

## In and Around the Town.

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Thursday.

### CHILDREN AT THE ZIONIST HALL.

Nine hundred children, their ages ranging from three years to fifteen, filled the Zionist Hall on Sunday morning. They had come there from all over the Peninsula to do honour to the memory of Theodor Herzl, and to commemorate the opening of the 16th Zionist Congress at Zurich which took place on that day. Mrs. M. Schrire was in the chair and welcomed the little guests. She pointed out that there was a close connection between these two events, the second being the outcome of the work of the father of modern Zionism, Theodor Herzl. Mrs. Schrire told the children that she remembered Herzl at the last Congress attended by him in 1903. He was a man full of enthusiasm. When he spoke, his hearers were rapt under the magnetic spell of his personality. Since that time, Zionism had flourished all over the world. Today the 25th anniversary of the death of Theodor Herzl coincided with the opening of the 16th Zionist Congress at Zurich. Mrs. Schrire then reminded the children that the work of Zionism had been done. It remained for them, the young generation, to build upon this foundation a fit and proper structure, which would be a credit to the Jewish people and which would be the practical and concrete realisation of the dream of Theodor Herzl.

### THE REV. A. P. BENDER'S ADDRESS.

The Rev. A. P. Bender was greeted with hearty applause. He welcomed the children and told them that, with Lord Beaconsfield, he felt that "the youth of a nation are the trustees of posterity." They might not be glad, said Mr. Bender, to have such a weight placed upon them, but he knew that their parents wished to see them leaders in the community. Mr. Bender quoted the boy Jeremiah who, when he heard the voice of God, said, "I do not know how to speak. I am only a boy." But the boy grew up and became a great man. A great German poet had written a poem about Jeremiah, the boy who was too shy to go forth. Mr. Bender went on to tell the children how when Theodor Herzl was a boy he had none of the advantages a Jewish child has in a Jewish home. But Herzl, like Jeremiah, had heard a voice which said, "Go forward." Herzl had gone forward. He had answered the call. And he had brought about the restoration of the Jewish people. Theodor meant "Gift of God." He was a gift from God to the Jewish people.

### A GREAT JEW.

"Since the days of Moses," said Mr. Bender, "we have not had such a great man. It is not enough, however, that you should wear upon your

coat the shield of David. The longing to work for your people must be within you." Mr. Bender referred to the Hall in which they were gathered. The Hall, he said, was not only a place for entertainment. When they entered they should feel they were treading on holy ground. Zionism was more than an ordinary movement. It was a world movement. He would like, he continued, them to feel that they had that day honoured the memory of an illustrious Jew. At the conclusion of his address Mr. Bender asked the children to stand while he read a prayer on behalf of the soul of Theodor Herzl. After a short musical programme by the members of the Junior Zionist Association, the assembled children sang "Hatikvah" and "God Save the King." As they passed through the doors they each received a box of chocolates inscribed "Combined Zionist Societies, Cape Town, in commemoration of the opening of the 16th Zionist Congress, Zurich, 1929."

### MEETING IN CAMERA.

I am told that representatives of local Societies met *in camera* on Sunday morning to discuss again the scheme for federating the local institutions. Mr. Stodel tells me that the debate was very interesting, the pros and cons being fully discussed. Everybody present was able to get a real grasp of the question. No resolutions were taken and the meeting was adjourned until next Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the Old Synagogue.

### ATTITUDE OF THE JEWISH CHRONICLE.

I am at a loss to understand why, at this stage, the proceedings should have taken place *in camera*, particularly as no resolutions were taken. From the outset, when Mr. Stodel first placed the scheme before the public, the *Jewish Chronicle* has taken a great interest in the furthering of the scheme, and whilst our own attitude has been one of sympathy, we have never hesitated to give opponents the opportunity of airing their views. My esteemed colleague, "Rozilda," has done more, probably, to help the scheme along, than any other single agent, by exercising the most untiring efforts to interview prominent men and women with every shade of feeling (and indifference) towards the idea. I trust, therefore, that the organisers will see fit to invite the press to their next meeting, at which I hope some decision will be arrived at.

### SEA POINT HEBREW CONGREGATION.

In a reference I made in this column a fortnight ago to the preparations which were being made for the holding of services during the forthcoming High Festivals in Sea Point, I asked what was happening to the new Synagogue for which a plot of ground had already been secured. I reproduce here a letter

I have received from the Hon. Secretary of the Green and Sea Point Hebrew Congregation on this matter.

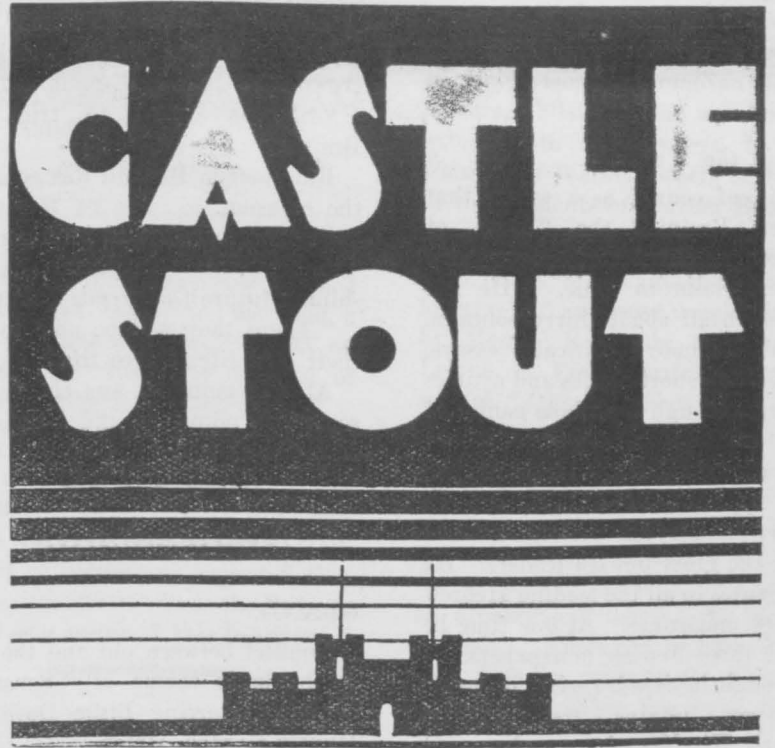
"The attention of my Committee has been drawn to your reference to our congregation in the issue of the *Jewish Chronicle* of the 19th July.

"By way of reply to the question contained in your reference, I may say that it has been definitely decided that the actual erection of the Synagogue will not be commenced until the sum of £5,000 has been collected.

"During the past eight months approximately £3,600 has come in, out of which we were enabled to pay for the land upon which to build the Synagogue, and my Committee hopes to secure the balance in the near future.

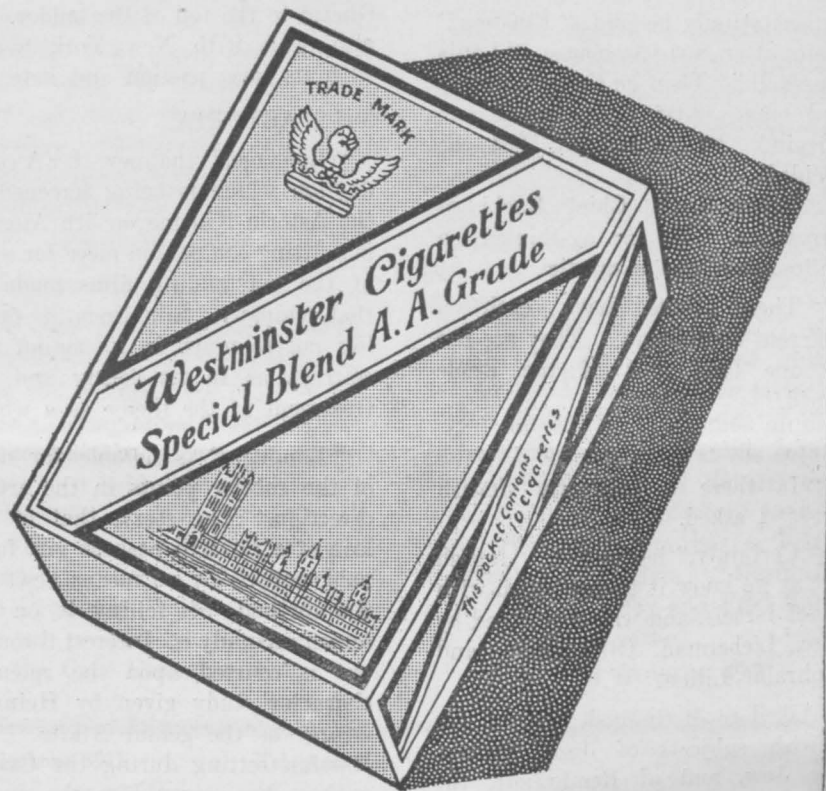
"In the meantime, apart from collections, much spade work is being done. Arrangements for Hebrew tuition in Sea Point are well in hand and we hope to commence Hebrew classes very shortly.

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## East Rand Jewry.

### COMMUNAL NOTES

#### BENONI.

A meeting was held at the Hebrew Hall on Sunday evening, 28th July, to commemorate the 25th anniversary of Dr. Theodor Herzl's *Yahrzeit*. Mr. A. A. Lomey presided.

The Chairman asked the large audience present to rise, and then Cantor S. Backon feelingly intoned the *Hazkorah*.

Thereafter, Mr. N. Kirschner delivered an address. He said that when one compared other Jewish leaders (whether they led Jewish movements or not was immaterial) with Herzl, one was struck by a remarkable fact. Lassalle, the German-Jewish statesman, and Lord Beaconsfield, who did much for the great British Empire, had had the armies and the wealth of their respective countries behind them; Herzl, the founder of the modern Zionist movement, had behind him the pain and sorrow of a scattered people. Before the first Zionist Congress, said the speaker, Herzl had not known where to turn for a solution of the Jewish problem; was Territorialism the solution, could conversion to Roman Catholicism improve the condition of the Jews? The Congress convinced him that only in Eretz Israel could the Jew find salvation.

In an eloquent address which was closely followed by the audience, Adv. M. de Saxe pointed out that Herzl possessed the found qualities of a leader. First, Herzl had that feeling of compassion present in every great man which stirred him to action. Second, he had the quality of perception, which taught him to reject other schemes such as Territorialism as useless. Third, Herzl possessed that quality without which he could never have faced the jeers and ridicule of his friends and of those people he had to appeal to—courage. Lastly, will-power, which is essential if one is to carry out a project successfully, was present in a great degree in Herzl's character. Thus, born leader that he was, Herzl cheerfully gave up his life—he died at the age of forty-four—for his people.

The singing of *Hatikvah* concluded a highly successful meeting.

#### BRAKPAN.

In Brakpan, too, a meeting was held on Sunday evening, 28th July, over which Mr. I. Connack presided.

Cantor S. Backon, who had motored over from Benoni, intoned the *Hazkorah* in a most impressive manner, after which Adv. J. Lurie delivered an interesting address on the life and work of Herzl. While the address was completely comprehensive in that it gave one a clear idea of the thoughts which animated Herzl, it was thoroughly understood and appreciated by the attentive audience.

After the meeting *Hatikvah* was enthusiastically sung by all present.

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"Whereas my Committee considers that it is essential to proceed cautiously, it is nevertheless of a sufficiently optimistic opinion to feel that by the time we approach the Holy Days of next year, our Synagogue will be an accomplished fact.

"It will no doubt interest your readers to learn that the arrangements with the Gardens congregation are proceeding most satisfactorily."

#### CHILDREN OR WEALTH.

In this week's Sedra, Numbers, chapter 32, verses 16 and 24, we read: "And they came near unto him, and said, We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones; . . . Build you cities for your little ones; and folds for your sheep; and do that which hath proceeded out of your mouth."

The whole of chapter 32 deals with the story of the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, who had a multitude of cattle and therefore asked of Moses to allow them to take possession on this side of the Jordan, which was a land suitable for pasture.

Rashi, commenting on verse 16, on the words, "We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle and cities for our little ones," remarks, "Chosim Hoyoo Al Memonam Yoser Mibneihem"—they had more pity for their *worldly possessions than for their children*. Hence they offered to build sheepfolds for the cattle first and then cities for their children. But when Moses accepted their offer after their promise to assist their brethren in the conquest of the land, he advised them as we read in verse 24, "Build ye cities for your little ones and folds for your sheep."

Unfortunately, we are still faced with the same problems to-day. A great number of those who remain Chutz Lo'Oretz—"Outside the land"—are still of the opinion that their *worldly possessions* come before their *little ones*. Whether it is by mere coincidence or not, the fact remains that those who wished 4,500 years ago to remain outside the Land of Promise, were prepared to do a great deal for their cattle and very little for their little ones. Yet in spite of that we find that they realised their duty towards those who were about to settle in the land of promise, and after the death of Moses we find Joshua reminding them of their promise to Moses and their reply to Joshua was: "Whosoever thou wilt send us we will go. Just as we have hearkened unto Moses so we will hearken unto thee." The task of the rebuilding of our promised land would be a very easy matter if the Jews who are to-day outside the land would give their whole-hearted support to those who are entrusted with the leadership, and such support can only be of value if we act in accordance with the advice of Moses, viz., that first and foremost we are to consider our children and then our worldly possessions, because the child of to-day is the citizen of to-morrow.

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