

NEWS IN BRIEF

PALESTINE CITRUS CROP.

Jerusalem.

About 200,000 tons of citrus represented the 1942-43 crop from plantations in Palestine, and of this total 115,000 tons went to the civilian population and military (including 11,000 tons marketed by the Food Controller). 30,000 tons were exported to neighbouring countries, 50,000 tons used in by-products, and 5,000 tons for hand-pressed oils. The 1943-44 crop is estimated by the citrus marketing expert, Mr. Isaac Rokach, brother of the Mayor of Tel-Aviv, at 300,000 tons, of which 20,000 will be sent to Britain, 15,000 tons sold to the Army, 70,000 tons go into industrial use, 10,000 tons be used for extraction of essential oils, and 55,000 tons be exported to neighbouring territories. Another 130,000 tons will be left for local consumption. This will raise the serious problem of adequate disposal.

PALESTINE ORCHESTRA.

Jerusalem.

The Palestine Orchestra gave 107 concerts in Palestine, 60 in Egypt and 4 in Beirut during the 1942-43 season, and 20 per cent. of all concerts were for the British and Allied troops in the Middle East, states a report issued here. Thirty of the concerts in Egypt were for the armed forces. Although concert admission tickets yielded £P17,000, and the Palestine Orchestra Association, the supporting organisation, made a regular contribution, a deficit of £P10,000 was incurred. This is to be covered, it is hoped, by contributions from other countries. Unlike the state orchestras elsewhere, the Palestine Orchestra receives no state grant in Palestine.

POLISH DECORATION FOR HEBREW UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR.

Jerusalem.

Professor I. J. Kligler, head of the department of Hygiene of the Hebrew University, has been decorated with the Golden Cross of Merit by the Polish Government. The award was made in recognition of Professor Kligler's services to Polish refugees by supplying them with typhus vaccines.

The formal decoration took place at the Polish Consulate in Jerusalem. During the ceremony the Polish Consul-General revealed that in the course of preparing the vaccines, Professor Kligler and some of his colleagues had become infected with the disease. "It needed," he said, "all the skill of some of his eminent colleagues to save Professor Kligler's life."

DEATH OF DR. AHARON BENJAMINI.

Jerusalem.

The death took place in Tel-Aviv of Dr. Aharon Benjamini at the age of 57, after a long illness. Dr. Benjamini, who came to Palestine in 1915 as a Turkish army medical officer, was closely associated with the development of Tel-Aviv and was for several years the medical officer of the Herzlia school.

LITERARY PRIZE TO COMMEMORATE CHIEF RABBI KOOK.

Jerusalem.

The Tel-Aviv Municipality has announced the creation of a Literary Prize to commemorate the late Chief Rabbi A. I. Kook of Palestine. It will be awarded during Elul of this year, observing the anniversary of his death.

DR. STEPHEN WISE RENOUNCES PULPIT FOR DURATION OF WAR.

New York.

The Free Synagogue here announces that it has granted the request of its founder and rabbi, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, for a leave of absence for the duration of the war. Dr. Wise explained that the pressure of other duties, including his leadership of the Jewish Institute of Religion, was responsible for his move.

He said: "I cannot and will not completely divorce myself from the work and programme of the synagogue which I founded 36 years ago. It will continue to have my deepest interest, and the members of the Council who are prepared to carry on with renewed energy and enthusiasm will be free to call upon me for counsel and co-operation whenever they choose to do so."

70th BIRTHDAY OF DR. OTTO LOEWI, NOBEL PRIZE WINNER.

New York.

Dr. Otto Loewi, Nobel Prize winner in medicine, who has been residing in the United States since 1938, when he left Austria following his release from "protective custody," marked his seventieth birthday here at a small celebration attended by friends and his colleagues of the faculty of the New York University College of Medicine.

Dr. Loewi received the Nobel Prize in 1936 for research on the chemical transmission of nervous impulses. From the time he received his medical degree from the University of Frankfurt, in 1896, until he came to the United States, Dr. Loewi taught at leading German and Austrian universities. During that period he visited the United States several times, lecturing at Harvard and Yale Universities.

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