

said that anti-semitism in Central Europe was one of the things the United Nations was fighting to destroy. "We hope to establish Central European countries without racial theories," he said.

National Labour Committee for Palestine.

New York.

The National Labour Committee for Palestine on the occasion of its 20th anniversary passed a resolution against the White Paper and demanding free immigration to Palestine and an inter-parliamentary investigation of British officials in Palestine. It announced that it had raised 800,000 dollars for the Histadruth in 1943 and set as its goal a million and a quarter dollars for 1944.

Five-Year Plan for Palestine.

New York.

At the Junior Hadassah Convention in Cleveland, Mr. Emanuel Neumann disclosed that a body of experts in Palestine and the U.S.A. were assembling data for a five-year plan for Palestine economic development in order to accommodate a million people after the war and additional numbers later. The Convention hailed Russian Jewry and approved of 118,000 dollars budget for youth education and Palestine social services.

Palestinian Pianist to Tour S. Africa.

Pnina Salzman, the brilliant young Palestinian pianist, is to tour South Africa shortly. She has played to many service audiences up North and gained a wide circle of friends among South Africans.

Palestine Manufacturers' Association.

FREEDOM OF ACTION FOR PRIVATE ENTERPRISE URGED.

Jerusalem.

Freedom of action for private enterprise in the post-war period was urged by Jewish industrial spokesmen at the general meeting of the Palestine Manufacturers' Association, while Government departmental heads advocated rationalization to make Palestine products competitive in price and quality. The annual meeting was opened by the President, Mr. Shenkar. "Government anxiety about the future of our industry, its resilience and competitiveness, is entirely unfounded," he declared.

The Chairman of the War Supply Board, Mr. G. R. Sandford, agreed with Mr. Shenkar that the country's post-war economy could not be built on agriculture alone, but stressed that industry must make a concentrated effort to bring down prices. Dr. E. Schmorak, of the Jewish Agency Executive, declared that during the period of transition from war to peace-time production, no competition was to be expected from better developed industrial countries. Palestine would thus have a period of two years in which to increase exports to the Near and Middle East and possibly to India. The Director of Customs, Mr. R. W. Belt, said that it was obvious that under post-war conditions import duties would be reduced rather than increased, and it was therefore imperative for industry to produce competitive merchandise. The Director of Labour, Mr. K. M. Graves, advocated a system of collective agreements between industry and labour and greater security against accidents.

Jerusalem.

The Chief Justice of Palestine, Mr. Frederick Gordon Smith, K.C., who was sworn in on January 18, 1942, after coming here from Malaya, has announced his resignation.

Dr. Albert Ticho.

Jerusalem.

Dr. Albert Ticho, the founder of Ophthalmic Hospital in Jerusalem, was 50 years old recently. He came to Palestine from Vienna in 1912 as Director of the Lema Zion Hospital, the first Jewish ophthalmic hospital in the country. In 1913 he founded in conjunction with the Hadassah Medical Organization, an institution for the treatment of trachoma in Palestinian schools. At that time the Jewish schools had a 28 per cent. trachoma incidence, now down to about 2 per cent. The private ophthalmic hospital which bears Dr. Ticho's name was originally founded twenty-five years ago. During this quarter of a century Dr. Ticho has treated about 90,000 out-patients and 13,300 in-patients and performed 20,000 major eye operations.

Cairo.

Prof. Mikhoels and Col. Feffer, the Soviet Jewish delegates, arrived here and left for Moscow. They said they would have been glad to visit Palestine, but did not receive an invitation.

New York.

The Pioneer Women's Organisation has cabled 10,000 dollars to the Jewish Agency for the care of Danish refugee children.

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