

## Mr. Grobler's Address at Nordau Club

Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Mr. I. E. Judes.

The address delivered by Mr. P. G. W. Grobler, M.P., Minister of Native Affairs, on Sunday evening, the 5th inst., at the Selborne Hall has created a favourable impression on Jewish circles throughout the country. It will be recollected that Mr. Grobler stated that there was no place for anti-Semitism in South Africa and assured the Jewish people that they need have no fear for their safety in this country.

By an unfortunate inadvertence the report of the meeting, which was so excellently organised by the Nordau Club, omitted to mention the fact that Mr. I. E. Judes, the well-known Zionist worker, presided.

In calling the gathering to order, Mr. Judes said that it was his privilege to preside at a meeting held to commemorate the wonderful event in the history of the Jewish people—the issue of the Balfour Declaration.

"Unlike most of our national days of remembrance which are the result of our having escaped certain calamities," declared Mr. Judes, "this day is distinguished by its having conferred upon us positive benefits. Whilst we rejoice and pour out our heartfelt gratitude to the people responsible for the Balfour Declaration, we must continue in our efforts in the up-building of Palestine. We owe it to the past, to the men and women of our race who gave their lives for the Jewish ideal; we owe it to the present generation who suffer untold miseries. Even in this country of ours we are harrassed and badgered by Jew-baiting, speeches and printed matter, and this poisonous material is being spread right through the country."

Mr. Judes further declared that however the Jews loved Palestine, they were equally loyal to the country in which they lived. He compared that love of the Jews with the love for a father and mother.

"Especially do we love this country," said Mr. Judes, "for South Africa means equality and freedom for us."

In welcoming Mr. Grobler to the meeting, the chairman assured him of the esteem in which Jews held him. This was due to his character and the sentiments he held, and not merely on account of the important official position he held in the Government.

Much credit is due to the Nordau Club for its foresight in holding the only Balfour Declaration Day meeting in Johannesburg this year and for its initiative in inviting Chief Rabbi, Dr. J. L. Landau, Mr. Grobler and Mr. M. Kentridge, M.P., to address the meeting.

## Jewish Youth Camp

The Bertrams Judean Society are holding their 2nd annual week-end camp at Parys this year, under the supervision of Mr. Dave Berg.

This camp promises to be a great success. The outstanding features are the running of a strictly kosher kitchen, and the bringing together of Jewish Youth in a proper Jewish atmosphere, under happy conditions.

## "Return to Middle Ages Becomes Real Danger"

COLLECTION OF DOCUMENTS ON JEWISH TREATMENT IN GERMANY.

Paris, October 25th.

THE Committee of Jewish Delegations has issued a book under the title "The Question of the German Jews Before the League of Nations." It consists of the various petitions presented to the League by Jewish bodies, the text of the laws affecting the German Jews, and a report of the discussions on the Jewish question at the League.

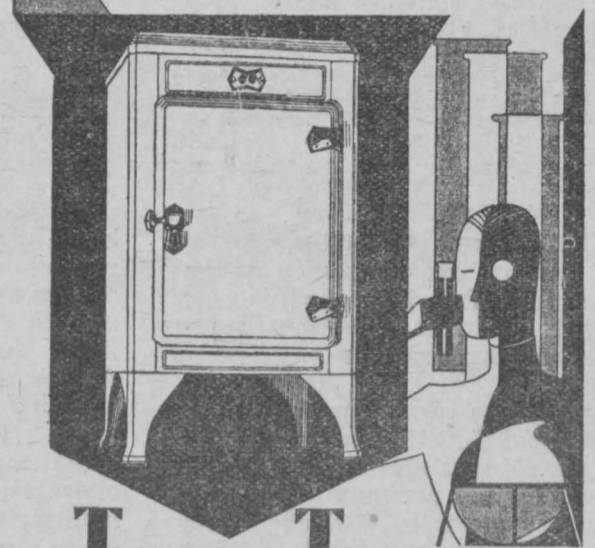
It is difficult for non-Jews, the introduction says, to picture the feelings of a whole nation suddenly reduced to the level of an inferior race, which it is permissible to subject to exceptional laws and exceptional treatment. This book does not contain an expression of the anger and indignation of sixteen million Jews, victims of a sudden attack on the part of an enemy that knows neither pity nor morals.

After the World War it had been hoped that, from the legal point of view, the Jewish question had ceased to exist. That is why what has happened in Germany has provoked the sincere indignation of so many influential politicians, of representatives of the Protestant Church in England and of the Catholic Church in France, all anxious to condemn as anti-Christian the acts committed in Germany. Recent events in German internal politics constitute a menace to the whole of civilisation. If such a state of affairs could be established in Germany and extended to other States, the accusation of a return to the Middle Ages would become not merely a phrase of propaganda, but the expression of a real danger.

If this collection of documents is not complete, the introduction concludes, it is because this cruel period of oppression of man by man is only in its beginnings, and each day pages are added to the records, containing acts which tend not only to deprive the Jews of their rights, but even to deprive them of any physical possibility of existence.

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## Obituary.

Mr. Isaac Weinbrenn (Johannesburg).

There passed away on Thursday last, to the deep regret of a large circle of relatives and friends, a well-known Johannesburg pioneer in the person of Mr. Isaac Weinbrenn. The deceased arrived on the Rand thirty-eight years ago. He was a talented musician and one of the most outstanding violinists in the early days of musical development in Johannesburg. For many years he was the first violinist at the old Standard Theatre and remained so until that theatrical landmark became a bioscope.

The late Mr. Weinbrenn was a gentleman of a most unassuming character and performed good deeds in a quiet manner. He was a man greatly esteemed and respected by all who knew him. The deepest sympathy is expressed to his sorrowing widow and to his daughters, Mrs. M. Gruz, Mrs. H. Celine (Randfontein), and the Misses Clara and Dolly Weinbrenn; also to his sister, Mrs. Dina Rashow, and his brother, Mr. Max Weinbrenn, the well-known violin pedagogue.

"WHEN LADIES MEET" 'AT THE METRO.

That brilliant film actor, Robert Montgomery, will be assisted by the beautiful Ann Harding in "When Ladies Meet," now showing at the Metro Theatre. Others in the cast of this interesting film are Myrna Loy, Alice Brady and Frank Morgan. The production is full of sophistication and wit and is likely to give great pleasure to film fans and supporters of Metro pictures.

"WHAT PRICE HOLLYWOOD" AT THE PLAZA.

A picture out of the ordinary is the attraction at the Plaza this week. It is entitled "What Price Hollywood," and tells the truth of the interesting centre upon which the eyes of millions of film fans are continually concentrated.

Incidentally, Constance Bennett, that fine actress, appears in the leading role and has scored the biggest success of her screen career in this film. "What Price Hollywood" is a super-feature which should not be missed.