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Golda Meyerson at ORT Teachers Institute

"A wonderful institution" . . . these were the words Golda Meyerson, Israel's Minister of Labor, used to describe the Central ORT Teachers Training Institute at Anieres, Switzerland, during her visit in June.

Mrs. Meyerson, who knows the history and development of ORT in Israel, toured the classrooms, workshops, dormitories, library and assembly hall. She listened attentively to explanations of teachers and talked to students from a dozen countries. She was particularly interested in the Israeli students and expressed pleasure at the fact that so many pupils from North Africa, Greece and Western Europe now spoke Hebrew.

At a reception in her honor, Mrs.



Mrs. Golda Meyerson entering the Central ORT Institute near Geneva, accompanied by Dr. Aron Syngalowski.

Meyerson was presented to an assembly of the entire teaching staff and student body by Dr. Aron Syngalowski, chairman of the World ORT Union Executive Committee.

Mrs. Meyerson's address was marked by solemnity evoked by her sincere words. "The significance of this institute," declared Mrs. Meyerson, "is immeasurable for vocational training

throughout the world, but especially for the young state of Israel. . . . We strive to form the technically and morally perfect worker who thoroughly masters his trade and loves it.

"In order to train these men, and especially the large group of new immigrants who never saw a trade school and a well equipped workshop, one must have a nucleus of highly qualified instructors. Therefore, I appeal to all of you and particularly to the Israeli students to make the best of the unique opportunity afforded by ORT, to profit fully from each moment of your presence here in order to be able to give Israel that valuable service expected of you."

On behalf of the Israeli Government, Mrs. Meyerson expressed her gratitude to the ORT Union "for the work carried out by ORT all over the world, in Israel, and especially in this Institute." As she left, Mrs. Meyerson wrote into the guest book, "I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your wonderful work."