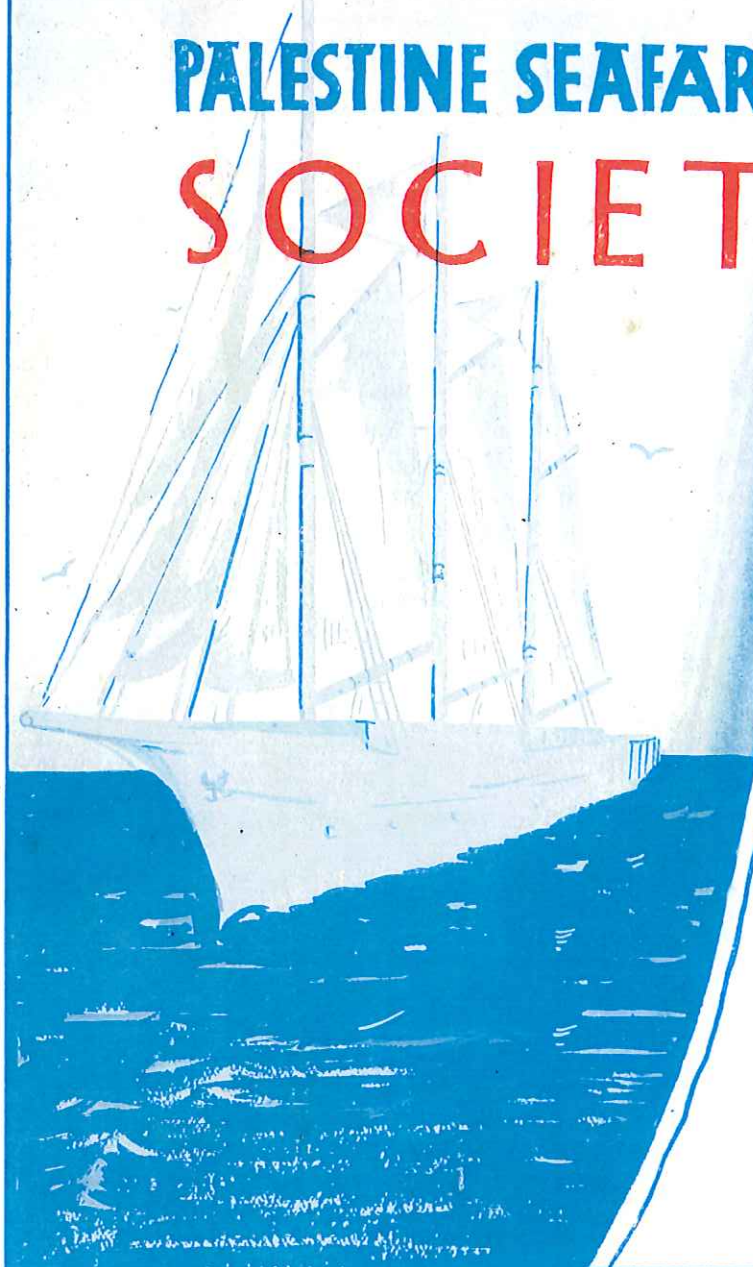


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ZEBULUN PALESTINE SEAFARING SOCIETY.

The primary object of the Society is to train young Jews as Sailors, and find them employment afloat on board Jewish ships. By this means a nucleus of experienced seamen will be built up from whose ranks the future Master Mariners, Officers and Pilots of the Palestinian Mercantile Marine will be recruited. To further these objects the Society works in co-operation with the Marine Dept. of the Jewish Agency, but we are entirely dependent for our income on subscriptions received from our Branches throughout the world

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT. DECEMBER, 1935.

We have great pleasure in presenting our third annual report which covers a period of rapid progress in every sphere of our work. The number of cadets under instruction constituted a record and we append the reports received from our Hon. Instructors in Palestine :-

Report submitted by HON. CHIEF INSTRUCTOR, ENG. IMANUEL TUVIM.

TEL-AVIV divided their 70 cadets into 3 classes, ages 15-17, 18-20 and older. Theoretical instruction includes elements of Seamanship and Navigation—Charts and Compasswork—Elements of boat and ship building—Rules of the Road—Signalling—Knots and Splices, etc. Training trips to Beyreuth and Cyprus proved the very satisfactory progress made by our cadets in practical work and roused great interest among local seamen, harbour authorities and Jewish residents in Beyreuth and Sidon. The idea of a Jewish Yachting Club is enthusiastically sponsored by former members of yachting clubs abroad. The Club would not depend financially on Zebulun, but would be called "Zebulun Yachting Club," if established. We still feel the great need for a bigger boat for our training trips, and hope that the generosity of our subscribers will enable us to supply this want before long.



OUR FUTURE SAILORS.
The youngest class at the Tel-Aviv training centre.

Report submitted by HON. CHIEF INSTRUCTOR, CAPT. ZEV HAYAM.

HAIFA. Our 80 cadets have been formed into groups mostly of ages 14-16. They are carefully chosen as to physical and mental fitness, and are trained (as last year) to become sailors and find employment in the local shipping trade. The last year's cadets are employed, like their Tel-Aviv colleagues, on Jewish ships. A new sphere of activity is a sea detachment of 50 lads working in the harbour as sailors, stevedores, porters, fishermen, etc. These are given theoretical lessons in order to fit them better for their divers occupations. Assistance in this work is given by Capt. Podolly, Mr. Israelitan and Mr. Daniely. Winter courses will be held again, and we hope to begin lessons in boat building with the £50 that is held in trust by Dr. Kaplanski and myself. We are also hoping to obtain a bigger boat for training purposes during the year.

JEWISH MARINE DEPT.

We are proud to report a new milestone in the history of Palestine on the occasion of the creation of a Special Marine Dept. of the Jewish Agency by Congress.

LUCERNE, in AUG. 1935. The Jewish Agency inform us that as soon as the Advisory Committee on Marine questions has been established, they will be happy to avail themselves of the Society's assistance.

As we go to press we are pleased to report further progress of the work of the Society. Three young Jewish sailors who have completed the necessary seetime are now in London where the Society is helping them to take the requisite courses at the Nautical Schools to enable them to sit for their 2nd Mate's Examination.



Hoisting the Jewish Flag.

PALESTINIAN MERCANTILE MARINE.

The Jewish Mercantile fleet has grown steadily during the year, and the continuous employment of our cadets on board Jewish ships is very encouraging. The first big Passenger steamer s.s. "Tel Aviv," (Haifa to Trieste) deserves special mention. Capt. Hans Rosenthal is very keen to employ a 100% Jewish crew, and 110 Jews out of a crew of 120 are employed on this ship at the present time.

Capt. Hirshfeld of S.S. "Har-Zion" also takes great interest in our work, and has assisted by distributing copies of our Annual Reports and by collecting £22 for the Society's funds on board his ship. This was the first collection for "Zebulun" made on a ship, and by way of showing its appreciation, the Society has presented the "Har-Zion" with two Sextants for the use of our apprentices. We thank the Prince Line for shipping them free of charge.

The "Har-Zion" and "Har-Carmel" (Haifa-Constanza line) also employ many "Zebulun" lads whose willingness, discipline and smartness, have given every satisfaction, their spirit being reminiscent of the early land pioneers.

Jewish owned ships today are :-

S.S. TEL AVIV.	10,000 tons.	Palestine Shipping Co. Ltd.	Capt. Hans Rosenthal
S.S. HAR-ZION.	5,500 tons.	Palestine Maritime Lloyd Ltd.	Capt. Hirshfeld.
S.S. HAR-CARMEL	5,500 tons.	"	Capt. Schally.
M.V. ATID	700 tons.	Atid Navigation Co., Ltd.	
M.V. AMAL	1200 tons.	"	
M.V. ALISA	800 tons.	"	
M.V. DORA.	Coastal service.		
M.V. CAROLA	" "		

It is also interesting to report that the first Jewish fishing trawler "Bicura" built by a Jewish Co. in Italy, has been brought to Palestine by Capt. Luzzatto and Mr. H. Frankel. Fishing has already begun off the coast of Palestine and several of our students are employed on the vessel.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The annual conference of Honorary Officers was held at the residence of Viscountess Erleigh on 5th November 1935, with Lady Erleigh in the chair. Present:- Palestine—Mr. J. Frankel, Mr. Dov Hos and Dr. Liebman. Manchester—Mr. J. Leon. East London Branch—Mr. M. Phillips, and the Hon. Officers of the Society. Mrs. Henrietta Diamond, Chairman of the Society reported on her activities in Palestine, where our training centres continue to do excellent work.

TEL-AVIV. We now have our own school-house on the seashore at Tel-Aviv, a boat-house and landing stage on the River Yarkon, 5 sailing boats of the Admiralty Whaler pattern, some smaller craft and a complete outfit of nautical instruments for the instruction of the 70 boys at this centre. Most of last year's pupils have been apprenticed on Jewish ships, the S.S. "Tel-Aviv," "Har-Zion," "Har-Carmel," M.V. "Atid" and others, while seven of our older cadets are now assistant instructors to our Chief Hon. Instructor, Mr. Tuvim. An excellent display of rowing, sailing, swimming and diving was given in May. Training trips were undertaken by the older students in an open sailing boat to Beyruth and to Cyprus, which voyages were favourably commented on by the Press.



Look out at Whaler's mast head.
(Cyprus in sight!)



The oldest class of the Tel-Aviv-training centre.
(The return from Cyprus)

HAIFA. Theoretical instruction is given at the Technicon and practical training at the boat-house, used jointly with the Dolphin Seascouts, from whom we draw many of our students. A display of sailing, rowing and life-saving was given in June. Capt. Zev Hayam has done wonders with his cadets. A new and influential Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. P. W. Etkes, B.Sc., C.E., has been formed. A grant of £200 was made to Haifa for boats and equipment.

TIBERIUS. At the request of the Education Dept. of the Vaad Leumi, a sum of £25 was granted for the formation of a Sea Scout troupe at Tiberius.

Mrs. Diamond further reported that whilst crossing on the S.S. "Tel-Aviv" Haifa to Trieste, she discussed sea training with Capt. Hans Rosenthal. He pointed out that there was room for 20 apprentices, apart from the crew, on the S.S. "Tel-Aviv", and he suggested to his Owners that part of the boat be used as a school-ship, the cost of training to be divided between the Company and "Zebulun." At the present time, 8 youths are serving on board, and the Shipping Co. have generously financed the training so far.

It will be seen that Mrs. Diamond's 3 months intensive work in Palestine has already borne valuable fruit. She made every effort to bring together all Societies in Palestine interested in the sea and Mr. Dov Hos, Chairman of the Histadruth, Tel-Aviv, has promised his active co-operation to achieve that desirable end.

CANADA. The Federation of Young Judæa of Canada conducted excellent propaganda for Zebulun in Jewish papers and raised no less than £124. 4. 9. We hope that next year they will complete the sum of £250 needed for a training boat. We wish them success in their campaign and thank them for their inspiring example.

NEW YORK. A Committee has been formed by President Dr. Snelik and Chairman Mr. J. Shendell, D.D.S. for Zebulun work in New York and they have already sent us their first contribution. They feel confident that although small as yet the Committee will be able to create Branches and to propagate effectively Zebulun ideals in U.S.A. We have assisted them by sending propaganda material to 70 Jewish newspapers in U.S.A. We hope their efforts will be rewarded.

POLAND. Mr. L. Wlodawski of Warsaw and some influential friends formed a Committee for Zebulun in Warsaw, and Dr. Emanuel Stein from Cracow attended the first meeting. 25 branches have been formed in Poland, a training centre established at Gdynia, and useful propaganda is published in all Jewish papers.

Cracow under the able chairmanship of Dr. E. Stein, Dr. A. Ehrenpreis and other active helpers secured the registration of Zebulun with the Polish Government, thus safeguarding our work by allowing only one organisation of its type in Poland. Cracow were very pleased when they sent us their first subscription for Palestine and both Cracow and Warsaw arranged separate highly successful Navigation Camps. A Committee was elected in Gdynia for training boys and girls for all sea industries. 60 of the students formed a "Hachschara" group, doing fishing and harbour work, while some are employed in a fish drying and canning factory. The Chairman of the Polish Palestinian Chamber of Commerce, Dr. L. Lewite, is joining Zebulun as Vice-Chairman of Warsaw. Success in Poland depends on the financial aid given to Gdynia for training. We express our sincere thanks to Mr. Wlodawski and Dr. Stein for their enthusiastic and effective pioneering work.

LONDON (East). An East London Branch has been established under the able chairmanship of Mr. Max Phillips. Their aim is to raise £250 for the purchase of a boat for Palestine.

Propaganda has been conducted on a much bigger scale than heretofore, and three special Reports were sent to all members direct from Headquarters Branch to keep them informed of our progress. We must thank the Hon. Officers of our Branches for their good work in collecting subscriptions. Not all subscriptions have come in as we go to press, and although we realise the large number of calls on World Jewry, we earnestly hope that our members will not undervalue the great pioneer work we are doing, which has opened up new avenues of employment for hundreds of young Jews.



Boat Practice.



March of the Cadets.

No report would be complete without special thanks to our Chief Hon. Instructors in Palestine, Capt. Zev. Hayam and Eng. Emanuel Tuvim and their assistants. We also send Zebulun greetings to all our students, past and present, and wish them every success in their careers.

The thanks of the Society are due to our Hon. Nautical Adviser, Lt. Com. R. Goldrich, R.N. (Retired) for his advice and assistance throughout the year, and to all our Honorary Officers. We regret we are losing the valuable services of our Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. Barnett, who unfortunately cannot spare the time needed for our increasing work. We also take the opportunity of thanking both old and new members who have subscribed so generously to our funds.

OBITUARY. We lament the passing of the following members:-

Mrs. Haselton, Liverpool; Mrs. Rosen, Harrogate; Mr. Niall Beddington, a member of our Council; Mr. A. Fraiss and Mr. S. Hurwitz, both of Leeds, and we extend our sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

We hope the coming year will consolidate our position among world Jewry and largely increase our membership. Will our members please try and get their friends to join?

The Congress at Lucerne asked

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