

# Women and the Wizo.

## Mrs. Hayman Addresses Peninsula Women.

CAMPAIGN OPENING TUESDAY NEXT.

A great deal of propaganda work in the interests of the Keren Hayesod and particularly the Wizo has been done during the last week by Mrs. Ethel Hayman, at a number of drawing-room meetings which have been held by the various branches of the Bnoth Zion Association. The Women's Keren Hayesod Campaign will be launched at a reception to be held in the Zionist Hall on Tuesday afternoon, 19th instant. Dr. Nahum Sokolow, Dr. Celina Sokolow and Mr. Leib Jaffe will be the speakers.

The first of these meetings was held on Monday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. D. Cohen in Tamboers Kloof, when a very large gathering of ladies was present. Late in the afternoon Dr. Celina Sokolow arrived and received a warm welcome.

Mrs. I. Kleinman, the President of the Tamboers Kloof branch, presided and introduced Mrs. Hayman, to whom she extended a hearty welcome.

Mrs. Hayman gave a vivid description of the work done by the Wizo in Palestine, a country which she only left some four weeks back. She spoke interestingly of the work done at the Wizo Agricultural training schools, at the infant welfare stations and at the mothercraft centres, as well as the work of encouraging and assisting women in gardening and generally adapting themselves to Palestine conditions. In describing this work Mrs. Hayman touched upon many aspects of life in Palestine, showing how urgent and how necessary the work of the Wizo was and what a great part it was fulfilling in the upbuilding of Eretz Israel. Particularly difficult work had been that in connection with the Oriental women in Palestine who were incredibly ignorant and superstitious, but by means of its travelling teachers and nurses, the Wizo had managed to do a great deal of good among them, to introduce cleanliness into their homes, to give them some idea of balanced diets, and to decrease the infant mortality rate among them.

Mrs. Hayman preceded her description of Wizo work with an account of the history and formation of the Wizo. Her address was followed eagerly by those present, and several questions were put to her when she had concluded speaking.

Dr. Celina Sokolow, who arrived after Mrs. Hayman had spoken, made a very eloquent appeal to the women to assist the work of the Wizo by contributing handsomely during the present Campaign. We were living through particularly bad times, and we had to give a finer response to appeals for Palestine than ever before. South African Jewry had a wonderful reputation for its generosity, and she trusted the women of the community would help to uphold it on this occasion.

A vote of thanks to the speakers was passed by Mrs. S. Smollan, and a vote of thanks to the hostess by Mrs. R. Friedlander, after which the meeting dispersed.

During the course of the afternoon a recitation was given by Miss E. Gutman.

## MEETING AT ORANJEZICHT.

Mrs. P. Press presided over a very well attended and enthusiastic meeting of the Gardens-Oranjezicht Branch of the Bnoth Zion Association held at the residence of Mrs. P. Policansky on Wednesday afternoon in honour of Dr. Celina Sokolow and Mrs. Ethel Hayman.

Dr. Celina Sokolow paid tribute to the many friends whom she had met in South Africa and to the hospitality of the hostess and other well known families in Cape Town. The work of Wizo with its branches all over the world formed a link between all Jewish women. In addition, women in certain countries, notably Australia, Rumania and Canada, had made some specialised part of Wizo work their own, whether agriculture or welfare work.

The work that we do, said Dr. Sokolow, it not only for Palestine, but for ourselves; it provides us with a wider and more real interest in life, and she hoped that all present would help to make Wizo a household word and co-operate in our great task of building a national home.

Before commencing her address Mrs. Ethel Hayman read a telegram received from the Women's Zionist Council in Johannesburg, recording the great success of the Women's Keren Hayesod Campaign there. Over 600 women had attended the meeting, which was one of the most outstanding women's meetings ever organised, both in and out of this country. The telegram, said Mrs. Hayman, was sent in a spirit of co-operation, knowing that women in Cape Town would do their best to secure the success of the campaign.

When representing the women of South Africa at the Prague Wizo Conference last year, said Mrs. Hayman, which was representative of women from all parts of the world, she felt that the Jew does not die,—that as a people we cannot die, and that the time had come when we would be strengthened not by oppression but by freedom in a new land of our own. In the Diaspora the Jew is forced to develop a certain protective colouring and deception, but in Palestine, to which we look as our ultimate goal, we will develop the virtues of freedom which we cannot get elsewhere.

The diversity of languages spoken at the Conference made her realise the need for one common tongue—Hebrew, which is the symbol of a united people.

Wizo work is of two kinds. In Palestine that of developing the country, and in the

Diaspora that of forming a common bond which unites women who would otherwise never come in contact with each other. Wizo, too, provides an interest to women which is greater than the immediate needs of her home, and helps to widen their outlook.

We have a further interest in Wizo in that 50 per cent. of the Women's Keren Hayesod Campaign is devoted to that purpose, and as the opportunity for contributing to Wizo occurs only every second year, no woman should miss the opportunity of sharing in the work of women Zionists throughout the world.

In the Diaspora, continued Mrs. Hayman, work is really on a higher plane, because not being able to see the concrete results that are evident in Palestine, a higher degree of idealism and imagination is required of us.

In concluding, Mrs. Hayman painted a very vivid account of the various Wizo institutions she had visited in Palestine, and commented on their need and usefulness. In particular she stressed the Wizo's interest in mothercraft and welfare training, in gardens and flowers and their contribution to the problems of the Yemenites.

Not only by training ourselves financially, but also by our propaganda, culture and a knowledge of Jewish history and the Hebrew language, could every person help to further the great national cause.

Miss Rosa van Gelderen proposed a vote of thanks to the speakers and Mrs. H. Harris to the hostess.

During the afternoon Mrs. Weigart sang, accompanied at the piano by Mr. Weigart, and Miss R. Arenson recited.

## MEETING AT PAROW.

A very successful "At Home" in honour of Mrs. Ethel Hayman was held at the Parow Communal Hall on Wednesday night, under the auspices of the Committee of the Belville, Parow and Durbanville Ladies' Zionist Society.

Mrs. B. Sacks presided and introduced Mrs. Hayman.

It takes all kinds and types of people to make a world, said Mrs. Hayman, and usually the practical person is regarded as being more successful than the dreamer or idealist. But as far as Palestine is concerned it is the ideas of the dreamer and visionary that have come true. Where a practical-minded person pales before the difficulties before him, it is the national vision and indomitable spirit of the idealist that has made Palestine the land of miracles. The reclaiming of the marsh and bog that was the Emek some ten years ago, and its transformation into a green valley dotted with flourishing settlements, is one of the many wonders of Jewish achievement in Palestine.

Mrs. Hayman gave a graphic description of the communal life in the settlements. The most striking feature of all work in Palestine, she continued, is the special care that is paid to the children, and in every settlement the children's house is always the best. Children in Palestine, while they might lack many of the modern comforts of the children in the Diaspora, had, however, one great advantage, namely, the spiritual bond that made them feel part of their own soil, among their own people.

In her travels through Europe she had noticed the keenness and devotion of the *Hachsharah* groups of young boys and girls,

preparing for life in Palestine, hoping to be able to get a certificate to enter Eretz Israel.

Palestine is the land of surprises, and one of the reasons for its success is the fact that the work is done not because the worker is forced to do it, but because every Jew in Palestine feels that he wants to work.

While Jews have no land of their own, while they cannot build on a permanent foundation, so long would they continue to be an oppressed harrassed nation, but with a soil of their own, they will grow from strength to strength.

After a tea interval, Mrs. Hayman made a special appeal to the women present to show their interest and support in the Wizo, whose aims and work she briefly described.

Mrs. L. Sive proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Hayman.

During the evening a pleasant programme was provided by Mrs. I. Dickman, who sang, Miss A. Stein, who recited, and by Miss L. Gelb who gave a cello solo, accompanied by Miss P. Marcus at the piano.

Miss M. Oblowitz and Mrs. B. Berold accompanied Mrs. Hayman.

The evening concluded with the singing of Hatikvah.

## Jews and Greyshirts.

### CLASH AT PAARL.

Three of Mr. Weichardt's Greyshirts were concerned in a street fight in Paarl on Wednesday afternoon.

The Greyshirts, among whom was one of Mr. Weichardt's right-hand men, paraded the streets of the town in a small car, flying the Swastika flag. They were dressed in the full Greyshirt uniform and were distributing pamphlets advertising a Greyshirt meeting to be addressed by Mr. Weichardt in a local hall this week. They also distributed pamphlets to school children as they were leaving school.

As they went through the streets, it is stated, the Greyshirts shouted remarks whenever they saw a Jewish face.

Then they proceeded to Wellington, and on their way back through Paarl they saw the local Jewish minister, the Rev. Strelitz, standing in Lady Grey Street, in conversation with a prominent member of the local Jewish community. One of the Greyshirts leaned out of the window of the car and, shaking his fist at the Rev. Strelitz, shouted an insulting word at him.

Angered by this incident, several Jewish young men who had witnessed the affair jumped into a car and followed the Grey-shirts.

They caught up with them outside a house and an altercation followed. Fists were used and blood flowed freely. In the midst of the schuffle, it is stated, one of the Grey-

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## Zionism . . . the Saving of the Jewish People.

### THE MISERY IN THE JEWISH WORLD.

#### Address by Professor Brodetsky.

"We must realise the profound change that has come over the Jews of the world; the centre of gravity has shifted from Central and Eastern Europe. Now the Jewries of the English-speaking countries have to bear the burden of the Jewish race, economically and politically," Professor Selig Brodetsky, member of the Zionist Executive, said, addressing a Conference of Honorary Officers and representatives of London Zionist organisations.

"Zionism to me is not the building up of Palestine, but the saving of the Jewish people," Professor Brodetsky went on. "Palestine is not primarily a place of refuge, that is only incidental; I want to see there settled the untold millions of the Jewish masses.

#### Meaning of Jewish Misery.

"We in England are not conscious of the real Jewish situation. We do not know how the Jews live; we have no conception of the meaning of Jewish misery. The older generation is finished, but in the younger generation lies the whole hope of the Jewish people, and the outlook for it is absolutely hopeless. Even the German situation, though dramatic and picturesque by sheer contrast to what it used to be, presents a picture of misery nothing like that offered by Polish Jewry.

"We do not know how many millions of Jewish money have gone into Russia attracted by the fantasies of Biro Bidjan, the Ukraine and the Crimea—anywhere except Palestine. Angola and Colombo have recently been mentioned as places for large Jewish settlement.

"As a member of the Allocations Committee of the Central Fund, I have seen my colleagues searching the whole world for a country where even a hundred Jews can be settled. Brazil and Chile have been suggested; anywhere but Palestine. Why is that? We must say that we will not waste our energy and wealth on such schemes. We should like to know how many millions must be pumped into those countries before they would be fit for Jews to settle there in bulk. All our energy, wealth and blood would be sucked out of us by such countries.

"But to Palestine 200,000 Jews have been brought since the war. Palestine is developing a national consciousness; it has become the centre of admiration of the whole world.

"There is no royal road to Palestine. The only road is that of the Haluzim, one of self-sacrifice, hard work and devotion. Not by international adventures, not by petitions and resolutions shall we attain our ends, but by keeping a straight back, and by concentrating the unified strength of the Jewish people to bear on the problems that confront us."

## Stavsky Sentenced to Death.

### ARLOSOROFF TRIAL ENDED.

Jerusalem, Monday.

The trial of Abraham Stavsky and Zvi Rosenblatt on a charge of complicity in the murder of Dr. Chaim Arlosoroff has ended.

Sentence of death was passed on Stavsky, but Rosenblatt was acquitted in the absence of further material evidence which, in accordance with the legal requirements was necessary to corroborate his identification by Mrs. Arlosoroff.

Stavsky, as he was leaving the Court, shouted that he was not guilty.

The disorders against which the police had prepared themselves did not occur. Both the Histadruth and the Revisionists appealed for order.

### Prof. Brodetsky Makes no Statement.

London, Monday.

Prof. Brodetsky, when interviewed, declared to-day that the trial was still *sub judice* and therefore it was improper to make any comment at this stage.

### The News in Warsaw.

Warsaw, Tuesday.

Jewry here awaited the result of the Arlosoroff murder trial with feverish interest. The Jewish Press printed special editions, which were quickly taken up by large crowds of people.

## A Visit to the Hebrew Kindergarten.

A visit to the Bnoth Zion Hebrew Kindergarten in Molteno Road was paid on Tuesday afternoon by Dr. Celina Sokolow and Mrs. Ethel Hayman. The visitors watched the children at play and work and conversed with the *gannesseth*, Mrs. Mibashan, and were much impressed by the work being done at this institution.

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shirts brandished a revolver. Soon afterwards a police sergeant arrived and the combatants were separated.

There were casualties on both sides, black eyes and swollen faces. The swastika flag was torn off the Greyshirts' car.

Later in the evening the Greyshirts were escorted out of the town by a police constable.

## HAIG in the Home.

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