



(Above) VISITORS FROM U. S. — Congressman Everett M. Dirksen, of Illinois (extreme right), and U. S. Navy Commander Young (extreme left), outside the Tel Aviv Services Club during their recent visit to Palestine. With them are Mrs. Harry Davidowitz and Dr. Werner Bloch, of the Jewish Agency, which has extended the services of its Hospitality Committee to tens of thousands of United Nations' soldiers. (Right) HOCKEY PLAYERS—Not only the minds of Palestine's Jewish youth but also their bodies are being trained and strengthened for the conquest of the soil and the sea of the Jewish National Home.



Analyzes Future of Refugees

Because strong national states are emerging in the wake of the European war, humanitarianism will not solve the Jewish problem, and the future security of the remnants of European Jewry can be assured only through full nationhood for the Jewish people in their ancient Jewish homeland, according to Dr. George Stefansky, author of "Does the Refugee Have a Future?"



Dr. Geo. Stefansky

Dr. Stefansky, who is an outstanding authority in the field of social and political science, is a member of the faculty of New York University and Director of Research of the United Palestine Appeal. In a preface written by James G. McDonald, Chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on Political Refugees, and former League of Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Coming from Germany, Dr. Stefansky's book is described as an "admirable sociological study which deserves wide attention and which contains a provocative challenge to misconceptions regarding the problem of refugees."

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Tours Communities in Behalf of U. P. A.

George Alpert, one of Boston's leading lawyers and communal figures, has rendered outstanding service to the cause of the Jewish National Home by his recent tour of key communities in various parts of the country on behalf of the United Palestine Appeal.



George Alpert

A Vice-Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, Mr. Alpert's eloquence and effective campaign ability have resulted in raised standards of giving in every single community he has visited.

Jews in Europe Yearn for Settlement in Palestine

ALTHOUGH they have been liberated, the surviving Jews of Europe have no sense of freedom and no sense of security, and hundreds of thousands of them are yearning for settlement in Palestine as the one means of achieving a new life, according to Harry Greenstein, former Deputy Director of the Welfare Division of UNRRA.

Discussing the immigration and settlement program of the United Palestine Appeal, Mr. Greenstein, who recently returned from Europe and Palestine, emphasized the importance of the role of the Jewish homeland in providing a secure future for the remnants of European Jewry.

"One has to go overseas to understand the deep yearning of hundreds of thousands of Jews for immigration into Palestine," Mr. Greenstein said. "The Jews of Europe have been liberated, but they have no sense of freedom and no sense of security. They want to go to Palestine because it is the one country where they can find a new life. Whatever our ideological differences and whatever developments may occur in the days to come, it is the responsibility of the Jews of the United States to see to it that the doors of Palestine remain open. We must dedicate ourselves to the rescue of the Jews of Europe and the upbuilding of Palestine," he declared.

Letter from a Soldier

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

During the past few weeks, I have had the pleasure of meeting many fellow Jews who have fled from their homes in other European countries and are now enjoying a temporary sanctuary in liberated Italy. I say temporary in every sense of the word for none have expressed any desire to remain in this country. A few of them look toward a new home in America but the majority feel that the establishment of a national homeland in Palestine would not only afford them opportunity to live with the blessings of peace and the four freedoms, but would provide a Shangri-La for their children and the generations yet unborn.

I will frankly admit, though not proudly, that I have done little to aid their cause in bringing their fondest dreams and hopeful prayers to reality.

Six months ago I was like the boy from Missouri who had to actually see the situation before he could even admit its presence. Now I've seen it in London, Paris, and Rome. True, I have seen only a small portion of the people involved and have personally met even fewer. However, it was more than enough to convince even a skeptic that their tragic plight is extremely serious in all of its aspects.

If Zionism has as its aim the establishment in Palestine of a national homeland for the Jews, then I am now a Zionist. I care little what the name be for it is ever so clear that the aims of the organization are of an ever-increasing importance. Unfortunately, I am not possessed with sufficient talent to vividly describe the pathetic plight of these people, our fellow Jews. All of them are agreed and determined not ever to return to the countries from whence they came. There is no turning back for them.

now or in the future. How I wish it were possible for you to observe the tremendous amount of hope and faith they have placed in the hands of the Jews in America. They are depending upon you for the sorely needed funds which make possible the acquisition of additional land in Palestine.

They are depending upon you for the creation of enough political pressure which will compel Great Britain to open the doors of this long-sought kingdom. It is only too true that the job ahead is awesome when one stops to consider the magnitude and scope of the things at stake. Since it be as such, it has become necessary to call upon each and every Jew in America to redouble his efforts and continue to do so, until this task, "the Jewish burden," is successfully accomplished.

—S/SGT. MELVIN SOMMERFIELD, European Division, Air Transport Command.

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