NEWS

MEDICAL SERVICE FOR REFUGEE NEWCOMERS IN PALESTINE.

Jerusalem.

A medical service for refugee newcomers, under the directorship of Dr. T. Grushka, former director of the Tel Aviv Municipal Hospital, is now being formed under the auspices of the Jewish Agency (out of Keren Hayesod funds) and the Vaad Leumi in Palestine. It will be controlled by a joint committee of the Agency, Vaad Leumi Health Department, Hadassah Medical Organisation, and Kupat Holim. Refugees will be examined on arrival, sanitary installations in hosined on arrival, sanitary installations in hos tels and camps will be supervised, and social service needs will be assessed by the service. The Jewish Agency will cover the entire budget for this service out of its regular Keren Havesod income.

PALESTINE GENERAL COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL WELFARE.

Jerusalem.

At the first meeting of the Palestine General Council for Social Welfare in Jerusalem, Mr. W. H. Chinn, Director of the Government's Department for Social Welfare, said that the Government's budget for social welfare had risen in the last two years from practically nothing to £P250,000. Of this £P180,000 was given as grants to various social bodies and the Jewish national institu-tions. Mr. Chinn said that, while there was a lack of social workers among the Arab population, there was an abundance of experts among the Jews, whose work was, however, hampered by the diversity of opinion and lack of a standard plan for Palestine.

EXTENSION LECTURES IN KEREN HAYESOD SETTLEMENTS.

Jerusalem

The Adult Education Committee of the University has decided to inaugurate a series of extension lectures in biology, botany, chemistry and zoology, approximating a two-year course, in Keren Hayesod settlements in the Jordan Valley, Emek Hefer, and Gilboa areas. University lecturers will give the courses. They will be held every fortnight for four to six hours for two days running. for four to six hours for two days running. Thirty students will be admitted to each course, which will take six months, and the standard of education will be at the university

PALESTINE INDUSTRY.

Jerusalem.

Palestine industry needs machinery to the value of £P4,000,000 in order properly to reequip itself after war-time wear and tear of existing installations, is the view of experts quoted by Mr. W. Duesterwald in "Palestine and Middle East" economic magazine. The requirements of Palestinian factories for spare parts and new equipment is at present £P800,000 per annum, or twice as much as the 1936 figures.

PALESTINE ORCHESTRA COMPETITION.

Jerusalem.

The Palestine Symphony Orchestra will celebrate V-day by playing a special commissioned work marking the occasion, it was announced here. The work will be selected in a competition open to all composers in the Middle East.

YEHUDI MENUHIN GIYES CONCERT IN PARIS.

New York.
Yehudi Menuhin has returned to the
United States after a six-week tour that included the first appearances by a foreign
musician on the European Continent since the

occupation. The high spot of his tour was a concert at the Paris Opera, given under the auspices of the Societe des Beaux Arts for the auspices of the Societe des Beaux Arts for the benefit of needy war victims. He was accom-panied by the orchestra of the Paris Conser-vatoire which, Mr. Menuhin reported, was up to full strength and had been giving concerts all through the occupation. At the concert he played the Mendelssohn Concerto for Parisians for the first time since the Germans entered the city. Because Mendelssohn was of Jewish ancestry, the Nazis had banned the

COMMISSARIAT FOR JEWISH AFFAIRS IN TRANSYLVANIA.

Istanbul.

The Rumanian Minister of the Interior Radu Penescu, has issued an order to the Rumanian Administration of liberated Transylvania, instructing it to create forthwith a special Commissariat for Jewish Affairs.

This Commissariat will be commissioned with the task of reconstructing Jewish life in Transylvania. It will be constituted mainly of Jewish officials, nominated by the Bucharest Kehillah, who are acquainted with the needs and problems of Transylvanian Jewry.

FIRST LITERARY EVENING IN KIEV.

Moscow.

The first Jewish literary evening has been held at the Writers' Club in liberated Kiev. It was given in honour of H. Blostein, the well-known poet, who had returned to the eity from his evacuation. Blostein read several of his poems which he had written during the war and deeply stirred the

Among those who took part in the discussion were David Hoffstein, Abraham Kagan, Itsik Kipnis, Chaim Loitsker. Eli Spivak, M. Mizhiritsky, J. Yakar and Marian Khmelnitskava.

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