Cantor Berele Chagy

Arrival of World-Famous Chazan.

CANTOR BERELE CHAGY with wife, son and daughter, arrived at Park Station on Tuesday afternoon by the Union Express having reached Capetown from America by Monday's mail boat.

There was an assembly of over 400 people—practically all members of the orthodox section of Johannesburg Jewry and their women-folk—present at Park Station to welcome the world-famous Chazan and his family.

Mr. M. Melzer, the hon. secretary of the Orthodox Hebrew Congregation, who had boarded the train at a station down the line so as to accompany the Chazan on the last stage of his long journey from America, introduced the members of his Committee and others to the Chazan on alighting from the train. Miss Molly Traub presented a bouquet to Mrs. Chagy. Mr. Motel Gordon, the President of the Beth Hamedrash Hagodel, and other members of the Committee and local Jewish representatives were introduced to the visitors.

From the station, the party proceeded to Mrs. Ellenbogen's residence in Saratoga Avenue, where the Chazan and his family will temporarily reside, and where an informal reception was held in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Chagy.

Mr. M. Gordon, the President, on behalf of the Committee of the Beth Hamedrash Hagodel, welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Chagy. Addresses of welcome were also given by Mr. I. Kuper, Rev. A. M. Kaplan (the hon. secretary of the Jewish Ministers' Association), and Mr. Udwin, whilst Mrs. I. Kuper welcomed Mrs. Chagy on behalf of the lady members of the Congregation. Cantor Berele Chagy suitably responded.

Synagogue Franchise for Women.

Important Meeting of United Hebrew Congregation.

AN event of considerable importance will take place on Wednesday evening next at the Hebrew High School in Johannesburg. It is in the nature of a special general meeting of the United Hebrew Congregation, Johannesburg for the purpose of adopting or otherwise with or without amendment the following resolution which is to be submitted to the meeting:—

"NOTWITHSTANDING anything to the contrary contained in the previously existing bye-laws of this Congregation, the wives of members of this Congregation, provided they are seatholders in one of this Congregation's Synagogues, shall become ipso facto, from the passing hereof, full members of this Congregation with all the rights and privileges pertaining to membership, including the right to nominate and elect candidates for all the offices of this Congregation and eligibility for election as members of the Council but excluding qualification to hold the office of Chairman of Council, President, Vice-President, Treasurer or Synagogue Warden."

THE circular calling the meeting stresses the vital and farreaching importance of this Resolution and makes a special request to members, irrespective of whether they are in favour or against this important innovation proposed by the resolution, to make every effort to attend the meeting.

Federation of Jewish Youth.

The recently formed Federation of Jewish Youth announces that a "Cultural Fortnight" will be held towards the end of September, when each of the constituent bodies of the Federation will organise a function. Further details will be announced later.

Hebrew and English Kindergarten.

An important meeting of Jewish ladies resident in Berea and Yeoville will take place next Tuesday morning at 10.30 in the Berea Synagogue, Tudhope Avenue, in connection with the proposed establishment of a kindergarten to serve the Jewish children in Berea and Yeoville, where they will receive both Hebrew and secular instruction under one roof. The meeting will be addressed by Chief Rabbi Dr. J. L. Landau, Rev. A. T. Shrock and Mr. D. Mierowsky, the Director of Hebrew Education. Mrs. J. Feitelberg, the chairlady of the Berea Ladies' Society connected with the Berea Synagogue and Talmud Torah, is the convenor, and the meeting is being held under the auspices of the United Hebrew Schools of Johannesburg.

It is an excellent idea to have a kindergarten for both Hebrew and English in so populous a neighbourhood as Berea and Yeoville, and the proposal is one that should receive every support from that section of the Jewish community, as it would do away with the necessity of the children attending another school for their English which fact would also enable them to have more adequate instruction in Hebrew and religion.

"Zionism-A Political Analysis."

Under the auspices of the Literary Section of the Johannesburg Women's Zionist League, a meeting will take place on Monday, the 22nd inst., at 3 p.m., at the Luthje's Langham Hotel, when Mr. Morris Kentridge, M.P., will deliver a lecture on "Zionism—A Political Analysis." All members and frends are cordially invited to attend.

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