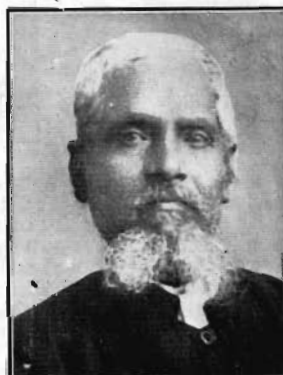


CHINA, Sam; b. Pondicherry, French India, 1857; *died* Sept. 9, 1930. Landed at Durban by the ship *Earl of Hardinch*, Sept. 21, 1863. Was employed near Durban for 10 years. In 1872 left with five others for Kimberley during the diamond rush, completing the journey on foot in 21 days, after suffering great privation. Was in private employment, and in 1881 left to commence business, trading as a retail and wholesale merchant. He was well known to all of the pioneers of Kimberley, including Cecil John Rhodes. *Public activities*: Was keenly interested in all the activities connected with the welfare of the Indian community. Was a keen sportsman, presenting the trophy, which bears his name, for South African Indian football. He died at Kimberley in 1930, at a period when Union footballers were present to compete for his trophy, the captains of each competing centre acting as pall-bearers. He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. R. S. Pillay, Mrs. N. Veerasamy and Mrs. S. N. Moodley.



CHOONOO, John; b. in Gaya, India and when quite young went to Mauritius, where for several years served as a catechist under the Church Missionary Society. He married in Mauritius and there his wife predeceased him, leaving 4 children. He married again and left for Natal in September, 1880. In 1882 he began his missionary career under the Wesleyan Methodist Church of South Africa which he served for 42 years without a break. His activities extended on the coast belt of Natal, where he helped to build a number of churches and Indian schools. Two of his sons, Reuben and Arthur, are Methodist ministers, and three others, Timothy, Ezekiel and Walter, are head teachers of Government-Aided schools at Verulam, Tongaat and Prospect-Hall respectively. He died at the age of 95 years on Easter Sunday, April 20, 1924. His wife died 3 months later on July 27, 1924.



DEENDAR, Hajee Mahomed Hajee Amod; b. Kholvad, 1865; *died*, May, 1926. Left India, proceeding to Mauritius in 1884, where he was in

private employment. From Mauritius came to South Africa in Jan., 1888, being among early Indian arrivals. Stayed first in Johannesburg, later in Pretoria; opened business in partnership at Pietersburg. Afterwards joined M. A. Deendar and A. M. Bhayat at Pietersburg, trading in firm name of The Durban House. In 1897 dissolved partnership and started own business at Maritstad. Returned to India, coming back in 1904; opened business at Krugersdorp in the same year. In 1905 went to Ermelo and started business there, which he developed into one of the leading businesses in this area. His family then joined him in Ermelo. He was presdt. of the Ermelo Mohammedan community and always took a prominent part in all public work. In 1901 made pilgrimage to Mecca. In India was a committee member of the Kholvad water works and Anuman Islam. Returned to India in 1923 and lived till 1926. In interim did useful public work at Kholvad. Was of a charitable disposition, aiding all appeals to charitable movements. No deserving appeal was ever ignored by him. Was a large donor to the hospital and waterworks at Kholvad. Is survived by three sons (Ismail Mahomed Deendar, Essop Mahomed Deendar and Suleman Mahomed Deendar) and four daughters.

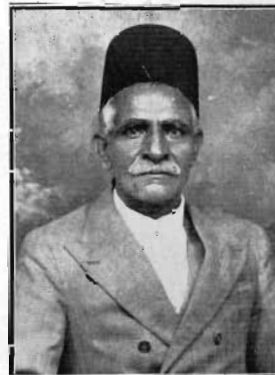
CACHALIA, Ahmed Mahomed: chairman of the Transvaal British Indian Assn., one of the staunchest Passive Resistance leaders. He served periods of imprisonment and allowed himself to be made insolvent rather than violate his oath, subsequently paying his creditors in full.



DAWOOD, Mahomed, merchant and leader. One of the outstanding leaders of the Indian community. Died in Natal.



EBRAHIM, Mahomed (of the firm of M. Ebrahim Soondka, Ltd.); b. Ranavav, 1882; *educ.* Ranavav. Came to South Africa in 1912, settling in Pretoria. First was partner in brother's business in name of N. M. Ebrahim, but resigned in order to start own business under name of M. Ebrahim Soondka, wholesale merchants and direct importers. A quiet worker in the cause of the community. Died in India, 1934.



MAHARAJ, Boboolal; o. s. of late Hamraj Maharaj; b. Port Elizabeth, June 17, 1884; died in Pretoria, 1935. *m.* Rajawanthi 3rd d. of Ramphall, of Pretoria. Was in business; Indian interpreter of the magistrate and Supreme Courts; property owner. *Public activities*: V.-presdt., T.I.C. (Pretoria Branch) and represented Transvaal at various sessions of the S.A.I.C. Conference, including the first conference. Treas. of the Transvaal Indian Defence Assn.: v.-presdt., Transvaal British Indian Assn., which has now merged into the Congress. Took part in Passive Resistance struggle in 1909, suffering a term of three months' imprisonment. V.-presdt., Hindu Seva Samaj; committee member of the Pretoria Indian Hospital Committee; chairman of the Pretoria Devi Temple; as one of the leading Indians presented to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales; chairman of the Hindu Assn. Had a South African reputation as one of the best Indian soccer players in the country; played in the forward position; started in the year 1902, repstd. Transvaal on three occasions; v.-capt., 1913 and 1924; capt., 1926; played for years for Pretoria inter-district, captained the Pretorians F.C. for many years. V.-capt. of the first South African soccer team to India, 1921-22. Presdt. twice P.D.I.F.A.; also life v.-presdt. and treas. for last 10 years. Was prominently connected with the tour of the All-India football team to the Union, 1934. Also played rugby since 1905, repstd. Pretoria in eleven inter-district matches, captained nine others, and on one occasion capt. of the Transvaal; played for Standards; captained the club for 16 years, was a life v.-presdt. An outstanding cricket player, repstd. Transvaal Colours on three occasions, 1907-9-23; repstd. Pretoria for



many years, played from 1902 till '34. Was also a fine swimmer, cyclist, boxer, and weight-lifter. Was one of the best known figures in South African sporting circles.

KHAN, Rahim Karim; was Barrister-at-law, member of Lincoln's Inn; member Supreme Court of Judicature, England; advocate Supreme Court of South Africa (N.P.D.); b. Bombay, March 24, 1874; *died* Oct. 8, 1932. During Boer War acted as leader of Ambulance Corps at Colenso and Spion Kop, etc., giving services free, for which he was thanked by Government and decorated with the usual medal; was for many years joint secy. of the Natal Indian Congress. Repstd. Natal at S.A.I.C. Conferences: was appointed by Government of Natal as member of Board of Examiners for Indian languages. On his death left practically his whole estate, exceeding £40,000, for Indian medical relief.



MEHTA, Jaysanker Bhaichand; a nephew of Revashanker Jagjivan Javeri, Bombay and Dr. P. J. Mehta, Rangoon; b. Morvi, Kathiwar, 1878; *died*, Durban, Aug. 5, 1931. On leaving school was in the service of Dhurampur, one of the large Indian states. Soon after he accompanied Mahatma Gandhi to South Africa, arriving in Durban, Dec., 1896. Was a clerk in Mr. Gandhi's office till 1900 and for a short time was with the late Parsec Rustomjee. He started own business in Grey Street, Durban, adjoining the present mosque, where he established a very successful and solid concern. He gave freely of what he had, £100 to the Sastri College Building Fund, and in his will left £1,250 for educational scholarships, £250 for a hospital at Durban, £150 for the erection of the Kathiwar Arya Mandal building and many other amounts to private and public charities. For his donations during the Great War, he was thanked by the then Mayor of Durban. He is survived by his widow and two sons, Shantilal and Chimanlal Mehta.

