

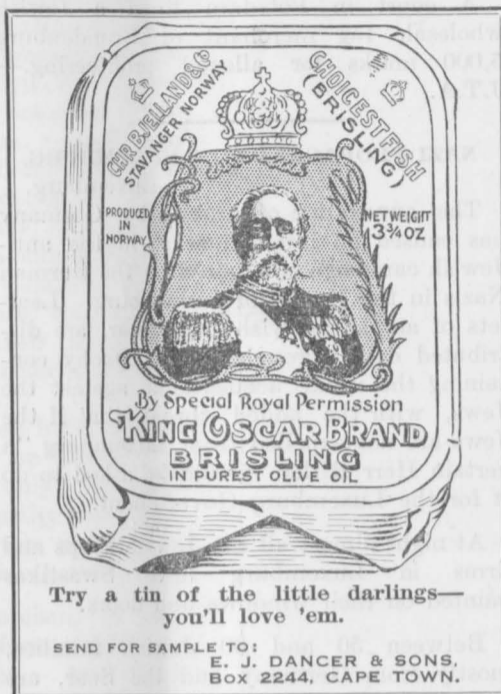
### IN THE INTERIM PERIOD.

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requires large sums for this purpose, but even if such sums are mobilised—and that is hardly possible—they will not be sufficient. We cannot to-day acquire land without settling it, and the occupation of land which is bought calls for additional large sums from the Keren Hayesod. In the field of settlement there is a wide opportunity for fresh achievement, for the execution of a plan of works and economic development, the realisation of which will revolutionise our situation and conditions in Palestine generally. I am not talking of fantasy but of definite real opportunities. It is up to the Jewish people. The private investor recoils from the obscure situation and lack of security. Hence private capital shrinks, afraid to enter the fray of economic creation in these abnormal times. But what obscurity and insecurity is there for the Jewish people as a whole? What prevents it taking into its own hands the fate of its country and advancing it further, altering its fundamental basis by direct action? What prevents it redeeming and settling the waste lands? Draining swamps, planting forests, building roads, creating irrigation works, and building a port—continuing in all these directions the enterprise of the upbuilding of its Homeland? What investment in this respect can be unsound? Why should the people give way to the dictates of an interim period? Only if our contribution is given with such initiative, only if we prove that we have the power to dominate the fate of the country, not by laws and regulations of an Administration not in our hands, but by our own efforts, by actual work in the day to day round, shall we prove to all those obstructing factors with which we now wrestle that we indeed consider this country truly ours, that we feel ourselves to be its children and its possessors. More than by a demonstration or political demand, we shall prove by this contribution and by such constructive and progressive settlement, that all designs of artificial limitation will not defeat us, that it is impossible to suppress us or to stunt our growth, that we cannot be forced into a bed of Sodom, not by way of a dismembered State nor by restricted immigration. For within us are the fountains of creative power; the Jewish people is fully determined to create for itself a great future in Palestine—its will power is adamant. Whether we choose the way of the State or the way of the Mandate, whether this or that regime is imposed on us, we must be

ready for heavy sacrifices. Our capacity to liberate ourselves from the depression, to pass from stagnation to activity, to step forth from the depths to enlargement, will fulfil a mighty function in the lot of the political battle. The Jewish people is required to demonstrate to-day by real achievement, its devotion to its country. The criterion of the devotion of the Jews to their country in this epoch is the Keren Hayesod.

(Translated from the Hebrew.)



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MYER KOVERBERG.

The Orphanage Secretary (Mr. E. H. Kloot, P.O. Box 1204, Cape Town) will be grateful for information concerning the present address of Myer Koverberg, late of the Cape Jewish Orphanage.

Mr. Koverberg's brothers in Palestine are anxious to be put in touch with him.

## ON THE WATCHTOWER.

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All the verbiage (as remote from practical Zionist politics as the planet Mars), bolstered up by the magic formula of "Palestine on both sides of the Jordan," and supported by some badly-drawn maps, helped to evoke a sporadic enthusiasm from some isolated row of stalls, marooned in a vast sea of indifference. Yet everybody listened; there was no "incident"; no ardent loyalist was stung into interruption. Everyone was bent on having his full, half-crown worth of oratory—and there was no short measure.

Revisionism is not a real danger to Zionism. Jabotinsky will not triumph for he has no allies among non-Jews, and his ideology is alien to the Jewish outlook. He maintains that the Zionist Organisation is not the Jewish people but only a party; but his faction is only the offshoot of a party. That this faction will become the people is unthinkable; whether we look at Palestine or the Diaspora for pointers we find none to suggest such an eventuality. Nevertheless Jabotinsky's sinister secession means war, and in war as Mr. Chamberlain has pointed out, there are no winners. What a pity that a man of Jabotinsky's mental acreage should choose to sow the wind!

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