

SEARCH FOR ESCAPED STERNISTS.

Tel Aviv.

An intensive search is now proceeding all over Israel to recapture the 14 members of the Stern Group who escaped from a detention camp near Tel Aviv last week. No details regarding the incident have been released, but an announcement is expected early this week.

AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR FREE PALESTINE DISSOLVED.

New York.

The American League for Free Palestine, organised in support of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, had been dissolved, said Ben Hecht, co-chairman of the League, at a dinner in honour of Menachem Beigin, former commander-in-chief of Irgun, in New York on Monday night. Hecht said the League's job had been completed.—Sapa-Reuter.

FORMER NAZIS SERVING IN ARAB FORCES.

Rome.

A number of the specialists serving with the Arab forces in Palestine today are former Nazi and Gestapo officers who are being brought to the Middle East by an organisation with headquarters in Rome.

According to some reports various high officers of the Church are involved in the transfer of the men to Palestine, and are using their clerical immunity for this purpose.

The German soldiers are being paid exceedingly high wages by the Arabs for their services.

RUSSIAN PROPOSAL AT UNO.

Paris.

A motion by Russia for an immediate vote on her proposal to order the withdrawal of Arab armies from Palestine was rejected by the United Nations Political Committee on Monday after a long debate.

A motion to defer a vote on the Russian proposal until other aspects of the Palestine problem had been discussed was accepted by 32 votes to two, with 14 abstentions.—Sapa-U.P.

Cecil Lyons Memorial Foundation.

The South African Jewish Board of Deputies is again inviting applications in connection with the Cecil Lyons Memorial Foundation established by the Board to commemorate the communal work of the late Mr. Cecil Lyons. Scholarships or bursaries under the foundation are awarded with the following objects:

(a) To assist any member of the Jewish community who undertakes to qualify for some form of communal service, e.g., the Jewish communal administration, the Jewish ministry or the Jewish teaching profession.

(b) To assist any person, irrespective of his race or religion, who undertakes to devote himself to special studies dealing with inter-race and inter-faith problems in South Africa, more particularly in so far as they relate to the Jewish community.

(c) To assist Jewish students (including post-graduate students) in their education or training for their profession or vocation, more particularly those intending to pursue Jewish studies.

Applications must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Board not later than February 16, 1949.

The working of the foundation will in the initial stages be regarded as experimental and awards will be made having regard to the nature of the work that the applicants intend to pursue and only if the candidates are sufficiently meritorious.

No conditions are laid down as to the qualifications that candidates should possess. The foundation should be of special interest to post-graduate students and members of university staffs.

With more particular reference to the second object of the foundation, the Board has circularised all the universities and university colleges, requesting them to bring this information to the notice of heads of departments and of students likely to be specially interested.

Jewish Book Week.

The Committee announce that it has now been decided to hold the Book Festival from 28th March to 5th April next inclusive. The Exhibition will be held in the Talmud Torah Building in Hope Street, and the various sectional sub-committees set up are proceeding with their work. Further announcements will follow.

Consecration of Tomb-Stone of Late Rabbi M. Ch. Mirvish.

There was a large and representative gathering at Woltemade Cemetery on Sunday, 28th November, when the consecration of the tombstone of the late Rabbi Moses Chaim Mirvish took place.

The speakers, who included Chief Rabbi Israel Abrahams, Rabbi Dr. A. T. Shrock and Rabbi M. Morgenstern, paid tribute to the memory of Rabbi Mirvish. They dwelt on his many years of service as a leader of the community and as the founder of the Beth Din. Among those who participated in the service were Cantor Boris Rome, Cantor A. Rudy, Rev. N. M. Rabinowitz and Rabbi J. Weinberg.

S.A. Aid for Toz.

Dr. Helene Kahan, supervisor of the Toz (Polish Oze) preventorium at Gluszyca in Lower Silesia, has written to the women's section of the S.A. Ort-Oze acknowledging receipt at the end of October of five cases containing pyjamas, dressing-gowns, vests, shirts, knitted wear, slippers and other items of apparel as well as a large consignment of toys. "We distributed these things among the inmates and helpers at our preventorium," Dr. Kahan writes. "The articles you have sent are invaluable to us, and in the name of our children, innocent victims of the terrible war, we thank you most heartily for your kindness."

Cantor J. Saks.

Cantor J. Saks of Johannesburg has decided to make his home in the Cape. He is a pure dramatic tenor and a "Davner" out of the ordinary with a "Nusach" that is delightful. He is a winner of three gold medals in three languages and has appeared on the concert platform and in opera. He has sung with about 15 different Chazonim, including Berelle Chagy and Leibelle Glantz, and was Chazan of the Mavfair Shool. Cantok Saks is making a tour of the bigger centres in the Cape, and here is an opportunity for people to enjoy fine Chazonuth and concert singing of the highest order of artistry.

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