

## THE CROWNING EXPERIENCE

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**T**HE vision for the showing of the film “The Crowning Experience” in South Africa was that it would flow as a healing stream across this land of bitterness and fear. In Stellenbosch this week, and in Cape Town, too, white and black and brown have felt the healing of the stream.

World-wide interest has been aroused by the screening of “The Crowning Experience” in the Western Province. The grandson of Mahatma Gandhi, Rajmohan, cabled: “In the launching of this film in South Africa you are setting the pace for the whole of Africa, and Asia too. A despairing world awaits the answer your great nation can provide.”

Last week five thousand Coloured people saw “The Crowning Experience” in just one Cape Town theatre. This week, it has been shown in Pinelands as well as in two theatres in Stellenbosch.

Out across the world the story is told in superlatives. House-full notices went up in London in the Warner Theatre. In Melbourne

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the whole West Indies cricket team attended the premiere. "A living idea", said opening batsman Conrad Hunte. "The greatest film I've ever seen", declared spin bowler Alf Valentine.

## RECORD MILER

Herb Elliott, the world's record miler, said after seeing the film: "It is the spirit needed to match the challenge of the hour." Brian Boobbyer, England and Oxford rugby player, said: "Without this spirit, there will be no sport, no nation. With it we will have a new world."

The Palm Springs Press insisted that "this joyful film must be shown around the world."

## ROBED MONKS

Amid the myriad lights of the famed World Peace Pagoda, "The Crowning Experience" had its premiere in Rangoon last month, and saffron-robed monks sat in wrapt attention.

In Hollywood and Amsterdam, New York and Zurich, Oslo and Leopoldville, "The Crowning Experience" has been acclaimed a mighty blow against the forces of darkness.

And in South Africa the vision of the healing stream is being realised as the film moves out across the land.

Tomorrow a healed South Africa will help to heal the world.