

News from Eretz Israel

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3,837 Jewish Immigrants Last Month

Jerusalem, December 27th.

3,837 Jews came into Palestine during November, out of the total number of 3,938 immigrants who were admitted in the course of the month.

538 Jews came in under the so-called capitalist category, being in possession of a sum of £1,000 or more, thus bringing a total capital of well over half a million pounds into the country.

The 538 capitalist immigrants were accompanied by 628 dependent relatives.

The figures include 24 Jews who came in as tourists, and then obtained legal permission to stay permanently in the country.

The bulk of the Jewish immigrants were in possession of immigration certificates, and were accompanied by their families.

Sixty immigrants were refused admission during the course of the month.

Arabs Attack Jewish Workers on Wadi Hawarith Land

Jerusalem, December 31st.

FOUR Jewish tractor-men were injured to-day, two of them seriously, while they were ploughing the Kibbutz Shlosha land in the Wadi Hawarith, being attacked by a large band of Bedouins, armed with sticks and stones.

The injured Jews have been taken to Hedera for treatment. Police have proceeded to the scene of the trouble.

Overcrowding in Tel Aviv

THREE PERSONS PER ROOM

Tel Aviv, December 30th.

THE Bulletin of the Tel Aviv Township estimates that in Tel Aviv to-day there is an average of three persons to a room. Allowing for the considerable number of houses which have a much lower average this means that congestion in the town must have assumed, in many dwellings, unhygienic proportions.

There are 28,457 rooms in Tel Aviv which, at three persons per room, shows that 85,000 is the present population.

Increase in Number of Tel Aviv School-Children

Tel Aviv, December 30th.

THE number of pupils in the public schools and kindergartens of Tel Aviv is 8,070 this year, an increase of 1,012 over last year. There are nine elementary schools, and a school for backward children, besides the kindergartens.

The education rate in Tel Aviv yields £13,500.

Jewish Porters Refuse to Load German Ship

Jerusalem, December 28th.

THE Jewish porters at Haifa refused to-day to load oranges on a German steamer, the "Tynus," which was flying the Nazi flag.

Arab porters took their place.

Arlosoroff Murder Charge

CONTINUED HEARING

Jerusalem, January 2nd.

THE original reports relating to the charges in connection with the Arlosoroff murder were produced to-day by Police Captain Rico at the request of the Defence, when the hearing was continued of the charges against Stavski, Akhi-Meir and Rosenblatt.

Mr. Shitreet, the Public Prosecutor, and Mr. Horace Samuel, the Counsel for the Defence, found themselves in controversy to-day over what Mr. Shitreet alleged was Mr. Samuel's criticism of the police. The Magistrate, Mr. Bodilly, intervened and pacified the parties.

Jerusalem, January 3rd.

Abu Regeig, one of the police trackers, was again cross-examined to-day as to the nature of the footprints that he had found.

Efraim Eliashar, a motor-car driver who had been in gaol at the time and had been in the identification parade, when Mrs. Arlosoroff had been asked to identify the man who killed her husband, gave evidence.

Emmanuel Feldman, a mounted policeman in Tel-Aviv, described how he had come to the scene of the murder the same night with a blood hound to join in the search. He was afterwards joined by Abu Regeig.

The hearing has been adjourned till to-morrow.

Palestine Deports Jews

Jerusalem, December 27th.

MAX FOGEL, who came to Palestine from Leipzig eighteen months ago, and was in employment as an upholsterer, was deported to-day for being in the country without legal permission.

He is a Roumanian subject, from that part of new Roumania which was formerly Austrian territory, and his father was killed during the War fighting in the Austrian army.

Moshe Ben Abba, 22 years of age, a Russian refugee who had been living in Afghanistan, and who came to Palestine by way of India and was in permanent employment in a factory, and Abba Baruch, 23 years of age, a barber, also from Afghanistan, are to be deported to-morrow. Both have been in Palestine for three months.

Tel Aviv Rioters in Court

Jerusalem, December 28th.

TWO of the seventeen youths who are being tried in connection with the demonstration held in Tel Aviv early this month, were acquitted at to-day's hearing.

Mr. Kaiserman, who appeared for the accused, contended that Mr. Bodilly, the Magistrate trying the case, cannot apply against them Article 23 of the Seditious Offences Ordinance, as he intended, which makes them liable to two years' imprisonment, but that their offence will be met by Article 34 under which they are liable to a maximum of three months' imprisonment.

Stones Thrown at Windows of German Consulate

Jerusalem, January 1st.

UNKNOWN persons threw stones to-day at the building of the German Consulate here, and smashed one of the windows.

Tel Aviv Evening Courses of Hebrew University

140 DOCTORS AND PROFESSIONAL MEN

Tel Aviv.

THE announcement of evening extension courses under the auspices of the Hebrew University, and of which the director here is Dr. Yehuda Kaufmann, has evoked the widest interest, and during the first week over a hundred and forty persons registered for the various subjects.

Of these, more than sixty have had higher education, coming from the Hebrew University, and including graduates and students of the universities of London, Paris, Berlin, Rome, New York, Chicago, Petrograd, Vienna, Prague, Amsterdam, Brussels, Liege, Toulouse, Bordeaux, Florence, Cracow, Detroit, Newark, Toronto, Vilna, and Tomsk.

Many of those registered bear degrees and titles. There are doctors, students of Philosophy and Literature, M.A.'s in Philosophy, lawyers, rabbis, agricultural engineers, engineers, and holders of the B.A. and B.Sc. degrees.

Forty young people have had secondary school education in Palestine and abroad.

Prof. Shor Honoured

Tel Aviv, December 26th.

THE fortieth anniversary of Professor David Shor's musical and public activities was celebrated to-day by a concert in the Ohel Shem Hall. Prof. Shor, Mrs. Thelma Yellin and Prof. Zadri gave a choice programme, including Tchaikowsky's famous trio. The hall was filled to capacity, and the public heard the three artists at their best. The concert was followed by a banquet wherein many of Tel-Aviv's prominent personalities took part.

Prof. Shor, who settled in Palestine in 1925, has done much to raise artistic and educational values in the country. A prominent pianist, the founder in 1893, of the famous Moscow Trio, which still exists, Prof. Shor has in his many concerts, given the Palestine public the possibilities of hearing great work of art. He has carried his love for music and musical knowledge into all parts of Palestine, lecturing, as he formerly did in Russia, on great musicians and the history of music (on behalf of the Hebrew University) and illustrating his lectures on the piano. He was the first artist of European renown to visit Palestine, having come in 1907. One of Prof. Shor's most interesting efforts was the foundation, together with Monashe Rabinovitz, of the Society for the Promotion of Music among the People.

Prof. Shor has justly won the love and admiration of all Palestinians.

Hebrew University Lecturer as Law Expert

Jerusalem, December 28th.

RABBI SIMCHA ASSAF, Lecturer in Gaonic and Rabbinic Literature at the Hebrew University, who is a well-known expert in Rabbinical law, has been invited to give his opinion in a will dispute involving over a million pounds which is shortly to be heard in Bombay. Rabbi Assaf left for Bombay on Monday in the company of Mr. Eliash, the Jerusalem lawyer.

The case is being heard by the British Court in Bombay, and Jewish law is being extensively consulted.

The litigation concerns the vast estate of a late Aden Jewish merchant named Messa.

Zionist Pioneer Dies

Jerusalem, December 31st.

MENACHEM MENDEL WOHLMAN, an old Chovevei Zionist, and Hebrew writer, has died at Tel Aviv, at the age of 75. He came to Palestine in 1925 from Warsaw.