

## In and Around the Town.

58 Burg Street,  
Thursday.

### THE UNITED HEBREW SCHOOLS.

The Committee of this Institution commences its annual appeal for funds on Sunday, and, for a week, there will be an organised House to House Collection, when, as far as is possible, Jewish householders will be approached for support for what is the most fundamental activity in the religious and charitable life of the community. The Talmud Torah is the most vital and the most indispensable of communal institutions, and the greatest need of all is religious instruction and Hebrew education. Unfortunately the claims of the United Hebrew Schools have always been overlooked by the bulk of Cape Town Jewry, with the result that the finances are in a bad way, and the Committee handicapped in its endeavours to maintain what has often been termed a model institution. It would be a great pity if its growth should be retarded because of a lack of practical support, and one hopes that there will be a ready and generous support to the appeal made in connection with the Campaign.

### A NEW HEADMASTER.

The United Hebrew Schools have now engaged a new headmaster, one who is highly qualified to occupy the position. He is Mr. Alexander Levin, and was for some time on the teaching staff of the Johannesburg Hebrew School. The Committee have every confidence in Mr. Levin's ability to fully maintain the high standard of efficiency the Schools have enjoyed in the past, and that he will do much to promote among the scholars a love of their religion and stimulate them to take an intelligent interest in Hebrew education. Arrangements have been made, on the initiative of the Rev. A. P. Bender, to send four teachers to the central schools three times weekly for the purpose of teaching Hebrew to the 150 Jewish boys and girls. The community should appreciate the Committee's efforts in this respect.

### CEMETERY EXTENSION CONSECRATED.

Assisted by Cantor L. Kirschner and the Rev. S. Kibel, the Rev. A. P. Bender on Sunday morning consecrated the extension to the Cape Town Hebrew Congregation's cemetery at Woltemade No. 3. It was a beautiful morning and the sacred ceremony was witnessed by a large gathering, which included representatives from the various Peninsula congregations. The Great Synagogue Choir took part in the ceremony, under the leadership of Mr. Boris Rome, and the beautiful singing added greatly to the dignity of the proceedings. Mr. Bender delivered an inspiring address, which profoundly impressed those present.

### DEFENCE FORCE CAMP.

The annual Defence Force camp is being held at Worcester from the

5th until the 16th prox., as a consequence of which there will be a general exodus of our young soldiers within the next few days for their yearly training. The Jewish community will be well represented, for in the various regiments there are Jews holding commissioned as well as non-commissioned rank, in addition to the ordinary "musket bearers." The largest number of Jewish boys is to be found in the Cape Town Highlanders, and very smart and martial do they look in their kilts and sporrans. In charge of the cooking arrangements will be Sergt.-Cook M. Stein, whilst as a strict disciplinarian, Sergt. I. Berkovitch, the Provost Sergeant, who will be in charge of the camp police, will be hard to beat. Two other sergeants in the "Scotties" are J. Marine and B. I. Gradner. The Medical Corps will be under the command of Captain L. Blumberg. I understand that arrangements have been made for those of the Jewish faith to attend the Worcester Synagogue on Friday evening and Saturday morning.

### A BRILLIANT FUNCTION.

"Portswood," Green Point, the stately and charming residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Pevsner, has often been the scene of successful house parties, but the "At Home" on Saturday night was undoubtedly the most elaborate these genial hosts have yet held. There were about two hundred guests from all parts of the Peninsula, and these were right royally entertained. The great attraction was the ballroom recently built in the spacious "Portswood" grounds, and which is, I think, the first private ballroom in this country. It is a handsomely designed structure, exquisitely decorated and brilliantly lit. The striking electric chandeliers and side brackets were specially imported from Brussels, and are beautiful pieces of workmanship. At the end of the room is a "Mogon Dovid." The shield itself is of gilt, decorated with a novel design in white and blue electrically lit flowers. In fact, the entire scheme of decorations is in blue and white, executed by the staff of the African Tobacco Manufacturers, under the supervision of Mr. D. Levy.

### "PORTSWOOD" HOSPITALITY.

At the top of the room is a roomy stage, and here on Saturday night was esconsed Forbes' Orchestra 'mid the palms and ferns. There was music and dancing until midnight, whilst supper was served in several of the large salons. The catering was done solely by the "Portswood" staff, Mrs. Pevsner herself overlooking all with characteristic solicitude for the guests. Nothing was omitted that would add to the comfort and enjoyment of everyone, and here a word may be said in tribute to the younger members of the Pevsner household—Mr. Victor, Mr. Harold and the Misses Lilian and Elizabeth. They were indefatigable in seconding the

efforts of their parents to make the affair a thoroughly enjoyable one. On behalf of the guests Mr. L. Gradner thanked the hosts in a neat little speech, to which Mr. Pevsner modestly responded.

### THOSE PRESENT.

Among those present were Mrs. Stodel, Councillor and Mrs. L. Gradner, Councillor and Mrs. S. Goldstein and Mr. Teddy Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. N. Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Hamburg and Miss Hamburg, Mr. and Mrs. L. Pinn, Mrs. J. Kay and son, Mr. Lou Simmons (of Johannesburg), Mr. and Mrs. M. Lavendar, Mr. and Mrs. J. Carasov, Mr. and Mrs. J. Golding, Miss R. Gerrard, Miss Enid du Preez, Mr. and Mrs. A. Goldberg, Mrs. Vorster, Mr. and Mrs. P. Marcus, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fisher, Mrs. J. Brodie, Mr. Cyril Stodel, Mr. and Mrs. D. Levy, Miss Ettie Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Milner, Mr. and Mrs. Hammerschlag, Mr. and Mrs. Goldschmidt, Mr. and Mrs. L. Wolf, Mrs.

Moss, Mrs. Waenstein (Pretoria), Miss C. Tobias, Mr. Silbert, Mrs. M. Bashew and daughters, Mrs. M. Rosen, and Mr. Segal.

### ORT-OZE-EMIGDIRECKT.

Considerable success attends the efforts of the Ukrainian Ort, who rope in every Jewish town and hamlet as members of the main organisation. Thus we find that nearly every Jewish centre in Ukraine, realising the importance of self-support on the road to reconstruction, willingly join hands with Ort to achieve that desirable aim.

The newly-formed Committee of the Jewish Emigration Society in Paris has mapped out a scheme of energetic work to extend its membership and scope of work. Of course, one of its first tasks will be the investigation of the possibilities of employment for Jewish agricultural workers from Eastern Europe in France.

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## Registration of Business Act, 1909.

The Retail Butchery carried on by FOBIA SOGGOT (Soggot's Meat Market) will be removed from Stand 742, 4, Delarey Street, to Stand 757, 2, Delarey Street, Vrededorp, Johannesburg, from the 1st March, 1929. — M. E. Sachs, Agent for Party, 19, Permanent Buildings, Harrison Street, Johannesburg. 15.22.1

Business registered Receiver Revenue, Germiston, January, 1929, by PHILLIP SAFFER and TANHOLIM SAFFER, trading as Saffer Bros., Stand 145, 108, High Road, Germiston, has been transferred to PHILLIP SAFFER, TANHOLIM SAFFER and LEONARD SAFFER, trading as before, from 1/1/29.—P. Cronson, Party's Agent, 'Phone 159, 53a, Commissioner Street, Johannesburg. 15.22.1

Business registered Receiver Revenue, Johannesburg, January, 1928, by PHILLIP SAFFER and LEONARD SAFFER, trading as P. Saffer & Co., Stand 712 and 713, 169, Market Street, Johannesburg, has been transferred to PHILLIP SAFFER, LEONARD SAFFER and TANHOLIM SAFFER, trading as before, from 1/1/29.—P. Cronson, Party's Agent, 'Phone 159, 53a, Commissioner Street, Johannesburg. 15.22.1

The General Dealer Business registered Receiver Revenue, Johannesburg in January, 1928, by Mrs. JETTA BLOCH, trading as the Central Bottle Agency, Stand 29, Jeppe (4, Albrecht Street), has been abandoned from 31/12/28. — P. Cronson, Party's Agent, Phone 159, 53a, Commissioner Street, Johannesburg. 15.22.1

The General Dealer's Business carried on by E. H. BHAM & CO., on Straatsdrift, 172 Marico, was closed down on the 31st December, 1928. — S. J. van der Spuy, Solicitor for Parties, Groot Marico. 22.1.8

Notice is hereby given that the business of General Dealer and Kafir Eating House-keeper hitherto carried on by ARNOLD GROSS at 19, Market Street, Johannesburg, has been sold and transferred to BARNEY GITLIN as from the 1st January, 1929. Johannesburg, this 18th day of February, 1929.—Alfred L. Cohn, Solicitor for the Parties, National Mutual Buildings, Johannesburg. 22.1.8

General Dealer and Grocery Business registered Receiver Revenue, 8/1/29, and Municipality, Johannesburg, 9/1/29, by BARTHELEMY FELIX SABATIER, trading as Clifton Cash Store, Stand 2810, cor De Beer and Stiemens Street, Braamfontein, Johannesburg, transferred to WILLIAM WILKINS from 1/3/29. — P. Cronson, Party's Agent, Phone 159, 53a, Commissioner Street, Johannesburg. 1.8.15

The General Dealer's and Grocer's Business registered Receiver of Revenue and Municipality, Johannesburg, January, 1929, by FAKIR MAHOMED SAYED, Stand 374, Pollack Avenue, Newclare, has been transferred to MAHOMED ALLY, as from 15th February, 1929. — Dawood Sadick, 16, Market Street, Johannesburg. 1.8.15

## Jews in Railway Disaster.

Berlin (J.T.A.).

Three Jews were killed in the Regensburg train disaster, it is now stated. The two Jews previously reported seriously injured, S. Nachtigal and Abraham Schkolnik, have died, as has also another Jewish passenger, Herr Goldschmidt, of Vienna. Schkolnik's son Jacob, a young man of twenty, is among the injured. Madame Schkolnik, who lives in Berlin, was waiting at her home for her husband and son to return from Vienna, and at the very moment she was expecting them to arrive she received a telegram stating that her husband was dead and her son in hospital. Abraham Schkolnik was 43 years of age.

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## End of Communal Crisis.

### ALL CLEAR IN VIENNA.

Vienna (J.T.A.).

The crisis in the Board of the Vienna Jewish community has been settled, the majority belonging to the Union of Austrian Jews, agreeing to the demand of the Zionists and the Workers' Party to reconstitute the Presidium. Dr. Loewenherz, a Zionist, has been elected a Vice-President, and Zionist and Workers' Party representatives have been appointed to half the seats on the collegium of the Board, and on the various commissions. At the same time a special commission has been appointed to consider what steps are to be taken to change the present statutes of the community to provide for a more general franchise, as is demanded by the Zionists and the Workers' Party. The Budget of the community is now sure of being passed unanimously, so that it will be possible to carry on the work of the community without difficulty.

## Why Continue to Suffer?

### WHEN SO MANY JOHANNESBURG PEOPLE SHOW YOU HOW TO GET WELL.

You may be brave enough to stand backache or headache or dizziness. But if, in addition, urination is disordered, be warned in time. Unless you strengthen your weakened kidneys, you may drift into serious kidney disease before you know it. Live more carefully, help your kidneys with Doan's Backache Kidney Pills, and you can stop the pains you have at present, and avoid future danger as well. Don't experiment—use the remedy Johannesburg people are publicly endorsing. It has succeeded thousands of times in relieving kidney complications, rheumatism, dropsy, cystitis and stone formation or gravel. Read this case:

Mr. M. Basson, 34a, Jutta Street, Braamfontein, Johannesburg, Transvaal, says: "Backache and bladder weakness troubled me as a child. The pain in the small of the back was so bad that I was almost crippled, and I had to be helped to get up. I had headaches and I was always tired. I was given Doan's Backache Kidney Pills and one box cured me completely. It is seven years since my recovery, but I am still well. — (Signed) M. Basson."

Ask distinctly for Doan's Backache Kidney Pills, the same as Mr. Basson had. Sold by all dealers, 3/3 a box. Sole Proprietors, Foster-McClellan Co., Box 1297, Cape Town.

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The Fruit-sellers is distinguished by its loose treatment, while the Amorous Tramp is a delightful little bit of humour.

A number of other well-known etchers are also included in the exhibition. Jas. Cadenhead is represented by a number of tree-studies, while Hester Frood gives a lyrical suggestion of spaciousness in the style of the old Dutch masters in her Elvet Bridge, Durham.

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A well-known Berlin philanthropist has granted a considerable sum of money to the Oze Organisation for the purpose of instituting Radiological Departments in many of its hospitals. This has already been done, and these departments are proving of great benefit.

### HEARD THIS ONE?

It is generally known that Tel-Aviv has a hundred per cent. Jewish population, is an independent municipality, controls its own police, and is an up-to-date modern city in every respect. Tel-Avivians are intensely proud of their city and its remarkable growth. A London Jew met a Jew of Tel-Aviv in Paris. During their conversation the Londoner asked: "How many people are there in Tel-Aviv?" The reply was: "About 35,000, all Jews, except a very few, whom we find useful for Sabbath duties. How many people are there in London?" "About eight millions." And how many Jews?" "Oh! about a quarter of a million." The Tel-Aviv Jew was impressed. "And what do the Jews want the other seven and three-quarter millions for?"

### "PALESTINE ARTS AND CRAFTS."

The little Palestine shop in the Arcade continues to flourish. Last week it received from Palestine an interesting consignment containing some fine necklaces of antique amber strung with small black beads and mounted with silver and gilded filigree. These strings are quite unique in their mounting. Lapis lazuli, malachite and cornelian have all been treated in a similar way. There is also a very beautiful batik shawl.

I am told that though the shop is doing very well, interest and appreciation in it are being shown not by the Jews generally, but chiefly by Gentile visitors and purchasers.

### THE BREAKING OF THE TABLETS.

In this week's Sedra, Exodus, Chap. 32, verses 17-19, we read: "And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said unto Moses, There is a noise of war in the camp. And he said, It is not the voice of them that shout for mastery, neither is it the voice of them that cry for being overcome; but the noise of them that sing do I hear. And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf, and the dancing: and Moses's anger waxed hot, and he cast the tablets out of his hands and brake them beneath the mount."

The question has often been asked why Moses did not appeal to the people before breaking the tablets. They might have been able to justify their misdeeds, at least, from their own point of view. The answer is found written in the above verses. Had the cry of the people been a cry of victory, Moses could have appealed to them and shown them that greatness does not lie in conquest (Zecharia, chap. 4, verse 6): ". . . Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord of hosts." On the other hand, had the cry been the cry of defeat, Moses could equally have shown them that there was no need to be dismayed in the words of the Psalmist (chap. 20,

verse 8): "Some trust in chariots and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the Lord our God."

When Moses heard the cry of the people which was neither of conquest nor of defeat, but "Kol anos onochi shomea," he heard the cry of "onochi—I am"; he came to the conclusion that it was useless to give them the Commandments which begins with "onochi," since he found each of the children of Israel claiming to be the "onochi" himself. Do not all our institutions to-day suffer from the same complaint? Do not the leaders of Israel to-day throw down the tablets after finding that there are too many "onochis" among us? We cannot hope for any success in our Jewish undertakings, be it a religious or charitable institution, if each of us knows all there is to be known about it, and always more than his next door neighbour.

### MADAME OLGA RYSS.

A charming and talented visitor to South Africa is Madame Olga Ryss. She arrived in Cape Town nearly a fortnight ago, and will make her first appearance in the City Hall with the Orchestra on Saturday night. She will sing arias from *Cavalleria Rusticana* and *Aida*.

Madame Ryss will be the first Jewish woman singer of note we have had for a long time. She has sung in Grand Opera in Berlin, Moscow, Petrograd, Riga, in Finland, Sweden and in Italy.

An accomplished linguist, Mdme. Ryss can sing in the language of every town she visits, including Persian!

Jewish music-lovers will be interested to hear that she has an extensive repertoire of Yiddish and Hebrew as well as *chasonuth* melodies. It is highly probable that she will give a Yiddish and Hebrew Folk Concert in Cape Town in the near future.

When it is stated that Madame Olga Ryss has sung twice with Chaliapine, nothing further need be said regarding her ability or her status in the musical world.

Her concert on Saturday night should draw a record crowd.

### REMARKABLE EXHIBITION OF ETCHINGS.

The Van Riebeeck Galleries, 61 Burg Street, are now exhibiting a remarkable collection of etchings. From the point of view of the student of modern art the exhibition is unique, for it includes, probably for the first time in this country, a whole wall of etchings by Augustus John.

Considerable time and trouble were entailed by the management in gathering them together, for John's work is scarce and much sought after.

The Self-Portrait is a striking study. The subject is a man etching, and the lean, bearded face with its expression of concentration on the work in hand added to a sharp awareness of the onlooker is a masterly piece of work.

There are two portraits of a Woman; interesting interpretations of the complex psychology of the woman of "thirty-five."

Konya, the Hungarian artist now in Cape Town, has several interesting pieces of work at this exhibition.

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