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MACCABI SPORTS FESTIVAL

Tel-Aviv, April 4th.

THREE thousand Palestine Jewish athletes, with a sprinkling of prominent Jewish sports figures from abroad, will participate in a three-day Maccabi sports festival to be held here from April 17 to 20.

The festival is a substitute for the World Maccabiade which was to have been held in Tel-Aviv, but which was cancelled at the request of British authorities who feared possible repercussions in the present troubled state of Palestine.

Among the athletes from abroad scheduled to appear in the games are two girl swimmers of the Hakoah in Vienna, Judith Deutsch and Ruth Langer, who caused a sensation when they were suspended for refusing to represent Austria in the last Olympic Games at Berlin, and Miss Gerda Gottlieb, Pentathlon champion of Austria.

PROGRESS OF PALESTINE POTASH

London, April 3rd.

SUBSTANTIAL progress of the Palestine Potash, Limited, during the year 1937 is recorded in the Report of the Directors, which will be submitted to the eighth general meeting of the members on April 29.

The total sales of the company's products showed an increase of over 55 per cent. The gross profit on trading amounted to £86,773 as against £59,267, and the net trading profit £47,831 as against £26,880 in 1936.

In spite of the political unrest in Palestine, the company's operations have not been interrupted.

JEWISH GHAFFIRS SAVE ARAB FAMILY

Jerusalem, March 31st.

AN Arab family, consisting of father, mother and infant, was rescued from death last night by five Jewish ghaffirs at Migdal Zedek quarries. Armed Arabs entered the village of Mejdal Yaba near the quarries and set on fire the house of Yussef Shayit who had refused to pay them blackmail. The family was locked in the burning house and Arab neighbours were afraid to come to their help. The ghaffirs, hearing the screams, arrived and repulsed the 20 fiendish attackers and rescued the half-burned victims. The village has now asked the authorities to include it within the sphere of Jewish defence.

2,700 IMMIGRANTS IN MARCH

Jerusalem, March 31st.

THERE were 2,700 immigrants in March, including 1,200 in the past week, resulting from the energetic measures of the Jewish Agency Immigration Department to secure a large entry of newcomers prior to the end of the "Political Maximum" period.

RELIEVING UNEMPLOYMENT

Jerusalem, March 31st.

THE Central Histadruth Labour Bureau announces that, in the past two months, the Histadruth has absorbed 2,400 unemployed, while the Labour Contracting Bureaux in the colonies secured in the past citrus season the handling of 2,000,000 cases of fruit, i.e., over a quarter of the total Jewish exports.

SUCCESS OF FOREIGN TRADE INSTITUTE

Tel-Aviv, April 4th.

A BRANCH in Beirut, Lebanon, has been opened by the Foreign Trade Institute, established some months ago by the Jewish Agency, Palestine Manufacturers' Association, Anglo-Palestine Bank and Industrial Bank. The Beirut branch runs a special retail department for Palestinian merchandise and has agents in Damascus, Tripoli and Aleppo.

Another branch has been established at Constantinople, and there are to be agents at Ankara, Adana and Smyrna, while in Cyprus there are agencies at Limassol, Nicosia and Famagusta. Other branches are in Cairo, Baghdad and Tehran.

So far the Institute has obtained 300 orders abroad for 80 Palestinian factories, mostly for small quantities of goods on trial consignment. Orders have come from Syria, Turkey, Cyprus, Egypt, Iraq, and North and South Africa.

SIR HAROLD MACMICHAEL TOURS THE COUNTRY

Jerusalem, April 4th.

SIR HAROLD MACMICHAEL has undertaken his first tour of the country, and has visited Tiberias, Dagania, and the Rutenberg electricity plant at Naharaim. Met by Jewish and Arab notables at Tiberias, the High Commissioner emphasised that the primary necessity was to restore law and order, and declared that security needs must precede all others. His Excellency, on visiting Dagania, expressed his delight at its appearance. It was the first kvutzah he had visited. He was welcomed by Joseph Baratz.

TOSCANINI ARRIVING IN PALESTINE

Jerusalem, April 4th.

ARTURO TOSCANINI is arriving next week in Palestine to conduct a concert series for the Palestine Symphony Orchestra. He and Signora Toscanini will remain for over a fortnight as the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Weizmann in Rehovoth.

AERO CLUB REGISTRATIONS

Jerusalem, April 4th.

REGISTRATION of young men and women who wish to join a group of beginners for instruction in flying and gliding is now being accepted by the Jerusalem branch of the Palestine Aero Club, for which a landing-ground has been chosen in Talpioth, the garden suburb south-east of Jerusalem. Courses in theory will precede the actual flying lessons.

RAILWAY

trains, for the second time in the last six months, have been disastrous to Palestine if it had a few weeks since it would have intruded shipments into the citrus season to an early close, so the effects of the railway are not extremely weight cars are being today, attached to passenger trains.

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RI AT AYALETH HASHACHAR

Haifa, April 1st.

About three years ago, it was believed that the Hashachar lands, on the shores of Lake Huleh, had no water for irrigation. Nevertheless, the boring of wells started some time ago and now successful results have been achieved — no less than 310 cubic metres of water. Not content, the Hashachar undertook a second well, which now provides 310 cubic

recovery of these ample water resources opens up prospective intensive cultivation in the area.

CONTRIBUTION TO HANUTA

New York, April 3rd.

MAH, the Women's Zionist Organisation of America, has forwarded to the Jewish Agency 5,000 dollars for the Hanuta settlement near the Egyptian border.

In this settlement that 1,880 halutzim were recruited by an Arab who was killed during the fighting a week ago.

NAVAL INSTRUCTORS

Jerusalem, April 1st.

A school for thirty naval instructors has been opened in Haifa by the Maritime Department of the Jewish Agency.

SCHOOLGIRLS IN HAIFA



A lunch hour scene in a girls' boarding school in Haifa, one of the many fine educational institutions in the country.