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COLORADO HEALTH DEPT. INVESTIGATES CHARGES AGAINST JEWISH CONSUMPTIVE RELIEF SOCIETY

DENVER, Aug. 29. (JTA) -- The Colorado State Department of Health today issued a report revealing that it has conducted an inspection of the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society of Denver and after investigating the charges against the institution made in a New York injunction suit, it came to the following conclusion:

"In general, the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society Sanatorium at Spivak, Colorado, has a well-arranged and adequate physical plant, providing excellent medical, surgical and nursing care, supplemented by occupational therapy and rehabilitation. It would appear that this institution offers tuberculosis patients an opportunity to recover from their disease under circumstances well above average for similar institutions."

The Health Department report, signed by Dr. R.L. Cleere, executive director of the Department, counted 189 patients on the day of inspection. "The water and milk supply, garbage and waste disposal, and food sanitation appear to be excellent and well-above the regular standards," Dr. Cleere established. Reporting in detail on the medical and nursing care, X-Ray services, laboratory facilities, clinical records and medical social work at the J.C.R.S., Dr. Cleere said in each case that it was "well above the standards recommended for tuberculosis sanatoria."

Dr. James P. Dixon, director of the Denver Bureau of Health and Hospitals, reported that "the staff of the J.C.R.S. is doing a competent job in exercising sanatorium care for persons having tuberculosis." Dr. Casper F. Egner, president of the Colorado State Medical Society, who has served for 20 years as chief of surgical service at the J.C.R.S., said: "All facilities necessary to excellent medical, surgical and laboratory work have always been supplied. The record of achievement of the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society over these years has been equalled but by few and not excelled by any similar institution in the entire country," added Dr. Egner.

Catholics Feel "At Home" in the Jewish Institution, Priest Says

Rev. Msgr. John R. Mulroy, president-elect of the Catholic Hospital Association of the United States and Canada, stated that in 22 years of placing Catholic patients in the J.C.R.S., "there has never been any distinction made as to the type of service given Catholics and they have always felt very much at home in the J.C.R.S." He expressed appreciation for courtesies extended to Catholic clergy and patients.

Edward Miller, president of the Denver Tuberculosis Society, declared: "I have known of a large number of patients who have received beneficial treatment at the J.C.R.S. and who have been enthusiastic regarding that treatment." Dr. John B. Grow reported from personal experience as consultant in thoracic surgery that "patients are given the benefit of all types of surgical therapy when this type of treatment is indicated".

Gov. Lee Knous of Colorado has expressed pride that the "reputation of the J.C.R.S., as an outstanding institution of healing and medical research, has spread throughout the world. The officers, board of directors and supporters of the J.C.R.S. are to be congratulated for building up the institution into a noble monument of humanitarianism that is a credit to the Jewish people who founded and guided it," he said in a statement.

BRITISH CHIEF RABBI PROTESTS AGAINST PANAMA PROPOSAL AT U.N. TO REFORM CALENDAR

LONDON, Aug. 29. (JTA) -- The proposed calendar reform which the Panamanian delegation submitted to the forthcoming session of the United Nations General Assembly next month "violates the Biblical injunction as to the day on which the Sabbath is to be observed," British Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie declared today in a letter to the London Times. "We can ill afford today to weaken the anachronism which religious tradition provides," he added.

GROUP OF JEWISH SOCIAL WORKERS GRADUATES FROM JEWISH TRAINING BUREAU INSTITUTE

NEW YORK, Aug. 29. (JTA) -- The graduation of a second group of young administrators and executives of Jewish welfare agencies throughout the country took place today at the Institute on Advanced Studies in Jewish Community Organization of the Training Bureau for Jewish Communal Service.

The graduates completed a 15-month course at the Training Bureau which was founded three years ago by a group of national and local Jewish welfare agencies. The certificates were presented to the graduates by Dr. Kurt Feiser, executive vice-president of the Philadelphia Federation of Jewish Charities, who is chairman of the Board of Governors of the Training Bureau. Speakers at the ceremonies included: Dr. Horace Kallen, Professor of Philosophy at the New School for Social Research, Bernard Pepinsky of Cincinnati, president, and George W. Rabinoff, executive director, of the Training Bureau.

RABBI STARTS MOVEMENT TO ELIMINATE SECTARIANISM IN JEWISH RELIGIOUS LIFE IN U.S.

PATERSON, N.J., Aug. 29. (JTA) -- A movement to eliminate sectarianism in Jewish religious life in America and to establish a "universal synagogue" was launched today by Rabbi Reuben Kaufman, spiritual leader of a new Jewish congregation here known as Congregation Beth-El.

"The time has come for the reorientation of Jewish religious philosophy," Rabbi Kaufman said. "The time has come to scrap the labels 'Orthodoxy, Conservatism, Reform, Reconstructionism and what-have-you' in Jewish religious life. With the exception of minor local customs which exist even today among Jews coming from various parts of the world, there are no issues of serious character that warrant the fragmentation of Jewish congregational lives into sects which only create confusion and chaos and befog the minds of the people as to what is or is not Jewish practice or Jewish law."

Rabbi Kaufman, who served as rabbi of Temple Emanu-El here for 20 years until his retirement in 1948, explained that his new congregation plans to follow the "traditional Jewish religion, which goes back before the Reform movement began in Germany in 1800."

FIRST LATIN AMERICAN MACCABIAD OPENS IN MONTEVIDEO; 400 CONTESTANTS PARTICIPATE

MONTEVIDEO, Aug. 29. (JTA) -- The first Maccabiad ever to be held in Latin America opened here today with 400 Jewish athletes from Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, Bolivia and Chile participating. The six-day athletic competition, which was opened with brief addresses by Israel Minister to Uruguay Dr. Jacob Tezur, the mayor of Montevideo and the Uruguayan Minister for Physical Culture, will feature contests in soccer, basketball, tennis and other sports.

Menachem Beigin, former commander of the dissolved Irgun Zvai Leumi who recently completed a visit to the Jewish community in Argentina, arrived here during the week-end and is expected to remain about a week. Hundreds of supporters of Mr. Beigin and the Herut Party in Israel, which he leads, turned out to greet him on his arrival at the airport.

JEWISH STATE'S FLAG IS HOISTED ON FORMER AMERICAN FLEETSIRE YACHT DONATED TO ISRAEL NAVY

HAIFA, Aug. 29. (JTA) -- The 50-ton pleasure yacht, "Carcostella," which was donated to the Israel Navy by A. Friedman of Washington, D.C., was the scene of a brief ceremony here today in which its former American flag was exchanged for the national emblem of the Jewish state. Captain Shlomo Shamir, commandant of the Israel Navy, accepted the vessel on behalf of the government.

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