

Problems for the Congress.

THE FUTURE OF THE MOVEMENT.

The Arab-Jewish Question.

Mr. Kaplansky's Views.

London.

"The Seventeenth Zionist Congress will have more to deal with than the differences between the various Zionist parties," Mr. S. Kaplansky, member of the Zionist Executive and leader of the Poale Zion World Confederation said in addressing a meeting.

"The future of the movement will be decided by this Congress," he said. "The White Paper of October, 1930, has been interpreted away by the MacDonald letter, but we must not allow ourselves to be lulled into the belief that the powers which brought about the White Paper have gone. There are two divergent tendencies in British policy. Those who look upon the Zionist activity as an obstacle to their Imperialist aims made an attempt to hitch even the Labour Government to their reactionary Imperialist wagon. The MacDonald letter, however, showed that the Labour Government had realised in time that it was being led into an abyss."

There was no purpose in exercising pressure on Dr. Weizmann to get him to remain leader, Mr. Kaplansky went on. But it would not be an easy matter to succeed Dr. Weizmann. The Revisionists might recall that the political difficulties had not begun only now. In 1921 Transjordan had been severed from Western Palestine, and the Beisan lands had been given to the Arabs at the same time. In 1922 the Zionist Executive was forced to accept the Churchill White Paper. Mr. Jabotinsky was a member of the Executive at that time. He doubted, Mr. Kaplansky said, whether Mr. Jabotinsky knew even to-day where the road led. The demand for a Jewish State meant a demand for the revision of the Mandate. Such a demand encouraged the other side to insist also on its own demand for a revision of the Mandate. "We would do best," Mr. Kaplansky said, "to revise our political methods. We have been acting in the past as if there were no Jewish-Arab problem. We must now devote ourselves more than ever to this problem. We have no interest in a revision of the Mandate. At the same time we must move away from a policy which depends only upon the Mandatory Power. That does not mean that we intend to go with the Brith Shalom, that small group which can claim the credit for directing attention to the Jewish-Arab problem, but which is partly inclined to Achad Ha'amism and partly to confusing the issue. We want to recognise what our aim is honestly."

Are you going on Sunday night?
The Dorshei Zion Concert in the
Zionist Hall.

Palestine Cold Storage.

SHORTLY READY FOR USE.

South African Enterprise.

A bulletin from Jerusalem this week gives the news that the Tel-Aviv Cold Storage will be ready for use this month.

The Palestine Cold Storage and Supply Co., Ltd., it will be remembered, was founded some two years ago, through the initiative of Mr. Chaim Joffe, a South African now resident in Palestine, by a group of South African Jews, with the participation of the Palestine Electric Corporation. The capital of the firm was fixed at LP.35,000. The Company acquired a site with an area of four-and-a-half dunams in the vicinity of the Tel-Aviv railway station, and began to build their first cold storage plant, on an area of 1,500 square metres, on June 1, 1930. It contains fourteen cooling rooms in all, a separate room or rooms being assigned to each of the staple articles of cold storage—fruits, vegetables, eggs, meat, butter and fish—with reserve rooms for miscellaneous articles; in addition to a large hall for preliminary cooling, cooled corridors for the passage of goods and a special packing room for customers who may require to pack their wares at the plant. Two atmospheric presses, equivalent to 200,000 kilogram calories are installed at the plant, and the most up-to-date methods are applied in every part of the cooling process. The plant is for the present functioning only partially, the fruit-rooms alone being completed. The Company will shortly begin to produce clean ice for the first time in Palestine. The plant can produce about twenty tons of ice a day. The water will first be filtered by special appliances before it is frozen, and during the freezing process the remaining impurities will be removed in the form of a sediment. It is hardly necessary to dwell on the value of the new enterprise for existing and potential economic activities.

A HOTEL FOR JEWISH EMIGRANTS IN WARSAW.

To the Editor.

S.A. Jewish Chronicle.

Sir,—We have been informed by the Jewish Central Emigration Association of Poland, which is affiliated with the Hias-Ica-Emigdirect Organisation, that they have established a hotel in Warsaw for Jewish emigrants coming to that Polish capital for their visas, etc., and they have asked us to advise people in South Africa bringing out their relatives and friends from Poland to inform the latter to go to that hotel (18 Mylna Street), where they would get proper advice and be secure from exploitation.

I should be glad if you would kindly publish this information in your esteemed Journal for the benefit of the people concerned.—I am, etc.,

PERCY COHEN,

Secretary, S.A. Jewish
Board of Deputies.

Wailing Wall Commission.

"SOLE OWNERSHIP OF WALL BELONGS TO MOSLEMS."

Findings Brought Into Force.

London, Monday.

The report of the Wailing Wall Commission has just been published. The Commission, it will be remembered, was appointed by the British Government with the approval of the League of Nations Council, and consisted of M. Eli Lofgren (a former Swedish Foreign Minister), M. Charles Barde (a Swiss Judge) and Mr. M. V. J. van Kempen (a former Governor of Sumatra).

The Commission finds unanimously that the sole ownership of the wall belongs to the Moslems.

On the other hand, the commissioners have declared that the Jews should have free access to the wall for devotion at all times on the definite condition that they must not blow the Shofar on certain appointed religious festivals near the wall, and Moslems must not annoy the Jews during the devotions.

Other restrictive conditions imposed by the Commission refer to building and demolition operations, political speeches delivered from the Wailing Wall, and disfigurements. A message from Jerusalem announces that the High Commissioner has brought the commissioner's finding into force.

Worcester Jewish Ladies' Society.

Annual Ball.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Worcester Jewish Ladies' Society held their annual ball on the 1st June at the Masonic Hall. This proved to be a huge success financially, and socially.

The hall was uniquely decorated with hand-painted panels round the walls in a colour scheme of orange and black. Streamers and bunting, also in orange and black, were used with splendid effect to work out various designs. In the centre of the hall a huge bell of streamers and balloons gave a most effective finish to this novel scheme of decoration. The beauty of the scene was doubly enhanced by the array and large choice of exquisite frocks worn by the ladies present.

During the evening an exhibition dance by Misses H. Bernstein and S. Hoffman were given and thoroughly enjoyed, whilst many novelty dances also took place.

In a short speech, Mrs. E. Traub, Chair-lady of the Society, welcomed the visitors, many of whom had come from all parts of the Worcester district, as well as from Ceres, Paarl and Cape Town, and thanked them for their support.

The music, supplied by Norrie Sowman and his Revellers from Cape Town, was excellent and helped greatly in making the ball such a very great social success.

Congratulations must be extended to the Committee for their excellent catering and for the undoubted success of the ball.