

NEWS IN BRIEF

S.A. CHALUTZIM ESTABLISHING OWN KIBBUTZ.

Jerusalem.

A farewell party for the South African group of Chalutzim who have for two years been in training at the Hashomar Hatzair kibbutz of Ain Hashophet, was held on June 13th. The chalutzim, all of them from the Union of South Africa, are establishing their own kibbutz, "Drom Afrikai-Ayeleth," at Nathanya. The kibbutz comprises 70 members and will be open for newcomers from South African chalutzim.

PALESTINE HOUSING.

Jerusalem.

Six hundred dwelling houses are to be constructed by the Histadruth Shikun Corporation, of which 60 have already been begun. The Corporation has prepared a scheme providing housing for 7,000 workers' and soldiers' families and has requested the Government to allocate state land for the housing of ex-servicemen. Until the outbreak of war the Corporation built housing for the accommodation of 3,125 families.

NEW AUXILIARY ROAD.

Jerusalem.

A new auxiliary road linking Jewish villages in the Tel Mond area with the main Tel-Aviv-Haifa highway has been formally opened. The ceremony took place on the 15th anniversary of the founding of these villages. The road is about 4½ kilometres long and its construction cost of £P11,000 was contributed by the villages of Ein Vered, Nerouth, Kfar Hess, Palestine Plantations Ltd., and Tel Mond. The Government promised a grant of £P1,500. The Tel Mond area, a tribute to the first Lord Melchett, now comprises 10,000 dunams under full cultivation, with a population of 2,000 people.

ANCIENT COINS FOUND.

Jerusalem.

A small hoard of silver coins contained in a jar which a resident of Jerusalem buried alongside an ancient terrace wall during a period of political upheaval two thousand years ago, was found recently by workmen digging in a garden behind the Rosenbloom Building of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

The bottle contained eleven silver coins struck at Tyre between 130/29 and 30/29 B.C.E. Nine of the coins belong to the class of autonomous *Shekolim* of Tyre and bear dates between 42/1 and 30/29 B.C.E. The other two coins are tetradrachms of the reign of the Seleucid King Demetrius II, struck at the Tyrian mint in the year 130/29. The Government Department of Antiquities has allowed the Museum of Jewish Antiquities of the Hebrew University to retain the coins.

REFUGEE CAMP IN TRIPOLITANIA.

London.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, announced in the House of Commons that in view of the increasing numbers of refugees arriving from Europe, the Government had decided to establish a temporary camp in Tripolitania.

This camp, he said, would accommodate

about 2,000 refugees until they return to their homes or permanent residence is found for them. The United States Government had been consulted and was co-operating on questions of staff and maintenance.

HUNGARIANS SYMPATHISING WITH JEWS.

London.

According to the Hungarian press, the Mosice police have instituted a trial against several non-Jews who smuggled food into the local ghetto. A large number of non-Jews have applied to the Orphans' Office for permission to adopt Jewish children. Reporting these facts the Hungarian press complains that there are still Hungarians sympathising with Jews.

BROADCASTS IN HEBREW FROM LONDON.

London.

The periodical transmissions of personal messages in Hebrew from Jews in Britain to their relatives and friends in Palestine, on the lines of similar services to various parts of the Empire, was inaugurated on July 5 by the B.B.C.

VICTIMS OF FLYING BOMBS.

London.

The five chalutzim who were killed when one of the Hechalutz buildings was destroyed by a flying bomb in South England have now been disclosed. They are Herbert Alpern, Gitta Glucksmann, Harry Keh, Hanz Moir and Klara Rubinfeld. All had escaped from Germany and Austria. Four others were gravely injured. At the funeral Mr. Berl Locker delivered an address.

ROME JEWS RESUME ZIONIST ACTIVITIES.

Algiers.

The Jews of Rome are resuming their Zionist activities, and intend shortly to restart the publication of the Zionist organ, "Israel," which had been suspended by Mussolini.

The economic position of the Jews in the capital is a very sad one. The Jewish Communal Board has opened a kitchen where 220 of the most needy Jews receive one meal daily. The number of impoverished Jews who are in need of help, however, far exceeds the present resources of the community as the Nazis left the Jewish population in a state of poverty.

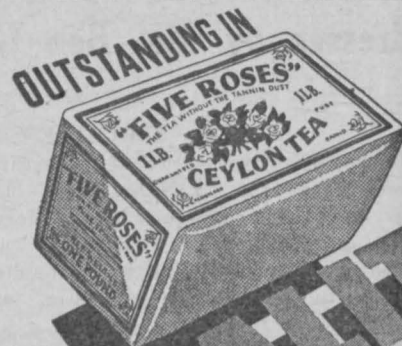
DEATH OF NOTED RUSSIAN JEWISH MUSICIAN.

Moscow.

Professor Peter Stolarsky, famous Jewish musician and head of a music school built in his honour in Odessa by the Soviet Government, has died in Sverdlovsk, the Moscow press reports. He was 73 years old.

Professor Stolarsky, who had been awarded the Order of the Red Banner and who also had the title "People's Artist" bestowed upon him by the Ukrainian Government, was prominent in Russia and abroad. His pupils won the highest awards at the international musical competition held in Brussels in 1937.

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New York.

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JEV ELECTED MEMBER OF IRAN PARLIAMENT.

Zurich.

For the first time a Jew has obtained a seat in the Parliament of Iran, according to a German broadcast. The name of the Jewish deputy was not mentioned in the broadcast.

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The S.A. Board of Jewish Education (Committee) is desirous of enlarging its collection of Hebrew Books and books of general Jewish interest. The Board is convinced that there are numbers of such Books in Hebrew or other languages in private homes, which are unused, which would be a valuable addition to such collection.

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