



JOHANNESBURG DAY BY DAY

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HOSPITAL WEEK.

The Johannesburg Hospital have decided on inaugurating a "Hospital Week" during the first week of September for the collection of funds, and the "Week" will open on Sunday, 1st September, and a number of entertainments and special functions have already been arranged, whilst further functions are in the course of arrangement, so that finally it should be possible to have a crowded week. The purpose of "Hospital Week" is to secure funds sufficient to wipe out the deficit which will ensue, and if possible, to have a surplus for the endowment of beds, and a special appeal will shortly be issued for the making of regular annual subscribers to the hospital.

At a meeting of the Publicity Sub-Committee of the Appeal Committee, held on Friday last, 19th July, Mr. H. J. Crocker, Director of Publicity, was voted to the chair, and measures for broadcasting the arrangements during "Hospital Week" and securing every possible publicity were decided on.

The estimated deficit for 1929 is £5,400 and considering the success with which the appeal for radium was met, it can confidently be expected that "Hospital Week" will again demonstrate the interests of the citizens of Johannesburg.

THE CHERNIAVSKY TRIO.

Music-lovers will hear with great interest that on Sunday, 28th July, the famous Cherniavsky Brothers will be appearing at the Orpheum Theatre under the auspices of the African Theatres, Ltd. Jan, the noted pianist and remarkable interpreter of Chopin's pieces, supported by Leo, the dramatic violinist, and Mischel, the celebrated 'cellist, will submit a programme of highly classical music and will pay a repeat visit to Johannesburg on Sunday, 4th August.

THE SCIENCE CONGRESS.

The programme of local arrangements at Johannesburg in connection with the Congress of the British Association for the Advancement of Science has been issued, and is for the period 30th July to 4th August, opening with a luncheon to visiting members of the British Federation of University Women, by the University Women's Association of Johannesburg, and an "At Home" by the Senate and Council of the Witwatersrand University, and a civic reception in the City Hall. There will also be an "At Home" by the Women's Civic Association of Johannesburg, a Native War Dance and a number of excursions such as visits to the gold mines, Rosherville power station, the Vaal River bridge,

municipal abattoirs, diamond diggings and a visit to the veterinary research laboratories at Onderstepoort.

The Congress will be in session throughout this period and a number of popular lectures have been arranged for the public, such as the public lecture in the City Hall by Dr. F. E. Smith, F.R.S., on "The New Airship R.101," a discussion on "Science and Industry," by Dr. C. S. Myers, C.B.E., F.R.S., Professor G. W. O. Howe, Hon. H. Mond, Sir John Flett, K.B.E., F.R.S., whilst lectures to young people by Dr. H. Hanshaw Thomas on "The Plants of Past Ages" and Mr. E. R. Thomas on "What is Matter?" will undoubtedly attract considerable attention.

The visiting members have received privileges of honorary membership of most of the clubs in the town, and transport arrangements are in the hands of a special Transport Committee, whilst the matter of hospitality is in the hands of Professor John Orr, O.B.E., B.Sc., Sir F. Spencer Lister, M.R.G.S., L.R.C.P., and Principal H. R. Raikes, A.F.C., M.A.

JEWISH ORPHANAGE.

The Annual General Meeting of the S.A. Jewish Orphanage having been held and the various sub-committees duly appointed, the Committee have resumed their practice of issuing monthly bulletins and are again reporting an increase in the number of children in charge of the Orphanage, the total now being 230.

An epidemic of scarlet fever broke out recently and serves to emphasise the need for a separate hospital, and the Committee report that the quarantine period will shortly expire, and considerable impetus has been given to the special Seaside Fund, which purposes to send the children to Muizenberg for their annual holiday.

The revenue for June has proved very disappointing, and the hon. treasurer reports a falling off in donations and amounts received at collections. A clearance of Orphanage boxes was held recently in the Fordsburg-Mayfair district and realised an amount of £21 3s. 4d., whilst another branch has been opened in Vereeniging. The Committee also are pleased to report that there have been further bed endowments, the following having contributed:—

- Messrs. I. and A. E. Kanter.
- Mrs. H. Jourdan (in memory of her sister, Mathilde Guerine).
- Mr. and Mrs. L. Kostoris, of Manchester (in memory of their parents)
- Mrs. M. Bernstein (in memory of her husband, Joseph Bernstein).
- And the "Maurice Katzenellenbogen Bed," presented by Mr. and

Mrs. H. Katzenellenbogen, in memory of their only son, whilst the Germiston Women's Benevolent Society have forwarded a further amount of £25 towards the endowment of their second bed.

A number of children are in search of employment and those able to fill the vacancies are urged to communicate with the Secretary, Phone 6285 Central.

RADIUM FUND.

The amount secured by the Johannesburg Hospital towards the purchase of radium has now reached the total of £13,795, and among donations received last week were the following:—

Germiston Golf Club ..	£12	2	6
Country Club (proceeds of Tennis Tournament)	32	0	0
Transvaal Ladies' Golf Union	10	10	6
Lydenburg Platinum Areas, Ltd.	30	0	0

Functions are still being organised in support of this fund, and the concert given in the City Hall on Thursday last, 18th July, by the members of the Haydyn Hemery Choir was in aid of the Radium Fund, which it is expected will benefit considerably.

H.O.D.

Sunday last, 21st July, proved a red letter day in the annals of this progressive organisation for the consecration of the Sir Moses Montefiore Lodge No. 26 was carried out in the new H.O.D. building, Grand Lodge officers being supported by a considerable number of visiting brethren from different parts of South Africa. In the evening a banquet and dance was held in celebration of this event and about 300 guests were present.

On Wednesday next, 24th July, the Senate hold their quarterly meeting, when Bro. W. Chodos, of the Harrismith Lodge, and Bro. A. Orelowitz, of the Max Langermann Lodge No. 2, Germiston, are due to be exalted and admitted into membership of this body. The Dr. Herzl Lodge No. 1, Johannesburg, are commemorating the 25th anniversary of Herzl's Yahrzeit on Sunday, 28th July, by a special commemoration service, and Bro. W. Woolf will deliver a special address on the "Life and History of Theodor Herzl."

GOLDFIELDS BALL.

The Goldfields Lodge No. 2478 E.C. are organising a grand ball to be held in the City Hall on Tuesday, 1st October, and the function is in aid of the Transvaal Masonic Educational Fund and the Goldfields Lodge Benevolent Fund, and promises to be a most successful function. It has received the patronage of His Excellency the Governor-General and H.R.H. Princess Alice, Rt. Wor. Bro. G. S. Burt Andrews, District Grand Master, E.C., and Mrs. Burt Andrews, Wor. Bro. C. Maple-Polemeur, Deputy District Grand Master, E.C. and Mrs. Maple-Polemeur, and the Executive Council of the Transvaal Masonic Education Fund. An energetic Ball Committee has been formed with the following as executive officers:—

Chairman, Wor. Bro. J. Saul, W.M.; Vice-Chairman, Wor. Bro. A. N. Davis, I.P.M.; Treasurer, Bro. H. Davis-Marks, S.W.; Hon. Secretary, Bro. M. H. Kam.

JEWISH GUILD.

A debate was held on Sunday last, 21st July, when Mr. J. Golding and Adv. Miss Rose Franks represented the Jewish Guild and opposed the motion "That in the opinion of this house the crinoline is preferable to the short skirt," which was supported by Mr. G. N. Lazarus and Mr. S. Zeigler on behalf of the Public Speaking Union.

Sunday next, 28th July, will see the much anticipated show of the 1929 Musical Revellers, and the rehearsals indicate an excellent production.

The long wanted lift has been installed in this building, and is of considerable comfort and convenience to members of the Jewish Guild.

ZIONIST BANQUET.

The banquet given by the S.A. Zionist Federation in honour of the Hon. Mr. J. H. Hofmeyr and the Hon. Mr. Justice Greenberg, took place at the Langham Hotel on Monday last, 15th July, and about 250 guests attended, and was presided over by Mr. A. M. Abrahams. Both guests of honour spoke of their impressions of their visit to Palestine, Mr. J. H. Hofmeyr emphasising that the ideal of a National Home for the Jews was now an accomplished fact and that both Jew and Gentile were co-operating in the development of Palestine.

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in the Jew up to the present day. The leader that he looked for throughout the ages was not to be a great warrior, but "a man in whom is the spirit." The leader that Israel is looking for even to-day is rather the spiritual leader than the warrior. There were times when the warrior played an important part, e.g., the Maccabees, but this was brought about by the Grecian oppression, which had to be met in their own coin.

It is a great comfort to Israel that during these three weeks of mourning he is again reminded that the leader must be the spiritual one and not the warrior.

DEATH OF DR. VILJOEN.

There passed away in Cape Town last week Dr. Viljoen, the Superintendent-General of Education.

To young and old, Jew and Gentile, he was known throughout the country for his wide interest in all matters educational, ranging from the opening of schools to the distribution of prizes.

He was a man to whom the smaller courtesies of life mattered greatly. No one ever approached him in vain. He was always available to the humblest caller, whose smallest business became a matter worthy of the kindest consideration. His genial smile, his hearty greeting and his jovial and warm personality will be remembered by many to whom the S.G.E. was a familiar figure.

The deep esteem in which he was held by all sections of the community was evidenced by the large crowds which filled the Dutch Reformed Church at the funeral service and lined the streets to the graveside.

The local Jewish community was represented by the Rev. A. P. Bender and Mr. Abraham Liberman.

FORTHCOMING VISIT OF REUBEN BRAININ.

The Jews of the Cape Province are eagerly awaiting the forthcoming visit of Reuben Brainin, who, up to the present, has been devoting his great eloquence and his full attention to the people up North.

Reuben Brainin is one of the most distinguished Jews South Africa has ever had the honour of entertaining. A profound scholar, a deep thinker, a man of vision and one intensely interested in the future of his people, his is a man whose words, written or spoken, are of great import.

He has devoted his life to the study of Jews. No one understands them better than he does, no one is more capable of interpreting them both to themselves and to the world at large, no one knows their spiritual and material needs better than he.

When such a man, therefore, despite his age, deems it fit to cross the seas in order to tell us the results of his untiring research into the conditions under which our brethren overseas live, and to favour us with the well-chosen words of wisdom which are the fruit of his long years of experience, it is well for us to listen.

He has done much to educate public opinion in the three and a half months he has been in this country.

He will arrive in Cape Town on 11th August. We look forward with much pleasure to his coming.

THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION.

The visit of the British Association for the Advancement of Science is causing much interest in Cape Town.

The first official reception took place in the City Hall on Monday morning, when the City Fathers gathered to bid them welcome.

The Inaugural Meeting was held in the City Hall on Monday afternoon, when His Excellency the Governor-General, the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Athlone, G.C.B., LL.D., welcomed the Association to the Union of South Africa.

Sir Thomas H. Holland was installed as President of the British Association, after which Mr. Jan H. Hofmeyr, M.A., delivered a very inspiring and eloquent address, which made a grand and magnificent opening to the session. A vote of thanks was proposed by Sir Thomas Holland and seconded by Professor W. A. Jolly, President of the Royal Society of South Africa. Mr. Hofmeyr then presented Dr. Robert Broom, F.R.S., with the South African Medal for Research.

General Hertzog, General Smuts and other distinguished leaders sat on the platform.

RECEPTION AT THE NEW UNIVERSITY.

The Vice-Chancellor, Sir Caruthers Beattie, and Lady Beattie, and the Council of the University at Groot Schuur, were at home to members of the British Association on Tuesday afternoon.

Gay crowds thronged the steps, the terraces and the beautiful new buildings. Tea was served in the two beautiful dining-rooms.

Quite the most eminent Jewish visitor was Dr. C. S. Myers, an account of whose distinguished career appears elsewhere in this issue.

Amongst those present we noticed the Rev. A. P. Bender, Mr. and Mrs. Eilenberg, Mrs. T. Saphra, Dr. G. Sacks, Dr. A. Goldberg, Dr. F. Forman, Miss J. Zuckerman, Miss R. van Gelderen and Miss H. Purwitsky.

WELCOME TO SOUTH AFRICA.

We have pleasure in welcoming to South Africa Dr. C. S. Myers, C.B.E., F.R.S., who arrived with the British Association on Monday.

Dr. C. S. Myers, who was interviewed by Rozilda this week, is not only a distinguished scientist, but a distinguished Jew as well. He is a member of a Jewish family which has rendered great services to the Jewish community in various capacities.

He is ex-President of the Union of Jewish Literature Societies, in connection with which he recently delivered a brilliant address on the Hebrew Prophets. He is Chairman of the Visitation Committee of the United Synagogues of London, and Vice-President of the Jewish Health Organisation of Great Britain.

JEWS IN THE BELGIAN CONGO.

A reader of the article on the Belgian Congo, which appeared in the "Chronicle" last week, tells me some further interesting facts about the Jews in that area. The wife of the Governor of the Belgian Congo is a Jewess, being the daughter of an orthodox family in Belgium. A prominent trader there, Mr. Reuben Glasstone, who, by the way, is a brother-in-law of Mrs. C. Bashew, the Treasurer of the Jewish Board of Guardians, was one of the

founders of the Hebrew Congregation at Elizabethville and the erection of the Synagogue was due to his tireless communal activities.

MISS MIRIAM BASHEW.

Friends of Miss Miriam Bashew will be pleased to hear of the excellent progress in dramatic art made by her in the short period that she has been away.

She is a student at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, and has already taken the Associate Degree. Among fifty entries for a bursary she was the only "First Year" girl, the others being third and fourth year students. In this competition she was fortunate enough to be chosen one of the eight finalists, thus gaining a prize.

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PERSONALIA.

The engagement is announced of Miss Fanny Ustiev, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ustiev, to Mr. Max Jacobs, eldest son of Mrs. E. Zuck, both of Johannesburg. Miss F. Ustiev is well known for her participation in debates, having represented the University of the Witwatersrand, the Jewish Guild and other organisations, and who graduated as B.A., LL.B., but is not practising as yet.

Recent departures on the "Arun-del Castle" were Mrs. B. Ismay, who was on a visit of some months to her son, Mr. Sidney Ismay, and Mrs. Ismay; and Mrs. M. Mendelsohn and her daughter, who are on a visit to England.

OBITUARY.

The death occurred suddenly of Mr. J. B. Abel, who had been associated for very many years with the Criterion Restaurant, and was familiarly known as "Abe." In the changing over of proprietorship recently, Mr. Abel broke a long association with the restaurant, during which time it is estimated that he waited on over 150,000 diners. Heart failure was the cause of his death.

KINEMAS, LTD.

At the Astoria Kinema on Friday last "Heel-Ship Bronson" was given its final showing, featuring Noah Beery, and the storm scene in this picture is considered a great triumph of the producer's art.

The programme for the present week is the "First Born," with Madeleine Carroll and Miles Mander in the chief parts, the picture being shown to adults only.

At the Lyric Kinema "Zero" has been playing to packed houses, and is the story of a successful playwright cutting adrift from his wife and son and starting life afresh.

In "The Women in the Tiger Coat," the picture which was shown at the Savoy Kinema, there is much of Nice, which forms the background for this drama, and the cast includes Ellen Richter and Henry Shroth.

AFRICAN THEATRES, LTD.

On Monday, 5th August, the African Theatres, Ltd., open at the Empire Theatre with the successful musical play "Funny Face," this being brought direct from the Winter Garden Theatre, London. The play concerns Jimmie Reeve,

the guardian of three lively girls, and with particular reference to Frankie Wynne, who is considered the liveliest of his charges, and the play centres around the private diary that Frankle keeps and the diamond bracelets of another of his wards, which are locked away in a safe, and the play sparkles with catchy tunes and interesting dialogue.

At His Majesty's Theatre, Guy Newall and Dorothy Batley continue in "When Blue Hills Laughed," whilst at the Empire Theatre Harry Weldon and Hilda Glyder, supported by most excellent turns, maintain vaudeville of the best excellence.

A British International film, "Piccadilly," starring Anna May Wong, Gilda Gray and Jameson Thomas, is being shown at the Bijou Theatre, whilst at the Orpheum the picture is "Fast and Furious," with Loch and Lomond in character scenes, supported by Eve, the remarkable dancer, and Gray and Gray, comedy cyclists.



The Editor, "S.A. Jewish Chronicle."

Dear Sir,

With reference to the letter by H. M. Cohen published in your issue of the 12th inst. I would like to correct some of the erroneous impressions under which he seems to be labouring. His views may have a pernicious influence on our national movement, by which he sets so little store.

He decries the practice of supporting the movement of the up-building of Palestine because, as he says, Palestine will never be a national home. His facts to prove this statement are belied in the very same issue of your august paper.

You showed on page 437 that there are about 150,000 Jews against not even 600,000 Arabs. Besides this, Palestine's whole population does not exceed 800,000. The position is, therefore, not as black as your correspondent would have us believe. He has, however, failed to realise the true force of these statistics.

The people who are settled in Palestine have a legally secured, publicly secured home. In Russia we have no security (the past, in fact, has shown to the contrary) that the Jews will always have a home. Under the Soviet regime Hebrew and Zionism are prohibited. Isn't it barbaric that Hebrew translations of Russian classics are not allowed to enter Russia?

It cannot be expected, therefore, that Zionists should support a movement which is in no way national nor helps Jews to exist as Jews. We can never hope to have a Jewish nation in Russia. In Palestine, on the other hand, there is every prospect of a Jewish National Home.

I am, etc., L. A. PINCUS.

135, Frances Street, Observatory, Johannesburg, 22nd July, 1929.