

Death of Mr. Charlie Salamon.

Loss to Rhodesian Jewry.

We deeply regret to announce the death of Mr. Charlie Salamon, which took place on Tuesday last at East London. The deceased will be interred at Bulawayo.

Mr. Salamon was some sixty-four years old and was born in Roumania. He came to South Africa as a young man without any means save his own wonderful energy and ability. He arrived in Bulawayo in 1895, and was engaged in transport riding and store-keeping. The Boer war gave him his opportunity, and at the end of the war he was doing remarkably well and year by year went on developing the great business which bears his name. During the last few years he suffered from failing health and the business has been carried on by his partner, Mr. Oscar Kaufmann.

For many years the deceased was a member of the committee of the Hebrew Congregation and of the War Fund Executive. He was the leader in all charitable endeavour, both within and without the community. His generous benefactions to the Keren Hayesod are well known. Some two years ago the local Zionist Society inscribed his name in the Golden Book as an acknowledgment of his generous benefactions to the National Cause. We have no doubt that his will is likely to give further evidence of his generosity. Mr. Salamon was one of those rich Jews who understood the responsibilities of wealth.

Mr. Salamon leaves a widow and one son, who is now completing his studies at Cambridge, and who is a partner in the firm. Mr. Salamon was a most devoted husband and father. His death will be deeply lamented not merely by his family but by the whole community at large. He was instrumental practically alone in establishing a large part of the Roumanian Jewish community in Rhodesia. His generosity to the members of his own family was remarkable.

We offer our sincerest sympathies to the widow, son, and relations of the deceased upon their great bereavement.

In Port Elizabeth

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Maccabee Organisation.—The first annual general meeting of members was held in the Emmanuel Hall on the 21st ult., over 100 being present. Mr. Zartz presided. Reports from the various committees were passed, and these showed that successful activity had been carried out during the year.

The following honorary officers were elected:—Chairman, Mr. J. Schochet; vice-chairman, Mr. S. Melmed; treasurer, Mr. A. Fanaroff; joint hon. secretaries, Miss D. Stein and Mr. J. Stricke. Committee: Miss B. Sacks, Messrs. H. Weinronk, M. Zartz and N. Melmed.

An interesting lecture on "Fair Play" was delivered by Dr. R. Smulian on the 28th ult. The lecturer showed the importance of sport in the building up of character, and considerable and lively discussion ensued. The lecturer regretted the lack of real interest taken generally by Jews in sport, and hoped that greater interest would be shown on the part of local Jewry.

Ladies' Zionist League.—The monthly "At Home" for May was held at the residence of Mrs. D. Jacobson, Buckingham Road. There was a large attendance. The speaker of the afternoon was Dr. J. W. Harris, who chose for his subject the work of "Oze." Musical items were contributed by Misses G. Ress and E. Sebba, as well as pretty recitations by Miss Hilda Mitchell. Mrs. B. Weinronk proposed the vote of thanks to the speaker and hostess.

The monthly "At Home" for June was held at the residence of Mrs. S. Karstaedt, on the 17th ult. The usual number of ladies attended, and an enjoyable afternoon was spent. Dr. Platt chose for his subject "The Philosophy of some of Our Jewish Problems." Miss R. Elion beautifully rendered a violin solo, accompanied by Miss Lovell at the piano. Miss Lovell also recited most ably. Mrs. H. Katz proposed the vote of thanks to the speaker and the hostess.

COME TO THE MOCK CONGRESS

In response to a large number of requests,

A Repeat Performance

Will be held on

Sunday, July 12th at 8 p.m.,

At the

Alhambra Theatre, Doornfontein.

The function is being held under the auspices of the S.A. Zeire Zion.

Proceeds will go towards the Carnival for the Jewish National Fund.

ADMISSION : 1/6 and 1/-.

Doors open at 7.30 p.m.

In East London

The annual general elections of the Jewish Circle were held on Monday, the 22nd ult., in the Communal Hall. The Chairman, Rev. O. Altshuler, outlined the activities during the past twelve months, commenting favourably on the work it had done and the progress made. A start had already been made with the Library, which would be opened in a few weeks, and he hoped that members would avail themselves of the opportunity of reading the excellent selection of books. He expressed the hope that the English-speaking members would come forward and start an English sub-section of the Dramatic Section, as such excellent productions had already been staged by the Yiddish Section.

The elections then took place and resulted as follows:—

President, Rev. O. Altshuler (re-elected); Vice-President, Mr. Meyer Hertz (re-elected); Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Henry Gottlieb (re-elected). Committee: Mesdames I. Sapire, S. Traub, J. Berman, J. Wilken, Misses B. Wax, L. Lutrin, M. Kopman, and Messrs. A. Addleson, I. Sapire, H. Infeld, D. Lazarus, M. Aingorn, J. Altshuler.

A short sketch ("Olom Haboh," by Sholem Aleichem) was staged, the following taking part: Miss Kopman, Messrs. Aingorn, J. Altshuler, A. Sarnak, H. Bloch, Ch. Armist. The production was again in the hands of Mr. Aingorn, and proved a great success.

A gratifying revival of Zionist interest and strengthening of Zionist machinery is reported from this important centre. The movement there has for some time past been showing regrettable signs of weakness, and the revival is therefore both needed and welcome. Moreover, it is of particular importance, owing to the increasing relative importance of East London, in common with other large centres, due to the steady drift of the Jewish population from the small country towns to the larger ones.

Following the establishment of a Women's Zionist League, particulars of which we recently reported, the Zionist Society has just held its annual general meeting, at which much enthusiasm was shown, and the following very strong executive and committee appointed:—President, Mr. Meyer Hertz; vice-president, Mr. D. Gottlieb; hon. treasurer, Mr. M. J. Zackon; hon. secretary, Mr. A. Addleson. Committee: Messrs. A. Kosowsky, N. Strelitz, D. Lazarus, M. Baskir, M. Aingorn, H. Infeld, S. Rabinowitz and Revs. O. Altshuler and Ch. Katz, with the Misses H. Sive, A. Hertz, Hirshowitz and Wilken as collectors.

The newly elected committee has already met and arranged a thorough canvass of the town for members. It also arranged a fitting commemoration of Herzl Jahrzeit by a memorial service which took place on Sunday, the 5th inst. and a Herzl evening on the following day. Furthermore, it is the intention of the society in conjunction with the Women's Zionist League, to devise various ways and means for realising East London's overdue quota for the Jewish National Fund, with special reference to the Dunam Drive.

There is now every evidence that the committee, as now constituted, will succeed not merely in maintaining interest in the movement, but in developing its activities in all directions.