions to celebrate the occasion and an attractive programme has been issued by the South African Zionist Federation for their use. So far advice has been received of the following specific functions:—

Thursday, November 23rd—Subscription dinner to be given by Western Province Zionist Committees, to which a number of leading non-Jewish personalities will be invited.

Sunday, November 26th—Reception arranged by the Dorshei Zion Association.

Monday, November 27th—Youth celebration organised by Cape Zionist Youth Executive.

Tuesday, November 28th—Special Zionist Conversazione.

Societies are particularly requested not to organise gatherings on the above-mentioned dates.

Jerusalem.

The three-day conference of the Palestine Exploration Society was devoted mainly to the study of the Palestine coast. It began with a tour from Hedera to Caesaria and a boating excursion on the Yarkon River. Sessions were held in Tel Aviv.