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PALESTINE IS SEEN AS HOPE OF JEWS

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Dr. Silver, Speaking Here in Drive, Predicts Ultimate Vindication

Out of widespread persecution the Jewish people find new hope in the rebuilding of Palestine, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, said here today.

He spoke before 100 leaders of the amusement industry at a luncheon in the Astor to organize aid for the settlement in Palestine of victims of oppression in Central and Eastern Europe.

Although the Jewish position seems desperate in many parts of the world, Dr. Silver said, it is not characteristic of Jews "to despair or to succumb to persecution."

"Our long history which records so many triumphs over calamity and misfortune keeps us from losing faith in our ultimate triumphant vindication," he declared.

The plight of Jews would be immeasurably more tragic, but for the opportunity which Palestine is offering to hundreds of thousands of Jews, Dr. Silver added.

Despite unfavorable political conditions in the last year, nineteen new settlements have been founded and a new port has been built in Tel-Aviv.

The Amusement Division of the Greater New York Campaign of the United Palestine Appeal, which is seeking to raise $4,500,000 nationally, is headed by Leo Spitz, president of Radio-Keith-Orpheum Corporation.

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Palestine Hope Of Persecuted, Says Dr. Silver

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A dramatic appeal for Palestine as the sole hope and solace of the persecuted peoples of Central Europe, was before th Jews of America today.

The appeal was made by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver in his first address here as national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

"The Jews do not despair," he told more than 100 leaders in the amusement industry at the Hotel Astor, "but will work heroically for brotherhood and freedom and will find new hope in the rebuilding of Palestine.

CITES TRIUMPH.

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Stressing the United Palestine Appeal's goal of $4,500,000, Dr. Silver pointed out the responsibility which rests with American Jewry. This country, he said, contains more than one-half of the total Jewish community of the world which is not now dependent upon relief.

SEES CHALLENGE.

"I hope that the Jews of America will rise to the challenge of this grave hour and make possible the upbuilding of the land which was the cradle of our race, the place of our great historic achievements and now the Promised Land of myriads of our people who seek a new life for themselves and their children."

DR. SILVER PLEADS FOR PALESTINE AID

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Colonization Is No Longer an Ideal but a 'Desperate' Need, He Tells Theatre Men

WARNS OF PROPAGANDA

Jews Do Not Despair, He Says, Noting That Hitlerism Is Five Years Old; They Are 5,000

The Jewish colonization of Palestine is "no longer an idealistic scheme but a desperate emergency," Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland declared yesterday in his first New York address as national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. He asked support for the appeal as an answer to Jewish persecution by totalitarian States. He spoke to more than 100 theatrical and motion-picture executives at a luncheon of the amusement division of the Greater New York Campaign at the Hotel Astor.

Warning against "high-geared propaganda machines" working as anti-Semitic agencies, Dr. Silver pointed out that "all too frequently we accept our enemies' low estimate of ourselves." The colonization of Palestine, he said, was the answer to "these machines which pour out scurrilous denunciations of the Jews."

He added that the problem of the Jew was not the problem of a single minority, "dissociated from the rest of the world," but concerned minorities all over the world. Although in Central Europe today, a racial state was "superseding the state built upon law, thereby disfranchising those who do not belong to that racial stock, Jews do not despair because it is not characteristic of them to despair," he said.

"According to a Mosaic tenet, which calls us a stiff-necked people, persecution will not affect us," he continued. "After five years of Hitlerism in Germany, Jewish life has not been liquidated in that country, for while Hitlerism is only 5 years old, we are 5,000 years old."

Last year, despite "disturbances due to a wavering British policy," Jewish settlers founded nineteen new communities in Palestine and built a new port in the all-Jewish city of Tel-Aviv. More than 200,000 Jews have migrated to Palestine since the advent of Hitlerism, among them 45,000 from Germany, he pointed out.

"In twenty short years, Jewish pioneers came to this barren land, neglected by both Turk and Arab, and converted it into the most modern, progressive and civilized country in the Near East," he declared in emphasizing the "constructive spirit of the Jewish settler." This year's appeal for $4,500,000 would greatly alleviate the economic stress of those settlers.

"It is our hope," he concluded, "that this appeal to Jews in America who are not dependent on relief and who could no more succeed in isolating themselves from the Jewish tragedy in Europe than America could succeed in isolating herself from developments in Europe, will help build a Palestine where our fate and destiny will not be in the hands of other people."

Dr. Silver was introduced by Louis Nizer, associate chairman of the division and chairman of the Film Board of Trade.

Last night Dr. Silver spoke at a meeting of the Long Island Conference for Palestine at the Jamaica Jewish Center. An audience of more than 1,000 representatives of thirty-four communities in Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties adopted a resolution setting a quota of $75,000 to be raised in a drive under the leadership of Rabbi Irving Miller of Far Rockaway, Sol. Cohen and Mordecai [illegible]

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Start Long Island Campaign to Aid World Jewry

Launching the campaign of the United Palestine Appeal on Long Island at the Jamaica Jewish Center last night, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman (second from right), said American Jewry could not isolate itself from the European Jewish tragedy. On the dais were, left to right, George M. Gross, Sol Cohen, co-chairman of the conference committee; Dr. Silver and Rabbi Irving Miller of For Rockaway, chairman.

Larger Funds Needed

Larger funds are urgently needed to create new opportunities for immigration and settlement in Palestine in order to meet the grave situation of the Jews in Austria and the Jewish communities in Germany, Poland and other lands of oppression, he continued.

One of the principal decisions adopted by the conference was a resolution which stated that the critical situation of European Jewry places Palestine in the foreground as the one land offering a permanent haven of refuge to those facing brutal persecution in Germany, Poland, Austria, Rumania and other lands.

The following were the officers elected to conduct the Long Island United Palestine Appeal for 1938:

Rabbi Irving Miller, Far Rockaway, chairman; Mordecai Konowitz, Jamaica, and Sol Cohen, Richmond Hill, co-chairmen; Irving Schatzberg, Laurelton, vice-chairman; Benjamin M. Friedman, Richmond Hill, secretary; Bernard Davidson, Lawrence, rteasurer.

The officers will be assisted by the following: Murray April, Laurelton; Abraham H. Cohen, Forest Hills; Rabbi Abraham Dubin, Flushing; Rabbi Joshua L. Goldberg, Astoria; JoJhn L. Leibowitz, Woodmere; Rabbi Arthur H. Neulander, Richmond Hill; Sam J. Perry, Laurelton; Harry J. Moskowity, Far Rockaway; Joseph J. Schickler, Long Beach; Rabbi Harry E. Schwartz, Hempstead; Isidore Walzer, Hempstead; Naphtali A. Weidberg, Jamaica, and Harry Weinstein, Babylon.

RABBI SILVER OPENS DRIVE FOR PALESTINE

1,000 Attend Conference in Jamaica; $75,000 Quota for Long Island

Declaring that five years of Hitlerism has not liquidated Jewish life in Europe, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, told a capacity audience of more than 1,000 local leaders assembled last night at the Long Island Conference for Palestine at the Jamaica Jewish Center that American Jewry must give maximum support to the point of sacrifice to the rebuilding of Palestine to provide a home for many thousands of oppressed Jews to whom all other countries are closed for immigration.

Jews in America, he said, can no more succeed in isolating themselves from the European Jewish tragedy than America can succeed in isolating itself from European developments in the present international crisis. Dr. Silver was the principal speaker at the conference, which officially launched the campaign of the United Palestine Appeal on Long Island. Thirty-four communities in Queens, Nassau and Suffolk were represented at the conference, which adopted a quota of $75,000 as their objective.

Refers to Rothschild

In the course of his address Dr. Silver referred to the tragic events in Austria during the last week. In this connection he remarked that if Baron Louis Rothchild, who has been seized by the Nazis, had used some of his wealth, which is now to be confiscated, for the upbuilding of Palestine, many Jewish settlements could have been established where thousands of Austrian Jews could now find a home.

Dr. Silver referred to the upbuilding of Palestine as "a desperate emergency" in a world that has closed its doors to refugees from oppression. He said that the Jews in Austria were not only being disfranchised, but that their spirit was being broken by the most brutal and inhuman indignities that have ever been visited upon Jewish people.

Asserting that the Jews would not succumb to Nazi persecution, Dr. Silver exclaimed that Hitler is five years old, but that Jewry is 5,000 years old. The most forceful answer of Jews today to the detractors of the Jewish name, he declared, was the unparalleled epic of colonization and pioneering which has been carried on by the Jews in Palestine during the past two decades.

"American Jewry must extend maximum support to the point of sacrifice to the United Palestine Appeal in order that there may be built up a home in Palestine where Jews may live in freedom and security without their fate and destiny being constantly in the hands of other people," Rabbi Silver continued.

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EMANU-EL AND THE JEWISH JOURNAL

Dr. Abba Silver Spreads Hope And Courage in Brief Visit Here

By WALTER A. GABRIEL

Literally flying into San Francisco on wings of the morning, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple, Cleveland, won the heart of San Francisco Jewry during his brief visit of less than forty-eight hours last week.

From the moment his airliner taxied to a stop at Mills Field in the morning sunlight of April 6 to his departure the following day, this city knew a giant was in town. A giant of powerful physique, a titan of intellect and erudition. But of greater impressiveness than his breadth of shoulders and intellect was his breadth of warm, human understanding.

Dr. Silver addressed large gatherings at a Jewish National Welfare Fund report luncheon and an evening open meeting at Temple Emanu-El. He lifted his hearers to a towering, panoramic vantage point from which the confusing turmoil of humanity resolves itself into large, simple, comprehensible patterns. Metaphorically, the individual trees were left far below and from the height assumed the form of well-defined forests. In doing so, Dr. Silver achieved the philosophical ideal of which Lucretius sang two thousand years ago. But unlike Lucretius' philosopher who gazed down on struggling mankind with detached aloofness, Abba Hillel Silver is in the thick of the fight, battling with all his great physical and mental energy for the return of liberty and international decency.

Tells of Horrors

With powerful, oratorical force, Dr. Silver painted in stark, clear colors the horrors being inflicted on Jewry in Central Europe. But he inculcated in his hearers a new courage and confidence, a new will and determination to face the fight with complete faith that the forces of darkness are doomed to ultimate oblivion.

"Mankind does not long tolerate shackles to freedom. Above all else, men want to be free."

Rising to a peak of emotion, Dr. Silver berated those Jews who have taken a defeatist attitude. He jeered the brief five years of nazidom as compared with the glorious thirty-five hundred years of Judaism. Just as the persecution of the Jews under the Holy Alliance and the Russian Czars ended on change of the existing orders, so will the present wave of oppression end when Central Europe throws off the yoke of reaction.

Dr. Silver pointed out that the plight of the Jews in Central Europe is but one of the many tragedies resulting from the world's present colossal recession in thought, politics and economics. We are suffering not because we Jews are a minority people, particularly, but because we are defensively a weak people, and all weak people are suffering today at the hands of dictators. It is because they, too, are weak that Spain and China are being ravaged by war at the hands of militaristic nations.

Situation Temporary

"We must view the present world situation as a phase of a cycle," he said. "It is contrary to human nature long to endure oppression and curtailment of liberty. The history of mankind has been a long and painful struggle toward the goal of human freedom and no force on earth permanently can halt this march. There have been recurrent waves of reaction during which the Jews have suffered but for centuries the long-range trend has been and will continue to be toward liberalism."

Dr. Silver is chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, an ardent Zionist and an opponent of partition. He asserted that the 45,000 German Jews who have found haven in Palestine since the advent of Hitler represent 71 per cent of the German emigration during the period.

"We must build in Palestine a natural home in which to enjoy right, not sufferance—a place for Israel to call its own. The Englishman and the German are the real internationalists, not the Jews. The former are to be found in every corner of the world, but they have a homeland."

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81 P. C. of Jewish Relief Fund Raised

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The Allied Jewish Campaign enters its fifth day with 81 per cent of the $390,700 quota subscribed. A total of $317,678 was announced by Joseph H. Ehrlich at a luncheon of volunteer workers at the Hotel Statler Thursday.

Silver

The speaker at today's meeting is Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland rabbi, who is national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. Dr. Silver for more than 20 years has been a leader in the Zionist movement. He is considered one of the most eloquent orators in America. The national organization he heads is one of the two largest beneficiaries of the funds raised in the campaign which ends May 18. Fifty-eight per cent of the funds will go to the United Palestine Appeal, an agency sponsoring the colonization of Palestine, and the Joint Distribution Committee, which assists economically distressed Jews in Europe.

Marvin Lowenthal, journalist and historian, was the speaker Thursday. "You must help in the war against the Jews in Europe if you want to prevent the war against liberty and freedom from coming to our shores," he said.

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Dinner to Rabbi Silver to Climax New York Campaign

which will be held at the Hotel Astor on Thursday, May 12th. This dinner will mark the climax of combined drive in the food industry which is being conducted under the leadership of Meyer Cohen, George R. LeSauvage, Abraham Krasne, Sylvan L. Stix and A. F. Wechsler.

Testimonial to Mutterperl

The Leather Goods Division, which is headed by Samuel Hausman, Chairman, will give a testimonial dinner to Sol Mutterperl on Sunday evening, May 22d. The tribute to Mr. Mutterperl will also serve to enlist the aid of all elements in this industry in support of its combined drive. Plans for this event were discussed at a luncheon last Tuesday in the Hotel McAlpin at which Mr. Hausman presided.

The campaign in the apparel trades will be organized at a luncheon on Tuesday, April 26th, at the Hotel Astor with Dr. Wise as the guest speaker. The Chairmen of this Division are Leonard Ginsberg, Sidney Reisman and Samuel W. Strickman, who are also Co-Chairmen of the Trades Council of the Greater New York Campaign of the U.P.A.

On Friday, April 22d, the Chemicals Division will meet at a luncheon at the Chemists Club to adopt plans for the campaign which is about to get under way under the Chairmanship of Robert Wishnick.

The official opening of the drive in the Printing and Allied Trades Division took place last Wednesday afternoon at a cocktail meeting at the Hotel McAlpin. Julien J. Proskauer, Chairman, presided and described plans for a dinner to be given by the industry on Tuesday, May 10th, in behalf of the campaign.

The Cotton and Textiles Division, of which Harry C. Oppenheimer is the Chairman, launched its drive at a dinner held last night at the Hotel Astor at which I. Edwin Goldwasser and Louis Lipsky, Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the U.P.A., were the speakers.

On Tuesday, April 12th, the Curtains and Draperies Division, headed by Charles Shapiro and George Burrison, Chairmen, met at a luncheon at the Aldine Club.

The Notions and Novelties Division held a luncheon conference last Monday at the Aldine Club to plan the drive that is being carried on under the Chairmanship of Dr. H. M. Weinberg.

Dinner to Honor Wolinsky

At a luncheon meeting of the Dental Supplies Division last Friday at the Aldine Club leaders in the industry voted to give a testimonial dinner to Jacob Wolinsky, Chairman, not only as a tribute to his leadership in his trade, but to his many years of service and devotion to Jewish causes. The dinner in honor of Mr. Wolinsky will be held on Thursday evening, May 12th, at the Aldine Club. Leo Wolfson was the guest speaker at last Friday's luncheon of the Dental Supplies Division.

The annual ball of the Hosiery and Knit Goods Division in behalf of the J.D.C. and U.P.A. will be held on Wednesday evening, May 18th, at the Hotel Biltmore. Al Levine is Chairman of the campaign in this Division.

Samuel to Open Campaign in Jamaica

Maurice Samuel will be the guest speaker at the Jamaica Conference which will be held on Monday evening, April 18th, at the Jamaica Jewish Center to launch the U.P.A. campaign in that section.

The conference will also be addressed by Mordecai Konowitz, President of the Long Island Zionist Region; Rabbi William S. Malev, of the Jamaica Jewish Center; Rabbi Aaron L. Weinstein, of Temple Israel; and Saul D. Herman, President of the Jamaica Zionist District.

Officers as well as an Executive Committee to conduct the drive will be elected at the conference Monday.

Judge Lewis to Visit Bronx

Judge William M. Lewis, of Philadelphia, Vice-President of the Zionist Organization of America, will visit New York City on Wednesday evening, April 27th, to be the guest speaker at a monster rally of West Bronx Jewry which will be held at the Burnside Manor on that evening.

The responsibility of Bronx Jewry to the United Palestine Appeal will be discussed by Max J. Schneider, Chairman of the Bronx Division. The rally is to be held under the auspices of the West Bronx Zionist District number 39 of which Jacob I. Schaffer is President.

Bernard Crausman is Chairman of the U.P.A. Committee of the West Bronx, Jacob I. Goodman is Treasurer and Samuel Judenfreund, Secretary.

To Launch Far Rockaway Drive

Harold Jacobi, Chairman of the Greater New York campaign of the United Palestine Appeal, and Edward M. M. Warburg, Chairman of the Greater New York campaign of the Joint Distribution Committee, will be the principal speakers at the opening of the combined campaign in Far Rockaway, which will take place on Tuesday evening, April 26th. A feature of the opening will be the presentation of a play "It Did Happen Here," describing the plight of Jews in the lands of persecution.

The following are the officers of the drive in the Rockaways: Leon Lauterstein, Honorary Chairman; W. Irving Wolf, Chairman; John L. Leibowitz, Treasurer; Seymour Finkelstein, George Fischbein, Francis Gilbert, Abraham Harris, Harry J. Moskowitz and M. Sanford Weil, members of the Plan and Scope Committee.

Women Organize Speakers' Bureau

A Speakers' Bureau has been established by the Women's Division under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Israel Goldstein as part of the program to bring the message of the United Palestine Appeal to Jewish women's groups in all parts of the city. At present a group of twenty leading women comprise the Bureau which meets regularly every Friday to study various phases of Palestine rebuilding. Mrs. Goldstein presides at these meetings at which various guest speakers are heard.

At a recent conference at the Hebrew Alliance at Brighton Beach, local communal leaders organized the campaign for the United Palestine Appeal and elected the following officers: Dr. I. W. Ellman, Chairman; Dr. Reuben Podell, Associate Chairman; Isidor Fuss, Treasurer; Elias Cohen, Secretary.

Function on May 3rd to Rally City-Wide Support of U.P.A.—Campaign Activities Intensified in All Trade Divisions

With the Greater New York campaign approaching the half-way mark, all divisions and workers in the drive are expected to receive new stimulus as the result of the dinner that is to be given in honor of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, on Thursday evening, May 3d, at the Hotel Biltmore under the auspices of the Mid-Manhattan Division of the New York campaign.

The dinner to Dr. Silver will not only be the occasion for a tribute by New York Jewry to the man who came to the helm of the national campaign at a time of severest stress and trial for the Jewish people, but for a rallying of all forces in the community for a renewed effort to tap all branches of the Jewish population in a supreme action in behalf of the United Palestine Appeal.

The speakers at this dinner will include United States Senator Robert J. Bulkley of Ohio; Harold Jacobi, Chairman, and Roger W. Straus, Co-Chairman of the Greater New York Campaign; Dr. Stephen S. Wise, who will be the Toastmaster; Louis Lipsky, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Judge Morris Rothenberg, Mrs. Eugene Untermyer, Co-Chairman of the Women's Division, and Dr. Silver.

Frederick F. Greenman heads the dinner committee and Elias Preiss is Chairman of the Mid-Manhattan Division.

Liebovitz Appeals to Businessmen

Abraham L. Liebovitz, Associate Treasurer of the Greater New York Campaign, made a stirring plea to Jewish businessmen throughout the city to rally to the support of the drive for Palestine settlement at a luncheon last Tuesday at the Aldine Club which inaugurated the combined drive in the Shirt and Pajama Division, of which he is the Chairman.

Michael Schaap, Co-Chairman of the Greater New York Campaign, who presided, declared that this year marks the beginning of an era of great sacrifice for all men who are concerned with the preservation of Jewish life in many parts of Europe.

The program of the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal were described by Dr. Israel Goldstein, National Co-Chairman of the U.P.A., who stressed the fact that the combined quotas of these two agencies totaling approximately $10,000,000 represented a minimum fund required to meet their most urgent needs.

The luncheon was given in honor of Mr. Liebovitz, George Kirstein, Bernard Aron, Albert W. Kurzman and Louis M. Cohen in recognition of their leadership in last year's campaign.

Clothing Division Raises $35,000

More than $35,000 was raised at a luncheon of the Men's Clothing and Allied Trades Division which was held last Thursday at the Aldine Club under the Chairmanship of Abraham Landau, head of the joint drive in that industry. The guest speaker on that occasion was Dr. Goldstein, who urged Great Britain to remove all artificial barriers to Palestine immigration as evidence of her desire to cooperate with the United States in the proposal for the establishment of an intergovernmental committee for the emigration of Jews of Germany and Austria.

Make Plans for Real Estate Dinner

Plans for the dinner of the Real Estate Division on Sunday evening, May 8th, at the Waldorf-Astoria, where Nathan Straus, Federal Housing Administrator and Honorary Chairman of the U.P.A., will be the guest speaker, were discussed yesterday afternoon at a meeting of leaders in the real estate industry at the Hotel Commodore, presided over by S. Earl Honig, Chairman of the Division.

Former State Mortgage Commissioner Louis S. Posner will be the Toastmaster at the dinner that is to be addressed by Mr. Straus.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise will be the guest of honor at a dinner of the Food and Allied Trades Division

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AT TESTIMONIAL DINNER TO DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER, NEW YORK CITY

May 3, 1938

(Printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of May 18, 1938)

Mr. WAGNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD a very interesting address delivered by the Senator from Ohio [Mr. BULKLEY] at the dinner which was given in honor of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver at the Hotel Biltmore in New York City on May 3, 1938.

There being no objection, the address was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

One of the fundamental reasons for the survival of the Jewish people has been that in times of greatest distress and trial leaders of uncommon attributes have risen to strengthen Jewish morale and courage in the face of adversity. The man we are honoring tonight is such a leader, for he has come to the helm of the United Palestine Appeal at a moment of grave crisis for the Jews in so many lands. We in Ohio have known Dr. Silver well for many years. We have a deep affection for him as a man and we have a great admiration for him as a leader. Dr. Silver is a man of vision, energy, and direction. These three qualities have made him a dynamic force in the civic and communal life of Ohio and of the United States as a whole. If American Jews respond to the leadership of such men, they will carry out with honor and success the responsibilities and burdens which the present world situation has placed upon the Jewish community in America.

There is no other Jewish community of comparable size to share these responsibilities and burdens. All over the European Continent the whole moral and political structure has been torn from its moorings by a storm of hatred and fear. The triumph of force over justice has struck terror in the hearts of those who were only a short decade ago the champions and defenders of democracy. International agreements have been thrown to the scrap heap. Human rights have been trampled in the dust. Morality and justice have been sent into exile and human dignity has been made an outcast.

The Jews have been struck by the full impact of this torrent of totalitarianism. Their tragedy is great indeed. During the past 5 years the Jewish people have been engaged in a critical struggle for survival. It has been attacked on every front. To old religious prejudices has been added a complex of economic and political prejudices and the Jew has been identified with every class and group subject to violent criticism. The battlefield for this struggle has been central and eastern Europe, but its reverberations have been clearly heard around the world. The march of totalitarian aggression has threatened the survival of democracy everywhere. Wherever the Jew has been attacked, other minorities and liberal groups have also suffered.

The Jews are the most sensitive barometer of political and economic upheaval. For they are always the first to feel the effects of governmental change and particularly the restriction of civil and religious liberty. Democracy is an indispensable pillar of Jewish freedom and survival. But the Jews have defended and will continue to defend democracy not merely because it is essential for their protection and well-being, but because it has been a fundamental factor in their social and cultural development as a people, and a foundation stone of their structure of moral and social justice. They have learned to eschew reaction and narrow bigotry, they have learned in the hard school of experience to despise tyranny and dictatorship.

Throughout the present wave of oppression the Christian world has failed in its elementary responsibility to halt gross injustice and bitter race hatred. There can be no greater indictment of our civilization today than the fact that old men and women and children have been stripped of all their worldly goods and food and set adrift to perish of hunger and exposure. Such an incredible violation of human decency is without parallel in modern times. It implies a moral retrogression which must alarm the civilized world. Inaction and indifference to the plight of the Jewish people today will only serve to undermine our entire moral structure. Civilization and justice are not dead, and we must promptly take our stand against injustice and oppression.

Twenty years ago, at the end of the Great War, the nations of the world were faced with the problem of millions of Jews who were made homeless and destitute as a result of that conflict. The distress of the Jewish people at that time evoked such universal sympathy that the conscience of the Christian world was moved to undertake a project that would restore Palestine as a Jewish national home and thereby open to many hundreds of thousands new opportunities for rehabilitation.

This great historic act was incorporated in the Covenant of the League of Nations and indorsed by 52 countries, including the United States. A mandate was granted to Great Britain as a sacred trust to carry out the Balfour declaration which England had published in 1917, pledging herself to promote the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine.

The Jewish situation today is in many respects infinitely worse than it was in 1918 because many hundreds of thousands of Jews are not merely faced with the problem of obtaining food or shelter but of surviving an environment that has been poisoned with a vicious anti-Semitism that denies the Jew even the most elementary human rights. Those who now have bread in their cupboards and a bed to sleep in may be in greater despair than those who went hungry and barefoot 20 years ago.

In view of the fact that the tragic position of the Jewish people is more critical than it was in 1918, the nations of the world must inaugurate a program of relief and redress commensurate with the urgency of the need. I believe that all of us may feel justly proud of the fact that an important step in this direction has been taken by President Roosevelt and Secretary Hull. The American Government's invitation to other nations to join in an international program of refugee emigration may be the basis of a historic action as far reaching as that of 1918 if the nations of the world unite in making possible larger immigration into Palestine and a more rapid economic development of the country.

In 1918, when the world powers decided to grant the Jews an opportunity to rebuild Palestine, that country was a desert waste. Neglected for many centuries Palestine was a barren, backward land offering meager inducements for large-scale settlement. At that time no one was very optimistic about the number of Jews that Palestine could absorb. The whole project was in the nature of an experiment and only the most ardent idealists expressed confidence in its success. But during the two decades that have intervened the Jewish people have worked a miracle of reclamation and reconstruction of unprecedented proportions. They drained the swamps. They irrigated the desert. They made fruit grow on land that had lain arid for centuries. They built cities on sand dunes. They built new industries and with the aid of scientific equipment they made the dry soil of Palestine fertile. American Jewry bore a major share of the burden of this upbuilding program through its support of the United Palestine Appeal and the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund, which are combined in this drive. In the short span of 20 years the heroic pioneers and builders established a community of 430,000 and prepared the country economically and agriculturally for the absorption of many hundreds of thousands of others. Economic experts today estimate that Palestine can comfortably absorb more than 2,000,000 Jews within the next 20 years. That such a thing should be at all possible is perhaps the greatest tribute to the idealism, sacrifice, and energy of the Jews who went to Palestine to build and create a new life out of the wreckage which they salvaged from the countries of oppression.

What a rich opportunity Palestine offers to the nations of the world today for carrying out a program of mass resettlement for homeless and oppressed Jews. President Roosevelt's proposal for refugee emigration should be the springboard for renewed effort for maximum colonization and settlement in Palestine. It is, of course, a most welcome gesture of tolerance and sympathy for those countries which have accepted President Roosevelt's invitation to open their doors to as many refugees as their immigration quotas will permit. But the desperate position of many hundreds of thousands of Jews requires extraordinary measures. Homes for greater numbers than those that can be admitted by these countries must be found elsewhere. In 1918 it was said that Palestine might provide a home. In 1938 it has been said and proved that Palestine can provide a home for a larger number of Jews than can be admitted to all other countries in the world. Palestine has achieved this position during the past 5 years without any special aid or cooperation such as has been initiated by President Roosevelt and Secretary Hull. Since 1933 Palestine has absorbed more than 190,000 Jews from Germany, Austria, Poland, and Rumania, and other lands. Palestine has demonstrated beyond any doubt its capacity for mass Jewish immigration. Is there any question that Palestine could absorb far greater numbers in the future if the governments of the world would prevail upon Great Britain to open the doors of Palestine to an immigration based on the principle of economic absorptive capacity and not upon artificial restrictions? In 1917 the issuance of the Balfour declaration by Great Britain was justifiably hailed by Jews and the rest of the world as one of the outstanding acts of justice and magnanimity on the part of a great nation. Today it is within the power of Great Britain to perform another act of historic proportions and to give ringing testimony to the civilized world that the principles of humanity have not been banished from the chancelleries of our governments through permitting the homeless Jews of Austria and the homeless Jews of Poland and Germany and Rumania to go to Palestine and to rebuild their lives which have been shattered by forces that threaten the very existence of democracy and social justice.

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HIS WEEK IN LOS ANGELES

PROGRAM

Saturday, April 2

Opening Conference Session

7 p.m.—Dinner

Presiding—Joseph P. Loeb, Los Angeles, Chairman, Program Committee, 1938 Western States Regional Conference.
Invocation—Rabbi William M. Stern, Oakland, California.
Subject—AIMS AND PURPOSES OF THE COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS.
Judge H. A. Hollzer, President, Western States Region, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.
Address—Paul Felix Warburg, New York, N. Y., Treasurer, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.
Subject—OUR RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE OVERSEAS CRISIS.
Hon. M. C. Sloss, Pres., Jewish National Welfare Fund, San Francisco.
Subject—THE CRISIS FOR JEWS OVERSEAS.
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, National Chairman, United Palestine Appeal.

Sunday, April 3

Campaign Organization and Methods

9:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Sunday, April 3—Round Table

Chairman—Leon Sloss, Jr., Chairman, Budget Committee, Jewish National Welfare Fund, San Francisco.
Discussion—Including Henry A. Loeb, James L. White, Charles Brown, Walter S. Hilborn, Judge Isaac Pacht, I. Sukman, Jacob Weinberger, Joseph Shemanski, Richard E. Lang.
Summarizer—Harry J. Sapper, Executive Director, Oakland Jewish Federation.

Jewish Education—What Should The Community Provide

9:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.—Round Table

Chairman—Herman Bachrack, Chairman, Bureau of Jewish Education, Jewish Community Council, Los Angeles.
Discussion—Including M. Tolchinsky, Jacob J. Lieberman, Dr. Samuel Langer, Rabbi Jacob Weinstein, Rabbi Jacob Kohn.
Summarizer—Rabbi Saul White, San Francisco.

Cultural and Vocational Adjustments of Jewish Youths

12:30 Luncheon—General Session

Chairman—Mrs. M. C. Sloss, San Francisco.
Invocation—Rabbi A. L. Krohn, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
(a) HOW VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE PROGRAMS CAN MEET THE PROBLEM. Hyman Kaplan, Executive Director, Federation of Jewish Charities, San Francisco.
(b) THE PLACE OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER IN THE COMMUNITY. Louis Blumenthal, Executive Director, Jewish Community Center, San Francisco.
(c) A SOCIAL PROGRAM FOR OUR OWN NEEDS. Leo Schwartz, New York City, author of "A Golden Treasury of Jewish Literature" and "The Jewish Caravan."
Discussants—Judge Herbert Schiller, Salt Lake City, Utah. Gilbert Harrison, University Religious Conference, University of California Los Angeles.

2:45 p.m.—Business Meeting

Presiding—Judge H. A. Hollzer, Los Angeles, President, Western States Region, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

8:00 p.m.—General Session

Presiding—Milton Baruch, President, Federation of Jewish Welfare Organizations, Los Angeles.
Invocation—Rabbi Norman Feldheym, San Bernardino.
Subject—THE SYNAGOGUE—A FACTOR IN SOCIAL LIVING. Rabbi Jacob Kohn, Los Angeles, President, Board of Rabbis of Southern California.
Subject—PROBLEMS OF MINORITY GROUPS. Rabbi Jacob Weinstein, Director, School for Jewish Studies, San Francisco.
Subject—THE DEMOCRATIC IDEAL AND JEWRY. Max Lerner, editor, *"The Nation."*
Closing Prayer—Rabbi Saul White, San Francisco.

Monday, April 4

Local Responsibility and Programs for the Care of Emigres

9:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.—Round Table

Chairman—Alfred Esberg, Chairman, Committee for Service to Emigres, San Francisco.
Discussion—Including Joseph Bonapart, Mrs. Edmond Lazard, Philip Lilienthal, Mrs. Joseph Ehrman, Jr., Sanford Treguboff, Mrs. Sol Levy, Miss Dora Berres, Miss Freda Mohr, Mrs. Florine Wolfstein.

Health Programs Under Jewish Auspices

9:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.—Round Table

(a) WHAT SHOULD THE LOCAL COMMUNITY PROVIDE?
(b) HOW DO NATIONAL AGENCIES COVER THE PROBLEM?
Chairman—Jesse H. Steinhart, President, Mt. Zion Hospital, San Francisco.
Discussion—Including Dr. Oscar Reiss, Dr. M. Ginsburg, Mr. Max Mark, Mr. Alexander Brick, Dr. George Piness, Miss Lenore Rubinow, Dr. Emil Bogen, Mrs. Rose G. Bertram, Mr. Mark Carter.
Summarizer—Charles I. Schottland, Executive Director, Federation of Jewish Welfare Organizations, Los Angeles.

12:30 Luncheon—General Session

Chairman—Robert J. Koshland, President, Federation of Jewish Charities, San Francisco.
Invocation—Rabbi J. Aaron Levy, Stockton.
Summaries of Round Tables—Rabbi Saul White, San Francisco; Harry J. Sapper, Oakland; Charles I. Schottland, Los Angeles.
Subject—THE FEDERATION—ITS RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COMMUNITY'S SOCIAL WELFARE PROGRAM. Marco R. Newmark, Chairman, Advisory Committee, Federation of Jewish Welfare Organizations, Los Angeles.
Subject—THE JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL—A NEW DEVELOPMENT IN JEWISH ORGANIZATION. Walter S. Hilborn, Treasurer, Jewish Community Council, Los Angeles.
Discussant—Dr. Ludwig Bernstein, Emeritus Executive Director, Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

8 p.m.—General Session

Wilshire Boulevard Temple, Wilshire and Hobart, Los Angeles
Chairman—Jesse H. Steinhart, Vice-President, Jewish National Welfare Fund, San Francisco.
Invocation—Rabbi Harry Merteld, Los Angeles.
Subject—THE TASK THAT AWAITS US. Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, Wilshire Blvd. Temple, Los Angeles.
Subject—WHAT FACES EUROPEAN JEWRY. Colonel J. H. Levey, D.S.O., London, England, Acting Chairman, British ORT Committee.
Subject—A PROGRAM FOR RECONSTRUCTION. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, National Chairman United Palestine Appeal.
Closing Prayer—Rabbi Philip Langh, Seattle, Washington.

REGIONAL MEET: Sessions to Begin Sat.

With the opening tomorrow night of the three-day 1938 Western States regional conference sponsored by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, Los Angeles will become the center of interest for Far Western Jewry.

Communal leaders from every major city and from numerous smaller communities, representatives of Jewish welfare agencies of every kind, famed rabbis, and noted visiting speakers from the East will participate in the sessions,

. . . Judge Hollzer
. . . President Western States Region

as will the general lay public of Los Angeles.

And out of the crowded meetings, round-table discussions and major addresses on topics of the day will come not a ready-made course of action for Jewish communities to follow in the coming troubled months, but rather a clarification of knotty problems generally, and a broader comprehension of the stresses and strains affecting Jewish interests locally, nationally and internationally.

This conception of what will develop from the regional conference sessions was emphasized yesterday by Federal Judge A. Hollzer, president of the Western States region, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, in pointing out that the highly-interesting and informative program arranged was evolved by a coastwide committee of Jewish leaders and is representative of their ideas.

Opening with a brilliant banquet tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock at the Ambassador Hotel, headquarters of the three-day gathering, some 1500 of the city's foremost Jewish citizens and visiting delegates will hear the keynote of the conference sounded in four important speeches.

Judge Hollzer will tell of the aims and purposes of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds; and Paul Felix Warburg, of New York, treasurer of the nationwide Council; Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, and Judge M. C. Sloss, president of the San Francisco Jewish National Welfare Fund will be the other speakers.

The conference will continue Sunday morning with two round-table meetings, running concurrently, and then will come an important luncheon session under the general theme, "Cul-

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The vanguard of delegates and speakers started arriving in the city yesterday, and by the time the conference opens it is expected that many hundreds will be here, many visiting Los Angeles and Southern California for the first time.

. . . Joseph P. Loeb
. . . Program Chairman

tions as seating space is limited.

All sessions of the regional conference, including the round-table meetings, will be open to the general public, it was announced.

One of the most interesting features of the conference will be an exhibit of campaign materials and publications, together with graphic charts, photographs and displays showing latest available statistics on where and how contributions to local, national and overseas Jewish causes are expended. This exhibit, brought here from New York especially for the conference, has attracted wide attention throughout the country in recent months.

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Welcome Rabbi Silver

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It is with a great deal of profc migration that we greet one of the and most capable American Jewish l the person of Rabbi Abba Hillel Sil

An eloquent orator, an outstand ish leader, a Zionist of high devotion thor of note, Rabbi Silver combine these virtues in the most elegant, deep and spiritual manner.

The Los Angeles Jewish Comm to be congratulated in securing this e visitor, and we are sure that his visit very short, will result in greater stir and understanding of Jewish life.

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PROPAGANDA CALLED PERIL BY DR. SILVER

World War Marked Defeat of Jewish Ideals, Says Head of United Palestine Appeal

3000 HEAR ADDRESS

'5 Million Jewish People Put on Rack in Europe Through Exploiting of Anti-Semitism'

Before the World War the Jewish people were filled with ideals, optimism and confidence—

Their race advanced individually and collectively in the direction of equality, liberty and tolerance—

"But today," declared Abba Hillel Silver last night in an address before 3000 Jews gathered in the closing session of the three-day Western Regional Conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, "a recession has set in!"

The World War marks the defeat of the ideals nourished by Jewish life, he said.

"And since that time, the Jew is no longer treated as an individual, because all the individual rights he had cherished have been scrapped and international constitutional guarantees no longer exist."

PRESENT QUOTAS

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ARABS IN LEAD

"Statistics show the Arab population in Palestine has increased more rapidly than that of the Jews in the past half century."

Plight of the Jews in Fascist nations is one of the most desperate in the history of the race, with hundreds of thousands of persons forced to remain in "a living hell in countries where the government has pledged it-

EASY PROPAGANDA

Speaking at the Wilshire boulevard Temple, the national president of the United Palestine Appeal continued:

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Exploitation of anti-Semitism already has placed five million Jews of Europe "upon the racks," he charged.

"In America," he continued, "98 per cent of anti-Semitism is fostered by foreign born Germans — paid agents of Naziism!"

Dr. Silver closed by pleading for financial aid for Jews abroad and the continuance of the rebuilding and rehabilitation of Jews in Palestine.

Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin opened the meeting with a reminder to Jewry that their forefathers 2000 years ago had withstood persecution.

"And today," Doctor Magnin predicted, "the Jewish people will continue on despite Hitler and the unabated persecution he fosters upon us."

Max Lerner, New York editor, in a talk at an afternoon session of the conference at the Ambassador Hotel, said:

"America's big problem is to raise the national income and institute adequate social security—a strong barrier against Fascism or Communism."

"To prevent upheaval—and Russia is apt illustration of the fact that all revolutions, no matter their early intentions, generate into dictatorship—we must assure all of security.

The internal brand rather than imported Fascism is the danger to this country, Lerner warned.

He said that the Jewish people should throw their whole support to democratic institutions, as d mocracies "are the only gover ments which have ever cared f the rights of Jewish people."

RABBI PAINTS DARK PICTURE FOR JEWRY

Dr. Abba Silver, Here for Conference, Says 650,000 of His Race Living in Europe Misery

"Six hundred and fifty thousand Jews in Europe are living in Hell. Four hundred thousand of these are in Germany. Now that Hitler has seized Austria, there are 250,000 more."

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, thus painted the overseas picture upon arriving at the Ambassador Hotel yesterday from his Cleveland, Ohio, home.

LAUDS HULL'S PLEA

Lauding Secretary Hull's plea for an international conference to aid refugees as "splendid, and in line with the best American traditions," the rabbi, who visited Europe last summer, continued:

"Anti-Semitic appressions are 90 per cent economic, and as long as Fascism continues its march we may expect them to spread.

"Whenever liberalism wanes, anti-Semitism springs up, and now the world is in its most desperate reaction against democracy in 150 years.

"Seeds of the present Nazi outbreak were sown in the 1870's and '80's when German Chancellor Bismarck was battling the liberalism of his day," the Jewish leader declared.

"It was the same then as it is now," he added. "Reactionaries always brand as 'Jewish' any movement that they desire to discredit—particularly any movement of welfare for people in general. This, despite the fact that, while many Jews are liberals, we are not radicals."

ROOM IN PALESTINE

Doctor Silver believes there will be Jewish oppression in Europe [illegible] three and four million Jewish people instead of 435,000 now there.

Doctor Silver's journey here is to attend the Western states regional conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds opening for a three-day session in the Ambassador yesterday.

Praises Hull's Plan

SEES PALESTINE AS HAVEN

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER, national chairman of United Palestine appeal, who yesterday painted a dark picture of Jews in Europe. Praising Secretary Hull's refugee plan, Rabbi Silver stated he believed that with adequate financing Palestine can absorb between three and four millions of his race.

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JEWISH MEET WARNED ON PROPAGANDA

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"Today the greatest threat to mankind is that new and dangerous pseudo-science—propaganda. Anti-Semitism makes for easy propaganda material."

Thus admonished in a stirring final-session address, delegates to the Western States Regional Conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds returned to their homes today.

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"We are facing a twofold task," he said. "We must send a maximum of aid to those in need overseas.

SPURS ZIONIST MOVEMENT

"We must continue the rebuilding of Palestine, which has absorbed over 200,000 persons from Eastern and Central Europe. With the easing of tension in the East, the territory will support tens of thousands more."

The migration of Jews to Palestine has been advantageous to all concerned, he said. Living conditions have improved and the Arabs are in better circumstances than they ever have been, Dr. Silver declared.

He attributed recent troubles in Palestine to the country's being a

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Leader Tells Jewish Crisis

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Solidarity of Race Menaced, Dr. Silver Warns at Convention

"This hour in Jewish history is as grave as any which our people have experienced in 2000 years.'

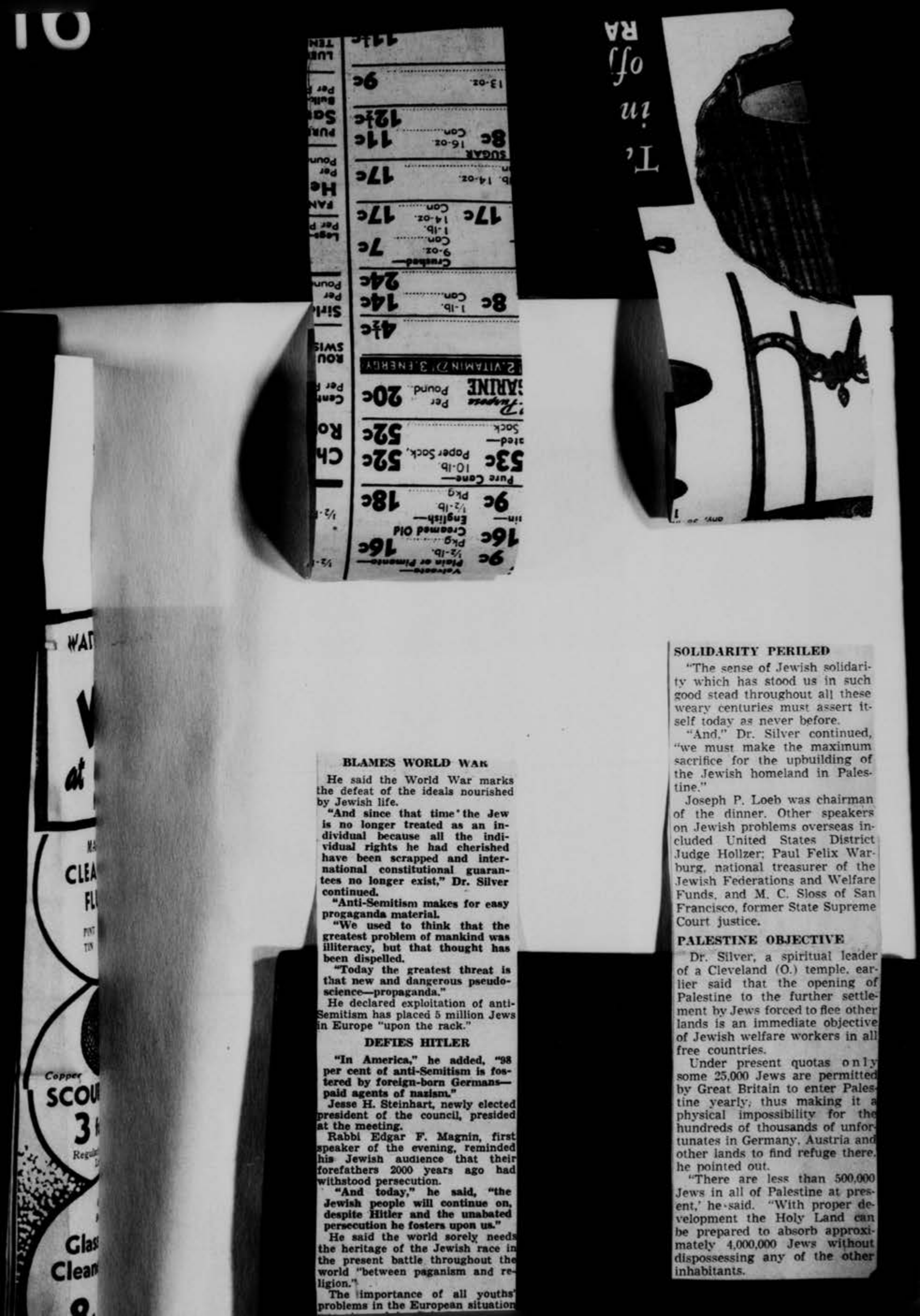
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and one of world Jewry's outstanding educational leaders, last night so summarized his appeal for democratic principles to combat anti-Semitism and Fascist European nations.

SPEAKS BEFORE 600

He addressed 600 persons attending a Western States regional conference of the Jewish Federation and Welfare Funds at the Ambassador.

"A wave of reaction has swept over the western world which has already shattered two great Jewish communities—Germany and Austria—and which is threatening with a similar fate other Jewish communities in Central and Eastern Europe," Dr. Silver said.

"We must render maximum aid to our fellow Jews in the lands of persecution. We must save them from physical want and suffering as far as that is possible.



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He said the world sorely needs the heritage of the Jewish race in the present battle throughout the world "between paganism and religion."

The importance of all youths' problems in the European situation

SOLIDARITY PERILED

"The sense of Jewish solidarity which has stood us in such good stead throughout all these weary centuries must assert itself today as never before.

"And," Dr. Silver continued, "we must make the maximum sacrifice for the upbuilding of the Jewish homeland in Palestine."

Joseph P. Loeb was chairman of the dinner. Other speakers on Jewish problems overseas included United States District Judge Hollzer; Paul Felix Warburg, national treasurer of the Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, and M. C. Sloss of San Francisco, former State Supreme Court justice.

PALESTINE OBJECTIVE

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THANKS L. A. FRIENDS

Not imported Fascism but the internal variety is the type this country needs to fear, Lerner declared, adding:

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Reuben B. Resnik, director of the conference, said the event was "the best attended and one of the most interesting western conferences we have had—thanks to the co-operation of all groups in Los Angeles."

THREE-DAY CONFERENCE

Dr. Silver will present keynote addresses at the daily sessions of the three-day conference. Judge Hollzer, president of the Western States Region of the council, said 1200 registered yesterday.

Round-table discussions will be conducted at sessions open to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. today. Cultural and vocational adjustment of Jewish youth will be the subject of addresses at luncheon. A business meeting will begin at 2:45 p.m.

Max Lerner, one of the editors of Nation, will speak at 8 p.m. on "Democratic Ideals and Jewry."

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Jewish Aid Sessions End

Western States Conference Closes; 3000 Hear Speakers

Typifying the enthusiasm which has marked the entire three-day program, 3000 persons last night listened to speakers at the final session in the Western States Regional Conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

Two thousand thronged the main auditorium of Wilshire Boulevard Temple and another thousand filled the adjoining Temple House to hear Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, Col. J. H. Levey and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver talk on Jewish problems here and abroad.

PROGRAM DESCRIBED

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YOUTHS DISCUSSED

Col. Levey, retired British army officer and leader in the British Ort Committee which stresses the urgency of Jewish youth's turning to industry instead of commerce and the professions, emphasized the extreme importance of all youth's problems in the European situation. While offering no certain "solution" for the oppressions in Eastern Europe, he indicated ways in which young Jews might surmount their problems.

Speaking of asserted feeling against Jews, Dr. Silver said:

"Ninety-eight per cent of all anti-Semitism, especially in this country, is directly attributable to paid agents or foreigners—not ordinary citizens."

Rabbi Magnin stressed the importance of the Jewish spiritual heritage in what he termed the present "battle between paganism and religion."

CITY GROUPS LAUDED

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PROPAGANDA TWO-SIDED

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LEADER

Rabbi Silver

Jewish Drive Chief to Talk

Rabbi Silver to Aid Palestine Appeal Fund and Address Parley

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Arrangements are for Rabbi Silver to address principal sessions of the third annual Western States regional conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds at the Ambassador Hotel April 2, 3 and 4. United States District Judge Harry A. Hollzer heads the regional welfare group.

Primary objective of Rabbi Silver's visit here is to stimulate local interest in the United Palestine Appeal's campaign for the rebuilding of Palestine and the settlement there of Jews from Germany, Poland, Rumania and other lands.

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Communal leaders from every major city and from numerous smaller communities, representatives of Jewish welfare agencies, famed rabbis and noted national Jewish figures will participate in the sessions, as will the general lay public of Los Angeles.

AID PROGRAM SOUGHT

A constructive program to meet present-day Jewish problems, locally, nationally and overseas, is the objective of the conference. An effort will be made to effect closer co-operation in the development of local community welfare and in fostering the national and international agencies engaged in the relief of stricken Jews in Central and Eastern Europe.

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California "Jewish Voice"

Welcome Rabbi Silver

It is with a great deal of profound admigration that we greet one of the youngest and most capable American Jewish leaders in the person of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

An eloquent orator, an outstanding Jewish leader, a Zionist of high devotion, an author of note, Rabbi Silver combines all of these virtues in the most elegant, refined, deep and spiritual manner.

The Los Angeles Jewish Community is to be congratulated in securing this esteemed visitor, and we are sure that his visit, though very short, will result in greater stimulation and understanding of Jewish life.

More than 1500 persons are expected to hear the keynote of the conference sounded tonight at the brilliant banquet at the Ambassador which marks the opening of the deliberations.

United States Judge H. A. Holizer, president of the western States region of the national organization, will speak on the "Aims and Purposes of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds;" Paul Felix Warburg, New York banker and philanthropist, will recount Jewish responsibilities in the European situation, and Hon. M. C. Sloss of San Francisco, former Justice of the California Supreme Court, will also speak.

FOREIGN CRISIS TOPIC

Of major importance tonight will be the address of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and one of the most noted figures in national Jewish life. In his address, "The Crisis for Jews Overseas," the conference is expected to find important data, which will guide the deliberations.

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tomorrow morning with two round-table meetings, running concurrently, to be followed by a luncheon under the general theme, "Cultural and Vocational Adjustment of Jewish Youth," considered one of the most vital and perplexing problems of the times. Hyman Kaplan and Louis Blumenthal of San Francisco will be the speakers, and discussion will follow with Gilbert Harrison, of the University Religious Conference, expressing the viewpoint of youth. Leo Schwarz, New York author, will speak on "A Social Program for Our Own Needs."

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Dr. Silver in Los Angeles for lecture A

A lesson American reactionaries might draw from Adolf Hitler was described today by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, president of the United Palestine Appeal.

Dr. Silver, in Los Angeles for the Western States regional conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, will speak tonight at the Ambassador on "The Crisis for Jews Overseas."

"Anti-Semitism has historically been a convenient subterfuge for reactionaries to use in combatting all liberal democratic movements," Dr. Silver said in an interview shortly after his arrival today.

"In Germany, Adolf Hitler was afraid to attack the trade union movement from the front; he called himself a Socialist and said the real trade unions represented a Jewish movement while he had the true brand. Then, when he came into power, he abolished all the trade unions.

"Similarly, if the reactionaries in this country decided to make a concerted attack upon the labor movement—for example, the CIO—they would not attack it frontally—they would label it a Jewish movement to discredit it in public opinion.

"Trade unionism is a bulwark of protection against persecution of the Jews and also against tyranny or persecution of any sort.

"Don't misunderstand me—the Jew is not a radical. As long as there is a substantial middle class Jewry, it would be stupid for him to be radical. A Jew is fundamentally a conservative—but, at the same, a liberal. Because he has been oppressed, he will fight for democracy, liberty, freedom, the rights of minorities."

Dr. Silver said he believed 90 per cent of all anti-Semitism has an economic base.

"In Poland they want the Jews' lands. In Germany they wanted their jobs," he said. "The intellectual and professional Jews have been harried in Germany—and now in Austria—because of the large unemployed intellectual proletariat among non-Jews."

Dr. Silver, although an ardent Zionist, would not say that emigration of European Jews to Palestine was "the solution of the Jewish problem."

'Jewry has a resiliency'

ABBA HILLEL SILVER is the name of this forceful rabbi who heads all the Zionist forces in the United States as chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. He hails from Cleveland and he came to Los Angeles today to speak before the Western States Conference of Jewish Welfare Agencies at the Biltmore. Prospects for world Jewry are dark, he said—but the Jew has a resiliency which keeps him bouncing back for more.—Evening News Photo.

SANTA MONICA, CALIF.
OUTLOOK
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Jewish Council Hears Talk On Propaganda

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Jew 'Scapegoat,' A Dr. Silver Says

He Outlines Present Task of Hebrews

LEFT TO RIGHT, DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER, JUDGE M. C. SLOSS AND FEDERAL JUDGE HARRY A. HOLLZER

National chairman in fiery address at opening session of 1938 Western States Regional Conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds outlines program.

—Los Angeles Examiner photo.

"Ghosts of the Dark Ages—tyranny, oppression, hatred, intolerance and sheer, cold brutality—cast their horrible shadows over the lives of men and nations today!"

Speaking before more than 600 Jewish leaders, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, Ohio, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, thus addressed the opening session of the three-day Western States regional conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds at the Ambassador Hotel last night.

"This hour in Jewish history is as grave as any which our people have experienced in 2000 years," the speaker declared.

"The rights of the individual ow are trampled under foot. he rights of races, religions nd minorities are flaunted. e human mind is shackled d the spirit of free inquiry is outlawed."

Called to develop a "realistic approach" toward solution of local, national and overseas Jewish problems, the conference delegates heard Doctor Silver state that a "wave of reaction has swept over the Western world to shatter two great Jewish communities in Germany and Austria."

Shortly before the dinner meeting, Several persons paraded in front of the Ambassador Hotel Wilshire boulevard entrance in an anti-Jewish demonstration.

The demonstrators were dispersed by police.

Doctor Silver outlined the present task of the Jewish people as follows:

To render maximum aid to Jews in "the lands of persecution" through philanthropic aid.

Utmost sacrifices for the upbuilding of the Jewish homeland in Palestine.

Since the rise of Hitler to power in Germany, the leader disclosed, nearly 200,000 Jews have migrated to Palestine.

"The plight of Jewry would be immeasurably more tragic but for the new life, new hope and new opportunity which Palestine is offering," he added.

Federal Jurge Harry A. Hollzer followed Doctor Silver on the speakers' stand and outlined the aims and purposes of the council.

Paul Felix Warburg of New York, treasurer of the National Council, and Judge M. C. Sloss, former justice of the State Supreme Court and president of the Jewish National Welfare Fund, also addressed the gathering.

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Broadcast Features Lerner, Israel 6-10-38

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Palestine Declared Solution of 610-22 Refugees' Problem

Jewish leaders of the Far West, assembled in Los Angeles to consider the problems of aid to the unfortunate of their race throughout the world, last night ended the three-day session of the Western States Regional Conference of the Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds on a note of confidence.

Speakers at the closing general session at the Wilshire Boulevard Temple pointed to Palestine, the traditional homeland of the Jews, as the practical solution to the acute problem of Jewish persecution in Facist states of Europe.

PLENTY MORE ROOM

"Palestine in the last two years absorbed more than 200,000 Jews from Central and Eastern Europe," said Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. "With the political tension in the Near East easing up, Palestine can easily absorb tens of thousands of others."

Dr. Silver declared the migration of Jews to Palestine has worked to the advantage of all concerned. Living conditions throughout the country have risen, he said, and the Arabs are better off than they have ever been.

Recent troubles in Palestine he attributed to the fact that the country is a pawn in the undercover "imperialistic" warfare going on between Italy and Great Britain.

SIGN OF STRENGH

The fact that Jews have been able to desert their traditional learned professions and commercial ventures and hew a new land out of the desert as farmers and laborers is a sign of strength, he said.

The immediate need, he told the 3000 persons jammed into the temple at the public meeting, is, the rendering of the maximum possible aid to Jewry in need overseas. That accomplished, he said, the second task is the rebuilding of Palestine.

To aid in this task of rebuilding Palestine, a vast army of agriculturists, mechanics, engineers and laborers is needed, declared Col. J. H. Levey, of London, acting chairman of the British Ort committee.

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TOWARD INDUSTRY

"Jews should go more toward industry rather than commerce," he declared. "Parents of many Jewish children today are scraping and saving so that their sons can become doctors. Rather than that, the Ort is teaching them to become mechanics. And they like it."

Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, Los Angeles, declared the world now sorely needs the heritage of the Jewish race; the race which discovered God and gave the Bible to the world, in the present battle being waged throughout the world between paganism and religion.

Morning and afternoon sessions of the conference yesterday were concerned with the welfare problems of Jewish relief agencies in their various localities and problems concerning the aid of unfortunate throughout the nation and the world.

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PROMINT FIGURES AT CONFERENCE

MAX LERNER
Co-Editor of "Nation"

RABBI SILVER
National Chairman U. P. A.

JUDGE HOLLZER
President Regional Conference

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EXHIBITION

A large, attractive and un usually interesting EXHIBI will be a feature of the Con ference. It will portray an describe vividly the functions activities, financial experienc and campaign methods of fe erations and welfare fun throughout the country. Th EXHIBIT was displayed re ently at the 1938 General A sembly in Cincinnati. It w be on display in one of t rooms immediately adjoinin the lobby. Make certain see it.

cheon at which Marco R. N mark and Walter S. Hilborn discuss the Federation and new Community Council m ment, and then the closing meeting in Wilshire Boule Temple when Rabbi Edgar. Magnin, Rabbi Silver, and Col J. H. Levey, of London, Eng land, chairman of the British ORT Federation, who has just arrived in the United States from a personal inspection tour of Eastern and Central Europe.

EXHIBIT OF CAMPAIGN MATERIALS, PUBLICATIONS

One of the most interesting features of the regional conference will be an exhibit of campaigns and publications, together with graphic charts, photographs and displays showing latest available statistics on where and how contributions to Jewish welfare causes are expended. This exhibition, brought here from New York especially for the conference, has attracted wide attention throughout the country in recent months.

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION HEADQUARTERS

Registration and information headquarters for the conference already have been set up at the Ambassador under direction of the local arrangements committee, headed by Mmes. S. H. Berch, H. A. Hollzer and Joseph P. Loeb as co-chairman. At these headquarters, reservations may be made for the opening banquet tomorrow night, and for the two luncheon meetings. It is urged that advance reservations be made as seating capacity is limited for all sessions.

Delegates From 100 Communities Attend Regional Conference

Many Authorities and Leaders Gather Here To Analyze and Discuss Important Jewish Problems; Opening Banquet Tomorrow Night; Series of Meetings Through Sunday and Mondy

Los Angeles this week-end will be the sounding board for expressions of informed opinion of almost every important topic of the day affecting the Jewish people everywhere in the world.

And at the same time, this city will be the scene of deliberations expected to play a vital role in developing forward-looking programs for greater cooperation in group organization, welfare fund activities, and interchange of experience between large and small Jewish communities.

The occasion is the third annual Western States regional conference, under sponsorship of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, headed in the West by Federal Judge Harry A. Hollzer of Los Angeles. The time is tomorrow, Sunday and Monday, and the place is the Ambassador Hotel. All sessions will be open to the general public.

OPENING BANQUET TOMORROW NIGHT

From the opening banquet tomorrow night at 7 o'clock, when Judge Hollzer; Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal; Paul Felix Warburg, of New York, treasurer of the nation-wide Council of Jewish Federations, and Judge M. C. Sloss, of San Francisco, are expected to sound the major keynotes of the three-day conference, until the closing mass meeting Monday night at Wilshire Boulevard Temple, the sessions will be replete with interest to every Jewish citizen of the Southland interested in the welfare of our people.

All reservations to the Banquet Saturday night at the Ambassador Hotel must be made today (Friday) not later than 3 p. m. by calling TR. 4681.

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SU[illegible]E IMPORTANT

While complete details of program are printed elsewhere this page, making repetition necessary, it was emphasized Joseph P. Loeb, chairman of coast-wide program committ that the luncheon session Sun will be one of the most' imp ant meetings, with authori discussing "Cultural and Vo tional Adjustment of Jew Youth" and with Leo Schwarz, noted author, prese ing "A Social Program for Own Needs".

He also urged attendance the Sunday evening meet

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BOYCOTT AGITATION RENEWED IN DANZIG

DANZIG.—During the past several days anti-Jewish boycott agitation was renewed with increased vigor. Signs were pasted on many Jewish store windows reading that "Jews are enemies of Adolph Hitler's country."

PROGRAM

WESTERN STATES REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif.
April 2-3-4, 1938

SATURDAY, APRIL 2

7:00 P. M. DINNER

— OPENING CONFERENCE SESSION —

Joseph P. Loeb, presiding
Speakers: Rabbi William M. Stern, Judge H. A. Hollzer, Paul Felix Warburg, Hon. M. C. Sloss, and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

SUNDAY, APRIL 2

9:30 A. M. - 12:15 P. M. ROUND TABLE

— CAMPAIGN ORGANIZATION AND METHODS

Leon Sloss, Jr., chairman
Speakers: Henry A. Loeb, Janes L. White, Charles Brown, Walter S. Hilborn, Judge Isaac Pacht, I. Sukman, Jacob Weinberger, Josepr Shemanski, Richard E. Lang, and Harry J. Sapper

9:30 A. M. - 12:15 P. M. ROUND TABLE

JEWISH EDUCATION—WHAT SHOULD THE COMMUNITY PROVIDE

Herman Bachmack, chairman
Speakers: Jacob J. Liebeman, Dr. Samuel Langer, Rabbi Jacob Weinstein, Rabbi Jacob Kohn, Rabbi Saul White, and M. Tolchinsky

12:30 LUNCHEON GENERAL SESSION

CULTURE AND VOCATIONAL ADJUSTMENT OF JEWISH YOUTH

Mrs. M. C. Sloss, chairman
Speakers: Hyman Kaplan, Louis Blumenthal Leo Schwartz, Judge Herbert Schiller, and Gilbert Harrison.

2:45 P. M. BUSINESS MEETING

Judge H. A. Hollzer, presiding

8:00 P. M. GENERAL SESSION

Milton Baruch, chairman
Speakers: Rabbi Norman Feldheym, Rabbi Jacob Kohn, Rabbi Jacob Weinstein, and Max Lerner
Closing prayer: Rabbi Saul White

MONDAY, APRIL 4

9:30 A. M. - 12:15 P. M. ROUND TABLE

LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY AND PROGRAM FOR THE CARE OF EMIGRES

Alfred Esberg, chairman
Speakers: Joseph Bonapart, Mrs. Edmond Lazard, Phillip Lillienthal, Mrs. Joseph Ehrman, Jr., Sanford Treguboff, Mrs. Sol Levy, Miss Dora Berres, Miss Freda Mohr, and Mrs. Florine Wolfstein

9:30 A. M. - 12:15 P. M. ROUND TABLE

HEALTH PROGRAMS UNDER JEWISH AUSPICES
(a) WHAT SHOULD THE LOCAL COMMUNITY PROVIDE
(b) HOW DO NATIONAL AGENCIES COVER THE PROBLEM

Jesse H. Steinhart, chairman
Speakers: Dr. Oscar Reiss, Dr. M. Ginsburg, Mr. Max Mark, Mr. Alexander Brick, Dr. George Piness, Miss Lenore Rubinow, Dr. Emil Bogen, Mrs. Rose G. Bertram, Mr. Mark Carter, and Charles I. Schottland

12:30 LUNCHEON GENERAL SESSION

Robert J. Koshland, chairman
Speakers: Rabbi J. Aaron Levy, Rabbi Saul White, Harry J. Sapper, Charles I. Schottland, Marco R. Newmark, Walter S. Hilborn, and Dr. Ludwig Bernstein

8:00 P. M. GENERAL SESSION

Wilshire Boulevard Temple, Wilshire and Hobart

Jesse H. Steinhart, chairman
Speakers: Rabbi Harry Merfeld, Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, Colonel J. H. Levey, and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Closing prayer: Rabbi Phillip Langh

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Jewish Fund Drive Opens

Determined to reach or exceed their $365,000 quota, San Francisco Jewish leaders yesterday opened the annual Jewish national welfare fund campaign.

Despite unfavorable weather, scores of volunteer workers started out with an enthusiasm unequaled in previous years, according to Frank H. Sloss, general chairman of the drive.

"I am highly gratified with the first day's returns," Sloss said. "There is a feeling among our workers that despite everything, they will raise their share of the quota this year.

"From the moment of the official opening this morning, a steady stream of contributions has poured into headquarters. This indicates that our workers are making every effort to make a fine showing at our first report luncheon tomorrow."

The report luncheon will be held in the empire room of the Sir Francis Drake Hotel. Principal speaker will be Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and noted orator. Dr. Silver's only other appearance in San Francisco will be at Temple Emanuel tomorrow evening. The public is invited.

Forty-eight agencies are supported by the Jewish National Welfare Fund. The recent occupation of Austria by Hitler has placed a staggering burden upon the foreign relief organizatioins, according to Sloss.

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Dr. A. H. Silver Will Speak At Temple

The world Jewish situation will be discussed tomorrow night at Temple Emanu-El by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, spiritual leader of the temple in Cleveland, O., and national chairman of the united Palestine appeal.

Dr. Silver has been for years in the forefront of American Jewish

DR. A. H. SILVER
To Give Address Here

leadership and has also been a leader in the American Jewish effort for the rebuilding of Palestine. Dr. Silver's address at Temple Emanu-El will be his only appearance in San Francisco open to the public.

There will be no solicitation of funds. Temple Emanu-El is located at Lake Street and Arguello boulevard.

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Jewish Drive Fund Nets

Photo on Page One, Green Flash

Inspired by the message of hope and courage given them at their first Jewish National Welfare Fund luncheon by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland orator, workers for the $365,000 fund redoubled their efforts today.

With three days of the ten-day campaign behind them, the 400 committee members report subscriptions of $100,266, more than one-fourth of the required amount. Nazi occupation of Austria, which has made more than 200,000 Jews the victims of new persecution, made it necessary to increase San Francisco's normal quota by $50,000.

GENEROUSLY PRAISED

Dr. Silver praised Jewish loyalty and generosity in San Francisco and said that "the Jewish community in San Francisco had always been the banner community of the nation."

Europe is terrible," he said, "but it is not hopeless. Unconsciously, we create for ourselves a mood of despondency not altogether warranted by facts.

"It is one thing to be a realist and see our troubles clearly. It is something else to draw the blackest and most dolorous conclusions from those facts. A change may come sooner than any of us realize. But today 5,000,000 Jews in Europe are desperately in need of food and shelter, of heartened morale and spiritual sustenance.

"You San Franciscans can minister to their spiritual and material needs and give them renewed strength."

SPEAKS AT TEMPLE

Dr. Silver spoke last night at the Temple Emanu-El to a large audience on the Jewish Welfare Fund and the United Palestine Appeal, of which he is national

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365,000 TO AID JEWS IS SOUGHT HERE

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National Chairman of United Palestine Appeal Aids S. F. Campaigners

Jewish leaders and campaign workers filled the Empire Room of the Hotel Sir Francis Drake today for the first report luncheon of the Jewish National Welfare Fund campaign.

Principal speaker of the meeting was Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, who urged campaigners to concentrate all efforts to exceed the local quota of $365,000—$50,000 more than last year's goal.

Dr. Silver reminded workers that the fund supports 48 national and overseas agencies. The additional money is needed to meet the crisis confronted by 200,000 Jews in Nazi-occupied Austria, he said. The campaign will continue until April 14. Frank H. Sloss, general chairman of the fund campaign, said "advance tallies are encouraging."

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.
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JEWISH FUND WORKERS TO CONFER

Facing the greatest emergency in its history, Jewish National Welfare Fund campaign leaders prepared for a record attendance today at its first San Francisco report luncheon.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, noted Cleveland orator and national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, will be the principal speaker at the meeteing in the Empire Room of the Sir Francis Drake Hotel.

RAISES S. F. QUOTA

Nazi occupation of Austria, making 200,000 Jews the victims of new persecutions, has raised San Francisco's quota of the fund to $365,000 this year, an increase of more than $50,000.

Frank H. Sloss, general campaign chairman, urged all workers to turn in as many subscriptionsas possible before today's luncheon.

"Advance tallies are encouraging," he said, "but we are hoping that every worker will redouble his efforts to make our initial report one that will be an inspiration for the remainder of the campaign.

AT PUBLIC MEETING

"Every worker who can possibly do so should be present at the luncheon."

Tonight Dr. Silver will address a public meeting at Temple Emanu-El.

The welfare fund supports 48 agencies, both foreign and domestic. Its campaign will continue until April 14.

NOTED ORATOR APPEALS FOR JEWISH FUND

"Five million Jews are on the rack in Europe today, but the outlook for our race is not hopeless," Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, noted Cleveland orator and leader, told Jewish National Welfare Fund campaign leaders today at their first report luncheon.

"The Jews are still a going concern. They survived the terrible years that followed the Napoleonic wars in the first third of the last century. They will survive the colossal world recession in morals, thought, politics and economics that is now at its lowest depth. The reaction of fascism and nazism is bound to reach its terminal point beyond which it cannot go. Then will come a resumption of liberty and democracy without which men cannot live."

SUCCESS FORECAST

Dr. Silver expressed his faith in the complete success of the $365,000 Jewish welfare campaign in San Francisco.

"The Jews who are suffering now in Europe are not the traditional beggars. They are part of the noblest, most resplendent Jewish community the world has ever known, and your self-respect compels you to respond to this call of elemental human misery."

Following Dr. Silver's address, Frank H. Sloss, general campaign chairman, announced in the first three days of the drive $100,266.70 had been subscribed, a percentage of 27.5.

"People are responding as never before," he said. "We do not make a practice of soliciting the non-Jewish members of the community, but this year we have received many volunteer subscriptions from city leaders who feel that every decent citizen must respond to the misery of our people in Europe."

GREATEST OPPORTUNITY

Dr. Silver, who is national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, said: "We must also seize this moment as the greatest opportunity we have ever had to build a national home for our people in Palestine.

"All other races on the face of the earth have a home. But the Jews have no home. Homeless we come, homeless we go, save in Palestine. There are now 435,000 Jews in Palestine, of whom 45,000 have gone from Germany since the rise of Hitler. We are building magnificently in that new home of the Jewish race."

Dr. Silver will address a public meeting at Temple Emanu-El this evening, at which he will report on the growth of the Jewish state in Palestine.

THE FULL FORCE of the world's Jewry was launched yesterday against the oppression and persecution of their race. Speaker at the luncheon which opened San Francisco's welfare fund drive was Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, who declared "we must give . . . aid to five million Jews now on the rack!"

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S. F. JEWISH DRIVE LEADERS

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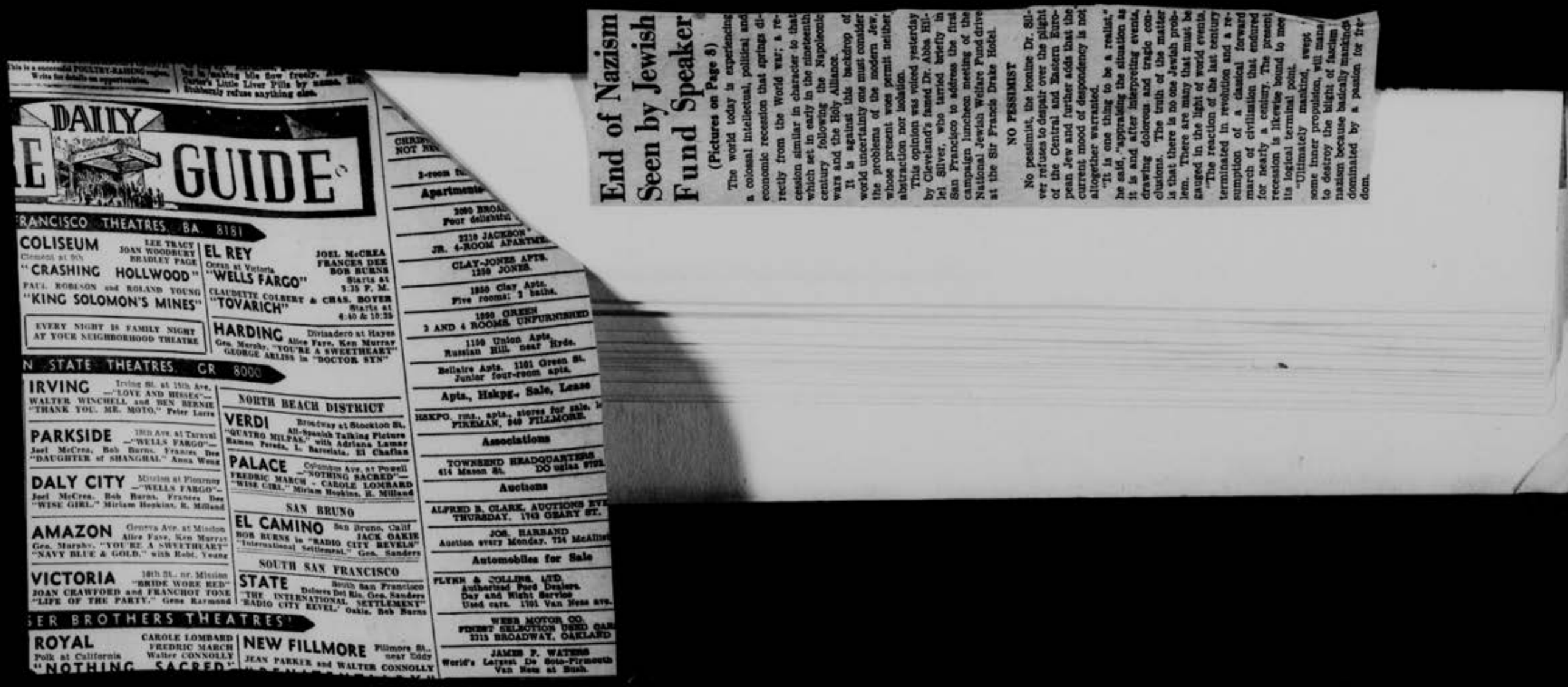
HELP THEIR PEOPLE—Campaign Chairman Frank H. Sloss (left), Mrs. Robert H. Levison, and Dr. Abba Silver, of Cleveland, at report luncheon of Jewish National Welfare Fund. Dr. Silver was principal speaker. (Story on Page 9).

—Photo by San Francisco Examiner.



End of Nazism Seen by Jewish Fund Speaker

(Pictures on Page 8)

The world today is experiencing a colossal intellectual, political and economic recession that springs directly from the World war; a recession similar in character to that which set in early in the nineteenth century following the Napoleonic wars and the Holy Alliance.

It is against this backdrop of world uncertainty one must consider the problems of the modern Jew, whose present woes permit neither abstraction nor isolation.

This opinion was voiced yesterday by Cleveland's famed Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, who tarried briefly in San Francisco to address the first campaign luncheon meeting of the National Jewish Welfare Fund drive at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel.

NO PESSIMIST

No pessimist, the leonine Dr. Silver refuses to despair over the plight of the Central and Eastern European Jew and further adds that the current mood of despondency is not altogether warranted.

"It is one thing to be a realist," he said, "appraising the situation as it is and after interpreting events, drawing dolorous and tragic conclusions. The truth of the matter is that there is no one Jewish problem. There are many that must be gauged in the light of world events.

"The reaction of the last century terminated in revolution and a resumption of a classical forward march of civilization that endured for nearly a century. The present recession is likewise bound to meet its logical terminal point.

"Ultimately mankind, swept some inner propulsion, will manage to destroy the blight of fascism nazism because basically mankind dominated by a passion for freedom.

DAILY GUIDE

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COLISEUM — LEE TRACY, JOAN WOODBURY, BRADLEY PAGE — "CRASHING HOLLYWOOD"
PAUL ROBESON and ROLAND YOUNG — "KING SOLOMON'S MINES"
EVERY NIGHT IS FAMILY NIGHT AT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD THEATRE

EL REY — Ocean at Victoria — JOEL McCREA, FRANCES DEE, BOB BURNS — "WELLS FARGO" — Starts at 5:35 P. M.
CLAUDETTE COLBERT & CHAS. BOYER — "TOVARICH" — Starts at 6:40 & 10:35

HARDING — Divisadero at Hayes — Alice Faye, Ken Murray, Gen. Murphy, "YOU'RE A SWEETHEART" — GEORGE ARLISS in "DOCTOR SYN"

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IRVING — Irving St. at 15th Ave. — "LOVE AND HISSES" — WALTER WINCHELL and BEN BERNIE — "THANK YOU, MR. MOTO," Peter Lorre

PARKSIDE — 19th Ave. at Taraval — "WELLS FARGO" — Joel McCrea, Bob Burns, Frances Dee — "DAUGHTER of SHANGHAI," Anna Wenz

DALY CITY — Mission at Fleurney — "WELLS FARGO" — Joel McCrea, Bob Burns, Frances Dee — "WISE GIRL," Miriam Hopkins, E. Milland

AMAZON — Geneva Ave. at Mission — Alice Faye, Ken Murray — Gen. Murphy, "YOU'RE A SWEETHEART" — "NAVY BLUE & GOLD," with Robt. Young

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JEWISH FUND AID IS SOUGHT

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Jewish leaders and campaign workers filled the Empire Room of the Hotel Sir Francis Drake today for the first report luncheon of the Jewish National Welfare Fund campaign.

Principal speaker of the meeting was Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine appeal, who said San Francisco has always been a "banner community" and a "bellwether" in Jewish drives for funds.

Despondency Not Warranted

Declaring his message with regard to the Jewish problem was one of hope, he said Jews had been "unconsciously creating for themselves a mood of despondency which is not warranted."

Dr. Silver said that just as political and economic forces are in recession, so is the tradition of liberty in recession.

Attributing this recession to the turmoil following the World War, he insisted the "forward march of human progress" cannot be permanently halted.

"Fascism, nazism, whatever you want to call it, will meet a logical terminal point beyond which it cannot go," he said. He declared mankind has an inner propulsion to destroy that which enslaves it, and the time will come when the "shackles of oppression" will be removed.

Five Million in Need

Appealing to committee members in the drive for funds, Dr. Silver said five million Jews are on the rack in the world today, citing as one instance the one million Jews in Poland who "are living below the subsistence level."

Urging workers to "seize this historic moment in which to build a national home," he said, "Jews alone of all peoples can call no place on this footstool of God home."

Further discussion of the Zionist movement and of accomplishments in Palestine will be given by Dr. Silver tonight before an open meeting at Temple Emanu-El, Arguello-blvd at Lake-st. There will be no admission charge and no solicitation of funds.

Frank H. Sloss, manager of the welfare fund campaign, anounced 27.5 per cent of the $365,000 quota has been achieved.

IMPULSE TO LIBERTY

"That impulse toward liberty is indefeasible, and because of this, we must take history in its largest perspective and cycles rather than in days and weeks and months.

"Our duty today is to help those over whom the storms are now breaking—not the traditional beggars, but the most noble, the most resplendent people in the world, men of superb excellence who when not driven to exile are swept toward suicide.

"While life is revolving on its wheel, we must give the maximum physical aid to 5,000,000 Jews now on the rack, seizing this moment in history to work out a great design of human compassion and service.

"More than that, we must give a homeland to those who go from homelessness to homelessness, and have for 2000 years. We must build a national home where the Jews may go by right and not by sufferance."

MASS MIGRATION

Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, Dr. Silver said that since the Hitler regime 200,000 Jews have migrated to Palestine, 45,000 from Germany alone, adding that the present Walfare Fund campaign has two motivating causes: (1) the element of human relief and (2) supporting the Palestinian project quantitatively as well as qualitatively.

In announcing that since the drive began on Monday, 27.5 per cent of the $365,000 quota has been collected to date, or $100,266.70. Campaign Director Frank Sloss made public many non-Jewish contributions, all of them unsolicited.

One donation of $1000 was accompanied by the following letter: "I am inclosing herewith my check in the sum of $1000, which kindly apply to the cause of Jewish relief, for which you are striving. I am glad to be able to contribute my mite to the good cause. The persecution of your people by the dictators of the world merits the condemnation and contempt of all decent people everywhere."

The name of the donor was not made public.

The drive will continue through April 14 and proceeds will be used to swell the national quota that will be used to support 48 Jewish relief agencies, both here and abroad.

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RESPONSE TO JEWISH FUND HERE LAUDED

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(Picture on Page 34.)

San Francisco has welcomed the opportunity to succor the persecuted, enslaved Jewry of Central Europe.

With the drive of the Jewish National Welfare Fund still in its early stages here, $100,266, representing 27.5 per cent of the $365,000 campaign goal, has already been subscribed. The campaign will end April 14.

"The community at large is responding more generously than ever, Campaign Chairman Frank H. Sloss told his workers at the first report luncheon yesterday, in the Sir Francis Drake Hotel yesterday.

"Everyone is extremely alive to the need, as it is brought home to them."

SILVER SPEAKS.

He pointed out that, although no one but members of the Jewish community has been asked to help, large sums have been sent in by other San Franciscans who feel that the "persecution of Jews by the dictators of the world merits the condemnation and contempt of all decent people everywhere."

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland rabbi, introduced by Judge I. M. Golden as "statesman, scholar, outstanding human being and authentic Jewish leader," was the speaker of the day.

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"We must not isolate the so-called 'Jewish problem,'" he told the group. "We must realize that a colossal reaction against liberalism in thought, politics and economics is going on. Because this wave of dictatorship offers no philosophy, no vision, no comfort to man, man's wish for freedom must eventually assert itself everywhere, that Democracy and liberalism may begin their march again.

PALESTINE PROGRAM.

"We have a two-fold responsibility to our victimized brothers. First, we must bring elementary human relief to these people, among whom are some of the noblest, the most honorable, the most creative and splendid men in Europe; men of whom any nation should be proud.

"Secondly, we must help in the establishment of Palestine as a national home for our people that the journey from one homelessness to another homelessness may be ended."

Rabbi Morris Goldstein spoke the invocation for the meeting. Others at the speakers' table included: Albert E. Cohn, Mrs. Milton L. Colton, Lloyd W. Dinkelspiel, Mrs. Norman Epstein, Mrs. Robert M. Levison, Mrs. Nathan Merenbach, Leo J. Rabinowitz, Leon Sloss Jr. and Norman S. Wolff. Second report luncheon is to be held at the St. Francis Hotel tomorrow.

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Goal: $365,000

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Jewish Aid Fund Mounts

"Five million Jews are on the rack in Europe, but the outlook is not hopeless," confidently predicted Dr. Abba H. Silver of Cleveland at local Jewish Welfare Fund drive luncheon. More than one-fourth of San Francisco's goal of $365,000 was raised within first three days of campaign, so the noted leader today looks with satisfaction on progress made in this city. With him are Geraldine Woods and Mrs. Robert Levison, both of whom are busy fund raisers.

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Jews' Advance Said Halted By Propaganda

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Jewish leaders from all parts of the West were sight-seeing today, or returning to their homes, following close of the three-day meeting of the Western Regional Conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, in the Wilshire Blvd. Temple last night.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, national president of the United Palestine appeal, addressing 3000 Jews in the temple last night, declared propaganda had caused a recession in the advance of Jewry since the World War.

"In America," he said, "98 per cent of anti-Semitism is fostered by foreign-born Germans — paid agents of Naziism.

"Anti-Semitism makes for easy propaganda material.

"We used to think that the greatest problem of mankind was illiteracy, but that thought has been dispelled.

"Today the greatest threat is that new and dangerous pseudo-science, propaganda.

"Before the World War, the Jewish people were filled with ideals, optimism and confidence and the race had advanced, individually and collectively, in the direction of equality, liberty and tolerance.

"But, today, a recession has set in, with the World War marking the defeat of the ideals nourished by Jewish life.

"And since that time, the Jew is no longer treated as an individual, because all the individual rights he had cherished have been scrapped and international constitutional guarantees no longer exist."

Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, spiritual head of the host temple, who was another speaker at the closing session, predicted that Jews would continue "despite Hitler and the unabated persecution he fosters upon us."

Oakland, Calif.
Post-Enquirer
April 7, 1938

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DR. SILVER MAKES JEWISH APPEAL

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, the spiritual leader of Temple Congregation of Cleveland and national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, spoke today at a special luncheon in the Ivory court of the Hotel Oakland, in connection with the current appeal of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Oakland, which is seeking to raise $31,000 among the Jews of Oakland for the benefit of 41 local, national and foreign causes.

Dr. Silver was introduced by Leonard J. Meltzer, president of the fund.

At the speakers' table were Sydney J. Silverstein, campaign chairman, and leaders of the campaign units in Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley, Richmond, Hayward and San Leandro.

Oakland, Calif.
Tribune
April 7, 1938

Rabbi Tells Effects of Persecutions

Hitler Regime Drives Thousands to Refuge In Palestine, He Says

Since the rise of Hitler to power, nearly 200,000 Jews have migrated to Palestine, among them 45,000 from Germany, alone. Palestine has absorbed 71 per cent of the total world Jewish immigration.

Dr. Abba H. Silver, spiritual leader of Temple Congregation of Cleveland, Ohio, pointed to those figures today as proof of the plight of Jews in Palestine and their need of aid.

The meeting at which the appeal was made was held in the Ivory Court of Hotel Oakland at noon, with more than 250 local Jews taking part in this, the third day of a 10-day campaign to raise funds.

"For the present, our task is a two-fold one," Dr. Silver said. "We must render maximum aid to our fellow Jews in the lands of persecution. We must save them from physical want and suffering as far as that is possible. We must help those find themselves without any means of livelihood."

CHILDREN RESCUED

Dr. Silver said that thousands of Jewish children, whom "the infamous Hitler regime" had consigned to the status of outcasts and pariahs in Germany, have been rescued and taken to Palestine.

"There in colonies, villages and towns they have been given shelter and love, and they are being trained carefully for serviceable careers in the home of their own people."

"This hour in Jewish history," he said, "is as grave as any which our people have experienced in 2000 years. A wave of reaction has swept over the western world, which has already shattered two great Jewish communities, in Germany and in Austria, and which is threatening with a similar fate other Jewish communities in central and eastern Europe."

Oakland Calif.
Post-Enquirer
April 7, 1938

PLEA TO AID JEWRY MADE

"There is no protective isolation possible for any group of Jews. Do not regard yourselves as immune. The fires of persecution send out sparks which may set aflame, even the most distant community!"

Oakland Jewry today had received this warning from Dr. Abba H. Silver, spiritual leader of the Temple Congregation of Cleveland, O.

Speaking at the United Jewish fund luncheon held yesterday at Hotel Oakland, Dr. Silver said:

NATIONS GO MAD

"This hour in Jewish history is as grave as any which our people have experienced in 2000 years. An unclean spirit, a plague of diseased ideas, risen from the ten million graves of the last war, has come to dwell in the habitation of mankind.

"Our task is a twofold one. We must render maximum aid to our fellow Jews in the lands of persecution.

"This campaign calls for sacrificial giving of the highest order if men, women and children are to be saved, spiritually and physically. One-third of all the Jews in the world are reaching out to the other two-thirds for help.

"There is a fantastic legend abroad about the wealth of the Jews. I wish you could see the unspeakable misery and poverty in which those Jewish masses of European countries live today. Compared with them, you live like princes, like lords.

PALESTINE A REFUGE

"Palestine has become the great refuge and the sustaining hope of the masses of our people who have been forced into exile.

"Since the rise of Hitler to power, almost 200,000 Jews have migrated to Palestine, among them 45,000 from Germany alone."

More than 250 attended the luncheon, one of a series to be held in connection with the current drive to raise $31,000 for 41 local, national and international causes.

Oakland will attempt to go over its quota in order to give additional relief to European Jews, it was announced at the conclusion of the luncheon by Leonard J. Meltzer, presiding chairman. Heading the drive is Sidney J. Silverstein.

Oakland, Calif.
Tribune
April 7, 1938

Jewish Appeal Aims Explained

Dr. Silver of Ohio Speaker at Oakland Campaign Luncheon

The two-fold purpose of the present United Jewish Welfare Fund appeal—the raising of relief funds for oppressed Jews in Germany, Poland and Austria, and the development of the National Jewish homeland in Palestine—was explained yesterday to Metropolitan Oakland Jewish leaders by Dr. Abba H. Silver of Temple Congregation, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dr. Silver, speaking in the first Oakland campaign luncheon at the Hotel Oakland, which Jews hope will raise $31,000, this city's quota of the $500,000 expected of the Pacific Coast, outlined the uses of the total sum to be raised in the United States —$4,500,000.

"In direst need," Dr. Silver said, "are the millions of Jews now suffering abject poverty, humiliation and degradation in Europe. They need immediate relief from the present recrudescence of the Dark Ages—tyranny, oppression and brutality."

DIVISION OF FUNDS

"Money gathered in the drive will be used first to alleviate these sufferings," he said, "and a substantial portion will be alloted to the United Palestine Appeal Fund.

"The work being done in Palestine, developing an inhospitable country, barren for years, is characteristic of our race. It isn't our tradition to succumb to persecution. During the 2000 years of our history, from the Pharoahs to the present European demagogues, we have been faced with similar situations," he declared.

"The Palestine is designed to be the haven and home of Jews who are suffering in other lands. It is in reality building in the present to prepare for the future, for it is axiomatic to Jews the world over—with the exception of America—that they can't be sure of their future status in the countries they call home," Dr. Silver said.

'IMMEMORIAL HOPE'

"The upbuilding of Palestine is the expression of immemorial hope as well as of a desperate emergency, and will allow unfortunates to return to the land which was the cradle of our race, the place of our great historic achievements, and now the Promised Land of myriads of our people who seek a new life for themselves and their children," he said.

Dr. Silver was introduced by Leonard J. Meltzer, fund president. He was accompanied here from San Francisco, where he spoke yesterday at a similar meeting, by Sidney J. Silverstein, chairman of the local campaign.

Immediately after his address, which was broadcast over Station KLX, Dr. Silver left by United Air Lines for Portland, Ore., where he will speak tonight and tomorrow at campaign meetings.

SPEAKS FOR JEWS

Dr. Abba H. Silver, spiritual leader of Temple Congregation, Cleveland, Ohio, who yesterday stressed the needs of his people, in the first Oakland United Jewish Welfare Appeal luncheon in the current campaign.—Tribune photo.

world conditions for the Jewish people and related those conditions to the need for accelerating the upbuilding of the Jew-

Three million Jews in Poland live in the midst of attack and harassment, he said. They are subjected to restrictions and hostile propaganda, and the economic plight of more than 1,000,000 of them beggars description, Dr. Silver stated.

TALKS OVER KLX

Dr. Silver followed his personal appearance with a talk at 1 o'clock over Station KLX, in which he broadcast a further request for funds to aid the Jews.

This was the first campaign luncheon in the drive, which Jews hope will raise $4,500,000, of which the Pacific Coast has been asked to contribute $500,000. Leonard J. Meltzer, United Jewish Welfare Fund president, accompanied Dr. Silver here from San Francisco. Sidney J. Silverstein was in carge of the luncheon.

Dr. Silver left this afternoon at 3:05 p. m. by plane for Portland, Ore., where he will continue the drive.

Dr. Silver spoke at the San Francisco Jewish Welfare Fund luncheon yesterday, at which time he reported that to date, $100,266.70, or 27.5 per cent of the goal there has been collected. Many of the contributions came from those not Jews, he said.

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DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal

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They Raise Voices To Open Holy Land Doors!

They couldn't agree on "white tie" or "black tie" with their formal garb, as the camera clearly shows, but six bigwigs pictured here stood solidly together in New York on this platform: Open Palestine's doors to thousands of victims of the black march of Hitlerism across the face of Europe! Left to right are Harold Jacobi, who's raising $400,000 in New York for the United Palestine Appeal; Roger W. Straus, co-chairman and a leader in Christian-Jewish good-will work; militant Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, familiarly placing his arm around potent U. S. Senator Robert J. Bulkley of Ohio; Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, whose job is to collect $4,500,000 from American Jewry for Palestine rebuilding, besides running America's largest synagogue in Cleveland and who a few weeks ago was a Seattle visitor; and Frederick F. Greenman, vice president of New York's swanky Temple Emanu-El, richest in the world. At a testimonial dinner to Dr. Silver, Senator Bulkley called upon "the Christian world to take a firm stand against injustice and oppression, which also threatens the existence of democracy and freedom."

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April 8, 1938

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Dr. Silver To Discuss Palestine

Effects of recent European events on the resettlement of Palestine will be discussed at 8 o'clock Sunday evening in Masonic Temple by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

DR. ABBA H. SILVER

Known as one of the outstanding Jewish religious leaders in the country, Dr. Silver will lecture in Seattle under auspices of the Federated Jewish Fund. The organization he heads represents the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

Dr. Silver also is vice president of the Zionist organization in America, and was a delegate to the nineteenth biennial world Zionist Congress held at Lucerne last summer.

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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, APRIL 1, 1938

Famous Rabbi Will Launch $50,000 Drive In Seattle

Spurred by a suicide toll of 1,700 in Vienna and by daily reports of hardship and suffering by millions of European Jews, Seattle Jewry will extend the hand of fellowship to brethren across the seas in a city-wide drive for $50,000, beginning Sunday, April 10, when famed Rabbi Hillel Silver will speak here, Sol Esfeld, president of the Federated Jewish Fund, announced today.

At the same time, Mr. Esfeld revealed that the $50,000 quota set for Seattle's 16,000 Jews will include aid to 32 American, European and Palestinian agencies, in addition to help to 53 yeshivas—centers of Torah study—throughout the world.

For Palestine, $10,000 will be alloted; for European relief, $19,850; for anti-defamation, $10,000; for educational institutions, $2,000; for hospitals, $3,150; and for local emergencies, $1,000. Campaign expense and "shrinkage" is budgeted at $4,000.

For the first time, the Fund will include Hadassah's Youth Aliyah, which aids settling of refugee children in Palestine; the National Coordinating Committee for German Refugees; B'nai B'rith's anti-defamation committee; the American Jewish Congress and a project at the National Jewish hospital, where a cure for tuberculosis is being researched upon.

Theatre Stars Cheer Rabbi

NEW YORK—"Despite the unclean spirit risen from ten million graves of the last war, which has come to dwell in the habitation of mankind and to reduce the Jewish people to a helpless victim of chauvinism and militarism, the Jews do not despair, but will work heroically for brotherhood and freedom and will find new hope in the rebuilding of Palestine," Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, one of America's outstanding rabbis, said this week, in his first address in New York as national chairman of the $4,500,000 United Palestine Appeal, at a luncheon-reception given by more than 100 prominent leaders in the amusement industry at Hotel Astor.

Dr. Silver observed that this is a time of "great affliction for Israel because it is a time of great affliction for mankind."

The amusement division of the Greater New York Campaign of the United Palestine Appeal is headed by Leo Spitz, president of the R-K-O Corporation.

"In Central Europe," Dr. Silver said, "the racial state is rising upon the ruins of the state built upon law.

"Nevertheless, while the Jewish position seems desperate in many parts of the world, the Jewish people do not despair. It is not character-

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Theatre Stars Cheer Rabbi

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istic of the Jews to despair or to succumb to persecution."

Dr. Silver declared the plight of Jewry today would be "immeasurably more tragic but for the fact of the new life and new opportunity which Palestine is offering to hundreds of thousands of Jews."

There is great danger today in view of the "high-geared propaganda machines which daily pour out scurrilous denunciations and derogations of our people," Dr. Silver warned, "that the Jews all too frequently accept their 'enemies' ' low estimate of them.

"Because an intensified drive is now being made to undermine the morale of the Jewish people in order to justify the withdrawal of their civil and political rights in the world, it is important to recount the heroic story of the upbuilding of Palestine, to demonstrate what Jewish initiative, courage and sacrifice have achieved.

"Despite unfavorable political conditions during the past year, 19 new settlements have been founded in Palestine and a new port built in the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv."

Among those who joined in paying tribute to Dr. Silver were ex-N. B. C. head M. H. Aylesworth, chain theatre operator Barney Balaban, David Bernstein, Harry Brandt, Ben Boyar, Chamberlain Brown, J. E. Brulatour, Gene Buck, Eddie Cantor, Joseph H. Cooper, Alan Corelli, Lou Diamond, Nat Dorfman, Critic Bide Dudley, S. H. Fabian, Dave Ferguson, radio man Donald Flamm.

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Federated Jewish Fund Drive For $50,000 To Start Here On Monday

More than 100 volunteer workers will start canvassing Seattle's 16,000 Jews Monday in the second annual Federated Jewish Fund Drive to raise $50,000 for 30 charity organizations.

Under the leadership of Max Block, chairman of this year's campaign, workers will attempt to call upon every Jewish person in Seattle within two weeks.

"I earnestly ask every person who is called upon to give the volunteer workers every cooperation so that Seattle's drive will be a complete success." Chairman Block said.

Sol Esfeld, president of the Fund, commented, "We cannot fail this year. The problems facing Jews throughout the world are greater now than at any other time in the history of the world.

"Particularly in Europe, where Jewish communities formerly assisted in raising a major part of the money for European relief, conditions demand that we do more than our share.

"I am happy to announce that leaders of the community have recognized that special need this year.

SOL ESFELD
. . . **"every Jew must help us!"**

"Alfred Shemanski, honorary chairman of the Fund and chairman of the Big Gifts Committee, reports that every large subscription received so far is at least 20 per cent larger than that of last year.

"It is necessary," continued Mr. Esfeld, "that every donor follow the leadership of the big givers by increasing his subscription this year to the utmost limits of his pocketbook."

Launching the $50,000 campaign, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, campaign chairman for the $4,500,000 United Palestine Appeal and one of America's outstanding rabbis, will address an open meeting at Masonic Temple at Harvard Ave. and Pine St., on Sunday at 8 p. m.. Dr. Silver will meet workers informally at breakfast Sunday at 11 a. m. at the Olympic Hotel to discuss campaign methods.

The entire Jewish population of Seattle will receive a large illustrated broadside on Monday giving details

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LOS ANGELES—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver tells 3,000 at final session of 3-day Western Conference, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds: "Ninety-nine per cent of all anti-Semitism. especially in this country, is directly attributable to paid agents or foreigners—not ordinary citizens."

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Rabbi Silver To Talk Sunday

RABBI A. H. SILVER
. . . his is a silver tongue!

NOTICE

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver will speak at Masonic Temple, Harvard Ave. and Pine Street, instead of Temple Center, as previously announced, to permit more people to hear his address. No solicitations will be made. The talk is open to the public.

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"Most ballyhooed orators usually turn out to be a disappointment, but Dr. Silver held every single person spellbound until his last word. He was truly magnificent, and worth going thousands of miles to hear."

Thus did Leopold M. Stern, veteran Seattle attorney, write today of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver's address at the Conference of Jewish Welfare Societies in Los Angeles, which Mr. Stern attended this week.

Dr. Silver will talk before an open meeting at Masonic Temple here Sunday at 8 p. m. Doors open at 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Silver, spiritual leader of the Temple Congregation of Cleveland, is making a tour of the country in behalf of the United Palestine Appeal, which participates in the Federated Jewish Fund Drive.

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Rabbi Silver Stirs 1,500; Drive Booming

Inspired by famed Rabbi Hillel Silver, who spoke to the largest Jewish gathering here in recent years—1,500 rapt listeners at Masonic Hall, Sunday night—a corps of 30 women and 40 men volunteer workers, many of them busy executives taking a day or a week off from their business duties, today was canvassing Seattle's 16,000 Jews in the third annual Federated Jewish Fund drive for 30 charitable agencies overseas, in Palestine and in the United States

The candid camera of ace Photographer Samuel Walters snaps Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver in revealing poses: top, pensive, toying with a spoon, as he sits with Sol Esfeld; persuasive, hand outstretched, followed by Mr. Esfeld's eloquent eyes; and witty, his lips pursed, his Pacific Coast representative of the United Palestine Appeal, Bernard Stone, looking on.

Seattle, Washington Transcript 4/22/38

"I'm Proud Of Jew's Record," Cries Rabbi Abba H. Silver

By NATHAN KREMS
Associate Editor, The Transcript

He has a broad-shouldered build like Paul Muni. He uses his hands like Stokowski. And the rounded phrases of his baritone-voiced oratory would do credit to a Shakespearean actor.

He is Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, head of one of America's largest congregations—1,800 families belong to his Cleveland synagogue—and chairman of the $4,500,000 United Palestine Appeal, who was a Seattle visitor last week.

One of America's highest paid rabbis—he is reputed to get $600 a week—Rabbi Silver is a champion of labor's rights and has won fame as an arbiter in Cleveland labor troubles. He's a Litvack who is a director of Hebrew Union College, the world's largest Reform rabbinical seminary.

And though he's spoken boldly from his pulpit on such issues as Tom Mooney case and the greed of entrenched wealth in America, he has held his post for 21 years—without anything more than a verbal agreement with his board that they can ask him to leave at any time.

This scholarly, brilliant rabbi who reads anywhere from five to a dozen books a week and who likes to travel by plane is a staunch champion of Zionism, foe of partition of Palestine, advocate of organized boycott of German goods by Christians and Jews, and firm believer in a silver lining for the Jewish people.

"It's the worst mistake in the world," he said, "for the Jews to take themselves at the Nazi's appraisal of them.

"Without boastfulness, I say this: Show me any other people, 16,000,000 in number, who can produce the great scientists, the top rank authors, the eminent doctors that the Jewish people have given to the world. No people our size has equalled our record. And in this hour of crisis when the paid propagandists of the Hitler terror incessantly preach that the Jew is an in-

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Rev. Dr. Mark A. Matthews
—Courtesy Seattle Star

"I'm Proud Of Jews," Says Rabbi Silver

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ferior creature, we should remember our achievements."

Dr. Silver was in Germany in January, 1933 when Hitler came to power. "I saw the last agonies of the German republic and the first torchlight parade of the victorious Nazis," he recalled.

Dr. Silver, who made 14 speeches in the week during which he visited here, is the father of Danny, 10, and Raphael, 8, both of whom have visited Palestine with him and "are learning Hebrew nicely."

and for 53 yeshivas on two continents.

Sol Esfeld, Fund chairman, reported that half the $50,000 quota has already been pledged by 43 "big givers"—smallest contribution is $250; largest, $3,600—and that "enthusiastic response that has greeted

Watch For It!

Should the Jew be gloomy, looking at the world picture?

Will a Jewish State be set up in Palestine?

How outspoken can a rabbi be about labor's rights?

Opinions on these and a score of other vital issues voiced by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, one of America's foremost Jewish leaders, in an exclusive, hour-long interview with Transcript Associate Editor Nathan Krems will be reported in a special article in next week's Transcript.

Watch for it!

our workers indicates we will go over the top by next week. On every side volunteer solicitors reported increased giving, due to the critical Jewish situation abroad and a realization that the $50,000 quota was set before the Austrian seizure by Nazi Germany added 250,000 victims to the 5,000,000 needy Jews of Europe."

Meanwhile, in Tacoma, Morris Kleiner, assisted by A. "Ernie" Robbins, headed a drive for $5,000 among 500 Jews.

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NEWS-TELEGRAM

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Jewish Refugees Campaign To Be Launched

A campaign for raising funds to aid Jewish refugees from Europe will be launched at 8 p. m. Friday at joint community services to be held at Temple Beth Israel.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, O., national chairman of the current campaign to aid Jewish refugees, will be the guest speaker. Services will be conducted by Rabbi Henry J. Berkowitz, Philip Kleinman and E. Charles Sydney.

Rabbi Sydney will conduct earlier services at 6:50 p. m. Friday at Congregation Ahavai Sholom. He will also speak at 9 a. m. Saturday.

Rabbi Kleinman will deliver his annual sermon on "Passover Instructions and Preparations" at 9 a. m. Saturday at Congregation Neveh Zedek. The monthly meeting of the congregation will be held at 8 p. m. Tuesday.

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Famed Rabbi Says Influx To Be Slight

Dr. Silver of Cleveland Points Out Quota Restriction to Be Barrier to Any Large Arrival of Nazi-Persecuted Jews

By Roy Beadle

Contrary to much popular opinion, there will be no great inundation of Jews to this country following Secretary of State Hull's recent pronouncement welcoming refugees here, according to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, Ohio, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, in Portland today in the interests of the fund.

Rabbi Silver

Dr. Silver, world famous as a speaker, will give the main address at a special meeting in Temple Beth Israel at 8 p. m.

The clause in Hull's statement, "up to the immigration quota," sets the maximum that could come from Austria and Germany at 29,000, Dr. Silver explained.

Will Get the Cream

"We are awaiting the outcome of a conference between democratic governments before we prepare a definite plan to move refugees into their midsts. If they come to this country in great numbers from Central Europe, America will be getting the cream of world Jewry.

"We are hoping that many of them will go elsewhere, particularly to

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Rabbi to Seek Help for Jews

Dr. Abba Silver Points to Plight of Hebrews in European Lands

BY DAVID W. HAZEN
Staff Writer, The Oregonian

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, rabbi of the Temple in Cleveland, O., and one of America's greatest orators, arrived in Portland Thursday to speak for the welfare campaign for overseas relief. This campaign is being conducted to care for Jewish people in central and eastern Europe, who are being persecuted by ruthless rulers.

Dr. Silver spoke last night at Temple Beth Israel at a union meeting composed of the Jewish congregations throughout the city. He is the fifth generation of rabbis in his family.

"This welfare campaign is being conducted to help the Jews in Poland, Rumania and Lithuania, but right now we are centering the work in Germany and Austria," said Dr. Silver at Benson hotel. "And a considerable effort is being made on Palestine.

Jews Re-enter Palestine

"You may know that since 1931 more than 200,000 Jews have entered Palestine to make their future homes, 45,000 from Germany alone."

When asked if the serious trouble between the Jews and the Arabs in Palestine had been settled, Dr. Silver replied:

"We are hoping that as soon as the British-Italian relations are straightened out, the whole political tension in the Mediterranean will be peacefully settled. This will have a happy effect in Palestine, we hope, for the Italians have been doing everything in their power to excite the Arabs against the British plans for the settlement of Palestine."

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Healing and Redemption

To a land of waste and desolation Jewish pioneers have brought "healing and redemption." "They drained the marshes, cleared the swamps, introduced sanitation, revived agriculture, built orchards and gardens, roads, highways and power stations. They built schools, revived a language and a culture, erected hospitals and clinics and opened them for the service of all—Jew and Arab and Christian alike. All this was accomplished without expropriating a single Arab."

Rabbi Henry J. Berkowitz of Temple Beth Israel, Rabbi Philip Kleinman of Congregation Neveh Zedek and Rabbi E. Charles Sydney of Congregation Ahavai Sholom will participate in the joint services at Beth Israel.

Future in Germany Uncertain

Asked if the present policy of the German government against the Jews would be continued, the Cleveland leader stated:

"It is difficult to say. Of the 550,000 Jews who were in Germany in 1933, more than 150,000 have left. And this hasn't helped the economic situation in that country one bit, let me say. If the same measures of restriction against the Jews are kept up, making it impossible for the Jews to make a living, the likelihood is that the emigration from Germany will continue.

"But should there be a change of policy, this will let up. Certainly, the emigration of Jews from Germany has done Germany no good. No country ever solved its economic problems by forcing a section of its population to leave. This is not solving the economic problem of Germany, not at all.

"Before Spain exiled the Jews in 1492 it ruled one-half of the world. And look at Spain now! As for the 250,000 Jews in Austria, their fate will be the same as befell the Jews in Germany. I suppose as soon as the plebiscite is held, you will find that the government will bear down on the Jews and on the Catholics to a lesser degree. Right now the government is flirting with the Catholics to gain their votes in the plebiscite. But when the voting is over, their troubles will begin."

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r. Silver Pleads for Rededication To U. P. A. on Eve of New Year

Says Need for Home in Palestine for Jews Is Written in Blood and Fire Across Face of Europe

In a ringing Rosh Hashanah message graphically describing the accumulation of new tragedies in the year which is about to end, and pointing with pride to the steadfast and undaunted spirit of the Jewish community in Palestine in the face of constant attack, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, addressed an urgent plea to Jews throughout the United States to dedicate themselves with the greatest sacrifice to the most urgent task before the Jewish people—the building of a home in Palestine for the Jews who have been crushed by the increasing spread of anti-Semitism in Central and Eastern Europe.

Referring to the hardships that are confronting the Jews in Palestine at the present time Dr. Silver emphasized that the building of the Jewish National Home "is not the work of a year, a decade or of a single generation" and for that reason cannot be evaluated on the basis of isolated periods of stress or development. Asserting that the work in Palestine must not be delayed because of any temporary unfavorable condition, Dr. Silver reminded the Jews of America that "we are engaged in an historic enterprise of long duration, calling for wide perspectives and long-range planning, demanding patience and resoluteness and above all unfailing and generous offering of substance and manpower."

In this connection Dr. Silver said that if a fraction of the resources and energy which Jewish communities invested in other lands from which they are now being driven had been invested in Palestine in recent years the Jewish Homeland would now be a reality and that the tempo of upbuilding would have been more rapid if the Jews had had greater vision and had made greater contributions.

Recent events in Europe, particularly the destruction of the Jewish community of Austria and the rise of anti-Semitism in Italy which was climaxed by an order of expulsion against Jews who took up residence in that country since 1919 have demonstrated conclusively, Dr. Silver said, that the Jews need a national status and a national homeland. He described this need as being written in letters of fire and blood across the face of two-thirds of Europe.

While Palestine cannot claim exclusive allegiance or devotion, it does claim priority because it is not merely another worthy project in Jewish life but "the most vital and crucial need of our people at this time and at all times," he declared.

Dr. Silver concluded his stirring appeal to American Jewry with the following call for increased support for the United Palestine Appeal:

"Fellow Jews! On the threshold of the New Year I transmit to you the appeal of the Yishub in Palestine for a brotherly strengthening of their hands and hearts, for reassurance for a just sharing in sacrifice and for tools and materials with which to build the temple of our national life and of our imperishable ideals.

"Jewish communities in the United States which have not yet organized their efforts for the United Palestine Appeal, are urged to do so at once. Those which have had their campaigns during the year and are conscious that they have not met their full responsibility in the present situation, are urged to supplement their funds. Individual Jews who cannot be reached by organized communal effort, are urged to make their direct and individual contributions to the cause.

"May the coming year be a better year for our people. May it witness the lifting of the dark clouds from over the lives of those who are at present in tribulation and suffering. For Palestine may it be a year of redemption, progress and peace." (The full text of Dr. Silver's message appears on Page 3.)

The keynote of a year of greater sacrifice in behalf of the United Palestine Appeal sounded by Dr. Silver was reechoed in many communities which made preparations to launch their campaigns during the High Holiday period with a new and profounder grasp of the gravity of the Jewish position abroad and the greater responsibilities of American Jewry to halt the spread of Jewish homelessness and tragedy.

Yesterday Dr. Joachim Prinz visited Dayton, Ohio, to address a workers' meeting of the United Jewish Council in that city on the eve of the opening of the campaign for the United Palestine Appeal and other agencies. The Dayton drive is being conducted under the leadership of Sidney J. Kusworm, chairman.

On Wednesday evening, September 28, Dr. Prinz will visit Greenwich, Conn., to be the guest speaker at the opening of the combined drive in that community. I. J. Weiss is co-chairman, together with Rabbi Meyer Miller and Meyer Cohen.

Dr. Prinz will also go to Montgomery, Ala., on Friday, September 30, to occupy the pulpit of Temple Beth Ov on Friday night and to speak in Rabbi Blachshleger's synagogue on Saturday morning for the purpose of inaugurating the local campaign. The drive in Montgomery is to be conducted under the leadership of the following: Walter Lobman, president of the Jewish Federation of Montgomery; Myron J. Rothschild, vice-president and chairman of the Budget Committee; Bernard F. Gerson, treasurer; Rabbi Eugene Blachschleger; Max S. Baum, campaign director; and Mrs. Sanford Marcus, secretary.

The Jewish community of Easton, Pa., will inaugurate its combined campaign in behalf of the United Palestine Appeal and Joint Distribution Committee at a dinner on Wednesday evening, September 28. Pierre van Paassen will visit Easton on Thursday evening, October 6, to speak at a public meeting to stimulate maximum support of the drive of which Chief Louis Levin is chairman; Louis M. Ralph, honorary chairman; and Jack Sher, secretary.

Mr. van Paassen will also go to Wilmington, N. C., on Sunday, October 23, to usher in the beginning of the campaign in that community. The officers of the Wilmington drive are: B. May, chairman; Harry Solomon, co-chairman; Benjamin Kingoff, vice-chairman; B. D. Schwartz, secretary and treasurer; William Block, L. Schwartz, Rabbi Mordecai Thurman, Rabbi Joseph Goldberg, committee members.

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American Jews Urged to Provide Home for Austrian Jews In Palestine

Dr. Silver Says Austrian Jewish Tragedy Places New Responsibility on U. S. Jewry; Almost $2,000,000 Raised for Palestine Settlement Since January, 1938

Resolution Calls for Wider Support of United Palestine Appeal to Create Wide Settlement Opportunities in Palestine

Detroit.—In view of the failure of many governments to lift immigration restrictions to open their doors to large sections of the 200,000 Jews in Austria who have been rendered homeless by the Nazi regime, the 41st annual convention of the Zionist Organization of America called upon Jews throughout the United States to summon all their resources for nationwide support of the United Palestine Appeal in order to create opportunities in Palestine for the absorption of tens of thousands of Jews of Germany, Austria, Poland and other lands who are now drifting homeless and desperate upon the highways of Europe.

The call for a supreme effort on the part of American Jewry to provide in Palestine a haven of refuge for Austrian Jews in the same proportion as German Jews, 50,000 of whom are now settled in Palestine, was sounded by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal the central agency for settlement and immigration in Palestine.

Reporting on the results of the United Palestine Appeal campaign since January 1, 1938, Dr. Silver announced that in the six months ending June 30, a total of $1,811,780.19 had been raised for the upbuilding of Palestine in campaigns conducted in more than 500 cities, towns and villages throughout the country. The United Palestine Appeal, which combines the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund, the two basic agencies for the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine, received contributions aggregating $1,611,602.32 during this period. An additional sum of $200,187.87 was raised by Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, for the settlement of German peal, the Jewish minority has no homeland."

"The strongest argument for the building of the national homeland for our people is to give it political status in the world, to equalize our political existence with that of all other peoples," he said. "We ask for no more, and no less."

Stressing the fact that a program of refugee emigration and settlement adopted by the International Conference called by President Roosevelt must rely upon the resources of private organizations, the Zionist Convention adopted a resolution declaring that American Jewry stands on the threshold of its greatest test of loyalty and self-sacrifice not only before the Jews in distress but before the entire world.

"The effectiveness with which any plan is to be executed will depend upon the generosity and concerted action of all branches of Jewry in this country," Dr. Silver said.

The resolution urging maximum support for the United Palestine Appeal as American Jewry's instrument for opening Palestine to large-scale immigration and settlement declared that "Palestine is universally recognized as the country which in the near future as in the past can absorb tens of thousands of Jews annually, assuring them of security, freedom, and of the permanent termination of their homelessness."

Widespread support of the United Palestine Appeal was described by the resolution as "the most effective and economic method of raising the great sums required to make possible immigration, colonization, land purchase and general development in Palestine on a scale required by the needs of homeless Jews."

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זיכערקייט און די נאָכלעסיגקייט פון דער מאנדאטאריישער רעגירונג, אויפֿצוהאלטען נעזונע און אָרדנונג אין לאנד, זיינען נעתאנגען איבער'ן ישוב ווי פֿאסאקסלעס עס שווערד און נעשטערט דעם עקאנאמישען פֿראגרעס פון דער מדינה.

דאָס, נישט נעקוקט, וואס דאס אוועקנעהענדיגע יאָהר איז נעווען אומנעהויער שווער אין פול מיט נסיונות, האבען דער אויסערנעוועהנליכער קוראוש, נלויבען, העלדישקייט און אייניקייט פון אונזערע שטאלצע פּיאָנערען, ממש וואונדער באוויזען. זיער מאראל איז הויך. זיי האבען זיך ניט איבערנעשראקען פאר טעראר און ווילדקייט. די בוי־ארבייט ווערט פֿאָרטנעזעצט; נייע קאלאניעס און פֿאַרבעסערטע פאר נייע קאלאניעס זיינען אונטערנעזוכט נעוואָרען. די דאזיגע אידען אין ארץ ישראל, וועלכע זיינען דער אויסדרוקספּאָלטער אוואנגארד פון אונזער פאלק, האבען מיט נעדולד און נאציאנאלען אחריות איבערנעטראגען די שווערינקייטען פון בוואונג און קאמף און נייבען וויכטיגען ביישפיל דער נאנצער אומה — א ביישפיל און אנזאג פון ענדליכען טריאומף.

זעהט דעם אויסערנעוועהנליכען פארטשריט, וואס דאס ארץ ישראל האט נעמאכט אין די לעצטע יאָהרען! אין וויינינער פון צווייי צענהנדליג יאָהר האבען איבער דריי הונדערט טויזענט אידען דאָרט נעפונגען זייער שטענדיגען מקום־מנוחה. אפילו טעראר האט נישט נעקענט אפּהאלטען די היסטאריש סטיכיע, די נאטירליכע אנטוויקלונג פון לאנד און די אויפלעבונג פון פאלק ישראל. נייע עולים קומען אריין, צווישען זיי הונדערטער קינדער פון דייטשלאנד, וואס זיינען אריינגעראטעוועט נעוואָרען פון ניהגום אין עסטרייך און דייטשלאנד. נייע שטרעקעם לאנד ווערען נעעפענט פאר די עולים — פאר קולטווירונג. דער ארץ ישראל עקספּארט האט זיך באדייטענד פארנרעסערט. פארבעסערונגען ווערען נעמאכט אויף אלע נעביטען פון דער אייסבוי און אויפלעבונגס־ארבייט.

אידען! אונזער אונטערנעמינג צוריקצובויען ארץ ישראל אין נישט קיין ארבייט אויף א יאָהר, אויף א יאָהרצעהנדליג, אדער אויף אן איינצינען דור. די אונטערנעהמינג טאר נישט אפּנעשאצט ווערען לויט באוונדערע מאמענטען. אויך קאן די ארבייט אין ארץ ישראל נים אפּנעשטעלט ווערען צוליב אומנינסטיג באדינונגען אין א נעוויסען מאמענט. מיר האבען דא צוטאן מיט א היסטאריישען אויפטהו, מיט א היסטאריישען פּראצעס, וואס מוז זיך ענטוויקלען בהדרגה. מיר בויען א רייזען פאלקס־בנין און מיר מוזען כסדר לייגען נאדן אויף נאדן, עטאוש אויף עטאוש.

אידישע קהלות איבער'ן נאנצע לאנד, וועלכע האבען נאר ניט ארנאנזירט זייערע אקציעס פאר דעם יוניי־טעד פּאלעסטיין אפּיל, מוזען עס תיכף ומיד טהאן. יענע, וועלכע האבען שוין נעהאט זייערע קאמפּיינס אין משך פון יאָהר, אבער זייער נעוויסען זאנט זיי אונטער, אז זיי האבען ניט ערפילט זייערע פּוליע אחריות, זיינען נעבעטען צו פאַרדובלען אין פארבעסערען זייער ביישטייער. אידישע יחידים, וועלכע מען קאן ניט דערריכען דורך ארנאניזאציעלער אונטערנעהמינג, דארפען אומבאדינגט באלד מאכען זייערע איניוידועלע ביישטייערונגען אויף א דיי דעקטען שטייגער.

לאמיר אלע האפען אוון בעטען, אז דאס נייע יאָהר זאל זיין בעסער פאר אונזער פאלק, ווי דאס אוועקנעהענדע חלואי זאלען מיר זיין די עדות פון א נייער גליקליכער צייט, וועו די שוואר־צע וואלקענס וועלען פארשווינדען פון איבער די לעבענס פון די, וועלכע נעניגען זיך איצט אין חורבן און טרויער, לאמיר האפען, אז דאס נייע יאָהר וועט ברענגען ארץ ישראל פרידען, ערלעזונג

נרעסערען פראנרעס און נרעסערע מענליכקייטען. אבער נערענקט, אז אן אייר, אן אונז ארעמען איז זעהר א סך נעווענדעט. מיט אייער אפּרוף קענט איהר פארזיכערען אן ענדערונג צום נוטען.

Dr. Silver was the principal speaker at the session, which dealt with the responsibility of American Jewry as the largest free Jewish community in the world enjoying equality and a measure of prosperity, in the urgent task of rescuing Jewish communities in Europe crushed by economic, political and religious persecution.

"Throughout the United States there is a sharp awareness of the central position which Palestine has come to hold in any program for the resettlement of the hundreds of thousands of Jews who are being uprooted from their homes in one of the greatest tragedies of Jewish history," Dr. Silver said.

"The plunging into homelessness of almost 200,000 Austrian Jews has directed more dramatic attention to the necessity of enlarging immigration opportunities in Palestine, particularly in view of the failure of many governments to lift immigration restrictions and of the action by other countries in closing even tighter the gates for the entry of refugees," Dr. Silver said.

In his address, Dr. Silver warned that the fate of the Jews of Germany and Austria hangs over Jewish communities in other parts of Europe.

He said that the upbuilding of Palestine is a cause on which all American Jewry can unite, regardless of local communal differences.

Expressing the hope that the Intergovernmental Conference will succeed in persuading Great Britain to open the doors of Palestine wide to homeless Jews, Dr. Silver recalled that the action of the nations of the world twenty years ago in pledging their co-operation for the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home must in the present crisis of European Jewry be paralleled by an equally generous and humanitarian action for the solution of the problems of the Jews of Germany and Austria.

"If, twenty years ago, the nations of the earth saw the justice and the wisdom of finally liquidating a 2000-year-old tragic and desperate situation—namely, the national homelessness of the Jewish people—how much greater is the need today for such a solution when the two

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RESOLUTION OF THANKS TO DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Adopted at the National Conference for Palestine of the United Palestine Appeal at the Mayflowe Hotel, Washington, D. C. on Sunday, January 15th, 1939.

The National Conference for Palestine expresses its gratitude to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal who, through his selfless dedication to the upbuilding of the Jewish National Home, has drawn to the support of the United Palestine Appeal new active forces throughout the United States.

This conference takes note, with great satisfaction, of the increased measure of support attained during the past year through the leadership of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and his associates.

MASARYK TO WORK FOR ZIONIST CAUSE

Former Czech Envoy, Speaking at Washington Conference, Cites Need for Homeland

PRAISES JEWISH SUCCESS

Rabbi Silver Assails Proposal for Settlements in Africa and in South America

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Jan Masaryk, former Czech Minister to London, came back today to Washington, where he entered diplomacy twenty years ago, and broadcast that he came "to speak for the Jews and to work for them," especially as regards Palestine.

He spoke under the auspices of the National Conference for Palestine, which opened a two-day session tonight at the Mayflower with 1,500 Jewish delegates from forty-four States assembled to study the plight of Jews in Germany and to plan how American Jews could best help these and other oppressed Jews to settle in Palestine.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, dismissed as a "cruel deception" the proposals for settling Jews in Africa and South America. He was supported by other speakers in holding that Palestine alone is prepared to receive large numbers of refugees. Palestine could take 100,000 in a year if the British would only let them in, Rabbi Silver said.

He and Rabbi Stephen Wise of New York, chairman of the executive committee of the appeal, who joined him in a symposium that was alos broadcast over the Columbia system, both denounced the German plan for permitting Jews to leave as a "ransom" scheme, and said American Jewry would have nothing to do with it.

Dangers Involved Cited

To Rabbi Silver this was "a blanket invitation to other countries with anti-Semitic leanings to mulct the Jews," and to Rabbi Wise it was a plan to send Jews from Germany as "pauperized salesmen of German-made goods," with the civilized world should prevent.

Mr. Masaryk, the chief speaker, said that to compare "the treatment allotted to our Germans by my father with the treatment which Henlein and Company are dishing out to the Jews and anti-totalitarian citizens of Sudetenland—it is as heaven compared to hell."

He found that the latest acts of terrorism in Palestine "dangerously resemble Mr. Henlein's activities before Munich," being supported by "mysterious—or not so mysterious—foreign quarters" that "wish to undermine democracy" there and "do not give a damn about the Arabs."

Mr. Masaryk wished to believe that Munich was a step toward peace but "so far not one thing has happened" to justify such optimism. "Quite the contrary," he went on, "Mr. Chamberlain is returning from Rome. Bringing what? I am wondering!"

Praises Czechs' Behavior

After saying that he sensed "great spiritual steps forward made in the United States" since the crisis, "maybe" because of it, and "thanking God" that "America's moral power stands very high today," Mr. Masaryk explained that he did not "come to ask for sympathy or consideration for Czecho-Slovakia."

The behavior of the Czechs in September had made him "forever proud to be" a Czech. The Czechs were "betrayed and their ideals were trampled under foot by the heavy totalitarian goose-stepping boots" but he had "no fear for my people's ultimate victory—if our civilization is to be saved."

"At this moment," he added, "it seems that my country does not need my services, but I am always ready to give a hand."

He then emphasized he had come to champion the Jewish cause, and gave this explanation:

"There are nearly 10,000,000 of my people—together—facing suffering and depredation, but they being united together, can endure and survive it and come out victorious in the end ¼ But the Jews, scattered all over the world—what chance have they to fight off the hatred and oppression which has driven them from their homes and dumped them on the highways of the world? The Jews are a small minority everywhere. And without tolerance and decent treatment of minorities, democracy cannot survive. There is no exception!

Praises Idea of Homeland

"When this last super-pogrom broke out in the land of Goethe, Heine, Bach and Handel, I realized that my place was with the Jewish brethren, and that the suffering of my people has made my cause your cause and your cause my cause. And here I am!

"And why do I who am not at all an expert in iZonism, stand here pleading the cause of Palestine? Because I am convinced that one of the most important pillars of hope in these dark hours is the idea of the national home: a homeland for defenceless people who for centuries were never masters of their own destiny."

Mr. Masaryk said that the Jewish success in making Palestine "a prosperous and cultured country has been astounding." He found Palestine "all-important as an example of the creative power of the Jew," and a "powerful refutation of the slanders and lies" spread about Jews.

Mr. Masaryk, the son of the late Czech President, has not been in the United States since he left twenty years ago. Rabbi Silver announced that one of Mr. Masaryk's last official acts as Minister had been to persuade his government to allow $2,500,000 to be transferred to Palestine for refugee settlement.

Rabbi Silver wanted assistance to Jewish emigration safeguarded so that European governments would realize that "it is impossible to evacuate 6,000,000 Jews."

"The overwhelmingly large number of Jews in Eastern and Central Europe will have to remain exactly where they are and their problem must ultimately be solved along

refugee problem in Germany and neighboring countries.

2—The need for providing systematic emigration of large numbers of German Jews who must leave the country.

3—A program for extending possibilities for mass immigration and settlement in Palestine where more than 50,000 German Jewish refugees have found a permanent home since 1933.

4—The plans of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees for facilitating the emigration of German Jews.

5—The union of American Jewish communal forces in a concerted program for all major phases of relief and rehabilitation work for refugees and settlement in Palestine.

Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, sent from London a message in which he said:

"All our energies must be mobilized for the strengthening of our position. We need land. We need money. We need supplies. And above all, we need men. That is why immigration now more than ever is the prime essential not only for the salvation of the persecuted but also for the maintenance of our position in Palestine."

Joseph Baratz, founder of Dagania, the oldest co-operative settlement in Palestine, told the meeting the possibilities that the country offered and concluded:

"The American Jews must be mobilized to help us make Palestine a Jewish homeland."

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100,000 JEWS' ENTRY IN PALESTINE URGED

United Palestine Appeal Calls on Britain to Admit That Many From Reich in 1939

JACKSON SUPPORTS MOVE

Sees Room for More Refugees Than Anywhere Else—Record Overseas Aid Fund Planned

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The United Palestine Appeal closed its conference here today by pressing for the admission to Palestine this year of twice as many Jews as the 50,000 admitted in the past two and a half years.

The 1,500 delegates from all over the country adopted a memorial to Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain urging, as of right under the mandate and even more because of "desperate" need, that the immigration restrictions "temporarily" imposed by the British Government after the Arab outbreaks began should be abolished.

"No serious program contemplating the solution of the refugee problem," the resolution said, "can hope for success without giving a primary place to Palestine, which has the physical resources, the social environment and the economic opportunities for the integration of 100,000 German Jewish refugees in Palestine in 1939."

Only by opening wide the doors to Palestine can a policy developing so rapidly as the "ruthless" Nazi one be met, the resolution added.

Timing of Move Noted

This move seems timed to influence the British Government in what Jewish circles describe as its present "hesitant" interlude between the breakdown of the partition and cantonization schemes and the opening of the talks the mandatory power plans to have next month separately with Arab and Jewish leaders in Palestine. It also is timed just before possible questioning of the British Government at the coming session of the League of Nations Council.

Support for the move was given by both the chief non-Jewish speakers the conference heard today, Robert H. Jackson, Solicitor General of the United States, and Jan Masaryk, former Czecho-Slovak Minister to London.

Mr. Jackson said that "whether rightly or not, many nations fear that their own economy and polity might be disrupted by extending a right of sanctuary," and "even our own Statue of Liberty no longer beckons the oppressed," but added "but in Palestine today there is room for more refugees than in any other country in the world."

Mr. Masaryk, after explaining that he had spoken recently to British colonial administrators, declared:

"The British are not always given to direct answers or to complete answers, but these people in the privacy of our conversation, when they did not feel that their words might be construed as promises or obligations, assured me that Palestine has room for many more Jews. One distinguished personality mentioned the figure of millions of Jews.

"And this can be done without jeopardizing any of the rights of the Arabs, without minimizing their opportunities either for economic success or national expansion."

Largest Fund Planned

The conference ratified plans for a unified campaign this year to raise the largest fund ever contributed by American Jewry for overseas needs. This will be called the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs and will represent not only the United Palestine Appeal but the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Coordinating Committee Fund.

It aims to provide for distressed Jews and refugees through Palestine settlement, European relief and rehabilitation and refugee adjustment in the United States.

Mr. Jackson's speech to the afternoon session was an inspirational, comforting address, in which he declared that "there will yet be help" if the Jews will but keep their courage and "spiritual integrity."

He told of the indebtedness of the United States to the Jews. The "predominant contribution of the Jew to American life is intellectual," he said, adding:

"In the law it is doubtful if the contributions of any man of our times may be measured against those of Mr. Justice Brandeis or the late Mr. Justice Cardozo.

"In what spirit will America make answer to the plight of the refugee Jew which is today's outstanding challenge to the Christian conscience?" Mr. Jackson asked. "I cannot deny that racial ill-will and intolerance exist in America, but I do deny that they are American."

"Any man who, in America, advocates oppression or disregard of the rights of any minority is entitled to the same intelligence rating as one who saws off the limb on which he is sitting," he added.

Quoting the Prophets, Mr. Jackson brought back to his hearers the vision of the day when the Jews "shall be safe in their land," and held that meanwhile "a terrible debt" is being written against the non-Jewish world and "it is the Gentile rather than the Jew who should seek deliverance."

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise of New York, national chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, urging all Jews to unite their forces, said:

"We cannot and we will not permit the misrepresentation of Jews by anti-Semites to go unanswered; persecution of our brethren by States driven to desperation through economic failure to go unchallenged; exile of our brethren by heartless and ruthless dictators to go unaided. We will not abate one iota of our faith in the religion and in the just cause of the men and women of Israel."

In the closing speech of the conference tonight David Ben Gurion, chairman of the executive committee of the Jewish agency in Palestine and one of the principal leaders who will represent the Jews in the coming talks in London, caused a deep impression by saying:

"When we go to London next month to meet the Arab and British representatives, we will not only meet them, but the shadow of Hitler, for the British know that behind the Arab Fuehrer is the big Mufti who sits in Berlin. When we go to London we face also our mot terrible enemy. He will not be there, but his menace will be.

"We do not underestimate the difficulties which will confront us in London, but just as we were not frightened by the agents of Hitler in Palestine, so we will not be frightened by his influence in London."

He brought an offer to the conference from Palestine Jewry to receive the 100,000 German Jews it wishes to send them in 1939.

Rabbi Silver Re-elected

The conference re-elected Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. He announced that Professor Albert Einstein had accepted the honorary chairmanship.

Other honorary chairmen named with him are Dr. Cyrus Adler of Philadelphia, Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York, Federal Judge Julian W. Mack of New York, Henry Monsky of Omaha, Neb.; United States Housing Administrator Nathan Straus, and Henrietta Szold of Jerusalem.

Dr. Silver's associates as co-chairmen are Dr. Stephen S. Wise of New York, Louis Lipsky of New York, Dr. Solomon Goldman, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Judge Morris Rothenberg of New York. Arthur N. Lamport of New York was named treasurer, and Abraham L. Liebovitz and Louis Rimsky, both of New York, associate treasurers.

Eight vice chairmen were chosen, including Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner of Cleveland, Leon Gellman of New York, Rabbi James G. Heller of Cincinnati, Rabbi Edward L. Israel of Baltimore, Judge William H. Lewis of Philadelphia, Elihu D. Stone of Boston, Joe Weingart of Houston, Texas, and Dav Wertheim of New York.

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● JEWISH AID—Demands that Jewish refugees be given aid in Palestine were made at Mayflower Hotel yesterday. (L. to r.) Robert M. Bernstein and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, of Cleveland.—Washington Herald Staff Photo.

AT THE CONFERENCE ON PALESTINE

Associated Press Photo.

Among the 1,500 Jews from forty-four States gathered at Washington to discuss Zionist problems are, shown left to right in this picture, Robert M. Bernstein, vice-chairman of the Allied Jewish Appeal of Philadelphia; Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, and Israel Goldstein, president of the Jewish National Fund.

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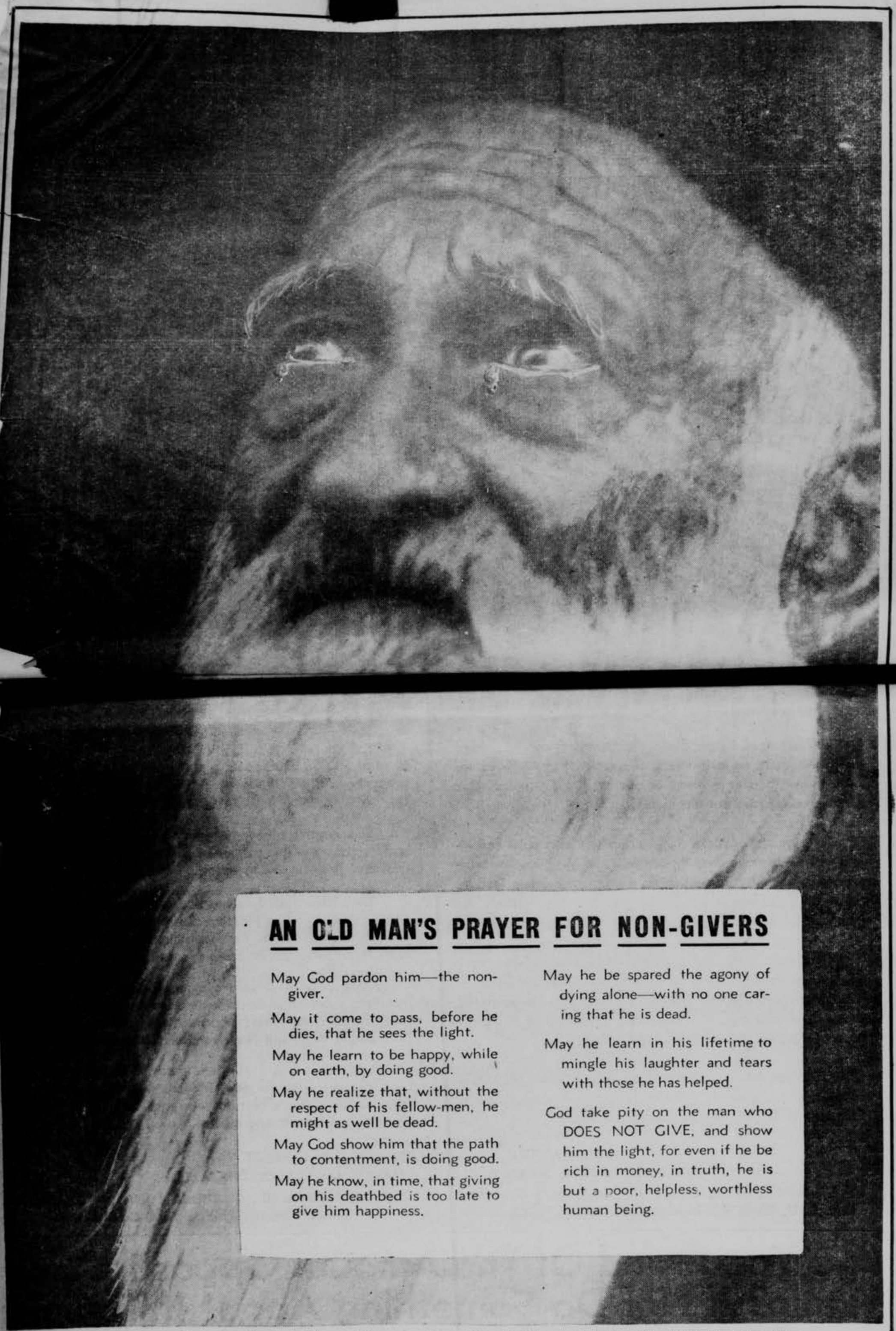

AN OLD MAN'S PRAYER FOR NON-GIVERS

May God pardon him—the non-giver.

May it come to pass, before he dies, that he sees the light.

May he learn to be happy, while on earth, by doing good.

May he realize that, without the respect of his fellow-men, he might as well be dead.

May God show him that the path to contentment, is doing good.

May he know, in time, that giving on his deathbed is too late to give him happiness.

May he be spared the agony of dying alone—with no one caring that he is dead.

May he learn in his lifetime to mingle his laughter and tears with those he has helped.

God take pity on the man who DOES NOT GIVE, and show him the light, for even if he be rich in money, in truth, he is but a poor, helpless, worthless human being.

This Prayer Also Applies To Those Who Do Not Give As Much As They Could Afford To Give

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WELCOME RABBI SILVER

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Birmingham Jewry Proudly Greets Its Distinguished Guest

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman Of The United Palestine Appeal, And Spiritual Leader Of The Ansel Road Temple In Cleveland, Is Recognized As One Of America's Leading Rabbis, An Outstanding Scholar, And Author Of Many Fine Books On Religious Subjects

Let's Welcome Rabbi Silver With A 50 Per Cent Increase

We are indeed fortunate to have Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver launch our 1939 Campaign, and tonight we should respond to the appeal he brings, with contributions at least fifty per cent larger than last year.

We must have a minimum of $40,000.00 if Birmingham Jewry is to take its place among the communities who have already recognized the desperate situation that now exists in Europe and elsewhere.

In behalf of the United Jewish Fund, the many organizations it represents, and the millions of Jewish men, women, and children, who need our help, I want to express my deepest gratitude for the support you have given us in the past, and the greatly increased support I hope and pray you will give us tonight.

Please let me add a few words of thanks and appreciation to Mervyn Sterne, Chairman of the Board of Directors in charge of the Budget Committee, Jack Weinberg, Past President, in charge of the Dinner Committee, Leo Kayser, Vice-President and General Chairman of the 1939 Campaign, his co-chairman, and all others who are volunteering their time, as well as money, to make the 1939 Campaign the greatest in the history of the United Jewish Fund.

WILLIAM P. ENGEL,
President,
United Jewish Fund.

P. S. Please let me urge you to read the message below, and every page of this newspaper furnished us free by The Birmingham Post.

But For the Grace of God...

Years ago your parents, grandparents or great-grandparents came to the United States. The reason for their emigration from the land of their birth was important to them, then.

For the millions of Jews that remained in Europe, the reason for their remaining was equally important. Very few of us here are in this country as a result of our own volition. Even those among us, who were born in Europe, came to America because our parents brought us.

Tonight you sit around a table with your friends, enjoying an excellent dinner in a beautiful banquet room. Soon you are to hear a brilliant leader of Israel speak.

For those Jews who chose to remain in Europe, this is not the same night. Some walk along the banks of the now "somber" blue Danube contemplating a quick exit from a futureless life. In Poland, others stand for hours in line before a soup kitchen. In all of Central Europe, parents pray that their children be taken from them and moved to a land where a "tomorrow" still exists.

Tonight you sit in judgment upon those fellow Jews whose parents or grandparents did not emigrate. Neither you nor they have chosen this relationship. Their fate rests with you. How will you decide it?

'No' To Them Means 'Yes' To Hitler!

A Storm Trooper Shows His Medals — **By Thomas**

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TO THE TOURIST

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Flays Hush-Hush Policy

Heywood Broun Routs Defeatist Attitude of Jews

Harold Ickes is a man who speaks his mind. In addition to being forthright he is shrewd in the ways of politics. And so I hope that those who heard him on Sunday at the dinner of the Cleveland Zionist Society will heed his wise words. Secretary Ickes discussed, among other things, the hush-hush policy which has been commended in some quarters as the part which Jewish leadership should play in the fight against anti-Semitism. He mentioned the fact that a certain number of prominent Jews have joined in giving counsel that those who suffer most should say the least.

It has never seemed to me that there could be utility in such a policy, and the argument for such a procedure was based upon a premise which is past. It was said that since anti-Semitism has been no more than a smoldering thing in America, it would be unwise to have those who oppose it fan sparks into flame. But while the opponents of this ugly thing have been bidding their time and guarding their words the proponents have brought it out into the open.

No Good Reason To Keep Silent

There is no good reason why any foe of anti-Semitism should continue to keep silent. According to the news report in The New York Herald Tribune the picketing of Radio Station WMCA on Sunday developed into an anti-Jewish demonstration. The reporter for that paper states that many groups among the marchers chanted "Do not patronize the Jews" or "Don't forget to do your Christmas shopping at Christian stores."

This certainly narrows the broad Atlantic and brings us within a stone's throw of Hitler's propaganda. I have been a newspaper man in New York City for more than 30 years, and to the best of my recollections this is the first occasion in all that time when Manhattan has ever known any such public demonstration of anti-Semitism. It proves that the policy of hush-hush simply hasn't worked.

Even now there may be those of good intent who say, "All right, but let the fight come from Gentile liberals, lest it be said, 'Of course, he would say that. He's Jewish'." But from the mere point of strategy alone that's no good, because whenever an "Aryan" becomes articulate as a leader in fighting against anti-Semitism the other side promptly says (and this is literal) that Roosevelt is really Rosenfeld and that Miss Dorothy Thompson's original name was Thomashevsky. It seems to me that the time has come for men and women of good will to stand together and mark among themselves no differences of race or creed or color.

The Fear Of Arousing Prejudice

"I have been dismayed," said Secretary Ickes, "to hear that the suggestion has come from Jews of wealth that the President should not consider for appointment to the Supreme Court one of the ablest and most outstanding legal statesmen of his generation because that appointment might arouse prejudice against their particular group. Money that is cowardly enough to do this is money that should be cast away."

"It Seems to Me" in The New York World-Telegram, a sister paper of The Birmingham Post.

In the December 23rd issue of The Jewish Examiner, published in Brooklyn, N. Y., there appeared the editorial below and the Broun article:

WHEN WILL WE AWAKEN?

For many years The Jewish Examiner has pleaded the point of view presented so aptly in Heywood Broun's article on this page, reprinted from The New York World-Telegram, (a Scripps-Howard Newspaper). The Jews of America have not yet awakened to the folly of remaining silent and inactive in the face of the rising tide of race-hate propaganda on these shores. This silence is interpreted by millions of credulous non-Jews as a confession of guilt.

The bold utterance of Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes quoted by Mr. Broun should give us pause. Even worse than silence is the counsel of cowardice urged by certain influential wiseacres within our own fold against the appointment of a Jew to the place of the late Benjamin Cardozo on the bench of the United States Supreme Court. Such advice carried to its logical conclusion, can only succeed in fixing a permanent status of inferiority upon the Jew. If we must choose between two adverse destinies, it were far better for us to become a persecuted than a degraded people.

But do our timorous counselors really believe that our cause would be helped if Jews stay out of public life? Is not one of the pet grievances against us the false charge that Jews do not serve the public weal and do not participate in the life of the nation? American Jewry is sleeping while anti-Semitic venom is spreading throughout the land. It is about time that we bestirred ourselves to a realization of the danger confronting us and the necessity of courageous and vigorous measures to meet the attacks of our traducers.

When a Paperhanger Reaches Too Far — **By Thomas**

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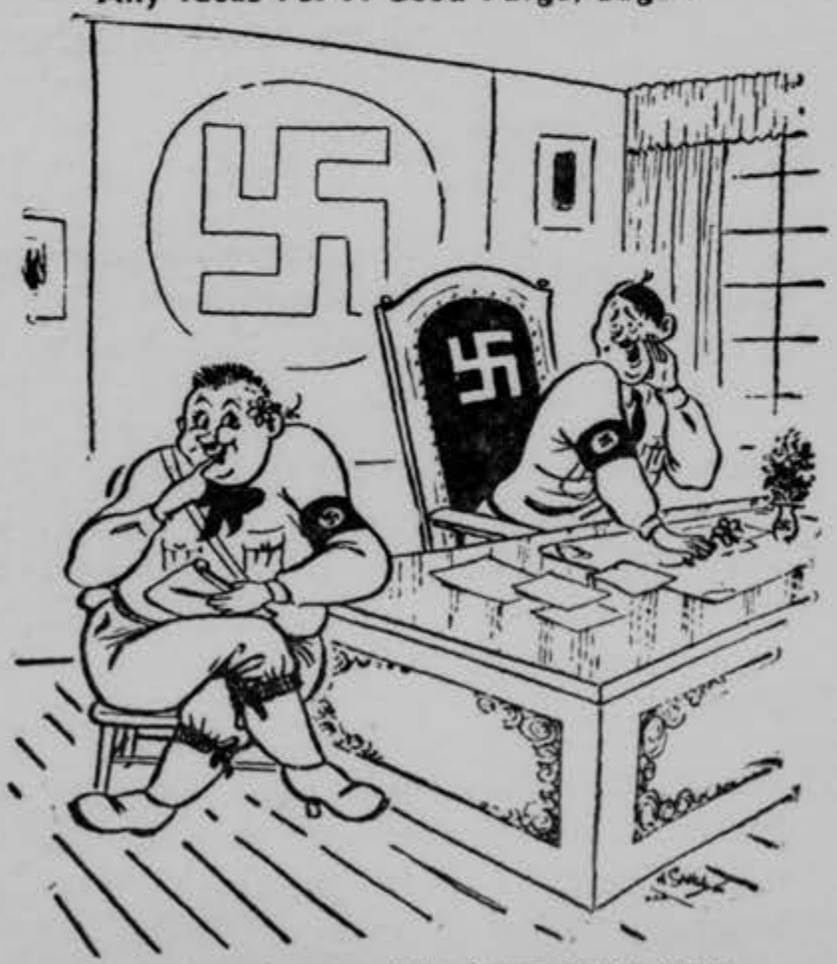
Any Ideas For A Good Purge, Sugar?



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You Must Help Answer Their Prayers

THE HARVEST

From The St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

"LET NO ONE IMAGINE AMERICA WILL ESCAPE"
—President Roosevelt.

From The St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Fair Enough

By
WESTBROOK PEGLER

Impossible To Argue With Nazi State Of Mind; It's Like Germ Of Some Foul Disease

In a recent issue of The Birmingham Post

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—It is no more possible to argue with the Nazi state of mind than with the germ of some foul disease. It must be considered as a Thing, no more capable of reason or decency than dirt.

Civilized human beings find it offensive even as a topic of discussion, but must discuss it because it is there, swollen and horrible to sight, smell and intelligence, right outside the window of the homes of the human race and beginning to spread disease.

In this vein, and not as an appeal to the non-existent reason of the Thing human beings must discuss its offensiveness and speculate on means of protecting themselves from its pervading stench and the dangers emanating from a rotting object in the street.

This Thing thinks that it is God and that all the creatures which crawl in it partake of godliness, while the members of the human race, being outside Nazidom, are vermin to be subdued, sickened and destroyed by the germs which it gives off. It has cal'ed this country a nation of gangsters and boasted of its discipline and then has ordered out mobs to murder, loot and burn, offering the excuse that the disciplined, non-gangster state was unable to control the rioters and maintain internal order.

This country has had a few isolated, spontaneous mishaps of the same kind in Chicago, Springfield and Atlanta, but with the difference that the Government in all such cases promptly leaped into the fight to quell the rioting and restore order.

This Nazi Thing for some time had been planning the final act in the debasement of the German nation; the reintroduction of human slavery in a country which once could make honest boast of its intelligence and civilization. **The assassination of one of its agents by a young hero in Paris was not the cause but the pretext.** If this had been an outburst of uncontrolable public indignation it would have happened three years ago, when another desperate victim of its tortures killed one of its agents in Switzerland. The indignation was well controlled that time, however, because the Nazi Thing was not yet ready to stage the act.

The Thing calls its victims all Communists in one breath and in the next speaks of them as greedy capitalists. It cries "Coward!" at an utterly desperate waif in the world who invited death to strike one blow, but sees bravery in the hounding and scourging of unarmed, helpless, hopeless, starving people by mobs operating without risk under the direction of its police and troops.

It cries "Gangsters!" at the American nation and pleads helplessness when mobs stone two cardinals in their homes, smash and loot and throw a priest out of a window to his death.

This Nazi Thing set adrift in a river a barge loaded with its victims and laughed uproariously as they were stoned from shore to shore, threatened with death by beating wherever they should land and with death by starvation and exposure if they didn't land.

It has made human beings prowl in a field on all fours, like beasts, to cut the grass by nibbling it with their teeth and has found humor in that. It has torn families apart and stoned them away in all directions, never to be reunited or know a day's peace again in this world, and forbidden fathers even to beseech, much less to work, for food, warmth or medicine for their children.

This Thing has infected the Italian nation **and has even exported its pestilence to this country through its bunds,** while from Germany it revile the very people whom the bunds are ordered to seduce. It has armed beyond any other power in the world and mobilized 1,500,000 men to crush an independent nation, but has denounced this country as a warmaker because the United States has decided to repace its defenses.

And yet, between the lines from Germany at the height of the terror, there were hidden away little hints that some of the German people remain human beings. Some were arrested, the dispatches said, for daring to express pity for the victims and alarm for German civilization. A German woman was beaten up for a murmured objection. So there is ground for hoping that if the force were removed the decent element by example, influence and law would lead the race back to civilization and bury the Thing in shame.

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"STOP! Show Me Your Permit To Pray"

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LEO KAYSER
General Chairman.

Jews Must Have Permit To Pray

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—The government decreed today that Jews must obtain special permits to pray in those synagogues which are still left in Germany. The permits must be renewed for every service.

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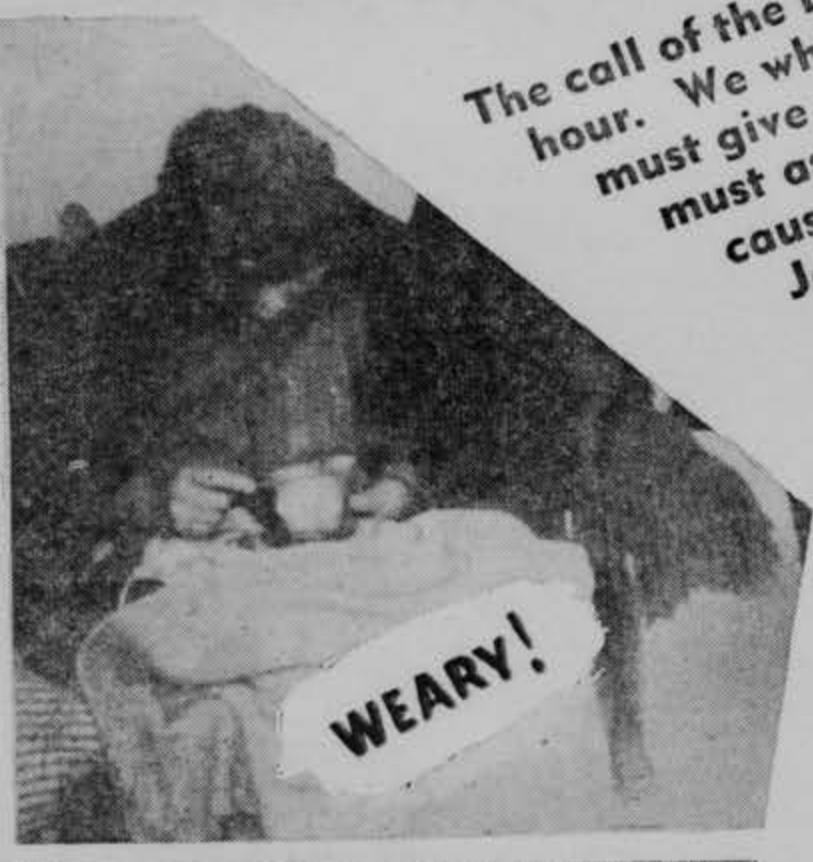

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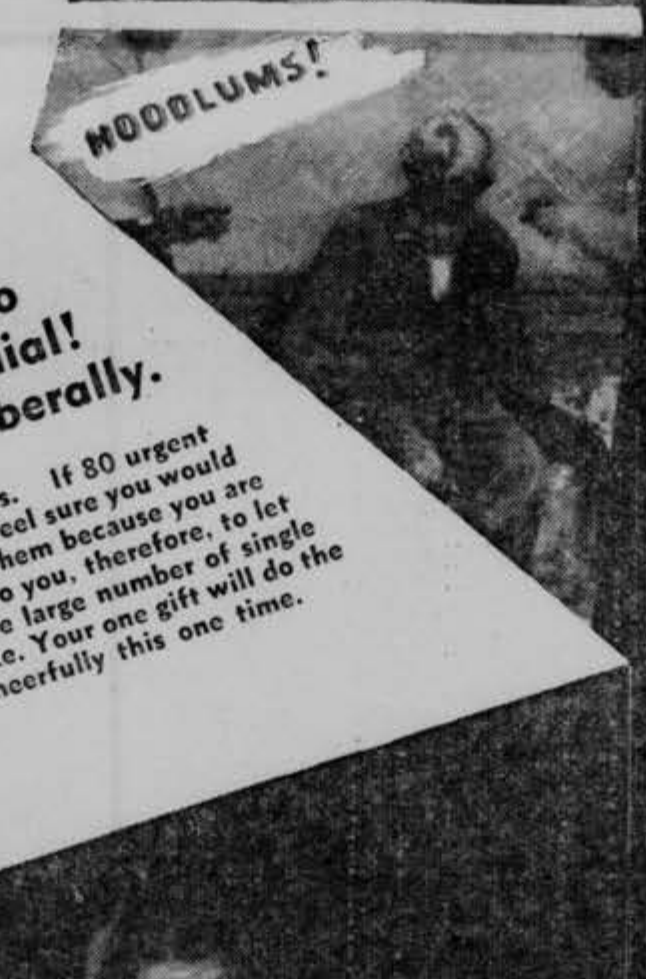

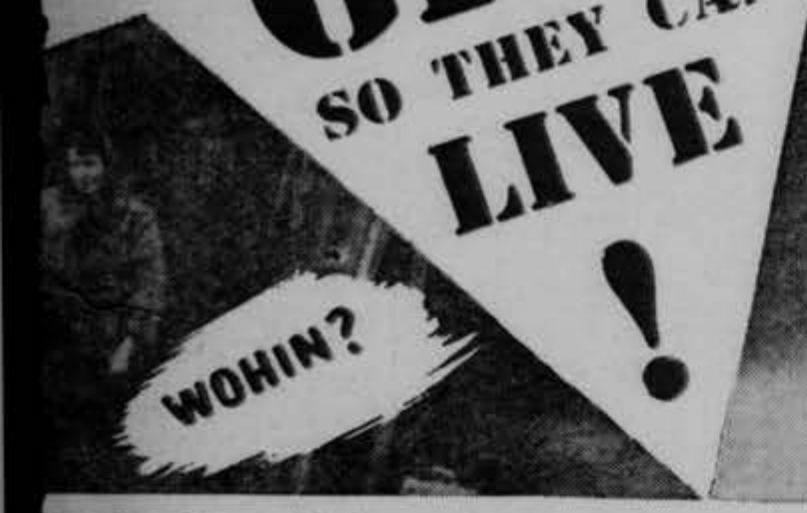

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instead of for the expenses of 80 campaigns. If 80 urgent Jewish causes knocked at your door—we feel sure you would contribute generously to the majority of them because you are a human being—and a Jew. We appeal to you, therefore, to let your one gift be commensurate with the large number of single contributions you would otherwise make. Your one gift will do the work of 80. So give liberally and cheerfully this one time.

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PLEASE NOTE

The amounts quoted are the total amounts paid by the contributor from November 1st, 1938, until January 1st, 1939.

Explanation

The 1938 Campaign, scheduled to begin at the end of October, 1938, was postponed until January, 1939, on account of the delayed Community Chest drive, so our contributors were asked to contribute for the months of November and December, at the same rate per month they had paid for the previous year, as the charities could not operate for the two months without funds. Many of the contributors cheerfully paid for these two months, so that was included with their total quoted here.

CONTRIBUTIONS OF $10.00 AND UNDER

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Hartman, Mrs. Sam
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$2,000,000 for REFUGEE WORK NEWS

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REACH $1,575,000; SET RECORD PACE

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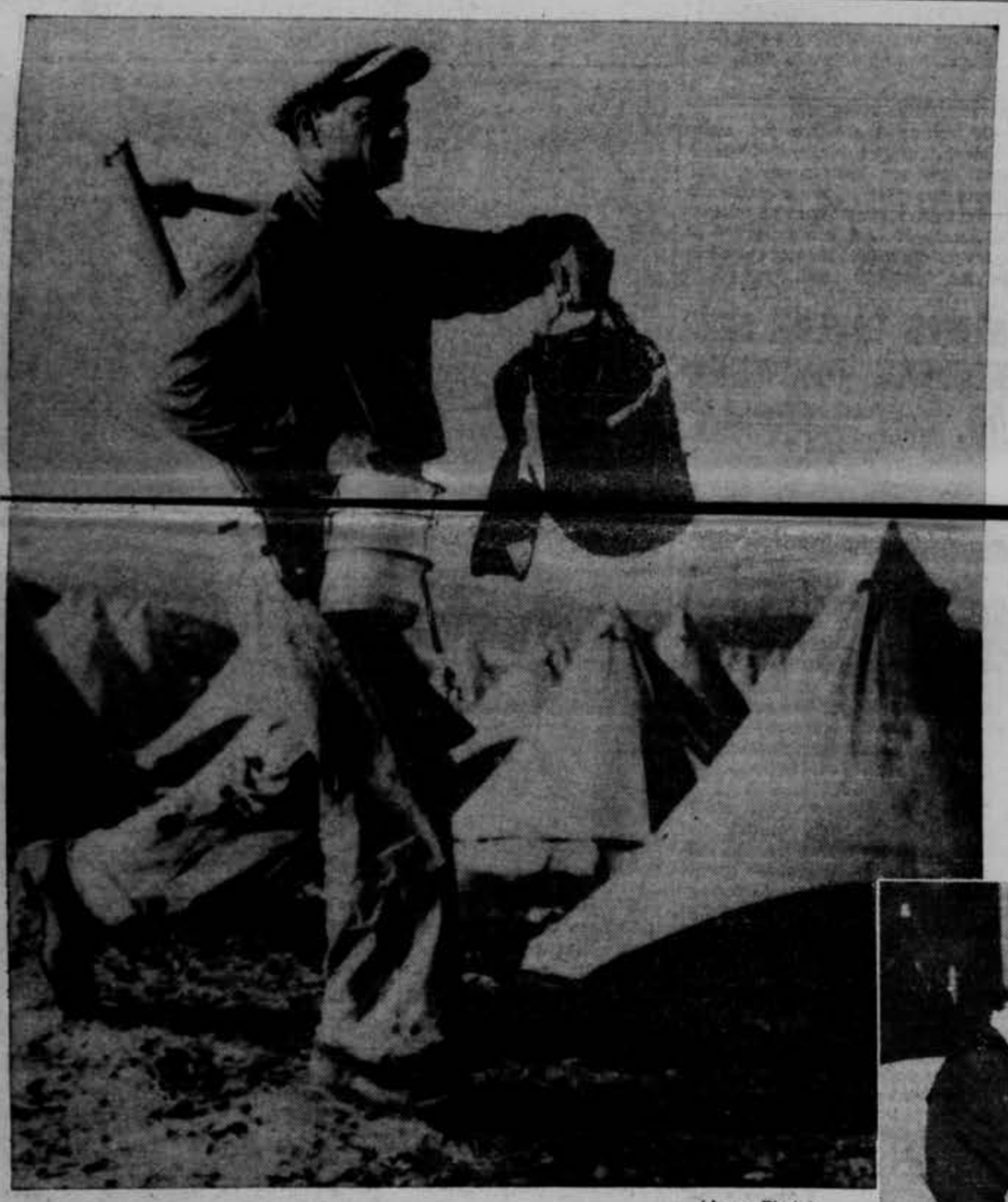

(Acme Photo)

Palestinian Pioneer

A rifle slung over one shoulder, and a farm implement on the other, a Jewish worker returns to camp after repairing the barbed wire fence which protects this settlement. Despite Arab attempts at terrorizing Jewish settlers, thousands of Jewish refugees have come to Palestine within the past few months and are helping to establish new—and permanent—communities.

Morning Prayers in Stable in "No Man's Land."

ZBONSZYN, POLAND—Summarily deported from Germany, over 6,000 Jews have been living in a "No Man's Land" on the Polish border. Taking up residence in a stable condemned as unfit for horses, members of the group occupy the vacated stalls. At a cost of $2,000 a day, the Joint Distribution Committee is doing what it can to ameliorate their plight.

(Acme Photo)

Trapped in Misery of War That Wasn't Fought.

NEAR LABEM-MELNIC, ALONG CZECHO-SLOVAKIA'S NEW FRONTIER—This is one of today's scenes of privation and misery endured by refugees. Photo shows a mother and her children taking temporary refuge—together with 1,500 others—in an abandoned schoolhouse along a highway. Temporary as well as more permanent refugee camps are maintained with American funds.

(Acme Photo)

Chicago Jewry In Unprecedented Response To Urgent Need!

No, Not Spanish Refugees—They're Pogrom Victims

MINSK-MAZOWIECI, POLAND—Emergency help brought to the Jews of this town after a pogrom and riots which destroyed the livelihood of almost every Jewish family here. Food was rushed by truck to these unfortunate victims, with the aid of Joint Distribution Committee funds.

JOHN GUNTHER TO ADDRESS WORKERS' RALLY FEBRUARY 6

John Gunther, famous newspaper correspondent, novelist and lecturer—who has the world as his assignment—will address the Third Luncheon and Rally for Workers in the Jewish Welfare Fund drive, on Monday, February 6, at 12:15 o'clock, in the ballroom of the Standard Club. This meeting is for men working in the various trades Divisions and admission is limited only to those who have received invitations. The subject of Mr. Gunther's address will be "Inside Europe Now."

Brilliant Author and Speaker.

Mr. Gunther has spent twelve years in Europe and the Near East as foreign correspondent for the Chicago Daily News. His work took him to every country on the continent; enabled him to meet the outstanding men in world affairs; and has given him a remarkable understanding of the political and social problems that beset Europe today. He is the author of four novels and of many articles that have appeared in the most important of our national periodicals. A brilliant, dynamic speaker, Mr. Gunther is also one of the best informed men on European events.

JOHN GUNTHER.

Reservations for this Luncheon must be made in advance.

$1,575,000 IN RECORD TIME IS PROMISE OF QUICK SUCCESS

Thousands of Devoted Volunteers at Work Throughout City to Raise $2,000,000 Fund

Setting a pace that has never before been equalled in Chicago in any drive for charitable funds, the Jewish Welfare Fund's $2,000,000 campaign has just completed the first month of its drive with an unprecedented total—$1,575,000!

Humanitarian Cause.

Because this $2,000,000 drive is [illegible] of practically every Jewish man, woman and child in the city, it can be spoken of only in superlative terms. There are thousands of volunteer workers—the largest number ever to participate in any Jewish campaign; and they are daily calling upon other thousands of our fellow Jews to acquaint them with the facts and to enable them to participate in this humanitarian cause. In addition to this army of individuals working through the various trades and professions divisions, there are hundreds of women's organizations, Synagogue and Temple Brotherhoods and Sisterhoods, Landsmanshaften, Workmen's Circle and Union groups, neighborhood clubs and societies, B'nai B'rith and Hadassah organizations, etc., etc., participating in this tremendously important campaign.

Hundreds of voluntary contributions have come into Campaign Headquarters—many sent in by non-Jews who have a deep sympathy and understanding of the need for these refugee funds. Workers, however, have been asked to solicit subscriptions only from Jewish men and women.

National Quota $20,000,000.

Jewry of the entire country is closely watching the progress of Chicago's campaign, for this city is the first in the United States to wage a united drive for funds which will be used only for refugee work both in this country and abroad. The sum that must be raised by the entire country is $20,000,000, and if Chicago succeeds in its efforts, then surely the entire amount will be raised. It is interesting to note here that the New York quota is $10,000,000.

One of the important results of this drive so far is the enlistment of many business firms in the solicitation of their Jewish employes. Heretofore, no such effort has ever been made. Firms have made available immediately the total sums of money subscribed by their employes, even though such individual contributions were to be paid in installments. This has enabled many people to make more generous contributions than they otherwise would have done.

Of course, there are yet many thousands of Jewish men and women who have not been reached. But before the close of the campaign it is the avowed purpose of all workers to see to it that everyone will be asked to contribute his and her share to this $2,000,000 fund.

MYRON TAYLOR SEES REFUGEE PROBLEM AS "NOT INSOLUBLE"

Writing to the United Palestine Appeal on "Refugees in Search of Shelter," the Hon. Myron C. Taylor, vice chairman of the Intergovernmental Committee on Political Refugees, states:

"The present situation has brought death to hundreds, disaster to hundreds of thousands, and fear to millions. Its repercussions have been acute and far-reaching. It has fanned the flames of hatred and added new fears and prejudices to a world already burdened with gigantic problems of unemployment, economic uncertainty and distress.

Private Aid Essential.

"The contributions which private organizations in this country and abroad have made to relieve the suffering of these unfortunate people run into tens of millions of dollars. The human kindness and generosity which have made these contributions possible is to me a real proof of human worth. During the next few years there will be great need for further generosity, but it cannot continue indefinitely. It must be used not merely to relieve suffering, but gradually to end the need. Every effort must be made to insure that this charity is productive, that every possible dollar goes toward making these involuntary emigrants self-supporting and wealth-producing members of their new communities.

Chaotic Flight Must End.

"Overwhelming as the problem now seems, it is not, it cannot be, insoluble. We are not thinking in terms of miracles, but of hard work and determination. Facing the basic fact that new homes and new lives must be found for these people—and no thinking person can for an instant believe that there is a possibility of changing the policies which are forcing these people from their former homeland—the problem is basically one of bringing order out of the present chaos. It is unthinkable that the emigration of these unwanted people from Germany cannot be accomplished in a more orderly and humane manner, and equally unthinkable that the rest of the world cannot absorb them in a manner which not only would not be injurious to the economic organization or racial composition of the countries of refuge but would actually be of benefit to them."

THE SHINING HOUR

—Acme-London Photo

HARWICH, ENGLAND—Refugee children from Germany, all separated from their parents, disembarking for the holiday camp at Dovercourt, where they are to be accommodated for two or three weeks before going to the homes of British families, or to America. Release from oppression, the bright prospects of a new home, and freedom, make this the "shining hour."

DESPITE THE STORM

Although the blizzard raged and brought snowdrifts ten feet high, look what it brought to the Jewish Welfare Fund's $2,000,000 drive! A thousand subscriptions! And the day had only just begun. Photo shows Misses Slyvia Mintz, Betty Itzcovitz, Adele Balasky, and Mary Sheck in the process of routing the subscriptions through for acknowledgement.

REFUGEES IN HOLLAND

WIERINGEN, HOLLAND—German Jewish refugees in a camp here are being taught farming, and especially dairying. This farm is located on the reclaimed Zuyder Zee, and maintained principally by American funds. After six to eight months here, the refugees can then go to Palestine, the Americas, or other lands, and settle down as farmers. This farm is one of many maintained in the friendly countries of Europe by the Joint Distribution Committee—an integral part of Chicago's Jewish Welfare Fund.

WOMEN'S DIVISION TOTAL NOW $244,437

"HELLO! MRS. FRANK SPEAKING"

On the job a dozen hours every day, Mrs. A. Richard Frank helps set the pace for the Women's Division host of office volunteers and field Workers. Possessed of boundless energy and enthusiasm, Mrs. Frank inspires all who meet and talk with her. Is it any wonder, then, that the Women's Division is setting such a remarkable pace when it has such leaders as Mrs. Irving S. Florsheim and Mrs. A. Richard Frank to serve as Co-chairmen?

IT'S ALL IN THE DAY'S WORK FOR THIS VOLUNTEER ARMY

In dozens of homes these days, fathers and children are being bowled over by the appearance at the breakfast table of mother, for the first time that any of them can remember. Not mother trailing a filmy negligee either, but all dressed, hatted and powdered; all set to go, in fact. Cooks are having a field day, being left with open orders to "have anything at all for dinner, I really haven't time to think about it."

For the explanation of this phenomenon, go to the offices of the Jewish Welfare Fund. By 9 o'clock every morning, the place is in a fever of activitiy that doesn't stop till 5:30 or 6, or even 10 p.m. There are rows of desks in the big outer office, all manned by these ladies, who are volunteering their time for the raising of money for the refugees. When the girls settle down to do some work, there's no half-way about it.

The beauteous Kitty Spiegel (Mrs. Sidney Spiegel, Jr., that is) with never a hair on end, or a shiny nose, directs all office volunteers. That means all the women who spend eight hours a day, at least, making telephone calls, writing letters, acknowledging receipts of donations, and the thousand other tedious routine details that must be done. Last week, Mrs. Spiegel put in so many eight-hour days herself, without stopping for lunch, that she was finally tied in bed for 48 hours by her frantic husband, who began to fear she would end in a sanatorium.

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Women's Clubs Throughout City Join in Big Welfare Fund Drive

The fame of the Women's Division under the leadership of Mrs. Irving S. Florsheim and Mrs. A. Richard Frank, Co-Chairmen, is spreading far and wide. From every part of the city—from women's organizations numbering their membership in the thousands, to the very small ones that have only a few members—representatives have come to share in the work of raising two millions of dollars for refugee work. Never before in all Chicago's history has there been such united and such wholehearted response to a call issued to every Jewish woman in Chicago.

Setting out just a few short weeks ago to reach a self-imposed quota of $250,000, the Women's Division is now only a few thousand dollars from that goal. Below is a list of the women's organizations which, up to now, have helped pile up this grand total. In the next issue of the NEWS we want to print a much longer list, for many organizations who are actively working in this Drive have not yet made their reports.

THE HONOR ROLL.

Aid All	$ 330
American Ladies Aid Society, West Side Branch	59
Anna Sara Aid	166
Benj. and Julius Cohen Heart Fund	77
Bertha Hirsch Club	128
Bialstoker Ladies Auxiliary Branch No. 541	20
Blind Service Association, Inc.	120
B. M. Z. Auxiliaries	
South Chicago Auxiliary	66
Women's Club	1,216
B'nai B'rith Groups—	
Adolph Kraus Lodge	4
Austin Auxiliary	379
North Shore Auxiliary	53
Ramah Auxiliary	217
South Side Auxiliary	19
Chicago Club for Crippled Children	142
Chicago Consumptive Relief Society; Abe Pearson Auxiliary	7
Chicago Division, National Home for Jewish Children	10
Chicago Junior Charity League	5
Chicago Ladies Gamiles Chasodim Society	22
Chicago Mothers of Young Judea Albany Park Branch	25
Chicago Philanthropic Club	125
Chicago Sisters of Charity	287
Chicago Volunteer League	1,011
Chicago Woman's Aid	18,104
The Cooperators	979
Deborah Woman's Club	1,153
Dora Frank Helping Hand	7
Dorothy Kahn Club for Crippled Children	377
Douglas Park Day and Night Nursery; Jennie Bernstein Aid	5
Emma S. Haskel Club	86
Fae Blank Gordon Aide	262
Freda Komaiko Stone Heart Fund	94
Free Sons of Israel—	
Daughters of Isaiah	39
Ruth Lodge No. 139	82
Frieda Friedman Aid	165
Gertrude Hodes Children's Aid	146
Chicago Chapter of Hadassah— All 10 branches working	1,704
Hias—All Branches— Hias Women's Club	24
Independent Sisters of Charity	35
Infant's Aid	401
Informal Sewing Club	10
Essie Werthamer Service Club	534
Jewish Big Sisters	914
Jewish Consumptive Relief, Juniors	251
Jewish Consumptive Relief Society	1,367
Juvenile Welfare Club	432
Ladies of Progress of Proskurov	9
Ladies New Light Charity Society	17
Lawndale Ladies Aid	139
Lawndale Aid, Juniors	18
Marks Nathan Jewish Orphan Home—	
Esther Clamage Auxiliary	282
North Shore Auxiliary	1,659
Star Auxiliary	311
Mount Sinai Hospital Service Club	671
National Council of Jewish Juniors	22
National Council of Jewish Women	2,144
Nine Cooperating Groups—	4,179
Home Club for Working Mothers with Children	
Infant Welfare, Kenwood Center	
Michael Reese Hospital, Women's Board	
Miriam-Josephine Club	
Mothers' Aid, Chicago Lying-In	
Mothers' Service Club, Chicago Maternity Center	
Scholarship Association	
Sunset Camp Service Legion	
Women's Auxiliary, J. P. I.	
American Federation of Ort, Jacob Spitzglass Chapter	127
Progribishter Ladies Auxiliary	12
P. T. A. Groups—	
Aetereth Zion Congregation	52
B. H. H. Talmud Torah	13
Resthaven, Inc.	
Resthaven Aid	5
Irving Korach Aid	161
Rose Protus Social Service Club	200
The Szoldians	25
United Order of True Sisters—	
Johanna Lodge No. 9	2,186
Lincoln Lodge No. 22	383
Sarah Greenebaum No. 139	864
Woman's Loan Association	57
SISTERHOODS—	
Anshe Emet Sisterhood	788
Austin Community Center	8
B'nai Israel Sisterhood of Austin	189
B'nai Zion Sisterhood	117
Chicago Sinai Temple Sisterhood	819
Isaiah Israel Sisterhood	622
K. A. M. Sisterhood	11,101
Oir Chodosh Sisterhood	10
Rodfei Zedek Sisterhood	195
Shaare Zedek (Logan Square) Sisterhood	53
Sisterhood of Temple Beth Israel	245
South Shore Temple Sisterhood	55
South Side Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood	22
Temple Emanuel Sisterhood	728
Temple Sholom Sisterhood	2,885
Washington Boulevard Temple Sisterhood	362
Women of Mizpah	32
Women of West Suburban Jewish Community Center	38
Women's League of the United Synagogue of America	15
Junior Division	227
North Shore Division	16,750
Shops	44
Special Gifts	30,301
Teachers	98
Youth Division	107
Unaffiliated Workers	2,937
Voluntary	22,135
Women Contributors Obtained Through Big Gifts Committee	106,310
Total Contributors	5,619
Total to Date	$241,437.00
QUOTA	$275,000

Every Man and Woman everywhere who values liberty and enlightenment, every man and woman who values the human spirit must do whatever can be done to thwart the advance of the menacing gloom of statism and racism. —*Robert Maynard Hutchins.*

ON SPECIAL GIFTS COMMITTEE

Mrs. A. K. Selz, whose picture appears above, and Mrs. Jack Benjamin are Co-chairmen of the Special Gifts Committee of the Women's Division. With forty other devoted workers, they have been hard at work for three weeks. Results to date $30,301!

An Early Morning Scene in the Women's Division. This is a busy corner of the Welfare Fund's Women's Division Office. Clockwise, beginning at left are: Mrs. Roy Friedman, Mrs. Ira Frank, Mrs. Leonard Spitzglass, Miss Betty Brenner, Mrs. N. Rosenstone, Mrs. Robert Eisendrath, Miss Amy Rosenberg, Mrs. Charles Gimbel, Mrs. Sidney Spiegel, Jr., Mrs. Robert Tigay and Miss Evelyn Grobstein.

ATTENTION!

Big Rally for All Women Workers

In The Jewish Welfare Fund

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2:00 P. M.

At the Standard Club — 320 Plymouth Court

Fine Program! *Reports!*

IT'S LIFE TO THEM! GIVE! THAT THEY MAY LIVE!

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

Shown as he made an impassioned and eloquent appeal to Workers attending the Luncheon and Rally at the Standard Club on January 24th. Rabbi Silver is Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, one of the important organizations which will share in the Jewish Welfare Fund.

"This is a challenge to us—t as we have never fought b How shall we save our brothe the ravages of a brutal vindictiv in all human history? The answ own hearts—*Today!*

"We cannot, we must not abandon our unfortunate fellow Jews in such terrible distress. We must make them feel that they are not alone; we must put our arms around them, feel for them, and weep with them. We must stretch forth a strong helping hand and bring them once again out of the land of bondage and despair, into a land of sunshine and hope.

"Inevitably, the prophetic tradition of Israel must emerge triumphant — the tradition of freedom, not enslavement; of democracy, not tyranny; of the inalienable rights of man; of peace, not war; of an admonition that 'nations shall beat their swords into ploughshares . . . "

—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

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More Refugee Children Arrive from Germany

Reaching London—and safety—several hundred children from Vienna arrived at Liverpool Street Station, London. With funds principally from England and America, these children will ultimately find homes with various families in the principal cities of these two countries. Those packs and bundles these small refugees hold are their complete possessions.

(Acme-London Photo)

Two of the Youngest Refugees

Being escorted from the London station by a policeman. Four hundred of the children who arrived recently at London are Jewish, and the remainder, 107, are "non-Aryan" Catholics and Protestants, or the children of anti-Nazis. For refugee work in Chicago, to care for the German Jewish children who are already here as well as those who are to come this year, and to aid in the rehabilitation of refugee families and individuals—to find jobs for them, to aid in their retraining, or their resettlement in other communities near Chicago, etc.—the Jewish Welfare fund will expend about $100,000 in 1939.

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A favorite trick was for a group of Nazis to force one of the persecuted to scrub walls or the city streets. The man in photo above is being forced to take a brush to scrub the street. When a victim resisted them, Storm Troopers made him get into a cart and another victim forced to push him through the streets as objects of derision.

(Wide World Photo)

e in Germany Today

cent wave of attacks on the Jews in the Third Reich, not only were Jewish shops raided , but individuals known to be Jewish or anti-Nazi were accosted in the streets and sub- of basest humiliation. Members of the Nazi party frequently made pictures of these which they sold in shops as souvenirs or gave to their friends. Although such pictures ered confiscated and destroyed, these pictures were secretly taken out of Germany. They w York Sunday morning and rushed by plane to Chicago.

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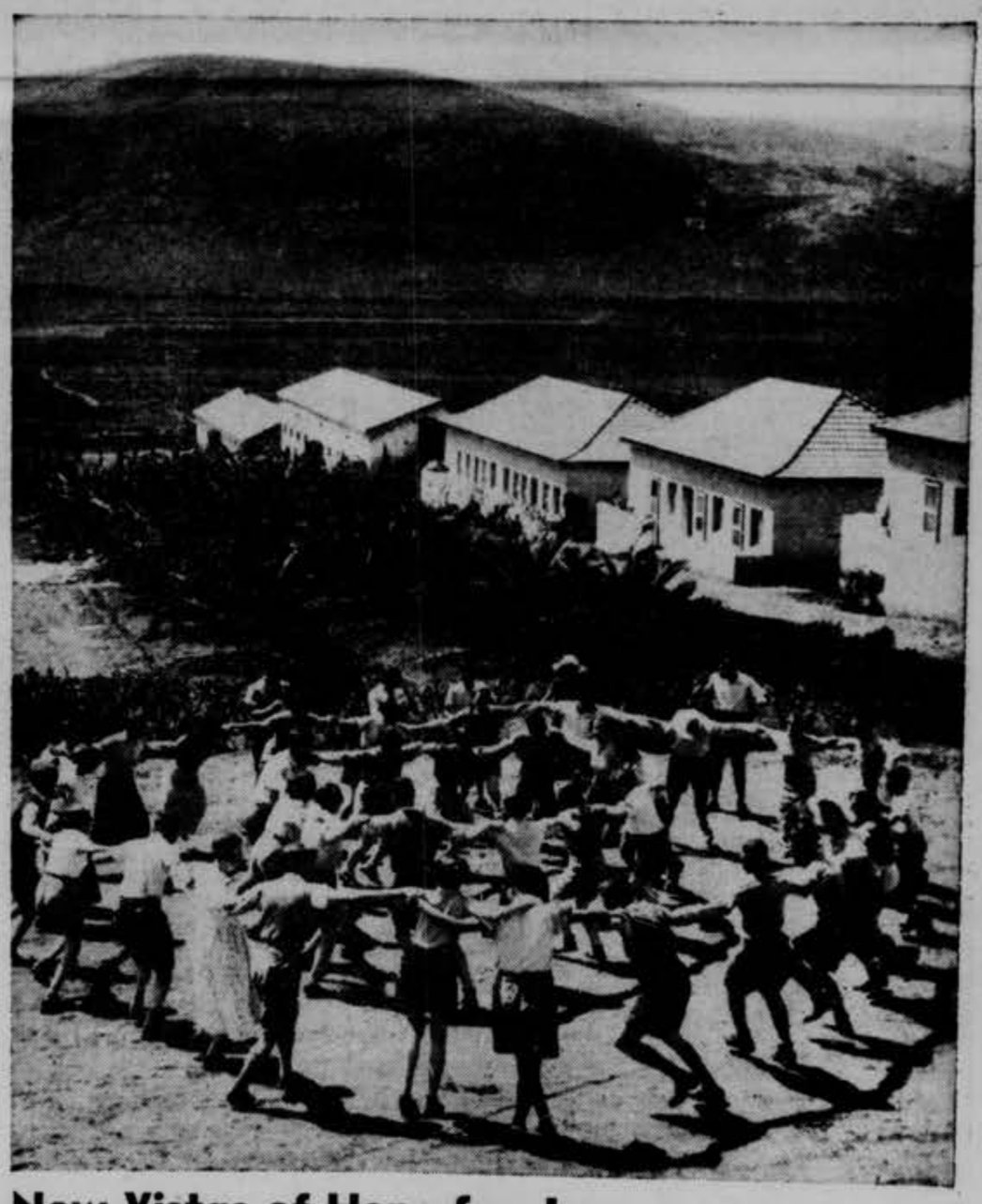
Europe's Jews

The market place, Lodz, Poland. Jews driven from the land and boycotted out of their small businesses are forced to eke out a meager existence in the market places. Now, more and more frequently, even these places are being closed to them. If it were not for the aid of the Joint Distribution Committee, through American funds such as are now being raised in Chicago, thousands of men, women and children in Poland, Rumania, Hungary, Lithuania, etc., would starve.



New Vistas of Hope for Jews

Despite Arab disorders, peace and tranquility of life on the soil of Palestine are the backbone of 450,000 Jewish souls who have reclaimed and rebuilt the ancient Jewish homeland in the short space of two decades. Above are Jewish school children, most of whom have come, with their parents, only recently from Europe. This is one of several hundred colonies founded by the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund, the two agencies which are joined in the United Palestine Appeal. The United Palestine Appeal, in turn, is an important part of the Jewish Welfare Fund's $2,000,000 drive.

Palestine Absorbs Over Half of All Jewish Refugees During Last Five Years

Now Taking Them In At Rate of 3,000 a Month

In his address to the Workers of the Jewish Welfare Fund, on January 24, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver pointed to the fact that in the last five years, Palestine has taken care of over half of all the Jewish world immigration. "And if Britain would open wide the gates of the Jewish national homeland," he said, "Palestine is ready and willing and capable of absorbing a hundred thousand more refugees immediately and tens of thousands annually hereafter."

Rabbi Silver is National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, the only authorized agency of American Jewry to finance the Jewish national reconstruction program in Palestine. The United Palestine Appeal is the only agency through which all sections of American Jewry, Zionist and non-Zionist, raise funds for both the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund.

These organizations, operating in Palestine, purchase and develop the land on which Jewish settlements are founded; direct Jewish immigration on a systematic basis; finances the establishment of settlements, which involves the building of homes, barracks, barns; the provision of livestock and implements; assists immigrants upon their arrival in Palestine until places are found for them in agricultural or urban centers; and generally promotes every enterprise in agriculture, commerce, trade and industry which will tend to give employment and enlarge the capacity of Palestine to absorb additional immigration.

Twenty years ago, when the Jewish National Home policy was implemented, there were 44 Jewish agricultural settlements in Palestine with a rural population of only 15,000. At present there are 230 colonies with an agricultural population of 100,000, constituting nearly one-fourth of the total population.

In Chicago, it is the Jewish Welfare Fund that gives financial support to the United Palestine Appeal—this year through the $2,000,000 now being raised.

APPEAL TO KILL ANTI-JEWISH BILL CITES LATE REPORT

BUDAPEST, FEB. 1. (JTA) — A memorandum appealing for rejection of the bill curbing participation of Jews in the nation's economic and cultural life was submitted jointly today by the orthodox and progressive Jewish community unions.

The memorandum quotes a report of the Hungarian Foreign Ministry to the Trianon Peace Conference which declared: "It must be recognized that the Hungarian Jews have been assimilated into the Hungarian national soul and that from a racial viewpoint they can no longer be regarded as Jews but as Hungarians."

"No law," the memorandum asserts, "can deprive Hungarian Jewry of their fatherland. Even where they have to make virgin forests arable and drain swamps they will remain Hungarians."

QUARTER MILLION EASY FOR 'EM

At left is Leo Abrams, Advertising Director of the Chicago Times and Co-Chairman with Paul Kuhn of the Advertising Division; and at right, Bill Hollander, V. P. of B. & K., one of the hardest workers in the Amusement Division. The quotas of these two divisions alone total $230,000! Bill is telling Leo what a cinch it will be to raise that sum.

ON THE FIRING LINE

By a "Sub"-Chaser

Going up and down along the Firing Line we find hundreds of men and women who are deserving of highest praise for their unselfish efforts for the Jewish Welfare Fund's $2,000,000 Drive.

Among those who are outstanding in their work are: **Paul Kuhn** and **Leo Abrams**, co-chairmen of the Advertising Division, who are leading their able staff on and working hard to push their "copy" above their quota. In addition, Paul is devoting a great deal of time at headquarters in connection with his job as chairman of publicity. . . . What? A Triple Feature? Yep, that's what we find in the Amusement Division with co-chairmen **John Balaban** and **Jack Kirsch** aided and abetted by **Sid Spiegel, Jr.** Voluntarily these three filmsters doubled their quota and had it raised from $50,000 to $100,000 and have almost 90 per cent of that 100 grand in the till. Jack alone has brought in 200 subscriptions and John, 128 subscriptions. In addition to Sid Spiegel's work, his charming wife daily reports to headquarters for work in the Women's Division. . . .

Did you hear that excitement on Plymouth Court last Saturday afternoon? It wasn't a riot, merely the 275 members of the Wholesale Women's Wear Division holding their first organization meeting under the inspiring leadership of Messrs. **I. Doctor** and **Abraham Heller.** Every group in that industry was represented including 55 delegates from the garment workers unions. Before the meeting was over the $26,000 quota was passed and they decided to double that figure. . . .

As usual **Louis Dworkin** is doing a swell job with the Bakers' Division. He built up that field from nothing to a substantial division last year and is repeating this year with 68 subscriptions secured personally. They probably are over their quota by now. . . . Our good friend **Mike Lanahan,** king of Auto Row, is chairman of the Automobiles and Automobile Accessories Division. There will be an organization meeting of all the men in this industry Thursday and from then on it will be "Excuse our dust" as the division shifts into high. . . . It is no surprise that the Building Trades Division under the inspirational leadership of **"Brosh" Epstein** "went over" its quota at the first report meeting. All of the men in that division deserve a great deal of credit and work together like a unit. We cannot fail to mention the tireless efforts of **Ed Eichenbaum, Tom Litvin** and **George Bernstein,** for this group. They're "old timers" and always can be counted upon to help. One of these days, we'll present them with a hand painted girder. . . . Don't let anybody tell you that the clothing men need overcoats to warm up to a job these cold, wintry days. Under the leadership of **Herbert Klee** they have been doing a nice piece of work and without any fanfare have gone over their $100,000 quota, but are going ahead with their work. . . .

Boy, oh, boy! did those coal men get hot! **Sidney Kline** of the Royal Fuel Co. (adv.) called a meeting of his fellow clinker dispensers and had the largest gathering of coal men ever held in this city for philanthropic purposes. Sid's youthful enthusiasm just burned up the boys. They'll go over the top with steam blowing despite the absence of the ice men (also in this division) all of whom are taking their winter vacations. . . . Communication's Division under **Sam Laud** is traveling right along.

Be sure and pay your dentst that bill you owe him. **Dr. Lester Kaplin** got a late start, but says he'll crown his division's efforts with success and bridge the gap which resulted from their late start. . . . **Dr. Leon Bloch** has examined the physicians and diagnosed their case. He says that with the proper treatment taken daily they will recover and feel much better as soon as their quota is reached, which will not be long. . . . **Nate Hirschfield** and **Max Stine** are doing a marvelous job in the Drugs Division. Already they have exceeded their quota by 25%. Some very substantial subscriptions have been obtained as well as the building up of an organization which will cover all the smaller drug stores, too. The co-chairmen are fortunate in having an excellent committee, which follows the pace set by the Smith Bros. . . .

E'y Aaron, who has taken a leave of absence from the law, according to his brother, **Charles,** has done a splendid piece of work in organizing rapidly what in number and quota is the largest of all the divisions. . . . **General Robert E. Wood,** chairman of the board of Sears, is doing a splendid job in his division and the quota figure soon will be cracked. He is assisted by **Eugene Adler,** who is in charge of subscriptions at Sears, and **E. P. Goldsmith,** who is doing a swell job at Spiegel's.

A spring straw violet to **Ralph Klemperer,** husky-voiced chairman of the Millinery division. Voluntarily this group increased its quota from $10,000 to $12,500 and according to confidential sources already has exceeded the second figure. . . . **Barney Fried,** heading the Men's Furnishing Division is the most envied chairman in the drive. Competent authority informs us that **Miss Dora Halperin,** one of his workers, is the prettiest worker in all the trades divisions. . . .

The way that Mortgage and Real Estate Division has been bringing in those subscriptions (they are 10% over their quota now) you can see that the experience in collecting past-due rents has been valuable. Handsom **Edgar Bibas** cracks the whip over this (sub)division. . . . The Paper Box Twins, **Michael** and **Joe Gidwitz,** so far have succeeded in getting the most remarkable increases to the fund. It's their persuasive powers, we

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HOLLEB ENLISTS MR. O'REILLY

Some day we're going to write a little saga about Nat Holleb (that second handsome fellow from the left) and the time and effort he puts forth in getting the food purveyors into the campaign as workers and as contributors. Here he has just introduced Gene O'Reilly (left) to Herb Lautmann, president of the Jewish Welfare Fund, and to Harry Jacobson and Dave Druckerman (right). Or perhaps our next campaign should be "Eat More Groceries."

STYLE CREATORS SET FASHION

Here we have two of the ablest men in the Women's Wear manufacturing field, Messrs. I. Doctor and Abraham Heller, President and Secretary of the Style Creators of Chicago, as they were sitting at the Speakers' Table last Saturday when almost three hundred men and women from this industry met.

THRU RAIN AND SNOW NINETY SPEAKERS GO

Ninety men and women cheerfully leave their duties during the day and evening to speak on behalf of the Jewish Welfare Fund. No matter how inclement the weather, nor how short the notice, nor how great the distance, these leaders continue to form a channel between the actual campaign and the innumerable Jewish organizations of Chicago.

In addition to the four or five meetings that are covered every day in the week, over ten pulpits have been ocupied by guest speakers during the course of the past several weeks.

The unselfish energy with which the speakers devote themselves to the task of uniting our community in a common effort plays no small part in awakening the generous response of Chicago Jewry to the need of refugee aid. Mrs. Avis C. Shulman heads the Speaker's Bureau—among the many other things that she does for the Welfare Fund, what with her work in the Sunday schools, etc.

GIVE! THAT THEY MAY LIVE!

Women's Wear Foursome—**These four are some of the dozens of men and women in the Women's Wear Division who are giving moral, physical and financial support to Messrs. Weinstock and Heller. In picture above, from left to right, they are: I. Resnikoff of the Well-Made Novelty Company; Miss R. Eisenstat, International Ladies' Garment Workers Union; B. Hirsch, Dress Contractors' Association, and I. E. Rubovitz, the impartial chairman of the dress industry of Chicago.**

Workers Invited to Community Council Annual Meeting

All Jewish Welfare Fund workers are invited to attend the sixth annual meeting of the Community Council of the Jewish Charities of Chicago to be held in the Standard club on Wednesday evening, Feb. 8, at 8 o'clock.

Mme. Irene Harand, famous Vienese Catholic refugee, who was forced to flee when Nazi troops entered her beloved home city, will tell of her fight against Naziism in Austria and how she tried to arouse her fellow Christians to realization of the approaching dangers to religion, democracy and freedom. Undaunted, she now is carrying on her fight in the United States.

The second speaker at this meeting will be Dr. Ernst Wilhelm Meyer, former German diplomat, who resigned as first secretary of the German embassy in Washington as a protest against the tactics of the Nazi government. Dr. Meyer is an authority on the world trend toward Facism and also on the refugee problem.

Dr. S. S. Hollender heads the slate of new officers who will be elected at the meeting.

Admission will be by ticket only. Tickets may be obtained by making application to Miss Augusta Shapiro at the office of the Jewish charities, Central 8030.

THE DAY'S WORK

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(Doesn't Kitty know there's a law against that sort of thing?)

All the filing and cross-filing of pledge cards, lists of organizations, individuals, etc., is in the competent hands of Miss Louise Lehman and a group of indefatigible assistants. Miss Lehman's business experience has made her a humdinger at this sort of thing and so far, her job has been a dream of perfection. If you know what a grim, tiring job filing is, you needn't be told that it is literally a pain in the neck. In fact, Miss Lehman and her helpers are all in the hands of chiropractors, and spend evenings getting the kinks removed from their spinal columns so they can begin again next morning.

Many of the volunteers, when finally torn from their desks, take work home with them. Several husbands happily observed that the way to secure quiet evenings at home was to have your wife work for the Welfare Fund. And believe it or not, Fannie Drubeck, with a corps of girls who work at their own jobs daytimes, spend many evening hours giving invaluable assistance to the clerical staff.

The motto of the Women's Division might well be, "TWICE AROUND THE CLOCK EVERY DAY."

GIVE! THAT THEY MAY LIVE!

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are told. Although given a steep quota, they'll come through. . . . Going over the top is just another indication of the thorough job which **Maurice Taradash** has done in the Refrigeration and Electrical Division. . . . Flash! . . . **Arthur S. Kahn** is a late starter and just has accepted the chairmanship of the Women's Wear division. . . . Watch him sally forth and make the frocks fly. . . .

Again, like last year, **Nat Holleb** of the Food Division has turned in one of the largest individual number of subscriptions (183) to date. Be sure and make them big ones, Nat! . . . **Fred Ronsley**, the florist who says it with a smile, has obtained the services of two non-Jewish friends, George [illegible] to help raise his division from a bud to a [illegible]. **Harry Lieberman**, the energy expert, together with **Ted Chanock** and **William Markoff**, the lamp-lighters, just have started getting the Furniture division under way. They ought to break that quota to pieces following the highly successful furniture shows here last week. . . . Another division just organized is Furs. Under the sterling leadership of **Barney Novak** with **Sid Engler** and **Irving Morris**, the quota should be approached soon and probably over by the next report rally. . . . With **Ben Alpert** out of town, **Ben Kissel** has parked himself on the job and is organizing what probably will be the best group ever to represent the Garages Division. . . . **Hamilton Loeb**, Inc., has turned out a finished product when it comes to the general insurance people. His division has raised 95% of its quota and will be over by the next report rally. He originated the idea of calling all potential subscribers together at a mass meeting in the Underwriters Auditorium. It worked, too. . . .

Louis Behr got the Life Insurance Division speedily organized. It was a matter of life and death with those fellows and they didn't want any accidents to happen to slow up their work. . . . Members of the entire Investment Securities and Brokers Division have been working as a smooth unit in covering their prospects thoroughly and rapidly and as a result are approaching their quota. . . . **Hyman Heyman** is doing an excellent job in the Market-Franklin District. Not only has he men working in his district but he called a meeting of retail dry goods men from all the outlying sections of the city. He is assisted in this by **Charles Schneider**. . . . **Ellard Pfaelzer** and **Seymour Oppenheimer** are rounding up the cowboys in the Stockyards division and report they will have roped in their quota probably by the next report meeting. . . .

Louis Cohn and **Cy Rossett** are hanging the Wallpaper and Paint Division close to their quota. In fact it is rumored that when **James Davis**, an old-timer in communal work, turns over what he has in his pocket, they'll go over the top. Better get that roll of paper from him, boys. . . . And just before we sign off for the day, we want to tell you about **Louis M. Katz** and the $12,000 he raised for Miss Celaneous.

More Next Time.

WORKERS!

In Chicago's $2,000,000 Refugee Fund Drive

(Trades & Professions Divisions Only)

Be Sure to Make *Advance* Reservation for Big Rally

MONDAY FEBRUARY 6TH

Standard Club, 12:15 P. M.

SPEAKER

JOHN GUNTHER

"Inside Europe Now!"

Please Note: The Women's Division will have a separate meeting for Women Workers on Feb. 8th

1939 Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign

STANDING OF ALL DIVISIONS

As of 9 p.m., Jan. 31st, 1939 (Includes Duplicate Credits)

DIVISION	CHAIRMEN	QUOTA	TOTAL Toward Quota
Accountants	H. L. Oppenheimer	$ 7,000	$ 4,307
Advertising	Leo Abrams Paul R. Kuhn	120,000	103,424
Amusements	Leo Spitz—John Balaban Jack Kirsch Sidney Spiegel, Jr.	100,000	89,730
Automobiles and Automobile Accessories	Michael Lanahan	25,000	18,154
Bakers	Louis Dworkin	15,000	14,384
Banks	Walter M. Heymann	10,000	10,390
Beverages	Louis Weiss	60,000	41,100
Building Trades	A. Epstein	40,000	41,400
Chemicals	Joseph J. Tumpeer	25,000	22,430
Clothing	Herbert A. Klee	100,000	40,090
Coal and Ice	Sidney Klein	5,000	2,555
Communications	Sam Laud	75,000	66,257
Dentists	Dr. Lester Kaplin	5,000	1,326
Department Stores	David Mayer, Jr.	75,000	55,314
Doctors	Leon Block	20,000	17,949
Drugs	N. Hirschfield M. Stine	10,000	13,576
Finance	Walter E. Heller	50,000	41,101
Florists	Fred Ronsley	3,000	769
Foods	Nathan Holleb	50,000	32,767
Furniture	Harry L. Lieberman Theodore Chanock	30,000	23,488
Furs	Barney Novak—S. Engler	20,000	18,266
Garages	Ben Alpert—Ben Kissell	3,000	510
Graphic Arts	Alfred Geiger Maurice Sokolec	25,000	11,504
Insurance—General	Hamilton M. Loeb	10,000	9,692
Insurance—Life	Louis Behr	20,000	10,840
Investment Securities	Robert C. Shaffner Morton D. Cahn Henry I. Monheimer Robert Adler Frederik Straus	115,000	100,794
Jewelry	Frederick Gottlieb William G. Swartchild	18,000	12,333
Laundry	Hyman Wine	10,000	5,600
Lawyers	Ely Aaron	125,000	89,146
Leather	Edwin W. Eisendrath	15,000	11,370
Lingerie, Etc.	David Blair	10,000	9,239
Mail Order	General Robt. E. Wood	60,000	45,400
Market-Franklin	H. D. Heyman Charles Schneider	10,000	5,081
Merchandise Mart	H. Rosenheim	5,000	2,944
Men's Furnishings	B. Fried	5,000	2,315
Metals	A. J. Clonick W. Bregman	100,000	78,821
Millinery	Ralph Klemperer	12,500	10,408
Miscellaneous	Ludwig Stein	63,500	57,806
Mortgages & Real Estate	Edgar Bibas	20,000	23,981
Paper	William Chukerman	6,000	6,042
Paper Boxes	Michael M. Gidwitz	14,000	10,621
Produce	Harry Field Albert K. Epstein	20,000	13,456
Public Service	C. K. Schwartz J. M. Arvey	20,000	1,220
Refrigeration and Electrical	M. C. Taradash	20,000	23,015
Shoes	Max Maling	40,000	31,780
Stock Yards	Ellard Pfaelzer	35,000	30,879
Tobacco	A. Pines A. Cassell	5,000	1,681
Undertakers	Lee J. Furth	2,000	439
Wallpapers and Paints	Louis J. Cohn Cy Rossett	15,000	12,418
Waste Materials	Harry R. Chapman	5,000	2,300
Women's Wear—Retail	Arthur S. Kahn	30,000	18,059
Women's Wear—Wholesale	Abraham Heller Max E. Weinstock	26,000	16,850
WOMEN'S DIVISION	Mrs. Irving S. Florsheim Mrs. A. Richard Frank	250,000	244,437
NEIGHBORHOODS			
Lake View	Salem Baskin 2,946		
South Shore	Moses Levitan 751	40,000	10,872
Others	7,175		
	Total	$2,000,000	

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(פּאַרטיעצונג פון ערשטען פּיידוש)

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צווישען דעם יוניטער פאלעסטיין
אפּיעל אוז דעם "דושאינט".

די רעזאלוציעס זייגען נעווען קרעס־
טיג אוז זאכליך. די וויפּ פונקטען
זייגען: דאס ראטיפיצירען פון דעם
אפּמאך פאר א פאראיינטען קאמי־
פּיין פאר צוואנציג מיליאָן דאלאר אוז
די אויספארדרונג צו ענגלאנד אריינצו־
לאזען הונדערט טויזענד אידישע
פּליכטלינגע אין ארץ ישראל.

די "מיאוויי" פון "מארטש אוו
טאים" זייגען די פּליכטלינגע אוז זיי־
נען ארץ ישראל האָט נעענדיגט די
זיצונג אין ארויסנערופען א סך באי־
וואונדערונג.

אויפן באנקעט האבען בארעכט
ווין ברוין צוויי רערנער, דר. סאלא־
מאן נאלדמאן און דוד בן גוריון, רער
טשערמאן פון רער עקזעקוטיווע פון
רער אידישער אגענטור, וועלכער נע־
פינט זיך אין אמעריקא "אינקאגניטא"
ווייט א צעהן טעג. פאר די מיטגלעד רע־
לגאטען איז עס נעווען אן אנגענעמע
איבערראשונג ווען זיי האבען נעהערט,
או בן גוריון נעפינט זיך אין אמעריקא
או ווען רירען אויפן באנקעט.

"אבער סטיפען ס. ווייז האט נעוואלט
ווין טשערמאן, אבער ער האט לירער
נייטש נעקענט קומען צוליב ווין שוואכ־
כען נעזונרהייטס צושטאנד. האט רר.
סאלאמאן נאלרמאן באקומען א רא־
פעלטע אויפנאבע, צו ווין טשערמאן
או האלטען ווין רערע אין איין צייט.

פונרעסטוענען ווינען אויך אויפנע־
רופען נעוואררען עטליכע רערנער וועל־
כע האבען ניט נעקענט האבען זייער
ווארט בייר רי פריהערריגע ויצונגען,
אווי ווי לעאו נעלמאן, פרעזירענט פון
מזרחי, מרס. מאזעס עשטיין, פרעזי־
רענט פון הדסה, רוד פינסקי או קאנ־

נרעכטאן אדער סאבאטה, פון שיי
קאנא.

דר. נאלדמאנ'ס רעדע האט נעגעי
בען דעם ריכטיגן טאן. ער איז נישט
נעבליבען הינטערשטעליג ראבבי סילי
ווער'ן אין עלאקווענץ און אראטארי
שע קונסט.

די אנדערע רעדנער האבען נעמוזט
מקצר זיין, און זיי האבען עס נעטאן
ווהר נרויסמוטיג. מר. נעלמאן האט
נעזיוען דעם בישפיל מיט א נוטמו
טיגען אנעקדאט. ער האט דערצילט
זיי ער האט אין מאל אלס טשערמאן
נעבעטען א רב ויאס האט נעראדפט
הייבען ווהל צו זיין אויף זיין כבוד,
ווייל די צייט האט נישט נעסטאיעט.
האט דער רב איהם נעענטפערט מיט
רוגה: "וואס ווילט איהר, אך זאל
צוריקפאהרען אין יוטיקא (דער נאמען
פון דער שטאדט אין אוסנעטראבט)
מיט מיין דרשה. ניין. דא מוז אך
איהר באראבען".

נאכדעם האבען די מייסטע קורצע
רעדנער נעשפילט אויף דער סטרונע.
ווען פינסקי אין אויסנערופען נעוואר
דען, האט ער באטערקט: "אך האב
נאר קיין רעדע נישט צוגעגרייט,
אבער אך האב מורא, אז דא ווען
זיין טאקע מיין קבורה אויב אך וועל
ווידען".

ריכטער סאבאטה האט נעפאלנט
נארמאנ'ס אנצוהערעניש און "באנאר
בען" זיין צונעגרייטע רערע.

ווען ראבבי סילווער איז אויפנערו
פען נעווארען, האט ער וויטער אימ
פראוויזירט אויף דער טעמא.

"אין מיין פאל" האט ער נעזאנט,
"וועט עס ניט זיין קיין קבורה אויב
אך וועל נאר אמאל ווידען, נאר אך
וועל מוזען מאבען תחית המתים פון
מיין פריהערדינער רעדע".

אבער סאיזוי איז בן נוריון ניט נע
קומען צום וואדט ביז נאך עלף אזיי
נער. זיין נערוועזיטעט איז נעווען קענ
טיג, און דערצו האט ער אויסנעקליבען
צו רעדען אין ענגליש.

דער פועל יוצא איז נעווען, אז בן
נוריון'ס רעדע, וועלכע האט נעדויערט
באלד א שעה, און וועלכע האט עניט
האלטען א גיט דורכנעטראכטע טעזע
ווענען ארץ ישראל און די איצטיגע
וועלט־פאליטיק, האט נישט נענוג
דורכנערוינגען דעם נרויסען עולם. עס
האט נעפאדערט צופיעל קאנצענטרא
ציע וך צו פארטיפען אין די נעדאנ
קען וואס ער האט ארויסנעזאנט, און
אויף דעם ווינען שוין נישט אלע דער
לעגאטען נעווען פעהיג נאך 24 שעה
פון רעדעם אין נאך א פארצוויינעדע
באנקעט.

דאס מיינט נישט, אז די רעדע איז
אינטאלעקט נעווען. מאנעלהאפט.
איך גלויב, אז ווען בן נוריון ווילט נע
רעדט אין אידיש, ווילט ער שוין מעהר
צוגעשמידט די אינטערעסט פון עולם.
יעדענפאלס א נרויסער טייל פון עולם
האט זיך אויסערקוואם צוגעהערט צו
איהר אוו נעלערנט פון איהר. אבער,
ווי איך האב נעוואגט אין אנהויב פון
פאלום, דער לעצטער קיימאקס איז
נישט אמבעטטען אויסנעוויצט נעווא
רען צוליב אונגינסטיגע אומשטענדען.

אבער טראץ די דאזיגע אומשטענ
דען, איז די קאנפערענץ נעווען א
פרוכטבארע אוו אייגדרוקספולע. איך
האב קיין ספק, אז די הונדערטער דע
לעגאטען ווינען אוועקנעפאהרען אינ
כפידיוד צו ארבייטן מיט פארדא
פעלטער ענערגיע [illegible] דעם פראיי
נינטען קאנגרעס.

UNITED JEWISH CAMPAIGN NEWS

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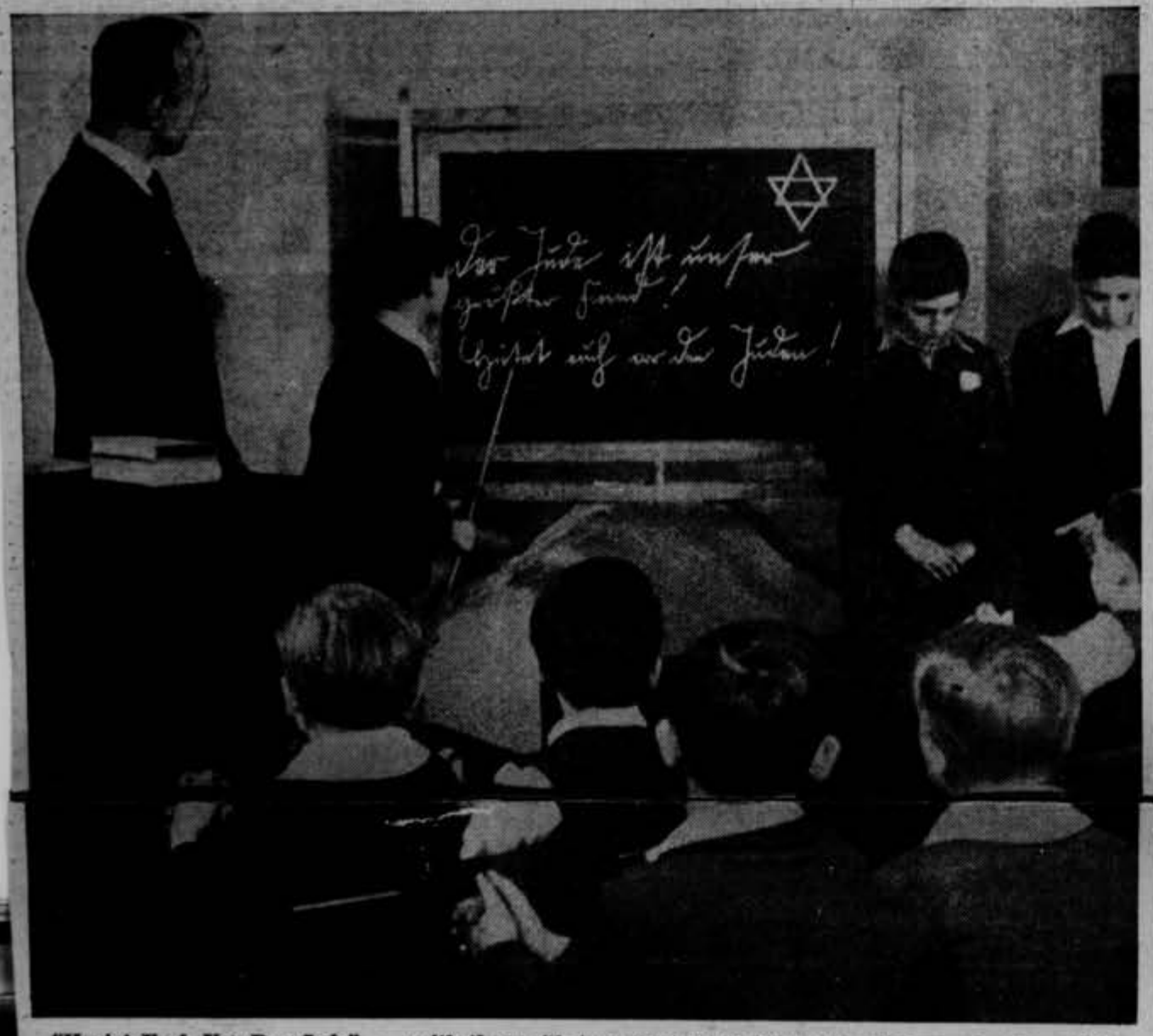
CAMPAIGN OPENS MARCH 19TH

RABBI SILVER GUEST SPEAKER

To meet the grave problem of oppression and homelessness in European lands, to answer the challenge of Nazi barbarism and persecution, and to meet the pressing needs which the year 1938 has raised both locally and internationally, the 1939 Greater Boston United Jewish Campaign for Refugees, Overseas, and National Needs will be launched next Sunday evening, March 19, with the opening dinner at the Hotel Statler Ballroom.

The dynamic and compelling personality of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs, who will be the guest of honor and chief speaker, will add impetus to the occasion.

"DER JUDE IST UNSER GROESSTER FEIND"



"Huetet Euch Vor Den Jude" . . . with these villifications ringing in their ears the two Jewish children to the right are forced to stand shamefaced and humiliated before their "Aryan" classmates while Streicher's curriculum of hatred for the Jew is expounded to classrooms of impressionable children. "The Jew is our worst enemy . . . beware of the Jew . . ." (Scene taken from March of Time's production of the "Refugee, Today and Tomorrow" now available for all campaign functions.

Rabbi Silver To Speak at Opening Dinner

Guest speaker at the dinner, March 19th, which will launch Boston's most ambitious united campaign, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver is the national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs, representing the combined fund raising efforts of the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc., the major American agencies engaged in relief and reconstructive activities in behalf of the stricken Jewish population of Central and Eastern Europe, immigration and resettlement in Palestine and refugee adjustment in the United States.

An outstanding figure in the American rabbinate, Rabbi Silver has been in the forefront of American Jewish effort for the rebuilding of Palestine during the past two decades. In addition to being the national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, he is also a member of the Executive Committee of the Zionist Organization of America.

He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Hebrew Union College at Cincinnati of which he is an alumnus. Since 1917 he has been spiritual leader of The Temple in Cleveland, having built it up to its present rank as one of the foremost Jewish congregations in America.

Rabbi Silver is the author of "Messianic Speculations in Israel" a study which has won for him an important position on the field of theological scholarship.

For Nineteen Agencies

The dinner launching the campaign in behalf of the 19 agencies vital to Jewish existence, welfare and protection throughout the world promises to be one of the most outstanding communal events for overseas causes ever held in Boston. Greater Boston is one of the first major fund-raising campaigns in the nation for the relief and resettlement of German refugees, for aid to the stricken Jewish populations in Central and Eastern Europe, and settlement in Palestine. The campaign is in the vanguard of 2,000 drives in other parts of the country, and Greater Boston's success will stimulate these other communities to follow in its footsteps.

Greater Boston Jews are being called upon this year for an unprecedented degree of sacrificial giving and generosity. That generosity is necessary not only because the needs of the community and the Jewish people everywhere have increased tremendously during the tragic months just passed, but also the problems of Jews in Central and Eastern Europe are so impelling as to command unprecedented attention at this time.

Spirit of Unified Action

To date, the spirit of oneness and unity established through the one major campaign for nineteen causes, embracing every phase of social, cultural, and civic welfare, has been translated into unanimous and enthusiastic effort on the part of the entire Greater Boston community. The success of the dinner, and consequently the Greater Boston campaign for $621,974 for refugees, overseas, and national needs should be assured, with the extraordinary devotion, zeal, and spirit

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Tune in Saturday Night

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, national co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs, will discuss American Jewry's responsibility in the present emergency for Jews abroad in two radio broadcasts of the "Message of Israel" hour: Saturday evening, March 11, and Saturday evening, March 18, at 7 o'clock. "The Morals of Aid to Refugees" will be Rabbi Silver's subject this Saturday evening, and "American Israel—A Spiritual Background to American Jewry" the topic the following Saturday night. These broadcasts will be carried over the stations affiliated with the National Broadcasting Company.

You Are Urged to Listen In!

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COMMENCE FUND DRIVE FOR JEWRY

Governor Lauds Move and Sends Own Donation

In a ringing challenge to Nazi oppression and persecution of Jews in Europe, more than 1000 men and women, members of Greater Boston's Jewry, launched its 1939 United Jewish campaign for refugees overseas and national needs at the opening dinner last night at the Hotel Statler.

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RABBI SILVER TALKS IN REFUGEE APPEAL

Louis E. Kirstein Speaks as Drive Opens Here

Citing the growing emergency of the refugee problem abroad as a result of Germany's absorption of Czecho-Slovakia and criticizing the British for reducing the quota of Jewish immigration into Palestine, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United States Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs, last night called for a stronger challenge to the Nazi regime as the 1939 Greater Boston campaign opened with a dinner at the Hotel Statler.

Rabbi Silver said England's action has closed the doors to the Jewish national homeland.

"Some of the smaller nations and minority groups of Europe," he continued, "beguiled themselves into believing that it was only the Jewish minority that would be singled out for persecution. They erred grievously. When the elementary rights of one minority group are flaunted with impunity, the rights of all minority groups are endangered. The Jewish problem thus is a part of the problem of collective security in the world."

Louis E. Kirstein, Boston chairman of the Boston campaign, which also includes national heads, urged the 100 persons present to rally to the forces of democracy. Other speakers were Samuel Markell, co-chairman; Mrs. Herbert B. Ehrmann, women's division chairman, and Milton Kahn, co-chairman.

Solicitation will get under way today and the first workers' report luncheon is scheduled for tomorrow at the Parker House at 12:30 p. m.

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JEWS LAUNCH $620,000 DRIVE

Refugees' Plight Spurs Campaign—Rabbi Silver Speaks

With tragic new developments reported almost hourly from Central Europe, leaders of the Boston Jewish community met at the Hotel Statler last night to plan an immediate drive for $20,000 in the 1939 United Jewish Campaign for refugees, overseas, and national needs.

Aroused by motion pictures showing the plight of refugees pauperized by Nazi expropriations, and stirred by songs and speeches recalling the

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COMMENCE FUND DRIVE FOR JEWRY

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Launched in a wave of intense sympathy for unfortunate members of the Jewish race dispossessed and exiled by Nazlism, the drive will take an organized and practical form today when workers will hold their first luncheon at the Parker House at 12:30 p. m.

The heartrending fate of millions of Jews overseas was portrayed by Jewish leaders who spoke at last night's banquet.

Louis E. Kirstein, Greater Boston campaign chairman, urged his listeners "to rally to the support of the forces of democracy with every ounce of their strength, energy and resources at their command to see that the democratic institutions of this country are preserved."

Governor Sends Check

Mr. Kirstein read a letter from Governor Saltonstall expressing sympathy for the Jews in Europe and commending the present campaign. The letter, Mr. Kirstein added, also enclosed a check signed by the Governor.

"We have a right to celebrate here tonight," said Mr. Kirstein. "As we meet here for the purpose of doing all we can to alleviate this horror. This work is no longer a philanthropy or charity, but an investment. We are not helping beggars, but people like ourselves who find themselves wiped out of all they possess.

"We need to make this investment if we expect the country to stand as a bulwark of democracy and we must do everything we can to uphold the administration and to demonstrate in an energetic way that we not only feel with our lips, but that with our hearts as well.

Goal $620,000

Samuel Markell, co-chairman of the campaign, said the goal this year is $620,000 and the campaign embraces 19 overseas and national agencies. These, he said, include the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs, which combines the joint distribution committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Co-ordinating Committee Fund, Inc., the major American agencies engaged in relief and rehabilitation of Jews in Europe, settlement in Palestine and refugees' aid.

The address of the evening was by Rabbi Hillel Silver of Cleveland, a distinguished leader in contemporary American-Jewish life as well as an outstanding spiritual leader.

Rabbi Silver is national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs and he predicted hard and desperate days lie ahead for mankind, Jews and non-Jews alike.

"During this week Czecho-Slovakia has ceased to exist as an independent country. Hitler destroyed it. The Nazi government, which in six years has made Stateless and homeless 2,000,000 people, Jews and non-Jews, is now shattering the lives and the fortunes of hundreds of thousands of new victims in a conquered land, which is non-German by race, and which until recently was a free and tolerant democracy. Another half-million potential refugees, Jewish and non-Jewish, have been created over night.

Doomed People

"All who had loved their country too dearly and had resisted too loyally Nazi propaganda and penetration, all who belonged to a differing political faith, all who had fled from Germany to Czecho-Slovakia for refuge, and all Jews and those who are declared to be Jews by the infamous Nurenberg race laws, are tonight marked and doomed men. Many are already in concentration camps. Many more are on their way there, to taste the savage brand of Nazi sadism and vindictiveness. A veritable man-hunt is on. No one will escape. The borders are closed. Men are trapped. Frightened men and women are seeking temporary sanctuary in the consulates and legations of foreign nations.

"The notorious and well-oiled Nazi routine of expropriation and confiscation, of robbing men of their businesses and possessions, and of driving them from their positions and professions, is in full swing. When that process is completed, another half million or more of stripped and impoverished human beings will be cast out as human debris upon the mercy of the world.

Hits British Action

Rabbi Silver deplored announcement of the British plan for Palestine, which reduces Jewish immigration for the next five years to an annual average of 15,000.

"Jews had hoped," he said, "that Palestine would serve as a ready and welcoming haven for the vast number of homeless refugees from all parts of Europe. Palestine is capable of absorbing 100,000 new immigrants a year.

"Thus at a time when tragic and overwhelming catastrophe has overtaken the Jewries of Europe, forcing myriads of them to wander forth in search of new homes, the doors of their own national homeland are being steadily closed to them," he said.

"Sinister Design"

"The same wrong-headed British foreign policy of unilateral appeasement, which has been responsible for the dismemberment and annihilation of the brave and gallant little democracy in central Europe, is now visiting a similar fate upon the Jewish homeland in Palestine. In both cases, terrorism and lawlessness have been rewarded, and loyalty, law and labor have been flaunted and betrayed.

"The tragic fate which has now overtaken Czecho-Slovakia should make it clear to us and to all men that the organized attack upon the Jewish people in many parts of Europe is not an isolated phenomenon, but rather part of a larger sinister design. It is part of a major offensive along the entire front, not alone gainst the rights of all minorities, but against the rights and independence of all smaller nations. Imperialism is on the march again in Europe. Minorities and small states are pawns in this desperate and infamous game of empire. They are fast enmeshed in a web of scandalous intrigue, conspiracy and propaganda, and then ruthlessly and cynically sacrificed to power politics.

Not Racial or Religious

"In this skillful elaborated technique of disruption, anti-Semitism has served as one of the handiest and most effective weapons. It is neither religious nor racial. It is not the attitude of peoples, but the incitement of politicians and Fascist adventurers and agents of imperial intrigue. The racism of the Nazis was only a grotesque facade for a cunning and conscienceless strategy by which to divide the German people, discredit liberalism and disrupt the German republic. Since their coming to power, the Nazis have consistently employed anti-Semitism to confound the political life of those countries which are to serve as a stepping stone to the imperial expansion of the Third Reich. By means of it, they sow discord and disunion and undermine their power of resistance to Nazi aggression."

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age-old story of the Jews' survival, more than 1000 persons at the opening banquet cheered reports of gifts.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland said the American people, unlike the Slavs and Germans and other races of Central Europe, had a real tradition of liberty and understood and sympathized with the Jew as he became the scapegoat of a new attempt to revive the imperialism of the past. He said he believed that imperialism could not survive in a modern and enlightened age.

KIRSTEIN SPEAKS

Louis E. Kirstein, Greater Boston campaign chairman, read a message of sympathy and co-operation from Gov. Saltonstall and urged the group "to rally the forces of democracy, determined with every ounce of their strength, energy and resources at their command to see that the democratic institutions of this country are preserved."

"The refugee problem and the problem of Jewish oppression are not exclusively Jewish problems," he said. "The ramifications of anti-Semitism have within them the germ of attack against all religion, all freedom and democracy."

From Mendelssohn's oratorio, "Elijah," Cantor Robert H. Segal of Temple Ohabei Shalom sang of the prophet's flight into the desert to escape persecution.

"The Nazi government, which in six short years has made stateless and homeless 2,000,000 people, Jews and non-Jews, is now shattering the lives and fortunes of hundreds of thousands of new victims in a conquered land, which is non-German, and which until recently was a free and tolerant democracy," Rabbi Silver said. "Another half million potential refugees, Jewish and non-Jewish, have been created overnight.

"All who had loved their country too dearly and had resisted too loyally Nazi propaganda and penetration, and all who had fled from Germany to Czecho-Slovakia for refuge, are tonight marked and doomed men. Many are already in concentration camps. A veritable manhunt is on. The notorious and well-oiled Nazi routine of expropriations and confiscation, of robbing men of their businesses and possessions, and of driving them from their positions and professions, is in full swing.

"Imperialism is on the ... again in Europe. Minorities and small states are the many in this desperate and infamous game of empire. In this skillfully elaborated technique of disruption, anti-Semitism has served as one of the handiest and most effective weapons. It is neither religious nor racial. It is not the attitude of peoples, but the incitement of politicians and fascist adventurers and agents of imperial intrigue.

"The outcome of this conflict cannot be in doubt. In the long run, humanity will accept no substitutes for the sovereign freedom of his questing mind."

Other speakers were Samuel Markell, campaign co-chairman, who presided; Mrs. Herbert B. Ehrmann, women's division chairman; and Milton Kahn, campaign co-chairman. Invocation was by Rabbi Samuel J. Abrams of Temple Ohabei Shalom, accompanied by Lillian Budd.

Seated at the head table, besides the speakers, were Walter H. Bieringer, chairman of the Boston com-

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THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL—HUMANITY'S OBLIGATION

Set against the wants of several million homeless and penniless people in Central Europe—who are in that pitiful plight through no fault of their own, but are helpless victims to the Nazis' organized cruelty and terrorism—the 20-million-dollar fund which the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs is seeking in this country is modest enough.

That sum perhaps will suffice to feed the distressed masses who lack other means of subsistence until the semi-governmental and philanthropic agencies working in their behalf can find homes for them, establish them there and help them to a new beginning.

Those endeavors are going forward hopefully, but the task is so great and complicated and the obstacles to be overcome so formidable, that results cannot reasonably be expected speedily. Meanwhile, hungry people must be fed—and that is primarily the objective of the Nation-wide campaign.

With his address on "The Great Challenge", at a noontime rally today, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national co-chairman, brings the drive formally to San Antonio. This community's quota has been set at $35,000. The advance plea, addressed to the Jewish residents—Gilbert Lang, local chairman, reports—has yielded some $12,000 in contributions; so a reasonable expectation is that the quota will be subscribed swiftly. Certainly that should be the outcome.

Let it be noted that Rabbi Silver's message will be spoken to all San Antonians, irrespective of race and creed. No American citizen is better qualified to bear such a message. Dr. Silver ranks among the Nation's foremost Jewish leaders and scholars. For some years past he has directed the United Palestine Appeal, which has aided many thousand Jews—fugitive from the oppressor—to find homes in the land of Abraham and David. Unfortunately, however, the "Jewish problem" has grown until it far transcends the Zionist movement. Palestine lacks room for the many exiles; some friendly region must be opened up to colonization. To provide such a new home for an oppressed people, is an obligation upon all civilized nations.

As Robert H. Jackson, United States Solicitor-General, lately declared at Washington in opening the country-wide drive, that is a debt written against the non-Jewish world. Civilization is under a stern indictment; it is challenged to redeem itself at the bar of history.

As the Gallup poll last December revealed, the American people are virtually unanimous in condemning the Nazi regime's brutal, senseless, greedy tyranny. That humanitarian sentiment now may find expression most convincingly and effectively through generous contributions to the United Jewish Appeal. The obligation is elemental and not to be denied. It is a debt to the Lawgiver who commanded, "Love thy neighbor as thyself", and to the singer of Israel who said, "Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me."

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Workers Inspired to Action by Addresses by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and Albert D. Lasker

RABBIS JONAH WISE AND FEUER TO SPEAK MONDAY, THURSDAY

Reports to Be Heard on Progress of Pre-Campaign Activities; U. S. Jewry Is Urged to Lead in Refugee Relief

Deeply moved by latest occurrences throughout the world which are increasing the plight of the refugees and are multiplying their numbers, workers in the special gifts division and the executive committee of the 1939 Allied Jewish Campaign on Sunday officially commenced their solicitations in the unprecedented relief effort.

The pre-campaign workers were inspired to action by an eloquent address at Hotel Statler on Sunday afternoon by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleve-

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ton, Pa., and received his public school education in Pittsburgh and Cleveland. He attended Western Reserve University, received his A. B. from the University of Cincinnati and was ordained rabbi at Hebrew Union College, in 1927. He was for seven years assistant rabbi of the Temple in Cleveland and is now rabbi of the Collingwood Ave. Temple, Toledo.

Dr. Silver's Address

In the course of his address here last Sunday, Dr. Silver said that at no period in history were the Jews forced to fight on so many fronts at the same time. "Formerly," he stated, "in periods of persecution, there has always been a welcoming land that offered a haven. Down the long record of Jewish suffering, there has been no previous instance where a government has had the policy of exterminating Jews not alone within its own boundaries, but all over the world.

"For 25 years, since the World War, we have not been living in normal times. Our civilization is shot through with unleashed indecencies and hatred. Plagues and epidemics followed the War—typhus and influenza—because the resistance of the race was lowered. Hatred and indecencies have followed the War because of the lowere spiritual vitalities of the race. There is no people in the world today capable of rising to the challenge of a great tragedy."

Despite his anaylsis of the European situation, Dr. Silver expressed a confidence for the future of the Jews in the world today. His confidence is based on two facts: one, history—and two, the present scene. "The Jewish people," he said, "has learned the strategy of survival through a long history. They have discovered how to wrest survival from defeat. And anti-Semitism today is political. The whole device is a miserable political swindle. Leaders in Fascist countries are interested in exploiting race hatred to gain imperial power."

Emphasizing that Germany's imperial aims are not new, but a result of the 19th century dream of her military caste, Dr. Silver stated that the Reich must conquer many small nations before this dream can be realized. What to do with these small nations and their defenseless minorities is the problem of the statesmen of today." The Treaty at Versailles gave international protection to all minorities including the Jewish one," he said. "There will always be minorities in Europe living outside of their mother countries. Statesmen must realize that it is impossible to move six million people. Sooner or later, this problem must be met.

Says Story of Palestine Should Be Told to the Children

"The story of Palestine should be told to our children," said Dr. Silver. "We should not be content with building their pride of race only with the tales of Moses, Joshua and Judas Maccabeus. There are more heroic stories being enacted in Palestine today than in the whole course of our history, and our history is not lacking in heroism.

"The Jews of Palestine have given Jews everywhere an example they should cherish. When menaced by force, they have reacted with courage. When threatened with delimitation of their rights they stood up strongly to preserve them against all foes. If that comparatively small community of Palestine could resist Arab violence for three years, encouraged as the latter were by the empires of Mussolini and Hitler, and still grow and prosper, the millions of Jews elsewhere have every right to be strong and hopeful. But there are some among us who have greater capacity for resistance. We must share our resources with the others."

Jewish World

Monday, January 8, 1940

מע פארלאמענט זיצונג וועג

טשערמאן פון יוניטעד פאלע

ארץ ישראל קאנפערענץ הערט צווי שטארקע רעדעס פון אטוירני דושע־ נעראל מורפי און דאף־קופער

נעמט אן א רייהע וויכטיגע רעזאלוציעס פארן איינבו פון לאנד און פאר גרעסערע איינוואנדערונג — וויזט צוריק וויסען פאפיר — מורפי ואנט פליכט־ לינגס פראבלעם איז אן אלגעמיינער און אומטא־ לעראנץ מוז באקעמפט ווערען פון אלעמען — דאף קופער הייסט אויפהאלטען באלפור דעקלאראציע.

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מורפי, וועלכער איז אליין א קאטוילים, האט אנגעוויזען, אז די איצטיגע מארשטארקונג פון אומטא־ לעראנץ אין גיט פלויז א אידישע פראבלעם, נאר אן אלגעמיין מענש־ ליכער. אידען ווערען געטראפען די

קאנפערענץ נייעס

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גענאגטע און אויסגעחויבטע אומשול־ דיגע מענשען, איז א פראבלעם, וואס מוז אלעמען אינטערעסירען, אהן אונ־ טערשייד פון ראסע, רעליגיע אדער פארטיי אין האט שטארק געלויבט די באמיהונגען פון רער קאנפערענץ צו שאפען די מיטלען פאר רער אייני־ ונאגרעונג פון מעהר אידישע פליכט־ לינגע אין ארץ ישראל.

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אן אנדער פראמינענטער רעדנער תיינט אויף דער קאנפערענץ איז גע־ ווען אלפרעד דאף קופער, געוועזענער וויס־פרעזידענטער פון ענגלאנד, וועל־ כער האט רעזיגנירט פון קאבינעט מיט איבער א יאהר צוריק צולייב טשעמבערלין'ס „אפיזמענט" פאר ליסי.

דאף קופער, באזוואסטער ליבעראל און פרייַנד פון ציונזם, האט דא הייַנט אין זיין רערע געשטעמפעלט רעם ענגלישען וויסען פאפיר אלס א דורכפאל און אויסגעפארערט ענג־ לאנד צו ענדערען איהר פאליסי לטובת די אידען, כדי זיי זאלען קאנען ווערען די דאמיניראנטע מאסע אין ארץ ישראל און שאפען דאדורך א אמת'ע אידישע היים.

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CHRISTIANS SHARE JEWISH EXILE FUND

United Appeal for Refugees Allocates $250,000 to Aid Protestants and Catholics

HALF WILL GO TO THE POPE

Other Half to Be Distributed Among Agencies Directed by Dr. G. A. Buttrick

The United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs announced yesterday that from the funds raised in 1939 to meet the needs of Jewish relief and reconstruction agencies $250,000 had been allocated for the use of Christian refugees. Half of this sum will be available to Pope Pius XII for aid to Catholics and the other half will be distributed among Protestant agencies under the direction of Dr. George A. Buttrick, president of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, it was announced.

The sum available for Catholics is to be presented to the Pope through Bishop Bernard J. Sheil of Chicago as a memorial to the late Pope Pius XI.

Discussing the recent decision to contribute to funds sponsored by Christian churches for non-Jewish refugee work, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, national chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, pointed out that the refugee problem was by no means only a Jewish one, but that it included refugees of all faiths. In a letter to Bishop Sheil, Rabbi Silver and Rabbi Wise said that the Jewish people would never forget "the magnificent struggle" that Bishop Sheil made to combat "the ungodly doctrine of racialism which strikes at the very roots of the religious faith of civilized man."

Praises Unflagging Efforts

The letter also declared that the Jewish people "will always remember his unflagging efforts to vindicate the divine doctrine of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, which alone can bring peace on earth."

In communicating with Dr. Buttrick Rabbi Silver and Rabbi Wise declared that it was felt to be "appropriate and fitting that a fund of $125,000 should be put at the disposal of the Protestant Churches of America as an acknowledgment on our part of the sympathy and support of the leaders of the Protestant Church for all victims of religious and racial persecution."

"We realize that the problem of the refugee is by no means a Jewish one, but that it includes members of all faiths who have suffered most cruelly from the tyranny of those governments whose programs are foreign to American thought and the American way of life," the communication said.

Problems Not Jewish Alone

In accepting the contribution made to the Catholic Church Bishop Sheil, administrator of the Archdiocese of Chicago, said in a letter to Rabbi Silver and Rabbi Wise:

"Although the Jewish people have suffered more perhaps than any other people from the excesses of malign racialism, yet the painful problems growing out of this inhuman, ungodly fanaticism are by no means exclusive Jewish problems. They are of profound and vital concern to Catholics, to Protestants and to men of good-will everywhere.

"Least of all can we Americans be indifferent to the victims of tyranny and oppression. Our traditions, our institutions, our national spirit and temperament, nurtured by and rooted in the soil of liberty, make tyranny in every form odious to us. We will gladly join hands with you in striving to build a better world where men and women may live long in peace, harmony and security, as God Almighty intended them to live.

"We will labor eagerly with good men and women everywhere to lessen the social, economic and political evils from which millions of human beings suffer so grievously. We are eternally grateful to you for the noble tribute of esteem and admiration you have paid to our great Pope, Pius XI of blessed memory."

A similar letter of acceptance was received from Dr. Buttrick.

"We hope and believe that your unusually generous action will encourage men and women of every faith to make prompt and compassionate provision for refugees of every faith," it said. "This is a primary American task and opportunity, in which you are giving splendid leadership."

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ZIONISTS LOOK TO U. S. AS ONLY HOPE FOR AID

Jewish Appeal Opens Conference Tonight

These United States are the sole hope left to the Jews, driven from the warring countries of Europe, for their maintenance in Palestine—the only country that still has a place for them.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and sponsor of the National Conference for Palestine, which opens tonight in the Mayflower Hotel and which has brought 1,500 leaders of American Jewry here, so declared today.

Will Hear Murphy

The two-day session, which will consider an enlarged program for refugee settlement in Palestine, will be addressed tomorrow at 4:15 p.m. by Supreme Court Justice-designate Frank Murphy.

Other prominent speakers will include Count Rene de Saint-Quentin, the French ambassador; Senator William H. King, of Utah, an dthe Hon. Alfred Duff-Cooper, former first lord of the British admiralty.

"Due to the war an increase considerably over the $5,000,000 raised by the appeal last year will be sought in the 1940 campaign, and chiefly from this country," Dr. Silver said.

"Last year we had help in our fund-raising from Great Britain, the British colonies and Canada. This year we can expect no such help."

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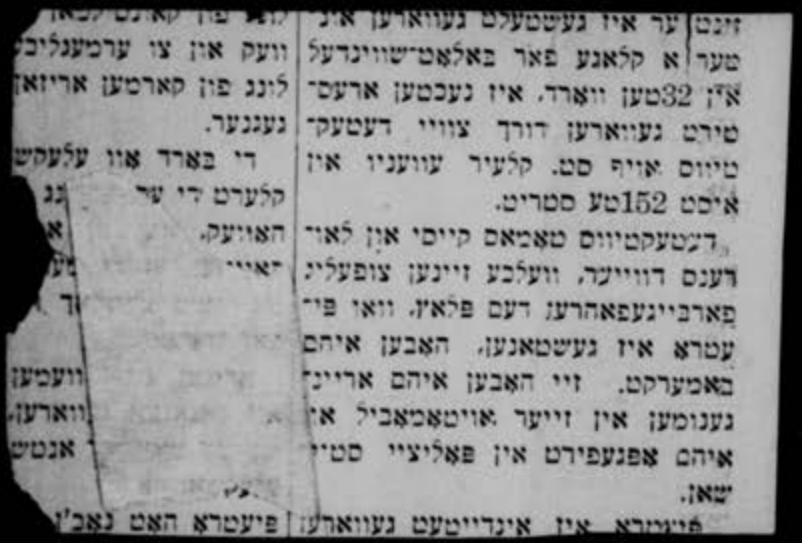

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Good Pioneers

The struggle over the white paper by which Great Britain attempted to set a limit on the number of Jewish refugees entering Palestine is nonirritant at the moment an dthe British are more or less blinking at the problem, he declared.

"Jews are still allowed to come out of Germany and somehow they find their way to Palestine, generally through Italy. Idealistic, imbued with a spirit of rebirth, they make excellent material as pioneers, but naturally when they leave tehir homes they are completely stripped of material possessions and arrive at their adopted homeland penniless."

During the past four months, Dr. Silver pointed out, some 65,000 refugees have been on relief in Palestine.

Cared for 200,000

Under normal conditions these refugees could be taken care of immediately, he said, pointing to the fact that the organization which is the fiscal fund-raising agency of Palestine has made it possible for the coming into the country of 200,000 people during the Hitler regime.

"These refugees have been taken care of not only as far as immediate needs are concerned, but they have eventually been integrated into the life of the colony, he declared.

During the past four years, 54 entire new colonies have been built and credit extended to numerous small industries, he added.

Judge to Preside

Morris Simon, of Washington, will deliver the greeting to the conference at 8:30 o'clock tonight. Judge Jacob Kaplan, of Boston, will preside. Speakers tonight include Dr. Georg Landauer, of Jerusalem; Louis Lipsky, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Dr. Silver.

Sessions will be held tomorrow morning and afternoon. There will be discussions at luncheon and during the banquet closing the conference tomorrow night.

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Warns of Persecution

(Associated Press Wirefoto)

Frank Murphy (center) with Dr. Abba Hillel Silver (left) and Dr. Stephen S. Wise at Palestine dinner yesterday.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7 (U.P.).—Addressing the National Conference for Palestine, Attorney General Frank Murphy warned today that "purveyors of hatred" against the Jews seek to introduce into the United States the same "black and destructive" forces which have destroyed the peace of Europe. The newly-appointed Supreme Court Justice said those who continue to persecute the Jews also attack Protestants and Catholics whenever they have the force to succeed.

Murphy Warns of Hatred Purveyors; Silver Is Re-Elected

(Photo on Picture Page)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7—(AP)—Attorney General Murphy said today the same forces which "destroyed the peace of Europe" were at work in this country.

Addressing the National Conference for Palestine, Murphy declared the government would fight "this professional hate-mongering" with legal methods but that "in the main, American democracy must look for its defense to the wisdom of the people and their determination not to be led on the paths that have taken other people to Communism and Fascism."

"The purveyors of hatred, the provokers of divison and strife, the swaggering apostles of force and violence," he said, "are methodically and with premeditation laboring to bring to the United States the same conditions of group hatred and civil war that have destroyed the peace of Europe."

The conference re-elected Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland president and other officers and adopted a resolution asking the British government to open Palestine "to a free Jewish immigration consonant with its announced principle of the economic absorptive capacity of the country."

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(Story on Page 2)

Associated Press Wirephoto

MURPHY CITES "HATE PURVEYORS." Attorney General Frank Murphy (middle), United States Supreme Court nominee, told the National Conference for Palestine at Washington yesterday that the same forces, "purveyors of hatred" which "destroyed the peace of Europe" are at work in this country. Murphy is shown with Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland (left) and Dr. Stephen S. Wise of New York, officers of the conference.

Jan. 8, 1940.

מוירפי רעדט פאר אידען. — נאר א בילד פון נייבאשטימטען סופרים קאורט ריכטער, פאטאגראפירט אינמיטען זיין רעדע ביי דער קאנפערענץ פון "יוניטער פארעכטיין אפיל", אין וואשינגטאן, פאריגן זונטאג. פיפצען טויזענט אידישע פיהרער פון פארשידענע טיילען ראנד האבען בייגעוואוינט די חאויפט קאנפערענץ וועגען ארויסראטעווען די פארפאלגטע, חיימלאזע אידען פון איראפע און זיי באועצען אין פארעכטיגע. מוירפי חאט אין זיין רעדע באגריסט די אונטערנעמינג אין פארדאמט די פארגונגען געגען אידישען פאלק, וואס ריידט "טעגרידג מעחר פון אלע אנדערע פעלקער.העבען מוירפי'ן זיצט ראבאי אבא חלל סילווער, דער נאציאנאלער טשערמאן פון "יוניטער פארעכטי'ן אפיל"

" . . . AND TODAY, AS IN THE OLDEN TIME, IT IS THE JEWISH PEOPLE — HOMELESS AND SO THE LEAST ABLE TO DEFEND THEMSELVES — WHO HAVE SUFFERED FIRST AND SUFFERED THE HARDEST."—Attorney General Frank Murphy, pictured as he spoke before the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, in Washington, last Sunday. It was Mr. Murphy's first public address since his nomination to the Supreme Court of the United States. Seated at right is Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. (*Wide World Photo*)

Jewish Telegraphic Agency Bulletin
1-15-40

ROOSEVELT LAUDS U.J.A. GIFT TO CHRISTIAN REFUGEES

NEW YORK, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- President Roosevelt, in a letter to Chairmen Abba Hillel Silver and Jonah B. Wise of the United Jewish Appeal, made public today, hailed the U.J.A.'s $250,000 allocation for Christian refugees as "an example in good will which could be widely copied with happy results." The President's letter, dated Jan. 8, follows:

"Dear Friends: I desire to extend hearty congratulations upon the spirit of brotherhood and universal good will which prompted allocation from the funds of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees of generous sums for use through other agencies in relieving suffering among non-Jewish refugees.

"I heard with peculiar satisfaction of the gift of $125,000 to the Catholic Church for its refugee work, as a memorial to George Cardinal Mundelein, and of the allocation of a like amount to the Protestant Churches, through Rev. Dr. George A. Buttrick, President, Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, for their refugee relief work.

"This action bears eloquent witness to the spirit of tolerance and true charity and affords an example in good will which could be widely copied with happy results."

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Jewish Transcript

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AS AMERICAN, BRITISH, AND FRENCH NOTABLES URGED GREATER SUPPORT FOR UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver (above left) was unanimously re-elected as National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal at its recent conference in Washington where foremost leaders including Attorney General Frank Murphy (above center) Alfred Duff Cooper, (below left) former First Lord of the British Admiralty, and Count Rene de Saint Quentin, the French Ambassador to the United States (below right), made eloquent pleas for increased aid for Palestine settlement through the United Palestine Appeal. Dr. Stephen S. Wise (above right) was elected Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the U. P. A.

Just a Moment
1-18-40

RABBI SILVER RE-ELECTED NATIONAL CHAIRMAN....

On January 6th and 7th, in Washington D. C., the National Conference for Palestine was held under the auspices of the United Palestine Appeal. More than 1,500 enthusiastic delegates and guests from all parts of the country attended the conference at which Rabbi Silver was reelected National Chairman. Max Freedman has been selected to serve on the National Advisory Council of the organization.

Encouraged by the fact that 35,000 immigrants have entered Palestine in the last year despite the White Paper and that 55 new settlements have been established there in the last four years, the delegates pledged maximum effort to the continued development of the Jewish homeland.

Among the outstanding speakers at the Conference were Attorney-General Frank Murphy who warned against "apostles of force and violence" who attempt to provoke hatred and strife behind the shield of a false democratic allegiance; and Alfred Duff Cooper, former First Lord of the British Admirality and present member of Parliament, who condemned the British White Paper, pointing out its injustices against the Jewish people.

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A YEAR OF FLIGHT

By DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

EDITOR'S NOTE—Excerpts from an address given at the National Conference for Palestine.

"This last year has been a year flight for our people, a year of fugees, of stripped and helpless les, crowding the highways of world, wandering over the face the earth in quest of refuge and ctuary—and finding most doors red against them. Into exile have e myriads of our people, even their forefathers before them. m countries and homes where y had known dignity, power and lth Jews in ever mounting le- ns have been forced either to der forth bewildered and dis- sioned into a bewildered and dis- sioned world, or to remain pped and doomed to infamy, de- dation and slow starvation.

It has been a year of intensified -Semitic agitation everywhere of a systematic, cynical and ning exploitation of Jew-baiting a political weapon in the hands arties, governments and empires. Altogether, this has been a black year, one of the blackest in our history, and it climaxes a quarter of a century of mounting calamities.

"For mankind as a whole, this quarter of a century has been one of tragic retreat in every field of the human spirit. In this nigh universal blackout for mankind generally and for our people specifically re there discernible any faint shimmers of light, any fugitive gleans n the dark, to tell that life is still oing on within the heart of the arkness to arouse the hope that e creative mind and heart of mankind and of Israel are still bent pon their eternal tasks, unbroken nd undefeated? Or has mankind esigned itself to the domination of he new barbarism and has Israel, eaten dumb by prolonged torment nd misery also resigned itself to calamity and death?"

Inextinguishable Fires Will Dispel Darkness

"To the discerning eye there are strong indications that neither mankind, in its quest for freedom and a decent way of life, nor Israel, in

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its quest for freedom and the right to live, has reconciled itself to any such defeat. The darkness is here, of course, thick and almost inpenetrable, but within that darkness there burn the inextinguishable fires of God!

"For our people there have been two cheering lights in the darkness. One has been the manifestation of solidarity and group loyalty and responsibility on the part of our people, in all sections and in all parts of the world. We were not found wanting. A great testing hour did not find us a small people. Israel responded to the attacks made upon it as a living, healthy and sensitive organism would. It quickly rallied and organized, to save, to succor, to defend. The body of our people was hurt in a thousand places, but its spirit not only remained unswerved and unbeaten but became even stronger, more sensitive, more vibrant. As ever, the wings of our souls moulted through contact with evil and suffering. Many afflictions have come upon us in recent years, but not the great-

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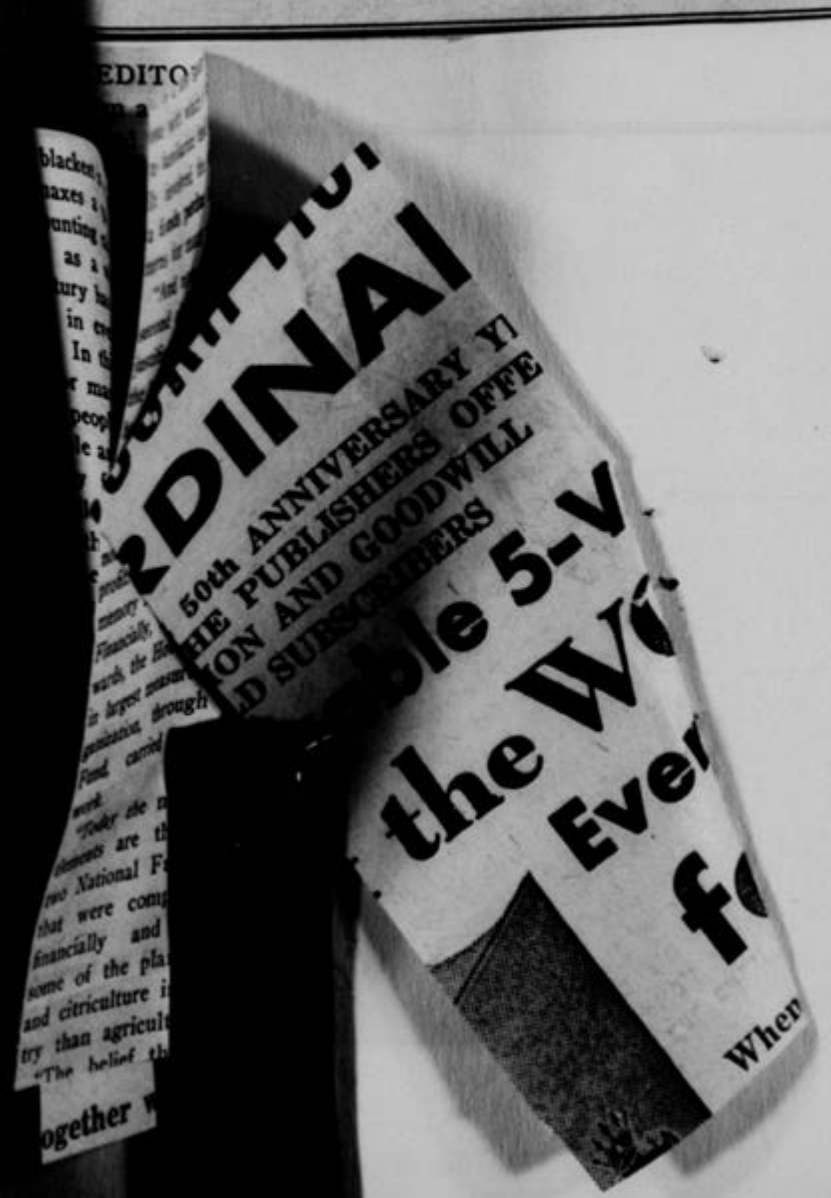

est of all—the loss of faith in our power of survival, in the heroic quality of our national destiny and in the esesntial worth and idgnity of our own lives."

Palestine Center of Revival of Jewish Life

"The other light in the all-encircling gloom of our world has been Palestine. In spite of the improvement, persecutions and exhaustion of reecnt years which made of the wohle household of Israel one vast hostelry of pain, in spite of the frightful disruption of numerous old centers of Jewish life, our people was nevertheless able to find within itself the energy, the courage, the resources and the resourcefulness to build in Palestine in twenty short years a new and resplendent center of Jewish life, already the fifth largest Jewish center in the world and certainly the first and foremost in the richness of the culture and the vitality of its spirit. The ten thousand evidences given daily in Palestine of renewal and resurrection, of dead spirits revived, of broken bodies made whole again, of building upon ruins, of courage, of vision, of hope, of self-sacrifice are an imperishable epic of splendor the like of which our own people or any other people has not written at any time in its history.

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"Here is a people, resolved to live and not to die—shouting defiance to a world bent upon its destruction. Here it is building upon strong and sure foundations a lasting home to replace the tabernacles which have proved so frail and so deceptive in so many parts of the earth. Here hope is restored to men robbed of hope, and pride to the humbled, and the gift of mission and destiny to those cut off, spiritually dispossessed, and cast out of all inheritance. Here beauty is given them for ashes, and the lost kingdoms of both worlds are restored to them.

"Only in Palestine have national expenditures have converted into permanent investments. Only in Palestine have relief funds been converted into lasting achievements. Palestine has a splendid, growing and productive Jewish community of over 500,000 souls to show for the investments in substance and in effort which were made in it in the last few decades. Only Palestine, of all the countries which have received financial support from world Jewry, can point to hundreds of new colonies, settlements, villages, towns and cities, to schools, to col-

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leges, to a university, to a national library—to a national center—to a full complement of social agencies and institutions, to a revived Hebrew language and culture, and to a teeming and vigorous and happy Jewish life, as evidence of the productive value of such support. And in Palestine alone we are still free to build and that, in spite of political restrictions and war conditions."

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GREATEST YEAR FOR U. P. A. WILL BE MARKED AT CONFERENCE ON PALESTINE, JAN. 6th & 7th

Having realized an income of more than $5,000,000 in 1939, the United Palestine Appeal will celebrate American Jewry's greatest year of effort for Palestine rebuilding at the National Conference for Palestine in Washington, D. C. on Saturday evening, January 6th and Sunday, January 7th. More than 1,500 delegates will pay tribute to the dynamic leadership of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver (left), National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, who made this record possible through his energetic service as United Palestine Appeal and United Jewish Appeal National Chairman in 1939. The need for providing for absorption of 35,000 refugees who entered Palestine in the past twelve months will be stressed among issues considered at the Washington conference. Promotion of immigration and colonization as illustrated in (1) arrival of homeless Jews on refugee ship on Palestine shore; (2) education and health for child victims of oppression; (3) training of refugee youth for new life on the land and (4) extending Jewish agricultural settlement activities in cooperation with Arab neighbors will be hailed as major American Jewish achievement through the United Palestine Appeal.

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U. P. A. Conference to Rally Palestine Forces

Concerning Dr. Weizmann's Arrival

Owing to bad weather conditions, the Trans-Atlantic Clippers have been unable to fulfill their schedules and Dr. Weizmann, who was originally scheduled to fly on the American Clipper on December 26th, has therefore been detained at Lisbon, Portugal, for the past ten days.

As The New Palestine went to press, it was announced by Pan-American Airways that flying conditions had improved and that a Clipper was scheduled to take off from Lisbon today. Pan-American gave the further assurance that in the event that the Clippers will resume their flights to the United States, every effort will be made to accommodate Dr. and Mrs. Weizmann on the first trip, so that they will be brought here this week-end.

The arrangements originally made for the public reception to Dr. Weizmann in New York on Tuesday evening, January 9th, at the Metropolitan Opera House, will be continued until it is ascertained definitely that Dr. Weizmann will not be here before that date. Tickets for the meeting may be obtained at the office of the Weizmann Reception Committee, 111 Fifth Avenue, Room 718, New York City.

In the event it is found necessary to postpone this meeting, announcement will be made in the public press and through the mails.

TO ADDRESS ZIONISTS

ALFRED DUFF-COOPER

1940 OPENS WITH ENTRANCE OF 600

Population Increased By 39,000 Last Year—Lost Permits Reissued

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — Over [illegible] immigrants came from Germany to Palestine this week [illegible] a ship specially chartered for the purpose by the Jewish Agency for Palestine. Included in the number of arrivals were 234 capitalist certificate holders and 40 Palestinians who had been stranded in Warsaw.

The rate of immigration into Palestine continued at a satisfactory pace during the last year. The Jewish population, it was estimated at the close of the last year, increased by 39,000 souls. Of this, immigration was said to have accounted for 32,000 persons and natural increase for the other 7,000.

Another encouraging fact was the announcement by the Palestine Government that 400 immigration certificates which had been lost either in Germany or elsewhere because of the war would be reissued. Negotiations for the duplication of the certificates had been going on for several months. Of the visas now available, it is expected that 200 will be allocated to the capitalist category.

8,050 Jews Entered Since War

Since the outbreak of war, 8,050 immigrants and refugees have arrived in Palestine, it has been disclosed by Eliahu Dobkin, of the Jewish Agency's Immigration Department, at a meeting of hechalutz (agricultural training) center leaders gathered in Jerusalem.

Discussing the absorption of immigrants in Palestine, Dobkin declared that 1939 had witnessed a record immigration as compared with the two previous years.

Most of the immigrants in 1939 came from Reich territories. The categories showed 35 percent capitalists and 23 percent youth aliyah.

"The Yishuv effectively showed its absorptive capacity for newcomers", Dobkin said, pointing out that the Jewish Agency for Palestine, which had received a major part of its fund from the United Palestine Appeal in America, had spent £60,000 on the absorption of immigrants alone.

Delegates in Washington To Consider Plans for Enlarged Support

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The signal to the Jews of America to begin promptly and effectively on a fund-raising campaign to accelerate the tempo of upbuilding the Jewish National Home in Palestine will be given here this week-end by the National Conference for Palestine, summoned by the United Palestine Appeal, central fund-raising instrument in the United States for the two great national funds, the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, will together with his associates in the national leadership, raise the standard for 1940 that is expected to stir American Jewry to that redoubling and rededication of effort which will provide the financial sinews to preserve and enlarge Jewish development oportunities in Palestine.

The visit of Dr. Weizmann to America in time to participate in the National Conference is anticipated but due to bad flying conditions over the Atlantic, the American Clipper, on which Dr. Weizmann had booked passage, has been delayed for more than a week, with the result that Dr. Weizmann has been detained during that period at Lisbon awaiting passage.

Added this week to the list of notable speakers at the sessions of the U.P.A. Conference were Alfred Duff Cooper, former First Lord of the Admiralty of Great Britain, and Colonel Frank Knox, publisher of the Chicago Daily News and Republican Vice-Presidential nominee in the 1936 campaign.

Mr. Duff Cooper has distinguished himself on many occasions in the House of Commons in his warm advocacy of the cause of the Jewish National Home.

Colonel Knox's consistent support of the Palestine upbuilding program was again reflected a few weeks ago in one of the most pungent editorials on the British White Paper that has ever appeared in an American journal. Colonel Knox will come from Chicago especially for the Conference.

Highlights of Program

A tentative program made available to THE NEW PALESTINE this week indicated that every phase of the problems in Palestine will be dealt with by the United Palestine Appeal Conference.

Broadcasts which will give the country an opportunity to hear portions of the National Conference program will include:

An address by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver over the Mutual Broadcasting System network on Sunday, January 7th, from 1 to 1:15 P.M.; an address by Attorney General Frank Murphy, whose views on "Democracy and Palestine" will be broadcast by a network of the National Broadcasting System on Sunday, January 7th, from 4:15 to 4:30 P.M.

Opens Saturday Evening

Judge Jacob J. Kaplan of Boston will be the presiding officer at the opening session of the Conference on Saturday evening in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Mayflower. Morris Simon, Chairman of the 1939 United Jewish Appeal of Baltimore, will welcome the delegates. Other speakers will include Dr. Georg Landauer, member of the Vaad Leumi Executive and director of the Central Bureau for the Settlement of German Jews; Louis Lipsky, Dr. Israel Goldstein, and Dr. Silver.

Sunday morning at 10 A.M. the session will feature a discussion of the relation of Palestine to the American community structure. Judge Louis E. Levinthal of Philadelphia will preside. Principal address of the session will be that of Dr. Solomon Goldman. Others participating in the program will include Samuel A. Goldsmith, Secretary of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago; Nathan M. Stein, Chairman of the 1939 Milwaukee Welfare Fund; Arthur M. Lamport, Treasurer of the United Palestine Appeal, and Henry Montor, Executive Director.

The afternoon proceedings, scheduled to begin at 4 P.M., will include an address by Attorney General Frank Murphy. Other participants in the program, for which Simon Shetzer, Chairman of the Jewish Community Council of Detroit, will be presiding officer, include Judge Morris Rothenberg, Dr. Walter C. Lowdermilk, Chief of Department of Research, U. S. Department of Agriculture; and Kurt Blumenfeld, Director of the Palestine Foundation Fund in Jerusalem, and President of the German Jewish Settlers Association in Palestine.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise will be the toastmaster at the banquet, beginning at 8 P.M. In addition to Dr. Wise, the speakers will include Colonel Frank Knox, Publisher of the Chicago Daily News; Rene de St. Quentin, French Ambassador to the United States; Mrs. Joseph Stroock, Chairman of the Women's Division of Greater New York; and Henry Monsky, President of Bnai Brith.

In connection with the United Palestine Appeal Meeting an informal conference of Zionist Youth Organizations has been called by Masada for Sunday to plan to place their members at the service of the great fund raising campaign.

Record Year for U.P.A.

The National Conference will mark the climax of the most successful fund-raising effort for Palestine in American Jewish history, with more than $5,000,000 being recorded in income from the United Jewish Appeal and from cash collections on previous campaigns.

This achievement of the officers of the United Palestine Appeal, under the leadership of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, is expected to be the foundation on which an even more extensive campaign for the year 1940 will be planned by the communities, organizations and other bodies participating in the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal.

Palestine Government to Encourage Public Works

Large Sum for Public Works and Relief to Be Granted to Larger Municipalities—Vaad Leumi and Arab Bodies Share Grant

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — The Palestine Government has decided to spend £750,000 out of its cash reserve for the alleviation of unemployment distress in the form of direct relief loans and public works, it was announced yesterday by High Commissioner Sir Harold MacMichael to a delegation of eighty Jewish and Arab representatives who met with him at Government House.

The High Commissioner, in detailing the form of this public assistance, stated that £151,000 would be spent in the erection of central Government offices in Jerusalem; £150,000 would be made available as a loan to Tel Aviv Municipality; an additional £75,000 is to be used for public works in Tel Aviv and £25,000 as a grant-in-aid to Tel Aviv Municipality.

The Vaad Leumi will receive £20,000 for relief for the four month period until March 31st, with the assurance of £50,000 for the same purpose in the next fiscal year.

The municipalities of Jerusalem and Haifa would each receive loans of £50,000, while Jaffa would get £10,000 and other municipalities and local councils £30,000. A grant of £5,000 will be made to charitable institutions.

Arab relief organizations will get £15,000 until March 31st and another £50,000 next year, in addition to £30,000 for seed loans.

The Jewish delegation at Government House comprised representatives of the Jewish Agency Executive, the Vaad Leumi, Tel Aviv Municipality and other Jewish bodies.

Government's Budgetary Needs Up to £7,073,733

JERUSALEM (Palcor)—Revised Government budgetary estimates have been issued for a total of £7,073,733 for the purposes of administrative expenditure for the twelve months ending March 31, 1940.

The largest amount is £1,843,070, or 26% of the total, for the Department of Police and Prisons, and £529,236 is to be spent on extraordinary works by the Public Works Department. The Railways will absorb £797,527, of which £47,756 are for emergency expenses, and the estimated deficit on its operation this year is £190,000.

60,000 Get Relief

Describing the present position in the Yishuv as grave, Pinchas Rutenberg, President of the Vaad Leumi, appealed to all forces in the community to rally to the voluntary emergency tax as the means to provide funds for emergency relief purposes.

Abraham Katznelson also announced that assistance to the unemployed given during the past three months by the Vaad Leumi totalled £45,000. To that sum the Government had contributed £10,000 and the Jewish Agency, £15,000. The funds had provided relief for 60,000 people.

Jewish Colony Expansion Pressed in Huleh Valley

Two New Settlements Founded This Week By Keren Hayesod—Agricultural Experimental Station Expanded—Research on Citrus

JERUSALEM (Palcor). — War and economic uncertainty have not halted the internal program of Jewish Palestine in the steady expansion of colonization, it was made clear this week in the announcement that two new colonies were to be formally launched this week in the north of Huleh Valley.

The names of the two settlements established by the Palestine Foundation Fund (Keren Hayesod) are Shear Yashuv and Meshek Hameshutaf. The first is a smallholding settlement of General Zionist youth located on 2,000 dunams of land furnished by the Jewish National Fund. Seventy families are to be located on the site, of whom twenty will take their places this week. Shear Yashuv is the fourth General Zionist settlement founded with Keren Hayesod funds.

The second village, comprising a Histadruth (General Federation of Jewish Labor) unit, will be based on a new system involving a combination of collective labor and an individual life. The land was formally registered in the name of the Jewish National Fund only a week ago.

Agricultural Station Expands

Other developments of the week in Jewish agriculture included laying of the cornerstone of three new laboratory buildings, costing £10,000, at the Jewish Agency's Agricultural Experiment Station at Rehovoth last Tuesday, January 2nd.

The expansion of the Station's facilities represents recognition of the increasingly important role it plays in improving Palestine's agriculture and in dealing with the problems of enlarging the country's possibilities for food self-sufficiency.

Preventing Citrus Wastage

It was announced at Rehovoth that the research work now being undertaken by the Agricultural Station in the prevention of citrus wastage, is to be continued this year by a grant from the Citrus Advertising Committee of the Government's Agricultural Council. The question of wastage is far more important in wartime as consignments are likely to be delayed by land or sea routes.

The budget for this research has been decreased from £2,000 last year to £1,800 for the current year.

In Haifa, the Alexander Zeid Farm, named for the veteran Jewish farmer who was shot dead near Kvutzath Alonim last year, is being prepared for settlement by young Dutch chalutzim and a group of Mikveh Israel Agricultural School graduates. There will be accommodation for 25 family units.

At present some 590 dunams are cultivated with wheat, while the vineyard and orchard comprises ten dunams. The dairy farm has nine head of cows, and there are 500 head of poultry in the coops.

A co-operative society for growing and producing improved types of seed for distribution to Keren Hayesod settlements has been formed as one of the organizations affiliated with the Agricultural Workers' Federation, a subsidiary of the Histadruth. Most of the supporting Jewish bodies are the kvutzoth, with a sprinkling of smallholding settlements.

The organizers of the co-operative have already had great experience in seed growing. Keren Hayesod settlements no longer purchase abroad their clover and other forage seed requirements. Beth Alpha, Givath Haim and Givath Brenner produce excellent cucumber and other vegetable seed, and there are prospects for an export surplus.

Well Dug in Transjordan

Great import for the future of Jewish colonization was seen when Kvutzath Hassadeh bored a well in Ghor el Kabad, a tract of land on the eastern side of the Jordan River, belonging to the Emir Abdullah of Transjordan.

The experimental pumping yielded 300 cubic meters per hour, and the well can yield a good deal more if the proper machinery is installed. The machinery is being supplied from Jerusalem soon. The site for the well was determined by Mr. M. Lowenberg, a Jerusalem engineer.

Dr. Hugo Herrmann, Zionist Leader, Dies

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — Dr. Hugo Herrmann, noted Czechoslovakian Zionist writer and communal worker died suddenly Tuesday night at the age of 53.

One of the early leaders of the Zionist movement in Czechoslovakia where he was born in 1887 Herrmann associated himself with the Bar Kochba student group in 1906, and between 1909 and 1912 was secretary of the Bohemian Zionist Organization.

Following his studies at the Universities of Prague and Vienna, Herrmann entered on a career of writing on Palestine and on visiting numerous countries on behalf of the Zionist movement. During his lifetime he wrote scores of books and hundreds of articles dealing with every phase of the Palestine rebuilding program. During 1913-14 he was editor of the Juedische Rundschau in Berlin. Between 1920 and 1934 he occupied the post of Secretary of the Keren Hayesod of Czechoslovakia.

During the last few years in Palestine, Dr. Herrmann had continued with his writing activities and had assisted the Keren Hayesod in various journalistic capacities.

Alfred Berger, Hebrew University Aide, Dead at 49

JERUSALEM (Palcor)—Alfred Berger, Director of the Organization Department of the Hebrew University, died Thursday of heart failure at the age of 49. He came to Palestine in 1933 from Germany where he had been for four years the director of the Keren Hayesod.

Well known as a communal and social worker in Germany, Berger had been a member of the Executive Committee of the Zionist Organization in Germany.

As part of his duties with the Hebrew University, he visited Europe on several occasions on its behalf.

Rosenbloom Building To Be Erected

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — Work was recently begun on the construction of the Rosenbloom Building at the Hebrew University on Mount Scopus to serve as the premises for the Faculty of Humanities. Solel Boneh, Ltd., has taken over the work for the amount of about £23,000. The work will last a year, and will make a substantial contribution toward supplying employment in Jerusalem.

YOUNG PIONEERS OFF TO WORK

A group of young women starting out for the day's work.

The Haunting Sense Of Insecurity

By EMIL BERNHARD COHN

I remember very vividly the day when Max Nordau first appeared in Berlin in January, 1898, to deliver his memorable speech against the reform rabbis of the German Rabbinical Association who had protested against the proposed first Zionist Congress in Munich. It was then that they were called the "protest rabbis" with which name they have since gone down into history. The meeting took place at the Feenpalast (Fairy Palace) opposite the Exchange, the biggest Berlin theatre of that time holding about 5,000 persons.

Nordau stood at the balustrade of the dress circle and with clenched fists hammered home his words. I was seated in the dress circle, too, but opposite the speaker. Behind me stood a furious rabbinical student of the Hildesheimer Seminary shouting: "And your Catholic wife? And your Catholic wife?" But the thundering voice of the famous tribune of the people drowned out the yelling interruptions and that night won the first public victory for Zionism in Berlin.

So overwhelming was the impression made on the mind of the young high school boy which I then was, that I am today able to repeat certain parts of Nordau's speech verbatim. Above all, the climax with which he finished remains unforgettable:

Instinct for Zionism

"He, who is a good Jew, full of Jewish self-consciousness, soon will find his way to Zionism. He who has not this Jewish feeling but who still is bound to Judaism by piety and the recollections of his childhood will realize that there is within a spring of humanity and will keep a sympathetic attitude towards Zionism. He who refuses to have any interest in Jewish affairs,—Zionism does not concern him and he may go his way.

"Only one group"—and here his voice deepened into thunder—"only one group will be hostile to Zionism: those who, themselves secure, are striking with the axe at the hands of poor shipwrecked men and women clinging to the boat. . . ."

At the point, Nordau paused and dead silence fell upon the assembly. And then, with a suddenly changed icy and low voice, he said, "I do not think it is necessary for me to place the 'protest-rabbis' in their proper category."

It was impossible to describe what followed. For almost a quarter of an hour, the crowd raged. Even a full hour later when the meeting had adjourned, they stood about in the cold winter night before the theatre talking and disputing excitedly.

But when I walked home later with some of my school-fellows, young Eric Rosenkranz, who afterwards became president of the Zionist student fraternity, Kartell Judischer Verbindungen, surprised us by suddenly asking: "Were those people in the boat really so secure? I think it is only the feeling of insecurity which made them act so."

Indeed, the security of the small lifeboat in Nordau's story was only comparative security. The "protest-rabbis" and their followers, the rich Jews of Berlin, honestly felt threatened in their civil equality by the sudden emergence of Zionism. Their equality moreover was not the same as equality in this country. Conceded only on paper, in practice always withheld by the government, the Jewish leaders in Germany were horrified when they were told they were not Germans but Jews.

When, ten years later, the writer of these lines was dismissed, from his pulpit in Berlin because of his sermons on Zionism and nationalism, the chairman of the Board of the Community announced his dismissal and addressed him thus: "You have put the axe to the roots of equality and therefore. . . ."

The German Failing

Whatever we of the younger generation have complained of against the German Jews originated in this attitude. Their impossible bearing towards their Eastern brothers, their accusations against them of creating "rishus" in Germany,—what did it imply if not their own deeply perceived insecurity within the civil and social life of the country? And even their religious "reforms," imitation Christianity in their services, their imported Protestant choral singing and Catholic high altars were all the result of the political insecurity in which they had lived for over a century. It is indeed astonishing to see how physical insecurity is able to distort and undermine a man's moral character; and, on the other hand, to see how moral strength must strain every nerve before being able to eliminate the danger of all these insecurities of life.

The security of the American people, their self-confidence and [illegible] based not merely upon real freedom and long practised equality but also upon a long experienced prosperity, is naturally stronger than European's could be. And yet, the German refugee is able to detect here a certain anxiety within American Jewery. But more fortunate than the unhappy Polish Jew in Germany, the German Jewish refugee in this country can find soon after his arrival that there is still the sound of Kishniev and Homel ringing in the ears of the strong stock of Eastern Jews who came from Europe decades ago.

Nordau's Point

To come back to Nordau, the great Zionist repeated time and again that the spiritual suffering of the Jew is worse than his physical distress. At the first Congress, he exclaimed, "The emancipated Jew has no foothold. He spends all of his energy in trying to suppress his own inner self because he does not want to be known as a Jew. And therefore he cannot be himself completely within thought and feelings."

All this grows out of the Jews internal and external insecurity. Zionism, therefore, means only another and a new attempt of bringing security into the Jewish world. The old "frum" Jew took this security from his faith in God, his obedience to God's word, his religious life. And henceforth he will do so and will educate his children to walk with his forefathers. The young Zionist fighter, realizing the dangerous development of the Nineteenth Century, became a Zionist because he decided to end that demoralizing insecurity and to establish one place in the world where our persecuted and humiliated people can live under their fig tree and vine in full security and happiness. There were always many definitions of Zionism but not the worst of all is that one that Zionism means the final and definite elimination of insecurity from Jewish life.

The United Palestine Appeal Faces the New Year

American Jews Safeguard The Jewish National Home

The war has made American Jewry the guardian of the Jewish future. On all fronts of Jewish survival, Jews in the United States must take over the positions of leadership relinquished by Jewish communities in Europe. Insulated by neutrality from the full strains of the war crisis, American Jewry must think through the fundamental problems confronting the Jewish people today and prepare itself to give guidance to the rest of Jewry, to shape plans for the future, to lay the groundwork for repairing the damage caused by war and oppression.

Can American Jewry assume this responsibility? How has American Jewry prepared itself to meet this test? These questions have been answered affirmatively through the unity which was forged in 1939 in the fusion of the campaigns of the United Palestine Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Refugee Service, Inc. (formerly termed the National Coordinating Committee, Inc.) The establishment of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs was more than a union of fund-raising agencies. It symbolized a mature consideration on the part of American Jewry of the inter-relationship of the problems of overseas relief and the program for the rebuilding of the Jewish national home. It gave evidence of a recognition of the totality of Jewish needs and of the [illegible] effort for the rescue and rehabilitation of Jews on the anvil of oppression.

American Jews Mobilized

Under the banner of the United Jewish Appeal, more than 3,200 Jewish communities from Maine to Florida, from New York to San Francisco girded themselves to achieve a new standard of service and generosity. Mobilization reached a new level. New forces were enlisted for leadership and new cohorts were won over to active support. The sphere of campaign participation was greatly enlarged. All former records were discarded. Unfettered by the standards of the past, American Jewry moved forward to a new outpost of cooperation. New objectives were established and sacrifice became the watchword of all those who labored in the interests of the Jewish people.

With the broadening of the base of supporters of the United Jewish Appeal, the cause of Palestine won new friends. The message of the United Palestine Appeal reached a larger number of Jews in the direct line of campaigning than ever before in the history of American Jewry. This was particularly important in view of the fact that the year 1939 was characterized by a series of decisive developments for Palestine. During the campaign, the message of the United Palestine Appeal brought to the Jewish community at large not merely the vague outline of homeland building, but an elucidation of the crucial issues involved in the challenging job of creating new life for refugees as well as maintaining the existence of 500,000 Jews already settled in Palestine. The union of the United Palestine Appeal within the framework of the United Jewish Appeal gave dramatic emphasis to the major position which Palestine occupies as a haven of refuge. Although many schemes for refugees colonization filtered through the public mind, the residue served only to emphasize Palestine's unique position.

It has long been recognized that the upbuilding of Palestine is an integral and vital part of the program of rehabilitating European Jewry. The quick succession of tragic events in 1939, the destruction of the Jewish communities of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland have given new force to the needs for strengthening Palestine's position. Mass immigration is an urgent necessity more pressing and tragic today than ever before. There is no longer the hope of temporary flight like that of the German Jews who were able to flee from Berlin to Vienna, from Vienna to Prague and from Prague to Warsaw. Today all these capitals are surrounded by the same barbed-wire fence. The appearance of the refugee ship is a pathetic barometer of the extreme plight of homeless Jews. The odyssey of the refugees who stake everything on a voyage without a destination is one of the most heartrending chapters in human misery. Yet hundreds of thousands have braved the elements, defying hunger and death, to reach the shores of Palestine. In 1939, despite the political high level of immigration, a total of 35,000 Jews came to Palestine from Germany, Poland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Rumania and other lands. The influx of non-selective immigration has confronted the Jewish Agency for Palestine with the difficult tasks of retraining and integrating the newcomers. In the months to come a large portion of the funds raised by the United Palestine Appeal will have to be devoted to the absorption of the 35,000 Jews who entered the country in the past year and of the immigrants that will continue to come into Palestine in 1940.

The United Appeal

The United Palestine Appeal played a unique role in the 1939 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal. With new tragedies stalking the Jewish people in many parts of the world, the needs of the United Palestine Appeal imbued the United Jewish Appeal with the impetus of a great constructive program helping to offset to a large extent the dismal grimness of new disasters. Through the forceful leadership of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, the United Jewish Apeal was lifted to a level of faith and optimism. Dr. Silver's message of courage as exemplified by the Jewish rebuilding of Palestine dispelled the growing sense of defeatism and introduced a long-range view of the destiny of Israel to emerge from the wreckage of Europe in the revitalizing spirit of Zionist endeavor.

Thus it was that the work of the United Palestine Appeal not only gave a sense of completeness to the united effort of American Jewry, but actually served as its greatest stimulus and inspiration.

In periods of extreme crisis the extent to which a community is prepared to share in the major responsibilities of Jewish life must be weighed in terms of immediate and concrete effort. Emergencies will not brook either eloquent professions of devotion or penetrating analyses of basic principles or theories. Giving, therefore, becomes a vital measure of service. One is justified in finding a correlation between the rising income of the United Palestine Appeal in 1939 and a comparable increase in American Jewish interest in the program and the problems which are identified with the United Palestine Apeal. When the records of the United Jewish Appeal indicate that in the year 1939 3,200 communities actively conducted campaigns, as compared with 1,900 in 1938, and that within all these communities the numbers of contributors were increased in equal if not larger measure, we are not confronted with empty statistics. We have good reason to conclude that in the mobilization of new forces the United Palestine Appeal served as a leavening element bringing forth new supporters to Palestine in new sections of the country.

"Whither Now?"

Since 1933 the question of "Whither Now?" has been repeated many times with cumulative anxiety. There have been many attempts to answer this vexing question. But with each new effort, with each new scheme, with each new survey commission seeking uninhabited areas for refugee colonization, Jews in America have become convinced of the unique position of Palestine. With each new scheme that momentarily lifts the hopes of the homeless and then evaporates, leaving nothing but disillusionment, the need for pushing ahead with all possible resources and energy toward the dominant purpose of widening the absorptive capacity of Palestine gains new power and meaning.

Nor can we as American Jews ignore the importance of Palestine as a channel of creative expression for the Jewish people at a moment when in so many parts of the world the Jew comes before the bar of civilization as a miserable, helpless wanderer and outcast. The wanderer may arouse sympathy and compassion and perhaps indignation at the injustice that has been meted out to him. But the fact that he has been uprooted, the fact that the dislocation of normal life has made of his re-integration an insuperable task will serve to rob him of his pride and self-respect. And those who seek to make the label of the outcast the badge for all our people will find encouragement in this sad situation. We in America cannot remain untouched by its implications. Though we may successfully explode the myths and accusations, we cannot escape being tainted by the constant reiteration of humiliation. Not only to answer our oppressors but to strengthen our own moral fibre we need the [illegible] of Palestine. Palestine [illegible] to us for moral and financial support. But we must look to Palestine for the spiritual sustenance to carry on in the midst of overwhelming catastrophes.

Program for 1940

In 1940 the United Palestine Appeal will be the channel through which American Jewry will fulfill its responsibilities (1) to provide the resources for continuation of the immigration and colonization program; (2) to help in the strengthening of the economic structure of the Jewish community of Palestine; (3) to extend the economic absorptive capacity through the establishment of new industries and broadening the field of agricultural development; (4) to promote security through the building of new roads, and the establishment of new points of settlement; (5) to increase support in a measure that will make up for the inability of Jewish communities in Europe to continue their participation in Palestine rebuilding.

Even if the outbreak of war had not brought about a sharp rise in the needs of Palestine, the removal of practically all of European Jewry from the list of contributors would in itself require double the amount which must be forthcoming from the Jewish communities in the United States.

American Jewry has reached its full maturity. Yet it must be keenly aware of the necessity of creating in Palestine the spiritual and cultural anchorage which has been uprooted in Europe. To the task involving both, the immediate rescue of many homeless Jews, as well as the long-range program of revival and reconstruction which has profound significance for the entire Jewish people, Jews in America must now dedicate themselves with unprecedented vigor and devotion through enlargement of the resources of the United Palestine Appeal.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL CHAIRMAN

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

INDUSTRY OF YISHUV REPORTS PROGRESS

Sixty-one New Factories Built in 1939—Majority Since War Declared

JERUSALEM (Palcor)—Information made public this week in this city by the Jewish Agency indicates that notable strides were made during the past year to develop the industrial economy of the Yishuv. According to a survey made of 1939 manufacturing progress, 61 new factories were established and 21 existing plants were enlarged.

Seventy new articles of manufacture were added to Palestine's output in 1939, the report said. Since the outbreak of war on September 3rd, a total of 39 factories has been established, many of them by newcomers to Palestine.

Rumanian Trade Delegation

A Rumanian trade delegation is expected in Palestine within the next week, following a successful mission in Egypt, in order to discuss ways and means of promoting commercial relations between the two countries.

A trade agreement was signed in Egypt for the sale of gasoline and timber in exchange for Egyptian cotton and rice.

Palestine is interested in selling citrus fruit and manufactured goods in return for cattle and timber. The mission will proceed from here to Greece and Bucharest.

Kibutz Plans Factory

[illegible] Industrialists have decided to establish a factory for starch and glucose in Palestine. The project will need an investment of about £20,000, and will employ about 100 men.

Part of the machinery will be made in Palestine. The principal raw material is maize, which is grown abundantly here. Starch and glucose are the materials for a number of industries.

This will be the third factory set up by the National Kibutz, who, together with representatives of financiers, have opened in Tel Aviv an economic bureau to draw up plans for industrial enterprises, which will be managed for their owners until the latter take them over.

Testing Laboratory

With a view to obviating harmful adulteration in the foodstuffs industry, the competent Jewish authorities are now planning the establishment of a Foodstuffs Testing Laboratory.

The Nutrition Committee of the Economic Research Institute of the Jewish Agency, supported by Keren Hayesod funds, is now considering the question in conjunction with the Jewish Medical and Jewish Pharmacists' Associations.

The laboratory will publish the names of the producing firms under its auspices as a guarantee of pure foodstuffs.

Beirut Football Team Coming to Palestine

TEL AVIV (Palcor)—The Palestine Football Association has agreed with the Lebanese Football organization to stage a match between two selected teams in Association Football at Tel Aviv.

WEIZMANN'S SON A PILOT

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — Word received in Jerusalem from London states that Michael Weizmann, eldest son of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, has received a commission as pilot in the British Royal Air Force.

Budgetary Needs of the United Palestine Appeal

An Analysis of Palestine's Requirements During 1940

The requirements of the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth are estimated at $21,530,000 for the year ending September 30, 1940, in the budgetary analysis of the United Palestine Appeal which has been released in conjunction with the National Conference for Palestine in Washington, D. C.

The United Palestine Appeal, faced with the necessity of raising in the United States at least 80% of the total for the National Funds because many Jewish communities formerly participating in the program can no longer make their contributions, must endeavor to raise in 1940 the sum of $17,224,000, the report pointed out.

Minimum budgets based upon the needs arising out of the war have been adopted to meet requirements for relief, unemployment aid and middle class support, and acceleration of the upbuilding effort. The budgetary proposals of the World Zionist Congress at Geneva last August have been superseded in the face of unprecedented wartime needs.

$1,200,000 for Relief

A survey of the new budget, which represents a combination of the requirements of the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth as the twin arms of Palestine reconstruction embraced within the United Palestine Appeal, reveals estimated relief needs of $1,200,000 for the twelve-month period.

"The steady [illegible] of [illegible] which have become of supreme moment since the outbreak of war," the report indicates. "The refugees who have arrived during the past year have entered the country at the end of long weeks or months of malnutrition, disease and indescribable hardships. They have had absolutely no resources upon which to count. Their elementary requirements of clothing and food must be met; in many instances they must be nursed back to health; they must be maintained until place is found for them; finally, plans must be laid for their integration in the agriculture or industry of the country."

Payments for relief of $100,000 a month by the Jewish Agency would take care of 15,000 persons, including unemployed workmen and larger destitute families.

Agriculture—$1,800,000

According to the Economic Research Institute of the Jewish Agency, 80,000 Jews in the Yishuv require aid. Other measures have consequently been undertaken to expand employment opportunities. For promotion of agriculture, $1,800,000 has been set as the necessary expenditure. The sum covers expense of enlarging the existing colonies, which now total 262, and establishing new ones. The program, according to the analysis, "represents the only method of absorbing the immigrants and refugees into the economic structure of the country and of enabling the settlements to provide the necessary food for the Jewish community during wartime."

In dealing with the expansion of Jewish agricultural output during the past year, reference is made to the research work of the Agricultural Experiment Station of the Jewish Agency at Rehovoth and the Daniel Sieff Institute in increasing the productive capacity of the land and finding new uses for the produce grown. The record of 24 colonies established during the past year is detailed, and Jewish penetration into new sections of the country is outlined.

Public Works—$3,200,000

A total of $3,200,000 represents a program to provide work in public works projects such as road building and colonization improvements. This budget would give work to about 12,000 workmen, with half the amount being supplied by the Jewish Agency and the other half being contributed by the various communities and other public institutions in Palestine.

A part of the relief program involving public works is to be financed by loans and not gifts. Such amounts, therefore, would constitute a revolving fund.

Citrus—$2,600,000

The citrus industry, one of the most important branches of the economic life of Palestine, has been severely hit by the war. The livelihood of thousands of laborers and the continuation of a great industrial enterprise are involved. According to expert analysis, the sum of $2,600,000 will be required for irrigation; fertilizing orange groves; advances on other work to be performed in the groves; and partly also for the repayment of debts in order to free this year's crop for sale.

Some part of this year's crop which will remain unmarketed because of wartime restrictions and the uncertainty of shipping facilities may be converted into such by-products as alcohol and cattle fodder. Yet the under-capitalization of many Jewish-owned groves [illegible] immediate as[illegible] in tiding over the present crisis.

Industry—$2,600,000

A similar amount of $2,600,000 has been asked to preserve the industrial structure of the country. The restriction of credits must be offset by the national institutions. Of the total, $1,000,000 is urgently required to finance the importation of raw materials which are indispensable for the continuation of Palestine's industrial output. There is also required a loan fund of $1,600,000 as working capital for those industries which, owing to wartime conditions, mut enlarge their production.

Some of the most important of the hundreds of new industrial enterprises which have sprung up in Palestine during the past months include producers of foodstuffs, textiles and clothing, metal and electric fittings, chemicals, and such other goods as furniture, cellophane, linoleum, burnt brick, and office supplies. The influx of immigrants who were active in diversified industries in the lands of their birth has given the country a great reserve of human material on which to draw in expansion of the industrial plant. Provision of adequate financial resources will be immediately reflected in an increase in industrial employment.

Obligations—$5,640,000

Obligations already incurred which must be met by the national funds total $5,640,000. These include commitments for land purchase and opportunities for new land acquisition on which negotiations have been begun; repayment of loans contracted by the Keren Hayesod in current and previous years and for commitments, including the deficit incurred by the Palestine Foundation Fund in the year from October 1, 1938 to September 30, 1939, amounting to $640,000.

Other Expenditures

Other budgetary expenditures of the Keren Hayesod and the Jewish Agency include $960,000 for security needs, $150,000 for activities in Jerusalem and London, and $330,000 for miscellaneous items including education grants, the Agricultural Station, national institutions, administration, and so forth.

Deficit—£P88,286

A summary of income and expenditure of the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund for the year 5699, corresponding to the period from October 1, 1938 to September 30, 1939, indicated a combined excess of expenditure over income of £P88,286. Income of the Palestine Foundation Fund, the Jewish Agency, and the Central Bureau for Settlement of German Jews totaled £P1,062,002 during the period; the Jewish National Fund reported income of £P1,101,070; and transfers of immigrants' capital from Czechoslovakia aggregated £P206,435. Combined income reached £P2,369,507.

Expenditure during the year was £P1,159,175 for the Keren Hayesod, the Jewish Agency, and the Central Bureau; £P1,092,183 for the Jewish National Fund; and the Czechs funds consisted of £P135,124 in payments, and £P71,311 in earmarked sums.

The budgetary deficit materially increases the total to be raised.

Yishuv's Share

The contribution which the Jewish community of Palestine is making toward the solution of its problems is emphasized in the report, which details the aid of the Yishuv to its own institutions during the past eighteen months.

From April 1, 1938 to March 31, 1939, it contributed £P16,687 to the Keren Hayesod. From October 1, 1938 to September 30, 1939, it gave £P46,946 to the Keren Kayemeth. It gave the Keren Hayishuv, from August 1938 until July 1, 1939, £P129,000; to the refugee relief fund of the Vaad Leumi, for the year beginning August 1938, £P40,000; to the Pidyon Avodah, relief fund of the General Federation of Labor, £P98,000; and to Mifdeh Ezrachi, relief fund for the middle class, £P35,000.

In addition, the Yishuv began on November 1, 1939 to pay a voluntary income tax to the Vaad Leumi to meet immediate needs occasioned by the war. It is estimated that the receipts of the tax, which rise to as much as 20 per cent of income in the higher brackets, will total £P225,000 during the first six months of its operation. Another voluntary tax borne by the entire Jewish community meets costs of health, social service, education and other welfare projects which together receive approximately £P500,000 from the community each year.

Functions of the Funds

Moneys received by the Palestine Foundation Fund are devoted to assistance to immigration; agricultural and urban settlement of immigrants; furtherance of motion of national organization and security; health and social service; and every enterprise designed to increase the absorptive capacity for Jewisn immigration.

The Jewish National Fund expends its funds upon land purchase, rural housing, soil amelioration, afforestation and other measures to strengthen the foothold of the Jewish people upon the land of Palestine.

For the supplementary support of orthodox institutions in Palestine, the United Palestine Appeal also makes a grant to the Mizrachi Palestine Fund.

Palestine in 1939

According to the report, the number of refugees who have come to the Jewish homeland out of lands of distress in Europe during recent months includes not only the 35,000 who arrived in the twelve months ended September 30, 1939, but 7,800 who made their way to its shores following the outbreak of war.

The work of the training farms established in England, Holland, Belgium, the Scandinavian countries, Rumania, Yugoslavia and Hungary for the agricultural preparation of prospective immigrants, under the direction and with the cooperation of the Jewish Agency, was stressed. To coordinate immigration activities and to facilitate the rescue of Jewish refugees, the Jewish Agency established a special Palestine Bureau in Geneva, which organizes the work throughout Europe.

Economic Progress

The index of Jewish economic advance during the past year may be gauged by the record citrus crop of 15,310,346 cases exported in the 1938-39 season; the gain in milk production over 1938 and the output of 11.96 million litres in the first quarter of 1939 as against barely 130,000 litres produced in the entire year of 1922. During the first eight months of 1939, Jewish vegetable harvest of 10,700 tons represented a 40 per cent rise over the figure of 7,800 tons for the corresponding period of 1938.

The importance of potash in the international market now that German supplies of the mineral have been cut off from many countries is stimulating production of the Jewish extractive industry in the Dead Sea area. Palestine is likely to become the chief source of the supply of potash for the Allied nations. During the first nine months of 1939, export rose by 35% over 1938. New chemical processes are permitting Jewish chemistry plants to convert potash into many derivatives and by-products, including chlorine, caustic [illegible] po[illegible]esium salts, and mixed fertilizers.

At Haifa, late in the year, the first oil refinery in the Near East was opened to handle a large fraction of the crude oil which is transported over the pipeline of the Iraq Petroleum Co. The presence of the refinery opens up tremendous possibilities for conversion of petroleum by-products and pharmaceutical preparations.

"Today the Jewish community of Palestine is prepared both economically and psychologically to weather the crisis occasioned by the war in Europe," the report points out. "The last years of disorders within the country have taught the Jewish people a new and fuller meaning of devotion and have impelled them to a determination to maintain their position which comes only out of the living experience of defending one's own possessions and one's own land. There have been numerous shocks administered to the Yishuv, shocks which were none the less severe in that they had no relation to economic existence but were motivated rather by political objectives and the power politics of an Empire. The war in Europe has, however, not yet reached out across the Mediterranean. Palestine is for the time being, certainly being spared the horror of conflict which was its fate during the great struggle of 1914-18. Yet in a world as interrelated as our own, a crisis in one section is immediately communicated to all others, and the economy of Palestine has not been free from dislocation.

"No one can predict the course of events in a world where turbulent change has become the norm, but it appears reasonably certain that given continued dissociation from the war in Europe, the Jewish community of Palestine will be enabled not only to maintain itself as a healthy economy entity, but also—with the support of world Jewry—will continue to be a haven for new thousands of refugees."

CHARLES RESS HEADS U.S. KEREN HAYESOD

Board of Directors Plans To Extend Activities In This Country

Charles Ress of Mount Vern[illegible] N. Y., was elected chairman of the Board of Directors of the Keren Hayesod of America at its last meeting on Thursday night, December 28th, in New York City. At the same time, a panel of officers and Administrative Committee for the coming year was elected. Louis Lipsky presided.

The Board of Directors discussed the plans of the Keren Hayesod for 1940 with particular reference to the proposed agreement between the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth for the conduct of the United Palestine Appeal during the coming year. The plans which were submitted by Mr. Lipsky, were approved.

CHARLES RESS

Mr. Ress in accepting office emphasized the need for clarifying and extending the program of the Keren Hayesod within the United States. The Board directed Mr. Ress in collaboration with Dr. Kurt Blumenfeld, managing director of the Keren Hayesod in Jerusalem, to submit a plan in consonance with these views at a special meeting set for Thursday, January 11th.

Mr. Ress, who replaces Mr. Lipsky as Chairman of the Board of Directors, is a graduate of Yale University and Yale University Law School. He has been admitted to practice law in Connecticut, Florida and New York. In addition to filling various offices in the national administration of the Zionist Organization, he has been a member of the Executive Committee since 1936. In 1934, he was elected national secretary of the Keren Hayesod.

New Administration

Mr. Lipsky was elected national chairman. Other officers elected include: Governor Herbert H. Lehman and Judge Julian W. Mack, honorary chairmen; Leon Gellman, Dr. Solomon Goldman, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Judge Louis E. Levinthal, Henry Monsky, Judge Morris Rothenberg, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Elihu D. Stone, David Wertheim and Dr. Stephen S. Wise, co-chairmen; Jacob H. Cohen and Abraham L. Liebovitz, treasurers; Robert Silverman, secretary; and Sol Cohen, Jacob Fishman, David Freiberger, Isaac Hamlin, I. M. Kowalsky, Abraham Krumbein, John L. Leibowitz, Dr. Harris J. Levine, William J. Mack, Rabbi Irving Miller, Louis Rimsky, Louis P. Rocker, Mrs. Archibald Silverman, Sigmund Thau and Morris Weinberg, administrative committee.

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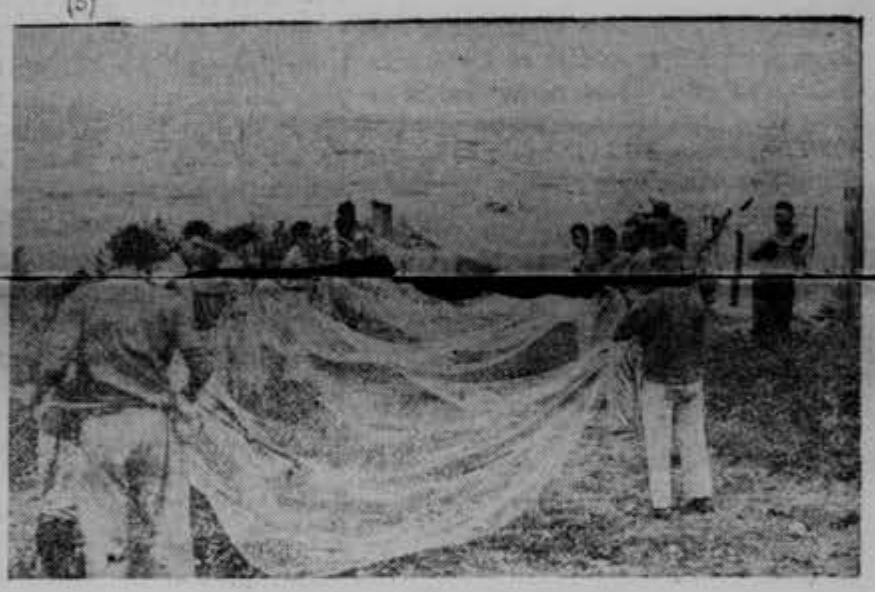

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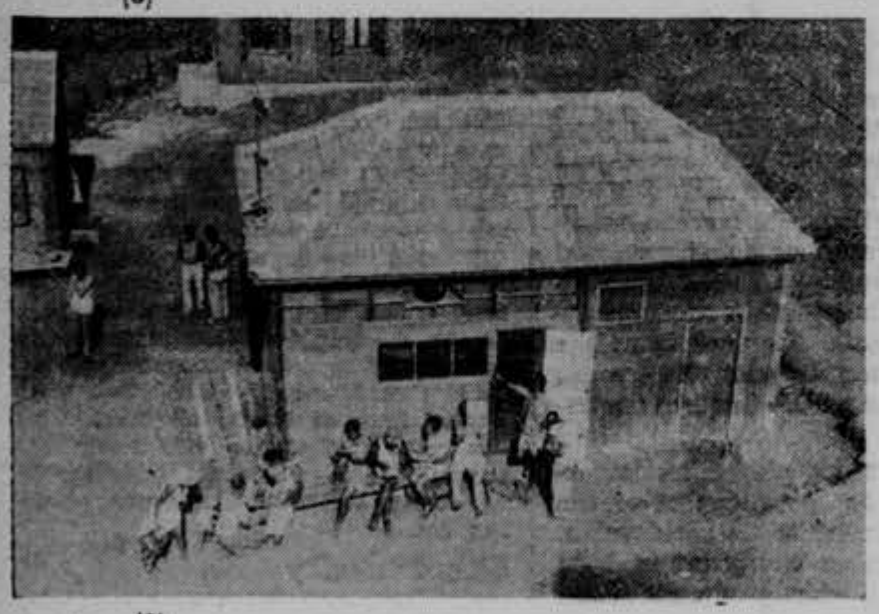

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GREETINGS TO ZIONISTS AT WASHINGTON

The greetings of THE NEW PALESTINE *are extended to the representatives of the United Palestine Appeal gathered in Washington to consider the problems that confront our fund-raising forces, and to set in motion the campaign of* 1940. *As we go to press, we are informed that the registration for this year is unprecedented. Literally from every part of the United States, the leaders of our work are coming to Washington.*

Time and again, you have gathered in conference for a similar purpose. But never at a time when more sacrifice was expected of us. Time and again, you have come to our annual gathering, eager to hear the message of hope and to consider the plans for action that have been submitted to you. But never more so than today were these plans of such vital importance for the future of the Zionist movement.

Washington is an hospitable city. It is, indeed, the capital city of the American republic. Every citizen may well be proud. We hope that you will see some of the beauties of Washington, and enjoy some relaxation during your stay, but our deepest hope is that you will derive strength and courage from the proceedings of the National Conference, and inspiration for the work that lies before you in 1940. *The program, as arranged, is a rich and varied one. It is calculated to instruct and to lift your spirits. But of the greatest value to the movement is that part of the program which is not printed, but which you will write in the spirit of enthusiasm you will imbibe and take back home with you.*

THE RECORD OF 1939

The National Conference for Palestine—in effect, the annual convention of the workers and leaders in the United Palestine Appeal—meets to register an unprecedented year of service. The funds of the United Palestine Appeal were secured through a combined campaign with the Joint Distribution Committee under the name of the United Jewish Appeal. The quota set was $20,000,000. The war declared in the fall of 1939, which precipitated a series of events radically worsening the Jewish position, had not started when the quota was set. It required a great deal of optimism to expect (following the poor campaign of 1938) a successful campaign in 1939. But the job was tackled with vigor and determination. A tremendous amount of enthusiasm was engendered. Everywhere, new pacemakers were secured to raise the local quotas. Unusual records in giving were registered. The report is that over $17,000,000 has been secured, topping the Jewish record of collections in any one campaign in the United States.

Of this amount, an allocation of $2,600,000 has been given to the National Refugee Service, which provides for the care of refugees in the United States; and the share of the United Palestine Appeal was $4,000,000. The amount received by the United Palestine Appeal did not include the special collections of the Jewish National Fund, amounting to about $400,000. So far as Palestine is concerned, there should be added, for the sake of the general record, the amounts collected by the Hadassah and the Gewerkschaften campaign, both of which did unusually well in 1939. This is a record of which all Zionists may be proud. It augurs well for the 1940 campaign, for, if 1939 could produce the sum of approximately $6,500,000, may not much more be expected in 1940?

The travail of the Jewish people has become almost unbearable, Merely to read the daily accounts of what is taking place in Poland has become a torture. It is impossible to contemplate the inhumanity being practised upon millions of Jews without feeling a physical and mental pain that is almost unendurable. The whole of Europe east of the Rhine has become a hell for hundreds of thousands of Jews who are the victims of the basest and cruelest inhumanity. What can be done to help them on the spot? Unfortunately, very little. They are prisoners of ruthless governments who allow their prisoners not even the attention of ordinary humanity. A small percentage of the victims make their way, by almost superhuman effort and endurance, to the boundaries, and seek refuge in neighboring states. They may be helped temporarily. By some devious way, relief may reach them. Some can be fed and clothed and healed, but, in the last analysis, the pressing problem of the day is emigration. Harsh as the fact may seem, no other solution presents itself.

It is stating the literal truth when it is said—as we shall have to say again and again in 1940—that Palestine is the land, and the only land of consequence, which is prepared to receive a substantial number of the hapless victims of the European catastrophe and to absorb them and to transform them into free, self-supporting men. It is a sanctuary which fills all the requirements of a home. It is not a service to transients. It is not an *Ersatz*. It is an authentic home for Jews, satisfying the soul, the physical needs of those who come to it, and at the same time building up a reservoir of Jewish strength that is prepared and eager to reenforce Jewish life in the Diaspora. And it has all the qualities of health. It grows even under difficulties. It grows in intelligence. It improves in national character. Its experience enables it to function, for all practical purposes, as a self-governing, free Jewish land. All its difficulties and limitations fade into insignificance in the light of its actual capacity for achievement and national sacrifice.

The Land of Promise kept its promise in 1939 to the extent of bringing in over 34,000 new settlers. Despite all obstacles, Jews are coming in at the rate of 2,500 every month. If the resources of Jewish life were concentrated upon Palestine for immigration, for colonization, for the extension of industries, there would be no practical reason why at least 100,000 Jews could not be settled in Palestine in the year 1940. No obstacle now presents itself which cannot be overcome by firm resolution and united action.

We are convinced that the Jews of America are beginning to appreciate the part Palestine is playing, and can play to an even greater extent, in the tragic situation of the Jews in Europe. Palestine is not a land in distress. Palestine is a national service station that must be enlarged and extended to embrace a greater program. It is this fact, intelligently employed in the campaign, which should enable us to expect an increase of means for the building of the Jewish National Home in Palestine. For this larger work, all Zionists and friends of Palestine must prepare themselves.

In the splendid record made during the year, the workers and committees of the United Palestine Appeal are entitled to a large share of the credit. They did their part in many Welfare Chest cities, leading in many cases, and filling up the committees with effective workers. The United Jewish Appeal was, in fact, a partnership arrangement between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal, in which each partner contributed its equal share of service. For maintaining the prestige and dignity of the United Palestine Appeal in the United Jewish Appeal, our committees and workers throughout the country are entitled to the gratitude of the leadership of the Zionist movement.

Much of the success of the campaign as a whole was due to the energetic leadership, the devotion and sacrifice of Dr ABBA HILLEL SILVER, Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and Co-Chairman in the United Jewish Appeal. Dr. SILVER threw himself into the campaign without reserve. He extended himself in activity over many parts of the United States, week by week, and month by month. He brought to bear upon the discussions of the problems of the United Jewish Appeal a deep understanding, a Zionist consciousness imbued with courage, and was, in fact, the intellectual leader of the United Jewish Appeal. He was our finest contribution to the partnership of the United Jewish Appeal, and he deserves a generous appreciation.

HUGO HERRMANN

It is sad news to many Zionists to hear of the death of Dr. HUGO HERRMANN, who passed away in Jerusalem this week at the age of 53. He was one of the interesting figures in the Zionist Congress held at Carlsbad, and then, together with a group of Prague Zionists, he was in charge of the organization of a number of the Congresses held in Switzerland. He was a man of genial humor, a keen observer of persons and events, and seldom took the platform, which was a rare distinction. Behind his sunny nature, there was serious purpose, and he could always be relied upon to perform his duty with meticulous attention to detail. He used to be the recorder at many Zionist Congresses, and the editor of the Congress newspaper.

HUGO HERMANN played an important part in the development of the Zionist movement in Czechoslovakia. He started in as a student in 1906 with the Bar Kochba group. He edited the various Zionist publications in Prague, wrote many books on Zionism and Palestine, and for a brief period was editor of the *Juedische Rundschau* in Berlin. When the Keren Hayesod was founded in 1920, he became its secretary for Czechoslovakia, and served in that position continuously until 1934. The last few years of his life he spent in Palestine, where he was joined recently by practically all of the Czechoslovakian Zionist leaders, including Dr. Angelo Goldstein and Dr. Rufeisen. He had all the softness and sentimentality of a person reared in the culture that used to be called Viennese. He took serious things lightly and pretended to take humorous things seriously. He was an interesting figure in the history of Zionist Congresses.

THE WATCHMAN

BALANCE SHEET

These lines are being written during the closing hours of the secular year. I have just been turning over the pages of the first volume of that unique periodical, Der Jude, which Martin Buber began publishing in April, 1916. In his editorial announcement of policy in the first number Buber recalled that in 1832 (the year of the passing of the Reform Bills in Parliament, by the way) Gabriel Riesser also began the publication of a periodical called Der Jude in which the fight for the civic and religious freedom of the individual existent Jew was to be fought. Buber marks the drastic change that has taken place since the days of Riesser. "We do not demand," he wrote, "freedom of conscience for the members of a religious community, but freedom of life and work for an oppressed nationality and we demand that this nationality, which today is treated as the helpless object of events, become the free subject of its destiny and work *in order that it may grow to be equal to its functional share within the general fate of mankind.*"

The italics are mine, not Buber's. For here, among us in America, it is almost never understood that even the idea of the "mission of Israel" is futile and feeble unless there first be an Israel—a morally and politically integrated unit—of which the fulfillment of a "mission" can be rationally predicated. But Buber takes this for granted and proceeds to the all-important fact that Israel, to achieve its liberation and be equal to that destiny which alone can redeem it, must first redeem itself to an inner worthiness of that destiny. He ends his editorial with the ever memorable sentence: "The Jew who exists today cannot be our goal; he can be but a starting-point; we must seek to make real that Jew whose lofty image dwells in our memory and in our hope."

Will to Redemption

From that day in 1916 on to the publication of his last German volume, *Kampf um Israel*, in 1933 Buber strove after the finding and the realization of that "lofty image". If the Jewish people is to will its redemption it must first be a people that *can* will its redemption; the title of that last volume of Buber's has no relation to the embattled world-position of Israel but means the battle that Israel is still waging for the attainment of its own true self—of that loftier and cleaner self which can will its redeeming destiny because it is worthy of that destiny.

Here, here, and not elsewhere, friends and chaverim, lies the crux and essence of our problem. Mass-meetings and drives and all the normal devices and activities are good and necessary. But they are not and will not be *decisive* until and unless we can get many Jews, very many Jews, to go to the center of their being which is for them (as it is for all men) the center of the world and there find the beginning of the path that leads them to the ultimate reality of historic and eternal Israel, to some grasp of the metaphysical idea which Israel embodies. Why did the laconic sages declare that Torah is better than good works? Because Torah and Torah alone can issue and flower effortlessly and naturally into good works. Only the inner change can give birth to the redeeming act.

Ultimate Reality

Let me repeat that: Only the inner change can give birth to the redeeming act. If the inner change had taken place in very many Jews we would not have to plead for members or money. Members and money, adherence and sacrifice, should be the outer evidence of a completed inner process. And unless they are that—as we know from bitter experience—they have to be pleaded for and worked for again and again, year after year. The redemption of the people is a slow and grinding and heart-breaking process because not even a few are wholly redeemed. These are words that sound strange and remote in the ears of people, especially of people here in America where life has become so mechanized and so cut off from its true sources. But these words and these thoughts are the least remote; they are the closest and most pertinent to our actual aims and practical objectives.

LUDWIG LEWISOHN

The Importance of Egypt

In Spite of Pan-Arab Propaganda, Egypt Can be of Unique Aid to Palestine

By ITTAMAR BEN-AVI

The accompanying article is the second of a series being written by Ittamar Ben-Avi, Palestinian author and editor, specially for THE NEW PALESTINE. *In his first article, Mr. Ben-Avi explored the implications for the future of the Jewish National Home in the growth of a powerful Turkey. He stated that Turkey was inclined to frown upon the Pan-Arab movement and was friendly to the idea of a Jewish Palestine.*

Few Zionists have ever realized the tremendous importance of Egyptian politics on the destiny of Palestine. Dr. Chaim Weizmann and Colonel Frederick H. Kisch always gave the matter their attention and lately, Moshe Shertok, the very able director of the Political Department of the Jewish Agency, created in Cairo a sub-agency for Zionist activity among non-Jewish Egyptians.

Most of these attempts were, however, sporadic. Egypt was permitted to drift slowly but surely into Pan-Arabism. For example, when Zaghlul Pasha, the hero of modern Egypt was still in power, Lord Allenby, then the most powerful representative of Great Britain in the Valley of the Nile, advised the writer of these lines to make the acquaintance of the Pasha and his followers. Zaghlul, although an opponent of Great Britain's Egyptian policy, declared himself sympathetic to the moderate aims of Zionism. His right hand man, Nahas Pasha, went even further by emphasizing that a friendly Jewish Palestine was necessary to the future of his country. Nothing, alas! was done to further the good intentions of the Egyptian leaders. Today Nahas Pasha is the staunchest supporter of the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, now an exile in Iraq.

Egyptians Are Not Arabs

In order to understand the paramount importance of modern Egypt to the Zionist movement, a basic fact must be understood and accepted, namely, that Egyptians, although they speak Arabic, are as little Arabic as Americans are English. In the days of Zaghlul, Egyptians would daily tell one: "With all our sympathies for our brothers in Islam in Syria and Iraq to the East and in Tripolitania, Tunis, Algeria and Morocco to the West, their political fortunes do not interest us in the least."

Nay, a state of open enmity lasted for years between the Hedjas, ruled by King Ibn Saud, and Egypt, ruled by King Fuad. That this estrangement between the two states on the Red Sea is still latent is proved by the outspoken cries in favor of the resurrection of the Caliphate which burst out during one of the most dramatic sessions of the Egyptian Parliament in the presence of King Farouk, Fuad's young and wilful successor. This was done with clear knowledge of the struggle which King Ibn Saud formerly carried on with King Feisal of Iraq in the lifetime of the latter for the religious leadership of all Islam (an institution so lightheartedly discarded some fifteen years ago by Mustapha Kemal Ataturk and now claimed by his successor, the gifted Ismet Inonu).

Egypt for the Egyptians

Whatever solution will come to this problem of the succession to the Caliphate, one thing now is certain: nationalist Egyptians, especially Christians (designated as Copts and numbering almost a million and a half souls) are more and more inclined to throw off the yoke imposed on Egypt by Pan-Arab propaganda. A strong movement called "Pharoanism" has latterly been making great strides among the more moderate youthful Egyptians. Although no Egyptian statesman has yet dared to lend the movement his official support, it is well known in Cairo and Alexandria that men like Taha Bey and the former Prime Minister, Mohammed Mahmud Pasha, openly regard themselves as "one hundred percent Egyptians." That is to say, they follow America's lead in the matter of their reborn nationalism.

Nothing in the world would induce any Egyptian, even a *fellah*, to accept the incorporation of his country in any so-called Arab Federation, an idea also rejected, it may be said *en passant*, by the Yemen, Tunis and Morocco. As a matter of fact, strong pro-Turkish sympathies still exist in modern Egypt based on a tradition arising from the Albano-Turkish descent of the Egyptian ruling house. When Turkey some months ago cast its lot with the British and French against the Germans, the Egyptians immediately followed suit. And even Nahas Pasha, the above mentioned supporter of the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, raised no objection.

Old Egypt and the New

In point of fact, Turkey's astonishing growth into a Mediterranean Power of the first magnitude, as I explained in my last article which recently appeared in THE NEW PALESTINE, has done more for Egypt's consciousness of its own potentialities than any other event in a century. Nationalist Egyptians cannot forget that a little over a hundred years ago, the celebrated Egyptian ruler, Ibrahim Pasha, conquered Palestine as a first step toward reasserting Egypt's right to a special position on the Mediterranean.

(Zionists should remember gratefully that this warrior who held Palestine by force of arms for ten years was the first sovereign—even before Joseph Chamberlain had dealings with Theodor Herzl—to give Moses Montefiore on behalf of the Jewish people a "firman" for rebuilding the ancient Jewish Homeland.)

Modern Egypt almost succeeded under Ismail Pasha (of Suez Canal fame) and his immediate successors in reestablishing the Egypt of ancient days with borders stretching as far south as the sources of the Nile and with parts of Abyssinia as tributary. Though still bound by sham treaties to observe fealty to the Turkish Sultan, all the Mediterranean Powers vied with each other in courting the favor of Egypt.

When the Moslem natives staged an uprising in Egypt, England invited France, Italy and Russia to intervene in favor of the Egyptian government and restore law and order. These countries were unprepared and thus England—the England of Disraeli—started to play her leading role in the destinies of what Ismail Pasha has called his "Pharoanic Dynasty." What Ismail failed to achieve, Fuad and his young son Farouk have been fast creating in the last twenty years or so. Under their very able leadership, the old Egypt is gradually metamorphosing into the New Egypt of our times.

Problem of Nationalities

There is one aspect of the new Egypt which best explains the special position she occupies on the Mediterranean, to wit, her powerful European minorities. Half a million Greeks, 350,000 Italians, 100,000 Frenchmen, Belgians, Britishers, Germans, and so forth,—in addition to the 1,500,000 Copts whose national feelings have been vigorously renewed since the collapse of the Pan-Arab propaganda among the 13,000,000 Moslems—have so shaped her destiny that she cannot be considered a purely Egyptian nation.

Egypt is to Africa what Switzerland is to Europe, Canada to America and Palestine to Asia—a multi-national state. No matter what the extreme Nationalists may do to Arabize these European minorities, they will continue to remain sharply divided from the Moslem population in language, religion and customs. Zaghlul himself once said: "We cannot throw the Greeks and Italians, the most powerful of the Europeans, into the sea. We will have to resign ourselves to their being autonomous within our borders."

Thus the slogan among the Europeans is: "Egyptians, yes, but only as the French of Quebec are Canadians." They expect that Coptic, Greek, French, Italian, English and so forth, will remain their respective mother tongues. Certain cities, or quarters within cities, will enjoy, as in the case of Alexandria, a sort of cantonal administration. Moreover, due to the high culture, extraordinary capacities and financial resources, the three million non-Moslems will long enjoy a preponderance of influence hardly compatible with their small numbers.

Hence it is impossible for Egypt to submit in the long run to Pan-Arabism. Hence, too, the Jews who reach almost the hundred thousand mark and who are also included among the European minorities will continue to play a distinctive role in the history of the New Egypt.

Palestine as a Decisive Factor

It stands to reason that the development of Egyptian Jewry will from now on depend on the Jews of Palestine. On the very morrow of the World War, the Egyptian Jews led by the Manashes, the Cataavis, the Mosseris, the Ades and the Castros—to mention but some of their leaders—gave Dr. Weizmann excellent assistance in his constant endeavor to reach an understanding with the Arabs. Had the Zionist leaders known how to attract these Egyptian Jews into the movement, many of the mistakes committed in Palestine would have been avoided. The Egyptian Jews, because of their perfect knowledge of Arab psychology, would have saved us literally millions of pounds and even the three years of terror might have been avoided, or at least mitigated. Interestingly enough, the Egyptian Jews, though but the fourth largest group among the non-Moslems, are economically best rooted in that rich country. Speaking Arabic and various European languages with facility, they constitute an ideal *trait d'union* among the various communities and wield extensive influence in Egyptian affairs. Not even Nahas Pasha's latest anti-Semitic campaigns have shaken their position or destroyed the ties connecting them to Palestine.

It depends on the third Judaea whether these powerful Jews on its very threshold will play their full role in the Zionist movement. We have not known how to attract them. In many ways we have antagonized their leaders uselessly. Here is an element as rich proportionately to their numbers as American Jewry. A single one of the wealthier Jews could, if he so wished it, buy up all the empty lands still waiting for redemption at the hands of our pioneers.

POSTSCRIPTS

Heywood Broun

I first met Heywood Broun while arranging a luncheon of representatives from the Jewish and general American press at which Nahum Sokolow was to be honored as the foremost Hebrew and Jewish journalist of our time. This was on the occasion of his second visit to this country in 1925, the first one having occurred in 1912 when the Hon. N. Taylor Phillips, a former treasurer of the old Federation of American Zionists and the writer of these lines had the privilege of escorting him to a reception accorded to the distinguished visitor at City Hall by the Hon. William J. Gaynor as Mayor of New York.

The press luncheon just mentioned was held at the Hotel Brevoort. It was the largest and most representative ever assembled, every newspaper of the city and the leading weekly and monthly magazines having sent outstanding members of their staffs. The leading Jewish writers were there and only a few of our distant English-Jewish authors stayed away. Ludwig Lewisohn, who had not yet been touched by the spirit, pleaded with me over the telephone to be excused on the ground that it would break up his working day if he came to a luncheon at one o'clock in the afternoon. The luncheon was arranged under the joint auspices of the four leading pro-Zionist Yiddish dailies, namely: The Jewish Daily News, The Jewish Morning Journal, The Day and The Zeit. (The Forward was still anti-Zionist in those days.)

We were anxious to have the presence of Adolph S. Ochs, the publisher of The New York Times, but he had declined repeatedly, giving lack of time as his reason. I then wrote the most powerful and persuasive plea that I could pen and sent it on the stationery of The Jewish Morning Journal in the name of the late Israel Friedkin, the publisher who was most helpful in furthering all the arrangements for the affair. That letter proved to be irresistible. Mr. Ochs no sooner came to the luncheon than he asked to be presented to the man who had written him so moving a letter about Mr. Sokolow. He was forthwith formally and almost ceremoniously introduced to Mr. Friedkin. Both men beamed at each other with joy and gladness. So we had Mr. Ochs and Arthur Brisbane among the speakers of the occasion. Mr. Brisbane took some delight in taunting Mr. Ochs by praising William R. Hearst as the greatest and most powerful American publisher, etc. Mr. Brisbane also felt called upon to answer the charges of Henry Ford and the Dearborn Independent, and the length of his address was almost disastrous to the program. Mr. Ochs was brief and gracious and wound up with some humorous Jewish story.

Joseph Barondess presided and in making reference to the various distinguished newspaper men and writers present, he mentioned one "Hymán Brown." Mr. Broun was very much amused by this and when I tried to apologize afterwards, he said "It's quite alright, Hyman Brown is a very good name and I am getting tired of being a *goy*, anyway."

Owing to the long list of speakers and especially to the time that was consumed by Mr. Brisbane, Mr. Broun was not called upon to speak but he took delight in meeting and conversing with Mr. Sokolow. On this and on other occasions, he showed himself to be quite sympathetic to the Zionist cause.

I met Mr. Broun again a number of years later, around 1929, when he addressed an executive meeting of the American Jewish Congress on the subject of discrimination against our people in the field of employment. His intense interest in the growing prejudice and hostility which made it so difficult for our young people to find places in commerce and industry led afterwards to his elaborate exposition of the whole problem in "Christians Only," the book which he wrote in collaboration with George Britt of the World-Telegram, another very staunch friend of our people. While the book was in preparation, I was able to furnish considerable information, which material Mr. Broun graciously acknowledged in the preface of his volume. After that I ran into Mr. Broun on a number of occasions, both in New York and in Washington, in the Capitol, usually when he was sauntering along one of the main avenues in his slow, slouchy, leisurely manner with his loose and hanging attire that had already become famous. He always glowed with intense interest in whatever he was doing, he always beamed with genuine friendship and good humor. The problems and strivings of our people, their stake in a longed-for better world, came up again and again and every time he proved himself to be the rare friend as he was always the incomparable humanitarian. Broun's many daily newspaper columns written in defense of our people and to ridicule all the preposterous emanations of prejudice and intolerance, and not least, his most recent articles on anti-Semitism in his weekly paper, The Connecticut Nutmeg, will remain among the lasting utterances on the subject. Of the wandering refugee ship "St. Louis" he wrote a piece that was a most stirring indictment of a tottering civilization.

Undoubtedly among the memorable achievements of Heywood Broun was the unceasing loyalty which he displayed and the unfailing support which he gave to the Roosevelt Administration. From that point of view, I like the title which the Philadelphia Jewish World bestowed upon him when in a leading article it called Broun "The Franklin Roosevelt of American Journalism."

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A "Zionist" Library

The new Franklin D. Roosevelt Library at Hyde Park, the cornerstone for which has recently been laid with the appropriate ceremonies, will have special interest for Zionists for undoubtedly the documents and papers covering the political career of our great President, to be assembled in this library, will hold many letters and statements relating to Palestine and the struggle for the rights of Jewish minorities, to the efforts to assist the refugees, and similar notable utterances. In fact, the various pronouncements and declarations of F.D.R. on Zionism and other subjects close to Jewish interests, covering a period of many years, would make up a good-sized volume, and a book of thoughtful and penetrating statements.

Through a Mother's Eyes

Intimate Details in the Life of Dr. Weizmann As Related by His Mother

By JEAN JAFFE

In the autumn of 1937, while living and working in Palestine, I had the good fortune to meet some members of the Weizmann family, who have been identified with Palestine and rooted in its soil for almost a half century. One sister, Dr. Fruma Weizmann of Jerusalem, came to Palestine as a young bride some forty years ago and began her practice as the first woman dentist in the country. Another sister, Gita Dunia, followed her a few years later. Driven by the Zionist ideal which overtook the family, she arrived in Palestine fresh from a conservatory and established the first music school in Haifa. She taught the piano to children of the early settlers even before there was a piano obtainable. And on the sand dunes of the Hadar Hacarmel a Weizmann was making musicians. Mrs. Dunia is the widow of the late Tuvia Dunia, pioneer engineer and builder, who was killed by the Arabs less than two years ago, while trying to convey another victim to the hospital.

Another sister, Mrs. Chaya Lichtenstein, a charming and talented woman, lives in Tel Aviv, where she is a teacher of arts and crafts at the Herzliah Gymnasium. A brother, Dr. Moshe Weizmann is professor of chemistry at the Hebrew University. His Zionist activities date back to the third Zionist Congress when he was a student at Kiev. Another sister, Dr. Anna Weizmann is one of the chief assistants to her distinguished brother at the Sieff Institute at Rehovoth where his laboratory is located a short distance from his home. Dr. Anna Weizmann has worked under her famous scientist brother for many years, first at Zurich, then at Manchester, and in recent years in Rehovoth. Then there is Yechiel Weizmann, the "baby" of the family, who came to Palestine before the World War directly from an agricultural school. And Feivel Weizmann the eldest brother, who assumed the duties of "Pater Familias" after the death of the father more than twenty-five years ago.

But most precious and enduring to me are the meetings with the late mother of the President, Mrs. Rachel Leah Weizmann, who passed away in her eighty-seventh year at her home in Haifa some six months ago. This lovable and gracious woman mothered her eleven living children until the last. She was the Head of the House of Weizmann, without the imperiousness of the matriarch but with the unbounding love of a mother.

Memories of the Past

Over a period of many months I spent some delightful hours with Mother Weizmann at her home presented to her by her famous son. On many occasions I found her alone knitting. On other occasions, on holidays and especially on her birthdays, I found her surrounded by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, foregathering from all parts of the country. And Passovers also brought Dr. Weizmann from abroad. There she sat small and stooped, with the chiselled beauty of a cameo. Hers was a full and abundant life, enriched by the many lives she brought into the world, mellowed by the struggle to win a place for them under the sun. She had rescued her children from Czarist oppression and sent them forth into this world of affairs. She was a pillar of strength to her family whom she warmed with her love and counsel throughout their lives and careers. To her friends the world over, she imparted her simple and beautiful philosophy of life and faith.

Often, over a cup of tea while her delicate, gnarled fingers turned out embroideries and knitting, she would recount some of her memories from the storehouse of the past. She would tell me about her husband whom she married at seventeen when he was a pale and poor Yeshivah student. Nor was there any end to the stories about her fifteen children, which she told in her rich, fluid Yiddish, punctuated from time to time with a Hebrew parable, a Russian proverb, a French motto or a German verse. For though her duties as wife and mother kept her in the confines of her home, priests and statesmen and poets and peasants filled her home first in Lithuania, then in Poland, then in post-revolutionary Russia, and for the past twenty years in the new Palestine. They brought to her the world of men and affairs. She gave them her shining light,—true wisdom and faith.

Mother Weizmann, standing in front of Lord Balfour, at the dedication of the Hebrew University on Mt. Scopus. Standing to the left of Lord Balfour are Dr. Weizmann and Nahum Sokolow.

Dr. Weizmann on a visit at Hanita. At his right are Mrs. Weizmann and Moshe Shertok.

I will tell a few of the stories I heard from her on the terrace of her home while her fingers worked away:

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Mother Weizmann rarely expressed any special love for her great son, whom she always referred to as "Little Chaim". She would not think of putting one child ahead of the other, nor would she allow herself to love one more than the other. But there was always a tremor in her voice when her famous son was mentioned. For she learned long ago that Chaim was born for the service of his people and she long ago acquiesced in the fate that has denied him to her often for years on end. And though his frequent letters to her from various parts of the world reassured her of his well being, the aged mother had always been able to glean from reports and messages and even by instinct, when her son was weighed down by the task of pitting the ideals of his people against the stern and forbidding politics of the world.

Motherly Anxieties

When winter brought severe weather to London, she worried over his health. She knew that a visit to Parliament meant a strain on his energies. Though she knew that he was received among the greatest, she did not seem surprised. For did she not know her Chaim? And did not his Rabbis and teachers tell her that he is made of the stuff of great men, and that he would be a great man in Israel?

She recalled how she would sit in the small hours of the night and sew silk shirts for little Chaim. And she recalled the period when Chaim was a student in a *cheder* imbued with religion and piety. She recalled the gifts which he brought her when as a student abroad he would come home for summer vacation and holidays. The gifts were usually for the new born brother or sister that had arrived in his absence. She recalled the incident when a telegram was received from Berlin telling the family that his first chemical invention had been bought by a famous firm and bidding his father to come for the signing of the agreement. The whole town of Motele rejoiced, all the neighbors and relatives gathering under the Weizmann roof to partake of the mother's delicacies and celebrate the linking of the world with the little town through its most famous son, Chaim Weizmann.

Released From Draft

Once she told me the story of how her son was released from military service in the Russian army. He was summoned from his laboratory in Germany to appear before the military examiner of the province. The latter, a cultured and urbane gentleman, kept the young prospective soldier a long time in his office, talking to him about science and letters and affairs of the world. So impressed was the officer by the talents and idealism of his young subject, that he finished by shaking his hand and saying: "You go back to your science and learning. It would be a pity to use you as cannon fodder."

One of Mother Weizmann's fondest recollections of her son concerned a particular holiday which he spent with his parents. Upon [illegible] in the Synago[illegible] that the silver candlesticks, a favorite family heirloom, had been taken from the house. Later the mother saw the candles through the window of a humble neighbor, and she was ready to go and claim them.

"Wait, Mother," appealed the young Chaim, "this is a holiday, and it would not do to tear into the house of poor people and expose them as thieves. Wait for some later opportunity."

And there was the glorious moment when, at the opening ceremonies of the Hebrew University, the mother accompanied the Zionist leader. There and then on the platform, where she sat among the famous, Lord Balfour turned to her and benignly said: "Blessed is the mother of such son."

Seder Night in Haifa

Seder Night brought a great event to Mother Weizmann. She told me of one of these occasions. Some five thousand workers gathered outside the home in Haifa, where Dr. Weizmann was conducting the Seder. He stepped to the balcony and greeted the admiring throngs. His mother was standing at his side, as usual repeating in her heart a prayer of thanks for the glory he had given her. After a few moments the throngs broke out in song and soon there were huge, winding circles dancing the horah with Dr. Weizmann in their midst. The old mother could not keep step with the jovial masses, and watched her son, a towering figure, become one with his fellow men.

There was one precious assurance which the mother had when Dr. Weizmann visited Palestine. He would never stay away from her roof the first night after arrival. She would stand there on the steps, her heart dancing, as she greeted her son. She would gaze into his eyes, watch his face closely, and determine immediately what his state of health and mind were. And he, her great son, would try to put all his affairs aside and bask in the glowing warmth of the little lady in whose presence all his cares vanished and the big wide world receded with all its besetting problems. They would talk for hours while she served him his favorite childhood dishes. They would weave the stories of the past with childish relish and color. They would laugh at the funny characters in their native town. They would recall with halting tones his father.

They would go over the destinies of the various members of the family scattered in many parts of the world. They would conjure up the image of Yakim, the Russian peasant who was the family servant for more than thirty years and played his part in all the vicissitudes of the tribe. Old Yakim's memory is dear to them all, and Dr. Weizmann will always relish a story or two about the grizzly, bovine Yakim who was loyal to them until the very last.

But on the morrow the idyll would be interrupted. For the Yishuv would claim her famous son, and whisk him away. Then, he would have to leave her again for an indefinite time.

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But she would not complain. Hers was not a voice to question. Her son must go. His people need him. And she must part from him again for the thousandth time. And always the farewell was in the form of a blessing, a silent blessing from an ageing mother to her famous son.

South American Jews Unite

A Letter From The Argentine

By Dr. A. MIBASHAN

The outbreak of the war in Europe and, especially, the rapid invasion of Poland and the savage fury of the bloodthirsty Nazi hordes during and since the occupation in systematically destroying Jewish public and private property, cultural and religious organizations, and, above all, the barbarous extermination policy against our brethren, have had, naturally enough, a tremendous echo in the nearly 350,000 souls of the strong Jewish community of the Argentine. This is natural since not less than 60 per cent are of Russian and Polish origin.

The reaction was widespread and expressed itself in a series of meetings, discussions and assemblies among the distinct sectors of Jewish life here, as to the means by which to bring *help* to the victims of Nazi appression. There arose a cry for a combined organization strong enough to handle the situation. The demand grew to create a responsible body for the purpose and to unify the several proposals that were brought daily, by press and in meetings. Zionists, Polish-Jewish organizations, the DAIA (the well known anti-defamation organization), and other groups and committees met repeatedly. It was agreed to create a provisional committee under the chairmanship of Dr. M. Cadoche, president of the DAIA, and the vice-chairmanship of S. Rabinovitsch, president of the Zionist Federation, in which all the mentioned sections of the Jewish population sit together. The direct aim of the provisional committee is to take the necessary steps in order to facilitate the launching of a big campaign for "Help to the War Sufferers and Reconstruction of Eretz-Israel," to be carried through in the first months of 1940.

The new campaign as projected will be of such proportions never

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Eretz Israel in Time of War

Emergency Vindicates the Zionist Settlement Policy of the Keren Kayemeth

By MENAHEM USSISHKIN

Important Zionist issues that were subjects of heated debate from the days of our earliest settlement activities are being resolved perforce by present wartime conditions.

The ideal that inspired the Hibath Zion movement and after it modern Zionism, was to establish in Palestine the largest possible number of Jews who could live their own lives in their historic homeland. But no sooner had the first steps been taken than difference of opinion arose. Was this settlement to be primarily urban or rural in character? Urban settlement was undoubtedly better fitted to absorb large numbers of new immigrants, and was on the whole cheaper. Urban conditions were also more familiar to the Jewish immigrants among whom life in the cities had been general for generations.

Priority of Rural Settlement

On the other hand, there were some who insisted on the priority of rural settlement. They claimed it was a fundamental in Zionist aspirations since it restored precisely what Jewry had lacked for so long, namely, soil beneath its feet. It was commonplace, they declared, that the masters of a land were its farmers and not the town dwellers. Furthermore, work on the land induces permanence and stability, which it does in far less measure in the cities. Finally, the primary necessities of life are produced on the land and not in the cities.

Sixty years have now passed since the first Moshava, Petach Tikva, was established. Today, three-quarters of the Yishuv are concentrated in the towns and only one-quarter on the land. And the experience of the last war, when Palestine was an actual theatre of conflict, and conditions today, when its economic life alone is affected, vindicate the claims of those who insisted on the priority of the rural settlement. Those who fled the country in the last war and the far smaller number leaving it today (if only because other countries are closed to them) are overwhelmingly from the cities. The farmer has not left his fields or vineyards or plantations. The bond with the soil is an enduring spiritual relationship that cannot be severed. The bond with the town is superficial, particularly for people who have not lived here long.

Elementary Economics

There is also, of course, the elementary economic factor. Whatever happens, if he has a parcel of land, the farmer has work and food and a roof over his head. If conditions are hard, he suffers but he never despairs. It is different in the cities where at the first serious repercussion even people of substance are liable to find themselves breadless.

The conclusion is obvious also for the future. The individual must establish himself according to the dictates of his qualifications and temperament. But the body politic, the national funds and the Zionist Organization, the Jewish people, must make the village their central care, that is the soil and its settlement. Only when the proportion between town and country is equal, can we be confident in the strength of the Yishub.

The principal factor towards this end is provision of land for the Jews already here who need it and for those Jews who immigrate. That, of course, is the function of the Jewish National Fund. Today it owns nearly 40% of the entire area in Jewish hands, most of it acquired during the past twenty years.

Citizens of Palestine

A second major issue which has long been under discussion is this: Shall Jewish settlement be concentrated within a limited area or spread over various parts of the country? Concentration has its advantages. Remember that our settlement activities began under the Turkish regime when the country was wild and the conditions primitive and these conditions long continued. In such circumstances, concentration makes for greater security. It also helps to create a Jewish atmosphere in which settlers do not find themselves strange to the language and living under conditions so different from those prevailing in the lands from which they came. Again, concentration is cheaper.

But there were always some who pleaded for a policy of a widespread settlement. Our Homeland is not so vast that the increasing network of roads and other communications will not rapidly connect its scattered settlements. Furthermore, despite its smallness, its natural conditions are singularly varied. Agricultural conditions in Galilee are very different from those in the Sharon. If we seek intensive settlement then we must exploit all kinds of soil and conditions. Concentration in a single limited area would make our agriculture one-sided and evoke certain grave dangers. We see what has happened in the plantation zone. Because of that one-sidedness in cultivation, the planters are faced with a crisis. Before the last war there was a concentration on vineyards and but for the intervention of the late Baron Edmond de Rothschild a catastrophe could not have been averted. But when our settlement is scattered and our agriculture varied, the Yishub as a whole can withstand such crises.

Spiritual Factor

Then there is the spiritual factor. Returning to its Homeland the Jewish people does not desire to recreate the ghetto life which was its fate in so many countries and which Hitler proposes now to re-establish in part of Poland. In our Homeland, we want to be citizens of the whole country, from Dan to Beersheba and to live with our neighbors, the Arabs, in one mass even though in different ways of life.

Nor can we forget for a minute the historic Jewish bond with Palestine which is connected not with this or that part of the country but with all of it. Those who preach concentration in a single area would cut the Jew off from most of those historic associations. I need not emphasize how great a mistake that would be.

Public Capital and Private

The relative functions of public and private capital in upbuilding forms another issue on which there have long been discussions. Those who pinned their faith on private capital said that it was the creative power and only it could effect great achievements. The supporters of public capital did not underrate the creative capacity of private capital in those directions where it follows the trodden path or where profits are reasonably secure. It was thus the nature of private capital, except in rare cases, to concentrate in the towns, or at least in industrial and commercial undertakings.

But in rural settlement and particularly in a poor, neglected and small land like ours, few private capitalists would blaze the trail of settlement activity. This task could be carried out only by a Government, in our case by the Zionist Organization and the National Funds. It is a new sphere for our people, one with which it has been unable to familiarize itself in the Diaspora. It involved the sinking of funds *a fonds perdu* and minimum returns for many years.

And now the supporters of the second claim seem to be manifestly justified. The settlements founded before the last war by private capital would have disappeared had the Baron not come to their aid. And his was not private capital in the accepted sense but public, in the sense that he did not invest his millions for personal profit, although he profits in the memory he has left to his people. Financially, he lost heavily. Afterwards, the Hovevei Zion and then, in largest measure, the Zionist Organization, through the National Fund, carried on this settlement work.

Today the majority of the settlements are the creation of the two National Funds. Those others that were completely independent financially and otherwise, were some of the plantation settlements and citriculture is rather an industry than agriculture.

The belief that private capital, generally speaking, should build up the cities and public capital the settlements, is now held, I think, by the whole Zionist world.

And here the task of the Keren Kayemeth is fundamental. It redeems land, ameliorates it and latterly has also partici[illegible] the initial cost of occupation. And it is not without reason that its income is rising every year. Instinctively the Jewish people feel that the first steps in the return of Am Isreal to Eretz Israel is the redemption of land, not for speculation but in the best interests of the people.

VISITING A NEW SETTLEMENT

Menahem Ussishkin, 76-year-old Zionist leader and President of the Keren Kayemeth Le Israel, is seen here visiting one of the settlements in Galilee established since the outbreak of the war.

Palestine Native Born Different Says Expert

That the second generation of Palestinians is developing unique traits of character compared with the youth of other countries was the opinion of Dr. B. Weinryb as expressed in a recent interview with a representative of THE NEW PALESTINE. Dr. Weinryb who is an authority on Jewish economic and social history, recently arrived in this country from Palestine.

Prior to his departure for America, Dr. Weinryb was entrusted by the Economic Research Institue of the Jewish Agency with the undertaking of a comprehensive study of the second generation in Palestine. In commenting upon the results of his investigations, he pointed out that the problem of the second generation in Palestine has occupied the minds of Zionists to no small extent for upon the native born rests the success of the Zionist movement. He was thus the first to make a survey of the Palestinian youth, its make-up and occupational status, covering all youth born in the country or brought there before the age of eight.

Traits Emerge

His study showed that distinctive traits are beginning to emerge as to education, form of occupation and frequency of turnover from one trade to another. In towns such as Rehovoth, the youth has been stable with 80 per cent remaining to engage in trades and agriculture. In the cities, however, the migrations of youth were greater with an ambition to engage in white-collar jobs.

The study was made on the basis of a special questionnaire circulated in Tel Aviv, Haifa and the various moshavoth. Dr. Weinryb has issued a brochure entitled "The Second Generation in Rehovoth and Its Occupational Status" and various other technical studies. He has contributed to scholarly quarterlies in Palestine and is the author of historical studies in German and Hebrew.

ORTHODOX RABBIS TO HOLD J.N.F SABBATH

Ask Arbor Day Observance By Congregations — Plan Rabbi Berlin Forest

Saturday, January 20th, 1940, marked in the tradition of the Synagogue as "the Sabbath of Song," will be observed in Orthodox Congregations throughout the United States as the Sabbath of the Jewish National Fund, in accordance with a call issued by the Union of Orthodox Rabbis.

The call was issued for the Union by Rabbi Israel Rosenberg of New York; Rabbi Eliezer Silver of Cincinnati, Ohio; Rabbi Dov Aryeh Levinthal of Philadelphia, Pa.; members of the praesidium, and Rabbi J. L. Seltzer, secretary, in connection with the forthcoming observance of Chamisho Osor B'Shevat, Palestine Arbor Day, occurring on January 25th, known in Jewish lore as Trees' New Year. The Union urges the participation of Congregations in the Jewish National Fund's tree planting work in Palestine in connection with the observance of Chamisho Osor B'Shevat. A national committee is now engaged in bringing to successful completion a plan of the Mizrachi for planting on Jewish National Fund land a forest in tribute to Rabbi Meier Berlin, president of the Mizrachi World Organization, on the occasion of his 60th birthday.

Ask Wide Support

Stressing the needs of the present emergency, the call of the Orthodox Rabbinate points out the necessity for pushing forward the upbuilding of the Jewish National Home "as a sacred duty" the fulfillment of which keeps "open the Road to Redemption."

"Our heroic brothers and sisters who flee to the land of our fathers from the blackest slavery, degradation and torture in the Hitler domains are strengthened and fortified by the Prophetic promise: 'Thou shalt no longer be called forsaken; thy land shall no longer be described as desolate.' (Isaiah 62,4).) For there, in the Yishub, our brave builders of the Homeland, like in the days of Ezra and Nehemiah, are performing a double task. One hand is engaged in defense while the other is set to building and planting for the future.

"Planting for the future is the message which the forthcoming observance of Chamisho Osor B'Shevat brings us in this time of trial. New trees are a symbol of growth and an expression of hope in the future of our people. The planting of trees is also a method to provide employment for those refugees who have already reached safety through finding a haven in Eretz Israel. This is a purpose which is of significant and appealing importance to all of us," the call of the Orthodox Rabbinate declares.

District Organized In Gloversville

According to a report received from Morris J. Kurland, steps have been taken to organize a district in Gloversville, N. Y. A committee has been formed to lay the groundwork of the new unit and a drive will shortly be launched for 100 members.

U.J.A. Grants $250,000 for Aid to Christian Refugees

Catholic and Protestant Leaders Assert Gift Shows Refugee Problem to Be Concern Of All Regardless of Creed

From funds raised in 1939 to meet the needs of its Jewish relief and reconstruction agencies, the United Jewish Appeal announced this week the allocation of the sum of $250,000 for assistance to Christian refugees, half to be made available to Pope Pius XII for aid to Catholics and the other half to be contributed to Protestant agencies through Dr. George A. Buttrick, President of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

Pointing out that the problem of the refugees includes members of all faiths, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, declared that those responsible for the allocation of the funds for Jewish agencies felt at least a ortion should be reserved for distribution through Christian agencies to help victims of persecution without regard to race or religion.

The fund of $125,000 which is to aid Catholic refugees is to be presented to Pope Pius XII through Bishop Bernard J. Sheil of Chicago, as a memorial to the late Pope Pius XI.

Late Pope Lauded

The Jewish people will never forget "the magnificent struggle he (Pope Pius XI) made to combat the ungodly doctrine of racialism which strikes at the very roots of the religious faith of civilized men," the Jewish leaders said in their letter to Bishop Sheil. "They will always remember his unflagging efforts to vindicate the divine doctrine of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man which alone can bring peace on earth."

The leaders of the United Jewish Appeal said that when the gift was first conceived it was their intention to have it presented through His Eminence, George Cardinal Mundelein, who in the minds of Americans had been peculiarly associated with the noble struggle for religious ideals.

In communicating to Dr. Buttrick the decision of the United Jewish Appeal, Rabbi Silver and Rabbi Wise declared that it was felt "appropriate and fitting that a fund of $125,000 should be put at the disposal of the Protestant Churches of America as an acknowledgment on our part of the sympathy and support of the leaders of the Protestant Churches for all victims of religious and racial persecution.

"We realize that the problem of the refugee is by no means a Jewish one, but that it includes members of all faiths who have suffered most cruelly from the tyranny of those governments whose programs are foreign to American thought and the American way of life," they said.

Gifts Acknowledged

Accepting the gift in behalf of Pope Pius XII, Bishop Sheil stated that in honoring the memory of the late Pope Pius XI the Jews were paying tribute to a man who "denounced racial intolerance and hatred as contrary to the laws of God, to the dictates of right reason and to the welfare of civilization."

While the Jewish people have suffered more perhaps than any other people from the actions of a "malign racialism," Bishop Sheil observed that the "painful problems growing out of this inhuman, ungodly fanaticism are by no means exclusively Jewish problems." These problems, he added, are of profound and vital concern to Catholics, Protestants and to men of good will everywhere.

"Least of all can we Americans be indifferent to the victims of tyranny and oppression," Bishop Sheil wrote. "Our traditions, our institutions, our national spirit and temperament nurtured by and rooted in the soil of liberty, make tyranny in every form peculiarly odious to us."

Stressing the fact that the refugee problem is not a problem of any one race or religion, but a problem which affects all humanity, Bishop Sheil declared that it could be solved "only by men of good will standing together."

Acknowledging the gift of the United Jewish Appeal to the Protestant Churches of America, Dr. Buttrick said that the "one sufficient answer to cruelty is a resolute compassion," adding that war, hate and revenge ultimately proved to be "a stultifying response" which deepened bitterness. "The one sufficient answer to intolerance is good will. Your gift is a clear token of good will. In its lighted imagination it will kindle many other lights across our present darkness until a new day shall break."

Expressing the hope that the generous action of the United Jewish Appeal will encourage men and women of every faith to make "prompt and compassionate provision for refugees of every faith," Dr. Butterick declared that the refugee problem is "a primary American task and opportunity, in which you are giving splendid leadership."

Dr. Buttrick said that the fact that the funds raised by the United Jewish Appeal were inadequate to meet the needs of Jewish refugee relief organizations, made "your kindness to us a double kindness."

Palestine Produce Is Cutting Import Goods

TEL AVIV (Palcor)—Comprehensive investigations carried out by Jewish institutions show that Palestine industry and agriculture can produce merchandise valued at £2,500,000 at least out of the volume of present annual imports. Dr. A. Markus, writing on this subject in Palestine and Middle East, declares that considerable progress has been made in this sphere in the last few years.

Local purchases of socks and stockings has risen as follows: 62% were in 1933 met out of import sources, whereas in 1935 only 35% of socks sold were imported.

Jakob Steinhardt's Exhibition

By ELIAS NEWMAN

Jakob Steinhardt who is currently exhibiting his paintings and wood-cuts at the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, 15 West 86th Street, New York City, presents an artistic accomplishment of definitely Jewish content. One might never suspect that his background was once assimilationist. His present exhibit is especially interesting to observe for the fresh golden tones inherent in his landscapes about Jerusalem. If one were to compare this work climaxing his career with that of the grey work of his ghetto period, one would obtain a fair idea of the artist's development over the years and the effect of Palestine's atmosphere upon the artist.

Steinhardt was born in Posen, a province of Russia that was influenced by German culture and assimilationist tendencies. At nine, he was sent to a gymnasium in Berlin where he neglected his studies for painting. At sixteen, an oil painting of his grandfather created a locale furore and a stipend was provided by a group of wealthy Jews which enabled him to study in Germany for eight years till the World War broke out.

Lovis Corinth, the celebrated German expressionist, gave Steinhardt his fundamental sense for the aesthetic and helped to shape his personality and his professional career. Corinth taught him drawing, composition and painting. Hermann Struck, even then a leading Jewish artist in Germany, taught him the technique of etching. At this time, he met many of the leading younger artists such as Meidner, Hirschenberg and Menlak. In 1911 he helped to organize the well-known art group "Die Pathetiker," which aimed to reach the masses of people. Their creations, "The Struggle for Life", "Pain", "The Big City", "The Prophet", "Apokalypse" and "Jeremiah", indicated their broad tendencies. A gruesome manner of expression was adopted which was both startling and slightly immature.

Back to the Ghetto

During the war, Steinhardt was posted in a small Russian Jewish village where he met his own people for the first time. They seemed part of him as though they had always been in his subconsciousness. He acquainted himself with their lives, manners and customs. He visited the synagogues and admired the piety and sanctity of the family lives of the Jews. All this inspired material for hundreds of drawings, etchings and wood-cuts. He studied Yiddish and read Mendele Mocher Sforim, Pereiz, Sholem Aleichem and Bialik. Many of his illustrations found their way to an exhibition of the "Berlin Secession" group where they were enthusiastically received.

In 1930, he moved to Palestine and took up residence in the house which had belonged to Prof. Boris Schatz. His work has undergone a change since then. Struggling to free himself from the somber European tones of his past, his palette is constantly changing and becoming more brilliant. His subjects are now ecstatic Torah dancers and the crooked lanes of the Old City with the many interesting types that inhabit it. His wood-cuts have become firmer and simpler. As the paintings at his exhibit show, he understands the strong contrasts of light and shade and the "fractural" qualities of the stone used in the Old City.

He is beginning to find himself anew and to understand the Palestine which he has come to love. Even for his present exhibition, he refused to leave the country.

Ben-Avi to Address Wynnefield Meeting

Ittamar Ben-Avi, Hebrew Scholar and publicist will be the guest speaker at a joint meeting of the Wynnefield Hadassah and the Zionist District Monday evening, January 15th, at 8.30 P.M. in the Har Zion Temple. Mr. Ben-Avi will speak on the current Jewish scene and its relationship to Palestine.

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Calendar of Events

GREATER NEW YORK

MONDAY, JANUARY 8

Manhattan—Meeting, Theodor Herzl Society; Society for Advancement of Judaism, 15 W. 86th Street; 8:30 P.M.; Prof. H. Tillich, speaker; Dr. L. Wallerstein, Chairman.

Bronx—Meeting, Bronx Zionist District 25; Zion Temple, Concourse & Tremont Avenues; 8:30 P.M.; Abraham Goldberg, speaker; N. Ben-Dovid Waldman, Chairman.

Bronx—Meeting, Mosholu Parkway Zionist District 9; Mosholu Parkway Jewish Center, 3044 Hull Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi David Sherman, speaker; Showing of "Sanctuary" and "After 2,000 Years"; Marcus Abramson, Chairman.

Forest Hills, L. I.—Zionist District Meeting; Jewish Center, Stafford Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Dr. May Bere, speaker; Abraham H. Cohen, Chairman.

Richmond Hill, L. I.—Installation of New Members, Zionist District; Beth Israel Community Center, 88-01—102nd Street; 8:30 P.M.; Report of Washington Conference by Sol Cohen; Ben M. Friedman, Chairman.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

Bronx—Meeting, West Bronx Zionist District 39; Burnside Manor, 71 W. Burnside Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi Harry Halpern, speaker; Community singing led by Yehuda Goldman; Jacob I. Schaffer, Chairman.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

Brooklyn—J.N.F. Conference; East Midwood Jewish Center, 1625 Ocean Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Arthur Lourie and Mendel N. Fisher, speakers; Palestine Motion Pictures; Musical program by Masada Choral Group; Morris Miller, Chairman.

Merrick, L. I.—Palestine Evening; 269 Frankel Blvd.; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi David I. Golovensky, speaker; Walter Peyser, Chairman.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

Brooklyn—Sabbath Services, auspices Brandeis Zionist District; Shaare Torah, 2252 Bedford Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Abraham Goldberg, speaker; Rabbi Joseph Miller, Chairman.

Brooklyn—Palestine Evening; Temple Beth-El, 48th Street and 16th Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Louis Lipsky, speaker; Rabbi Israel Schorr, Chairman.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

Brooklyn—Lecture by Ludwig Lewisohn, auspices Prospect Park Zionist District, 534 Flatbush Avenue; Greetings by Judge Nathan Sweedler; Charles Koplitt, Chairman.

Huntington, L. I.—Installation of Officers, Zionist District; Jewish Center; 8:30 P.M.; Harry J. Moskowitz, speaker; Max W. Hollander, Chairman.

Long Beach, L. I.—Installation of Officers, Zionist District; Temple Israel; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi Joshua L. Goldberg, speaker; Joseph J. Schickler, Chairman.

OTHER CITIES

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

[illegible] P. C. United Palestine Appeal Conference; Hotel Mayflower; 8:30 P.M.; Continuing through Sunday, January 7th.

MONDAY, JANUARY 8

Jersey City, N. J.—Zionist Rally, auspices Men's Club, Temple Beth-El, Hudson Blvd. & Harrison Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Capt. Joseph L. Racionzer, speaker; Rabbi Samuel Berman, Chairman.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

Portland, Maine.—Lecture Forum, auspices Zionist District; Jewish Community Center; 8:30 P.M.; Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn, speaker; Saul G. Chasan, Chairman.

Harrisburg, Pa.—Zionist District Meeting; 8:30 P.M.; Dr. Joseph Dunner, speaker; Louis Gordon, Chairman.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

Lowell, Mass.—Lecture Forum, auspices Zionist District; Jewish Community Center; 8:30 P.M.; Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn, speaker; Edwin Braverman, Chairman.

Troy, N. Y.—Mass meeting, joint auspices Zionist District and Hadassah; Jewish Community Center, 87 First Street; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi Harold Sapirstein, speaker; Dr. Allan S. Green, Chairman.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

Detroit, Mich.—Public Meeting, auspices Zionist Organization of Detroit; Jewish Community Center; 8:30 P.M.; Abraham Revusky, speaker; Lawrence W. Crohn, Chairman.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Lecture Forum, auspices Zionist District; Hotel Statler, Terrace Room; 8:30 P.M.; Dr. Solomon Goldman, speaker; David I. Cantor, Chairman.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

Cleveland, Ohio—Oneg Shabbat, auspices Cleveland Zionist Society; Mahler Hall, The Temple; 8:15 P.M.; Emanuel Neumann, speaker; Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Chairman.

E. Liverpool, Ohio—Palestine Evening; B'nai Jacob Organization; Saul S. Spiro, speaker; Rabbi Morris Gray, Chairman.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

Haverhill, Mass.—Zionist District Meeting; 8:30 P.M.; Judge Bernard A. Rosenblatt, speaker; Jacob W. Shinberg, Chairman.

Omaha, Neb.—Membership Meeting, Zionist District; Hill Hotel; Judge Harry M. Fisher, speaker; Ephraim L. Marks, Chairman.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Dinner Meeting, auspices Zionist District; Webster Hall Hotel; 6:30 P.M.; Judge Morris Rothenberg, speaker; Judge Henry Ellenberger, Chairman.

New Orleans Swings Into Action

Plans for an intensified membership effort as well as an enlarged program of general Zionist activities were approved at a meeting of the New Orleans (La.) District held recently, according to a report received from Dr. M. Carl Wilensky, president. A quota of 150 members has been set.

In addition to Dr. Wilensky, the other officers include Dr. Sydney Jacobs, vice-president; Abbie Brener, secretary; and Leopold Stahl, treasurer.

Kingston Will Hold Membership Rally

The Kingston (N. Y.) District is now engaged in intensive preparations for the reception to be tendered to Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn on January 15th, when he is scheduled to address a large Zionist rally in that community.

Harry Strelfer reports that the district is now exerting every effort to secure a considerable increase in its membership before Dr. Lewisohn's arrival, in order to present him with a large membership roster.

YISHUV WILL SEND AID TO TURKEY

Campaign to Aid Victims of Earthquare—Hadassah Is To Send Medical Aid

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — The Yishuv, which has on several occasions in the past experienced the effects of earth's disturbance, will be called upon to organize a campaign to aid in the relief of the victims of the disastrous Turkish earthquake, it was voted this week by a joint committee representing the Jewish Agency Executive, the Vaad Leumi, Hadassah and Hebrew University.

The decision to send assistance to the Turks is a reflection of the growing relationship that is being fostered by the Yishuv with the country which, before the World War, stood in the way of the realization of Zionist aspirations in Palestine.

A delegation representing the Yishuv visited the Turkish Consul-General on Tuesday and informed him of its readiness to send a surgical mission, under the guidance of the Hadassah Medical Organization to Turkey to aid the victims of the earthquake.

The Consul expressed the appreciation of his government to the Jewish Agency for Palestine for the sympathy which it had extended on account of the disaster in Turkey. Under the stimulus of the Agency, a campaign for relief of the Turkish earthquake victims was launched a few days ago in Palestine.

Offers Aid

In New York, Hadassah announced that it had cabled funds and an authorization to its [illegible] cal director in Jerusalem, to send a surgical unit from Palestine to Turkey to aid victims of the recent earthquakes and floods. Mrs. David de Sola Pool, national president, sent an offer of aid to Mehmet Munir Ertegun, Turkish Ambassador in Washington.

Rothenberg to Address Rally in Pittsburgh

Judge Morris Rothenberg will be the guest speaker at a dinner given by Judge Henry Ellenbogen, general chairman of the membership campaign of the Pittsburgh District, to be held Sunday evening, January 14th, at Webster Hall Hotel. More than 400 Zionist workers are expected to attend this function.

The Pittsburgh District, which is headed by Saul S. Spiro, and numbered close to 800 members at the close of the 1939 fiscal year, is now engaged in an active campaign for 1,000 members.

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Campaign of Order Extended to Feb. 18

The national membership drive for 1,000 new members launched by the Order Sons of Zion a month ago has been extended to February 18, 1940, when the campaign will be formally closed with a reception to be tendered to Dr. Harris J. Levine, Grandmaster, at the Hotel Astor, New York.

More than 400 new members having already been enrolled, it is expected that the full quota will be attained within the prescribed period.

Samuel M. Stuckgold was re-elected president of the Organization Camp of New York at the election of new officers held on December 19.

Rosenblatt to Address J.N.F. Conference In Boston

Judge Bernard A. Rosenblatt will be the principal speaker at the annual New England conference of the Jewish National Fund to take place Sunday afternoon, January 14, at the Hotel Statler in Boston.

Leaders from every community throughout New England are expected to participate in the Conference, and to report on the Jewish National Fund work in their respective districts.

The conference call was issued by Rabbi Herman H. Rubenovitz of Boston, president, New England J. N. F. Council; Joseph Goldberg of Worcester, president, New England Zionist Region; Mrs. Abbott J. Epstein of Boston, president, New England Senior Hadassah Region; Julius H. Seif, president, New England Mizrachi; and Louis Shore, chairman, Actions Committee of the Paole Zion Organization. Max Kabatznick of Boston is the Conference chairman.

Goldman to Address Buffalo Zionist Rally

David I. Cantor, president of the Buffalo (N. Y.) District, has announced that Dr. Solomon Goldman will be the principal speaker at a huge Zionist rally to be held on Thursday evening, January 11th, at the Hotel Statler, which is being held in conjunction with the membership campaign conducted by the district. It is expected that a few hundred newly enrolled members will be inducted at the meeting by Dr. Goldman.

"Theatre In Exile" Presents Informal Review

The "Theatre in Exile" comprising a group of German, Viennese and Central European artists, announced that they have enlarged the scope of their full-length one-night revue, "From Danube to Hudson," which will be offered at the Royal Windsor Palace, 66th Street and Broadway, on Saturday, January 13.

In addition to the revue proper, the group will revive an old tradition of German and Viennese show business by staging an "artists" carnival in which the audience will be invited to participate.

To Lecture On Oil Diplomacy At Mosholu Meeting

Rabbi David Sherman will speak on "The Diplomacy of Oil in Palestine," at a membership meeting of the Mosholu Parkway District on Monday evening, January 8th, at the Mosholu Parkway Jewish Center, 3044 Hull Avenue, Bronx. In addition, the two films, "After 2,000 Years" and "Sanctuary," will be shown. Marcus Abramson will reside.

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LONG ISLAND REGION SETS FAST PACE

Districts Already Reaching Last Year's High Mark—Forming New Units

The Long Island Zionist Region, according to a special report recently made public by Harry J. Moskowitz, president, is setting a fast pace in membership enrollment and is high up among the regions of the country in registration for the new year.

The eighteen Districts in Long Island are already within striking distance of their entire aggregate membership of last year, having enrolled to date 1,530 members as against 2,212 with which the Region ended its last fiscal year.

With its greatest effort expected in January, regional officials look forward confidently to achieving this year's unprecedented quota of 3,500 members before Spring.

Methods Thorough

The Long Island Region began organizing its membership campaign promptly with the beginning of the new membership year. The annual convention was held on October 1, when Mr. Moskowitz was elected president and assumed the general chairmanship of the membership committee as well.

Enrollment machinery was devised to cover the three leading counties, Queens, under Mr. Moskowitz; Nassau, under Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn, and Suffolk, directed by Harry Weinstein.

David E. Hirsch, executive director, has served as liaison officer between the region, its districts, and centers.

Unusual Results

A number of districts have turned in notable performances. Richmond Hill District already has 338 of its quota of 400 members. Of these 103 are new members. Among the leaders of this veteran group are Sol Cohen, membership chairman; Ben M. Friedman, president; Max Kagan, chairman of the executive; Rabbi Arthur H. Neulander, David Schmerer, and Samuel Shube.

The Rockaways District, which led the region last year with a roster exceeding 500, has this year assumed a quota of 750. The peak of its effort is scheduled for January, under direction of Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow, president; Bernard Davidson and Benjamin J. Doft, co-chairmen for membership; Rabbi Irving Miller, Rabbi David Rubin, Emanuel Doft, Abraham Tannenbaum, Harry Ginsberg, Moses Heyman, and Ralph Wolf.

Laurelton's Novel Record

Laurelton's present figure of 193 enrollments not only exceeds last year's total already but that 126 members are new leaving most of last year's 183 members still to be counted toward its quota of 400. The doubling of the previous roster is therefore considered certain by the district workers among whom are Sam J. Perry, president; Irving Schatzberg, honorary president and membership chairman; Rabbi A. Herbert Fedder, Samuel Fishman, Dr. David Kavaler, and Charles Horowitz.

Long Beach District, has practically equalled last year's mark of 150. The record quota of 250 assumed this year is confidently counted on by the District leadership, which includes Nelson K. Scherer, president; Joseph J. Schickler, and Rabbi David I. Golovensky, co-founders of the District; Wilfred Cohen and Abraham Ditchik, co-chairman for membership, and Henry Keil.

Others Pressing Toward Goal

South Shore District, comprised of Rockville Centre, Freeport, and Lynbrook, is close to last year's record. A two-fold increase is the goal of Dr. Irving Pinsley, president, and the co-chairmen for membership: Samuel Goldstein, Walter Peyser, and Samuel Zales. Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn, Nassau membership chairman, is receiving here the close cooperation of Rabbis Emanuel Rackman, Nathan N. Rosen, and Harold I. Saperstein.

In Astoria, membership is being intensively pressed under a new administration, of which Dr. Joseph Mitchell is president; Dr. David Eisenberg, membership chairman; Philip L. Wiener, secretary, and Max Perlman, publicity chairman. Rabbis Jonah E. Caplan, and Joshua L. Goldberg have pledged their support in attainment of the District's quota of 250 within six weeks.

The North Shore District, which includes Flushing and its vicinity, led by Rabbi Abraham Dubin, president, and Joseph Goldstein, membership chairman, is steadily progressing toward a new high mark with the personal interest of Rabbi Max Meyer, Max Jelline and Morton Weinberg.

Jamaica District, which elected Mordecai Konowitz, former regional president, to head its forces, is planning to enroll 300. Leading workers are Maurice Nechemias, Naphtali A. Weidberg, and Irving Miller.

Hempstead District, of which Benjamin G. Meiselman is president, Samuel Cohen, membership chairman; Rabbi Harry E. Schwartz, and Dr. S. G. Hoffman among his associates, has organized for a record enrollment.

Jackson Heights-Corona District is advancing to a new record under George J. Gang, president; Herman Wollitzer, membership chairman; Rabbi Ralph Simon, Max Goodman, Dr. Maxwell H. Frost, and Dr. Morris Achtel.

In Huntington a new administration headed by Herman M. Weinstein, has set as its first objective a large increase in enrollment. Harry Weinstein, Suffol[k] membership chair[man] and Max W. Hollander, retiring president, are among the district leaders.

A systematic canvass is being organized in Forest Hills District, whose leadership includes Abraham H. Cohen, president; Pierce Croner, membership chairman; Victor A. Kramer, Rabbi Ben-Zion Bokser, and Arthur H. Feigenbaum.

In Kew Gardens, where Isidore Walzer, one of the Regional leaders, recently became a resident, membership effort is being intensively pressed, under Fred E. Hertan, president; Mr. Walzer, membership chairman; Samuel Umen, High Salpeter, and Isaac Ellman.

Queens Village has scheduled its major membership work for January. The District is led by Morris Berkenblit, president; Rabbi Bernard Segal, and Dr. Irving Listengart, membership chairman.

A strenuous enrollment effort is under way in Glen Cove District, which was organized last year. Heading the work are Samuel Marcus, president; Jacob J. Bernstein, secretary; David Lipmann, and Jacob J. Pincus.

Maspeth, under new leadership, is committed to a record roster, under direction of Dr. Samuel Deutsch, president; Dr. Isaac Chassin, District founder and retiring president; Herman Leberfeld and David Fischer, co-chairmen for membership, and Rabbi Nathan Leiter.

The new District in Patchogue, headed by Dr. Jacob S. Bush, has already reported 40 members.

Tampa, Fla. Inaugurates Membership Drive

Under the direction of Morris G. Rosenberg, a membership campaign was launched by the Tampa (Fla.) District with a goal of 150 members, according to a report received from A. A. Finkelstein, assistant secretary of the district. Aiding in the drive are also Rabbi Adolph Burger, chairman; David Stein, vice-chairman; Adam Wolfson, secretary; and Adolph Katz, treasurer.

South American Jewry Organizes

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heard of before in this country. Campaigns have been held in the past in the Argentine ever since Jews existed here; but whereas the purely Zionist drives, especially of the Keren Hayesod, have become especially in the last four years ever more successful, the drives for general help or other social purposes never reached the level of, say, the campaigns in South Africa, Canada or the United States.

Changes Planned

It is now felt here that things must change radically in connection with the proposed united campaign. It is intended, for instance, to set a goal of 4-5 millions of pesos ($1,000,000). In order to obtain the absolute support of the whole population, the provisional committee decided to convoke a "Conference of Jewish Institutions" of the Argentine. The conference, soon to take place, will have to deal with the following questions: (a) The general situation of the Jews in the world and in Palestine; (b) the needs and possibilities of practical help to war sufferers inside and out of Germany; (c) the internal status and organization of the Jews in the Argentine; and (d) methods of preventing and checking anti-Semitism.

The conference will have to decide upon the sum to be collected and other details of the projected campaign. It is anticipated that half of the sums to be collected will go to Palestine as a direct contribution to the Jewish Agency.

Jacob Epstein of Baltimore Inscribed in Golden Book

[7]5th birthday of Jacob Epstein, veteran Zionist and philanthropist of Baltimore, was observed last Thursday, December 28th, by all Zionist elements of the city. A delegation headed by Dr. Moses Gellman, president of the Zionist district, and Mrs. Harry Kairys, of the Hadassah chapter, called upon Mr. Epstein on that day and presented him with an inscription in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund.

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At the request of Dr. Solomon Goldman, Dr. Jacob S. Golub, Educational Director of the Zionist Organization, has consented to remain with the Zionist Organization on part time, until a successor is appointed.

The educational services will thus continue, though necessarily on a more limited scale. The Highlights of Palestine News will be issued as usual.

Flatbush J.N.F. Conference To Hear Dr. Landauer

A conference of Jewish organizations, Congregations as well as Zionist groups in Flatbush will be held on Thursday evening, January 11th, at the East Midwood Jewish Center, 1625 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, with Dr. Georg Landauer of Jerusalem, Director of the Council for the Settlement of German Jews in Palestine, as principal speaker.

The conference, it is expected, will result in the organization of a permanent J. N. F. Council for that Brooklyn neighborhood. Morris Miller, acting chairman of the committee, and Mendel N. Fisher, Executive Director of the Jewish National Fund, will also address the delegates. A Palestine motion picture and a musical program by the Masada choral group will be presented.

Philadelphia Zionists to Honor Late William M. Lewis

The memory of Judge William M. Lewis, the late chairman of the Administrative Council of the Zionist Organization of America, will be honored by Philadelphia Zionists at a memorial meeting which will take place in that city on Thursday, January 18th, several days following the unveiling of the tombstone on the grave of the late Zionist leader.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, President of the Jewish National Fund of America, and Ittmar Ben Avi will be the principal speakers at the memorial meeting.

Mattapan, Dorchester Drive Gains Momentum

At a meeting of the Membership Committee last Thursday evening, December 28th, at the home of co-Chairman Moses Hirsh, final details of the current drive for 1,500 members were worked out and the following committee members were appointed as captains in charge of six workers apiece: Maurice Betterman, Joseph L. Budd, A. Glasser, Simon Kramer, Harold Miller, Isadore Muchnick, Dr. Aaron H. Stone and Barnard Winer. Gratifying results have so far been reported.

Rochester Membership Drive To Open January 14th

The membership campaign of the Rochester (N. Y.) District for 1,000 members will be formally launched with a large rally on Sunday evening, January 14th, according to a report received from Herman A. Sarachan, secretary. It is expected that the quota will be attained when the drive closes with another rally on Wednesday evening, January 24th.

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A PROCLAMATION OF FAITH IN THE CREED OF ALL SECTS

The donation of $250,000 for the benefit of Christian refugees by the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs is a considerable gift, but its significance as a gesture surpasses its importance as a contribution. Never was there a more appropriate time for a declaration in favor of humanity and tolerance, for never, within the memory of men now living, have both been held in slighter esteem.

The purely humanitarian aspect of this episode is, perhaps, the more praiseworthy, but it is certainly less striking than other aspects. The humanitarianism of the Jews is an old story. The glory of Israel is the fact that millennia of suffering have not cicatrized its sympathies, but, on the contrary, have served rather to give it a particularly keen understanding of the emotions of victims of disaster, an understanding that commonly has expression in swift action. The world long ago learned to expect the Jews to be generous, and today the astonishing news would be to hear that they had ever closed their ears and purses to the appeal of the needy.

But at this moment, when their own people are in great need in many countries, to find them diverting part of their funds to the relief of Christian refugees, who are also in desperate need, is rather more than the world expected, even of a notably generous people. But the act is as wise as it is generous. The world today is in need of charity in a much wider sense than merely almsgiving—the charity that "suffereth long and is kind," the charity that includes, among a multitude of other virtues, tolerance. The donation by Jews of a fund for the relief of Christians, half to Catholics, half to Protestants, was made, according to the formal pronouncement, in acknowledgment of Christian contributions to the relief of Jews. But it is more than that. It is a proclamation of faith in the creed to which all religions subscribe, but which all tend to forget in moments of stress—the difficult but lofty creed of the brotherhood of man.

Press

1-8-40

Asks U. S. Guard Against Drive of Hate Purveyors

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8—Attorney General Frank Murphy, newly appointed Supreme Court justice, warned yesterday that Jews abroad are serving not only as a scapegoat but as a smoke-screen to conceal "more aggressive designs by power-mad men."

He told the National Conference for Palestine that those who continue to bait the Jews also are baiting Protestants and Catholics whenever they find that they have the force to succeed and that the "loot" makes their effort worth while.

"The worship of force is not only anti-Jewish, it is anti-Christian, it is a revolt against reason and God," he declared.

Murphy said that the "purveyors of hatred" are laboring to bring to the United States the same conditions of group hatred and civil war that have destroyed the peace of Europe. He asserted they camouflage their true nature by representing themselves as defenders of God, America and the Constitution.

"Some of this professional hate-mongering, government can and will combat through the laws of the land," he promised. "But in the main, American democracy must look for its defense to the wisdom of the people and their determination not to be led to the paths that have taken other peoples to Communism and Fascism."

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At several of the sessions, the number of delegates and visitors was so large that the doors had to be closed because of the physical incapacity of the Mayflower Hotel Grand Ballroom to hold additional persons. Hundreds could not gain admission.

The country as a whole had an opportunity for three contacts with the Conference through national hookups arranged by the three great radio chains. On Saturday night, January 6th, Dr. Silver addressed the nation through the facilities of the Columbia Broadcasting System; on the following afternoon, Dr. Stephen S. Wise spoke over the Mutual Broadcasting System network; while the address of Attorney-General Frank Murphy was broadcast by the National Broadcasting Company.

Saturday Night Session

Having as its theme, "Palestine and the World Jewish Crisis," the opening session of the Conference on Saturday night heard from Judge Jacob J. Kaplan of Boston, presiding officer; Morris Simon, Chairman of the 1939 Washington, D. C. United Jewish Appeal, who greeted the delegates; Dr. Georg Landauer, Director of the Central Bureau for the Settlement of German Jews, who discussed "The Economic Situation and the Role of the National Funds"; Louis Lipsky, who spoke on "The Political Situation"; Dr. Israel Goldstein who reviewed "The Land Problem in Palestine"; and Dr. Role."

Introducing the theme of the national gathering, Judge Kaplan, one of the bulwarks of Jewish communal effort in Boston and New England, analyzed the increasing concern of American Jewry with the task of upbuilding in Palestine. He said, in part:

"The United Palestine Appeal is just closing its 1939 campaign in a period of the greatest difficulty, when the Jewish people of the world have been more sorely beset than, perhaps, at any previous time in their history and when the communities which could give help have been more and more restricted

"It is, therefore, with deep satisfaction and gratitude that I may state that through its participation in the United Jewish Appeal the United Palestine Appeal is closing its 1939 effort with the largest income in the history of Palestine fund raising in the United States—the amount being in excess of Five Millions of Dollars. This stupendous accomplishment is due not only to the realization by the Jews of this country of the great need which confronts their suffering brethren in Europe and their willingness to make every sacrifice to meet it, but also to the able leadership which has directed the United Jewish Appeal, in which leadership we are happy to count as one of the National Chairmen our leader, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

"Despite the disintegration which has taken place in Europe, it is gratifying to note that Palesti... has still gone forward in 1939 and that during the year which ended on September 30th 35,000 Jews entered Palestine—more than a score of new Jewish settle-

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Silver Re-elected National Chairman for Coming Year

Washington Conference Hears Murphy, Duff Cooper, Among Notables Offering Full Support for Palestine Upbuilding

In a series of sessions universally regarded as the most memorable and fruitful in the history of such gatherings, over 1,500 representatives of the Jewish communities of America, attending the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal last week-end, manifested the firm resolve of American Jewry to take a larger share in the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine.

Mounting climaxes characterized the Conference which brought together at the Hotel Mayflower in Washington on January 6th and 7th delegates from virtually every State in the Union and from hundreds of communities, many of whom were representatives of the Welfare Funds through which the United Palestine Appeal obtains its funds.

From the stroke of the gavel on Saturday night, when Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, the National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, declared the Conference open to the last words on Sunday night of Henry Monsky, president of B'nai B'rith, urging the men and women present to go back to their communities with the slogan: "Give! Give! Give!" there was a succession of notable addresses which covered every aspect of world conditions for the Jewish people and related those conditions to the ... accelerating the upbuilding of the Jewish ... tion of Palestine, Swiss where ...

DR. WEIZMANN DUE TO ARRIVE TODAY

Will Make First Address At Public Reception Tuesday Night

The first public reception to Dr. Chaim Weizmann, who is arriving in the United States today aboard the S. S. Rex, will be held in New York next Tuesday evening, January 16th, at Mecca Temple. This will be the first of a series of special meetings arranged in several important communities to welcome the Zionist leader.

Tuesday's meeting will be presided over by Dr. Stephen S. Wise, who as chairman of the National Reception Committee, will express the welcome of American Jewry to Dr. Weizmann. It is also expected that Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia will extend official greetings on behalf of the City of New York. There will also be a brief musical program by the celebrated Vinaver Choir. There will be no other speeches, the intention being to afford the maximum time for Dr. Weizmann's important address which the Jews of America are eagerly awaiting.

On January 17th, Dr. Weizmann, who is Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University, will be the guest of honor at a dinner tendered by the American Friends of the Hebrew University, at the Commodore Hotel.

Dr. Weizmann is scheduled to visit Baltimore on January 21st and Cleveland on January 25th. On January 22nd he will address a luncheon tendered in his honor by the National Press Club at Washington.

Dr. Weizmann is accompanied on his visit here by Mrs. Vera Weizmann, distinguished communal worker and scientist in her own right. Mrs. Weizmann who has a doctor's degree, is Honorary President of the Women's International Zionist Organization in association with Viscountess Samuel.

Refugee Ship Being Used as Cargo Vessel in Palestine

HAIFA (Palcor)—The Atid Navigation Company has acquired the refugee ship Las Perlas, 400 tons, which had been confiscated by the Palestine Government after it had arrived carrying illegal immigrants during July. The company refitted the boat as a cargo vessel, giving it the name Antar. A Jewish captain and a crew of 18 Jewish sailors have now been commissioned.

Captain J. Hirschfeld, formerly captain of S.S. Har Zion of the Palestine Maritime Lloyd, has taken command. The recommissioned boat set out on its maiden voyage to Alexandria under the Jewish naval ensign. Her port of registry is at Haifa.

Rachel Weizman Room At Haifa Technion

HAIFA (Palcor) — A reading hall named for Rachel Weizmann, mother of the Zionist leader, who died some time ago, was opened at the Haifa Technion last week. Dr. Chaim Weizmann donated a collection of 300 chemistry journals and volumes to the reading room. Other material has been given by the Technion.

PLAN TO HOUSE 1,000 WORKING FAMILIES

Industrial Garden Cities Will Be Constructed By Shikun Corporation

TEL AVIV (Palcor)—A plan for the housing of 1,000 labor families has been drawn up by Leo Kauffmann, director of the Shikun Corporation. Under the plan every tenant would receive a cottage consisting of one room with a kitchen; however, the house would be built in such a way that it would be capable of expansion.

Jewish Agency experts have examined the detailed specifications, showing that each house would cost about £65, of which £34 would go for wages and £31 for materials. The necessary land is to be given by the Jewish National Fund, and the investment would not aggregate more than £70,000. In view of the fact that unemployed workers, who would take part in the scheme, obtain grants from various institutions and would receive pay only for their work on the plan, the sum of £50,000 only would be required.

The plan envisages the grant of £10,000 each by the Jewish Agency and the Vaad Leumi, in addition to contributions by the Nesher Cement Factory and ironware companies. A separate company would be formed to issue debentures. The redemption and interest on these bonds would be met out of monthly payments of 500 to 700 mils ($2.50 to $3.75) for twelve years by the tenants. This would enable 210 families to be housed south of Tel Aviv; 130 at Bnei Brak; 330 at Kiriath Haim, and another 330 at Kiriath Amal near Haifa.

Greatest 1940 U.P.A. Drive Is Mandate Given Nation

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ments were established there, bringing to fifty-five the total established since the disturbances started in April of 1936—and, not the least of the notable achievements to which recognition should be given, is the fact that the Jewish Community of Palestine itself has made the most extraordinary effort to meet the internal and external needs, as reflected in the large contributions made by that community to the Kofer Hayishuv, the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth, and topped no by a self imposed voluntary tax amounting in some cases, to twenty per cent of the individual's income, in order to meet the requirements brought about by the present emergency."

Needs of Palestine

A comprehensive picture of the Palestine situation was given by Dr. Landauer. He described the needs of the national funds as in excess of $20,000,000 toward which American Jewry, because of the war and the dislocation of the economies of other countries, was expected to contribute at least eighty per cent.

Emphasizing the determination and the ability of the Yishuv to withstand the conditions of war, Dr. Landauer said: "The war has affected the economic life of the country seriously—but the spirit of the Yishuv was not affected by these conditions. It remains strong and undaunted, as it has been all th e years. The Jewish Yishuv in Palestine is courageous; and is conscious of its extraordinary responsibility as the pioneer on the outpost of a great future Jewish community in Palestine. The Yishuv knows that a war [illegible] Jewish people, the Yishuv is prepared to fight side by side with the Jewish people, in the most decisive struggle in modern Jewish history. While tens of thousands have voluntarily enlisted as an immediate and spontaneous answer to this declaration of war, the Yishuv is prepared to open its houses and its settlements, to further Jewish immigration, to protect the rescued and to continue the rescue work.

"The land and its natural resources are equal to the task. But it is the Jewries of other countries which must keep the doors of Palestine open, and which must protect the Jewish economic structure in Palestine and create the possibilities of expansion.

"In the same measure that the Yishuv in Palestine shows courage and preparedness, the Jewish people in America must show ability and willingness to sacrifice, and extraordinary strength of will to maintain and to develop our position in Palestine. Without this assistance the Yishuv will be sorely pressed to stand its ground. The efforts of Palestine and America must be united. Separated, both communities would be deprived of their strength and of the imminent success of their endeavors. But united—we will not fail!"

(The text of Dr. Landauer's address is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

Lipsky Stirs Audience

With the stylistic perfection for which Mr. Lipsky's papers are noted, the American member of the World Zionist Executive discussed the responsibilities facing American Jewry in the light of the political chaos of the present time. That power will be achieved by the energies and resources of the Jewish people and not through politics was the keynote of Mr. Lipsky's notable address.

(Mr. Lipsky's address is set forth in full elsewhere in this issue.)

Land as basic to the regeneration of the Jewish people in Palestine, not only from the standpoint of physical possession of the soil but just as much from the moral atmosphere radiated from life on the land, was the theme of the address by Dr. Israel Goldstein, President the Jewish National Fund. He emphasized that in the year 1939, the Jewish National Fund had acquired more land than in any similar period in its history.

(The text of Dr. Goldstein's address is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

In a profoundly moving address Dr. Silver [illegible] intolerance [illegible] and to abide by it were going the keystone of Dr. [illegible]'s analysis of the Jewish position was not sorrow but faith and courage which, for him, are symbolized in the life of Palestine. The qualities manifested in the daily routine of the halutzim were the banners in whose wake he urged American Jewry to follow.

(Dr. Silver's address is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

There was then announced the appointment of a Resolutions Committee, headed by Robert M. Bernstein, of Philadelphia.

Sunday Morning Session

Following a special meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal, to which were invited representatives of various communities, the Sunday morning session of the Conference was called to order by

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Nathan M. Stein, Chairman of the 1939 Milwaukee Jewish Welfare Fund (left), and Elkan Voorsager, executive director of the Milwaukee Welfare Fund. Mr. Stein presented a paper to the conference on "The Recognition of Palestine Within the Welfare Funds."

The Challenge Of Intolerance

Text of Address by FRANK MURPHY

Attorney General of the United States and Supreme Court Justice designate

For many of the human family, the period we live in is one of heartbreak and tragedy. Helplessly, the humble, unknown thousands whose only wants are bread and peace, see their homelands overrun by invading armies, their homes and fields ravaged by the lightning strokes of war. Life for them is a nightmare of destruction and hate, too horrible to be believed, if it were not that the harsh facts lie before their eyes.

In such an era, earnest efforts on the other side of the ledger—endeavors to *find* and to *build* homes for the homeless and oppressed—must come to all men of good will as a source of cheer and encouragement. I am grateful for the opportunity to visit with you who are engaged in such a movement.

To one like myself who was brought up from early childhood to read and revere the Bible as the Book of books, Palestine is not simply a distant country, nor are the people who first made it the Holy Land, simply another race. The Land of the Book and the People of the Book are peculiarly part of the religious heritage of civilized men.

And so it is that your efforts to help build a sanctuary for the harried and homeless of the Jewish people have a mighty appeal to those of us of other faiths and races who still find refuge, when the world about us seems the darkest, in the spiritual teachings of the humble prophets who dwelt in Zion and in Galilee many centuries ago.

We recall that America itself came into being at the hands of harried and homeless people, searching for the blessings of peace and freedom. Remembering their great struggle, we sympathize the more with this effort of yours to create in Palestine a haven of refuge and a center of culture where your kith and kin, free from oppression and persecution, can find life and peace in the land of their forefathers.

The particular tasks which you have set for yourselves are necessitated, and at the same time complicated, by external events. We are living through a dark and emergent period in the world's history. Unquestionably it is a period of transition and change, although the exact nature of the transition and change is something that few of us know enough to understand or are wise enough to foretell.

Men and women everywhere are haunted by a feelink of insecurity, of helplessness to protect the [illegible] ministration of [illegible] these twenty years [illegible] deliberately [illegible] of dealing with the situation [illegible] consequences of change. They fear that change, instead of bringing them greater security, will take away the things they want most to keep.

Rule of Fear

We live, therefore, amid the clash of social and economic forces which at times become motivated more by passion and fear than by reason and knowledge. The forces of discontent, mistaking change for progress, attack what is good as well as what is bad in the established order of things. To achieve change for the sake of change and the aggrandizement of their own power they would trample over other men's religion and other men's freedom to think and say what they believe. On the other hand, forces, fearing change or having a vested interest against change, blindly defend what is bad as well as what is good in the established order of things. To prevent change and to stop the stars in their courses, they would deny other men political liberty and economic opportunity, and would crush all efforts to appeal to reason or even to God.

The forces of enlightenment today are not those which resist all change or the forces which favor any change. They are, instead, the forces which seek to achieve, *in time*, such improvements in the established order of things as may be necessary to protect in a moving world the gains which civilized men through centuries of struggle have acquired.

That, essentially, is the aim of the forces of enlightenment, the forces of religion and true conservatism, without regard to political partisanship, in this country and other countries where the lamps of reason have not been extinguished.

Eternal Scapegoats

But in large sections of the world where the lamps of reason have gone out or have flickered low, the enlightened effort to improve the lot of all men has given way to a resurgence of bigotry and intolerance as cruel and as barbarous as history has ever recorded. And today, as in the olden time, it is the Jewish people—homeless and so the least able to defend themselves—who have suffered first and suffered the hardest. Once again, they have served as the most readily available scapegoats for those who accept force as their gospel and find virtue in refusing to be guided by the laws of reason or the laws of God.

But the world will make a grave mistake if from these facts it concludes that the revival of intolerance is primarily or peculiarly a Jewish problem. For already it is apparent that the Jews are serving not merely as a scapegoat but as a smoke-screen to conceal more aggressive designs of power-mad men. Already those who started out and who continue to bait the Jews are baiting Protestants and Catholics whenever they find that they have the force to succeed and that the loot makes their effort worth while. The worship of force is not only anti-Jewish, it is anti-Christian, it is a revolt against reason and God.

For the virus of anti-Semitism has made itself felt here as well as abroad.

The purveyors of hatred, the provokers of division and strife, the swaggering apostles of force and violence, are methodically and with premeditation laboring to bring to the United States the same conditions of group hatred and civil war that have destroyed the peace of Europe. Treacherously, they camouflage their true nature by representing themselves to the unwary as defenders of God, America, and the Constitution. Unscrupulously, they stir up riots in the city streets, they intimidate peaceful citizens, they invade meetings, and they peddle as truth the malicious lies which people of their ilk have invented to blacken those whom they hate.

How to Preserve Democracy

Some of this professional hate-mongering, government can and will combat through the laws of the land. But in the main, American democracy must look for its defense to the wisdom of the people and their determination not to be led on the paths that have taken other peoples to communism and fascism.

Not guns nor battleships will ultimately preserve democracy, but the devotion of a people who have the good sense to realize that intolerance is no respecter of persons—that once unleashed it has no regard for religion or race or economic status, or least of all, for that dignity of the individual which lies at the basis of our civilization. Democracy in America will be saved if, as a people, we are wise enough to know that if we do not respect other's faiths, the day may come when other men will not respect our faiths.

The refugee problem is not a problem of or for any one race or religion; it is a challenge to civilized man the world over. In helping to give your people or any people a chance to live a free life in a free country, we are helping to do our part to preserve justice and liber[illegible] world. We are not merely r[illegible]ins-Jordania (which was [illegible] are helping to [illegible]n the origi[illegible]estine) Swi[illegible] [illegible]ch life [illegible] a barren and brutish [illegible]

There are some things in this era of transition on which we all cannot agree—some matters of national policy about which there are bound to be honest differences of opinion.

But there is one question of policy that should not and must not divide us. Should it eventually do so, the end of American democracy will not be far behind.

Need of Tolerance

That policy is the creed of tolerance which for a century and a half has sustained civil liberty and representative government in this land.

There is no hope for us in turning away from that policy. And those who preach that we will prosper by doing so preach a black and destructive doctrine. They preach a doctrine that is the betrayal of everything that the Fathers of the Republic hoped and planned for. They preach a philosophy that can bring nothing but hate and misery and ruin to this nation which has become great only through harmony and mutual faith among those who built it.

America was not built by anti-Semitism, or anti-Protestantism, or hatred for the Catholics, or by the fantastic doctrines of racial superiority that are practiced elsewhere. America was built to greatness by a partnership of men and women who represent every race and nationality that inhabits the globe. The good things of life that you and I enjoy we owe not to Catholics alone, or Jews alone, or Englishmen or Irish alone—we do not owe them to Aryans or non-Aryans alone, or to white or black alone—we owe them to all God's children of every color and nation and creed—to all God's children whom He loves each alike with that same love which "passeth all understanding."

America's Mission

What folly, what awful tragedy, what disloyalty, to talk of dissolving that God-inspired partnership now when democracy needs it most!

America's mission is not the propagation of hate. Our mission is that of helping to prove that only in peace and brotherhood will men find happiness on this earth. Our mission is to show that by reasonableness and peaceful means, men of different natures can build a common security in which justice and liberty are denied to none.

To those who ask if we are worthy of such an errand, let us give the answer of a nation united in its friendship for those who are oppressed, disdainful of any who would take away from us the matchless blessing of our friendship for each other.

Redouble Balfour's Promise!

By Alfred Duff Cooper

Great Britain Urged to Adopt a Positive Policy In Palestine Favorable to the Jewish Homeland

The following is the text of the address delivered by the Rt. Hon. Alfred Duff Cooper, formerly First Lord of the British Admiralty and Secretary of State of War, at the Washington Conference of the United Palestine Appeal:

For centuries the Jews, wandering from their own country, have ever longed to return to it. This is no new movement, because individuals at all periods of history have felt this nostalgia for the home of their origin. It has gone on from generation to generation. It has sprung up first in one land, then in another. It has never been universal, but it has never been extinguished. Deep in the hearts of millions it has burnt, an endurable flame.

At last, after the last world catastrophe, it seemed that the time had come when this long dream was going to come true. At last, a great country declared in an historic Declaration in favor of making a reality of what had so long been only a vision. And, as the result of the peace treaties that were concluded at the end of the war, not one country only, but all those who were parties to the treaty, pledged themselves to use their best offices to create a Jewish National Home in Palestine.

Twenty years have passed since then. They have been twenty years, on the whole, of tragic failure, but there have been exceptions to that failure. As I am continually pointing out, here and there, there have been bright instances; here and there there have been signs of promise; here and there there have been hopes fulfilled.

And what has been the history of this experiment during the twenty years? The Jews who have settled in Palestine have performed there what is little less than a miracle—they have made the desert flower; they have built up wealth where there was poverty; they are still employed upon that great task. They have increased the population wherever they have gone. Not only their own Jewish population, but the native population who were there at the time have multiplied owing to the increase of wealth and the increase of employment. Thus surely, the work of the Jews in Palestine during these sad twenty years has been an exception to the many failures by which that period has been marked.

Opposition Emerges

And what has been the result of that success? What is, alas! too commonly in this world the result of success? It has been to provoke opposition, envy and jealousy, that envy and jealousy sometimes fomented from other lands for political reasons, having no connection with the local dispute. That envy and jealousy have assumed proportions which have led to violence and to bloodshed. For a long time, incidents of increasing seriousness have marked that endeavor to hinder the work that is being performed to put spokes in the wheel, to prevent the carrying to its natural conclusion of a wonderful beginning. And as we all know, the result has been enforcement of stern measures, military occupation, violence, bloodshed, death, execution—a tragic tale.

It seemed that toward the end of this summer a new era was going to be introduced. There had been, as you know, as the result of these misfortunes, a special Royal Commission sent out to Palestine to inquire into the conditions and to report—a commission of distinguished Englishmen, who delivered the report which, in fact, gave complete satisfaction to nobody, and which, therefore was commended as being possibly fair to all.

At any rate, the Zionists, although they could not be expected to receive it with enthusiasm (I remember Dr. Weizmann himself describe it to me as "Zionism without Zion," for Jerusalem was to be excluded from the part that was to be handed over to the Zionists)—nevertheless, they showed their moderation, their reasonableness, by agreeing to accept it and to do all that lay in their power to implement a program which was certainly fraught with difficulties but which was at least an honest endeavor to find a solution for one of the most difficult problems of the age.

Well, we know that that solution has never been implemented; that it was decided not to carry out the recommendations of that Commission which the Zionists had accepted and which the Arabs had refused.

There were further inquiries, further hesitations, further uncertainty—and there is nothing worse in any political situation than uncertainty, because all the time that people are waiting for a decision the situation invariably goes from bad to worse.

Partition Fails

And then there came this summer a new program contained once more in a White Paper. I confess that to my mind that program was difficult to defend. I went so far as to protest against it in the House of Commons. It seemed to me that, far from assisting in any way towards the solution of the Jewish question, it was going to create a new Jewish question in Palestine; that, having tempted, lured, encouraged thousands of Jews to return to that country, they were eventually to be left to their fate, remaining for all time a minority. And particularly those clauses which referred to immigration seemed to me singularly unfair, for the principle that inspired them was simply this: because, owing to terrible events in Europe, some destitute, unhappy refugees had succeeded in circumventing the regulations and in getting into Palestine without having gone through the proper legal forms, therefore those who had made no such attempt, those who were anxious to carry out the law and to abide by it were going to be prevented from returning to that land. To punish those who had observed the law for the crimes of those who break it seems to me the opposite of justice or equity.

I think I said in the House of Commons that it were just as if a schoolmaster were to say to his class: "Half the boys are playing truant today and are not here, therefore, those who have come to school shall stay twice as long and be punished."

Now, there is a lull. Now, while the whole of Europe is thrown into the melting pot, while catastrophe upon the largest scale is looming up before an overdarkening sky, comparative peace has fallen upon Palestine. To the credit of all concerned, nobody wishes to disturb Great Britain or cause her unnecessary anxiety or unnecessary responsibilities for the use of her armed forces in a time such as this. The lull should surely be taken advantage of in order to reconsider the whole question and to arrive at a policy that shall be sound, one that can be implemented and then one that will ultimately solve the whole problem. I think that that is the duty of those who are responsible for the government of that country at this time, those who are responsible for the carrying out of the mandate.

England Should Act

It is all very well to say that, when a great country is engaged in war everybody's activities are so fully occupied that they have not time for this, that and the other. I can assure you that that is not the case in England today. There are hundreds and thousands of men of middle age for whom there is no work to do, hundreds and thousands of men who have plenty of leisure, distinguished men, men who have occupied the most responsible positions, men who can look back upon careers which would enable them to give invaluable advice to those in authority. There are plenty of people in England today who have plenty of time to give to the consideration of the future of Palestine.

It may not be—indeed, I do not think it is—the time to attempt to put into force any new decisions, but it is the time when the new decisions should be prepared, so that they shall not be rushed through too hastily when the duty and the task of peace-making is finally faced.

ALFRED DUFF COOPER
Addressing the U.P.A. Conference at the Sunday luncheon session.

Now, in my opinion, the British Administration of Palestine has failed. It has failed not because it was undertaken in anything but the right spirit. I think, in fact I am convinced, that those who have been responsible for the administration of Palestine these twenty years have deliberately attempted the task of dealing with the situation which should give absolute fairness to both portions of the population, to treat Jew and Arab alike, to encourage them both to live on friendly terms and to hope that they, amongst themselves, will be able to share equally, fifty-fifty, in the government and control the production, the wealth and the future of the country. That was the principle that lay at the basis of Great Britain's policy.

I believe the policy has failed, not only, or certainly not principally, because of any mistake of administrators on the spot—though they may not have been perfect, though they may, some of them, have been biased in one direction or the other. I believe it has not failed for that reason nor has it failed through any graver international causes. It has failed because the basis itself was unsound and because in that particular corner of the earth, as in nearly every other country throughout the world, one race has got to be the dominant race and one race has got to be the inferior. The dominant race may, should, and no doubt would treat the other race with consideration and fairness, give them access to every path to success, to fame and to honor, but there must—where there are deep divisions, not only racial but religious—there must be one side which feels that here it is their right to say what shall be done. And having said what is right, and having carried out what they believe to be fair, they can look the whole world in the face and ask of the whole world to judge whether they have dealt fairly with their neighbor or no.

But so long as there are two races on exactly level terms, holding, as I say, such deeply different views on some of the fundamental facts of life, both in this world and the next, while those two races seek, even with the best will in the world, to share quite evenly in the control of the country, they are seeking to attain the impossible.

In this period of the world's distress, we should not fix our aims too high. We should not hope for the impossible. We should not endeavor to produce a state of affairs that so far as I am aware has never existed in any land, a state in which two nations share equally the rights and the privileges and the powers that men most desire in any civilized community.

A Positive Program Needed

This policy has failed not because it was not sincerely adopted, or has not been sincerely carried out, but because it was a policy false in its foundations. If you will agree with my assumption, the next inevitable conclusion must be that in future the Mandatory Power must regard this question with bias upon one side or the other. They have tried to treat it without bias, without favoritism, and they have failed. Therefore, in the future, they must adopt some bias. And then comes the question: on which side should the bias be? You know the old story which has been gone over so often, about which there has been so much dispute, of the promises given in the stress of the great war, the promises given by this government here, by that government there, the letters that were written, the speeches that were made, the notes that were exchanged, and how it has been maintained that Great Britain, in her endeavor to keep her promises to both sides, has broken them to both. That may be true, but that is ancient history; that belongs to a period which is already receding into the past.

The mere fact, if it is a fact—and I maintain it is—that every effort has been made to carry out all those promises even when they were in conflict with one another, renders them now part and parcel with the time to which they belong, something that need no longer be so closely and meticulously regarded with a legalistic eye.

Now let us consider what has happened in the interval, what has happened since 1914 to the two peoples most closely concerned.

In 1914 there was hardly any territory which the Arabs could call their own. They were almost throughout the Near East subject to Turkish suzerainty. Since 1914, they have acquired vast tracts of territory where they are independent—the whole of Arabia, Trans-Jordania (which was taken away from the original conception of Palestine), Syria, where again they exercised semi-independent rights. No nation in the world has so little ground for complaining of what the Germans call lack of *Lebensraum* than the Arab race. They have vast spaces in which to expand. They have been amongst the greatest beneficiaries of the World War, and now they are subject to no particular evils, they are in no way worse off. In fact, they are in many ways very much better off than they were twenty or twenty-five years ago.

And what, meanwhile, has happened to the Jews? Did anybody imagine when Balfour made his Declaration, when we were at war for four and a half years—did anybody imagine when the Treaty of Versailles and the accompanying treaties were signed what was going to happen in the continent of Europe in the years to come? Could anybody have dreamt—believing in progress, in human nature and in Christian civilization—could anybody have dreamt of the ghastly, hideous and shocking persecution that has befallen the Jewish race?

These events, in my opinion, are a shame, an abiding shame, not only on the face of the people who are responsible for them, but to some extent upon all European nations, and indeed upon the whole of Christendom. For Germany and the Germans, they will constitute a stigma which that people will not live down for centuries. But for us also, for us who have stood by and watched, who have expressed in forceful language our horror and our indignation, but yet have allowed these things to go on and have discussed terms and treaties of friendship with the people who were committing these abominable crimes—for us also there is a share, a minor share, to be borne of this great shame.

Redouble Balfour's Promise!

Ages are remembered, alas! more often by the crimes that are committed in them than for the good they bring forth. We speak of the times of the Spanish Inquisition, we speak of the times of the Emperor Nero, forgetting all the good, wise men who lived in both these periods and all the good things that were done by innumerable human beings. It may be that in centuries to come people will

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National U. P. A. Conference Rallies U. S. Jewry

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Judge Louis L. Levinthal of Philadelphia, whom the Conference later honored as a new Vice Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

Judge Levinthal set the tone for the session devoted to a discussion of "The Place of Palestine in the American Community." During the course of his remarks, he said:

"The annual United Palestine Appeal Conference has become an exciting experience for us, the delegates from all sections of the country. It has become a stirring, a dramatic event for the hundreds of thousands of American Jews whom we represent. As one who has had occasion to visit numerous Jewish communities in recent years and to observe their attitude toward Jewish problems, I venture to assert that the Jews of this country are focusing their energies upon Eretz Yisrael with growing intensity. They are increasingly eager to learn of the achievements of the builder of Palestine. They take more and more pride in the fact that their kinsmen, their brothers and sisters, are reclaiming Palestine's waste lands and are developing its neglected resources, are making it a model, well-ordered society and are translating ancient prophetic ideals into present-day living realities. The Jews of America are beginning to sense that they themselves are being redeemed through the redemption of Palestine. They are realizing that as they give their money to the U.P.A. they purchase with that money the most precious commodity in the world—their own dignity and self-respect.

"Unfortunately, the U.P.A. is reproached by not a few persons—some of them even holding positions of influence in Jewish communal life—as an agency for the raising of funds for the support of the Jews now in Palestine. Indeed, I sometimes think that the name "United Palestine Appeal" is perhaps a misnomer, for it seems to convey the false notion that it is an appeal for aid for Palestine, whereas actually, particularly in recent years, the U.P.A. is primarily and chiefly engaged in helping the scorned and homeless Jews of the Galuth to end their exile, to return home, to enjoy in Eretz Yisrael the blessings of a normal, free and creative life. How absurd to speak of appealing for relief for the Chalutzim! Why, the men and women already in Palestine are made of pioneer stuff. They disdain favors for themselves; they detest charitable doles. They know no want they cannot, with courage and with self-denial, fill for themselves. If the essence of generosity be self-sacrifice, then certainly the most generous Jews in the world today are the men and women now happily living in Eretz Yisrael. A conservative estimate of the amount voluntarily raised by the Yishuv for communal needs since the disturbances upset normal development three and a half years ago, places the figure at $5,000,000. For in addition to the contributions to the two national Funds (the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth), there have been the "Consolidation and Construction" campaign, the Kofer Hayishuv Fund, and a number of smaller appeals. If only our American Jewish communities, with their abundant resources, were as unstintingly generous as the Yishuv, despite its meager means! Then, no power on earth could impede the return home of the wanderers or retard the rebuilding of Eretz Yisrael.

SENATOR WM. H. KING, Left, and JUDGE MORRIS ROTHENBERG

"Can one imagine how even more disastrous the wretched plight of our people would be today if Palestine had not been made ready, by the Keren Kayemeth and the Keren Hayesod, to absorb tens of thousands, yes, hundreds of thousands of our oppressed fellow-Jews? Is it not clear that but for the presence of little Palestine, the Jews of Central and Southeastern Europe would have gone down in utter hopelessness and despair? Thanks to Eretz Yisrael, it is not stark tragedy alone that we behold in the theatre of Jewish life. There is also epic drama. How thrilling to watch the grand struggle of men and women, who, though beaten and humiliated and treated like [illegible] beasts, behave like heroes and demigods; who with superman fortitude manage to escape from their dungeons; who, crawling on their bellies in no-man's land, smuggling themselves over borders, sailing in rotting ships, without visas and in the face of immigration bans, complete their long, their frightful, their heroic journey, complete their Odyssey on the shores of Palestine, and at last find peace and comfort and security in the fond embrace of the welcoming Yishuv!"

Treasurer's Report

Arthur M. Lamport, National Treasurer of the United Palestine Appeal, presented to the Conference a summary report of the income and expenditures of the U. P. A., expressing his appreciation to the representatives present for their splendid cooperation during 1939. He said in part:

"In the calendar year 1939, the United Palestine Appeal recorded on its books a total of pledges, including cash on pledges of previous campaigns, of $5,176,367.72. With amounts added that have not yet been entered, the aggregate total will exceed $5,200,000. The actual cash on account that has passed through our treasury is $4,026,367.72. I can only re-echo what has been emphasized already at this conference: that never before in the history of Palestine fund-raising in the United States was an equal amount raised.

"The two partner in the United Palestine Appeal are, as you know, the Palestine Foundation Fund (Keren Hayesod) and the Jewish National Fund (Keren Kayemeth). All funds raised are divided equally between these two institutions after deduction of expenses and allotments. The Palestine Foundation Fund received in cash through December 31, 1939 the sum of $1,889,612.44, and the Jewish National Fund obtained $1,814,612.45. The slight discrepancy in the two amounts is a purely incidental item, due to a special emergency situation. I should like to point out that the net income of the Jewish National Fund from its traditional collections was, through November 31, 1939, $324,356.58. This amount is included in the totals which I have read.

"A grant is also made by the United Palestine Appeal to the Mizrachi Palestine Fund, which assists with supplementary funds orthodox institutions in Palestine. In 1939 that allotment was $90,000.

"A total of $73,866.20 was made available to the Zionist Organization of America, the Mizrachi Organization of America and the Poale Zion for services in educational and similar help to the United Pal[illegible] [illegible] amounts were made to the President's Advisory Committee for Political Refugees, the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds, the Hebrew University and the Hashomer Hatzair.

"The total of expenses of the United Palestine Appeal was $50,794.15, covering all the activities of the organization during 1939 and also for the collection of amounts outstanding from campaigns of previous years.

"If there were moments of depression and of a sense of frustration, it was when the urgent cables that came from Palestine could not be satisfied by the amounts available in our treasury."

Mizrachi Work Described

The work of the Mizrachi in Palestine, which receives support through a grant from the U.P.A. was described by Leon Gellman, President of the Mizrachi Organization of America. He prefaced his description of the practical achievements of the Mizrachi Palestine Fund with an appeal to American Jewry to remember that the upbuilding of Palestine represented the greatest stimulus to the Jewish-mindedness of the community. He paid tribute to the spirit of the Yishuv and expressed the hope that the same courage in the face of difficulties would be expressed by American Jewry.

A report on the status of the United Palestine Appeal as an organization and in relation to the United Jewish Appeal for 1939 was presented to the Conference by Henry Montor, Executive Director of the U.P.A. During the course of his remarks, he said:

"In 1936 the United Palestine Appeal was formed to combine the fund-raising efforts of the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth. An independent campaign was conducted, and in view of the importance of that word "independent," and the importance that it may assume at this conference, I should like to define that word "independent."

"An independent campaign by the United Palestine Appeal in 1936, or today, is not the kind of campaign that was conducted ten years ago, or even fewer years ago. What is meant by an independent campaign is the approach to each community with a presentation of the needs and the problems of the United Palestine Appeal, leaving it to the consideration of that community, united and organized, as to the contribution it is prepared to make to our work in Palestine. In 1936 and 1937 such campaigns were conducted.

"In 1938 the feeling developed that the needs were so [illegible] sentiment in the [illegible] communities for cooperation in fund-raising for all overseas purposes was so strong that it was in the best interests of the agencies involved, and primarily, in the best interests of American Jewry, that there be an agrement between the two dominant overseas fund-raising agencies in America in their approach to the communities. In 1938 an agreement was made between the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. providing that in all welfare funds, that is, those communities affiliated with the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, there be a division of funds as between the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. of 60-40, an agreement which did not, however, apply to the City of New York. Out of that agreement of 1938 grew the campaign which we know as the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs, a campaign which accepted the challenging quota of $20,000,000 and included, in addition to the U.P.A., the J.D.C., and as a beneficiary, the National Refugee Service.

"What kind of campaign has been conducted by the United Palestine Appeal in the year 1939? The fund-raising operations as conducted from New York headquarters, and not necessarily in the individual communities, were embraced within the United Jewish Appeal. There was a combined office, a combined leadership, a combined representation. We in the United Palestine Appeal are concerned with two things, it seems to me: First, participation by the U.P.A., and even more, by the Palestine idea in the functioning of the United Jewish Appeal; and, secondly, in the funds that accrued to Palestine as a result of the participation in the United Jewish Appeal. It seems to me that the most eloquent tribute that could be paid to the participation of the U.P.A. within the United Jewish Appeal appears in this week's editorial in THE NEW PALESTINE, which summarized the contributions of all the officers and all the workers of the U.P.A., but ends with this expression, 'That Dr. Abba Hillel Silver was the greatest contribution that the United Palestine Appeal made to the United Jewish Appeal.'

"When we consider the impact of the Palestine idea upon the country, let us not forget the men associated with Dr. Silver in carrying the burden of leadership, the men whom you have heard, the men whom you have demanded, the men to whom you have responded so generously—Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Dr. Solomon Goldman, Louis Lipsky, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Judge Morris Rothenberg. Since this is a financial report, [illegible] tribute to a man who only in the confines of our headquarters in New York can be properly appreciated as to the indefatigable efforts he has made to conserve the integrity, dignity and resources of the United Palestine Appeal, our National Treasurer, Arthur Lamport.

"A question is always asked, and usually when it is asked, it is with a spirit of questioning, and sometimes of asperity, as to whether Palestine was lost in this gigantic merger of overseas fund-raising.

Large Zionist Contribution

"To satisfy my own curiosity, I went to the trouble of examining the list of speakers from the United Jewish Appeal sent to every section of the country, and I was rather interested to find that of the hundreds of speakers whom the United Jewish Appeal sent to you in the thousands of communities, 70 per cent of the speakers were provided by the U.P.A.

"It should interest you to know, although it is possibly an irrelevant and small item, that the direction of the publicity work of the United Jewish Appeal was in the hands of one who had come from the U.P.A., Meyer Steinglass. The literature, the movies, the press contacts, were handled by one sympathetic to and part of the U.P.A., and that picture that existed in New York was reflected in every section of the country. Men and women identified with the U.P.A., with the Zionist organization, with the Mizrachi, with the Poale Zion, gave their forces in their communities to the creation of the most successful campaign in the history of the United States. It was a success. The U.P.A. played a dominant part in obtaining that success.

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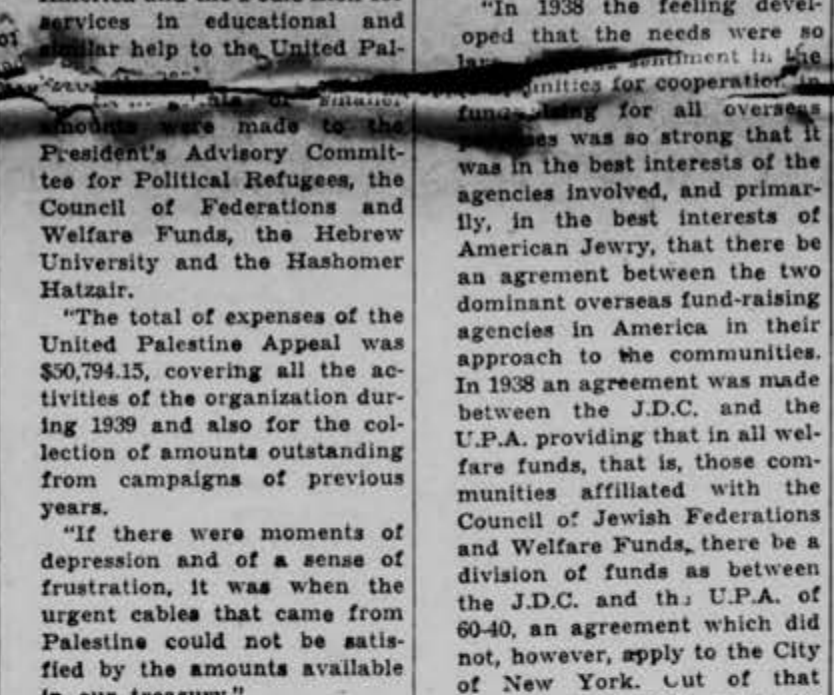

Left to right, Arthur Lourie, Dr. Werner Senator, and Dr. Georg Landauer, were among the visitors from abroad at the Conference.

'The Challenge to Civilization Has Been Taken Up'

Palestine Held Pivotal in the Jewish Struggle for Emancipation and Survival in a World at War

Text of Address by DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

A year ago we met here in annual convention under the sign of a complex of ideas which have come to be known to history as "Munich". Today we meet again under the sign of the second World War for which Munich was the prelude. Between last January and this there stretches a stupefying year, a vicious and a brutal year of aggressions, invasions and conquests finally climaxed by a war which was long dreaded and long expected.

For our people this last year has been an appalling one in which our fortunes touched bottom. Disasters piled on one on top of the other. Jewish persecution widened in area and increased in intensity. To the shattering tragedies of German and Austrian Jewries there were added, in the last twelve months, the tragedies of the Jewries of Czechoslovakia and Poland. Consequent upon the dissolution of Czechoslovakia another 300,000 Jews were brought under the brutal heel of the Nazis who promptly proceeded to apply their coldly calculated annihilationist technique against the Jews of that dismembered country. Four months ago the great Jewish community of Poland, numbering 3,000,000 souls, was swept by fire and sword. This disaster is so recent and so vast that it cannot even be crystallized in thought. Poland!—that abundant spiritual and intellectual reservoir of our people for centuries, the home of world-famous Rabbinic academies and scholars, of Chassidism, the [illegible] culture, the stronghold of Zionism from which have gone forth so many thousands as pioneers to Palestine and so many carriers of Jewish thought and traditions to all parts of the earth—Poland!—where Jews learned self-government and self-consciousness to a degree not reached elsewhere—Poland is today a torn and tortured land under two tyrannies:—the one fatal to the spirit of the Jew, the other to the body and the spirit.

"Century of Retreat"

This last year has been a year of flight for our people, a year of refugees, of stripped and helpless exiles, crowding the highways of the world, wandering over the face of the earth in quest of refuge and sanctuary—and finding most doors barred against them. From countries and homes where they had known dignity, power and wealth Jews, in ever mounting numbers, have been forced either to wander forth bewildered and disillusioned into a bewildered and disillusioned world or to remain trapped, and doomed to infamy, degradation and slow starvation.

It has been a year of intensified anti-Semitic agitation everywhere and of a systematic, cynical and cunning exploitation of Jew-baiting as a political weapon in the hands of parties, governments and empires.

Altogether, this has been a black year, one of the blackest in our history, and it climaxes a quarter of a century of mounting calamities.

For mankind as a whole, this quarter of a century has been one of tragic retreat in every field of the human spirit. "In the 19th century," wrote Victor Hugo, "war will be dead, the scaffold will be dead, hatred will be dead, frontiers will be dead, royalty will be dead, dogmas will be dead—man will begin to *live!*" Here we are in the beginning of the fifth decade of the 20th century, and war is not dead, the scaffold is not dead, hatred is not dead, frontiers are not dead, royalty is not dead—and man is beginning to *die*. . . . The vista which stretches before our generation seems to end at the edge of a widerness . . . The human spirit stands today frightened, weighted down with apocalyptic foreboding, as if awaiting the crash of doom . . .

In this nigh universal blackout for mankind generally and for our people specifically are there discernible any faint shimmers of light, any fugitive gleams in the dark, to tell that life is still going on within the heart of the darkness, to arouse the hope that the creative mind and heart of mankind and of Israel are still bent upon their eternal tasks, unbroken and undefeated? Or has mankind resigned itself to the domination of the new barbarism and has Israel, beaten dumb by prolonged torment and misery, also resigned itself to calamity and death?

The Tide Stemmed

To the discerning eye there are strong indications that neither mankind, in its quest for freedom and a decent way of life, nor Israel, in its quest for freedom and the right to live, has reconciled itself to any such defeat. The darkness is here,—thick and almost impenetrable, but within that darkness there burn the inextinguishable fires of God! The challenge which was hurled at civilization by tyranny, brute force and neo-Paganism has at last been taken up. The eternal, irrepressible conflict has finally broken out, and this time the free spirit of man is armored and on the offensive, no longer in retreat, dazed, bewildered and beguiled. The Empire of insolence and iniquity, which has raged in all its might and fury and befouled the earth, is now cornered, and trapped. It is fighting desperately for its mean and savage life.

The outcome of the struggle no one can foresee. But it is greatly heartening to know that the triumphant march of Medievalism which threatened to sweep over the entire earth has been checked, and that men, by the millions, are now mobilized, physically and spiritually, to destroy it. It is heartening also to know that that loathesome dump of putrefying propaganda lies and race obsessions which the Nazis deposited in the world, to the incalculable hurt of our people, is fast being cleared away by the same hands which are set to destroy the Nazi regime itself.

For our people there have been two cheering lights in the darkness. One has been the manifestation of solidarity, group loyalty and responsibility on the part of our people, in all sections and in all parts of the world. We were not found wanting. A great testing hour did not find us a small people. Israel responded to the attacks made upon it as would a living, healthy and sensitive organism. It quickly rallied and organized, to save, to succor, to defend. The body of our people was hurt in a thousand places, but its spirit not only remained uncowed and unbeaten but emerged even stronger, more sensitive, vibrant.

As ever, the wings of our souls moulted through contact with evil and suffering. Many afflictions have come upon us in recent years, but not the greatest of all—the loss of faith in our power of survival, in the heroic quality of our national destiny and in the essential worth and dignity of our own lives.

Light in Darkness

The other light in the all-encircling gloom of our world has been Palestine. In spite of the impoverishment, persecutions and exhaustion of recent years which made of the whole household of Israel one vast hostelry of pain, in spite of the frightful disruption of numerous old centers of Jewish life, our people was nevertheless able to find within itself the energy, the courage and the resourcefulness to build in Palestine in twenty short years a new and resplendent center of Jewish life, already the fifth largest Jewish center in the world and certainly the first and foremost in the richness of its culture and the vitality of its spirit. The ten thousand evidences given daily in Palestine of renewal and resurrection, of dead spirit revived, of broken bodies made whole again, of building upon ruins, of courage, of vision, of hope, of self-sacrifice are an imperishable epic of splendor, the like of which our own people or any other people has not written at any time in its history.

If one wishes to see—not to understand, for it is not within the realm of comprehension—the miracle and the mystery which is Israel—let him go to Palestine in these very disastrous and war-ridden days—days of wrath for our people in the Diaspora—and watch with anointed eyes the undefeated strength, the over-arching confidence, the superb zeal and energy, the social vision and the personal idealism which are being poured into the work of rebuilding our national life in our national home. What is being done there and how it is being done, what common folk, transfigured by an ideal have achieved there is a tribute not only to our people and to their sires who begot them but to humanity itself.

Here a people, resolved to live and not to die—is shouting defiance to a world bent upon its destruction. Here in Palestine lies our Maginot Line! Here it is building upon strong foundations a lasting home to replace the tabernacles which have proved so frail and impermanent in so many parts of the earth. Here hope is restored to men robbed of hope, and pride to the humbled, and the gift of mission and destiny to those cut off, spiritually dispossessed, and cast out of all inheritance. Here beauty is given them for ashes, and the lost kingdoms of both worlds are restored to them.

All this is warm, comforting light in the dark night which has fallen upon us, The very evils of our day may yet yield their compensation and redress. Our people is discovering for itself the truth which its wise but unheeded leaders sought to impress upon it—that in all other lands we are forever *dependent*, subject to the life-programs, strategies and national interests of other peoples. We are nationalized or alienized at *their* will. Only in a homeland of our own can we become the artificers and fashioners of our own destiny.

Our people is also relearning the lesson which some leaders of our people have not learned even to this day — that philanthropy alone, however generous, is no solution of the Jewish problem. What have we to show for the vast relief funds spent in Central and Eastern Europe in the last twenty-five years, for the untold millions which were expended in those countries for relief and reconstruction? Nothing! It was necessary work but unavailing as permanent measures of rehabilitation. The tragedies of persecution and homelessness which elicited so much of generous giving from our people in the years immediately following the World War have now been magnified ten-fold. They have reached such a stage that even our philanthropy stands baffled and helpless. Not only because our resources are unequal to the magnitude of the relief problem, but it is not even allowed to reach the objects of its solicitude when, where it could help.

Only in Palestine have national expenditures been converted into permanent national investments. Only in Palestine have relief funds been converted into constructive achievements. Palestine has a splendid, growing and productive Jewish community of 500,000 souls to show for the investments in substance and in effort which were made in it in the last few decades. Only Palestine, of all the countries which have received financial support from world Jewry, can point to hundreds of new colonies, settlements, villages, towns and cities, to schools, to colleges, to a university, to a national library, to a medical center, to a full complement of social agencies and institutions, to a revived Hebrew language and culture, and to a teeming, vigorous and happy Jewish life, as evidence of the productive value of such support. And in Palestine [illegible] and that, in spite of political restrictions and war conditions.

The Way Forward

We are not underestimating the difficulties, nor ignoring the checks and setbacks in our building work in Palestine. We have encountered very serious difficulties in recent years—the political dangers of the White Paper, and the considerable economic derangements caused first by the disturbances within the country and now by the war. But these are problems which are solvable, and which from time to time confront every normal nation. In the life of a people success and failure each casts the shuttle to the other. "It is provided in the essence of things," declared the poet Walt Whitman, "that from any fruition of success . . . shall come forth something to make a greater struggle necessary." But the right to struggle and to fight is in itself a supreme privilege of a free people. In Palestine we possess this privilege.

We are therefore resolved to go forward in our appointed tasks, undismayed by the terrible plight in which so many of our people find themselves, undeterred by political frustration, unwearied by the furious battle which we are forced to fight on so many fronts. We must avoid the "frantic" approach to our problem, the mood of panic. It was said of Nero that he could tune his harp well, but in government he always wound up the strings too high, or let them down too low. As a people, we must guard ourselves against these dangers. Strong nerves, stout hearts, cool heads and willing hands are what we need—and abiding, unending faith.

A people that wishes to avoid servitude must learn to fight—but without discipline, organization, sound strategy and cool courage,—no battle is ever won!

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"What have been the results of the campaign of 1939? 3,215 communities conducted campaigns in 1939 for these causes, the United Palestine Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee, and the National Refugee Service. The pledges to the United Jewish Appeal, through December 31, 1939, were $17,130,510, and as our Treasurer reported a few moments ago, the cash received on account of those pledges, through December 31st, totaled approximately $12,000,000.

"May I add one thing that perhaps I should have said before, that the agreement constituting the United Jewish Appeal is a contract between two partners, equal in every respect, the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal. The National Refugee Service is a beneficiary by common agreement between these partners.

Allocation of Funds

"How have those funds been divided? May I remind you that when the United Jewish Appeal was created, it was decided that the first nine and a half million dollars should be divided as follows: $5,000,000 to the Joint Distribution Committee; $2,500,000 to the U.P.A., and $2,000,000 to the National Refugee Service, the balance to be distributed by an allocations Committee, consisting of two representatives of the U. P. A., Dr. Silver and Dr. Goldman; two representatives of the J.D.C., Albert Lasker and Henry Ittelson, and a fifth, chosen by these four. Louis Kirstein of Boston.

"The Allocations Committee met and made a distribution of the funds available above the first $9,500,000 and the final results show the following picture: The Joint Distribution Committee, including the funds it received from the first $9,500,000, and the amounts above that, received an allocation of $7,650,000, plus an additional $1,000,000 made available for the projects of the Co-ordinating Foundation and the passengers on the "St. Louis", in which the U.P.A. had an interest, making a total of $8,650,000. The U.P.A. received a total, or will have received, rather, of $4,000,000. In addition to that, the U.P.A. had available to it the net income of the Jewish National Fund, which, as Mr. Lamport reported a few moments ago, totaled over $324,000, through November 30th. The National Refugee Service was allotted a total of $2,600,000, and a grant of $250,000 was made by the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. to the Catholic and Protestant Refugee organizations in equal shares.

"The balance, above the $15,500,000, was to be divided on the ratio of 70 to the J.D.C. and 30 to the U.P.A.

"In considering the pledged figure of $17,100,000 plus for 1939, compare it with the figure for 1938 for all three agencies of less than $7,000,000.

"You are confronted with the necessity of determining the needs of Palestine. We in America are expected to raise 80 per cent of the amounts required by the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth for 1940, but if we approach 1940 with that spirit of dedication that was exemplified in every community in 1939, we should also gain and benefit from the experiences of that year."

Welfare Fund Recognition

One of the most vital aspects of fund-raising, "Recognition of Palestine Within a Welfare Fund"

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"The Good Earth and the Peace Aims of Israel"

The Outbreak of War Is Intensifying Need for an Enhanced Jewish Land Purchase Program

By DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN

In this Capital City, a few days ago, the President of the United States reminded the American people that they cannot shut their eyes and stop their ears to what is happening in the world today, and that from events abroad there are lessons to be drawn for the benefit of our political and economic welfare here in the United States.

For the Jewish people these fateful, catastrophic days, needless to say, hold much instruction. One lesson above all seems to cry out for emphasis. It is a lesson in what it means for a people to have a land and a home.

When the little Finnish nation of three and a half millions is invaded and attacked by a vastly greater power, the world's indignation is aroused, its sympathy flows out and its generous help goes forth to the victims. When, however, three and a half million Jews in Poland are consigned to massacre and spoliation on one side and to material and spiritual dispossession on the other, the world's conscience is not outraged, its sensibilities are not shocked and its practical sympathies are not aroused. The Finns have a fighting chance. The Jews of conquered Poland are deprived even of the privilege of heroic death.

In our tragic Book of Lamentations, this is the saddest page, namely, that a people uprooted and divorced from its historic soil can only look for a beggar's crumbs at the table of humanity's understanding, consideration and respect.

Had three and a half million Jews lived on their national soil in Eretz Israel there might be a different story to tell today. Witness the story that has been told by the Yishuv of less than five hundred thousand souls during the troubles they have had to face since 1936.

Some will say that all this is in the subjunctive mood, a hypothetical contingency. Gathered under the aegis of the United Palestine Appeal, we are here to affirm that this mood can and needs to be converted from the subjunctive to the optative. The means for doing it is the old Herzlian formula. "If you will it, it is not a legend." If the present tragedy of the homelessness and landlessness of the Jewish people can stir the sections of Jewry who are still strong and free to hasten the ultimate solution, the present tragedy will not have been in vain.

My theme tonight is more prosaic, but I trust not less relevant. One thing which more than any other compels my admiration at the Zionist Congress abroad is the way in which the Palestinian delegates, the builders of the Homeland, respond to the discussions of factual prosaic matters, routine reports and unadorned statistics which they consider the brick and mortar of the edifice they are building.

My theme tonight is the good earth, their and our good earth, the foothold of their existence, the basis of their livelihood, the foundation of their edifice and the safeguard of their future, and of our future. Can anything be more fundamental than Eretz in Eretz Israel?

An Unchanging Ideal

It is characteristic of an unchangeable ideal that it assumes different aspects at various times and under varying circumstances. The enduring reality is constant, ever the same. But its value and meaning for men at different times may vary in accord with the needs and the complexion of the situation. That fundamental principle has been taught us by the Rabbis of the Midrash in connection with the chapters of Exodus now being read in the Synagogue. Moses comes to deliver his people in the name of God, but it is a new name, a new aspect of the Eternal which he announces, a name and aspect unknown to the earlier generations. God's name varies according to the time, the need and the work to be done.

I hope you will not consider it sacrilege to transfer that formulation to the ideal of Geulath Haaretz, converting the land of Palestine into the Land of Israel, and to say that this ideal is of such enduring character that its value and significance is as versatile and manifold as the changing situations in the kaleidoscope of world events, and as the manifold needs, problems and prospects of our people. For every conjecture of events the Jewish National Fund has a special value and a special aspect. That is why it deserves the name, Keren *Kayemeth* LeIsrael, the enduring foundation of our people.

There were times when the social idealism inherent in the concept of nationally-owned, inalienable land needed to be stressed in connection with the Jewish National Fund. There were times when the emphasis had to be placed upon the return of the Jew to a wholesome agricultural mode of living and upon agriculture as the indispensable balance in the economy of Palestine. In recent years, the most urgent aspect of Geulath Haaretz was the need of providing footholds and subsistence, areas for refugees to whom Palestine spells haven, home and hope.

In the year 1939, all these values, of course, continued to function but an additional aspect came to the fore in the light and under the stress of the political emergency which culminated in the White Paper. The challenge before the Jewish people was not merely to protest against the White Paper, but to demonstrate that its unjust and arbitrary restrictions on immigration and land purchases could not stand up in the face of pressing, nay, desperate realities.

The answer to immigration restrictions was given by the entry of thirty-five thousand Jews in the course of twelve months, the largest immigration in several years. A good deal of organizational capital has been made of the fact that 900 refugees on the S.S. St. Louis, were helped during the year to find temporary shelter in England, France, Holland and Belgium. Many boatloads like the St. Louis found permanent homes in Palestine during the year.

Record Acreage Acquired

The answer to land restrictions was given by the Jewish National Fund in the purchase from Arabs of 52,000 dunams and their immediate occupation by the Keren Hayesod, the largest area which the Jewish National Fund has ever acquired from Arabs in the course of a single year. The fact carries its own commentary on the question of whether Arabs are willing to sell land. It would be no exaggeration to say that if Menachem Ussishkin had ten million dollars at his disposal tomorrow, he would have less than

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enough to buy all the land which is offered and which is needed. As it is, the very least which the Jewish National Fund must have for 1940, in order to complete its present contracts and to permit conservative expansion, is the sum of $5,000,000, to which the rest of the Jewish world outside of the United States under the present circumstances cannot be counted on to contribute more than ten per cent. Eighty per cent must come from the United Palestine Appeal.

Land Purchase Policy

The policy of the Jewish National Fund has been two-fold, first to enhance physical security by linking together those Jewish settlements which have been separated by gaps of Arab areas; and second, to forestall as far as possible the geographical basis for possible partition or cantonization by purchasing areas on the frontiers in the North, South and East. The West, namely the coast, is already ours.

When you understand this policy, you will understand the strategic importance of the purchase of such areas as those adjoining Hanita and Hirbeth Semakh near the Lebanese border in the North, the extension of Ein Hashofet and of the Beisan section toward Trans-Jordania on the East and the purchase of land below Beer-Tuvia in the South. The Jewish National Fund is saying it with dunams, "No part of Palestine shall be denied us, from Dan to Beersheba."

The Jewish National Fund has now bridged the Emek Jezreel and the PICA holdings in the Plain of Sharon, thus linking up the two largest plains in the country. Nor is it to be overlooked that in 1939 the final payment has been made for the Huleh concession, so that now we can look forward to the reclamation of these swamps which will add fertile areas to Palestine capable of supporting thousands of families. I believe it is more than wishful thinking to say that the Jewish National Fund by its purchases, and the Keren Hayesod by its settlements in Upper Galilee, during the past three years, have saved Galilee for the Jewish people in any future scheme that may be proposed.

While the slogan of the Colonial Office has been "Reduce the place of thy abode," our slogan (translated in terms of the good earth which the Jewish National Fund has acquired) has been "Expand the place of thy abode, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes."

Race Against Time

Will there be restrictions in the near future? Will the High Commissioner implement his caution? A people racing against time cannot stop to calculate contingencies. This has been the 1939 aspect of the Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael in the light and under the stress of the political emergency.

Noteworthy it is that the land acquired by the Jewish National Fund represents ninety-five per cent of all land transfers from Arabs to Jews during the year. This, too, is a fact which carries its own commentary. In time of trouble and uncertainty, when private capital is either timid or in flight, it is national capital alone which can be looked to, to defend, promote and safeguard national interests.

We, of the United Palestine Appeal, should be fully aware of our part in these achievements. If the credit for the courage and resolution, vision and sacrifice which have advanced our position in Palestine so substantially in 1939 belongs to the Yishuv, though we too have shared, it cannot be gainsaid that American Jewry through the United Palestine Appeal has provided the bulk of the funds, though the Yishuv too has shared.

And now, as we face the year 1940, when the effects of the war will be increasingly felt, it is already apparent that our good earth will be called upon to fulfill yet another important function, a function to which not enough consideration has been given heretofore, namely, its primary function, as a food provider.

Land for Food

It has been one of the weak spots of our economy in Palestine that the major portion of foodstuffs had to be purchased from local Arabs, or imported from neighboring countries. The delays and difficulties of transportation caused by the war have made this weak spot more conspicuous than ever before. And it is realized that if the war should spread to the Mediterranean the situation might become dangerously acute. Therefore, attention will be concentrated more and more on making the good earth yield more abundantly in the growing of cereals, vegetables and fruits, so that the Yishuv may become as far as possible self - sustaining. More land for the Jewish National Fund in 1940, in addition to whatever else it may mean, will therefore mean more food-acres. A new type of production will have to emerge from the present emergency.

The accompanying article is the text of the address delivered by Dr. Goldstein at the Washington Conference of the United Palestine Appeal.

The war is only four months old and already the minds of men are turned towards the peace which will follow the war, inquiring what the complexion of affairs is going to be when the war shall have come to an end. War aims and peace aims is the subject which has been agitating people everywhere.

The Jewish people, I take it, has no aims which were different from those which it has pleaded for all these years, first, that Jews as individuals wherever they may live, be treated as human beings on terms of equality with other human beings; and second, that the Jewish people, as a people, be accorded the right to which any people is entitled to have, a place which it can call home, and to which its members can come as of right. These have been and will continue to be our peace aims.

That these aims have no chance of being realized unless the Allies are victorious goes without saying. That they will be realized when the Allies are victorious, there is no assurance. But there is every hope that it will be so, if the peace will be [illegible] on justice to all.

Is it fantastic to believe that the consideration of our aspirations in Palestine may be on the agenda of the Peace Conference after this war, as it was on the agenda of the Peace Conference which followed the last war? Is it Utopian to hope that the next Peace Conference may produce a sequel to the Balfour Declaration?

Factors of Reality

Let us be sure, my fellow-Jews, that our credentials are going to be impressive. In a realistic world, the most realistic validations of our claims to Eretz Israel will be not only the strong urgings by Jewish communities outside of Palestine, but our numbers and influence in Palestine, the amount of land there in our possession, and the strategic locations of that land.

It would be an unforgivable sin against the destiny of our people if because of a shortage not of means, but of vision and will, we fail to make ours every dunam of land which can be bought, and every industrial position which can be gained, and every immigration influx which can be accomplished.

Ussishkin, realist that he is, was not indulging in hyperboles when he told us at the Zionist Congress in Geneva, last summer, that Geulath Haaretz which we had been led to believe is a task for generations, we now see, devolves urgently upon our generation to do, or to default.

To some it is given to solve their problems by one stroke, properly timed. If the old legend is true, that Messiah will come when the cup of Israel's tears standing on God's throne will be full to overflowing, then perhaps the time for the solution of our problems must surely be not far off.

THE NEED FOR SACRIFICE

Palestine's Role in Absorbing Greatest Number of Jews Analyzed

By JUDGE MORRIS ROTHENBERG

The following is the text of the address delivered by Judge Rothenberg at the Washington Conference of the United Palestine Appeal.

Last year, when we gathered at this annual conference, the Jewish scene throughout Central and parts of Eastern Europe was dark and desolate enough, and heavy clouds lowered over the whole of Europe threatening at any moment to burst and to engulf a large part of the world in another devastating war. In the year that has just come to a close the position has considerably worsened. The satanic figure who was the cause of the inexpressible tragedy of the 600,000 Jews of Germany and the persecution of Catholics and other minorities, who had snuffed out the nationhood of Austria and Czechoslovakia and thus brought ruin and misery to additional countless thousands of Jews and non-Jews, has been since responsible for the crushing and dismemberment of Poland, with the consequent embroilment of the major European powers in another war that is spreading like a conflagration and shaking the very structure of civilization.

Added to this frightful picture was the disheartening and amazing spectacle of Russia, the long time vociferous champion of peace and enemy of Fascism, joining hands with Nazidom, the sworn enemy of Bolshevism, in terrorizing and imposing their will upon small neighboring countries. Even as we meet here today, the indefensible assault goes on upon Finland, an honorable, hardworking, peaceful people, whose only offense was that they desired to remain free.

All the high sounding phrases and slogans that for so long were paraded to lure idealists to dreams of a nobler world, have crumbled like a hollow edifice before the vicious lust of power and aggression. The line between democracy and totalitarianism has never before been so clear. And now too it has become transparent to all who had not yet known the truth that the poisonous propaganda of hatred spread by Nazis and their followers against Jews and other objects of their attack was but a tissue of lies calculatingly designed to destroy all liberty and to make men the servile instruments of the dictators.

Spoliation of Jewry

In these catastrophic events the Jews have been, to a degree even greater than in the last year, singled out for especial suffering. Whereas before the forcible extension of the territorial boundaries of the Third Reich there were 600,000 Jews under the terrible yoke of Nazi oppression, the number is now increased by virtue of the annexation of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland approximately to 2,300,000 Jews. Disfranchised, degraded, despoiled, those of the Jews of Germany and of Austria who were fortunate enough to escape were scattered over the face of the earth in search of asylum. Some found shelter in friendly neighboring countries; others in distant lands; many sailed the seven seas like cargoes of despair, vainly calling at port after port, only to be turned away to perish in misery. Our own country, in the traditional spirit of hospitality to the oppressed, led by the sympathetic understanding of its great humanitarian President, Franklin D. Roosevelt, opened its doors to a considerable number of refugees who are sharing with us the blessings of freedom and democracy under which we live. But above all, Palestine, the Jewish homeland, became the refuge for the largest number of the heartsick and homeless children of Israel who had suffered such a cruel fate.

Across the long stretch of Jewish persecution and martyrdom, there is no sadder chapter than this uprooting and pillage of a loyal, cultured, prosperous part of the German population who had made rich contributions to the upbuilding of German art, industry, science and literature, and to the defense of their country; but who in the eyes of the Nazi madmen were guilty of the unpardonable sin of having Jewish blood in their veins.

Persecution Grows

As if the Jewish cup of bitterness were not full to overflowing, new and fiendish cruelties have been invented and are now being visited upon the Jews in Nazi Poland. Reliable reports which have gradually penetrated indicate that that unhappy land has become an inferno for its Jewish, and in a lesser degree, for its Polish population. In the so-called "Lublin Jewish Reservation" and in other parts of Nazi Poland, a virtual process of Jewish extermination is in progress. To the desperate lack of food, clothing and shelter are added massacres, mass arrests, destruction and confiscation of Jewish owned property, dissolution of Jewish institutions, imposition of fines and forced labor and other indignities and brutalities that stagger the imagination. Thus is being destroyed the second largest Jewish community in the world, which for centuries had been a fountain-head of Jewish learning and tradition. It is nothing short of cold-blooded, deliberate mass murder.

The end of this monstrous reign of terror can only be foreseen with the triumph of the democracies over the cynical and savage forces that have made their appearance in the modern world, that threaten to destroy not only Jewish and other minority groups, but as well those moral standards and sublime creations of the human spirit by which mankind has laboriously climbed through dark ages to a high stage of civilization.

In the face of the unparalleled assault upon millions of innocent people struggling with inspiring courage and resolution to defend their lives and their liberties, we must be moved by a feeling of deepest gratitude that we are so blessed as to live in a land in which the foundations of democracy and of human freedom remain firm despite the efforts of agents of discord, alien to the American spirit, and intruders in our midst, who seek to undermine those concepts of American life that have saved us from the hatreds that are tearing European peoples asunder.

But there is more that must be expected of us. Every common impulse of humanity calls for greater generosity, sacrifice and energy so that we may bring immediate relief from suffering and privation wherever possible to the countless of our stricken people, and beyond that—that we may be enabled to aid as many Jews as have and still can escape from the hell holes of Europe to find new havens of refuge, where they may again take up the broken threads of their lives.

Palestine Acts as Haven

How providential it has been that in our time there were Jews

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An Outpost Of Tomorrow

Text of Address by WILLIAM H. KING

United States Senator from Utah

The struggle for the preservation of human liberty is today closely identified with the struggle of minorities for survival. The year 1939 witnessed the dismemberment and the destruction of many important small peoples. If the sweep of brute force is not halted, 1940 may bring the complete disappearance of all small nations from the face of the earth.

With each blow struck against small nations the rights of all peoples have suffered grievous setbacks. A world that is not safe for minorities is a world that is not safe for democracy. When Austria fell, when Czechoslovakia was cut to pieces, when Poland was overrun, the foundations of our concepts of right and wrong were shaken. In the midst of our bewilderment the aggressor nations laid down a barrage of words designed to cloak bloody conquest in the robes of liberation. Success in brutal and unprovoked attack was paraded as vindication and justification for crimes against civilization.

Today, as in the case of Finland, we are again the spectators of an immoral and rapacious onslaught in which we are asked to regard might as the only basis for right. Because a small nation like Czecho-Slovakia or Poland or Finland is hopelessly outnumbered in manpower or fighting equipment, we must therefore consider it unfit to retain its freedom or identity. This is part of an organized attempt at the assassination of the character and integrity of all minority peoples. The whole conception of self-determination for minorities is being completely undermined. This is a process with profound implications for all countries and peoples. The road to the destruction of the rights of majorities begins in the footpath of annihilation of minorities. The rights of majorities are guaranteed only when the rights of minorities remain inviolate.

Need for Minorities

Minority peoples may be weak in terms of numerical strength, but ethnically and intellectually they possess the strength only the constant struggle for survival can produce. The physical and cultural hardships which they have had to face through the centuries have endowed them with unusual attributes for survival. Within a small nation or people the individual is never submerged in the mass. What small peoples lack in numbers they must supply in endurance and resourcefulness. The existence of a minority is a constant challenge which evokes the most creative and productive forces.

Let us take the case of the Jewish people, the world's oldest living minority. The Jews were scattered throughout the world many centuries ago by the superior force of arms. When the Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed, the roots of their national and religious life were torn up and there followed a tragic history of wandering and persecution. The odyssey of the Jews in Europe is, for the most part, a black page on the record of civilization. The Jews were made a convenient scapegoat of those who sought power or glory. Oppression narrowed their opportunities. Proscription tested their endurance to the breaking point, but the will to live that was forged on the anvil of persecution imbued the Jewish people with qualities of intellect and character that made the greatest contributions to the very civilization which sought to destroy them.

It is sad indeed that in the twentieth century some nations have not yet learned that it is a grievous injusice to harass and hound a people which has made such outstanding contributions to the progress of mankind. When Germany drove from her borders scientists, artists and writers of Jewish blood, she was committing a heinous crime not merely against the Jews, but against the entire German people. We are the richer today for the mistakes and cruelties of the Nazi regime, but the German people and German culture have suffered an irreparable loss.

Although the Jews have been severely buffeted by the storms of upheaval they have maintained throughout an unflagging adherence to their mission of peace and good will. They have devoted themselves to the preservation of democracy not merely because it has brought them freedom together with all minorities, but because it represents a philosophy of life which embodies the principles of tolerance and brotherhood that have long been hallowed traditions among the Jews.

Balfour Declaration Today

In 1919, the nations of the world, moved by the suffering which the Jews had endured during the war and for many years before that, sought to make restitution to this much wronged people. Into the peace treaties was written a pledge to restore the Jewish National Home in Palestine. In accordance with the Balfour Declaration issued by Great Britain in November, 1917, the League of Nations granted the Mandate over Palestine to the British Government, which was entrusted with the task of facilitating the rebuilding of Palestine by the Jewish people. Our own government endorsed the Balfour Declaration by a Joint Resolution of Congress and by subsequent expressions of support from the Presidents of the United States from Woodrow Wilson to Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Twenty historic years have gone by. The world is now on the threshold of another and perhaps more sweeping catastrophe. In the interval between the two world conflicts, minorities have risen to high levels of freedom and self-development only to be swallowed up in the return of the martial spirit. We who enjoy peace are solemnly dedicated to maintaining our security at any cost. We are determined to be neutral in the present conflict, but we cannot be neutral in our anticipation of the outcome. It is the sincere hope of all liberal-thinking men that the end of this war will bring the reconstruction of the small states that have been sacrificed on the altar of greed. All of us are deeply concerned that Czecho-Slovakia, Austria and Poland regain their independence and take their place once again in the council of nations as free and productive partners in the forward tasks of world progress.

But there is one minority which deserves at least equal recognition. I refer to the Jewish people. I refer to the Jews who were uprooted in Germany, to the Jews who were brutally attacked in Poland. I refer to the Jewish people who for the past decade have been mercilessly persecuted as a means of bringing about the destruction of religious liberty and democracy throughout the world.

When Peace Comes

The liberal world must surely be cognizant of the fact that the Jews were the first to feel the blows of the aggressors. When peace comes, the Jews must not be the last to regain their rights. When peace comes, the Jews must not be a forgotten people. The Jews have demonstrated in the most unmistakable terms that they were never meant to be a refugee people of wanderers. In the two decades in which they have been engaged in the reconstruction of the Jewish National Home, they have demonstrated a capacity for creative pioneering which has no parallel in modern times. No oppression and no despair has been permitted to stay the hands of those courageous souls who went to Palestine to plant once again the seeds of Jewish national and cultural endeavor. There are today, I understand, some 500,000 Jews in Palestine. In 1919, there were but 55,000. Though the Jews were dispersed in many parts of the world for many centuries, a remnant always remained in the Holy Land as the residue of the Jewish homeland that was and as the nucleus of the Jewish homeland that was to rise again. Today that nucleus has become a flourishing community of farmers, peasants, workers and businessmen.

I have seen with my own eyes the remarkable achievements of the Jewish pioneers in Palestine. There is perhaps no more inspiring sight than the panorama of Jewish colonies that have arisen in Palestine on land that was rocky and arid only twenty years ago. The genius, the resourcefulness, the sacrifice and the idealism of the Jewish people have established a homeland that has brought invaluable benefits to every element of the population in Palestine. During the period from 1932 to 1939 a total of 240,000 Jews entered Palestine from Germany, Poland, Austria and other lands where they were denied the elementary rights of existence. These same men and women who were branded and humiliated by the Nazi philosophy of hate and racism, discarded their past of suffering for a future of revival and reconstruction. They built so well that the Palestine that is associated in our minds with the forgotten world of yesterday is today one of the most hopeful outposts of the world of tomorrow.

World Responsibility

The Jews have demonstrated their talents for colonization beyond any shadow of doubt. Moreover, they have rebuilt their ancient homeland on the solid foundations of economic and agricultural planning that have greatly revolutionized its possibilities for the future. Throughout the past seven years of violent anti-Semitism in Central Europe, Palestine has been the foremost haven for refugees. Today when the Jews are faced with the grave tragedy of the destruction of their homes in Poland, today when hundreds of thousands have been herded into a reservation which is no more than one huge concentration camp of pain and torture—today when hundreds of thousands of Jews are wandering over the face of the earth in search of a home, Palestine must continue to provide a homeland for tens of thousands to whom the doors of other lands are closed.

I believe that it is the solemn responsibility of Great Britain and the rest of the civilized world to think in terms of enlarging the horizon of refugee settlement in Palestine so that when peace comes the refugees of war and oppression may find immediate opportunity for rehabilitation. And so I say to you that though your people may be tasting the bitter dregs of privation and tragedy at this moment, you have in Palestine a great foundation for a project of nation-building that will redound to the glory and benefit of all men of good will throughout the entire world.

"A Way Out of Chaos"

Jewish Redemption of Soil Points The Way to World Salvation

By DR. W. C. LOWDERMILK

Accompanying is the text of the address delivered by Dr. Lowdermilk at the Washington Conference of the United Palestine Appeal. Dr. Lowdermilk, who is Assistant Chief of the Soil Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, has made an intensive personal survey of Jewish soil conservation methods in Palestine.

Jewish colonization in Palestine raises some fundamental questions in land-use and in the formulation of land-use policies in the United States and in the world at large for that matter. The implications have international significance.

In the course of surveying the experience of older countries in the use of land as it relates to soil erosion, soil and water conservation, and torrential flood control in the interests of our movement in America for soil and water conservation, I made a study of land-use in Paestine, ancient and modern, including the colonization work. In the course of the study we visited many of the agricultural colonies.

As we entered a dining room in the recently founded colony of Hanita in Northern Palestine, I noted on the wall of the dining room enlarged life-sized photographs of three fine looking young men. I asked who they were. I was told that these young men had been shot from ambush as they were clearing the land of this new colony. They had fallen martyrs in the redemption of these old lands. In practically all of the dining rooms of the more recent colonies which we visited, I saw on the walls enlarged photographs of other young martyrs to the redemption of Palestine. One of these young men as he was dying, wrote in his notebook, "It is not so hard to die when one does it for his own country." The colonization of the wasted land of Palestine is one of the most significant phenomena of our day in the relation of a human population to its land.

We first learn of Palestine as the Promised Land flowing with milk and honey. It was very much like our California in the Gold Rush Days. We are told that Isaac cleared land and sowed grain somewhere between Gaza and Beersheba and reaped a hundred fold and Moses as he looked across the Jordan Valley from Mount Nebo described the Promised Land to his followers as follows:

> "For the Lord thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills; a land of wheat and barley, and vines and fig trees and pomegranates; a land of oil, olive and honey; a land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack anything in it." (DEUT. VIII 7-9).

Former Terrace Systems

During a period of about 1500 years, the agricultural possibilities of Palestine were developed on a sound basis for the conservation of soils and waters. As the original forests and grasslands were cleared and cultivation was pushed up the slopes, rock wall terraces were progressively built to hold back the soil, waters were retarded by check dams, and stored in cisterns and the flow of great perennial springs was used to irrigate luxuriant gardens. Nevertheless, we have an indication that difficulties with erosion were encountered in this agricultural occupation of the Promised Land. For Isaiah, in the 7th Chapter of the 25th Verse says:

> And on all hills that shall be digged with the mattock, there shall not come thither the fear of briers and thorns; but it shall be for the sending forth of oxen, and for the treading of lesser cattle.

After sloping fields were abandoned they were devoted to grazing. In Byzantine times, the Promised Land appears to have been densely populated. Abandoned village sites are found throughout the hill lands of Judea; and evidences of both drainage and irrigation works in the plains have been encountered by the colonists in works of reclamation. Throughout the land one sees evidences of former elaborate terrace systems showing that great care and labor have been devoted to saving the soils from wastage.

In the seventh century, however, the country was over-run by the fierce and hungry denizens of the desert. The tent dwellers swept in from the desert and destroyed not only a civilization but its agriculture and more important still, the traditions of its agriculture. A highly developed method of farming and of conservation of soils and waters was destroyed. Land-use was thrown back into the Neolithic type of agriculture in which grazing and patch cultivation predominated. This destructive invasion of the land of Palestine, and the consequent neglect of terraces and the works of conserving land, unleashed the forces of erosion to do their worst. And for the past 1500 years the land has been deteriorating. For erosion has been taking its toll with each heavy rainstorm; it has been sweeping the soils bare to bed-rock until fully one-half of the hill country has been eroded of all its soil.

The Soil Goes

As soils were swept from the slopes into the narrow valleys, they were sorted by the storm waters; the finer particles were carried out to sea to discolor the famous cobalt blue of the Mediterranean to a dirty brown as far as the horizon, such as I saw take place last February. The heavier particles of the soil were spread out on the old alluvium of the valley floors. These soils, lodged in the narrow valleys are still capable of agricultural production when properly managed. The area of soils for farming has been much reduced by this irreversible process of erosion.

Moreover the flashy run-off of heavy downpours of winter rainstorms on the bared slopes is cutting gullies through the alluvium in the valley floors. And only by special measures to protect these lands can agriculture be maintained in these narrow valleys; some have already been washed out; others still contain restricted oases of soil.

Furthermore, a portion of the erosional debris swept from the slopes out into the coastal plains, as well as invading sand dunes, have choked up stream channels and has brought about marshy conditions in the narrow coastal plains. Pestilential conditions brought on malaria and depopulated extensive portions of the lowlands. Thus, the Promised Land once flowing with milk and honey has been reduced to a wasted condition. The irreversible

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process of soil erosion has seriously damaged the country. It can never be restored to its original condition as the Promised Land. This does not say however, that the land can not be restored to a much greater productive capacity than it has at the present time. It does not prevent the redemption of the Holy Land. For the splendid works of reclamation of the Jewish colonies on about five per cent of the area has demonstrated the possibilities for various types of land of Palestine as a whole.

Redemption Can Succeed

A little more than fifty years ago, Jewish colonies undertook a formidable task to redeem this old land and have carried out to date one of the most remarkable works of the restoration and reclamation of wasted lands that I have seen in three continents. The marshy, pestilential lands have been reclaimed by draining and by the eradication of malaria at the sacrifice of many human lives. Wasted lands have been made to blossom as the rose. Likewise, the higher plains have been reclaimed and made to produce heavily in agricultural crops. Sand dunes, old and new, have been fixed and have been made into locations of thriving municipalities or have been converted by irrigation into productive citrus groves.

In recent times the hill lands have been increased in their productivity for human needs by the construction of terraces wherever some soil still remains and by the planting of forests on otherwise barren and rocky slopes. Fortunately, these hills are built up of limestone whose crevices and pockets are filled with soil into which tree roots may grow to support rapid growth of forest trees. The splendid growth in the numerous memorial forests demonstrates the possibilities for a general reforestation of lands best suited to tree growth as well as the development of grazing areas with browse shrubs and trees to supplement grass and herbage growth.

Science Creates Colonies

This remarkable restoration and reclamation work has been guided and sustained by a well thought out experimental and research program. In the earlier stages, practical farming schools were established to train the young colonists who were to take up the burden of redeeming the land. As time went on the need for more thorough study was realized and Rehovoth Agricultural Experiment Station was established and equipped. Today it stands as one of the best agricultural experiment stations that I visited in 14 countries of Europe and the Near East. It is devoted to answering the questions which arise out of the work of reclaiming lands and in the growing of subsistence and profitable agricultural crops. And now, after little more than fifty years, there are more than 250 colonies occupying five per cent of the area of Palestine and twelve per cent of the arable land.

Palestine, within its present boundaries is about the size of the State of Vermont; it is a picturesque land of bleached and bare hills and terraces in repair and supporting olive groves, vineyards and grain fields on a small percentage of the hill land. Some valleys still contain soil as oases, and the plains are capable of intensive agricultural production. The population at present is about 1,200,000 of which about 400,000 are Jews. Within the period of colonization during the past 50 years, the immigration of Jews has been fully 300,000. Moreover, Arabs have immigrated into Palestine in equal numbers, having been attracted by increased activity and development brought about by the Jews. And now the Jews are paying 70 per cent of the total tax burden of Palestine.

These agricultural colonies covering about five per cent of the total area of Palestine, serve as excellent demonstration projects to indicate how and to what extent the Promised Land may be restored to a condition of greater productivity and support for a larger population.

Does this coloniation work pay? Is it worthwhile? Commercially, it does not pay because the colonists have bought the land at prices many times its commercial value. Markets are only partially developed for all possible crops, and products of a renewed agriculture must compete with those of exploited labor of the Near East. But the value of this work can not be measured in its commercial returns for the present. The young people in the colonies think this undertaking is worthwhile. They are buying it with their lives by being killed or by working day in and day out with an enthusiasm which is inspiring to a soil conservationist. Their devotion to the land is an inspiration to all nations. They are willing to redeem the land with the full measure of their devotion.

"A Way Out of Chaos"

These colonists are demonstrating that land has other values than its commercial products. They are demonstrating that land in the final analysis is an integral part of the corporate existence of a nation, even as its people are. If the Jews are permitted to carry out this magnificent restoration and redemption work of the wasted lands of Palestine, they will have set a messianic example of the possibilities of the restoration of the wasted lands of North Africa and the Near East which have in the past been so badly damaged by the inroads of the desert peoples and their herds.

And in a larger sense, such an example of the redemption and the restoration of exploited and wasted lands will furnish nations of the world a substitute for the satanic frenzy of destruction which is now affecting one-half the entire population of the world. Surely, within the near future destruction of human and physical resources to a saving and healing program of conservation of human and physical resources of the earth. Such a restoration of Palestine in which we on this side of the Atlantic have a sentimental and sacred interest, will give to the world an example of a way out of this chaos of destruction throughout the world—the coloniation in Palestine is eminently worthwhile.

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possessing the vision and the courage, to undertake the statesmanlike task of reconstituting and reconstructing the ancient land of the Jews that had lain waste through the ages, into a modern Jewish homeland that would be a place of refuge and a home for the Jewish creative spirit. Despite enormous difficulties, economic and political, and frequent setbacks common to all colonization efforts, such extraordinary progress and achievement have been recorded that in the short space since 1920 when the new immigration into Palestine began—an insignificant period in terms of history—the Jewish population has grown from 87,000 to a self-respecting, self-reliant community of 500,000 souls.

The outbreak of the war in Europe has greatly aggravated the already existing problems of relief and of Jewish homelessness. The tragic position of hundreds of thousands of Jews, trapped, starving, helpless, calls for quick and compassionate action on a larger scale. Increased resources must be provided for the Joint Distribution Committee, which for so long a time has capably carried the responsibility for Jewish relief action, and for the United Palestine appeal the American agency for Palestine upbuilding that has made such an impressive contribution in that historic enterprise. But it is a task with which not only Jews but the whole of civilized mankind must continue to be concerned. The Intergovernmental Committee for Refugees, brought into existence through the initiative of President Roosevelt, the expressed aid of a number of European governments as well as the active help of agencies like the Red Cross, the Quakers, the Commission for Polish Refugees, all attest non-Jewish interest in the problem.

Call to Sacrifice

We here assembled, constituting the representatives of the United Palestine Appeal devoted to Palestine upbuilding, while welcoming any sound and hopeful plan for settlement of refugees in other havens, re-emphasize the paramount role which Palestine has taken in that activity, and the proved capacity of Palestine to absorb additional numbers of refugees for permanent settlement. We point to the urgent need for increased financial support by American Jewry to enable large available expanses of undeveloped but potentially fertile land, capable of receiving new masses of immigration for settlement.

Call to Sacrifice

The funds required for such an increased program of relief and of colonization are not to be found by sacrificing one part of the work of preserving Jewish life for the other. The solution must be found in testing Jewish spiritual endowment for greater generosity and greater sacrifice in the face of an unprecedented and an unescapable responsibility.

The force of Jewish idealism accelerated as it is today by the desperation of countless Jews agonizing in European lands, must in the year to come reach new and higher levels, so that we may help to keep alive the spirit of hope where there now is despair, and add honor to ourselves as Jews and as Americans by our further contributions towards the perpetuation of Jewish life and Jewish ideals in the land of Israel which shall take its place as part of a world of brotherhood and of peace.

The Struggle for Redemption

Palestine's Role in the Defense of Freedom and Democracy

By LOUIS LIPSKY

The accompanying article is the text of the address delivered by Mr. Lipsky at the Washington Conference of the United Palestine Appeal.

In the routine calculations men make regarding the way the world seems to be going, scrutinizing the details and unable to rise above them, the goal is often blurred; and the chart that they make is reduced to a maze of criss-cross lines, revealing no clear indication of the actual trend of events.

This Conference has been called to submit the balance sheet of the past year of the United Palestine Appeal; to report on the volume of the means assembled and sent over to the growing center of our national hope; and to show how it has served in building the Homeland. The story is not revealing if limited to accounts and balances. In the last analysis, figures are pale abstractions. If it is to be told effectively, the story must include a description of the imponderables; how the features of the Jewish National Home have been changed; the way its body has grown in character as well as in strength; and what is going on in its mind—the quality and mood of its purpose, its spirit and its readiness for national sacrifice.

Here, in this Conference, we are not called upon to place on the agenda for consideration the trials and struggles of the great world in which the Jewish tragedy is being enacted and of which it is a disregarded, almost irrelevant part. We see the flames of revolution, the eruptions that threaten the dominance of reason and morality, but what it portends is veiled in obscurity. What is the purpose of these explosions of succeeding waves of unbridled ferocity, this nightmare of destruction? What has caused the two great revolutions that were rushing forward to inevitable collision now to lock arms in friendship, pretended or genuine? What is the map of the plans of those dynamic forces which, according to prophecy, either in partnership or separately, were bell-bent on destroying the democratic world? How to account for the breakdown of the armaments, the flaunting of a shameless political immorality, frank and obscene, that now takes the place of the worn-out hypocrisies once called the art of statesmanship?

The commentators who seek to find an answer to the riddle stumble along from day to day, trying to bind together the blatant inconsistencies, making their feeble observations, realizing as they go along that it is a mad world indeed, that sanity is still far off, and that speculation seems to lead nowhere.

That mad world we Jews did not make, nor did we aid in its creation. It is a world that has never admitted us into its councils as an equal; it is a world that has always rejected us and given us place only at the table reserved for servants; it is a world that has disregarded our law and flouted it; it is a world alien to Jewish ideal and aspiration.

It is under the shadow of the fierce convlusions which that world is now passing through that we Jews must live. And what we are called upon to consider at this Conference is not primarily how we can adjust ourselves to the abnormal behavior of the period, to the contrived ideologies that have been created to serve the purposes of aggression and domination, nor how to reconcile our philosophy of life with the new conceptions that are born in this period of aberration, but in what way the body of the Jewish tragedy is to be disposed of; and what we can do to reserve for ourselves, to protect and to nurture, at least a little corner of the world, free from the flames of prejudice and hate, where justice and brotherhood can be maintained, where Jewish life may work out its own freedom.

Lawyers in litigation speak of the "case" of their clients; gentlemen engaged in the game of politics speak of the "position" of their governments. When they say this, they exclude from consideration Justice and Truth. They are thinking of the aspects of formal relations. With them it is a highly developed game which is being played. Force is pitted against force in tactic and maneuver. If the game requires sacrifice, there are many pawns on the board ready at hand for the purpose. In our day it has become a grand play of statesmen whom time has reduced to scarecrow proportions and the use of hollow phrases in which none of the players believes.

To describe the Zionist position in that sense may be interesting, but what purpose would it serve? Our political play gives the impression of a jigsaw puzzle. It is made up of fragments of detailed action, of inferences from facts that change their pattern from day to day, that depend upon the complicated imperial interests in which the Homeland is an insignificant pawn.

Sir Herbert Emerson, a gentleman of great experience in such matters, summarized the "position" of the British Government in Palestine a few months ago in a cold, objective statement. He started with the policy of the White Paper of May, 1939. The ink on that paper was no sooner dry than it suffered a paralytic stroke through the declaration of a state of war in Europe. It proposed that the Balfour Declaration should be liquidated; the Jewish population should be limited after a period of five years to the status of a permanent minority. It was to be an Arab State. The terrorists were to be disarmed and in place of arms they were to be provided with ministries without portfolios. Self-government was to descend upon the patient, persistent, murderous Arabs. Then came the war which congealed the White Paper and for all practical purposes the status quo now prevails.

That is how matters stand, technically. But the civil service strains its mind and powers of intrigue in an endeavor to overcome the status quo. Mr. MacDonald is displeased with the intrusion of the war, which frustrates his plans; he hints at things that are to come. The High Commissioner, isolated in Jerusalem, feels cramped and cabined by the temporary inhibitions placed upon him. They would fain break through these irksome restrictions and use the favorable conditions of a truce—both Jews and Arabs proclaiming their loyalty to the Empire—in order to force that which may be very difficult to initiate later on.

Fortunately, there is a world opinion which must not now be disregarded. This is the time not to stimulate enemies, but to make friends; make your promises now; get all the benefits that may be derived from them; and let Time take care of the consequences!

The position is, therefore, "status quo" —under protest.

Under cover of the status quo, however, there are coming into Palestine the harassed refugees of the war zone at the rate of about 35,000 a year. Jews are being organized for self-defense and for military service, if that service will be accepted by Government. New colonization points established in far-off places are being gained. The Jewish community, self-reliant and resourceful, undertakes those duties Government should undertake, but which the status quo and the dialectics of the situation prevent it from considering.

Volumes could be written about the amount of paper that has passed between the Jewish Agency and the Colonial Office since the status quo was initiated—interviews, conferences, memoranda without end. The Jewish National Home could be transformed at this time into a bulwark of defense for both the Empire and its pledges to the Jews. But a left-

Jewish Palestine is burning with desire to absorb within the confines of the National Home tens of thousands of their kinsmen on the other side of the sea, building up a Jewish strength pledged to become a source of power for the Allies. But blind statesmanship stands in the way.

That "position" is not new in our history. Always as our position moved on one line, parallel with it moved the realities of life. The "position" always reflected our relations with the outer world. It reflected the attitude of the petitioner; it reflected the desire to win the favor of the powerful who had Justice captive to their will. On the one side the "position" and on the other the realities of our own making.

In the beginning, the movement for Jewish liberation relied upon the case of the one weapon: it sought to evoke sympathy for the plight of Jews and a solution of their problem on the basis of justice and morality. An ancient wrong clamored to be righted. Around the idea of justice, the theory of release from the Jewish Galuth was wound—how the dispersed nationality, everywhere a minority, everywhere alien, had to find its way to the Promised Land, how the world would never be able to rest until the children of Israel were freed to return home.

When Theodor Herzl knocked at the palace of the Sultan of the Turkish Empire, he found that justice could be had for a price. Butthe Jewish magnates to whom he appealed, and who had the price, refused to pay. Enlightened statesmen in England persuaded the government of that time to offer the Jewish people a settlement in El Arish and then in Uganda. But these acts of kindness did not harmonize with Jewish sentiment and aspiration and the offers were discarded and forgotten.

The alternative weapon of self-liberation was seized upon by Zionists recalcitrant to the method of Herzl, who undertook to make their way to the Promised Land, without right, under sufferance and humiliating conditions. The position was that of illegality, and under its

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'We Shall Not Die, But Live!'

By STEPHEN S. WISE

The following is the text of Dr. Wise's address at the Washington Conference of the United Palestine Appeal:

The National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal was to have been made especially noteworthy by reason of the visit to America, after a lapse of years, of the President of the World Zionist Organization and the Jewish Agency for Palestine, Dr. Chaim Weizmann. It had been expected that he would utter a message that would resound throughout America—a message that would have outlined great needs and set forth the high hope which Palestine holds out to the Jewish people in the day of their bitterest need and darkest agony. Unhappily, because of Clipper postponements due to weather conditions, Dr. Weizmann is unable to be present at the session of today. Nonetheless it is not too much to say that because of his place in the leadership of world Israel, because of the strength of statesmanship with which he has represented the Zionist cause for more than a quarter of a century, not only American Jewry but the whole American people will welcome with enthusiasm the coming of one who, to-

greatest of living Jews—Justice Louis D. Brandeis—has done most on behalf of the rebuilding of a Jewish Palestine.

In the issue of The New York Times of January 6th, a statement appeared under the title "Jewish Exiles in Poland—the Horrors of Hitler's Inferno in the Polish Area" written by Oswald Garrison Villard, long-time editor of The Nation, recently returned from the European war lands. I quote Mr. Villard: "The week before I was in Vienna, 84 Jews, who had been summoned to leave for Poland, committed suicide, of whom 36 were women. Every remaining Jew, wherever he may be—in Germany or in Czechoslovakia—sits in his home expecting, with every ring of the doorbell, that his death sentence has arrived. The victims are jammed into open cattle cars, without heat or convenience of any kind or proper food." Such is the inferno, which Mr. Villard calls "the plight of the Jewish victims of Hitler's bestiality."

Contrast this inferno with the lot of those Jews (500,000 in all), who dwell in the ancient Jewish homeland, Palestine. Within the 25 years since first I visited the land, it has grown from a Jewish population of 40,000 to a Jewish people of half a million, who have transformed the long-neglected desert land, and whom the process of rebuilding the land has in turn transformed. In 1939 fourteen million boxes of citrus fruits were exported from Palestine. Better than all economic improvement and fruitfulness, the young pioneer rebuilders of Palestine have rebuilt their own lives. Through heroism and glorious self-sacrifice, they have made possible the miracle,—which has come to pass, by changing a sterile, enshadowed land of disease and misery into a land of fruitfulness and health and happiness. The people of this land rest themselves upon the foundation of those ideals of social justice which they have taken out of prophetic and rabbinic injunction, and made to live again in the life of the Jew in Palestine.

The Need Must Be Met

The United Palestine Appeal Conference is summoned from year to year in order to stir the imagination and to evoke the generosity of American Jewry. This meeting aims to make American Jews and our Christian neighbors as well, understand that the needs of the starving, broken, dispossessed and homeless Jews of Central and Eastern European lands, must and can be met; that American Jewry, unless it is to be faithless to the American ideal, cannot afford to fail to lift up its voice on behalf of millions of our fellow-Jews, whose plight Oswald Villard has so movingly described. Nor is it too much to hope that Americans of every faith and political grouping (whether former President Hoover and Governor Landon and William Green, at the recent Madison Square Garden demonstration of protest some weeks ago, or the newly appointed Justice of the United States Supreme Court, the Honorable Frank Murphy, speaking this afternoon; or Senator King tonight), unite in sternest condemnation of the infinite wrongs inflicted upon my brother Jews in the war land overrun by the Nazi army. These are wrongs against which the government of the West ought ot join in solemn and unequivocal protest, unless war is to be regarded as extenuating every measure of brutality against unoffending civilian populations.

But the dominant note of the United Palestine Appeal, meeting at this hour in the capital of the nation, is hope and pride—pride in what over a period of forty years of ceaselessly heroic effort of our youth have been able to accomplish, so that in the last six or seven years thirty to fifty thousand refugees from lands of torture have annually found shelter and, above all, a home in the Palestine which is being re-created under the British Mandate from the League of Nations.

Our difference with the Arabs will yet be resolved, for we are determined to walk side by side with them in Palestine in the spirit of justice, brotherliness and forbearance. We are resolved not to assent as a people to the White Paper of the Colonial Minister of the present government, for we believe that it is the Balfour Declaration and not the MacDonald White Paper which is destined to be the last word of the British people, granting charter and freedom to Jews to rebuild their ancient, beloved homeland.

Renewal of Jewish Life

Moreover, the service of the Jewish people in Palestine to the cause of the allied democracies, wherein Palestine is included, is already become so richly promising, and likely to prove so deeply significant, that the British government and people will have every reason to share Jewish pride and rejoicing in the achievement of the new Palestine.

Jewish differences with the British government are temporary and not permanent, and they will yet be justly and fully resolved. For us Jews there is only one insoluble difficulty in the world, and that is the spirit of the Nazi Reich which is resolved to destroy us. We are resolved that we shall not die but live, that the Jewish spirit, imperishable throughout four thousand years, shall not perish in our day and generation, but rather find renewal of life wherever Jews dwell under freedom, as in our own blessed country and the Western democracies of Europe and in Palestine, where Jews are bent upon building a new and noble order of justice, worthy of a great past and prophetic of a greater future.

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Arthur M. Lamport, Treasurer of the U.P.A., presented the financial report.

A group from Pennsylvania: Michael Mogilowitz of Oil City; Morris Neaman of Pittsburgh; Oscar B. Rosenbloom of Sharon.

Judge Louis E. Leventhal of Philadelphia, who presided on Sunday morning.

Upper New York Delegates: Joseph Grossberg and Benjamin Eisenstein of Schenectady; Isidore Kaufman and Joseph Goodman of Troy; Henry Schaffer of Schenectady. In the rear is Oscar Altschuler of Youngstown, O.

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Judge Jacob Kaplan of Boston, who presided at the opening session.

Rabbi and Mrs. Abraham Mesch of Birmingham, Alabama.

Rabbi Abraham Granowitz of Johnstown, Pa.; Daniel Frisch of Indianapolis; and Archibald Silverman of Providence.

Robert Bernstein of Philadelphia, who presented the resolutions.

Rabbi Emanuel Green, East Aurora, Ill.; Dr. A. K. Epstein, Chicago; Rabbi Avery J. Greenfield, Raleigh, N. C.

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Keynote Address of the Conference

Mortimer May of Nashville, Tenn.; George O. Abraham of Memhpis; Mr. & Mrs. Ezra Shapiro of Cleveland; Jake Felt of Memphis.

Mose M. Feld and Joe Weingarten of Houston, Texas, at the speakers' table.

Rabbi Isidore Breslau, Morris Simon and Congressman Sol Bloom of Washington.

Boston, Dr. Alexander Wolf of St. Louis, and Mrs. ock, Chairman of U.P.A. Women's Division.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Klotz of Staunton, Va., in the lobby of the Mayflower Hotel.

Delegates from Florida: Israel Feiden of St. Augustine; Rabbi Morris D. Margolis and Jack Becker of Jacksonville.

Joseph Goldberg of Worcester, and Louis E. Brown of Mattapan, Mass.

A group of Philadelphia delegates: Wm. Sylk, Ben Bernstein, Jack King, Murray Le Vine.

Mrs. Stephen S. Wise and Charles Rosenbloom of Pittsburgh.

ecky and Abraham Goldberg. In the rear is Henry of Plainfield, N. J.

Leon Gellman, President of Mizrachi.

Sam Kasle, Rabbi Morton Goldberg and Abraham Eiser, all of Toledo, Ohio.

Redouble Balfour Declaration!

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speak of this age not as the age of the World War, not as the age of two World Wars, but as the age of Jewish persecutions, and they will wonder, our descendants (my descendants, not yours), they will wonder: What were our grandfathers like? Could they have been civilized and made no protest? Could they have allowed these things to be and not have sought some remedy to set them right?

These things being as they are, it seems to me that the claim of the Jewish people upon Christendom, upon Great Britain particularly, is far stronger today than it has ever been before, and that any promises that we made twenty years ago we should wipe out now and redouble.

We can do that. I believe in all sincerity we can do that without inflicting any serious injury upon a single Arab. There is so much suffering in the world today that the little inconvenience, the possible disappointments, the heart-burnings and the regrets which would be felt by those against whom the decision went, would seem but a teaspoonful in the world's vast sea of sorrows. I contend that we should say now to the Jewish people and to the Arabs, too: This small corner of the world—such a small corner for such a great people to demand—this small corner of the world from which they came is going in the future to be the Jewish home. There they shall eventually be sovereign. There they shall decide the numbers of the immigrants and the conditions of immigration. And for you others who do not wish it, we are prepared to make every concession and give every assurance. We will see that you receive the fairest treatment any minority could demand. We will see, through a system (similar to that which now exists) of reports to the League of Nations or reports to Great Britain, or reports to anybody whom you may choose, that you are fairly treated. Those who wish to emigrate, we will assist to emigrate. We will insure that they have a fresh start in some part of the Eastern territory in which they naturally belong—which is not like moving them to a new continent or even moving them into a new country, but moving them simply into territories where Arabs have lived for generations and where Arabs and Arabian peoples are living today.

They should have nothing to fear from that solution. No man likes to leave his home. But in comparison with the suffering that is being almost universally inflicted, how little suffering would be there involved! A few hundreds of thousands perhaps of people found in new homes under new skies; but, with assistance, with care, with aid, with guarantees! Those who take what I believe they would find the wiser view and remain where they are, would be allowed to share in all the prosperity which would undoubtedly grow up in Palestine if it were left to the cultivation and the ruling of the Jewish people.

So much for the future of the Arabs. And what of the future of the Jews?

It is a dark future for them today. It is almost too terrible to contemplate. For years it has been steadily deteriorating. The tales that now reach us, few and fearful out of Poland, make one feel that it is still getting worse and worse, even when we believe that the worst had been reached and the bitterness of death was past.

What would be the future of Palestine? Would it entail simply a Jewish country with the Jews to be aliens elsewhere? Would they feel that that was their nation, that that was their home, and therefore could no longer be loyal subjects of whatever country in which they lived?

I believe that idea to be profoundly fallacious. The whole trend of our times should be away from narrow nationalism. I believe that this particular question, this Zionist question, should serve us as a guide and an indication of the road we should take in international affairs generally.

At the present time the democratic powers of Western Europe are engaged in a life-and-death struggle with the great totalitarian power of Germany, supported as she is to some extent by the still greater totalitarian power of Russia. It seems to me that the future will decide something more important than victory on land or sea, and that there is a danger—greater perhaps even than defeat in war—greater than having our armies smashed and our ships sunk—and that is the danger of having our minds perverted and our souls lost.

There is a danger that even while we win the war (which, incidentally, I may say that I am confident we shall do)—even while we defeat the forces of the enemy on sea, on land and in the air, there is a danger lest their ideas may defeat us, lest we may emerge from the conflict nearer to being totalitaran powers than we ever were before, having unconsciously absorbed, while fighting, the very ideas which we are fighting to destroy. There is a growth in the world today of the spirit of the state-being-almighty, of the race-being-all-important, and of a narrow autarchic national spirit. Should that triumph in the world, it would be to my mind, the greatest of all tragedies. We should not therefore think that because a man is born of a particular race, or because he lives in a particular category, that therefore his whole mind should think merely as the people living in that territory think, or that if his thoughts stray aside, he is necessarily a traitor to the land he lives in. That is the doctrine which is being enforced on the unfortunate German people at this day. They are being told that every man must think one thing, every man must believe in one leader, every man must say the same thing, and he must almost say it at the same time as every other man. That is the degradation of humanity.

There is another spirit. There is a spirit which believes that a man should have first and foremost nearest to his own heart his own belief in what is right and wrong; that after that he should serve loyally the country in which he lives, the community to which he belongs, and do all in his power to render them service both in war and in peace. He may at the same time feel an especial loyalty to some special race to which he belongs, something older, possibly, than the land he lives in.

We have so many examples of it, if you will forgive my mentioning it, within our own British Commonwealth of Nations. For generations in the past the Scottish and the English people fought one another. It was only 400 years ago that they were arrayed in battle, the last of many bloody battles against one another; a long tradition [illegible] of enmity. It is all gone; it has disappeared; it is unthinkable. Yet there is retained among the Scottish people a profound and deep pride of race. Wherever they go throughout the world—and there are thousands of Scots in this country—they remain proud of Scotland. They sing the Scottish songs and tell the Scottish stories and look after the Scottish poor wherever they find them. But does anybody in the United States suspect that a man, because he is a Scotsman, cannot be a loyal American? And if he loves, when he has the opportunity, to travel across the sea and visit the home of his fathers and spend happy days in the old country, does anybody think he is going there to plot the downfall of the United States?

That is the right spirit which should inform the new world, namely, the spirit that races can mix with one another and yet retain the pride of race; that they can go forth into new countries and confer great benefits to those countries by their own methods and the traditions which they have inherited; and that they can become loyal citizens of that country. That is the new spirit of cooperation which will have to form the new world unless the world is going to fall into despair and destruction, unless the world is going to fall into little autarchic bodies of particular nations fighting against one another, and occasionally subjecting one another, as today the Germans are subjecting the Poles and the Czechs to humiliation and servitude. The other spirit of mixing with one another and not being suspicious on the grounds of race, is the one that must embody the hopes of the new world. I believe that in that world, when the principle that I have suggested is firmly established in Palestine, when the dream of Zion has come true, there will be Jews in America, in England, in France, in whatever country you like, who will be loyal Americans, loyal Frenchmen, loyal Englishmen, and nonetheless loyal because they know that far away, in the ancient land from which they came, they still have a habitation and an asylum and a home.

The Struggle for Redemption

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shadow, for a number of years, inexperienced, untutored, unproductive, we moved slowly to the period of the war of 1914. That gave us the Balfour Declaration and the Mandate, and we have been dealing with the positions arising out of the interpretations of these documents ever since. Good and bad decisions of Government; good and bad times; invariably bad schedules of immigration.

But under cover of the decisions foisted upon us, the instrument of liberation placed in our hands by a growing knowledge of the work of redemption, grew in strength and power from year to year. [illegible] regime, the first progressive steps were taken. When the Balfour Declaration came, there was already a fair beginning of colonization and culture—and a fair batch of failures. The Jewish National Fund purchased land under any and all laws that Government imposed. The Jewish Colonial Trust and its affiliates struggled along for two decades before they became adept in the business of national banking. The field of colonization spread over an ever-increasing area. Cities were built up and their economy was mastered. Labor organized itself and became the dominant figure in the making of the land.

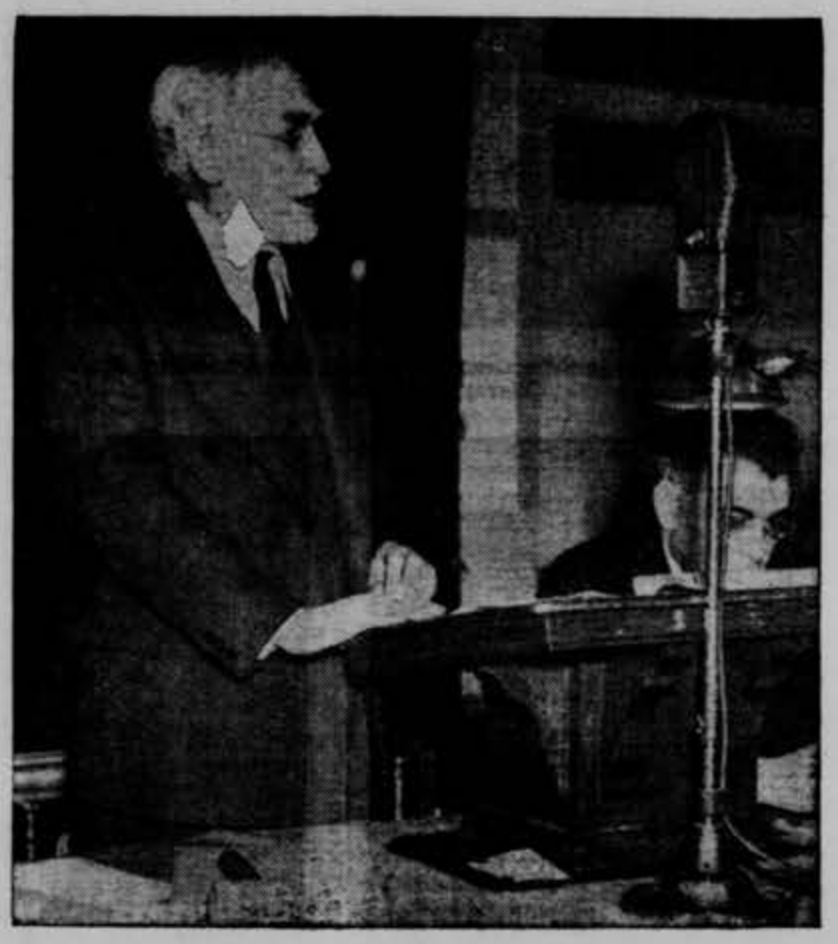
In the last analysis it has been demonstrated that the more effective weapon in the arsenal of the Zionist movement has been not the game we had to play in the field of politics and diplomacy, but what we have been able to achieve through our own labor and with our own resources.

Today, in 1940 (speaking of our position), the word that illuminates the situation is not derived from the chaffering of political discussion, the dialectics arising out of the interpretation of words, the declarations that are promulgated with pomp and ceremony or the interchange of polite phrases. Not these tell us what we most need to know. The most important fact to be communicated—of far greater significance than the White Paper of Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, than the day-by-day maneuvers in London and Jerusalem—is the proclamation that, in the Land of Promise, the promise has been fulfilled to the extent of gathering the first half million Jews, not huddled together in one corner of the land, not frightened or inexperienced or resourceless, but half a million Jews feeling themselves to be free, behaving like free men, capable of defending their homeland like free men.

At first they clustered about the land fringing the sea, but today they spread out to the North and to the East and over the Jordan River. They know every inch of the soil. They master and govern the cities. They have established commerce and industry on modern lines. They look to the East, the North and the South and see Iraq and Saudi Arabia and Egypt and Syria, and begin to visualize as a reality a Jewish National Home serving as the Awakener of the Near East. They are not strangers in a strange land, carrying with them the burden of alien habits and alien standards, but a people that has made the new Palestine reflect their conception of the ideal that has sustained Jewish life through the centuries. They know that they are not working for themselves, but for the preservation of their people. The greatest joy of every man, woman and child lies in the fact that they are prepared to give a home to the wandering Jews of our day, and that they welcome them with song and jubilation, feeling that in their return the destiny of the Jewish people is being fulfilled.

That is the "position" in terms of reality.

SEES STRUGGLE FOR SURVIVAL



LOUIS LIPSKY ADDRESSING THE CONFERENCE

[illegible] more misery to the world than any other event in the past one hundred and fifty years. It has unloosed an epidemic of race hatred, an avalanche of ruthless aggression. It has impaired the foundations of modern civilization and thrown the world back to pre-historic barbarism. It has destroyed the rights of millions of Jews living in European lands, rights they had acquired through a century of struggle and sacrifice, of compromise and adjustment, or self-effacement and self-denial. Against that evil force the democratic states have finally taken up arms in defense of the civilization they represent. In spite of their blundering and their own injustices, their defense must be given the support and sympathy of all Jews. The fight they are engaged in is a fight in which our interests are vitally involved. But our part in the struggle is not fully indicated by sympathy and support. In the freeing of Jews from the oppression of the Galuth, and the building of a Jewish National Home, in creating a sphere of free, democratic life based upon justice and peace in the land holy to the three great religions of the world, we contribute to the building of a defensive wall against the forces of aggression; we establish an organized society dedicated to the ideals indispensable for the continuance of modern civilization.

Here in this Conference we are gathered to dedicate ourselves to the task of self-liberation. We identify ourselves with the forces of redemption. We set in motion the fund-raising campaign in 1940, which is to provide for the maintenance and extension of the Jewish National Home. It is the sanctuary for tens of thousands fleeing from the crumbling ruins of an old world which is to be redeemed only through those ideal which are the cornerstone of our great enterprise.

Let us do our parts worthily.

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Palestine: Symbol of Faith and Tradition

Support of France Expressed for the Great Moral Experiment in Palestine

The accompanying article is the text of the address delivered by the Count de Saint-Quentin, French Ambassador to the United States of America at the Washington Conference of the United Palestine Appeal.

By COUNT RENE DE SAINT QUENTIN

Dr. Weizmann is not here tonight, but we may think of him as we do of those characters in a drama, who need not appear on the stage to occupy the very center of the play. I have often had occasion to meet him in recent years and I have as much esteem for his character as I have for his intellect.

He reminds me, in many ways, of one of his fellow-religionists, Walter Rathenau, the eminent German statesman, whom I knew very well in Berlin. But, in contrast with Dr. Rathenau, Dr. Weizmann has the advantage of carrying on his activity in countries where freedom of thought and of speech do not expose one to the danger of death. I know, however, that he would be ready to assume all risks in the defense of his ideas, for we are living in a world and through times when victory belongs to those who are animated by a spirit of sacrifice.

Your invitation is extended less, perhaps, to the Ambassador of France in the United States than to the former Staff Officer attached to the Egyptian Expeditionary Force. I crossed the border of the Promised Land at the beginning of 1917 with the British Army and a French detachment. For several months I beheld the walls of Gaza, which resisted against us longer than they did against Samson. I was among the first to enter Ramlah and Jaffa. I crossed mysterious Hebron. I came in Jerusalem with the British Commander in Chief, Lord Allenby, and, for several [illegible] I felt the religious fervor [illegible] the world. I also visited, among the almond and orange orchards, the red-roofed houses of Rishon le Zion and of Petah Tikvah, advanced posts of the prosperous colonies which since have developed, due, in a large measure, to the generosity of members of the Jewish faith in America.

Later, while in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, I was in charge, for more than 10 years, of Far Eastern Affairs and, naturally, of the Palestine question, I endeavored, to the best of my ability, to maintain the very trusting relationship which naturally grew between the British Mandate in Palestine and the French Mandate in Syria and Lebanon. Thanks to low tariff rates, the border of the two territories was not an obstacle to mutual exchanges of agricultural products from Syria and industrial goods from Palestine. Thanks to the viligance of French officials, it was a barrier to less pacific exchanges, which, in hours of stress, might have hurled the dry timber of Syria on the glowing embers of Palestine.

Lauds Zionists Leaders

At that time, I had the privilege of meeting frequently in Paris Dr. Weizmann and the representatives of the Jewish Agency in Europe, among them Dr. Goldmann. I found them extremely well informed on the problems inevitably created by any large scale immigration into a country that does not offer vast expanses of unoccupied land. The newcomers can only win the soil by increasing production through more efficient agricultural methods. And I need not, I am sure, praise before you the admirable work accomplished in this field in Palestine. These gentlemen, whom I just mentioned, were likewise extremely anxious to respect the beliefs and customs of the populations that had already settled in that country, where one cannot move a stone without the fear of disturbing a grave, and where the age-old Jewish tradition was in many a place buried under several centuries of various civilizations. The free collaboration with the Arabs is just as necessary in the case of Jewish immigrants in Palestine as for their fellow-religionists in North Africa.

Finally, these distinguished gentlemen worked painstakingly in the selection of leaders, professional men and technicians necessary to the proper life of the immigrants in their new home and to insure their distribution among various agricultural, industrial and commercial activities required by civilized community life. In many cases, France was a sort of training ground, where immigrants who had left Central Europe served their apprenticeship for the various professions or activities in which they were to engage in Palestine.

All these problems, which were solved so courageously and so successfully in Palestine, must be faced also but under more difficult circumstances and under the pressure of haste when we are called upon to organize not voluntary emigration but the forced emigration that has grown in such alarming proportions during recent years as a result of the doctrine of hatred. All countries, which, without having taken any initiative or assumed any responsibility for this movement participate in it as countries of refuge, are profoundly grateful to the American nation and particularly to President Roosevelt for having assumed the moral and financial leadership of the work to help refugees.

France Pictured As a Refuge

This policy found nowhere more sincere supporters than it did in France. France, bordered by two great seas, naturally has granted asylum through the centuries to the refugees driven from the continent of Europe by intolerance and ignorance. Those groups profited from her liberal institutions, which, in turn, their influence contributed to make more liberal still. France was richly rewarded in every field through contribution of refugees, be it in the field of science, art, literature, banking or commerce. Thus France benefited from a development experienced by the United States, but in the latter case on a broader scale and with greater success.

In the last 20 years, the wave of immigration increased. The 200,000 refugees who came to France after the last war from Russia, Turkey and Central Europe had not yet been assimilated into French economic life, when the first victims of the Nazi Regime sought admission. From 1933 to 1939 France once again opened wide her doors to 200,000 of them. In 1938 she admitted all at once 450,000 Spanish refugees. This sudden wave has naturally disturbed normal processes of transition, even as a flood overruns irrigation channels. I need not tell you that in the case of political refugees, whatever their doctrines, the French Government has always deliberately rejected the easy but inhuman solution of hurling them back to the country that they were obliged to leave. Certain anxieties in this respect, recently discussed in the press, are altogether unwarranted. All the refugees who have returned to Spain did so of their own free will. It sometimes happens indeed that some of them, after having asked to depart, change their mind at the very moment of crossing the border. And again, their wishes were respected.

In the case of German and Austrian refugees, the declaration of war placed the French Government under a painful necessity. It was obliged to intern those who were of age to bear arms. Fifteen thousand men were affected by this step, which indirectly imposed hardships on a still greater number of women and children who were thus deprived of the support of the most active members of their family. This precautionary measure was necessary for political reasons, on which I need not insist. But we feel that it is only temporary.

Commissions were created immediately to examine the case of all persons involved. Of 15,000 men interned at the beginning of September 6,000 had already been released three months later, either because they had emigrated to countries which had granted them the necessary visas, or because they were simply given back their freedom. This last provision applies to all men over 50. A certain number of men of military age asked to enlist in the Foreign Legion. When such is the case, they are not sent to the European front. Among other men of sound health, those who before the war were engaged in industrial labor have resumed their occupation or will be allowed to resume it. Others will be employed, if they are willing, in works of national defense. Everyone should understand that in a democracy at war the law provides and public opinion demands that every able bodied man under a fixed age should participate, without regard to nationality in the defense of the country. Moreover, when such activity is placed under military control, the families of the men thus employed are granted special allowances. So that the great majority of the 9,000 persons still in camps at the beginning of December will soon have been set free.

As far as the camps themselves are concerned, it is acknowledged that at the beginning the facilities were inadequate. They naturally imposed all the inconveniences of improvisation. It must be borne in mind that the Government had not anticipated all the consequences of a war which it had sought to avoid. These material conditions have moreover been greatly improved since those early days. If they still leave something to be desired those on whom we are obliged to impose such inconveniences will be willing, I am sure, to remember that in France today several hundred thousands, if not indeed several million Frenchmen had to be quickly removed from our border towns and villages, where they were threatened by enemy artillery and aviation. And even today they are living under conditions far less comfortable than those to which they were accustomed.

I am happy on this occasion to pay tribute to the activity of such organizations as ORT, which, in willing collaboration with French authorities, have assumed the task of educating professionally many refugees in order to give them, in or out of camp, remunerative work.

International efforts on behalf of refugees have been rendered more difficult by the war, but thanks to the Government of the United States and to organizations in which Americans, Englishmen, Frenchmen and others unite in their endeavor, these efforts have not been interrupted.

COUNT RENE de ST. QUENTIN,
the French Ambassador, addressing the U.P.A. Conference at the Sunday evening dinner session.

Peace Program

As President Roosevelt stated so forcibly when he opened the recent session of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees, this work will be more broadly developed still when peace comes. Undoubtedly, among the war aims of the allied powers, the suppression of the problem of political refugees is foremost and this is to be achieved through the defeat of the regime that created them. We are no longer willing that hundreds of thousands or millions of people should be branded as outlaws by the country in which they had lived often for several centuries and should be thrown without resources and indeed almost without the barest necessities on the highway of international charity. Nor do we approve those exchanges of populations, which deal with men as they would with cattle and which create much havoc and impose such great suffering.

But peace, and the new order that it will establish, will make possible the voluntary repatriation of a certain number of refugees and the inevitable departure of those who have usurped their homes. It will not, however, eliminate the problem of immigration or the necessity of organizing it more satisfactorily in order to disturb neither social tranquility nor world economy. I am convinced that American initiative and inspiration will be found at the front ranks in this task so essential to the reconstruction of our world.

As for Palestine, it will remain the very symbol of voluntary immigration by energetic men guided by their faith and their tradition. May this land, where three of the greatest religions of this world were born or have prospered, offer us the spectacle of a brotherly unity among men of different races and faiths, giving their energy to the building of a better world.

MRS. STROOCK CALLS FOR SACRIFICE

Women's Division Chairman Calls Palestine Pivot In Rescue Work

Speaking on behalf of the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal, Mrs. Joseph Stroock lauded Palestine as "a living monument to the genius of the Jewish people," at the Sunday evening session of the National Conference on Palestine and called for greater sacrifices on behalf of the Jewish National Home. Recalling her experiences with the Appeal with the women of New York City, she expressed her gratification at the "great and liberal response" which was made.

In the course of her address, Mrs. Stroock said:

"In this new world of today the women of this great democracy realize their responsibility to humanity, and earnestly pray that the people of all faiths be restored to their birthrights. However, we of Jewish faith grateful for the freedom and privilege which we enjoy, have our hearts torn with sympathy for the suffering and despair of those innocent victims of tyranny and oppression. However, that is not enough—we must translate that pity into constructive accomplishment. We women bear a great responsibility not alone for ourselves—for we must remember we give to men their ideals. We should hold the light for them—and let us hold it high—through us they must be inspired to finer and better things. We must show them the spirit of sacrifice—encourage them to give us the fullest—show that spirit through our own example—that we can faithfully and honesty say—not alone do what I say, but do what I do.

"However widely viewpoints may differ, if we would salvage some of our own people, if we would preserve for future generations some of the beauty, the cultural and spiritual purity that our people have inherited from their forefathers, I believe Palestine offers today the great hope, notwithstanding the difficulties and thorns that beset it.

"The Jewish people have always emerged in the past purified and strengthened by suffering.

"I have faith we women blessed in this great free country will rally and do our part to help those tortured souls, driven from the land of their birth or adoption.

"We who breathe the air of freedom know how precious it is. When we work and give to help our own people driven from their homes and homelands, innocent of any wrong, made the scapegoats for the band of gangsters who want to rule the world; while we strive to preserve for them a refuge in Palestine, we still hope and pray that the oppressed peoples of every land, whether it be Germany, Austria, Czecho-Slovakia, Italy, Poland, Finland, find liberty on this earth."

Proceedings of Conference

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was the theme of a symposium which highlighted the Sunday mornjng session. The participants were Nathan M. Stein, Chairman of the 1939 Milwaukee Jewish Welfare Fund, Samuel A. Goldsmith, Secretary, Chicago Jewish Welfare Fund, whose paper was read in his absence by Judge Levinthal, and Mose M. Feld, Co-Chairman of the Houston Welfare Fund.

Mr. Stein dealt primarily with the obligation on the part of the U.P.A. to engage in a more active propaganda campaign in the communities. He felt that education was an essential precedent for a proper understanding of America's financial responsibilities to Palestine.

Mr. Goldsmith dealt with the increasing recognition of Palestine within a Welfare Fund and also analyzed the statistics with regard to giving in a city as large as Chicago.

The desire in the communities for unity in fund-raising, as an essential contribution to the harmonious development of community life, was stressed in the paper of Mr. Feld.

The session closed with a spirited address in Yiddish by David Wertheim, National Secretary of the Poale Zion, who urged a firmer expression by American Jews of their concern for Palestine in relation to the solution of the problem of Jewish homelessness in Europe.

Luncheon Session

The Rt. Hon. Alfred Duff Cooper delivered an address at the luncheon session which was generally considered to be one of the most significant speeches in the annals of the Zionist movement. Dr. Silver in introducing the speaker stressed Mr. Duff-Cooper's independent and prophetic spirit in politics, symbolized by his resignation as First Lord of the British Admiralty in protest against the policies of the British Government.

Again and again throughout the speech, the audience rose with high emotion to applaud and even to cheer Mr. Duff-Cooper's sympathetic and yet realistic treatment of the Palestine problem. Comparing the abundant land possessions of the Arabs with the painful misery of the Jews, he declared that an obligation rested upon Great Britain not merely to fulfill the Balfour Declaration but to redouble it. As Mr. Duff-Cooper concluded, the assembly applauded for many minutes, stopped to sing Hatikvah, and returned again to its sweeping applause.

(The text of Mr. Duff-Cooper's address is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

Sunday Afternoon Session

The mood of participation in an historic occasion returned again with the address of Attorney General Frank Murphy who appeared before the U.P.A. Conference for his first public address since his nomination to the Supreme Court. The crowd became so great that the facilities proved inadequate for all who wished to attend. While Mr. Murphy spoke, the cameras of two newsreel companies recorded his address on "The Challenge of Intolerance." After paying tribute to Palestine as an expression of the desire of a people to preserve its essential values, Mr. Murphy discussed Americanism as exemplified in the democratic process. His stinging rebuke to intolerance proved to be one of the finest contributions of the United Palestine Appeal conference to the strengthening of good will in America.

(The text of Mr. Murphy's address is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

Shetzer Presides and Sets Theme

Simon Shetzer, President of the Jewish Community Council of Detroit, who presided at the Sunday afternoon session, outlined the theme of the occasion which was entitled "Palestine and Democracy".

He was followed by Judge Morris Rothenberg, Co-Chairman of the Council of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, who spoke of America's participation in the upbuilding program in Palestine and the need for intensified effort to meet the situation in Europe.

(Judge Rothenberg's address is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

A notable tribute to Palestine by a distinguished expert in soil research, who has just returned from a three month visit to the country, was heard from Dr. Walter C. Lowdermilk, Chief of the Division of Research, Soil Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture. He called the Jewish colonization activity in Palestine the finest he had personally observed on three continents.

(Dr. Lowdermilk's address is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

Kurt Blumenfeld, Director of the Keren Hayesod of Jerusalem, closed the afternoon session with an address which reviewed the integration of the refugees into the life of Palestine and drew a differentiation between immigration and settlement in regard to the refugee problem.

Dr. Blumenfeld said in part:

"Since 1933 Palestine has admitted and absorbed 70,000 refugees from Greater Germany, and fully 225,000 from all of Europe. This record is the truest indication of the role Palestine has come to play in Jewish life.

"The Jews who come to Palestine have come from every country where Jews have suffered. Many of the immigrants of the past seven years had previously been thoroughly assimilated in the lands in which they were born. Their culture and their language were governed by the environment from which they had come. Yet we did not ask for their political opinions. Many Zionists came; many were non-Zionists; many came who had lived only on the fringes of Jewish life. Most of the immigrants had been petty tradesmen and professionals in Europe, far removed from the land and accustomed only to the life of the cities. But when they came to Palestine they underwent a truly remarkable transformation.

"In this new country they no longer spoke the language of their former homes. In Palestine the Jews have their own language: Hebrew; and a new flourishing Hebrew culture. Their objectives suddenly became different. The ideals of the young were revolutionized. The youth in Palestine aspire today not to business and the professions but to the pioneering in the wilderness, to labor in the factories and to toil upon the land. Palestine has been not only a refuge but a great creative gift to the Jews. The Jews who live there today have learned that they are not the final descendants in a decadent, disappearing world, but rather are the ancestors in a new life which is just beginning.

"It is well enough to speak in general terms of the force of ideas in life, but we must remember that ideas have reality too. The characteristics of Jewish life in Palestine cannot be predetermined. The Jewish community there is a vibrant, progressive community which sets its own standards and determines its own values. In that determination it expresses the naturalness of Jewish experience in the homeland as opposed to the artificiality of forced Jewish colonization in other lands to which the Jews have no historical ties. Piece by piece the Jews are building through trial and error a great new structure in Palestine. They are building a future upon a firm base of the past 5,000 years."

Resolutions Adopted

A series of resolutions was presented to the Conference by Robert M. Bernstein on behalf of the Resolutions Committee which (a) urged unity in fund-raising as between the U.P.A. and the J.D.C. but gave a mandate to the officers of the U.P.A. for the conservation of the interests of Palestine in this critical period; (b) hailed the successful leadership of [illegible] in securing for the UPA the unprecedented results of 1939; (c) expressed appreciation of the services of Dr. Silver's associates, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Louis Lipsky, Dr. Solomon Goldman, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Judge Morris Rothenberg, Co-Chairmen; Arthur M. Lamport, Treasurer, and Abraham Liebovitz and Louis Rimsky, Associate Treasurers; (d) sent greetings to the Yishuv; (e) voiced an affectionate welcome to Dr. Weizmann; (f) urged England to open the doors of Palestine to Jewish immigration and associated the Conference with the position of the Jewish Agency in regard to

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DR. STEPHEN S. WISE
Announcing the list of officers for the 1940 U.P.A. At the left are Simon Shetzer, of Detroit and Robert Bernstein of Philadelphia.

Text of Resolutions at Conference

Welcome to Dr. Chaim Weizmann

The National Conference for Palestine expresses its high esteem and deep affection for Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the World Zionist Organization and of the Jewish Agency for Palestine. His matchless leadership and unremitting devotion to the cause of Zion serve to inspire American Jewry to even greater effort in the building of the Jewish National Home.

This Conference pledges to uphold and strengthen his hands by furnishing through the United Palestine Appeal the material resources required to enable the national funds of the Jewish Agency to fulfil their imperative tasks in Palestine.

American Jewry looks forward with great eagerness and anticipation to Dr. Weizmann's early arrival to these United States and fully understands his unavoidable absence from this Conference.

On Immigration and On White Paper

The National Conference for Palestine recognizes the difficult position in which Great Britain finds itself at the present time and appreciates the grave responsibilities and sacrifices inherent in its defense of democratic ideals. We nevertheless appeal to the British Government, trustee for the Jewish National Home under the Mandate of the League of Nations, to implement its solemn and historic pledge given to the Jewish people in the Balfour Declaration, by opening the doors of Palestine to a free Jewish immigration consonant with its announced principle of the economic absorptive capacity of the country and by permitting the unrestricted purchase of land in Eretz Israel.

The National Conference affirms the action of the Jewish Agency for Palestine in its rejection of the White Paper on Palestine of May, 1939, as inconsistent with the obligations entered into by the Mandatory in the Balfour Declaration. It expresses to the Jewish Agency Executive its whole-hearted support for such measures as will insure the right of our people to continued and uninterrupted settlement in Palestine

Greetings to the Yishuv

The National Conference for Palestine, gathered under the auspices of the United Palestine Appeal at Washington on January 6th and 7th, 1940, extends its heartiest greetings to the Yishuv in Palestine. It expresses its boundless admiration for the steadfast devotion of the Yishuv to national duty under most trying circumstances; it notes with especial pride and gratification the loyalty and sacrifice in extending its traditional welcome to thousands of their fellow Jews who come from lands of oppression and persecution.

In emulation of the spirit of the Yishuv we pledge to marshall a maximum of resources through the United Palestine Appeal to the end that the Jewish National Home may be extended to create greater opportunities for [illegible] escaping the oppression of than Jewry to devote itself within the Jewish National a upbuilding of the Jewish

On Chairman of United Palestine Appeal

The National Conference for Palestine, attended by representatives from hundreds of communities in the United States, records its profound appreciation of the stimulating and effective leadership which Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, gave to the forces of American Jewry engaged in the constructive tasks of fund-raising during the year 1939 through the United Jewish Appeal.

This Conference takes note of the fact that during the past year a larger sum was made available to Palestine through the United Palestine Appeal than in any comparable period in the history of Palestine fund-raising efforts in the United States.

By strengthening the cause of Palestine within the United Jewish Appeal, Dr. Silver has made a notable record of exemplary service to American Jewry and the cause of Palestine.

On Associate Officers

The National Conference for Palestine expresses its high regard for the notable service rendered during the year 1939 to the cause of Palestine through the United Palestine Appeal by Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Louis Lipsky, Dr. Solomon Goldman, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Judge Morris Rothenberg, National Co-Chairmen with Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of the United Palestine Appeal, and to Arthur M. Lamport Treasurer, Abraham L. Liebovitz and Louis Rimsky, Associate Treasurers, as well as all other officers of the United Palestine Appeal, who, during the most successful Palestine fund-raising effort in the history of American Jewry, gave of their time, their energy and their inspiration to achieve the unprecedented results which have meant so much in every phase of Palestine's growth in the current year.

On Palestine Pavilion

The United Palestine Appeal, in annual session assembled, records its deepest satisfaction at the extraordinary success achieved by the Palestine Pavilion at the New York World's Fair in 1939.

Built and dedicated at a time when the Jewish National Home demanded of us vision and sacrifice, courage and understanding the Palestine Pavilion became the symbol to millions of American citizens of Jewish creative effort in Palestine.

Visited by more than two and one-half million Jews and non-Jews, many of whom for the first time came into contact with the realities of Jewish Palestine, the Pavilion has served as an effective educational instrument of Zionist achievement.

This Conference expresses the approval of the decision of the Administration of the Jewish Palestine Pavilion to continue the Pavilion in the 1940 season of the World's Fair. It calls upon American Jewry to extend to the Pavilion such aid and support as will assure its success in 1940 in no less a degree than in the year 1939.

Monsky Pledges B'nai B'rith To Support National Home

Urges United Jewish Appeal; Lauds Palestine's Role in Solving Jewish Homelessness— Appeals for Deeper Sacrifices

Unqualified support for the United Palestine Appeal was expressed at the closing banquet of the National Conference for Palestine at Washington, D. C., by Henry Monsky, speaking as President of the Grand Lodge of the B'nai B'rith on Sunday night. The leader of the fraternal order reviewed the transformation of opinion in the Jewish communities of America and expressed deep regret that lack of vision and statesmanship had prevented the Jews of America from having united in support of the Jewish National Home in Palestine during the period after the World War.

At the same time, he urged that the United Jewish Appeal be continued, terming the function of all its constituent agencies that of a united Jewish community in America. He concluded with an impassioned appeal for greater sacrifices during the coming year on behalf of the United Palestine Appeal.

Text of Address

The following is the text of Mr. Monsky's address:

I feel very, very much honored to be here tonight. It was not so important that I be at the United Palestine Appeal Conferences three years ago when I was just Henry Monsky of Omaha. It is quite important that I be here as president of the B'nai B'rith. My sentiments were the same then as they are now, and as they have always been, ever since I had attained maturity and the judgment [illegible] the proper approach to

ing only as one of your delegates; I speak to you tonight as the President of the Supreme Lodge of the B'nai B'rith, with its more than 100,000 members, to greet you and to say to you that you can depend upon us for our unqualified support of the program of the United Palestine Appeal.

It would be very presumptuous for me, in the presence of these leaders who have carried the burden of leadership in the U. P. A., to discuss the many problems with which this conference has to deal, I am not going to do that; but I am going to offer some observations that appeal to me as being important this evening.

The catastrophe that has befallen our people is Europe, the many millions that have been rendered homeless and helpless, economically completely devastated and requiring a haven of refuge, give to the United Palestine Appeal and the Palestine Conference a place of first importance in Jewish life in America.

It does not matter to me whether you look upon it as a National Jewish Homeland. Dr. Wise told you I was a registered Zionist, I would feel recreant in my duty and my responsibilities to my people if I were not. But whether you are a Zionist or not, whether you look upon it as a National Jewish Homeland, a cultural center or a haven of refuge does not matter one whit. You owe the responsibility and the duty to support to the point of sacrifice those magnificent instrumentalities of the U.P.A. for the rebuilding of Palestine in the light of present history.

Deplores Lack of Vision

It is my judgment that to fail to recognize that Palestine offers the greatest single and most realistic opportunity for relief for many hundreds of thousands of our victimized and unfortunate co-religionists in Europe today shows a lack of vision and statesmanship. It is that same lack of vision and statesmanship which was the curse of the Jews in the Diaspora twenty years ago and which, in a measure, is responsible for the present political difficulties in Palestine. . . .

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I have been at a great many banquets, and I want to make a confession to you: There were waves of warmth that came to me that radiated from the audience that you do not feel in all Jewish audiences. I find that that warmth is taking hold very rapidly in the B'nai B'rith. I would not be sacrificing my time, the energy and the effort that I am putting into the B'nai B'rith if I did not think it was thoroughly "Jewish-conscious."

When we contemplate the development that has taken place in Palestine, we must recognize that it is one of the most thrilling chapters in Jewish history. When we think that in spite of the political and economic difficulties that have prevailed over there, in spite of all the restrictions, that a record like that which was read to you by Senator King, and that was presented to you by Dr. Wise tonight has taken place, we must recognize that there must be some other element as regards Palestine and its colonization that does not apply to any of these many projects that have been proposed for the relief of the refugees in Europe.

It takes more than just land to bring about and make a colonization project succeed. Any en[illegible]racter must [illegible]have an impelling creative motiv[illegible] You have it in Palestine. That is why you can read that splendid record. You do not have it in the other projects. They offer promise, some of them do, but some of them are unrealistic and impractical. I cannot, for the life of me, understand why our people are not willing at least to give that same consideration to what appears to be the outstanding and most realistic project for the relief of our people in Europe. I do not know why their prejudices and their antipathies run so deep. If I had the time, I would like to go into a discussion, if it were possible for me to do so, and list what are those fear complexes, what are those misconceptions that cause some of our people to be so antipathetic to the upbuilding of our homeland. I do not understand them. . . .

Dr. Wise, you can tell Dr. Weizmann when he comes here that the B'nai B'rith welcomes him most enthusiastically, I am happy that he is coming to America.

Asks United Appeal

I understand that this afternoon you passed a resolution which expresses the sentiment of the communities throughout America to the effect that you would like to have a United Jewish Appeal, that you would be willing to take a certain portion of the budget. I am not going to comment on whether that is a correct or incorrect portion of the budget, whether the ratio is just or otherwise. That is the business of your leaders, I am sure they are entirely capable of taking care of themselves. It is none of my concern although I would like to see you get what you are entitled to. But when the United Jewish Appeal was projected a year ago, it was accepted by the Jewish communities of America with a feeling of deep satisfaction. And today, in the light of current events, the United Palestine Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Co-ordinating Committee for Refugees are ministering to the same common problem. They are doing it somewhat differently perhaps, nevertheless they augment each other and they are not separate and distinct causes. They may have been five or six years ago; they are not today. There is no logical reason under Heaven why there should be two appeals to American Jewish communities for the relief of our people, our unfortunate brethren and co-religionists in Europe, when there should be one appeal supporting all of those causes from a common budget. And I think I speak the sentiments of the Jewish communities of America when I say we are looking forward to and we are expecting a United Jewish Appeal.

I think sometimes it becomes necessary for the Jewish communities of America to speak their mind. I think the time has come when the men who sit in positions of leadership (and that applies to the U.P.A. as well as the J.D.C. and the National Coordinating Committee for Refugees—except that it applies to one —I shall not mention which one—more than it does to the other) I think the time has come when the communities ought to serve notice that there is no reason why, in a common cause, and with a common problem of that character, there should be two appeals.

It is not a question of: how much money do you get? or how much money does the other get? For I am perfectly certain that reasonable men sitting around the conference table can determine that question and therefore I am hopeful that there shall be a United Jewish Appeal. If there should not be (Heaven forbid!)—if there should not be, the United Palestine Appeal and you delegates present at the conference—if you have the same feeling and the same spirit with reference to Palestine that I have—you will see that your communities do their just share by the U.P.A.

"Yishuv Answers Anti-Semites"

When I think of what has happened in Palestine, when I think of all the money that is being spent in America on defense work to answer the accusations of the anti-Semites with reference to all of the deficiencies of the Jewish people, when I consider the demonstration in Palestine showing that Jews have the hardihood, the patience, the persistence, the courage and qualities of the pioneers, when I read the record showing how adaptable they are to a changed occupational pattern, when I read of the things that they have done, I say to you that a just and a true appraisal of the characteristics manifested by the Yishuv in Palestine, is almost a complete answer to many of the accusations with which the anti-Semites try to malign us!

The spirit over there is something we ought to emulate. We think we are making sacrifices but we cannot continue to give merely as we have given in the past. Last year we gave in an unprecedented fashion. This year calls for even greater giving, more sacrificial giving. When I speak to you of sacrifice, I know that no one has really suffered any hardship on account of the very generous contribution to the United Jewish Appeal last year. No one will suffer any hardship on account of any generous contribution to the United Jewish Appeal, or to the United Palestine Appeal, this year. As a matter of fact, we do not know the meaning of sacrifice. In the days of Bar Kochba, our ancestors did make sacrifices. In the Spanish Inquisition, they made sacrifices. The German Jews, the Czechoslovakian Jews, now the three and a half million Polish Jews have made sacrifices. They have sacrificed themselves on the altar of intolerance and bigotry and hatred and force and all of the things that are wholly incompatible with our concept of the laws of humanity. They have sacrificed their all, their business, their careers, their families, everything that they had.

Demands Sacrifices

We speak of sacrifice. We Jews do not know the meaning of it!

Now, it is fine of you to come and applaud the eloquent words of Dr. Wise to come to the United Palestine Appeal conferences. These conferences are not worth holding unless you carry back to your respective communities the inspiration that you gathered here and determine to make the same kind of sacrifices that are being made by the Chalutzim in Palestine. They are making sacrifices. We are not making sacrifices.

Let us not give to the United Palestine Appeal as if we were giving *tzadakah*, charity! Let us give as a matter of simple justice! Let us give in self-preservation! Let us give in order that there shall be an opportunity for a normal Jewish personality to be developed in Palestine, a Jewish personality that is not pathological, a Jewish personality that is not thinking always in terms of building up defenses against assaults, but a positive, constructive Jewish personality that appreciates Jewish values, and which, if given its opportunity to develop normally, will make its contribution back to the world.

We will be proud of it. It will do us much good, even those of us who are not privileged to go to Palestine. Give, give to the point of sacrifice.

HENRY MONSKY, B'NAI B'RITH PRESIDENT, ADDRESSING THE CONFERENCE

Conference

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the White Paper; and (g) urged American Jewry's support of the Palestine Pavilion at the New York World's Fair of 1939.

(The text of the above resolutions are printed elsewhere in this issue.)

The officers of the United Palestine Appeal for 1940, appointed by the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund as partners in the United Palestine Appeal, were announced to the Conference by Dr. Stephen S. Wise. An ovation greeted the re-election of Dr. Silver as National Chairman and applause the renaming of his associates as Co-Chairmen.

(The full list of officers of the U.P.A. for 1940 appears elsewhere in this issue.)

Sunday Evening Session

With the banquet in the evening, at which Dr. Wise presided, the Conference came to a close in a mood of geniality that nevertheless had its solemn moments as reflected in the addresses of Dr. Wise, Count Rene de Saint Quentin, French Ambassador to the United States, Senator William H. King of Utah, Mrs. Joseph Stroock, Chairman of the Women's Division of the United Palestine Appeal, and Henry Monsky, President of B'nai B'rith, who was re-elected an Honorary Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

Dr. Wise read a telegram from Dr. Solomon Goldman expressing his deep disappointment at his inability to arrive in Washington because the plane on which he was travelling from Chicago was grounded in Pittsburgh and he was prevented from coming to the Conference.

Jan Peerce, tenor, of Radio City Music Hall, presented a number of vocal selections.

The spirit of dedication which marked the other sessions was struck once again in the plea of Dr. Wise for a new resolve by American Jewry to devote itself to the upbuilding of the Jewish National Home with [illegible] determination.

The French Ambassador, who had been a liaison officer for France and had entered Jerusalem with General Allenby in 1917, recounted his experiences in Palestine in those days and expressed the resolve of his country to end those conditions which continue to make involuntary migrants of great masses of people.

Senator King denounced the destruction of minority rights as the beginning of the destruction of all rights. He called upon Great Britain to adhere to her pledge for the Jewish National Home in Palestine.

A call to the women of America for greater effort on behalf of Palestine was sounded by Mrs. Stroock.

The great assembly was sent forward to its work in 1940 in the various communities with a stimulating address by Mr. Monsky who called the upbuilding of Palestine the most realistic approach to the problem of Jewish homelessness. He pledged the support of the B'nai B'rith, with its more than 100,000 members, to the work of the United Palestine Appeal during the coming year.

(The addresses of the French Ambassador, Senator King, Mrs. Stroock and Mr. Monsky appear elsewhere in this issue.)

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JEWISH AGENCY WILL CENTER PUBLICITY

Former Editor of Haaretz To Coordinate Work Of All Affiliates

JERUSALEM (Palcor). — Contact between the Jewish public and press both in Palestine and abroad has been made by the new Information Department of the Jewish Agency Executive headed by Issai Klinov, former managing editor of Haaretz, of Tel Aviv, who recently took up his new appointment at the Jewish Agency building in Rehavia, Jerusalem.

The Information Department was founded for the purpose of fostering co-operation with the local and foreign press, and of keeping the public informed of current developments and activities. Mr. Klinov, during his first month of activity, held personal consultations with the political editors of local Hebrew dailies, and furnished them with current information on all matters interesting them. This method ensured a uniformity of reaction and comment upon outstanding questions confronting the Yishuv in Palestine. Bulletins on current affairs have been issued regularly by the Department, both for the information of the editorial staffs and for publication.

Contacts Established

Contact has also been established with the Central Committees of the various Party organizations, Municipalities, Local Councils, Community Councils, Colony Committees and other institutions. Mr. Klinov has spoken to small gatherings of the Tel Aviv Journalists' Association, students affiliated with the German-Jewish Settlers Association in Jerusalem, the Young W.I.Z.O. in Jerusalem and the Confederation of General Zionists in Tel Aviv. During these meetings in October, Mr. Klinov noted a broad interest in the main questions of Jewish economic plans, relations with Arabs and the general relations between organized Palestine Jewry on the one hand through its main institution, the Vaad Leumi, and the Revisionists and Agudath Israel on the other hand. The student youth have also brought up the question of what the Jewish attitude ought to be to Soviet Russia at this time.

Other activities have been to prepare publicity material for Zionist delegates and lecturers proceeding abroad; to organize a series of lectures over the Palestine Broadcasting Service, of which two addresses have already been delivered by Dr. Isaac Gruenbaum, memmber of the Executive, on "Polish Jewry" and Issai Klinov on "Methods of Public Information." A Press Cuttings Archives has also been introduced and will be systematically maintained in conjunction with Dr. G. Herlitz and Dr. A. Bein, of the Central Zionist Archives, and Dr. Fritz Simon, of the Jewish Agency Executive personnel.

Find Wide Interest

The wide public interest in the new Information Department has been evinced by the large number of letters and suggestions received from institutions and individuals in Palestine. Contacts with the Jewish press abroad are now to be developed.

An Advisory Committee attached to the Department consists of J. Gravitzky, Editor of the Palcor Agency in Jerusalem; Gershon Agronsky, Editor of the Palestine Post; Dr. Leo Kohn, Political Secretary of the Jewish Agency Executive in Jerusalem; Dr. Leo Lauterbach, Secretary of the Organization Department of the Zionist Organization, and S. Eisenberg, General Secretary of the Jewish Agency Executive.

Anglo Jewry Ends Tradition

A London Letter

By JOSEPH L. COHEN

LONDON.—The election of Selig Brodetsky to the Presidency of the Board of Deputies, the representative body of Anglo-Jewry, marks a turning point in the history of English Zionism as well as of the Anglo Jewish Community. It is true, of course, that the first President of the Board was that great precursor of Zionism, Sir Moses Montefiore, who paid seven visits to Palestine, but his interest was primarily inspired by a sense of constructive philanthropy.

In more recent years Zionists and lovers of Palestine such as Lord Rothschild, Sir Stuart Samuel and Sir Osmond d'Avigdor Goldsmid, occupied the Presidency. Yet it cannot be claimed that any of these was intimately associated with and actively engaged in the work of the Zionist movement or in the upbuilding of Palestine. Besides they all belonged to wealthy old Anglo-Jewish families and their Zionistic sympathies might have been regarded as wayward fancies and tolerated as such by their families and friends, but Selig Brodetsky, who succeeds them, is the first active enthusiastic, life long Zionist.

He has been a member of the Zionist Executive for over a decade and is one of its members today. Moreover he does not belong to one of the old Anglo-Jewish families. He was born in Oliopol in the Ukraine in 1888 of poor parents who immigrated to London with the stream which settled in England and the United States in the nineties of the nineteenth century. The break with tradition is complete.

The New President

Professor Brodetsky takes the office formerly occupied by some of the most distinguished and brilliant personalities that Anglo-Jewry has produced. And snobbery apart, he is the peer of the lawyers, bankers, and philanthropists as to a sense of public service. But he is their prince in Jewish scholarship.

Indeed it was the main flaw of Anglo-Jewish leadership in the past that, loyal as many of them were to the Jewish cause, not one, and certainly not one in recent times, had any Jewish scholarship and few had more than a most superficial knowledge of the life of the Jewish masses either at home or abroad. To Brodetsky these have been not only his life study but his passion. He is at home both in modern and ancient Jewish learning; he is a Jew who feels the closest kinship with those who for the next decade will constitute our greatest problem and anxiety.

The Board of Deputies is concerned with three groups of problems: home problems—legislation and administration in its relation to the Jews in the country, anti-Semitism, communal organization, the German Jewish refugee problem, etc., the condition of Jews in foreign countries more especially in central and eastern Europe, and Zionism.

During the last eighteen years, i.e., since the Board of Deputies became a really representative body, the Zionists have had a majority. But they have not cared to take office because they accepted the desirability of a division of labour. Until recently they felt reluctant to assume responsibility for administering communal institutions. Their zeal and energy was devoted to the multifarious duties imposed by Zionism.

But nearly seven years ago, with the outbreak of Nazi terrorism they cooperated in the creation of a representative Council to deal with the German Jewish need. Today they realize that all central and eastern European Jewry are in the gravest danger and they are eager to pursue energetically the essential aim of rescuing them. Nor are the home problems the same as they were in the past. The two largest single problems are the proper digestion of the seventy-five thousand Jewish refugees in the country and the menace, latent but smouldering, of anti-semitism.

This terrific program imposes grave responsibilities and the worst service to the Jewish cause would be to regard Professor Brodetsky's uncontested election as a partisan triumph.

The main safeguard against such a purely partisan attitude, of which non-Zionists are not unintelligibly afraid, comes from a clear view that a representative body must not only satisfy the majority but also not force the minority to withdraw. Moreover it requires to enlist the energy and ability of those not at present members of the Board of Deputies.

Fortunately Professor Brodetsky enjoys a fund of goodwill not only in Jewish democratic circles but also amongst others who have worked with him in different fields. The comparative smoothness with which this great break in the tradition of Anglo-Jewish leadership has been achieved is a recognition of his personality, his academic distinction and his devotion to public service.

Palestine Beer Production Rises

TEL AVIV (Palcor) — During the past two years, the production of beer in Palestine showed a decrease, the quantity in 1937 of 1,965,000 litres having dropped to 1,724,000 litres in 1938. But there has been appreciable increase in the first seven months of 1939, when 1,044,000 litres were turned out compared with 811,000 litres in the same period of 1938, and compared with 878,000 [illegible] January-July, 1937.

The import of beer, however, showed no decline during the first seven months of 1939 compared with 1938. Imported beer is used almost entirely for British Army purposes.

Instruction Given for Air Raid Shelters

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — The A.R.P. (Air Raids Precautions) Society, affiliated with the Jerusalem Jewish Community Council, which operates under the supervision of the A.R.P. Adviser to the Jewish Agency, has opened an office to give free advice to householders wishing to build air-raid shelters. A group of engineers and architects has volunteered for this work. The office will send one of its experts to examine the building, and give free advice on the construction of the shelter or examine all plans drawn up for the same purpose.

Credit and Debts Committee Planned

JERUSALEM (Palcor)—Dr. E. Schmorak, head of the Industry and Trade Department of the Jewish Agency Executive, has announced the creation of an Advisory Committee on credits and debts with a view to assisting retail tradesmen.

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JEWISH AGENCY ASKS EXTENDED RELIEF

Praises Government Steps But Asks Further Aid— £50,000 Drive Set

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — Characterizing the decision of the Palestine Government announced last week to distribute £750,000 for public works and relief as "a very valued step for relief of acute distress during the coming months," the Jewish Agency expressed the hope that the Government would extend the scope of its relief measures.

The statement pointed out the need for extending wider measures to insure the economic recovery of agriculture and industry, and in particular expressed regret that the Government had not offered assistance to Palestine's citrus industry by remitting the heavy duties now imposed on citrus fruit exported to England, and also had not included an appropriation toward the development of the Huleh Concession.

Announce £50,000 Campaign

TEL AVIV (Palcor) — Fifty thousand pounds sterling will be the goal of the second Mifdeh Ezrachi (Middle-Class Community Chest) campaign, it was announced at a conference held here this week. This is the second such campaign undertaken in the last year.

Funds raised in this campaign will be used to furnish constructive assistance to needy persons in the middle-class group and will be distinct from the proceeds of the emergency tax. Among the speakers at the conference were Dr. Isaac Gruenbaum and Joseph Suprasky.

Medical Supplies Sent To Aid T[illegible]

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — consignments of Palestine-made medical supplies are being sent to Turkey during the next few days, the Turkish Foreign Minister having accepted with thanks, through the Turkish Consul-General here, the offer of assistance made by the Yishuv at the beginning of the week.

Under the stimulus of the Jewish Agency for Palestine a campaign for the relief of the Turkish victims of the recent earthquake was launched last week. The supplies now being sent have been contributed by the Agency, the Vaad Leumi, the Hadassah Medical Organization, the Hebrew University, the Tel Aviv Municipality and the Magen David Adom (Jewish Red Cross).

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Vilna Polish Chalutzim Aided by Jewish Agency

JERUSALEM (Palcor) — The Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency Executive has sent 10,000 lits (about £400) to the Polish hachshara (training) groups, consisting of 600 members, which have been able to flee from the German-occupied part of Poland into Vilna.

An additional 12,000 lits has been made available by the Palestine Office of the Jewish Agency at Kaunas, capital of Lithuania. The Hashomer Hatzair organization in Vilna has telegraphed to the Palestine secretariat at Merhavia that there are now 200 refugees of the Polish hachshara groups in Lithuania.

Winning Design for Jewish Museum Given

JERUSALEM (Palcor)—In the absence of a first prize K. Rubin and J. Yavitz, of Tel Aviv, won the second prize for designs for the new Museum of Jewish Antiquities to be established at the Hebrew University on Mount Scopus. Erich Mendelsohn, the well-known architect, was on the jury. There were 69 entries in all.

Construction of the building, which was made possible through a bequest of the late Morris Kootcher of Windhoek, South Africa, is to begin very soon. The Museum building is to be alongside of the Jewish National and University Library, facing the main entrance to the University. Collections from the Department of Archaeology will form the nucleus of the exhibitions.

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Messages to Conference

From Governor Lehman

It is a source of very great regret to me that it is impossible for me to attend the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal to be held in Washington, on January 6th and 7th. It would have been a source of very great satisfaction and pleasure to have had the opportunity of greeting your guest of honor, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, and to have given expression once more to my very great interest in the social and economic development of Palestine.

The tragic situation abroad where countless hopeless men and women have been driven from their homes and places of worship by relentless persecution and hatred, compels the sympathy and co-operation of every right-thinking person. In this tragic situation Palestine is more needed than ever as a haven of refuge for thousands of helpless, harried human beings who are hopeless and without means of sustenance. Palestine offers to those who are fortunate enough to go there, renewed hope and renewed opportunity.

HERBERT H. LEHMAN.

From the British Ambassador

I regret very much that a long-standing engagement in Chicago compels me to decline your kind invitation to the banquet on the 7th January of the National Conference for Palestine. It would have given me great pleasure to participate in your reunion. I am also very sorry that the present difficulties of travel will prevent Dr. Chaim Weizmann from being present. My acquaintance with him dates back many years and I have long had a great admiration for his remarkable courage and statesmanship. I hope that before long I shall have an opportunity of meeting Dr. Weizmann and his associates.

LOTHIAN.

From Jewish Agency

At this hour every Jew in free countries, especially America, is expected to exert himself utmost to help millions distressed Jews in Europe and assure development of National Home. Work colonization continuing before vast possibilities of immediate agricultural and industrial expansion.

Yishuv despite tremendous difficulties is still receiving thousands of refugees and eagerly welcomes more. May your conference rise to the heights of our common responsibilities.

EXECUTIVE JEWISH AGENCY.

From Prof. Brodetsky

Greetings and best wishes in this expression of solidarity with American fellow Jews in your great Palestine Conference. Since the outbreak of war and the avalanche of suffering overwhelming European Jewry, Western Jews bear a tremendous responsibility in [redacted] of the National Home and keeping open [redacted] Palestine [redacted] Judaism. Am confident Jews of America whose moral and financial contributions for fellow Jews were so great in the past will appreciate the new tasks of the future. U. S. Jewry is the vanguard of the Western Diaspora which must now take the lead and act as a buttress to Palestine and to the Jews of the European continent. Cordial wishes also in my capacity as President of Board of Deputies of British Jews.

SELIG BRODETSKY.

From Union of American Hebrew Congregations

I hope your convention will be successful in impressing upon American Israel through this large gathering the urgent need for implementing Palestine as a haven of refuge for Jewish multitudes who are being uprooted and dispersed in the present great emergency, and as a place for the development of the inspiration of Judaism.

ROBERT P. GOLDMAN,
President Union of American
Hebrew Congregation.

From Menahem Ussishkin

At this critical juncture Palestinian Jewry looks to American Jewry. The great Jewry of Europe has been almost wholly destroyed. No longer able to contribute to the Jewish National Cause, it will require assistance from those other sections of our people which are still intact. The full measure of the great tragedy of Polish Jewry is only gradually being comprehended; it involves additional burdens for the rest of Jewry.

There remains practically but America and if Palestine is to be rebuilt in our time the responsibility and the credit therefor will depend chiefly, if not entirely, on American Jewry.

I am convinced that American Jews will rise to this occasion of historic significance which imposes upon them both a privilege and a burden. American Jewry, farsighted, taking long-range views, will not be satisfied to repair the ravages of today; they will look ahead and perceive in the strengthening of our position in Palestine the fundamental and permanent remedy for the ills which have descended upon Jewry. I have every confidence that American Jewry will think not only of today, but also of tomorrow.

MENAHEM USSISHKIN.

From Nathan Straus

Regret cannot be with you in person, but I am with you in spirit. The call of Palestine is stronger today than at any time in the history of the Jewish people. Aid to Palestine represents the only realistic approach to an immediate and pressing problem as contrasted with colonization scheme elsewhere built on quicksand. For six years a fruitless search for a land of colonization by homeless Jews has been pursued intensively by Jew and Gentile alike, the result is but to confirm the historic ties of Palestine and the Jew. He belongs to it and it belongs to him. Palestine is the one country in the world to which the Jew can go not on sufferance but by right, not as a refugee, but as a citizen.. May your labors be crowned with success.

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Yishuv Chords and Discords

By DOROTHY KAHN

TEL AVIV.—I am sitting in my room shivering as I write this—even a stove does not seem to help. The winter and rains have really begun in earnest and the next few months will be miserable in Jerusalem. Once it begins to get really damp nothing seems to help—not even woolen clothes. But I suppose we should not complain—only four months of bad weather and then eight months of spring and summer. Everything is quiet here and you hardly know that there is anything wrong in the world.

Of course, mail from America is delayed and we are all so anxious to know what is going on with you over there. One of the principal joys of life in Palestine is still the Orchestra. Actually this is the sole cultural institution which depends on "imports." Until this season, foreign conductors were considered to be the life and breath of the orchestra. And what a spoiled audience we were (having been weaned on Toscanini). Anything less than the plums among European conductors were viewed with condescension. But just as the Orchestra met the exigencies of internal disturbances, they are now meeting the exceptional circumstances caused by the war. Foreign conductors cannot come to us. Both Orchestra and audience have tightened their belts and are going on.

Recently we heard the first "conductorless" concert in Jerusalem. It was a marked success. This was a surprise to many of us. Of course, the sign boards had been proclaiming in blazing letters, "The Orchestra Conducts Itself" as though this was a special treat. But even in Palestine, we are not so naive. We knew that this was an emergency measure, made necessary by the non-arrival of the conductor. Even the announcements in the newspapers to the effect that the experiment had been tried successfully in Moscow in 1922 and in Berlin, Leipzig, Budapest and New York since then, did not lessen our qualms. After all, these orchestras were comprised of members who had been together for some time. Our orchestra is still a changing body; some drop out and new refugees take their places. How could such a body of musicians collaborate without the assistance of a baton?

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But the evening was a success. The orchestra is now three years old. We take it for granted as a part of the country. And yet, even the most unsentimental is apt to feel a lump in his throat when the group of 70 musicians are in their places and we rise to hear "God Save the King," followed by "Hatikvah." There is a moment of formality about this rising which impresses us again and again with the fact that "we have an orchestra." At this concert, there was a third anthem to be played, "The Marseillaise." In the box, with the High Commissioner and Lady MacMichael was the High Commissioner for Syria and the Lebanon and Mme. Puaux.

Of course, only a certain type of music can be played without a conductor. Virtuoso orchestra music and the huge symphonic works of the latter half of the 19th century are out of the question. So we heard the Brandenburg Concerto No. 3 in G Major of Bach; the music to "Midsummer Night's Dream" of Mendelssohn Bartholdy; and Symphony No. 3 in E Flat Major (The Eroica) op. 55 of Beethoven.

On this evening we were not distracted by "stars." There was no Toscanini, Hubermann, or Sargeant in the orchestral heavens. For the first time we met our orchestra face to face. They acquitted themselves admirably. And the audience responded with overwhelming enthusiasm. There was a special and particular bond between the listeners and the performers on this "conductorless" night. It was they, *en masse*, who took the bows and received the applause. Not a few were grateful for the non-arrival of vessels which gave us this opportunity to meet the orchestra without the interpretation of a conductor.

In the program, we found a blue note announcing "Change in Program Schedule." Issay Dobrowen, who was to conduct the third concert had just sent a telegram stating, "transit connections impossible deeply regret — Dobrowen." In his stead the orchestra was conducted by Otto Selberg, who was here.

Headaches

So the war, and the "transit connections" are giving the Orchestra committee a full quota of headaches. And yet, the concerts are heard on schedule and the Orchestra continues to render its invaluable service to the country. Aside from the absence of noted conductors, one feels the effects of war in another way. During the past two years it had been the custom for many of the audience to wear formal attire. If evening dress was not worn any place else, at least it made its appearance at the concerts. This year, one misses this festive note. Only a handful of men wear formal evening clothes and you can almost count on your fingers the women who come in sleeveless gowns.

Incidentally, the members of the orchestra are proving to be real "troupers." Owing to depressed economic conditions this year, there is no allowance for expenses. This means that while en tour they cannot afford the luxury of even a modest hotel. They must be "parked out" among members of the community who offer the hospitality of their homes. While they are received with every cordiality—and are indeed ranked, each and all, as artists—yet, the privacy of a hotel is considered by most as preferable to the "parking out" system. After the journey from Tel Aviv and the strain of the concert, the privacy of a hotel room is apt to be more restful than being received into the bosom of a family whom you may have never known before. But, at least, when this period has become history, the orchestra members will have material for reminiscence—their "trouping" days.

Gen. Barker Reduces Prison Terms of Jews

JERUSALEM (Palcor). — The prison sentences meted out to thirty-eight Jews on December 23rd by a military court at Acre were reduced by the action of Lieut.-General M. G. H. Barker, General Officer Commanding British troops in Palestine.

The prison terms of the thirty-eight Jews, who had been seized on November 18th and charged with possession of weapons and bombs, were reduced as follows:

Twenty-eight, who had originally been sentenced to ten years in prison, are to serve seven years instead; six others, who had been given five-year terms, had their sentences reduced to three years; four women had been arrested among the thirty-eight and had originally been given prison terms of two years each are to have their cases re-examined by the court.

All of the condemned, who are residents of Rosh Pina, were brought to trial under the Emergency Regulations which have been governing Palestine since the disturbances began.

Newburgh Determined To Enroll 250 Members

The Newburgh (N.Y.) District, headed by Louis Shatz, is all set for the membership drive which is being launched next week. Samuel B. Levinson is in charge of the membership campaign for which a goal of 250 has been set.

Cooperating with him are the other officers of the district, who include: Rabbi A. N. AvRutick, vice-chairman; Hyman Knopf, and Seymour S. Cohen, secretaries, and Jacob Kordon, treasurer.

Norfolk Launches Intense Drive for 250 Members

Under the direction of Dr. Harry M. Frieden and Mr. Morton Cushner, the Norfolk (Va.) District has launched an intensive drive for 250 members. A number of teams have been appointed to canvass various sections of the Jewish community.

Joseph L. Hecht, president of the District, has voiced confidence that the goal set will not only be attained but exceeded before the conclusion of the campaign. Aiding in the membership efforts are also the other officers who include: Morris Gutterman and Mrs. Milton H. Morewitz, secretaries and Julius Myers, treasurer.

Joseph Ehrlich, Detroit Jewish Leader, 58, Dies

Detroit Jewry suffers one of its severest losses in decades as a result of the death of Joseph H. Ehrlich.

Ill for only five days, Mr. Ehrlich passed away last Tuesday morning. Funeral services were held on Thursday, with Rabbis A. M. Hershman and Morris Adler and Cantor J. H. Sonenklar officiating.

Surviving him are his wife, Dora B. Ehrlich, who is recognized as the outstanding Jewish woman leader in Michigan, and who is one of the national vice-presidents of Hadassah; a son, Henry; a daughter, Ruth; his mother, Zena, who was one of the first Jewish National Fund workers in Detroit, and two brothers, Moe and Harold.

For 30 years one of Detroit's most prominent Jewish leaders, Mr. Ehrlich left an indelible mark on every cause of importance in Detroit. Born on Oct. 5, 1881, in Russia, Mr. Ehrlich came to Detroit in 1896. He had been in the jewelry business since 1906.

During his many years of activity, he served as president of the Zionist Organization of Detroit, as president of the Jewish National Fund Council of Detroit, as chairman of Keren Hayesod campaigns and held many other offices in the Zionists ranks.

Mattapan-Dorchester Drive Shows Success

At a recent meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Mattapan - Dorchester District, Moses Hirsch, membership chairman, reported that in the first three weeks of the current membership drive, results were far greater than at any similar period in previous years. Louis E. Brown, president, announced the completion of plans for a forthcoming public meeting on January 23rd at which the drive will [illegible]

The following constitute the leadership of the membership drive committee: Samuel Caploe and M. Hirsch, chairmen; M. Betterman, J. Budd, H. Miller, B. Winer, A. Glasser, S. Kramer, I. Muchnick and Dr. A. Stone, captains.

Correction

In the December issue of THE NEW PALESTINE, it was stated that a star had been presented to Louis E. Brown by the Mattapan-Dorchester District. This should have read that an illuminated neon star was presented to the district by a small group of members and accepted by Mr. Brown as president of the district.

Ittamar Ben-Avi to Address Flatbush Zionists

Ittamar Ben-Avi, renowned Hebrew journalist of Palestine, now on a visit to this country, will be the guest speaker at a public meeting next Wednesday evening, January 17th, at the East Midwood Jewish Center, 1625 Ocean Avenue under the auspices of the Flatbush District. Mr. Ben-Avi will speak on the latest political developments in relation to the new British policy as a result of the war. A musical program will be presented.

Young Judaea to Mark Palestine Arbor Day

Colorful and impressive ceremonies throughout the nation will mark the traditional celebration of Palestine Arbor Day—Chamisho Osar B'shevat—by 20,000 members of Young Judaea, on January 28th.

About half of the Young Judaea membership will receive insignia awards towards the emblematic Zion Pins and Fellowship Keys in accordance with the organization's National Merit System.

New District in Evansville, Ind.

A new district will be organized in Evansville, Ind., for which purpose Dr. Azriel L. Eisenberg, secretary of the Ohio Valley Zionist Region, will visit that community on January 19th. Rabbi Joseph A. Gorfinkel has consented to take a leading part in the efforts to enlist the community under the Zionist banner.

In connection with the formation of the new District, Rabbi James G. Heller, president of the Region, is scheduled to address a rally toward the end of the month.

Carbondale Enrolls One-Third Of Families

"Carbondale, Pa., with its 62 families will do its full share for Zion," states Dr. B. Golden, secretary of the local District, in a report to the Zionist headquarters, enclosing remittance for 19 members.

Michael Kauffman has been re-elected president of the District at the annual elections held recently. The other officers re-elected are: Harry Gordon, vice-president; Ben L. Stone, treasurer, and Dr. B. Golden, secretary.

Flint At Half-Way Mark

The Flint (Mich.) District has already reached the halfway mark toward its goal in the present membership drive. Gilbert Fienberg, secretary pro tem, reports that strenuous efforts are now being made to double last year's membership.

Aluminum In Palestine

An Important New Process Invented

(Special to The New Palestine)

An important discovery by a Palestine scientist which may have far reaching industrial effects is shortly to reach a practical stage. This discovery is concerned with a method for the separation of aluminum from certain clay soils. Numerous efforts made in the past to extract aluminum from clay soils, which contain in some cases a very high proportion of the metal have hitherto proved unsuccessful because of the difficulty of separating aluminum from silicate and other impurities which make it worthless. This rich natural source of aluminum therefore remained unused until now. The expensive mineral bauxite has been chiefly used in the industry.

The Palestine discovery which is now being patented presents a practical method for the extraction of aluminum from local clay soils. The new process makes possible the isolation of aluminum oxide, the source of pure aluminum from certain clay soils even of a type comparatively poor in aluminum content. Palestine may thus become in the future a source of the valuable metal.

Aluminum in combination with magnesium salt, yields magnalium, an alloy lighter than aluminum compounds increasingly being used in the construction of aeroplanes. It may be noted that the salts of magnesium, one of the lightest metals known, and regarded as the "metal of the future" are contained in enormous quantities in the Dead Sea waters.

Oil Being Sought In Southern Palestine

JAFFA (Palcor) — For some time past Petroleum Concessions, Ltd., a subsidiary of the Iraq Petroleum Company, Ltd., has been prospecting for oil in the vicinity of Kfar Beit Hanun near Gaza. If wells are struck, the oil will be piped across the desert to Alexandria and northwards to Haifa.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

Brooklyn—Lecture by Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn, auspices Prospect Park Zionist District, 534 Flatbush Avenue; Greetings by Judge Nathan Sweedler; Charles Koplitt, Chairman.

Brooklyn—Meeting, Williamsburgh Zionist District 24; Y. M. H. A., Bedford Avenue and Keap Street; 8:30 P. M.; Report on Washington Conference, Frank Gottlieb; Harry Berman, Chairman.

Huntington, L. I.—Installation of Officers, Zionist District; Jewish Center; 8:30 P.M.; Harry J. Moskowitz, speaker; Max W. Hollander, Chairman.

Long Beach, L. I.—Installation of Officers, Zionist District; Temple Israel; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi Joshua L. Goldberg, speaker; Joseph J. Schickler, Chairman.

Bronx—Meeting, Northeast Bronx Zionist District 21; Congregation Anshe Emet, 713 E. 222nd Street; 8:30 P.M.; Abraham Goldberg, speaker; Rabbi J. Ralbag, Chairman.

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

Brooklyn—Meeting, East Flatbush Zionist District 38; East Flatbush Jewish Center, 661 Linden Boulevard; 8:30 P.M.; Judge Nathan Sweedler, speaker; Abraham Slepian, Chairman.

Laurelton, L. I.—Zionist District Meeting; Jewish Center; 8:30 P.M.; Dr. Bernard Berger, speaker; Musical program by Shulamith Silber and Rachel Ginsberg; Sam J. Perry, Chairman.

White Plains—Meeting, Zionist District; Temple Israel; Charles Ress, speaker; Rabbi Max Gelb, Chairman.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

Manhattan—Reception to Dr. Chaim Weizmann, auspices all Zionist Parties; Mecca Temple Auditorium, 55th Street between 6th and 7th Avenues; 8:30 P.M.

Manhattan—Zionist Forum, auspices Yorkville Zionist District; Hotel Croydon, 12 E. 86th Street; 8:30 P.M.; Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn, speaker; Dr. Harry F. Wechsler, Chairman.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

Manhattan—Zionist Forum, auspices Washington Heights Zionist District 10; "Y" Building, Ft. Washington Avenue and 178th Street; 8:30 P.M.; Judge Bernard Rosenblatt, speaker; Samuel Berman, Chairman.

Bronx—Zionist Meeting and Youth Rally, auspices Northern Zionist District 25; Temple Zion, 1925 Grand Concourse; 8:30 P.M.; Showing of "Sanctuary"; N. Ben-Dovid Waldman, Chairman.

Jackson Heights, L. I.—Palestine Evening, joint auspices Zionist District and Hadassah; 105-19 Ditmars Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi Wm. S. Malev and Rabbi Samuel Berliant, speakers; George J. Gang, Chairman.

Kew Gardens, L. I.—Lecture by Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn, auspices Zionist District; Jewish Center, 122-04 Metropolitan Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Fred E. Hertan, Chairman.

Patchogue, L. I.—Zionist District Meeting; Jewish Center; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi Bernard Segal, speaker; Dr. Jacob S. Bush, Chairman.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

Manhattan—Meeting and Election of Officers, Inwood Zionist District; Inwood Hebrew Congregation, 111 Vermilyea Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Louis E. Berman, Chairman.

Brooklyn—Meeting, Brandeis Zionist District 27; Shaare Torah, 2252 Bedford Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi Israel H. Levinthal, speaker; Joseph Fine, Chairman.

Bayside, L. I.—Palestine Evening; Jewish Center, 35th Avenue and 207th Street; 8:30 P.M.; Illustrated lecture by Rabbi Harold I. Sapirstein; Rabbi Frank Zimmerman, Chairman.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

Bronx—Sabbath Services, auspices Mosholu Parkway Zionist District 9; Mosholu Jewish Center, 3044 Hull Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; William I. Siegel, speaker; Rabbi Mayer I. Herman, Chairman.

OTHER CITIES

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

Chicago, Ill.—Lecture Forum, auspices Zionist Organization of Chicago; Bialik Hall, College of Jewish Studies, 220 S. State Street; 8:00 P.M.; Abraham Revusky, speaker.

Sioux City, Ia.—Zionist District Meeting; Jewish Community Center, 5th and Paul Streets; 8:00 P.M.; Judge Harry M. Fisher, speaker; A. M. Davis, Chairman.

Roxbury, Mass.—Zionist Night, Haym Solomon Lodge; Schoolhouse Auditorium, Temple Mishkan Tefila, 122 Elm Hill Avenue; 8:00 P.M.; Louis Lipsky, speaker; Harry Silverstein, Chairman.

Kingston, N. Y.—Lecture by Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn, auspices Zionist District; 8:30 P.M.; Ben Silverman, Chairman.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Lecture by Ittamar Ben-Avi, joint auspices Wynnefield Zionist District and Hadassah; 8:30 P.M.; Rabbi Matthew S. Rosen, Chairman.

Reading, Pa.—Zionist District Meeting; 8:30 P.M.; Abraham Goldberg, speaker; Rabbi Max J. Routtenberg, Chairman.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

Chicago, Ill.—Meeting, Austin Zionist District; Bnai Israel Congregation, 5433 W. Jackson Boulevard; 8:30 P.M.; Report on Washington Conference; Musical program by Halevi Choral Society; Herman D. Spak, Chairman.

Portsmouth, N. H.—Zionist District Meeting; Temple Israel, State Street; 8:00 P.M.; Judge Bernard Rosenblatt, speaker; Joseph Levitt, Chairman.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

Woodbine, N. J.—Zionist District Meeting; Brotherhood Congregation, Washington Avenue; 8:30 P.M.; Dr. Bernard Berger, speaker; Ezra Goldberg Chairman.

Newburgh, N. Y.—Membership Rally, auspices Zionist District; Jewish Community Center; 8:30 P.M.; Morris Margulies, speaker; Louis Shatz, Chairman.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

Jersey City, N. J.—Sabbath Services, Jersey City Congregation; 8:30 P.M.; Capt. J. L. Racionzer, speaker; Rabbi Theodore Adams, Chairman.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

Rochester, N. Y.—Western N. Y. Regional Conference; J. Y. Building, University Avenue and Andrew Street; Beginning 12:00 Noon; Morris Margulies, guest speaker; Harry Rachlin, Chairman.

Monticello, N. Y.—Zionist District Meeting; 8:30 P.M.; William I. Siegel, speaker; Dr. Julius M. Rosenthal, Chairman.

PITTSBURGH OPENS DRIVE FOR 2,500

Judge Rothenberg Principal Speaker at Workers Rally Next Sunday Noon

A city-wide membership drive will be officially launched by the Zionist District of Pittsburgh next Sunday afternoon, with a large workers' rally at the Webster Hall Hotel under the leadership of Judge Henry Ellenbogen, general membership chairman. Judge Morris Rothenberg, vice-president of the ZOA, will be the principal speaker.

With Pittsburgh leading the country in membership gains in 1939, having enrolled a membership of more than 1800 at the close of the fiscal year, a membership in excess of 2500 for the Pittsburgh District by the first of February is confidently predicted by Judge Ellenbogen.

Saul S. Spiro, president, announces that the campaign will be conducted under the slogan "A goal that can be reached, can be exceeded by a little bit of extra work". Two pre-campaign tests have revealed enthusiastic support of the Zionist program. Letters for membership renewals brought an avalanche of remittances to the Chambers of Judge Ellenbogen. Responses to invitations to the workers' rally on Sunday swamped his office staff. The local Y.W.H.A. was overcrowded with Zionists last Thursday night when the plans for the campaign were announced.

Assisting Judge Ellenbogen in the campaign are: Saul S. Spiro, president; Harry Berlin, chairman of the membership committee; Herman Fineberg, Harry Letwin, Joseph Porter and Emanuel Spector.

(NOTE: In last week's issue of THE NEW PALESTINE, the membership of the Pittsburgh Region at the close of the fiscal year of 1939 was erroneously given as 800. The total should have been 1800.)

Dr. Alex S. Wolf Honored By St. Louis B'nai Zion

The newly organized Degel Yehuda Camp of St. Louis, Mo., elected Dr. Alex S. Wolf as honorary president, in recognition of his efforts to strengthen the Order Sons of Zion in his city. The Camp is now conducting an intensive membership campaign, coupled with the carrying out of a broad educational program. Prof. Gustave Klausner is assisting in the efforts to build up the group. The president of the Camp is Jacob Raigor. The other officers include Kasten Susman, vice-president; Julius Glaser, financial secretary; Herman Shachter, recording secretary; and Max Zemel, treasurer.

Dr. Harris J. Levine, Grandmaster of the Order, has appointed Mr. Shachter as District Deputy for St. Louis.

MIRIAM GOLDEN and EUGENE LORING
rehearsing William Saroyan's "The Great American Goof" which is on the program of the Ballet Theatre, at the Center Theatre

Masada Holding Winter Harrisburg Conference

A two-day conference termed "A Program For Jewish Youth," will be held by Masada at the Jewish Community Center in Harrisburg, Pa., on January 13th and 14th.

The conclave will open Saturday evening with an informal dance and reception at the Community Center. On Sunday, an Institute of four simultaneous seminars, revolving around the four planks of the Masada program, will be led by members of the National Executive Committee. A general assembly will then be held to allow each seminar chairman to report. Meir Sherman, a former Palestinian, will summarize the reports. Sunday's activities will also include a basketball tournament with teams participating from Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Pennsylvania and New York City; and a banquet at which Rabbi Reuben Magill of Harrisburg's Temple Beth El, will deliver the main address.

Albert Koons of Harrisburg is general chairman.

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INSIDE PALESTINE

A Record of Economic Fact and Opinion, prepared for THE NEW PALESTINE by the Editorial Staff of the "Palestine and Middle East Economic Magazine," Tel-Aviv

MARGINAL COMMENT

We cannot allow the Jewish National Home to be defeated by present economic adversity any more than by the physical and political attacks of the last four years.

To achieve this end, it is essential and may perhaps be decisive that alongside with the appeal for the National Funds (whose tasks have never been more vital than today) we should offer other opportunities to the Jewish public for economic collaboration with the National Home. The project of a Jewish National Loan has already been referred to in these columns as the most effective medium of pressing into service large resources which, although unobtainable in the form of donations, might thus be made available for purposes of public borrowing and national investment.

If it appears, however, that there are insuperable obstacles in the way of a general loan scheme, we would be well advised to consider specific loan projects for utility schemes of outstanding economic merit and public importance. From this point of view, a loan for municipal public works in Tel Aviv should be the first to claim attention, both because of its economic usefulness and because it would offer to American investors a prospect of return as secure and attractive as those of most other foreign investments.

Tel Aviv Securities

Tel Aviv, the economic capital of Palestine, which has been a pioneer in so much of its modern financial and industrial development, was the first Palestine municipality, or for that matter the first Palestine enterprise to initiate normal loan contacts with the American money market. As far back as 1923 the Tel Aviv Municipality raised on Wall Street in the normal way of business a loan of £75,000 ($375,000) through the issue of 6½ per cent municipal debentures redeemable in 1938-42. The promptness and punctuality with which Tel Aviv has always met its obligations under this loan which will be fully repaid in two years must have earned a well-deserved reputation for financial reliability.

Relying on this experience and its already established contacts, the Tel Aviv Municipality should be in a position to turn today to the American money market for financial facilities on a more substantial scale. Since Tel Aviv raised its first New York loan in 1923, its population has grown more than tenfold (from 16,000 to over 170,000) and its revenues have increased more than elevenfold (from $195,000 to nearly $2,250,000). The revenues of Tel Aviv Municipality now exceed those of all other Palestine municipalities put together and are by 45 per cent higher than the entire internal income of the State of Transjordan.

Sound Investments

The public utility schemes for which Tel Aviv requires capital are not untried developments but represent a most eagerly sought type of municipal investment. All the plans for Tel Aviv municipal projects (mainly the drainage and water supply schemes) are ready down to the last detail and have been given Government approval after exhaustive investigations by Government experts from both the technical and financial points of view. In fact a Government loan had been authorized for these schemes; only the emergency interfered.

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Latest Industrial Openings

Palestine Now Offers Extensive Opportunities for Establishing Many Sound Enterprises

By DR. E. WITTKOWSKI

It is impossible to enumerate within limited space more than a few instances of the many new industrial enterprises required to meet the most pressing of the country's present needs and for which favorable commercial prospects seem to exist both at home and in the Middle East markets. A brief summary of immediate industrial openings and of new industrial projects either under consideration or in the course of materialization is provided below.

Textile Needs

The main deficiency in the present range of the Palestine textile industry is the rudimentary state of woolen manufacture. Almost the whole of the present demand is being supplied by imports averaging 750,000 to $1,150,000 per year. There is an urgent need for the establishment in Palestine of larger wool-spinning and weaving plants in addition to the few small-scale enterprises started in the course of the last few years.

Metal Manufactures

Although several foundries are in existence (the largest of which in Haifa—the Vulcan Foundry—is equipped to produce cast-iron pieces up to 7 tons in weight) and wire netting, nails, screws, bathovens, baths, pumps, some types of simple machinery, etc., are manufactured locally, there is a large scope, accentuated at present by the war, for the development of various metal and engineering industries. As raw material, pig-iron from India and elsewhere could be made available.

A number of projects have been prepared for the establishment of new metal plants in this country which would be of capital importance for further progress in this field. These include steel foundries, a malleable iron foundry, plants for the production of copper and aluminum sheets, plants for the utilization of scrap lead and zinc, etc.

The further development of the manufacture of agricultural machinery and implements and tools, some types of which are already produced in country, is eminently desirable. It is interesting to note that a factory for the special production of dental instruments (drills) has been recently established by a manufacturer with considerable export connections in the United States.

Rubber and Glass

Only a few types of rubber goods are produced at present in Palestine (mainly rubber soles). Imports of rubber goods reach considerable sums annually. A project has been prepared for an efficient large-scale enterprise in this important field.

All glassware has hitherto been entirely imported. Plants started a few years ago for the manufacture of glass in Haifa Bay and near Rishon le Zion (bottle manufacture) could not make headway. Their work was suspended mainly because of financial and organizational difficulties. With fresh capital and suitable reorganization, these enterprises could now be relaunched. Investigations are under course to this effect. Raw materials are available. Glass imports to Palestine amounted in 1938 to $445,000 (in 1935 to $850,000).

Chemical Industries

Chemical industries form perhaps one of the most promising avenues of industrial development in Palestine today. In addition to Dead Sea products and the products and residues of oil distillation at the great Haifa Refinery, many openings exist for the production of a wide range of chemicals. Projects now under consideration include the production of sulphuric acid, dyes and paints, caustic soda, etc.

ECONOMIC LOG

Export Bookings

Practical proof is forthcoming of the new export opportunities now offered to Palestine industries in countries near and far, deprived of some of their former sources of supply. We understand that the Foreign Trade Institute, the export organization representing Palestine industries, has been able to record a great increase not only in commercial inquiries but also in orders booked for export markets.

Fresh orders have been received from Egypt for various Palestine-made articles including carbon paper, fountain pens, baby carriages, dresses, pharmaceutical products, etc. A delegation of Palestine manufacturers which recently visited Egypt found an encouraging interest in many other types of Palestine manufactures. Promising developments may be expected soon. In Syria substantial orders have been placed with Palestine factories for supplies to the French troops. Export connections on some scale are being renewed with the general trade of this country. As a result of the recent visit to Palestine of the Turkish Commercial Attache in Egypt, new arrangements will be made to facilitate the development of Palestine exports to Turkey.

A most interesting new departure has been the establishment of export contacts with New Zealand. The New Zealand Govern-

[illegible] lar to that exist[illegible] pire countries, the first to admit Palestine to the economic advantages of its association with the British Commonwealth of Nations.

A Palestine exhibit is to be displayed at the New Zealand Centennial Fair and goods for this show as well as for sale in New Zealand (including leather-ware, wearing apparel, textiles, electrical fittings, stationery, cosmetics, chemicals, fruit juice extracts, toys, razor blades, artificial flowers) have been acquired from 50 Palestine firms by the New Zealand-Palestine Trade Exchange, a newly-formed enterprise to encourage trade between the two countries.

New lines of exports are now being shipped for the first time to India. Orders have recently been obtained from Singapore and Hong Kong. An interesting development has been recorded with regard to exports to Tanganyika and Uganda where in addition to various industrial products, Tnuva honey is in demand. A representative of the Kenya Administration recently visited Palestine.

Gratifying progress is being recorded in the Union of South Africa with which active trade relations have been maintained for some time past. Last year some 900 orders from South Africa were received by about 120 Palestine factories. In most cases these were trial orders for small sums but repeat orders for larger quantities are now being received both from the general trade as well as from the special Palestine products export company in the Union.

A delegate of the Foreign Trade Institute who visited South Africa last year is returning there shortly. There seems to be a fair prospect that in time an export trade of considerable dimensions may be established between Palestine and South Africa.

From the United States experimental orders have been received from important buying offices representing department stores, etc., as a result of the recent mission of Messrs. Idelson and Evsorov. Plans are at present under consideration for the intensification of Palestine exports to the United States.

After 3 Months of War

Palestine is now entering the fourth month of the war. Peace in the Mediterranean has not been disturbed and maritime communications have not been interrupted. The problem of supplies which it was expected would be Palestine's greatest war-time difficulty after an initial period of commercial panic receded into the background.

But the impact of war dislocation has had a most serious effect on the credit position and the labor market, with grave repercussions on the entire economic situation. The change-over to a cash basis, both in foreign trade and internal transactions, and financial nervousness at the beginning of the war led to large scale withdrawals of deposits from the banks, which during August and September amounted to £3,500,000. Although later on there was a certain reversal in this tendency, deposits have by no means returned to their pre-war level of £20,000,000. This together with the interruption in the influx of new capital from abroad, general [illegible] a marked credit [illegible] which seriously impedes the working of the economy.

This tendency has been aggravated by the set-back in the citrus industry, the decline of building activity, suspension of some of the already approved municipal and other public works projects. From this general recession in economic activity increased unemployment has resulted, representing one of the most serious features of the present position.

Economic depression due to initial war-time disorganization is shared today by almost all countries directly or indirectly affected by the emergency. But elsewhere this transitional period may soon be ended, either through the absorption of labor in the army and expanding war industries, as in the belligerent countries, or through the improved market for all types of supplies as in the case of the neutral countries. There is a possibility however that Palestine, while suffering from most of the economic consequences of a war emergency, will be precluded from taking much part in the increased economic activity which may result in other countries.

The exertions of the Yishuv itself to raise additional funds by an increase in the heavy voluntary self-taxation burden imposed on a population whose resources have already been strained to the utmost by four consecutive years of economic difficulty, may provide some relief, but no adequate solution. Government cooperation is essential in assisting the country over this critical period. But the turn of the scales will depend chiefly on the successful launching of a great national effort by the Jewish people as a whole to provide that flow of public funds without which economic problems of such magnitude can nowhere be solved.

"Jewry Is Fighting A Desperate Strugg

"Our Hope Lies In Working Together Under Cap

Talk Features Dinner Outlining Plans for United Jewish Fund 1940 Campaign

In an address, stirring in its simplicity, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, pictured to a group of Jewish Community leaders the tragic and imperative need for the organized alertness of the one remaining Jewish Community that is not in the war zone, that is not being persecuted . . . the Jewish Community of liberal and free America.

"When we fight anti-Semitism through the Press and the Pulpit, through books, the spoken and written words, we are not merely serving ourselves but those combatant forces against the mediaevalism which is threatening to destroy us. As long as there remains a people who can function as an organized Jewish community under capable leadership, we are not defeated," Rabbi Silver pointed out to his audience. He mentioned that $350,000 has been spent in the city of Wilna alone to alleviate the suffering of the Polish-Jewish refugees, with the purchase of medicines, shelter, food and clothing.

The photographs appearing on these pages were taken, unposed, at a recent dinner-rally at the Schenley Hotel when leaders of the forthcoming United Jewish Appeal Drive were addressed by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland.

THE PICTURES SHOW:

UPPER LEFT—Charles J. Rosenbloom, William K. Frank.

CENTER—Martin J. Fleishman and Morris Jacobs.

BOTTOM LEFT—Mrs. Maurice Davis, Morris Nieman, Mrs. Josiah Cohen.

BOTTOM RIGHT—Mrs. Edgar R. Lewin, I. D. Wolfe.

OPPOSITE PAGE: LOWER LEFT—Ferdinand T. Weil, Herbert M. Heyman, Mrs. A. L. Wolk, Mr. Eugene Herzog, and A. L. Wolk.

LOWER RIGHT—Sidney Stark, Alex Lowenthal, Julius Hailpern, Emanuel Spector.

TOP—William K. Frank, Gustave H. Kann, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, and Oliver M. Kaufmann.

...le To Save Itself From Annihilation"

P...able Leadership" States Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

In commenting upon the 1940 campaign, which is being conducted in three thousand Jewish communities, he mentioned that the "goal for the United Jewish Appeal will not adequately take care of this problem. It is not our duty to complete the task, but we must do all that can be done. We must do the MAXIMUM that can be done. We must all contribute MORE than we have in the past . . . for the past is no longer a measuring rod of the future."

He concluded his address with "this thing that we are doing helps retain our morale. We are going through deep water—one-half of our people has already been destroyed and we are fighting a desperate struggle to save ourselves from annihilation."

Gustave H. Kann, President of the United Jewish Fund, presented Rabbi Silver and Oliver M. Kaufmann, chairman of the 1940 campaign, who outlined plans for the U.J.F. campaign which opens March 25.

Youth Division, U.J.A., to Hold Rally

Over 4,000 members of the Youth Division of the United Jewish Fund Campaign, which opens its drive on March 25, will be represented at a Rally of the heads of all the Youth Groups in the city, at the Y. M. and W. H. A., Thursday evening, March 14. About 100 are expected to attend the meeting which will be addressed by Rabbi Jacob M. Rothschild.

Many of those attending will, for the first time, become a part of the great communal work of the Youth Councils. The increasing awareness of the need for giving time and effort to a cause as important as the United Jewish Fund Campaign is the one thing that "makes all of us want to dig in and leave no stone unturned so that the Jews of the world will know that the Jews of this free country are fighting their fight — and the Youth Division is leading the way for all of us," Oliver M. Kaufmann, Chairman of the 1940 Campaign states, when he learned of this meeting.

A dramatic newsreel, "Humanity Calls", depicting the sufferings of Jews abroad and the great work being done in Palestine, will be shown to the group. A get to-gether social hour will follow the meeting, which will be presided over by Morris Jacobs, Chairman of the Youth Division. Other members of his committee are Sara Josselson, Co-chairman, Bertha Berman, Rose Lichter, Sidney Berlin, Herman Penner, Gertrude, Broida, Madeline Solomon, Bess Satin.

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Sen. King Cites Duty to Jews

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semitism" which was invading neutral countries.

"No government ever before in history made extermination of the Jews its 'raison d'etre,'" he said. "We must remember it is not only anti-semitism by a government but a pledge by them to exterminate us."

Senator King characterized the Nazi government as "the most diabolical and sadistic regime that has ever disgraced the world.

"The fate of the Jews in Europe today will be the fate tomorrow of the Catholics and Lutherans.

"In our vigorous efforts to keep out of the war of blood and steel, we must not be misled into embracing complete neutrality in the war of words and propaganda.

"There can be no compromise with the principles of liberty and democracy in an hour when its enemies seek to clamp a dangerous silence upon us under the pretext of neutrality.

"The truly 'secret weapon' of the Nazi against the democratic world is its propaganda machine which was first put into action against the Jews and other minority people.

"The task of keeping out of the European war is a great challenge to our sanity and statesmanship. But I believe that we face an equally great challenge in the task of fighting off the propaganda war. And we cannot isolate ourselves from great movements for humanity.

"The Zionist movement is one, particularly, that America cannot ignore because it represents the realization of a great constructive program by a people who have been the worst sufferers at the hands of the destructive forces in the world."

Dr. Silver called on American Jewry to use "its imagination and statesmanship as well as compassion and generosity to help save the flower of Jewish youth in Europe through settlement in Palestine.

"Here in Palestine lies our Maginot line. Here hope is restored to men robbed of hope, and pride to the humbled, and the gift of mission and destiny to those cut off, spiritually dispossessed, and cast out of all inheritance."

The conference unanimously approved resolutions urging New England Jewry to support the united Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs.

Other speakers included Judge Jacob J. Kaplan, Elihu D. Stone, New England chairman, United Palestine Appeal; Joseph Goldberg, president, New England Zionist region; Max Kabatznick, president, New England Jewish National Fund; Maurice M. Boukstein, secretary, American economic committee for Palestine; Baruch Zuckerman, vice-president, World Zionist Organization; Ralph F. Bass, honorary president, New England Zionist region; Milton Wahn, chairman United Jewish Appeal for Greater Boston, and Mrs. Archibald Silberman, honorary vice-chairman, United Palestine Appeal.

SUPPORTING UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL at the Hotel Statler yesterday were, seated, left to right, Sen. William H. King, Judge Jacob J. Kaplan, and Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman; standing, Joseph Goldberg, president, New England Zionist Region, and Elihu D. Stone, chairman.

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Efforts in Palestine Win Senator's Praise

AT UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL CONFERENCE
Left to right, at Hotel Statler, United States Senator William H. King Utah, Judge Jacob Kaplan and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

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Excoriating the Nazi regime, Dr. Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, Palestine land-buying agency, told the gathering he "could not recall among the tribulations and vicissitudes of Jewish history when a powerful government was committed to the proposition that Jews are to be destroyed and missionaries of anti-Semitism sent all over the world for this purpose."

His sentiments were echoed by Senator King, champion of the Zionist aim in establishing a national Jewish homeland in Palestine, who called upon Great Britain to exert itself and allow thousands of refugee Jews from war-torn and Nazi-ruled sections of Europe to find peace in Palestine—their sole haven.

"Yet," Dr. Silver declared, "in spite of the seemingly insurmountable obstacles—the iron hand of Nazilism and the seven years under Hitler—the Jewish people have built steadily in the past 20 years in Palestine to what it is today—the fourth largest Jewish community in the world. All in these years of trial and trouble. No other people have done it; that is the epic of Palestine."

Work to Be Done

"But I urge you," he declared, "not to sit back idly because we have Great Britain and France—powerful allies—fighting our enemy. When the war is over we shall resume our family quarrel with Great Britain and perhaps there will be political leaders then who better understand moral justice.

"And I urge you to lend every effort toward building in Palestine, for what we do now strengthens our position before the peace conference which is to come after the war. If we build we will be able to show something; have a record of accomplishments. Thus, in the face of obstacles we must work the harder. There is land to be purchased and it is for American Jewry to supply the funds.

Senator King pointed out the great challenge in the task of fighting off the propaganda war which has the peculiar characteristic of choosing neutral territory as its battleground.

When such a war is brought to our own front door, we cannot remain indifferent to its consequences," he stated. "In taking up the struggle against the devious influences of propaganda, we must be prepared to expose and isolate them, regardless of the source from which they emanate. One of the basic foundations of the attack on democracy and freedom of the individual has been the concerted effort to destroy the independence of small nations and to rob all minority peoples of their rights and privileges."

Lesson of Hope

In many towns and villages in German-controlled Poland, all Jews are compelled to wear an armlet or a yellow patch on their clothing as a mark of degradation and shame, the Senator said.

"There is a profound lesson of hope and faith for mankind as a whole in the courageous spirit with which the Jews have sought to meet the most overwhelming threats to their survival. The miraculous upbuilding of Palestine in the short span of two decades testifies to the truly creative and heroic character of the Jewish people. Not the Jews who are dumped like so much human flotsam into concentration camps, but the Jews who till the soil of Palestine, the Jews who have built modern cities on sand dunes, the Jews who have made rocky soil flourish and bloom—these are the people of the Book, the people who have endured for many centuries, the people who have given us and civilization as a whole its imperishable and burning ideals of faith and religious teaching," the Senator said.

Points to Progress

The morning session of the conference was opened by Elihu D. Stone of Boston, New England chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

Joseph Goldberg of Worcester, president of the New England Zionist region, presided and pointed to the splendid progress being made in Palestine, and asserting "while the rest of the world seems bent upon destruction and barbarism." Jewish is building and creating in Palestine. He urged every

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Leaders at Palestine Appeal Conference

THEY PLEADED CAUSE OF REFUGEE JEWS

Seated, Left to Right—U. S. Senator William H. King of Utah, Judge Jacob J. Kaplan and Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. Standing, Left to Right—Joseph Goldberg and Elihu D. Stone. Photo taken at Hotel Statler yesterday.

Rabbi Silver Calls on Jews to Back Palestine Fund

Speaks With U. S. Senator King at N. E. Conference in Boston

Declaring that most of Europe has become a "dungeon of misery" for millions of Jews as a result of the devastation of war and oppression, and that hundreds of thousands have been driven to desperate search for sanctuary in other lands, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, yesterday called upon American Jewry to broaden its support of the rebuilding of Palestine. He spoke at a luncheon session of the New England Conference at the Hotel Statler.

The conference was opened in the morning by Elihu D. Stone, New England chairman of United Palestine Appeal. Among the speakers were Joseph Goldberg of Worcester, president of the New England Zionist Region; Max Kabatznick, president of New England Jewish National Fund; Maurice M. Boukstein and Baruch Zuckerman.

Attendance at the luncheon session taxed the large ballroom and mezzanines. Judge Jacob J. Kaplan was chairman of this session. Among the speakers were Samuel Markell and Milton Kahn, chairmen of the United Jewish Campaign, and Rabbi Silver.

The closing session was held in the ballroom, with Elihu D. Stone as chairman. Mrs. Archibald Silverman, honorary vice chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, and United States Senator William H. King of Utah were the principal speakers. Resolutions were presented by Cecil R. Gordon.

Rabbi Says Britain Blundered

Rabbi Silver, who is one of the outstanding leaders in American Jewry, received a hearty welcome from the gathering. He spoke of the tragedy of the Jew in Europe today and stated that he could not recall in all history where a "Government ever made the attempt to

the new leaders will be more inclined to aid instead of hamper progress in Palestine.

The persecution of Jews in German-controlled Poland was sharply condemned by Senator King, who said that Americans of all creeds "were stricken with sorrow at the incredible cruelties that are being practiced upon the Jews in conquered and dismembered Poland today." Referring to the fact that in many Polish towns which have come under the control of Germany all Jews are compelled to wear a yellow patch or armlet as a mark of degradation and shame, Senator King said that "not the Jew but the civilization which has permitted the resurgence of medievalism and brute hatred in our day, should wear the yellow badge."

Senator King described Palestine as the symbol of the heroic effort of the Jews to maintain their existence and to demonstrate to the world that "not the Jews, who are dumped like so much human freight into concentration camps, but the Jews who are pioneers and builders in Palestine, represent the true character of the Jewish people." He called upon Great Britain to extend and foster the development of the Jewish National Home in Palestine "as the one great hope for the future of homeless Jews, and as the cornerstone for the restoration of the rights of the Jewish people who have been trampled underfoot by the totalitarian forces."

At the closing session of the conference resolutions were adopted urging action by American Jews, as one great free Jewish community in a position to provide the resources for the rescue of hundreds of thousands of Jews in European lands and calling upon all Jewish communities in New England to organize the fullest participation in the nation-wide campaign of the United Jewish Appeal for refugees and oversea needs.

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U. S. JEWISH GROUP GETS POPE'S THANKS

United Appeal's Donation for Catholic Refugees Called an Example of Good-Will

'DEEPLY MOVED,' HE SAYS

Gift Is Acknowledged Through Bishop Sheil—Spirit of Cooperation Praised

Pope Pius XII, through Bishop Bernard J. Sheil of Chicago, yesterday thanked the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs for its gift of $125,000 for use among Catholic refugees from religious persecution, and praised the spirit of cooperation and good-will shown between members of the two religions.

In a letter to the co-chairmen of the appeal, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, Bishop Sheil said that the Secretary of State of the Holy See had advised him the Pope had been "deeply moved" by the gift and the good-will shown between Catholics and Jews.

The Pope was especially grateful, the letter said, that the gift was intended as an act of homage to the memory of his predecessor, Pius XI.

"The memory of Pius XI's magnificent struggle against the inhumane and anti-Catholic doctrine of racialism continues to inspire all of us," Bishop Sheil said.

The letter follows:

My dear friends:

I have received an acknowledgment from the Secretary of State of the Holy See of the correspondence between us in reference to the munificent gift of the United Jewish Appeal to Pope Pius XII in memory of the late Pius XI for the relief of refugees.

The Secretary of State asked me to inform you that His Holiness wishes to express to the donors his deep appreciation of their generous and noble gift and tell them how deeply moved he was by the cooperation and good-will between the Catholic and Jewish people which our interchange of letters so significantly revealed. The Secretary of State added that His Holiness was especially grateful that the benefaction was intended as an act of homage to the memory of his great predecessor, Pius XI. The memory of Pius XI's magnificent struggle against the inhumane and anti-Catholic doctrine of racialism continues to inspire all of us.

Again, expressing my own deep appreciation of the generosity of your gift and your noble effort to relieve the suffering of the refugees, I am

Yours sincerely,
BERNARD J. SHEIL
(Most Rev. Bernard J. Sheil, D. D., Administrator).

The gift to Pope Pius was announced Jan. 2. At the same time $125,000 was given to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America for allocation among Protestant organizations aiding Christian refugees.

One of Our Great Living Orators Coming to Us – On...

Famed Speaker to Pay Flying Visit to Commodore Dinner

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER, whose radio audience numbers hundreds of thousands, but who rarely appears on the speakers dais in New York, will pay a flying visit to this city to personally address the dinner given by the United Jewish Appeal on the evening of Wednesday at 6:30, May 8th, at the Commodore Hotel.

DR. SILVER, WHOSE REPUTATION as a great Jewish leader and educator is world-wide, is National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs. In the midst of a speaking itinerary in behalf of the oppressed Jews of Europe, which sends him by plane from coast to coast, Dr. Silver will make one of his rare addresses in behalf of the New York Campaign at the May 8 dinner.

A DYNAMIC AND MAGNETIC personality, his activities in behalf of his fellow-Jews in particular and his fellow-men in general have taken a variety of forms. He made an exceptional record during the World War when, at the request of the American and French governments, he served in France. At the conclusion of hostilities he was decorated by the French government.

HIS BOOKS, articles and radio addresses have been read and heard by millions. A recognized authority in the field of Jewish scholarship, his writings range from the most profound speculations related to the timeless aspects of Jewish religious life to an informed treatment of social and religious problems today.

AN OUTSTANDING FIGURE in the American rabbinate, Dr. Silver is the spiritual leader of The Temple in Cleveland. A leader in the cause of Palestine, he is national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

ACKNOWLEDGED to be one of the most enthralling speakers in in America, Dr. Silver will distinguish the Commodore dinner with both his great eloquence and his inspired devotion to the cause of Jewish welfare the world over.

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Dear Friend:

Indianapolis will have the rare privilege of hearing one of the world's most outstanding figures. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs is regarded not only as a brilliant orator but also one of the foremost scholars and Jewish leaders in America.

Dr. Silver comes to our city on behalf of World Jewry. As a National leader he brings you a true picture of the Jewish situation throughout Europe and in Palestine.

In the almost universal black-out for mankind generally, and our people particularly, the facts that Dr. Silver presents are of extreme importance to all of us.

There will be no solicitation of funds. The meeting is open to the general public. You are urged to come and bring your friends.

Very sincerely yours,

Louis J. Borinstein

Louis J. Borinstein, Chairman

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, who is a member of the Distribution Committee to allocate funds raised by the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs, Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service.

Distribution Committee Formed to Assign United Jewish Appeal Funds

Announcement was made today by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, National Chairmen, of the appointment of a Distribution Committee to allocate funds raised by the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs to the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service, its three constituent agencies.

The Distribution Committee, which is composed of two representatives each of the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal and three representatives of welfare fund communities appointed by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, subject to the

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$150,000 Pledged At UJA Luncheon

More than $150,000 was pledged to the United Jewish Appeal at that body's annual luncheon in the Hotel Astor yesterday, which was attended by more than 500 prominent personalities in the entertainment world, most of whom were associated with the motion picture industry.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver made a brilliant, eloquent appeal for the support of refugee reclamation in war-torn Europe, deeply moving the great audience of celebrities who attended the affair.

W. S. Paley, CBS solon, it was announced, gave $20,000 to the fund. Other standout contributions were Joseph Bernhard and Charles C. Moskowitz, $1,500 each; Barney Balaban, $11,800; David Bernstein, $12,500; Major Albert Warner, $12,500; Maurice Silverstone, $4,000, and William Klein, an identical amount; Max Cohen, $1,000; Frisch & Rinzler, $1,500; Howard Dietz, $300; the Picker family, $1,000; Joe Vogel, $1,000; Joseph Bernhard and C. C. Moskowitz, $1,500 each; Joseph Hazen, $1,000; Joseph Seidelman, $750; Nate Blumberg, $1,500.

One of the amusing and profitable sources of revenue came from an alleged bet which George J. Schaefer had with Herman Robbins. The latter having won, resulted in $5,000 going to the fund, and to this amount Mr. Schaefer added 10 per cent, plus a handsome donation for refugee relief.

Rabbi Silver's address was one of the most masterful and moving in the entire annals of this powerful speaker's career, being responsible for great charitable response on the part of the brilliant audience attending.

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Eminent Rabbi, Scholar, Author, Speaker
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United Palestine Appeal Conference

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Jewish Leaders Here Indorse Aid to Britain

Sixteen hundred Jewish leaders closed a two-day National Conference for Palestine here last night after indorsing "all-out" aid to England and calling for an end to the British "appeasement policy" of restricting immigration into the Holy Land.

They heard House Majority Leader John W. McCormack, of Massachusetts, declare that the democratic nations must make the establishment of a Jewish National Home "an integral part" of their war aims.

McCormack spoke last night to a banquet in the Willard ballroom, where all through the day speaker after speaker arose to denounce Britain's failure to grant entrance to Palestine to thousands of "poor, helpless refugees" who seek sanctuary there.

But all, despite their sharp criticism, linked the future of Palestine, as well as the future of democracy elsewhere in the world, to a British victory over Hitler Germany.

The conference was sponsored by the United Palestine Appeal. It launched a national drive for $12,000,000 to develop Palestine as a haven for victims of persecution and a home for dispossessed war refugees. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, of Cleveland, was elected national chairman of the campaign yesterday.

The delegates, packed tightly into the huge ballroom, voted a resolution which:

Gave "unqualified indorsement" to the United States' policy of "extending maximum aid to Great Britain and its Allies";

Appealed to the British government to end the "injustice" of restrictions on Jewish immigration and land purchase in Palestine.

Called for the "establishment of Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth" after the war;

Expressed the hope that an Allied victory would result permanently in "equal rights for Jews in all countries where they reside"; and

Declared that the Jews in Palestine are anxious to contribute to Britain's war effort by organizing a Jewish Near Eastern army.

It was this spirit in the conference that led to vigorous applause when Representative McCormack said that the Palestine mandate granted to Britain by the League of Nations demands the lifting of all restrictions upon Jewish colonization.

"It is well to point out that appeasement in Jerusalem is no less wrong than appeasement in Munich," he said.

Earlier in the day, the delegates heard Federal Security Administrator Paul V. McNutt state that Palestine and the United States must "be prepared to instill new faith in every nation" by constructive activity after the war.

He said the ideals underlying the reconstruction of the Jewish national home in Palestine are shared by the people of Holland, Denmark, Belgium, Norway, Poland and France, and "most of all, they are identical with the ideals embodied in our own Constitution."

"The faith and courage with which homeless Jews, stripped of their possessions, started life anew in Palestine, constitute an inspiration for all men who have been deprived of their individual rights and freedom," he said.

Dr. Silver, after his election as president, insisted that England's restrictive policy in Palestine is dictated by unwillingness to "displease the Arabs of Palestine or arouse the resentment of neighboring Moslem countries."

He said that the American people are risking involvement in the war to aid England and asked:

"Is England to risk nothing for others in carrying out definitely assumed obligations? Is the disastrous appeasement policy of the former British leaders which

1,600 Jewish Leaders Confer in Capital

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DISCUSS WORLD PROBLEMS—Dr. Abba Hillel Silver (left), of Cleveland, talks with Dr. Bernard Joseph, Palestine's attorney general, at the National Conference for Palestine. Upper picture shows general view of Willard ballroom with delegates

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U. S. Zionists Launch Drive For $12,000,000

Dr. Silver Tells Jews to Assume 'War Footing,' Give Palestine All Aid

From the Herald Tribune Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Stirred by the suffering of millions of Jews in Nazi-dominated lands who look to Palestine for salvation, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, addressing the National Conference for Palestine at its opening session here tonight, summoned the 5,000,000 Jews in the United States to place themselves on a "war footing, as have other peoples who wish to survive as free men," to preserve, defend and rebuild the Jewish national home in Palestine as a haven for Jews and a bastion of British defense in the Mediterranean.

Dr. Silver's keynote address officially launched the $12,000,000 war-emergency campaign of the United Palestine Appeal, the greatest drive for Palestine development and settlement ever to be initiated in the United States. In calling upon American Jews to embark upon all-out aid to Palestine, Dr. Silver warned that the war-time tragedies and problems of Jewish life in relief, defense and national survival could not be met merely with "slightly larger doses of traditional philanthropy."

The national conference, with more than 1,600 delegates attending, met in an atmosphere of tenseness as news arrived of widespread massacres of Jews in Rumania.

The importance of American support to Palestine in 1941 was stressed in messages cabled to Dr. Silver from London by Lord Robert Cecil, Viscount Samuel, Lord Snell, Col. Josiah Wedgwood, M. P., and the Duke of Devonshire. These British leaders emphasized that material assistance from the United States would have to be greatly increased in the current year to help Palestine tide over the economic crisis resulting from the war and to maintain its program of immigration and settlement of homeless Jews from European lands.

Discussing the war effort of the Jews of Palestine, Dr. Silver said that they were standing loyally by the side of Great Britain despite the fact that restrictions and adverse policies have been put into effect to hamper the full development of the Jewish national home in accordance with the British pledge contained in the Balfour Declaration. "Our aim is a Palestine Jewish commonwealth," the national chairman said, adding that the Jews would prefer that country to be within the system of free British commonwealths.

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A joint statement of the financial needs of Palestine in the forthcoming twelve months was received by Dr. Silver by cable from the executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, the Palestine Foundation Fund, which is its fiscal instrument, and the Jewish National Fund. The Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund are combined in the United Palestine Appeal.

The budget cabled from Jerusalem outlines expenditures totaling $13,640,000 of which the Jewish community of the United States is expected to contribute $12,000,000. The budget of the Jewish Agency for 1941 amounts to $7,647,000 and the remainder of $6,000,000 is required by the Jewish National Fund for its land purchase, land reclamation and development activities.

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DR. A. H. SILVER
Sees Holyland Crisis

Jews Launch Palestine Fund Drive Today

Dr. Silver Here To Aid Campaign For $12,000,000

More than 1,500 Jewish leaders from all parts of the United States will gather here today to launch a $12,000,000 war emergency campaign for funds to enable additional thousands of harassed Jews to find refuge in Palestine.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, termed Germany and its conquered territories "various hells of Europe" yesterday on his arrival here to prepare for opening of the National Conference for Palestine at 8 p.m. today in the Willard Hotel.

Butler's Message

At the same time, the U. P. A. head revealed that Jewish refugees by the thousands already are fighting in the forces of Great Britain and that Palestine Jewry has offered England an army of 40,000 to be trained for war duties against the axis powers.

N. M. Butler, British minister here, in a message of greeting to Dr. Silver, declared British victories in the Middle East had lessened the danger of an axis invasion of Palestine.

"If we do our duty over there and you do your utmost for us over here," Butler added, "we shall prevail—and Palestine, your special care and ours, can look forward to a future as bright as any that lies ahead."

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Peril of Attack On Palestine Held Receding

British victories in Egypt and Libya have thrust the danger of attack upon Palestine by the Axis powers "well into the background," Right Hon. Neville Mantagu Butler newly appointed British Minister to the United States, declared yesterday in a message to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

DR. SILVER

Butler said that Palestine can look forward to a bright future if American Jews do their utmost in support of Britain and the program of rebuilding the Jewish national home in Palestine. The message, unusual in its warmth and assurance, was sent on the eve of the opening here today of the National Conference for Palestine at the Willard Hotel.

Butler's message said that while the Italians lost 80,000 men in prisoners, the British

The national conference for Palestine will consider plans for mobilizing material support for the 550,000 Jews in Palestine who are now giving aid to the British armies in the Mediterranean. It also will discuss problems of maintaining the flow of refugee immigration into Palestine where 28,000 Jewish refugees have found a home since the outbreak of the war. American Jewry's financial assistance will be enlisted through the $12,000,000 war emergency campaign of the United Palestine Appeal which will be officially launched at this conference of more than 1,500 Jewish leaders from every section of the country.

The keynote of the conference will be sounded by Dr. Silver. Among the other speakers and participants in the conference are Dr. Solomon Goldman, of Chicago, national cochairman of the United Palestine Appeal; Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the Jewish National Fund; Morris Simon, of Washington, Jewish Communal leader and nationally known lawyer, and Charles J. Rosenbloom, of Pittsburgh, national treasurer. Paul V. McNutt, Federal Security administrator, and Representative John W. McCormack, of Massachusetts, majority leader of the House, will address the conference tomorrow.

Refugees Aid R. A. F.

There are at present 8,000 Jewish soldiers with British forces in Europe and the Far East, including a number of refugees serving in ground crews of the Royal Air Force on the Greek front, Dr. Silver pointed out.

Members of these R. A. F. ground crews are German refugees who do not speak English. As a result they are helping fight Nazi airmen with orders given in German. Otherwise, warplane pilots are being trained by the Jewish agency ing Palestine, and the country's antiaircraft guns are manned almost entirely by Jews.

New Responsibility

In a statement explaining the war emergency campaign, Dr. Silver declared:

"In response to the emergencies of the war period, which place a new measure of responsibility upon American Jewry for the preservation and enlargement of the Jewish homeland in Palestine, the United Palestine Appeal calls upon American Jewry to secure $12,000,000 in 1941 with which to sustain Palestine Jewery in its critical hours of heroic defense by the side of Great Britain and to enable additional thousands of harassed Jews to find refuge there."

Speakers at the conference tomorrow will include Paul V. McNutt, Federal security administrator; Representative John W. McCormack, majority leader of the House, and Dr. Bernard Joseph, legal advisor of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

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PALESTINE APPEAL ASKS $12,000,000

Dr. Silver Sounds 1941 Call at Capital for American Jewry to Raise 'War Chest'

IN BATTLE FOR FREEDOM

1,500 Leaders Are Told of Aim to Create a Commonwealth in the British Empire

By WINIFRED MALLON

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25—Development of the Jewish National Home in Palestine not only as a refuge for the persecuted and homeless but also as a present bastion of British defense in the Near East and an ultimate Jewish Commonwealth within the British Empire was announced as the multiple objective of the $12,000,000 war emergency campaign opened here tonight by the United Palestine Appeal for 1941.

More than 1,500 leaders of American Jewry from all parts of the country participated in the opening session of the two-day conference. They applauded Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the appeal, when he called upon the 5,000,000 Jews in the United States to place themselves upon a "war footing, as have other peoples who wish to survive as free men" and to enlist for "all-out" aid to Palestine.

Details of the extent of Palestine's participation in the struggle at the side of Britain will be presented to the conference tomorrow by Dr. Bernard Joseph, legal adviser of the Jewish Agency.

Role in Battle of the East

The Holy Land was now an advanced major supply base, with 80,000 soldiers dependent on it for their food supply, Dr. Silver said, and with Palestine a strategic center from which the British forces can strike eastward in defense of the Mosul oil fields or west in defense of the Suez Canal, the 550,000 Homeland Jews would have a decisive role in the Mediterranean sector during the critical months ahead.

"They are standing loyally by the side of Great Britain despite the fact that restrictions and adverse policies have been put into effect to hamper the full development of the Jewish National Home in accordance with the British pledge contained in the Balfour Declaration," he went on.

"Our aim is a Palestine Jewish Commonwealth. The Jews would prefer that country to be within the system of free British Commonwealths.

"And in this critical period of unprecedented oppression of our people, the Jews have a moral right to ask of England to stand loyally by our side, to rally to our defense and help us solve the problem of our national survival."

Dr. Silver said that American Jews, in the main, had not yet grasped the fact that the Jews of the world had been fighting for eight years "a war of extermination declared against them." American Jewry was being called upon, he said, not merely to "step up its philanthropy a degree or two" but to raise "a war chest" by "large-scale sacrifices essential to a difficult scale of giving."

Assurances From Britons

The importance of the proposed expansion and development of the Homeland's present resources, with most of the required support coming from the United States, was attested by Lord Robert Cecil, Lord Snell, the Duke of Devonshire, and others whose cable messages were read by Dr. Silver, and in a statement issued by Neville Butler, counselor of the British Embassy in Washington.

Asserting that the danger to Palestine "has been thrust well into the background and the forces defending it are increasing their strength all the time," Mr. Butler's statement concluded:

"If we do our duty over there and you do your utmost for us over here, we shall prevail—and Palestine, your special care and ours, can look forward to a future as bright as any that lies ahead."

Homes for 5,000,000 More

The objectives of the 1941 outlay, totaling $13,640,000, of which $12,000,000 was expected from this country, were cabled from Palestine to Dr. Silver, who said that the $12,000,000 would be needed to prepare the homeland to care for 5,000,000 additional refugees at the end of the war.

Dr. Solomon Goldman of Chicago, national co-chairman of the Appeal, said that no future was conceivable for European Jews after the war without the continued upbuilding of Palestine.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the Jewish National Fund, which is combined with the Palestine Foundation Fund in the United Palestine Appeal, bespoke the present need for "more land, for more food, for more people in the Mediterranean area."

Louis Lipsky, chairman of the executive committee, and Charles J. Rosenbloom, national treasurer, also addressed the conference.

Benjamin R. Harris of Chicago, chairman of the Midwest region of the United Palestine Appeal, presided tonight.

Jewish Drive Asks 12 Million to Play Joke on Hitler

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Cash to Be Used to Get Potential Soldiers From Sphere of Nazi Power

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver is asking the Jews of America for $12,000,000 this year to play a little joke on Hitler.

The prank has already begun, and it works this way:

Americans give dollars to Dr. Silver's organization, the United Palestine Appeal; he puts the cash to work in getting persecuted Jews out of countries within the Nazi sphere and in setting them up in the Holy Land; the emigrant Jews then join the British armed forces and fight like fury against the Rome-Berlin axis.

Thus, according to his sources of information, the British Royal Air Force ground staff on Greek airfields is largely composed of fugitives from Hitler.

"Every battle command must be shouted at them in German," reported Dr. Silver.

About 8,000 male refugees are

DR. SILVER.
—Star Staff Photo.

now under arms, he declared, including a large group manning anti-aircraft batteries. American money has trained 120 Palestine war pilots, not all of whom are as yet in active service.

To Be Explained to Conference.

The system will be explained to leaders of the Nation's Jewry gathering here tonight for the National Conference for Palestine, which 1,500 are expected to attend. Dr. Silver, who arrived yesterday from his headquarters in Cleveland, will speak at 8 o'clock in the Willard Hotel.

The United Palestine Appeal, sponsoring the conference to launch its huge cash campaign, is a principal support of the Zionist migration to the Holy Land. Since Hitler's rise 280,000 Jews have fled there, a greater number than had migrated in the previous 30 years. They arrived penniless and many must be set to work in farm or factory. The funds are needed also for health and education, Dr. Silver said.

995 Transported in Month.

Last month the organization spent $175,000 to transport 995 Polish and German refugees to Palestine from Vilna, Lithuania, he reported. Some were shipped by way of Moscow, Tokio, the Indian Ocean, Bombay and the Red Sea. Most went by way of Russia, Turkey, Syria. Sea stretches are done in small boats which hug the shore and sometimes sink.

Because of hazards of travel and difficulties awaiting in Palestine, most migrants are young and fit for army life, Dr. Silver said. At the outbreak of war there was a military census of man and woman power, with all services offered. A Palestine offer to raise an entire army is now under consideration by the British, he reported.

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PALESTINE SESSION BACKS AID POLICY

2,000 at Capital Express Hope the Allies Will Succeed in Saving Democracy

HOMELAND IS SUPPORTED

McCormack Holds Help for Jews Is Integral Part of the Larger Conflict

By WINIFRED MALLON

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 — This country's policy of maximum aid to Great Britain was approved and the development and establishment of Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth within the British Empire was urged in resolutions adopted today by more than 2,000 representatives of the nation's Jewry.

They acted at a conference called by the United Palestine Appeal in support of its $12,000,000 drive for funds to carry on construction in Palestine.

Endorsement of the Palestine project and the emergency campaign in its behalf was given in addresses by Representative John W. McCormack of Massachusetts and Paul V. McNutt, Federal Security Administrator, and in messages from Governor Lehman of New York and from Nathan Straus, Administrator of the United States Housing Authority, who will serve as chairman of the Greater New York campaign.

Tribute to the war effort of Palestine Jews was paid by the delegates, who coupled with it an appeal to the British Government to put an end to its restrictions on immigration, which they denounced as "an injustice to the Jewish people," and also to remove "the discrimination against Jews entailed in the land transfer regulation" so that colonization might proceed unimpeded.

Tells of Plane Shipments

Assurance that "planes and arms are going to Great Britain from this country in an ever-increasing stream" was given by Representative McCormack.

"Our entire industrial life is being mobilized with a view to giving the maximum aid possible to Great Britain by making America truly 'an arsenal of the democracies,'" he said.

"Aid to England is a part of our national defense.

"In the present conflict the United States has remained a military neutral. Moral neutrality, however, under the circumstances, would have been utterly incompatible with the principles for which the United States has stood since its inception.

"From the very beginning of the war our government has indicated in no uncertain terms that its sympathies are with the sister democracies.

"America is doing and, I believe, will continue to do everything possible for the purpose of assuring the complete defeat of the totalitarian aggressors.

"While the year 1940 must be recorded as the year of tragedy, there is every hope that the year 1941 will yet go down in history as the year of the great liberation."

He said that many peoples in Europe were groaning under the yoke of Nazi oppression but upon none does that yoke weigh so heavily and so cruelly as on the Jewish people.

"Therefore, to do what we can to aid them has become an integral part of the larger struggle to which we have already committed ourselves," he told the conference.

He said that the Jewish national home must be safeguarded, and endorsed the proposed establishment of a Jewish State in Palestine. He scored as "appeasement policies" the restrictive regulations in force there.

McNutt Backs Palestine Home

Mr. McNutt paid tribute to the achievements of Jewish settlers in Palestine and called for widespread support of the appeal for funds to enable them "to render new practical and symbolic service to the world."

The ideals underlying the reconstruction of the Jewish national home are shared by the people of the Netherlands, Denmark, Belgium, Norway, Poland and France, he said, and "most of all, they are identical with the ideals embodied in our own Constitution."

"Palestine is 5,000 miles away

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Palestine Appeal Backs Aid Policy

The National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, meeting in Washington with many Cleveland members in attendance, yesterday voted unqualified indorsement and complete support to the United States' policy of "extending maximum aid to Great Britain and her allies."

Rabbi A. H. Silver of the Temple, Cleveland, elected national chairman of the appeal's $12,000,000 war emergency campaign, urged the 5,000,000 Jews of the nation to place themselves on a "war footing."

The conference, which was addressed by Congressman John W. McCormick (D.) of Massachusetts, majority leader of the House, and Paul V. McNutt, federal security administrator, called upon Great Britain to rescind the restrictions on the Jewish development of Palestine.

"Though 1940 will go down as the year of the great enslavement," McCormack said in his address, "there is every hope that the year 1941 will yet go down in history as the year of the great liberation."

McNutt told the conference that the assault upon Jews in conquered nations was merely the opening wedge in the greater assault upon civilization itself and said the Palestine Appeal was part of the nation's defense effort "and fortifies the American tradition of freedom."

White Paper Policy Assailed

The conference expressed "profound regret that notwithstanding the change in government and policy in the United Kingdom with the advent of Winston Churchill as Prime Minister, the White Paper policy, with its restriction on Jewish immigration and land purchase, still is being adhered to by the Palestine Administration."

"This conference gives its unqualified endorsement and complete support to the policy established and pursued by the Government of the United States of extending aid to Great Britain and its Allies in their struggle to insure the survival of democracy, freedom and justice throughout the world," the resolution declared.

"The conference expresses the hope that the victory of the Allied cause will vindicate and permanently establish the principles of individual and national freedom, equality and importance, and, accordingly, that on the termination of the war will result in:

"(a) Equal individual and group rights for Jews in all countries where they reside, and the eradication of all racial, religious and national discrimination in any form;

"(b) The establishment of Palestine as a Jewish commonwealth.

"The conference declares its belief that, in the conditions which will prevail in post-war Europe, Jewry will be faced with the task of finding a home for large masses of Jews from Central and Eastern Europe and that it is their deep conviction, proved by past experience, that only by large-scale colonization of these Jews in Palestine, with the aim of its reconstitution as a Jewish commonwealth, can the Jewish problem be permanently solved."

from us, but it is near to our hearts because it stands for human liberty.

"It is a cause all can support, not as Zionists, not as Jews, not even as Americans, but as freedom-loving men and women."

Reviewing the scope and variety of Jewish Palestine's war record, Dr. Bernard Joseph, legal adviser of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, told of the voluntary registration for national service of all Jews between the ages of 18 and 50 and said that over 136,000 men and women had come forward to put their services unconditionally at the disposal of the authorities.

Supplied Men to Britain

"Before long the British Army began to call on us to make good our offer and I am pleased to say that we have done so, we have given the British authorities all the men they have been ready to take," Dr. Joseph went on.

"In all, by now, close to 8,000 Jews in Palestine have enlisted for service with the British forces. Some 1500 of them are in the Royal Air Force. Most of these men are serving in Egypt. Some are serving in Greece and only three weeks ago British Air Marshall D'Albiac praised the bravery of these men serving under his command in that country.

"Close to 900 are serving in the defense of Palestine in four exclusively and distinctively Jewish infantry companies, known as the Buffs.

"Some 1,600 are enlisted in the various technical services, such as the Royal Engineers, the Royal Army Service Corps, in which there is one complete Jewish transport company, and the Royal Corps of Signals.

"Over 2,500 are serving in the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps. One of the companies of this corps from Palestine served with distinction in France before the downfall of that country and were among the last to be evacuated, leaving St. Malo at the same time as the memorable British withdrawal at Dunkerque.

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"There are smaller numbers serving in the Royal Artillery and some 400 have been formed into a Jewish company of stevedores and lightermen to assist in handling army supplies in Near East ports."

He added that the war contribution of the Jews in Palestine in the field of industry was no less remarkable.

Tonight's concluding dinner also was addressed by Henry Monsky, president of B'nai B'rith, and Dr. Nahum Goldmann, former representative of the Jewish Agency for Palestine at Geneva.

Speakers at other sessions included Representative Herman P. Koppleman of Connecticut, Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the Jewish Fund of America; Judge Morris Rothenburg of New York, co-chairman of the United Palestine Appeal; Mrs. David de Sola Pool, president of Hadassah; Rabbi Irving Miller of Far Rockaway, L. I., and Gustave L. Goldstein of Los Angeles.

The national conference elected Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland to serve as national chairman of the 1941 United Palestine Appeal.

Other officers elected were Professor Albert Einstein, Governor Lehman, Judge Julian W. Mack, Henry Monsky, Nathan Straus and Henrietta Szold, honorary chairmen; Dr. Stephen S. Wise, chairman of the administrative committee; Louis Lipsky, chairman of the executive committee; Dr. Solomon Goldman of Chicago; Dr. Israel Goldstein, Edmund I. Kaufman of Washington and Judge Morris Rothenberg, national co-chairman; Charles M. Rosenbloom of Pittsburgh, treasurer, and Abraham L. Liebovitz and Jacob Sincoff, associate treasurers.

Prior to the opening of the plenary session a conference of national youth organizations was held at which Jewish youth established a national youth division of the United Palestine Appeal to enlist the support of young men and women for the campaign.

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Wanted—An American Zionist Congress

THE National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Washington brought the claims of Palestine and its needs impressively before the American public. It did well in stressing the indubitable fact that the defense of the Palestinian *yishub* and its advancement is part of the universal struggle for democracy. The words of Paul V. McNutt, Federal Security Administrator, on this subject should be dinned into the ears of some of our American Jewish isolationists, who always stress local needs when Palestine is spoken of: "Palestine is five thousand miles away from us, but it is near to our hearts because it stands for human liberty. It is a cause which knows no geographic boundaries, no racial nor religious distinctions. Therefore, I see no divided loyalty or hyphenated Americanism in your support of Palestine. It is a cause all can support, not as Zionists, not as Jews, not even as Americans, but as freedom-loving men and women." The detailed description of what the *yishub* is doing to aid the prosecution of the war on the side of Great Britain, which was rendered by Dr. Bernard Joseph, the Legal Adviser of the Jewish Agency, should convince American Jews that aid to Palestine is in line with the American policy of all-out aid for Great Britain as necessary to the defense of America. The Conference was a success and reflects credit on the leadership of Rabbi Silver and those associated with him in the conduct of the United Palestine Appeal.

But, with all that, the question intrudes, whether the arrangement of such a conference should have been the task of a fund raising committee. The importance of the issues discussed, the political character of many of the resolutions adopted—and, be it noted, we approve of the resolutions adopted—suggest that the conference should have been called by a policy-making body of the Zionist movement, rather than by the administrative machinery of a fund-raising campaign. The effect, though doubtless not the intent, of convening the Conference under present auspices is to obscure the importance of the permanent Zionist organizations and lessen somewhat the prestige of their leadership. Indeed, it causes considerable confusion in the minds of Zionists as to the respective functions of the Z.O.A. Convention and the U.P.A. Conference.

The question may, however, be asked, "What Zionist organization?" The Zionist Organization of America is not the only Zionist organization interested in promoting the United Palestine Appeal; there are Mizrahi, Poale Zion, Hadassah, the various Zionist youth groups, fraternal organizations, etc. That is true; but, if no sufficiently comprehensive organization of Zionists exists in America, it should be created. In view of the tremendous augmentation of the responsibility of American Zionists for the Zionist movement on account of the destruction of European Jewries and the shifting to America of the active forces of Jewish life in the diaspora, there is need for an American Zionist Congress. Such a Congress should be the main policy making body on all issues in which every branch of the Zionist movement in America is equally interested.

The one possible objection to turning over responsibility for Palestine fund raising to such a Congress might be that there are many non-Zionists among the contributors to the U.P.A., who should

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be permitted and encouraged to take part in such conferences. This includes not only individuals but such important national organizations as the various rabbinic and congregational bodies. We are confident, however, that those organizations and individuals who are interested in advancing a Jewish Palestine would be just as willing to participate on the invitation of an American Zionist Congress as on the invitation of a United Palestine Campaign Committee.

This is something for Zionists to think about and to act upon between now and the next U.P.A. Conference. In the meantime, our slogan must be: "All out for the U.P.A."

Whither the American Jewish Committee?

THE American Jewish Committee, whether one agrees with its general policy or not, must be reckoned with as one of the most important communal agencies of American Jewish life, engaged in the defense of Jewish rights. Its annual meetings are, therefore, events in the making of American Jewish history.

Especially this year's meeting, on January 12th, was one of unusual importance because it had to elect a president to succeed the lamented Cyrus Adler. Under the leadership of Dr. Adler, the American Jewish Committee was guided by a man whose life was devoted to the perpetuation and advancement of Judaism, and who, though not a Zionist, could be depended upon to take a deep interest, not only in insuring the survival of the Jewish people, but in maintaining the dignity and the sanctity of the Jewish way of life. His opposition to political Zionism was never motivated by opposition to the Zionist objectives of insuring the future of the Jewish people and rehabilitating Palestine as a cultural center for all Jewry.

Those to whom the survival of Jewish group life in America is a vital issue cannot but watch with grave concern the activities of the American Jewish Com

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די ארץ־ישראל קאנפערענץ אין וואשינגטאן האט זיך אייגנעצייגענט מיט דער באגייסטערונג פון דעם עולם דערוואכטן, וואס איז זעקסמאל פון אלע זיינקלדער פון דעם לאנד, אין מיט דעם קאמף־רוף פון דר. אבא הלל סילווער, וואס מיר ווייטער אויפשטורעמען דאס גאנצע לאנד.

מ'קען שוין איצט זאגען, אז א דאנק דער ארץ־ישראל קאנפערענץ וויסט אין יונגדעמער שטעט אין שטעלונג פון די פאראיינטע שטאטען גלייך אנגעוויבען ווירקן א פיבערהאפטע מעטינקייט צי שאפען די צוזעלקע מיליאן דאלאר, וואס ווינען גוימיג צו דערקלערן דעם ארץ־ישראל בודושעט.

די דעלעגאטען, וואס ווינען נעקומען קיין וואשינגטאן איף רוף פון דעם פאראיינטען ציין טפיל, ווינען הקכסם פערפנט ארטליכע מעגשען. ווי ווינען די פידער אין ווירקי אייגענע קהילות; אין ווען זיי האבען נעקענט ווייר באגייסטערט ווערם אויפצושטורעמען ווייטערע נעמיינדעס, בין זייערע קוואטעס ווילען דערפילט ווערען, קאן מען זיך פולשטענדיג פארלאזען אויף זיי. מען קאן זיך שוין ריכטען אויף א מיכטיגען קאמפיין, וואס ווען גיט אויסלאזען קיין אייגענע שטאם אין קיין אינצינגען אידען אין די פאראיינגטע שטאטען. די פולע מאבילויזאציע פון אלע ציוניסטישע כוחות איז שוין אין נאנג, אין עם וועם זיך אלין שום טפק ארויסווייזען, אז די ציוניסטישע קראפט אין אמעריקא, ווען זי שטרענגט זיך אין צו טאן אלץ, וואס זי קאן נאר. איז א סך שטארקער ווי פריינט אין קעגנער האבען נעגלויבט ביז איצט.

אן די דאוויג מאבילויזאציע ווען זיך נים כאגיין אהן אן אפענעם קאמף מיט די אנטי־ציוניסטישע עלעמענטען, ווערם קלאר פון דר. אבא הלל סילווערס מלחמה־רוף צו אלע אידען אין אמעריקע. דער קומען פון זיך אליין. ער איז נעקומען צוליב דעם, ווייל די אנטי־ציונישע עלעמענטען האבען זיך נעשטעלט קעגען די לעבענס־אינטערעסען פון דער אידישער נאציאנאלער היים. כדי צו פארטיידיגען די דאוויג לעבענס־אינטערעסען מוז נעפירט ווערען אן אגרעסיווער קאמף מצד אלע נאציאנאלע אידישע כוחות אין אמעריקע.

דער בישפיל, וואס דר. סילווער האט נעבראכט מיט דעם פראיעקט אין סאן דאמינגא, וואס האט שיין נעקראנגען צען מאל אזוי פיל פובליסיטי ווי די פינף הונדערט טויזענט אידען אין ארץ ישראל, איז באמת א גלענצענדער. די ניט־ציוניסטען מיגען אלץ אין זייער כוחות אפצוצייהען די אייפערקואמקייט פון דער וועלט פון ארץ־ישראל. ביי זיי איז דאכט „אייפציבטען" דעם קאלאניזאציע־פלאן אין סאן דאמינגא, וואס האט דערווייל נעליידט די פראקטישען פון ווינציגער וויי דרייי הונדערט פלוטטינגע, אין פראקטישען אים פאר א קאלאלאנד אין ארץ־ישראל. די דאוויג אפצוהונג פון אויפערקואמקייט זיי קיים אין די מיטלען איף פאליאטיווען, בשעת די רעדיקאלע ארין־ישראל לייזונג ווערט אין נאנצען פארנאכלעסיגט, איז די הויפט־טפק קעמפט ווערן איבער דער לענג אין ברייט פון די פאראיינגטע שטאטען.

וואס אנבאלאנגט דר. סילווערן גופא, האט ער זיך ארויסגעווויזען איף דער קאנפערענץ צו זיין דער קעמפערישער פירער ניט בלויז פון דעם פאראיינגטען ציון אפיל, נאר פון דעם נאנצען אמעריקאנער ציונים. אין א ציים, ווען מ'האט ניט נעהערט קיין אייניג וואדט פון דעם איצטיגען פרעזידענט פון דער ציונים־טישער ארגאניזאציע אין אמעריקא, איז דר. סילווער אויסגעוואקסען ווי א וואדט־פירער פון דער נאנצער ציונים־טישער באוועגונג אין די פאראיינגטע שטאטען.

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The UPA Conference

At the many meetings and conferences, national and local, which it has been my good fortune to attend in the past few years, I have seldom been able to observe a spirit of alertness and deep understanding of the tasks confronting the American Jewish Community. Our communities and their leaders were seeking a way of life, but were not able to ascertain the direction in which they should travel.

For this state of affairs, Zionists share the blame. In order to maintain "Shalom" and "Achdut" in the American Jewish community, Zionists forgot that they strive for "Auto Emancipation," that every Jew has a share in Palestine, that positions of leadership in the communities must be held by "Jewish" Jews. In order to raise "more" money, Zionists forgot the essence of Zionism, and the fund-raising work for Palestine was becoming another philanthropic endeavor. The final step in this process of severing the bond between living Palestine and the Jewish community in America was taken when we borrowed evening clothes and became "Junior Partners" of the United Jewish Appeal.

New Vigor in Washington

The Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Washington made me regain my self-respect as a Zionist. At long last, Zionists of all types, leaders and rank and file, were united in their determination to regain for Palestine the primacy in Jewish life.

Abba Hillel Silver presented the case for Palestine with unsurpassed skill. He wove a spell over the delegates which will long be remembered. The conference was enhanced by Dr. Bernard Joseph's uncensored, vivid description of recent happenings in Palestine. Representatives of Jewish communities throughout the country and leaders of all Zionist groups were united in pledging their full support for Palestine, and thereby invigorating American Jewry through its contact with Eretz Yisrael.

The Part of Labor Zionism

One problem bothered me. In the assembly room and in the halls, I saw many leading members of the Labor Zionist movement, but their contribution to the proceedings was meager. How come that the movement which is most aware of its obligations to Palestine and to Jewish life everywhere was not in the forefront? Is it because the Labor Zionists were not able to raise sufficiently large sums for the United Palestine Appeal? If this is the reason, is this not in direct contradiction to the emphasis on democracy in Jewish life about which so much was spoken? Or is the cause more fundamental, involving the entire question of Zionist organization in this country?

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UPA Conference Denounces Appeasement Demands Palestine as Jewish Commonwealth

"American Jewry has not yet placed itself on a war footing, as have other people who are determined to survive this murderous age and remain free," said Dr. Abba Hillel Silver at the opening of the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, held in Washington on Jan. 25-26. "We must grasp the cold hard fact that the Jews of the world are at war," that the UPA is our "all-out aid to Palestine."

Palestine Leader Brings Uncensored Report

DR. BERNARD JOSEPH, legal adviser to the Jewish Agency, ("the Attorney General of Jewish Palestine"), is only thirty-eight. A native of Montreal, he first came to Palestine as a sergeant-major of the Jewish Legion in the last war and saw action in its conquest from the Turks. He got his education at McGill University in Montreal and at the University of London. When he returned to Palestine, he became one of the country's leading lawyers. He first achieved prominence in world Zionism for his testimony before the Peel Royal Commission.

Instead of recognition and support for the extraordinary role of Palestine in the present crisis—as a refugee center and as our chief hope for the future—the "philanthropic potentates and their professional henchmen" have been steadily cutting the share of the UPA in the United Appeal, Dr. Silver stated. In 1937, the share of the UPA was $4,000,000 out of a total of $16,200,000 raised. Last year it was $2,900,000 out of $14,050,000.

The feature of the Conference was the report on Palestine, given by Dr. Bernard Joseph, legal adviser to the Jewish Agency. He denounced the Palestine Civil Administration which is still operating under a Chamberlain policy. "The news that appeasement is ended," he said, "has not yet reached the Palestine officials."

Other speakers also decried the British policy in Palestine. Congressman J. W. McCormack, House Majority leader, said that "appeasement in Jerusalem is no less wrong than appeasement in Munich."

The Conference ratified the decision of the UPA administration to conduct an independent Palestine campaign this year, with $12,000,000 as the goal. In the political resolutions, while pledging full support of the British war effort, it denounced the White Paper policy, and demanded the setting up of Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth.

Youth Division Established

At a special Youth Session, the UPA Youth Division was set up, to conduct the Palestine Campaign among Zionist, as well as Non-Zionist, youth. David Breslau, Mazkir of Habonim, is on the Executive Committee of the UPA Youth Division.

At about the same time, the Zionist Organization of Canada held its Convention in Montreal. In its resolutions the Convention demanded the creation of a Jewish military unit to aid Britain and called for the abolition of the White Paper policy as regards Jewish immigration and land buying. The Convention urged that Palestine be established as a Jewish Commonwealth within the British Commonwealth of Nations.

The Youth Session

In contradistinction to the Conference, the Youth session was drab and colorless. Few young people were present, the discussions were uninspired and uninspiring. The philanthropic approach to Jewish life, missing from the sessions of the elders, was very much in evidence. This may have been a result of poor planning, but my feeling was that the situation is the natural result of the disorganization of American Zionist youth.

The Youth Division of the UPA, which was formed at the conference, has a Herculean task to perform. First, it must awaken organized Zionist youth to an understanding of its responsibilities and to an understanding of Zionism itself; and second, it must assume the burden of educating the masses of Jewish youth for an appreciation of the values inherent in the upbuilding of Palestine.

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In Quest of Harmony

UT of the welter of frayed feelings engendered by the dissolution of the United Jewish Appeal there arose a ful note last Sunday at the annual ing of the Tri-State area. The dele- s came together under ominous cir- stances, for they were faced with the at of a cleavage similar to that which rced the national agencies one from ther. Smoldering differences were ex- ed to flame up suddenly and consume olidarity upon which Tri-State had ctioned for so many years.

o such misfortune occurred, however. e delegates proceeded with commend- e dispatch to determine by unanimous e upon a joint campaign in this vicin- This decision not only eliminated the ish necessity of separate drives, but lso insured some semblance of unity the 1941 efforts among the various mmunities.

The equally important matter of allo- on of funds was not so readily decided haps because of the emotionalism of delegates themselves and the extra- inary freedom allowed by the chair- n for repetitious discussion. But when percentages of 42½ for the J.D.C., for the U.P.A. and 15 for the N.R.S. e finally agreed upon, the delegates that they had done a full afternoon's k.

nd to this observer they had. For y, at least, had effected an arrange- nt that they could submit with impun- to their constituents back home who e doubtless as fearful as they that the ism among the national agencies might k an irreparable hardship on all fund- ing endeavors throughout the country. e Tri-State conference had sought har- ny and, after a fashion, found it.

Whether or not the allocation plan is nd the ensuing months will determine. jections are bound to be raised here there, for mathematical limitations ariably provoke some disagreement. t it is hoped that our local Jewry will ept the conclusions reached with dig- y and good taste. Personal feelings uld be subordinated to the larger is- s of saving and repairing human souls.

f the spirit of compromise and coop- tion can overcome the blind jealousies ich too many of our national leaders e regrettably displayed, the 1941 drive l be a happier adventure than was ginally contemplated as this calendar ar broke upon the horizon.

But in these trying times it is so easy r men to be mice.

אין דער זעלבער צייט מוז מען זיך
העכערען מיט דעם כח צו טאן שאדען.
כ'אין שוין נעזוגן א שווערע אנקלא-
גע אויף די פילאנטראפישע אידען
וואס קיינער פון זייערע פארשטעהער
איז נישט געקומען צו דער אסיפה,
נישט אפילו די ניט־ציוניסטישע מיט-
גלידער פון דער אידישער אגענטור.
אין דער זעלבער צייט דארף מען מיט
ציפרידענהייט פארצייכענען, אז דער
פרעזידענט פון ארדען בני ברית, מר.
העגרי מאנסקי, איז נישט נאר נעווען,
נאר האט אויך געהאלטען א ווארימע
רעדע, פארשטעהט זיך, אז די פאר-
טרעטער פון די אנדערע אידישע אר-
דענס, וואס באשטעהען אויסשליס-
ליך פון מזרח־אידען, זיינען אויך נע-
ווען אויף דער פארזאמלונג.

וועט עס קומען צו אן אפענעם
קאמף צווישען ארץ ישראל און דעם
"דושאינס"? כ'אין נאדנישט נוי-
טיג, כאטש די לאגע איז אן ערנסטע.
דער ווייטינגסטער "פראנט", וואו בוי-
דענ'ם טענות און תביעות דארפען
אויסגעהערט ווערען, זיינען די "וועלט-
פייר טשעסטס" אין עטליכע הונדערט
שטעדט פון אמעריקע. בויידע צדדים
מוזען עוועגטועל קומען צו די פאר-
שטעהער פון די דאזיגע "טשעסטס",
אויסער אין א פאר שטעדט, אין דאס
בען זייער "דין תורה".

דאס קען נעשעהן אויף א ווירדינען
אופן, וועו דער אנדערער צד זאל
כאטש צוגעבען דעם פאלעסטאי-
אפיעל דאס רעכט פארצוליינען זיין
"קעיס" אונגעשטערט פאר יערען פון
די "וועלפייר טשעסטס".

צום באדויערען הערט זיך, אז דער
צד שכנגד מאכט שוין מאנעווריעס צו
פארשליסען די טויערען פון די דאזי-
גע פאנדס פאר זעלבסטשטענדיגע
באשלוסען. נראד אין דעם יאהר, וועו
עס הערשען אועלכע חילוקי דעות,
האט דער פרעזידענט פון דער פערע-
רייטאן אוו וועלפייר פאנדס, דר. האר-
לאנדער, פלוצים און אויף זיין אייג-
נעגער אחריות ארויסגעשיקט אן "אר-
קאו" צו די "טשעסטס". אז זיי זאלען
נישט מאכען קיין בודושעט בין זיי
וועלען ניט קריגען די רעקאמענדא-
ציעס פון דער פערעריישאן.

דאס האט א פנים ווי א פארזוך
צו שאפען א מין אויבערע דיקטאטור
פאר אלע צדקה פאנדען פון אמעריי-
קאנער אידענטום. דאס טאר ניט צו-
געלאזט ווערען, ווייל דאס איז קיינ-
מאל ניט נעווען צווישען די פונקציעס
און רעכטע פון דער פערעריישאן.

די זאך וועט מסתמא נעפינען אן
אפקלאנג אויף דער קאנפערענץ פון
דער פערעריישאן פון וועלפייר פאנדס
אין אטלאנטא, דושארדושיא, קומענ-
דען "וויק־ענד". אויב די "דיקטא-
טור" וועט דארטען דורכנעהן, דאן
וועט עס מוזען קומען צו א קאמף,
דאס קען זיין זעהר שרעליך. עס ווילט
זיך האפען, אז די דאזיגע פארזאמלונג
וועט נישט אינדארסירען דעם שער-
כטען שריט, וואס קען אויסבלאזען
פלאקער אין אמעריקאנער אי-
דענטום.

פון טאָג צו טאָג

דִי ארץ ישׂראל קאנפערענץ.
א פאר איינדרוקן.
די ניכטערע שטימונג.
וואס וועט איצט זיין?

פון י. פישמאן

די וואשינגטאנער קאנפערענץ פון יוניטעד פאלעסטאין אפיעל האט זיך דאס יאהר אויסגעצייכנט מיט איר־טיפען ערנסט און ניכטערקייט. די צאהל פון דעלעגאטען איז געווען גרעסער ווי ווען בעפאר, אבער איר־האט דא גיט געמיינקט קיין "הוראה" שטימונג.

די דעלעגאטען האבען געפיהלט דעם גרויסען אחריות פון דעם איצ־טיגען מאמענט. אויף יענער זייט ים פינף מיליאן אדער מעהר אונגליקלי־כע און געפאלאנטע אידען, וואס באַ־דען זיך אין א שווארצען ים פון צרות; און דא ביי אונז אין אמעריקע—אי־דען, וועמען ארץ ישׂראל געפעלט נישט אלס א אידישע היים, וועלכע וויל, באוואוסטזיניג אדער פארפיהרטע־הייט, אונטערגראבען דאס אייניציג לאנד, וואס ווייל און קען אויפנעהמען אונגליקליכע אידען אין די עטהנדלי־כע טויזענטער.

די דאזיגע שטימונג איז נעהאנגען ווי א שווערע כמארע איבער דער פאר־זאמלונג. דער פארדראס, פארוואס עס קענען זיך נעפינען אזעלכע אידען, איז נעווען אויסנעשפרייט איבער די קולוארען, וואו נאר א גרופקע דעלע־גאטען האט זיך פארזאמלט.

פאר א סך אין עס נעקומען ווי א בייזע עריואבונג, אז איצט, נאר צוואנציג יאהר מישות'דינג באווייזן וואס ארץ ישׂראל קען אויפטאן פאר־די נעטריבענע און פאגראמירטע אי־דען פון איראפע; אז איצט, 12 יאהר נאך דער "סאקרע אוניאן" (הייליגער אפמאך), וועלכע דער אונשטערבלי־כער לואי מארשאל האט פראקלא־מירט אין צוריק ביי דער גרינדונג פון דער "אידישער אגענטור" פון ציוניס־טען און ניט־ציוניסטען, — אז איצט זאלען די אידען פון אמעריקע באגע־נענען א נייעם ווידערשטאנד צו ארץ ישׂראל, א ווידערשטאנד וואס נעהט אויס צו די קעפ פון די פאגראמירטע אידען.

דערפאר האט נעפעהלט דער נע־וועהנליכער יובעל, וואס פלעגט כא־ראקטעריזירען די ארץ ישׂראל קאנ־וענשאנס אין פריהערינג יאהרען. דעם ארט פון יובעל האט פארנומען אן אייזערנע ענטשלאסענהייט דורכ־צופיהרען דעם ציעל וואס דער יוניי־טעד פאלעסטאין אפיעל האט אנגע־צייכענט פאר די אמעריקאנער אידען פאר דעם יאהר.

עקשנות פון דעם פראגמאטיזם
אראפצוועצען אין ישראל צו א מיר
דערווערטיגען סמטא.

איך בין נעקומען צו דער איבער-
צייגונג, אז פאקטן זיין די הערד אדער
זיין מויל פון אזא מאמר ווי ראבי
סילווער איז דער מחבר מאנדיאל.
ראבי סילווער'ס שרעקן זיין אפט
אונטערבראכען גמירתן דוד אפ-
לאדיסמענטען: דו ווייס דאס נישט
נעווארט פארלירט זיין איינציג
וואר. אבער ווען ס'האט נעמרגנט
האט אין זאאל ציטערבאכען אן
אוואציע, ווען האט נמאכט די באר-
קענס ציטערען. אין כ'אין נעווען
פארדינט.

מען דארף אבער נישט מייגען דער-
פון, אז די אנדערע רעדנער זיינען
נעווען וועניגער שפאנט און וויטץ-
ואס. ראבי איזראעל גאלדשטיין, דר.
נחום גאלדמאן, דר. מרנאד דושא-
וסקי, לואים ליפסקי ראבי מטוויען
ווייז און די צוויי נישאדישע נעסט,
דער פערדראלער כאטש סעקרעטיר
אדמיניסטראטאר פאר מעק'נאט און
קאנגרעסמאן מעק'קורמאק, דער פיר-
רער פון דער מעהרהייט אין הויז איז
רעפרעזענטאטיוון, האבען ידערר אויף
זיין שטיינער נעמאכט א טיפען אייג-
דרוק. איך האב זיך צו לענגער אפ-
נעשטעלט אויף ראבי סילווער'ס רע-
דע, ווייל זי איז דאך נעווען דאס
הארץ פון דער קאנווענשאן.

וואס די קאנווענשאן האט באשלא-
סען וויסען שוין די לייזער. זי האט
זיך פייערליך פארפליכטט צו מאכען
די גרעסטע אנשטרענגען צו שאפ-
פען די צוועלף מיליאן דאלאר, וואס
איז נויטיג פאר דעם בודזשעט פון
ארץ ישראל. זי האט זיך קלאר און
דייטליך ארויסנערעדט אר א "אידי-
שע קאמאנוועלטה" אין ארץ ישראל,
אר הילף צו ענגלאנד בין צום מאק-
סימום פונקט, נעמען דער אכערליי-
בעניש פון דעם דיסקרעדיטירטען
"וויים-בוך" אין ארץ ישראל א. א. ו.
דאס איז אלץ אנגענומען נעווארען
נאר א ניכטערער איבערליינונג און
די גרינדליכסטע אויפקלערונגען פון
אלע פאקטען, וואס איך האב וועלן בי-
נעווינט אויף עהנליכע אספיפות.

די פראגע, וואס יעדער איד שטעלט
מסתמא איצט, איז, ערשטנס: "וועט
מאקע נעשאפען ווערען די צוועלף מי-
ליאן דאלאר?" מען פרעגט אויך:
וועט עס קומען צו אפענע מלחמה
און ביטערע שטרייטיגקייטען אין דעם
קאמפיין, אדער צי וועלען די נעגער
ענדליך איינזעהן, אז ארץ ישראל קען
נישט ארויסנעריסען וועדען פון די
הערצער פון די אמעריקאנער אידן
מיט קיין דרוק אדער כאנטיטס?

דאס זייגען פראגען, וואס איך קען
אין דעם מאמענט נישט ענטפערן
דען. איך האב שוין אין א פריהערי-
גען קאלום אויסנעדריקט מין מיינונג
אז צוועלף מיליאן דאלאר זיין אמת
דיקאנער אידענטום איז א מאנ נאר
שיידענע סומע. וועז דער הויפטגרונד
ליבער אמעריקאנער איד זאל נעבן
בעז אויף ארץ ישראל אזוי פיל נעלד
דער זיד-אמעריקאנער איד, וועלכער די
סומע אנגעטראפען דאפעלט: 24 מי-
ליאן דאלאר. ווייל דער דורכשניטס-
בער זיד-אמעריקאנער איד גיט א מאל
(אאר דער מלחמה פינאנ דאלאר אין
איצט פיעור) פאר יערעז נפש, נעמ
צוועלף מיליאן דאלאר פאר דעם דיק-
דיקאנער אידענטום מאכט אלם נישט
דרימהאלבען דאלאר פרא פערזאן.

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PHILANTHROPY vs. STATESMANSHIP

ABBA HILLEL SILVER*

AMERICAN JEWRY HAS NOT YET PLACED ITSELF on a war footing, as have other peoples who are determined to survive in this murderous age and to remain free. It has not yet prepared itself psychologically for large-scale sacrifices, for a totally different scale of giving. It has not yet seen the wisdom of raising a War Chest instead of merely stepping up its philanthropy a degree or two. We praise and admire the Greeks and the English for the manner in which they have poured out and are pouring out their total resources of material wealth and manpower into their struggles for national survival. These peoples are impoverishing themselves for generations to come in order to guarantee freedom to the generations to come. But as far as we ourselves are concerned, we are still spending relatively small sums of money for the millions of our war casualties and for our national survival, and many Jews deprecate even that little. The very Jews who applaud and urge the United States to send maximum aid to Great Britain are furious when, for example, we urge upon American Jews to send maximum aid to Palestine.

American Jews, in the main, have not yet grasped the cold, hard fact that the Jews of the world are at war, that a war of extermination has been declared against them, that they have been at war now for eight years, that they have already been defeated and broken in more than ten countries of Europe, that organized Jewish community life has ceased to exist on the continent of Europe, that our casualties in slain, suicides, prisoners in concentration camps, helots in conquered lands, and refugees and exiles, are now more than five million, that the Satanic force which has brought this unprecedented disaster upon Israel is still triumphantly marching on, and that his victorious march menaces every surviving Jewish community in the world even as it endangers every surviving democratic country in the world.

But whereas the democratic countries are everywhere converting themselves into arsenals, drastically reorganizing their economic structures to meet the oncoming menace, and are taxing their people to the very bone, the Jews of America, the sole remaining free Jewish community in the world which is not warbound, are still hoping to meet the colossal wartime emergencies of their people, the grave problems of relief, defense and national survival, with slightly increased doses of traditional philanthropy.

Thus when the Joint Distribution Committee calls for a million dollars a month to care for the Jewish victims of war, invasion and unparalleled persecution, it is met on the one hand with the cry: "You can't use that much money! There is no outlet for such expenditures," and on the other hand, with the cry: "The problem is so vast as to be beyond the reach of anything which we can ever hope to do about it."

When the United Palestine Appeal announces a $12,000,000 goal for 1941, many Jews,—especially among our philanthropic potentates and some of their henchmen among the professional social workers, and even among some of the leaders of the J. D. C. who are themselves subjected to the same kind of criticism and skepticism and should know better than to raise the cry: "What! $12,000,000; why, you received only $3,000,000 in 1940! It is preposterous to ask for such sums!" As if $3,000,000 is all we could have used last year or in any previous year!

THINK WHAT PALESTINE would be today if in the years immediately following the last war, American Jewish communities and elsewhere had actually seized the historic opportunity which was offered to our people and had zealously and with true statesmanship devoted themselves to the upbuilding of a Jewish National Home in Palestine when conditions were much more favorable, when no political difficulties existed, and when land purchases and immigration were unrestricted. By 1933 the Jewish Homeland might have been an accomplished fact. Palestine would have been prepared to absorb the total number of Jewish refugees who were forced to flee from European lands in the last seven years. As it is, under much less favorable conditions it absorbed more than half of them.

But the Jews of America and elsewhere chose rather to listen to their omniscient and infallible philanthropic mentors who counselled them to give all aid to the Jewries of Eastern and Central Europe, but only a pittance to the "visionary" project of impractical idealists in Palestine. One must be realistic, they argued—and what greater realist in the world is there than a successful Jewish banker or broker, and who can question his unerring judgment? In Eastern Europe there are millions of Jews in distress, they argued. In Palestine only a handful. Why should land be bought in Palestine and why should colonies be established there when there were so many hungry men and women in Poland and Rumania? American Jewish philanthropy should devote itself almost entirely to feed these people, to reconstruct their economic life, to establish loan *kassas* for them, and then all would be well. This was the way to solve the Jewish problem! A Jewish Homeland to give political status to a nationally homeless people and to provide an ultimate refuge place for Jews from the

* Excerpt from address delivered by Dr. Silver at the National Conference for Palestine.

JOINT COMMITTEE PLANS REFUGEE AID

Hopes to Heal Breach With United Palestine Appeal and Hold Single Drive

ROOSEVELT PRAISES GROUP

Exchange Worked So Nazis Do Not Gain U. S. Dollars as Emigrants Leave

Faced with the ever-increasing problem of assisting European Jews both in their native countries and in transit to freedom via far-flung routes along which many have been stranded, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee held an extraordinary meeting at the Hotel Astor yesterday that will serve as a springboard for its 1941 campaign.

One thousand delegates from many parts of the country were encouraged by a message from President Roosevelt and speeches by Governor Lehman and former Premier Paul van Zeeland of Belgium. They welcomed as new chairman Edward M. M. Warburg, a son of the late Felix M. Warburg, and heard reports making only too plain the misery they will attempt to alleviate.

Discussion from the floor indicated a general hope that the new campaign might yet be merged with that of the United Palestine Appeal, as was the case in 1939 and 1940 when the two united in the United Jewish Appeal. But a resolution adopted with one "nay" declared that if the current mediation proposals fail the committee will have to proceed independently.

Leaders reiterated what had been explained at a dinner of the local unit Saturday night—that the bone of contention between the committee and the United Palestine Appeal was the extent to which the National Refugee Service was to share the funds raised. Floor speeches deploring the effect of the apparent disunity drew from the dais reassurances that both the committee and the service backed the proposal for mediation, and that it was now up to the United Palestine Appeal.

President Roosevelt's message said:

"I have long known of the distinguished record of your organization for widespread humanitarian service in behalf of the victims of war and persecution in many lands overseas. Because I know that millions of men, women and little children look to you for rescue, for food, for refuge and asylum, and for surcease from their overwhelming burdens, I am glad to convey to the extraordinary meeting of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee my best wishes for the success of its endeavors."

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Explains Exchange System

Both Governor Lehman and Joseph C. Hyman, executive vice chairman of the committee, emphasized that it functions in Germany without giving the Nazi government the benefit of United States dollar exchange. Exactly how the system works was shown in an article by Mr. Warburg for The National Jewish Monthly for February, made available at the meeting in leaflet form.

The explanation, regarded as extremely important in view of the many potential donors reluctant to benefit Hitlerian economy, follows:

"During a given month, the J. D. C.'s Budget Committee in New York decides to appropriate, say, $35,000 for work in Old Germany. The local committee in Old Germany, known as the Reichsvereinigung der Juden in Deutschland, is informed of this appropriation. Knowing that the average passage cost is $250, the Reichsvereinigung is aware that 140 people will be able to emigrate during the month through the $35,000 appropriation. It summons the next 140 persons on its emigration lists. Experience has shown that the Reichsvereinigung can secure an average of 10 marks to the dollar through the clearance arrangement. This means that for $35,000 it can secure 350,000 Reichsmarks, which represents a per capita of 2,500 Reichsmarks for each of the 140 emigrants. This does not mean that an emigrant who does not possess 2,500 Reichsmarks is deprived of his opportunity to leave, but it does mean that emigrants who still have a large supply of Reichsmarks left are asked to put up 6,000 or 8,000 or 10,000 Reichsmarks, in order to provide emigration opportunities for their poorer brethren.

Tickets Bought Here

"Having lined up 140 emigrants possessed of the necessary visas and emigration papers, the Reichsvereinigung cables the J. D. C. in New York a list of their names and destinations, and instructs it to pay out a total of $35,000 to the steamship companies with which passages have been booked. This is done. When the emigrant, having left Germany, arrives at his port of embarkation, he finds a paid-up steamship ticket awaiting him. Thus the J. D. C.'s dollars have never entered Germany, but have been paid to an American or Spanish or Japanese or Portuguese steamship line.

"In the meantime, what happens to the 350,000 marks? They are used by the Reichsvereinigung to finance welfare aid to over 20 per cent of the Jewish population remaining in Old Germany, the schooling of 8,000 Jewish children debarred from the public schools, the maintenance of 122 homes for the aged, the conducting of hundreds of vocational retraining courses, and a number of other social and welfare services which the Reichsvereinigung performs in Old Germany just as does the Israelitische Kultusgemeinde in Vienna, or the analogous local committee in Prague or in Bratislava.

"It should be pointed out that the figure of $35,000 in Old Germany is illustrative only; actually, $1,185,000 was cleared in this manner for work in the countries of Greater Germany during 1940. A modification of this system is employed for remittances to Poland."

Governor Lehman asserted also the committee's program would include nothing that would serve "in the remotest way to weaken the British blockade of continental Europe."

Mr. van Zeeland, who is now devoting himself to work for his fellow-exiles, declared that the "refugee of good-will" created more wealth than he consumed and was not a liability but an asset.

Mr. Warburg, who is 33 years old, succeeds Paul Baerwald, who becomes honorary chairman.

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Edward M. M. Warburg, of New York, chairman of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc., (left) and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, are shown after signing an agreement reconstituting the United Jewish Appeal as the fund-raising instrument for the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal, and the National Refugee Service, Inc., for 1941.

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EDWARD M. M. WARBURG of New York, chairman of the J.D.C. (left), and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national U.P.A. chairman, are shown in photo below after signing agreement reconstituting the United Jewish Appeal last week as the fund-raising instrument for the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service. Deal was made at U.J.A. offices, 342 Madison Ave., New York.

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Hitler Can't Break Spirit Of Jews, Says Rabbi Silver

Noted Visitor Will Discuss 1941 Plans of United Jewish Appeal in Citywide Meeting

By BUD COLEGROVE

If Hitler would fire his astrologers and hire a good historian or two, he might learn how correct was a great national Jewish leader who said Tuesday in Houston:

"This persecution cannot break the spirit of our race."

Speaking was Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland—author, humanitarian, rabbi of the largest liberal synagogue in America, and national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

"I am citing history, you understand," he said. "History tells how we Jews have been persecuted before.

"We are still here. Our spirit is the same."

Dr. Silver flew to Houston from Cleveland Monday to speak twice in this city before journeying to the Pacific Coast. His tour is for the purpose of explaining and outlining the needs of the United Jewish Appeal.

THREE COMBINED

Tuesday night, Dr. Silver will speak to a city-wide meeting of the Jewish community in Temple Beth Israel. He will discuss the 1941 campaign, which officially opens March 17. The meeting will start at 8 p.m.

The United Jewish Appeal is a combination of three agencies—the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service.

The first group is for the distribution of aid to Jews in Nazi-Dominated lands, the second is to raise funds for Palestine and the third to relieve the suffering of refugees in all parts of the world.

RACE IS SCATTERED

"Our race is scattered to the earth's four corners," Dr. Silver said.

"In miserable circumstances, the refugees exist in Shanghai, Lisbon, Poland, England, unoccupied France—everywhere.

"They live from day to day. There is no future for them. Their needs are greater than at any time in modern history.

Persecution in Germany and Poland, some Jews escaped to the Lowlands and France. With the invasion of the Lowlands came the time to move on. Uprooted again, they migrated. Some came westward. Others

Press Photo

DR. ABBA HILLET SILVER
. . . "Our spriit is the same."

groups in the past two years, the United Jewish Appeal has set of $23,000,000 goal for the single year of 1941, he explained.

Sympathy for other races last year resulted in the Jewish organization giving $500,000 to Catholic relief and $500,000 to Protestant relief groups, Dr. Silver said.

READY FOR SERVICE

That unbreakable spirit of the Jews is manifesting itself in Palestine, where 8000 young Jews have joined the British forces, and 40,000 stand ready to serve, Dr. Silver divulged.

"Many of our youths have seen action on the Middle East front,

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Plane Grounded; Silver Here Tonight Instegd

Undeterred by sudden cancellation of the Wednesday night meeting plans owing to delay in Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver's arrival here, arrangements have been completed to present the noted spiritual leader at Wilshire Blvd. Temple tonight. His topic will be "Democracy and the Jewish People."

Rabbi Silver, who was forced to come by train from Phoenix, Ariz., when weather conditions grounded all planes on Wednesday, arrived here Thursday morning for a series of conferences in connection with the newly-reconstituted United Jewish Appeal, of which he again is national co-chairman.

Hundreds who came to hear him Wednesday night despite the pouring rain were informed of the changed arrangements and all indications are that there will be a capacity attendance at the temple tonight. Federal Judge Harry A. Hollzer, president, Jewish Community Council, will preside and Rabbi **Edgar F. Magnin** will introduce the visitor.

From the meeting is expected to come strong stimulus for the forthcoming 1941 United Jewish Welfare Fund drive here, one of the major beneficiaries of which will be the United Jewish Appeal, consolidated supporting agency of the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Emigre Service.

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VISIONS VICTORY—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, who predicts success for Britain.
Times photo

Rabbi Predicts Hitler's Doom

Chairman of National Appeal, on Visit Here, Says Evil Cannot Triumph

"Hitler is doomed to fall," declared Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, in an interview yesterday at the Ambassador.

"The amazing spirit of the English people under the leadership of Churchill, plus the aid that is coming from America, in increasing volume, together with the moral forces of the greater part of the world arrayed against Nazism," Dr. Silver said, "will spell the defeat of the madman of Europe.

"Hitler stands for a principle of evil which must be defeated if humanity is to have peace, decency and order. The universe is founded on order—material and spiritual order—and no tyrant can be strong enough to disturb that balance for long.

TO GIVE ADDRESS

"Those who attempt to circumvent God's law write their own epitaphs for humanity to read. The powers of right and truth are on the side of the democracies."

Dr. Silver, who will be heard in an address at the Wilshire Blvd. Temple at 8 p.m. today, is spiritual leader of The Temple at Cleveland, O. He is touring the United States to stimulate interest in the campaign to raise $25,000,000 to help the Jews of Palestine and Jewish and Christian refugees in other lands.

Out of the fund of $30,000,000 raised in the United States last year, $250,000 was given to American Catholics and Protestants to be used in assisting Christian refugees.

REFUGEES COUNTED

"Within the last eight years Palestine has taken in more than 280,000 refugees from Germany and from lands suffering from Nazi persecution," said Dr. Silver. "Today Palestine is one of the strategic points of Great Britain in her war against Nazi Germany.

"Palestine is raising food for the British armies and is helping Britain in an industrial way," said Dr. Silver. "Jewish engineers, chemists and technicians in various fields now are in charge of chemical laboratories, machine and repair shops at Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem. How long it will be until Hitler meets defeat no man can prophesy, but the powers of darkness and intolerance cannot long stand against the forces of righteousness that are mobilizing for their destruction."

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Seek $25,000,000 for Jewish Aid

To carry on its threefold program of aid to persecuted peoples, the United Jewish Appeal is this year seeking $25,000,000.

The figure was revealed here yesterday by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio, the organization's national chairman.

The program, as outlined by the visitor at the Ambassador Hotel, is to care as much as possible for refugees overseas, to aid in building and settling of the Palestine homeland, and to integrate into the life of the United States the Jewish refugees coming here.

Additionally, he stated, last year $250,000 was contributed out of the funds to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America and to the Catholic Church to aid them in their refugee problems.

MILLIONS NEED AID

Dr. Silver estimated that there are between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 Jewish refugees in Europe in dire need of assistance.

The work of relieving their distress is greatly hindered by "Hitler's resolve to exterminate the Jewish people," Dr. Silver said, but where it is permitted, as in Nazi-occupied Poland, food kitchens have been set up.

Such work is being done at Lublin, which the Nazis have made the big Polish Jewish concentration center, at Krakow, at Warsaw, "where 500,000 Jews are herded in a ghetto with an eight-foot wall all around it," and at other places, the Rabbi stated.

With assistance of the fund, he continued, 280,000 Jewish refugees have been settled in Palestine since Hitler's rise to power, establishing more than 275 colonies, mostly agricultural.

JEWISH SOLDIERS

Palestine is now an important middle eastern outpost in the European conflict, Dr. Silver pointed out, and it has furnished 8000 Jewish soldiers for the British army, with 40,000 more volunteered for service when needed.

He estimated that between 40,000 and 50,000 Jews admitted to this country under the quotas had been aided by the U. J. A. in New York.

DR. A. B. SILVER
Heads United Jewish Appeal
—Los Angeles Examiner photo

This problem, he added, has lessened considerably since the nation's improved economic condition has made employment easier to obtain.

Dr. Silver will speak at the Wilshire Boulevard Temple at 8 p. m. tonight. He leaves for San Francisco and the Northwest tomorrow.

B'nai B'rith Messenger

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Abba Hillel Silver Speaks Here Wednesday

What are the latest perspectives on the troubled world situation so far as the Jewish people are concerned?

How is Palestine faring in the Near East conflict?

What is the role of the Jewish people of America, and of Los Angeles, at this critical historic moment?

The answers to these major questions will be brought to Los Angeles next week by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, of Cleveland, O., national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and one of the foremost Jewish leaders of the nation.

Final arrangements were completed yesterday for a public mass meeting Wednesday night, March 12, at the Wilshire Blvd. Temple when Rabbi Silver will deliver an important address in his only public appearance here.

Announcement of plans for the mass meeting was made by Judge Harry A. Hollzer, president of the Los Angeles Jewish Community Council, who will preside. Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin will introduce the distinguished visitor.

Rabbi Silver is scheduled to arrive here Wednesday afternoon by air from Houston, Tex., and will be in town only until Friday, when he is to leave for San Jose. He is to be one of the featured participants in the 1941 Western States regional conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in that city March 15-16.

RABBI ABBA H. SILVER
U.P.A. National Chairman

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Rabbi Silver to Talk At Public Mass Meet

Definite plans for a Wilshire Blvd. Temple public mass meeting next Wednesday night, March 12, at which Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, will be the guest speaker, were announced yesterday.

Federal Judge Harry A. Hollzer, president of the Los Angeles Jewish Community Council, will serve as chairman of the gathering, and Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin will also speak.

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER
National Chairman of U.P.A.
To Address Meeting at
Wilshire Temple Wednesday

Rabbi Silver, one of the leading figures in American Jewish life, is scheduled to arrive in Los Angeles by air from Houston, Texas on Wednesday afternoon and plans to stay here only until Friday. From here he goes to San Jose where he will be one of the major participants in the annual Western States Regional Conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds March 15-16.

WARFARE IN NEAR EAST

While Rabbi Silver's topic is not a set one, it is understood he will give the mass meeting audience of more than 2,000 an up-to-the-minute picture of Palestine and how the Holy Land is bearing up in the Near East warfare.

In close touch with world affairs, the distinguished spiritual leader also will review the latest happenings on the international scene, outlining the role the Jewish people of all America and Los Angeles occupy at this historic period.

Next Wednesday night's mass meeting at Wilshire Blvd. Temple, to which there will be no admission charge, will be Rabbi Silver's only public appearance during his brief stay here.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 1941 11:00 A. M. . . . COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS SERVICES IN SAN JOSE
Sabbath service at Center, Temple Bickur Cholim. Guest Rabbis will participate.

7:00 P. M. . . . DINNER

OPENING CONFERENCE SESSION—HOTEL SAINTE CLAIRE—Main Dining Room

Presiding . . . . . James L. White, Salt Lake City, President, Western States Region, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

Invocation . . . . . Rabbi Jose L. Freund, San Jose, Temple Bickur Cholim.

Greetings . . . . . Alfred Richards, President, San Jose Jewish Federation and Community Council.

Foreword on Program . . Dr. Harold G. Trimble, Oakland, Chairman, Program Committee, 1941 Western States Regional Conference.

Subject . . . . . THE PROBLEM OF WORLD JEWRY IN A WAR ERA.
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio, Chairman, United Palestine Appeal.

SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 1941 9:30 A. M. to 12 [illegible] GENERAL SESSION

INFORMATION PLEASE—Room B, Auditorium

Chairman . . . . . Portland.

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10:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. . . . BUSINESS MEETING
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Chairman . . . . . BUDGET CLINIC—Room A, Auditorium
Seattle.

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1:00 P. M. . . . LUNCHEON . . . HOTEL SAINTE CLAIRE—Main Dining Room

Presiding . . . . . Lecturing J. Meltzer, Oakland, President, East Bay Inter-Faith Fellowship.

Invocation . . . . . Rabbi Theodore H. Gordon, Director, B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, U. C.

Subject . . . . . NATIONAL UNITY—THE AMERICAN WAY.

Speakers . . . . . G. Harold Caulfield, San Francisco, Member San Francisco Board of Education.
Dr. James Noble Pierce, San Francisco, Minister, First Congregational Church, San Francisco.
Rabbi Morris Goldstein, San Francisco, Temple Sherith Israel, San Francisco.

Budget Clinic Federation & Its Agencies
Refugee Problems
Jewish Education

3:00 to 5:30 P. M. . . . BUSINESS MEETING—Room A, Auditorium

BUDGET CLINIC
(Continuation from morning session)

Chairman . . . . . Walter S. Hilborn, Los Angeles.

3:00 to 5:30 P. M. . . . ROUND TABLE—Room E, Auditorium
THE FEDERATION AND ITS AGENCIES

Chairman . . . . . Ernest J. Sultan, San Francisco, President, Federation of Jewish Charities.

Subject . . . . . THE IMPACT OF CHANGING CONDITIONS UPON THE FEDERATIONS AND ITS AGENCIES.

a. Relief and Family Welfare Fields.

Discussion Leader . . . Richard Liebman, Oakland.

b. Child Care.

Discussion Leader . . . Richard Sloss, San Francisco.

c. Jewish Center.

Discussion Leader . . . Esmond Schapiro, San Francisco.

Summarizer . . . . Charles I. Schottland, Los Angeles.

3:00 to 5:30 P. M. . . . ROUND TABLE—Room G, Auditorium
JEWISH EDUCATION

Chairman . . . . . Herman A. Bachrack, Los Angeles.

Subjects . . . . . 1. Community planning for Jewish Education.
2. The Problem of Religious Education in the Public Schools.

Discussion Leaders . . . Peter M. Kahn, Los Angeles.
Gustave L. Goldstein, Los Angeles.
Rabbi William Stern, Oakland.
Rabbi Saul White, San Francisco.
Rabbi Samuel H. Gordon, Salt Lake City.
Rabbi Bernard Cohen, Los Angeles.

8:00 P. M. . . . GENERAL SESSION—Montgomery Theatre, Auditorium

Presiding . . . . . Judge I. M. Golden, San Francisco.

Title . . . . . CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS ON THE NATIONAL REFUGEE SCENE.

Speaker . . . . . William Rosenwald, Greenwich, President, National Refugee Service.

Title . . . . . OUR PEOPLE AT HOME.

Speaker . . . . . Lloyd W. Dinkelspiel, San Francisco, President, Pacific Coast Federation of Jewish Community Centers: Vice President, National Jewish Welfare Board.

10:15 P. M. . . . RECEPTION . . . HOTEL SAINTE CLAIRE—Silver Room

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 1941 9:15 A. M. to 12:15 P. M. . . . ROUND TABLE—Room B, Auditorium

REFUGEE PROBLEMS

Chairman . . . . . David Tannenbaum, Los Angeles, President, Federation of Jewish Welfare Organizations.

Discussion Leader . . . 1. Review of the National Refugee Program.
Dora Berres, Los Angeles.
a. Affidavits and change of status.
b. Extent and new channels of migration.

Budgeting Women's Groups
Annual Business Meeting

Discussion Leader . . . Arthur Fishzohn, Seattle.

c. Recent developments in the National Refugee Program.
(1) Resettlement.
(2) Retraining and Self-Support.

Discussion Leader . . . Samuel Ladar, San Francisco.

d. Public relations.

2. Review of Local and Regional Refugee Programs.
a. The functional services and an analysis of how local refugee funds have been spent.

(1) Employment.

Discussion Leader . . . Albert Samuels, San Francisco.

(2) Resettlement.

Discussion Leader . . . Dr. Morris Gross, Oakland.

(3) Retraining and Self-Support.

Discussion Leader . . . Moe Goldman, Petaluma.

(4) Relief.

Discussion Leader . . . Mrs. Leon Sloss, San Francisco.

(5) Other Services.

Discussion Leader . . . Mrs. Sidney Kahn, San Francisco.

b. Relationship to General Community Welfare Structure.

Discussion Leader . . . Frederick A. Schreiber, Los Angeles.

c. Extent and importance of lay participation.

Discussion Leader . . . Paul Bissinger, San Francisco.

Summarizer . . . . Sanford M. Treguboff, San Francisco.

9:15 A. M. to 12:15 P. M. . . . BUSINESS MEETING—Room A, Auditorium
(For members of executive committees and budget committees of local welfare funds)

George L. Levison, San Francisco.

A session primarily for members of local budgeting committees to discuss budget procedure, inclusion, and allocations.

A type budget will be analyzed from the discussions that follow)

12:45 to 2:45 P. M. . . . LUNCHEON MEETING . . . HOTEL SAINTE CLAIRE—Main Dining Room
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
Western States Region, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

Presiding . . . . . James L. White, Salt Lake City.

Subject . . . . . Recent Council Developments, George W. Rabinoff, Associate Director, Council of Jewish Federation and Welfare Funds.
Committee Reports—Resolutions—Election of Officers.

3:00 to 5:30 P. M. . . . ROUND TABLE—Room B, Auditorium
THE PLACE OF WOMEN'S GROUPS IN AN INTEGRATED JEWISH COMMUNITY

Chairman . . . . . Mrs. Louis Lackner, San Jose.

Subject . . . . . National Council of Jewish Women.

Discussion Leader . . . Mrs. Wm. Glaser, San Francisco.

Subject . . . . . Hadassah.

Discussion Leader . . . Mrs. I. M. Golden, San Francisco, National Vice-President.

Subject . . . . . A Women's Division of a Welfare Fund.

Discussion Leader . . . Mrs. Louis Lackner, San Jose.

Subject . . . . . B'nai B'rith Women's Auxiliaries.

Discussion Leader . . . Mrs. Leonore D. Underwood, San Francisco, Supreme President.

Subject . . . . . Jewish Consumptive and Expatients Relief Association.

Discussion Leader . . . Mrs. Barney Bristow, Burlingame.

Summarizer . . . . Mrs. Rose G. Bertram, Los Angeles.

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Conference headquarters are at the Hotel Sainte Claire, San Jose, Calif. All the meetings unless otherwise designated will be held in the Civic Auditorium directly opposite the Hotel Sainte Claire.

Registration—Information and all details in connection with the conference—reservations for dinners and luncheons and for special meetings can all be arranged for at the Registration Desk in the Auditorium and also in the Hotel Sainte Claire. You are requested to register promptly upon arrival at the Registration Desk provided at the conference headquarters.

EXHIBIT OF "CAMPAIGN WAYS"

A series of highly interesting scrap books has been prepared to show the literature, forms, mail appeals, publicity and other materials used in Welfare Fund and Federation Campaigns. This exhibit, together with literature published by The Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds will be on display — Main Floor, Lobby, Civic Auditorium. MAKE CERTAIN TO SEE IT.

CONSULTATION

Mr. Geo. W. Rabinoff, Associate Director of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, and Mr. Samuel G. Holcenberg, Field Representative of the same organization, will be available for consultation with representatives of communities on problems of local community organization. Representatives of national and overseas agencies will be in attendance at the Conference and will also be available for consultation and appointments can be made through the Registration Desk.

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San Jose, "The Garden City," was founded as Pueblo de San Jose de Guadalupe in November, 1777, during the time of the American Revolution.

It is the oldest incorporated city in California, and the seat of the first California Legislature, which convened here in 1849.

Today San Jose is the largest canning and dried fruit packing center in the world.

San Jose State College is the oldest state public educational institution, celebrating this year its 79th anniversary.

University of Santa Clara, at Santa Clara, founded in 1777 as a Mission School, became Santa Clara College in 1851, the first institution of higher learning in California.

San Jose is widely known for its beautiful Municipal Rose Garden, the city-owned Alum Rock Park, Egyptian-type buildings of the Rosicrucian Order, including a Planetarium and Oriental Museum, the Edwin Markham home, and the newly constructed Civic Auditorium.

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DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

National Chairman, United Palestine Appeal

MORRIS C. TROPER

European Chairman, Joint Distribution Committee

Seldom has such an opportunity been presented locally. Dr. Silver's reputation as one of America's greatest speakers and his appearance here previously should alone guarantee a capacity audience.

Mr. Troper has just returned from the European scene of disaster. He is perhaps the only man alive today who can tell us in detail the problems of European Jewry, because he has personally inspected various "No Man's Lands" and internment camps where Jews have been confined.

Both speakers are en route to California where they will be featured at the sessions of the Western Regional Meeting of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. For this reason Seattle is favored with this extraordinary opportunity.

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ON UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

Edward M. M. Warburg, of New York, Chairman of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc., (left) and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, of Cleveland, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, are shown after signing an agreement reconstituting the United Jewish Appeal as the fund-raising instrument for the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal, and the National Refugee Service, Inc., for the year 1941.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver And Morris C. Troper To Speak At Mass Meeting Monday

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER
. . . to speak for U. P. A.

Seattle's Jewish community will have the unique opportunity of hearing two of the outstanding leaders on the Jewish scene, speak from the same platform when Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, and Morris C. Troper, chairman of the European Council of the Joint Distribution Committee, will appear at a mass meeting on Monday evening, March 17th, 8:00 p.m., in the Temple Center auditorium.

These two distinguished Jewish leaders will come to Seattle directly from the regional conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, Inc., held at San Jose, California, beginning today, March 14th, and continuing throughout March 15th and 16th.

This conference will be attended by Max Block, president of the Seattle Federated Fund.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver needs no introduction to Seattle as he has spoken here on previous occasions. He heads the United Palestine Appeal, is the rabbi of one of the largest and most successful Hebrew congregations in the United States. He is a fearless exponent of Zionism, a profound thinker and an eloquent orator. A man with such eminent connections as to enjoy frequent conferences with President Roosevelt, relative to Palestinian issues.

Mr. Troper has served as chairman of the European Executive Council of the Joint Distribution Committee since October, 1938. In pursuit of his duties, he has visited all European countries and is intimately familiar with European conditions.

From a complete knowledge of the facts, Mr. Troper will be able to paint such a picture embodying the truth and fact as will not only interest Jewry, but will make the strongest kind of an appeal for a successful drive for the year 1941.

Leo Weisfield, campaign chairman of the Federated Jewish Fund will have charge of the mass meeting Monday night. He announces there will be no solicitation of funds.

MORRIS C. TROPER
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2 LEADERS SEE HOPE FOR JEWS

While most of the world, particularly the Jewish people, now is feeling the full impact of Nazi power, new courage and hope are sweeping across war-swept horizons, two eminent Jewish leaders declared last night.

The two, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of United Palestine Appeal, and Morris C. Troper, chairman of the European council of the American Jewish joint distribution committee, were speakers at a mass meeting sponsored by the Federated Jewish Fund.

"Prospects for the embattled countries are much brighter today," Dr. Silver declared, "through the fine showing of the British and Greek forces and with the passing of the lend-lease bill which will convert the United States into an arsenal for the freedom of those countries.

"While it looks like the whole civilized world is lying helpless before the advancing hordes of Nazis, and there are, no doubt, hard days ahead, I have no doubt as to the outcome."

Meanwhile, Dr. Silver pointed out, many people are suffering, particularly the Jewish people, who, he said, have been at war ever since Hitler came into power.

"What has happened has been one of the ghastliest tragedies in their history," he declared. "We are trying to help out as best we can by raising funds to provide those homeless people with food, shelter and transportation to havens of refuge in other parts of the world."

Dr. Silver said the most promising place for the Jewish people is Palestine, to which 280,000 have gone in the last eight years. Through the United Palestine Appeal, he explained, funds are being raised to help Palestine take care of its refugees.

At the same time, Palestine is preparing for its own defense in case of attack. ith thousands preparing to form a Jewish Legion to meet any emergency, he said.

Two great tasks face the people of the democracies today, in the opinion of Troper, who recently returned from Europe.

"One is to save democracy—that's the job for government—and the other is to save lives, which is a job for individuals," he said.

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APPEAL SPEAKER

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, spiritual leader of the temple in Cleveland, and one of the foremost Jewish scholars in America, will deliver the principal address at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the opening meeting of the Jewish community to be held at Temple Beth Israel, Holman and Austin.

OPEN MEETING TO LAUNCH JEWISH CAMPAIGN HERE

An open meeting of the Jewish community will be held at Temple Beth Israel, Holman at Austin, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, with Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, spiritual leader of the temple in Cleveland, delivering the principal address. He will discuss the United Jewish Campaign which officially opens March 17, and continues through March 31.

M. M. Feld, chairman of the campaign here for 1941, will preside. J. L. Zuber, president of the Jewish Community Council, will extend greetings, and Joe Weingarten, recently elected president of the Southwestern Region of the Palestine Appeal and vice president of the national body, will introduce Doctor Silver. Arrangemets committeemen include Simon Sakowitz, Irvin M. Shlenker, George S. Cohen, Jonas Levy and J. B. Lightman, executive director of the Jewish Community Council.

The United Jewish Campaign is held annually to raise money for the rehabilitation and relief of millions of Jews throughout the world. Through this campaign, hospitals, orphanages, sanatoria and old folks homes are maintained in the United States. Food, clothing and shelter are sent to the unfortunates of the European war, and thousands have been aided in finding new homes.

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Campaign to Raise Funds for Jews To Be Discussed Tonight

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, Ohio, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, will speak at 8 p.m. today at Temple Beth Israel at a meeting sponsored by the Jewish Community Council. Doctor Silver's topic will be "The Challenge."

The meeting is for discussion of the fund-raising campaign of the organization in Houston. Money contributed in the campaign is used to rehabilitate Jews all over the world. Hospitals and sanatoriums are maintained in this country, and food and clothing are sent to distressed Jews in Europe.

M. M. Feld will preside. Doctor Silver will be introduced by Joe Weingarten, recently elected president of the Southwestern region of the United Palestine Appeal and a vice president of the national organization.

The United Palestine Appeal campaign in Houston will open Monday.

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HEADS JEWISH APPEAL
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

$12,000,000 IS GOAL IN PALESTINE DRIVE

Fund to Be Sought in 1941 Will Be Used to Support 'Major Haven of Refuge'

PLAN WOULD AID BRITAIN

Jews Playing Increasing Role in Allied Forces, Chairman of Campaign Says

The United Palestine Appeal, through its national chairman, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, announced here yesterday that it would launch a $12,000,000 nationwide drive in 1941.

The fund, according to Dr. Silver, will be used to raly thei widest possible support behind Palestine as a "major haven" of refuge for the oppressed and homeless Jews of European nations and "as a vital point in the defense of the British Commonwealth and democracy in the Mediterranean zone."

Pointing out that the 1941 drive would constitute the largest campaign for Palestine aid ever undertaken by American Jewry, Dr. Silver said that in the last two decades the aid given the Jewish national home in Palestine had increased the population of the community from 55,000 to 550,000. At present, Palestine is the second largest free Jewish community in the world, he said, the first being the American Jews.

The fund raised in the campaign will be administered by the Jewish Agency for Palestine, which is recognized by the League of Nations Mandate as the Jewish authority in the rebuilding of Palestine, and the Jewish National Fund, the land-purchasing and land-reclaiming agency of the Jewish people.

"The resolution of America to share in resisting the encroachments and devastation of dictatorship will find its parallel in the willingness of Jews to give generously of their substance so that the Palestine Jewish Community may continue to guard one of the most vital battle fronts for civilization," Dr. Silver predicted.

"The ability of Palestine to defend itself and to give manpower for its security may help determine the outcome of this struggle.

"In the first year of the war, 24,000 Jewish men, women and children came to Palestine's shores from Nazi-held Europe. A total of 280,000 such refugees have come to Palestine in the last eight years from Germany, Czecho-Slovakia, Poland and elsewhere.

"Today the Jews of Palestine, playing an increasing role in the allied forces, are giving to Jews everywhere a symbol of sacrificial loyalty and of steadfast faith in the ultimate triumph of justice—justice for Israel and for humanity.

"American Jewry cannot—the United Palestine Appeal is confident it will not—let down these Jews in Palestine who are our front-rank soldiers in the war for the liberation of mankind."

Dr. Silver asserted that the collapse of the European democracies which had previously contributed substantially to the reconstruction

irectors Chosen o Conduct Drive or Jewish Fund

The 1941 campaign of the Hartd Jewish Welfare Fund will n with a mass meeting tonight 8:15 at Bushnell Memorial.

The speaker will be Dr. Abba llel Silver, national co-chairman the United Jewish Appeal and outstanding figure in the Jew- Rabbinate. He is also the tional chairman of the United lestine Appeal and a member of executive board of the Zionist ganization of America.

The meeting is free and open the public. Doors will open at 5 p. m. and all ticket holders ll be given priority of seats til 8:10. An overflow audience expected.

This year's drive, which will tend over a two weeks' period, geared to raise $165,960, of hich $112,000 will go to the ited Jewish Appeal. The budget o includes funds for Mt. Sinai ospital and for the Refugee rvice of Hartford.

While, in all, 28 agencies will nefit from the drive, principal nefactors will be Jewish war ctims, both for their physical ll being and their transportaon costs from Europe. A portion the fund will go directly to the ited Palestine Appeal to proide for the resettlement of Jewn refugees in that country.

Although fund solicitation will confined to the Jewish comunity, many contributions are ceived each year from members other faiths. Such donations ill be again gratefully received his year.

Barney Rapaport is general hairman of the 1941 campaign. erome Kohn and Edward Suisan are co-chairmen of the special ts committee. Chairmen of it A is I. Oscar Levine and of ait B, Milton Nahum. Mrs. David . Weinnerman and Mrs. Allan . Goodman are co-chairmen of he women's division. The speak-

Jewish Fund Speaker

DR. A. H. SILVER

ers' bureau is headed by Alfred Kotchen.

Morris Joseloff is treasurer and Leo Gallin, executive secretary.

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Jewish Welfare Drive Starts With $100,146 Already Given

With pre-campaign contributions of $100,146 toward the goal of $165,960, the 1941 Hartford Jewish Welfare Fund drive got off to a flying start today.

Two thousand persons at a mass meeting in Bushnell Memorial Hall last night applauded the announcement of the pre-campaign contributions.

The $165,960 is the city's "absolute minimum" for not only national and local Jewish needs but for Palestine which was described as in imminent danger of invasion, and for the wider world struggle in which "Jew and non-Jew stand together in defense of mankind."

This is the largest campaign goal ever established here for the purpose, declared Barney Rapaport, local co-chairman who formally opened the meeting.

Jerome H. Kohn, co-chairman, announced that the pre-campaign contributions of $100,146 were from 165 larger contributors, who last year gave $73,000.

Today 700 volunteer workers threw themselves into the effort to go "over the top" in a year marked by the fact, which was pointed out by Mr. Rapaport, that "never before in the history of American Jewry has there been a more urgent call upon the resources of our fortunate communities."

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Noted Rabbi Opens Jewish Relief Campaign

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland is pictured here with leaders of the Hartford Jewish Welfare Fund. Left to right: Samuel Hoffenberg, Abraham Goldstein, Barney Rapaport, chairman of the campaign; Dr. Silver; Jerome Kohn, co-chairman, and Judge Jacob Schwolsky.

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Jews' Fate Said Linked To Mankind's

Race No Longer in Isolated Fight Against Barbarians, Says Silver; $100,000 Pledged

"Today the Jew and non-Jew are leagued against one foe, for one ideal," Dr. Abba H. Silver, national co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, declared at the opening of the 1941 campaign of the Hartford Jewish Welfare Fund at the Bushnell Memorial auditorium Wednesday night.

"This makes us stronger. We stand or fall with the rest of mankind, and this is good company to be in," he said.

The large audience, and the 40 members of the administrative committee representing as many Jewish organizations, who were seated on the Bushnell stage, heard a report of the special gifts chairman, Edward A. Suisman, that already 165 persons have subscribed $100,146 toward the goal of $165,960.

The special gifts this year have exceeded those of last year by more than $20,000, Jerome H. Kohn, chairman of the meeting, said.

Causes Bound Together.

Dr. Silver, who was the principal speaker of the evening, said that "now for the first time our cause is bound up with all other causes fighting against the Twentieth Century barbarians, the dictatorships which would overthrow justice and peace."

"Ours was an isolated fight when it began eight years ago in Germany, but now the world has achieved a proper perspective on Hitler's attacks on the Jews," he said.

"When our war with Hitler first broke out, we pointed out that this was not just the old anti-Semitism, but that it was a political move, an imperialistic move, an attack on the whole order of European civilization, the rise of a new barbarianism.

"People were inclined to laugh at us and to term our warnings a kind of Jewish apologetics, a rationalization of our persecutions. Today, the world through blood and tears has come to realize that we were right, that Naziism is an attack on civilization, in which the persecution of the Jews in Germany was merely the opening skirmish. This is the old fight of the wild man, 'the hairy man' against the man who seeks perfection through peace and justice.

Civilization Threatened.

"As we sit here tonight, civilization has its back to the wall. The forces of democracy have been practically driven from the continent of Europe. If the British empire falls, much more than empire falls with it. When the Fifth Century German barbarians reduced Rome, classical civilization perished with it, to be follow[illegible]

fall of civilization will accom[pany] the fall of empire," Dr. Silver in part.

"But dark as the picture is, by no means a hopeless one," continued to say. "There still mains the uninvaded British pire, the British fleet, the inc[reas]ing material resources and unbending spirit of Britain. T[here] still remains America, pledged become the arsenal of democ[racy]. There is the spirit of united J[ewry]. There still remains the unbr[oken] spirit of all those people who conquered, will rise up at the ment the first crack appears in invincibility of dictatorship.

"Initial victory may naturally with the forces long preparing war, but ultimate victory will to those nations with the gre[ater] resources material and spiritual greatest staying power. Those tions, thank God, are the dem[o]cies."

Palestine Achievement.

In urging the Jews of Americ[a] make every sacrifice to aid five million casualties of eight y[ears] war against Germany," in o[rder] that Jewish refugees might brought to this country and be vided for after their arrival, Silver also made an ardent for the upbuilding of Palestine.

He pictured the reclamation Palestinian waste lands which been termed in a United St[ates] Government report, the most tonishing on three continents. told how one refugee for every inhabitant of Palestine had b[een] taken into that country and they had been supported by vol[un]tary, self-imposed taxes. He quo[ted] a former British High Commiss[ion]er of Palestine as stating Palestine represented the "o[ne] successful communal plan of liv[ing] in 2000 years, in which the distri[bu]tion of wealth had been acco[m]plished by the simple but sev[ere] plan of not having any."

"The Palestinian colonists living according to a vision of Kingdom of God translated earth," Dr. Silver said. "They defend, if war comes to them in Middle East, inch by inch the l[and] they have developed inch by i[nch]. They can serve the world as an spiration for a future based peace, justice and brotherhood."

Other speakers included Bar[ney] Rapaport, chairman of the fu[nd] who welcomed the audience pronounced the campaign offici[ally] open, Mr. Kohn who said he lieved that every Jew would r[ise] to it and make it a success, Abraham Goldstein, who said th[at] if the Jews of America did not their brothers in distress abro[ad] they would be eternally torment[ed] by their consciences.

Those seated on the stage cluded besides the speakers, S[am] Berman, Harry S. Blumenth[al] Lewis Fox, George F. Gershel, W[il]liam S. Goldstein, Mrs. Allen Goodman, Maurice Hartman, A[l]bert Herrup, Samuel Hoffenb[erg] Alexander S. Keller, Alfred Kotchen, Leo Gallin, I. Oscar L[e]vine, Mrs. Louis Myers, Max My[ers] Milton Nahum, A. I. Savin, Ja[ck] Jacob Schwolsky, Samuel A. Sh[ul]lansky, Samuel A. Shulansky, Sanford E. Solomon, Oscar Spi[el] Edward A. Suisman, Leonard Tr[ee] David T. Weinerman, Saul Wi[ll] Paul Palten, Samuel Suisman, Kohn, Max Epstein, Saul Sch[ol]

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Jew, Non-Jew United in Cause Says Dr. Silver

"Today Jew and non-Jew are leagued together against a common foe in defense of mankind!"

These words by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, spurred the 1941 Hartford Jewish Welfare Fund campaign opening today in which 700 volunteer workers have set for themselves the goal of $165,960 for war relief, Palestine, and national and local Jewish needs.

In an impassioned plea for the countless casualties of the war, Dr. Silver at a mass meeting in Bushnell Hall last night said ultimate victory will go to the nations with the greatest staying power, namely the greatest material and spiritual resources.

"And those nations," he asserted amid applause, "are the demorcracies."

Civilization Threatened

The speaker, who is also national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, was introduced by the co-chairman of the Hartford campaign, Jerome H. Kohn, who predicted that the present adversity will eventually end and that "once again the dignity and rights of men will be respected." Barney Rapaport, president of the Welfare Fund, opened the meeting.

Dr. Silver pointed out that "as we sit here this evening" civilization is fighting with its back to the wall, with the danger that the Mediterranean will become "a Nazi-Fascist lake." He pictured the dictatorships as "waiting to tear the British Empire into shreds," and "if it is torn into shreds, much more than the empire will be torn." It will mean the end of the era called the modern world, suddenly terminated as the Roman era was cut off by the barbarians.

He said the Jewish welfare task is threefold: to care for the war casualties, to rehabilitate refugees arriving here, and support Palestine where the Jewish colonists are resolved to "fight for every foot of ground against possible invasion."

Helping Refugees

The audience was told about the work of the Jewish Distribution Committee in aiding hungry refugees in concentration camps of France, and others who are stranded at Lisbon and in Japan, their money slowly dribbling away while they await passage to America.

Regarding refugee rehabilitation here Dr. Silver said that "America is very gracious toward these refugees, but we have no right to ask the American taxpayer to support them."

In Palestine, he reported, the services of a Jewish legion of 40,000 fighting men have been offered to the British to resist the Axis armies.

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The Jewish people have suffered 5,000,000 casualties thus far in the war, a war which started eight years ago for the Jews, he pointed out, instead of a year and a half ago. "We have been defeated in eight countries," Dr. Silver said, but the spirits of neither the Jews nor the others in the occupied countries have been broken.

"And when the first crack appears in the 'invincibility' of the dictators those peoples will rise as one to smite the oppressor."

Against Common Foe

He spoke of the change in America from isolationism of a few years ago to the present spirit embodied in the British-aid bill. "The world has now come, through blood and tears, to understand that the first Nazi attack was not an attack on the Jew' but a streamlined attack on culture, on civilization, on a way of life"—a war between a wild man and the man who seeks perfection through the ways of peace and ways of justice. Today as in the past the Jew is the symbol and the first battlefield. The Jew is the symbol of all those things they (the Nazis) would like to see destroyed —the Bible, justice, ethics—the things that are poison to the Nazis. By destroying the symbol they hope to destroy the ideas . . . The attack on the Jew is the first skirmish and today the Jew and non-Jew are leagued together against one common foe and in defense of a common heritage.

"We stand or fall with the rest of mankind—and that's a good company to be in; that is hopeful."

There are those, he said, who call the Jews "schlemiels"—an insignificant group. But did Hitler think so when he said that the Nordic world must fight them? Through exile, wandering, persecution, pogroms, concentration camps, they have come to the year 1941, sixteen millions strong, full of creative energy, attaining high positions in the arts and sciences, and with the desire to live. The Jews, Dr. Silver said, are far from a race of weaklings. Persecution has weeded out the weaklings.

Will Survive

"The Jews," he said, "are tough, and Hitler will find it out. They have given evidence of their spiritual solidarity, their genius for survival."

"The sages of old taught us,"

he said, "that Israel is likened to a ship. If a hole is torn in one side, the people on the other side never say, 'This doesn't concern us.' We share one common destiny, and therefore we rally as does a healthy living organism when any part of the body is attacked."

"What we do here," said Abraham Goldstein, "may start the spark of hope elsewhere."

Speaking in Yiddish, Mr. Goldstein, who is a Zionist national committeeman and who was chairman of arrangements for the meeting, said that evidence of solidarity here brings spiritual strength to the unfortunate Jews abroad. To ignore their plight is to leave for oneself only a tormented conscience.

The Nazis, Mr. Goldstein pointed out, made their first attack on the Jews, and the Jewish people, he added, were "the first to stand up the Nazis." The Jews, by boycott and other means, replied against injustice.

Miss Reta Baum, soprano, sang "The Star Spangled Banner" and the Hebrew "Hatikvah", with piano accompaniment by Miss Rose Gere. The audience joined in the singing.

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'Small People' to Survive, Jews Told

Faith Urged as United Appeal Drive Opens

"The forces of aggression and persecution may seem temporarily to have the upper hand, but invasion and conquest will not permanently crush or enslave the small peoples of the world," Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, told several hundred Jewish leaders of Brooklyn last night.

He spoke at the opening dinner of the 1941 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal at the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn.

WEAPONS OF DEFENSE.

"The greatest weapon we have in our defense of democracy," he said, "are the principles of human equality and freedom which have built this country into the greatest bastion of hope and civilization.

"All of us who have faith in the ultimate victory of democracy possess a strength and formidable position which cannot be taken by any force of arms or blitzkriegs of terror-spreading propaganda."

Dr. Silver pointed to the unhappy plight of the Jews in the path of the Axis armies and to the heroic struggle of the Jewish community in Palestine by the side of Britain in the Middle East.

"American Jewry must place itself on a war footing as have other peoples who are determined to survive in this courageous age and to remain free," he added.

"It must prepare itself psychologically for large scale sacrifices, for a totally different scale of giving. It must see the wisdom of raising a war chest instead of merely stepping up its philanthropy a degree or two."

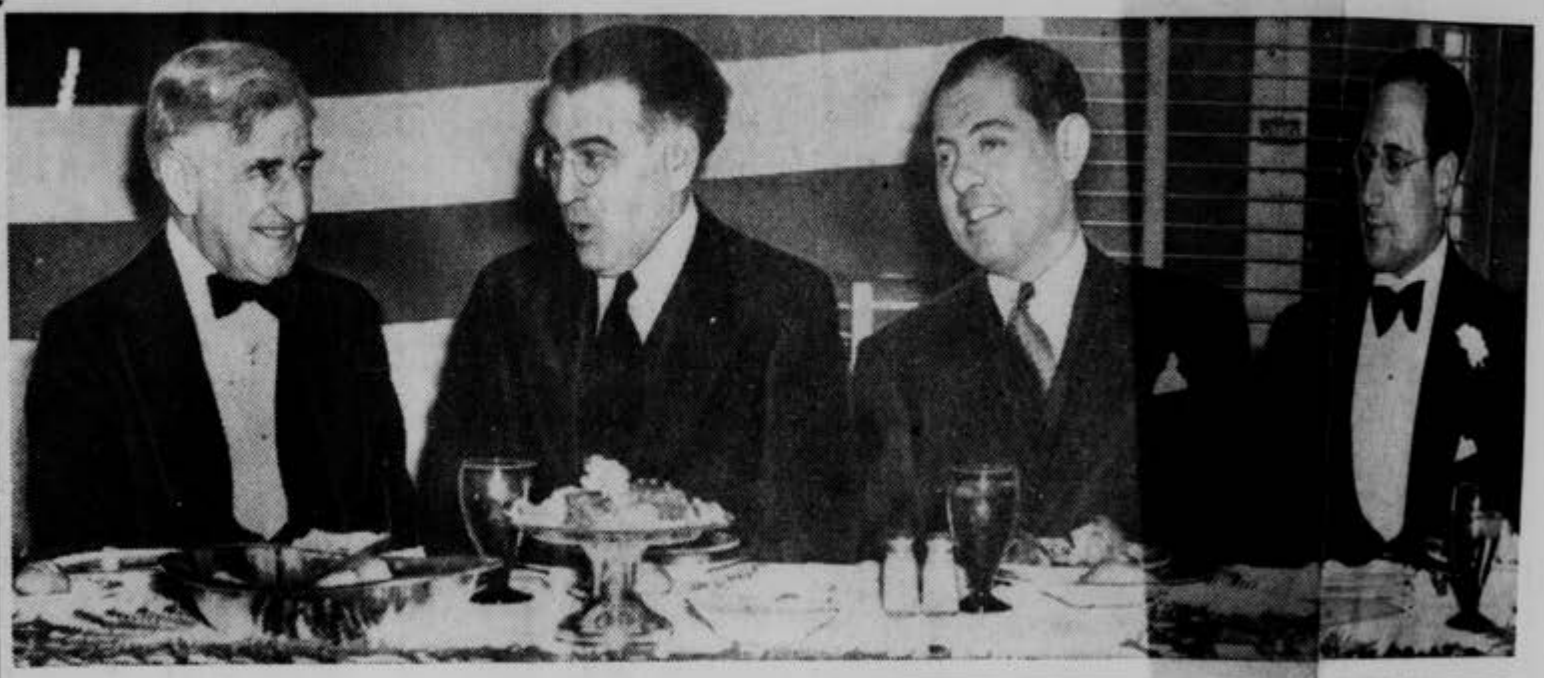
SUPPLYING FOOD.

The Joint Distribution Committee is providing the necessities of life to hundreds of thousands of Jews in 51 countries, enabling thousands to escape Nazi-dominated Europe, Dr. Silver declared.

He added that Palestine had absorbed, with the aid of the United Palestine Appeal, over 280,000 refugees since the advent of Hitler, and pointed out that many of the refugees were included in the 8,000 Jews of Palestine who were fighting by the side of the British in the Middle East.

Palestine's industry and agriculture, he continued, were diverting a great part of their energies towards supplying the military forces with supplies and foodstuffs.

The dinner marked the first major borough-wide event of the



Leaders of Brooklyn Jewish Community gather at Hotel St. George dinner to honor Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of United Jewish Appeal. L. to R. Justice Edward Lazansky, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Harry Zeitz, and William Rosenwald.

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Sees Minorities Rising On Ashes of Conquest

Rabbi Silver Tells Boro Jewish Appeal Leaders 'Small People' Cannot Be Permanently Crushed

Conceding that "the forces of aggression and persecution have the upper hand at present," Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, speaking at the opening dinner of the Brooklyn campaign division of the appeal last night in the Hotel St. George, predicted that "invasion and conquest will not permanently crush or enslave the small peoples of the world."

Addressing 250 borough Jewish leaders who will serve as spearheads here in the appeal's national war emergency fund-raising drive on behalf of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service, Rabbi Silver said:

"The greatest weapons that we have in our defense of democracy are the principles of human equality and freedom which have built this country into the greatest bastion of hope and civilization. All of us who have faith in the ultimate victory of democracy possess a strength and formidable position which cannot be taken by any force of arms or blitzkriegs of ter-

Appealed for 'War Chest'

Citing the plight of Jews in the path of the Axis aggressors and the "heroic struggle" of the Jewish community in Palestine by the side of Britain in the Middle East, Rabbi Silver declared that "American Jewry must place itself on a war footing as have other peoples who are determined to survive in this courageous age and to remain free.

"It must prepare itself psychologically for large-scale sacrifices, for a totally different scale of giving," he said. "It must see the wisdom of raising a war chest instead of merely stepping up its philanthropy a degree or two."

Harry Zeitz, chairman of the Brooklyn division, opened the dinner, and Presiding Justice Edward Lazansky of the Appellate Division, honorary chairman of the division, was toastmaster. Other speakers included William Rosenwald, president of the National Refugee Service; Judge Emanuel Greenberg of the Court of Claims, who is executive chairman of the borough drive, and Rabbi Israel H. Levinthal of the Brooklyn Jewish Center.

Says Boro Sets Standard

Mr. Zeitz, emphasizing that the Jewish community of Brooklyn is the largest in the world, declared: "Because of this, what we do here in Brooklyn serves to set the standard for other communities. Therefore, it rests upon us in this emergency to make that standard as high as possible. I have no doubt that we all realize what we are called upon to do in this great crisis and will do it in full measure."

Mr. Rosenwald declared that the National Refugee Service "is the answer of the American Jewish community to the refugee situation, an answer that both aids America's newcomers and aids America."

He said that "through the work of the National Refugee Service, a valuable body of people, the first to feel Hitler's onslaught on democracy, have been preserved again to take up the responsibilities of the democratic way of life and continue their contribution to it."

Rabbi Silver pointed out that the Joint Distribution Committee was providing the necessities of life for hundreds of thousands of Jews in 51 countries, enabling many thousands of them to escape Nazi-dominated Europe through emigration to "countries of asylum."

He declared that Palestine had absorbed, with the aid of the United Palestine Appeal, more than 280,000 refugees, incluing 8,000 Jews of Palestine who are "fighting side by side with the British in the Middle East." Palestine's industry and agriculture, he said, are "diverting a large part of their energies towards supplying the military forces with supplies and foodstuffs."

Other officers of the Brooklyn division are: former Supreme Court Justice Mitchell May, Isidore Fine, Oscar A. Lewis, Harry M. Marks and Hugh Grant Straus, co-chairmen, and Benjamin Abrams, Moses Ginsberg, City Court Justices Murray Hearn and Jacob H. Livingston, Supreme Court Justices Philip M. Kleinfeld and Algeron I. Nova, Isidore Leviton, Herman Neaderland, Minority Leader Irwin Stein-

gut of the Assembly and former Municipal Court Justice Nathan Sweedler, vice chairmen.

Committee chairmen are: Supreme Court Justice Harry E. Lewis, executive committee; County Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz, business and professional division; Supreme Court Justice Meier Steinbrink, regional division; Samuel Berson, Jacob H. Cohen, Abraham Goodman, Abraham Krumbein, Jacob Neinken, Samuel Schleimer, Joseph M. Schwartz, Municipal Court Justice Philip Signon and Morris J. Solomon, associate chairmen, regional division; Borough Secretary Albert D. Schanzer, speakers bureau.

Also Hyman Portnoff, Bay Ridge; Mr. Neaderland, Bensonhurst and Mapleton; Mr. Krumbein, Boro Park; Mr. Cohen, Brownsville and East New York; Arthur S. Davis, East Flatbush; Mr. Steingut, Eastern Parkway and Bedford; Morris J. Solomon, Flatbush; Harry H. Goebel, Greenpoint; Leo Marder, Manhattan Beach; Paul Paulson, New Lots; Emil N. Baar, Park Slope; Emanuel Jackson, Sea Gate and Coney Island, and Municipal Court Justice Milton M. Wecht, Williamsburg.

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PALESTINE APPEAL OPENS HERE TODAY

Nazi Advances Make Removal of Jews From the Balkans Imperative, Straus Says

MOVES SPUR CAMPAIGN

Dr. Silver, National Head of Drive, to Address Three Groups Aiding Fund

Nazi advances in the Balkans, making it imperative that Jews be moved from countries there to Palestine, are spurring the most extensive campaign for funds for Palestine ever conducted here, it was announced yesterday by Nathan Straus, chairman of the United Palestine Appeal of Greater New York, preparatory to the launching of the campaign today at a city-wide conference.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the appeal's war emergency drive for refugee immigration, colonization and defense in Palestine, will fly here today from Cleveland to address the conference, which will start at noon at the Hotel Sharon, 227 West Forty-sixth Street. Three hundred leading New York rabbis will formulate plans for the New York drive and offer prayers for the spiritual revival of Palestine.

At 1 P. M. leaders of New York trades and industries will gather at the Empire State Club to map a program for the active support of trades to the appeal. Sylvan Gotshal, executive chairman of the local drive, will preside. This will be followed at 2 o'clock by a rally of more than 800 Jewish women at the Hotel Astor. Dr. Silver will address the rally and a motion picture of Palestine will be shown. The women's division of the drive is headed by Mrs. Nathan L. Goldstein.

A speakers' program for the campaign will be formulated at 5 P. M. at the Harmonie Club, 4 East Sixtieth Street, under the leadership of Louis Nizer, New York lawyer and author. Dr. Silver will meet with heads of Jewish communities in Long Island at 6:30 o'clock for a dinner at the Hotel Commodore, at which plans will be mapped for the extension of the drive to Long Island.

This will be followed at 8:30 o'clock by a rally of the junior division of the appeal at the Free Synagogue, 40 West Sixty-eighth Street, which will bring the conference to a close. Six hundred young persons will attend this meeting, which will be featured by the reading of a special message from Dr. Albert Einstein.

5-2-41 MILWAUKEE SENTINEL

Launch Combined Fund Campaign

Sentinel photo.

Combining solicitation of donations to 45 local, national and international causes, the 1941 campaign of the Milwaukee Jewish Welfare fund to raise $321,206 opened Monday night with a massmeeting at Temple Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun. Shown here are Benjamin F. Saltzstein (left), chairman of the initial gifts committee; Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, O., who was the principal speaker at the meeting, and Mrs. Alex Himmelman, a campaign worker.

Britain Still Unbeaten, Fund Workers Told

Britain is far from being defeated, and the Nazis are far from being invincible; not an inch of the British empire has been invaded, the morale of her people remains high and her navy is still mistress of the seas.

These observations were brought to Milwaukee Monday night by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, O., leader in world Jewry, whose talk at Temple Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun launched the 1941 campaign of the Milwaukee Jewish Welfare fund for $321,206. About 1,000 persons attended.

Pleading passionately for a generous response to the campaign, Rabbi Silver said:

"The hour is a serious one. The forces fighting [illegible] because they possess the greater spirituality."

Of the flight of Rudolph Hess to Scotland Rabbi Silver said:

"Hess' flight is evidence of one of two things. Either it is because of a sharp cleavage in the upper ranks of the Nazi party, or because of widespread discontent among the Germans. It is the first time the curtain has been pushed aside, and the world has had a chance to see something of the disintegration going on in that mean and brutal tyranny."

Rabbi Silver is national chairman of the $25,000,000 United Jewish Appeal and national director of the United Palestine Appeal.

Benjamin F. Saltzstein presided. Other talks were given by Nathan M. Stein, president of the welfare fund, and Ben E. Nickoll, general chairman of the campaign.

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Attend Public Mass Meeting At Temple, Monday, 8 P. M.

Speaker

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver is national chairman of the $25,000,000 United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine, spiritual leader of the Temple in Cleveland, and one of the foremost scholars and Jewish leaders in America.

An outstanding figure in the American Rabbinate, Dr. Silver has been in the forefront of American leadership for two decades. In addition to being the national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, Dr. Silver is also national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and a member of the executive of the Zionist Organization of America.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver to Address Big Rally at Temple Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun—Begin Annual Appeal For 45 Jewish Causes.

NO SOLICITATION AT MEETING; ENTIRE COMMUNITY INVITED

In the desperate fight to save Jewish life and hope throughout the world . . . and thereby assist in the critical battle now raging to preserve democracy and civilization . . . the Jews of Milwaukee are asked to raise $321,206.

This is the quota of the 1941 appeal of the Milwaukee Jewish Welfare Fund. It includes the needs of 45 different agencies and causes . . . overseas and Palestine . . . in the United States . . . and in Milwaukee.

The Initial Gifts campaign begins Monday evening, May 19th, with a public mass meeting at Temple Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun, E. Kenwood Boulevard, at 8 o'clock.

The entire Jewish community of Milwaukee is urged to attend and hear the address of the evening delivered by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and of the United Palestine Appeal, one of American Jewry's greatest personalities.

There will be no admission charge to this meeting and no solicitation for funds will be made.

Attend this meeting and hear Rabbi Silver tell the thrilling story of the gallant fight Jews are making in Europe and Palestine against the terrific odds of totalitarian war and persecution. Your presence at this meeting will lend encouragement to the men and women who have volunteered to give weeks of their time in the campaign army of workers. It is YOUR fight as well as theirs.

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DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER GUEST SPEAKER AT OPENING FUNCTION OF COMMUNITY'S MAJOR PROJECT

Detroit's Greatest Campaign of "All-Out" Aid and Sacrifice to Be Launched on All Fronts Under Leadership of Henry Wineman

Detroit Jewry's greatest campaign of "all-out" aid and sacrifice will be launched with a dinner meeting at the Statler Hotel, on Sunday evening, May 11, at 6:30 o'clock, in behalf of the 1941 Allied Jewish Campaign. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, famed rabbi, author and orator, will be the guest speaker.

The campaign has already advanced on many fronts, according to Henry Wineman, chairman of the fund-raising project sponsored annually by the Jewish Welfare Federation for 55 causes, meeting overseas needs, needs in the U. S. A. and needs in Detroit.

"No emergency in the past two decades is comparable to the tragic position of the Jewish people today," said Mr. Wineman. "The war has swelled the ranks of those who are in desperate need of help and reduced the ranks of those who possess the resources to provide that help. The Jewish community in the United States must, in this most critical period, assume the responsibility and leadership which devolve upon it, by virtue of the fact that it enjoys the means and opportunities for immediate and effective rescue, resettlement and relief effort. To prove its readiness and ability to assume its rightful place in this American leadership, the Detroit Jewish community has already gone forward. The Women's Division, the Junior Division and other advance solicitation committees of the 1941 Allied Jewish Campaign have long been at work and, following the inspiration by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, who will be our guest speaker next Sunday, the drive will surge forward on all fronts."

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

The Guest Speaker

One of the outstanding leaders of world Jewry today, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver serves, along with Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, as chairman of the United Jewish Appeal. Spiritual leader of the Temple at Cleveland, he has also assumed the chairmanship of the Cleveland Jewish Welfare Fund drive.

A distinguished figure in the American Rabbinate, Dr. Silver has occupied a high position in American Jewish effort in the rebuilding of Palestine. In addition to being the national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, he is also national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and a member of the Executive of the Zionist Organization in America.

Dr. Silver made an exceptional record during the World War,

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'Small People' to Survive, Jews Told

Faith Urged as United Appeal Drive Opens

"The forces of aggression and persecution may seem temporarily o have the upper hand, but in- asion and conquest will not per- nanently crush or enslave the small peoples of the world," Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, told several hundred Jewish leaders of Brooklyn last night.

He spoke at the opening dinner of the 1941 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal at the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn.

WEAPONS OF DEFENSE.

"The greatest weapon we have in our defense of democracy," he said, "are the principles of human equality and freedom which have built this country into the greatest bastion of hope and civilization.

"All of us who have faith in the ultimate victory of democracy possess a strength and formidable position which cannot be taken by any force of arms or blitzkriegs of terror-spreading propaganda."

Dr. Silver pointed to the unhappy plight of the Jews in the path of the Axis armies and to the heroic struggle of the Jewish community in Palestine by the side of Britain in the Middle East.

"American Jewry must place itself on a war footing as have other peoples who are determined to survive in this courageous age and to remain free," he added.

"It must prepare itself psychologically for large scale sacrifices, for a totally different scale of giving. It must see the wisdom of raising a war chest instead of merely stepping up its philanthropy a degree or two."

SUPPLYING FOOD.

The Joint Distribution Committee is providing the necessities of life to hundreds of thousands of Jews in 51 countries, enabling thousands to escape Nazi-dominated Europe, Dr. Silver declared.

He added that Palestine had absorbed, with the aid of the United Palestine Appeal, over 280,000 refugees since the advent of Hitler, and pointed out that many of the refugees were included in the 8,000 Jews of Palestine who were fighting by the side of the British in the Middle East.

Palestine's industry and agriculture, he continued, were diverting a great part of their energies towards supplying the military forces with supplies and foodstuffs.

The dinner marked the first major borough-wide event of the 1941 campaign of the Brooklyn Division of the United Jewish Appeal which is conducting nationally a war emergency campaign in behalf of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service.

Other speakers were Harry

Leaders of Brooklyn Jewish Community gather at Hotel St. George dinner to honor Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of United Jewish Appeal. L. to R. Justice Edward Lazansky, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Harry Zeitz, and William Rosenwald.

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Rabbi Silver Demands Sacrifice By U. S. Jewry In Crucial Hour

By STANLEY BLUMENTHAL, Jr., Publicity Chair., Federated Fund

Bringing a message of hope and new courage to the Seattle Jewish community, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, in stirring words told a mass meeting at the Temple Center auditorium Monday evening that Hitler has not broken the spirit of the persecuted Jews in conquered Europe.

"While it looks like the whole civilized world is lying helpless before the advancing hordes of Nazis, and there are, no doubt, hard days ahead, I have no fear as to the outcome," Rabbi Silver declared.

"Prospects for the embattled countries are much brighter today, through the fine showing of the British and Greek forces and with the passing of the lend-lease bill which will convert the United States into an arsenal for the freedom of these countries."

Rabbi Silver pointed out that the war has created untold suffering, particularly among the Jewish people, who, he said, have been victims of war ever since Hitler came to power.

"What has happened has been one of the ghastliest tragedies in our history," he declared. "We are trying to help out as best we can by raising funds to provide those homeless and starving people with food shelter and transportation to havens of refuge in other parts of the world.

Dr. Silver told of the constructive work being done in Palestine, to which 280,000 refugees have gone in the last eight years. Through the United Palestine Appeal, he explain-

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to form a Jewish Legion to meet any emergency in the National Homeland, he said.

Dr. Silver was accompanied to Seattle by Morris C. Troper, European chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, who had just returned from war-torn Europe.

Troper told actual experiences of Jewish war refugees, which he had witnessed and explained to the packed auditorium that two great tasks face the people of the democracies today.

"One is to save democracy—that's the job for the government—and the other is to save lives, which is a job for every member of the Jewish community," he said.

The speakers were introduced by Simon Wampold. Leo Weisfield was chairman of the meeting.

RABBI SILVER DEMANDS SACRIFICE BY U. S. JEWRY

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ed, funds are being raised to help Palestine care for these refugees.

At the same time Palestine is preparing for its own defense in case of attack, with thousands preparing to form a Jewish Legion to meet any emergency in the National Homeland, he said.

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RABBI SILVER TO ADDRESS COMMUNITY MEMORIAL MEETING HERE MONDAY

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, Ohio, who is chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, will address a Community Memorial Service inaugurating the 1941 Jewish Welfare Fund at United Hebrew Temple next Monday evening, May 5.

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HUGE MASS MEETING TO LAUNCH 1941 WELFARE FUND CAMPAIGN

Rabbi Silver To Speak At Meeting Next Monday

The 1941 Jewish Welfare Fund campaign, which will be held in St. Louis on May 4th and continued through May 17, will be officially launched with a huge mass meeting at the United Hebrew Temple on Monday evening, May 5.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, Ohio, will be the principal speaker at this meeting which will be in the nature of a community memorial service, at which time the donors of the 1940 Welfare campaign who have passed away during the last year will be memorialized, and a tribute will be paid to the Jewish martyrs throughout the world.

Special Music

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the St. Louis Rabbinical Association and will start promptly at 8 o'clock. Special music has been arranged for the program under the direction of Mrs. David Kriegshaber with the cooperation of the choirs of the St. Louis temples and the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine, spiritual leader of the Temple in Cleveland, and one of the foremost scholars and Jewish leaders in America, will be the guest speaker at United Hebrew Temple on Monday evening, May 5th, in St. Louis.

Dr. Silver is head of the 1941 nation-wide war emergency campaign sponsored by the United Jewish Appeal, American Jewry's single fund-raising instrument to provide for the relief and rehabilitation of victims of war and oppression in European lands, for the upbuilding and defense of the Jewish homeland in Palestine and for the integration of refugees in the United States.

Tremendous Task

In view of the fact that millions of Jews in many parts of the world have been gravely affected by the devastation of war and the spread of Nazi persecution, the United Jewish Appeal is seeking to raise funds to support the programs for rescue, relief and resettlement carried on by the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service.

An outstanding figure in the American Rabbinate, Dr. Silver has been in the forefront of American Jewish leadership for two decades, and has occupied a high position in American Jewish effort for the rebuilding of Palestine.

In addition to being the National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, Dr. Silver is also National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and a member of the Executive of the Zionist Organization of America.

Served In War

He made an exceptional record during the World War when, at the request of the American and the French Governments, he served in France, and at the conclusion of the war, received a decoration from the French Government.

Dr. Silver was graduated from the University of Cincinnati in 1915, and the same year graduated as a Rabbi from the Hebrew College at Cincinnati of which he is now a member of the Board of Trustees.

The only other pulpit occupied by Rabbi Silver since his graduation, was in Wheeling, West Virginia. Since 1917, he has led the Temple Congregation, building it up to its present rank as one of the foremost Jewish congregations in America.

In addition to his Jewish activities, he is a member of the Near East Relief Committee, a member of the Executive Board of the Larger Regional Government of Cleveland, and the Consumer's League of Ohio. He was also a Dudleian lecturer at Harvard University during the 1939-40 academic year.

Rabbi A. E. Halpern of B'nai Amoona, will give the Invocation, and Rabbi Samuel Thurman of United Hebrew Temple, will deliver a statement of service. Rabbi Julian Miller of B'nai El Temple will give the Scriptural Reading and Rabbi Julius Gordon of Shaare Emeth Temple, will deliver the Memorial Prayer.

The Kaddish will be given by Rabbi Jacob R. Mazur of B'rith Sholom Congregation, and Cantor J. Gowsieow will render El Mole Rachamim. Rabbi F. M. Isserman of Temple Israel, will deliver the Benediction.

Every member of the St. Louis Jewish community is urged to attend this historic meeting which will launch the 1941 Jewish Welfare Fund campaign. Admission is free and there will be no solicitation of any kind.

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DR. SILVER'S NATIONAL LEADERSHIP JPS 1-9-42

The United Palestine Appeal has announced that, as part of the proceedings of the National Conference for Palestine which it is sponsoring in Cleveland on January 17th and 18th, honor will be paid to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver as its National Chairman. It is a tribute in which the whole of American Jewry will wish to join. His scholarship, his stylistic distinction as a writer, his eloquence as a speaker, his persuasive championship of all liberal American causes have all combined to make him one of the truly great leaders of our generation.

Many lay claim to the toga of leadership. But it is a garment of peculiar dimensions,

fitting only around the shoulders of those equipped to wear it with propriety and grace. In these days of anxiety and doubt, when some Jews are prepared to abandon all the values and the institutions which they have not yielded after nine years of ruthless aggression by Hitler, it is comforting and strengthening to know that a man like Dr. Silver is in our midst, to caution against hysteria, to steel against difficulty, to buoy up with hope and courage.

Dr. Silver's leadership is not restricted to the United Palestine Appeal, although in that role he has given new dignity and broader power to the appeal of Palestine to American Jewry. From coast to coast, communities have heard Dr. Silver in his capacity as National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for the past three years. He has been warning Jewry of the responsibility which it owes to its people and to its time. He has been dispelling the clouds of despair and lifting men and women to compassion, generosity and understanding.

There may be only several thousand people at Cleveland for the National Conference for Palestine. But there will be hundreds of thousands of American Jews whose voices will be heard in silent praise for the leader who embodies the valor and the virtue of the basic ideals of the Jewish people.

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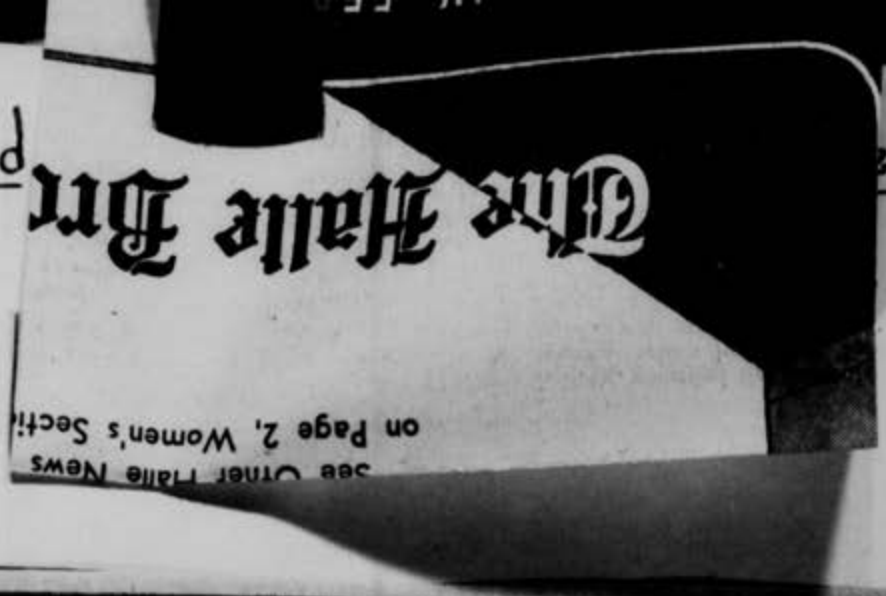

Jewish Leaders to Confer Here

More Than 1000 Expected at Meeting on Palestine

More than 1000 leaders, representing Jewish communities from all parts of the United States, will attend a two-day conference of the National Conference for Palestine Saturday and Sunday. The meetings will be held in Hotel Statler.

Among the speakers who will discuss Palestine in the war effort and will make plans to mobilize American assistance in the post-war program, will be Congressman Alban W. Barkley, majority leader in the House of Representatives; Admiral Yates Stirling Jr., former chief of staff of the United States fleet; Prof. William F. Albright, professor of Semitics at Johns Hopkins University.

Others taking part in the conference will be Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal; Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner; George Z. Medalie, president of the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropic Societies; Dr. Stephen S. Wise of New York; Judge Louis E. Levinthal of Philadelphia, president of the Zionist Organization of America, and Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the Jewish National Fund.

Sessions on Saturday night and Sunday afternoon will be on the Palestinian problem, present and future. Sunday night a banquet will be held in honor of Rabbi Silver for his work as national chairman in behalf of the United Palestine Appeal..

Kurt Baum, new tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Company who made his debut in "Der Rosenkavalier" this season, will sing after the banquet.

A 15-minute speech by Rabbi Silver will be broadcast by the Columbia Broadcasting System Sunday at 12:15 p. m. Rabbi Silver will speak on "Palestine and the War." The program will be available to Cleveland listeners through WGAR at 1:35 p. m. by transcription.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR PALESTINE opened last night in the ball room of Hotel Statler with (left to right) Rabbi Stephen S. Wise of New York, national co-chairman of the United Palestine Appeal; Rabbi A. H. Silver, chairman of the conference, and Rabbi Israel Goldstein of New York, president of the Jewish National Fund of America, as main speakers.

PALESTINE FRONT CALLED AMERICA'S

Silver Asks Jewish Conference for Full Aid

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ness will be widespread after the war. * * * The strategy of total peace must discover the true corrective to anti-Semitism, in order to save not the Jews of Europe, but Europe itself, and the peace of the world. Palestine is that corrective. * * * The Jewish people must be permitted and helped to develop their homeland in Palestine in such a way as to be able to drain off, in a relatively short time, two, three or four million Jews from the crowded and economically tensioned centers of Central and Eastern Europe."

Saying that Great Britain should swiftly arm the fighting Jews of Palestine before it was too late, "lest it repeat in Palestine the tragic mistakes of Crete and Malay and of other battle areas where foresight might have averted disasters," Rabbi Silver added:

"If Great Britain cannot arm the Jews of Palestine, presumably for lack of equipment, America should."

Hits at Statesmen

The rabbi castigated Allied statesmen who were "strangely silent about Jewish prospects and Palestine prospects after the war." He continued:

"They are not so silent about the vindication, restitution and freedom of other peoples and countries. Surely we are not unnoticed. Hitler has not allowed the Jewish people to go unnoticed. He has singled them out for special treatment now and in his projected new order. How can Allied statesmen maintain such reticence about a people which is so dramatically tangled in the very web of the world's present strife and circumstance?"

Asserting that Palestine Jews should "be permitted to form their own military units and to fight under their own flag under empire command," Rabbi Silver asked:

"Why is Great Britain now afraid of Jewish bayonets? Does it suspect that these bayonets may some day be employed to back up the righteous demand for a free Jewish Palestine by men who will finally be forced to the conclusion that freedom must be taken when it is not given? There is no fear. The Lion of Judah and the Lion of Trafalgar and Dunkerque may roar at each other. They will never fight each other."

Shows Palestine's Needs

Dr. Stephen S. Wise of New York, national co-chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, which is sponsoring the conference, said he hoped

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Jewish Leaders

Palestine Is U. S. Front, Too, Silver Tells Jews

BY RAY DORSEY

"Palestine today is as much an American front as it is a British front, and an Allied defeat in Palestine, even as an Allied defeat in Singapore, would prove as costly and dangerous to Americans as to Great Britain," Rabbi A. H. Silver last night told an audience which filled to capacity the grand ball room of Hotel Statler for the opening session of the National Conference for Palestine.

More than 1,200 Jewish leaders are in Cleveland for the conference, which is sponsored by the United Palestine Appeal and will continue through today and tonight.

Rabbi Silver, national chairman of the U. P. A., sounded the keynote in his address when he called for American Jews to give all required aid to Palestine for two chief reasons:

"Palestine meets a war need. It is an important ally of the free nations fighting Hitler. It is providing soldiers, munitions, food and military services in this war. It may yet become a sector of major military significance.

Factor in World Peace

"Palestine also meets a world peace need. There can be no lasting peace in the world until the fate of the homeless and the rightless minorities of Europe is properly determined. Jewish homeless-

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR PALESTINE, held in Hotel Statler under the auspices of the United Palestine Appeal, closed last night after a banquet at which Senator Alben W. Barkley (right) of Kentucky delivered the main address. Rabbi A. H. Silver (left) was re-elected national chairman of U. P. A. for a fifth term.

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HOLD PALESTINE IS VITAL TO ALLIES

Barkley and Stirling Cite Importance of Aid

(Photo on Picture Page)

BY RAY DORSEY

The importance of aiding Palestine was stressed in speeches and telegrams of governmental and other leaders yesterday and last night at closing sessions of the National Conference for Palestine in Hotel Statler.

Speaker included Uuited States Senator Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky and Rear Admiral Yates Stirling, jr., former chief of staff of the United States Fleet. Among those from whom telegrams were received were Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox and Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, jr.

Calling the aiding of Palestine "a great cause and a great movement that goes beyond party lines, beyond the responsibilities of government," Senator Barkley, who addressed the night session of the conference, asserted: "There are some things the government cannot do by taxation." He added:

"The great work you are doing on behalf of Jews in Palestine is one that cannot be done out of taxes. It must be done out of voluntary contributions."

Called Vital War Center

Admiral Stirling, speaking at the luncheon session, described Palestine as a vital center for naval and air support for the Allied cause and said the country was "in a splendid geographical position to help carry forward the war."

"There are," he continued, "splendid military airport facilities in the country, such as the airdrome at Lydda. The fanwise spread of Allied airplanes can begin in Palestine and reach out to those lands in southeastern Europe which now lie under Hitler's domination.

"It is not inconceivable that one of the major offensives into Hitler's Europe can be undertaken by troops which have had their starting point in Palestine."

The admiral drew enthusiastic applause from the capacity audience in the ball room of Hotel Statler when he asserted:

"It is to our advantage as Americans to see a Jewish army utilized. We have a world-wide war to win. Even at best our reserves of man power are not such that we can squander them. We must take advantage of all possible sources of other armies if we are to hold the fronts we now protect and reach out to new battlefields."

Silver Reads Messages

Evidence that the American government is deeply concerned with the protection and strengthening of Palestine to thwart any attempt on the part of Hitler's forces to overrun the Middle East was apparent in a number of messages Rabbi A. H. Silver, chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, which sponsored the conference, read from prominent officials of the government.

Secretary Knox telegraphed the conference:

HOLD PALESTINE IS VITAL TO ALLIES

Barkley and Stirling Cite Importance of Aid

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"The land of Palestine looms large on the immediate horizon as a strategic key to the control of the Middle East. Hitler must capture it if he is to reach Iran and the Mosul oil fields he needs. We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine against that aggression.

"In this critical hour every last measure of help must be given Palestine for yet another reason. Once again a would-be world conqueror finds this little country in his path. Japan hopes at the same time to capture Singapore and move westward toward India, thus closing in on that storehouse of Allied resources in a gigantic pincer movement. But Hitler dares not march through Turkey while Syria and Palestine thwarts his lines of communication.

Thorn in Hitler's Flank

"Palestine is a tiny country on the map of the world, but it is shaped like a thorn. It is a thorn indeed in the flank of Hitler. We must strengthen that thorn until it becomes a sword that will halt the tyrant's eastward march.

"In Palestine Hitler faces the wrath of the people he has starved and tortured and degraded—Jews, over a million strong, many of whom know the ache of a storm trooper's kick, the agonies of the Schutzstaffel's lash.

"On this side of the Atlantic at this national congress for Palestine are Jewish leaders representing millions of patriotic citizens who are glad to make any sacrifice to save democracy. It is my earnest hope that some of the fortitude of America can be passed on through your organization to the valiant defenders of our common cause in Palestine. The Jewish haven in peacetime has become a bulwark for democracy in wartime. Lend it your strength!"

Secretary Morgenthau addressed a message to the conference in which he said the cause of Palestine was identified with the "all-embracing cause of democracy."

Senator Barkley, speaking at a banquet session, referred briefly to the Zionist demand for a Jewish army in Palestine.

"They," he said of the Palestinian Jews, "are willing to fight under any flag that calls itself democracy. But they prefer to fight under their own because for 4,000 years it has been the symbol of freedom and justice."

Pointing out that there are 14 commodities indispensable to defense of the United States which must be transported across the Pacific, the senator asserted:

"There is no such thing as isolation in this world, no matter how much we may desire it. There is no race, religion or color in the world that can say it is wholly independent of its fellow man."

Speaking at the morning session

REAR ADMIRAL YATES STIRLING, JR., former chief of staff of the United States fleet, was the main speaker at the afternoon session of the National Conference for Palestine yesterday in Hotel Statler.

lishment of a self-governing Jewish commonwealth of Palestine to which Jews who need or wish to live there may freely return."

The American government was also urged to aid in the establishment of a Jewish army for the defense of Palestine and other parts of the Middle East.

Speakers yesterday, in addition to those already mentioned, included Dr. William F. Albright, professor of Semitics, Johns Hopkins University; Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, vice chairman, United Palestine Appeal; Henry Monsky, Omaha, president of B'nai B'rith; Judge Morris Rothenberg, New York, co-chairman of Council of Jewish Agency; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, New York, and many others.

In addition to Rabbi Silver, the following national officers, as well as a large number of honorary vice chairmen, were elected by the United Palestine Appeal:

HONORARY CHAIRMEN—Prof. Albert Einstein of Princeton, N. J.; Gov. Herbert H. Lehman of New York, Judge Julian W. Mack of New York, Henry Monsky of Omaha, Nathan Straus of New York, Henrietta Szold of Jerusalem.

NATIONAL CO-CHAIRMEN — Rabbi Stephen S. Wise of New York, chairman, administrative committee; Louis Lipsky of New York, chairman, executive committee; Dr. Solomon Goldman of Chicago, Rabbi Israel Goldstein of New York, Judge Louis E. Levinthal of Philadelphia, Judge Morris Rothenberg of New York.

TREASURER—Charles J. Rosenbloom of Pittsburgh.

ASSOCIATE TREASURERS — Abraham L. Liebovitz of New York, Jacob Sincoff of New York.

VICE CHAIRMEN—Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner of Cleveland, Leon Gellman of New York, Dr. James G. Heller of Cincinnati, Edmund I. Kaufmann of Washington, Charles Ress of New York, Elihu D. Stone of Boston, Robert Szold of New York, Joe Weingarten of Houston, Tex.; David Wertheim of New York.

News
1-19-42

Barkley Backs Proposal for Jewish Army

Creation of a Jewish army to fight under its own standard was indorsed here today by Senator Alben W. Barkley, majority leader of the U. S. Senate.

Senator Barkley said President Roosevelt postponed his regular Monday morning White House conference with congressional leaders to enable Barkley to address the closing session of the National Conference for Palestine in Hotel Statler. More than 1,500 delegates from all parts of the country attended.

Importance of Palestine in the Allies' war effort was stressed at the conference at which Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple was re-elected chairman of the United Palestine Appeal for the fifth consecutive term. Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner of Euclid Avenue Temple was named vice chairman.

Palestine was described as a land well supplied with bases and skilled technicians to serve Allied naval and air forces by Admiral Yates Stirling, former chief of staff of the United States fleet.

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NOTED SPEAKERS AT PALESTINE CONFERENCE

Admiral Stirling, Prof. Albright, Mayor Lausche on Program

The National Conference for Palestine sponsored by the United Palestine Appeal, which will begin its sessions next Saturday evening at the Hotel Statler in Cleveland, will be a historic assembly in this crucial war period.

Coming as it does on the sixtieth anniversary of the Jewish colonization in Palestine, the conference will review the significant achievements of the Jewish National Home in the pre-war period which were made possible by the contributions of American Jewry through the United Palestine Appeal. It will discuss the aid which American Jews can give to the fighting allies of America in Palestine and will lay the groundwork for the post-war developments when Palestine will be called upon to give refuge to hundreds of thousands of war victims.

To Honor Dr. Silver

The conference will pay tribute to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, who has headed the United Palestine Appeal as National Chairman for four years. Under his leadership more funds have been made available to the Palestine national funds by the United Palestine Appeal than in any comparable period in the history of American Jewry's support of the Jewish National Home.

Mayor to Greet Delegates

The conference will be opened on Saturday evening with a prayer by Rabbi Armond H. Cohen of Cleveland. The delegates will be greeted by the Hon. Frank J. Lausche, Mayor of Cleveland, and Philmore J. Haber, President of the Jewish Community Council of Cleveland. Judge Louis E. Levinthal, President of the Zionist Organization of America, will preside at the opening session and a featured speaker will be Dr. Silver, who will address the gathering on "American Jewry's Responsibilities Today."

Dr. William F. Albright, Professor of Semitics at Johns Hopkins University, who spent fifteen years in Jerusalem as Director of the American School of Oriental Research, will also speak on Saturday evening. His subject will be "The Role of Palestine in the Rehabilitation of the Near East." As a life-long student of Near Eastern affairs, he has always been interested in the role which the Jewish National Home is playing in restoring Palestine as the cultural and industrial center of the East. During his residence in Jerusalem, he was a personal friend of Eliezer ben Yehuda, David Yellin, Joseph Klausner and other intellectual leaders of Palestine and has often lectured in Hebrew, which he speaks fluently, at the Hebrew University.

Prior to the opening session a cultural gathering in the form of an Oneg Shabbat will be held on Saturday afternoon. Leaders of the discussion will be Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Dr. Martin Rosenbluth, Dr. Baruch Braunstein, and Emanuel Neumann.

On Sunday there will be morning and afternoon sessions, a luncheon session, and a banquet in the evening in honor of Dr. Silver. Speakers in the morning, when Hon. George Z. Medalie, President of the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, will preside, will be David Ben Gurion, Chairman of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, who will report on the war effort of the Yishuv, and Charles J. Rosenbloom, National Treasurer of the U. P. A., who will render his annual report.

Admiral Stirling to Speak

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver will preside at the luncheon session and the guest of honor will be Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., former Chief of Staff of the United States Fleet, who will speak on "Palestine and the Naval Strategy of the War."

The afternoon session will be devoted to a discussion of "Palestine in the Post-War Period" and Eugene M. Solow, Vice-President of the Dallas Jewish Federation, will preside. Participating will be Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner of Cleveland, and Dr. Israel Goldstein, Louis Lipsky, and Dr. Solomon Goldman, National Co-Chairmen of the U. P. A.

Judge Morris Rothenberg will be toastmaster of the Sunday evening banquet which will honor Dr. Silver for his many years of service as National Chairman of the U. P. A. Tribute will be paid to him by Henry Monsky, President of B'nai B'rith, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, member of the Executive of the Jewish Agency, Mrs. David de Sola Pool, President of Hadassah, Leon Gellman, President of Mizrachi, David Wertheim, Secretary of Poale Zion, and Charles Ress, Chairman of the Board of the Keren Hayesod. Vocal selections will be rendered by Kurt Baum, leading tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Company.

The Administrative Council of the Zionist Organization of America, at its meeting last month, called upon "all American Jews, Zionists and non-Zionists, to make of the National Conference for Palestine an unprecedented demonstration of support for Palestine."

The resolution further directed every Zionist district and affiliated body to appoint one delegate for every fifty members so that the National Conference in Cleveland "may have the character of a nation-wide manifestation of the wholehearted support which the Yishuv may expect in the crucial days that lie ahead."

Other Participating Groups

Among the other large organizations which will participate in the conference are the Nat'l Council of Jewish Women, Nat'l Fed. of Jewish Men's Clubs, B'nai Brith, United Synagogue of America, Central Conference of American Rabbis, Jewish Nat'l Workers' Alliance, Women's League of the United Synagogue, the Rabbinical Asembly, and many others.

OFFICERS OF THE UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

U. P. A. officers pictured on the cover are, center, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman; Herbert H. Lehman, Albert Einstein, Henry Monsky, Nathan Straus, Judge Julian W. Mack, Henrietta Szold, honorary chairmen; Dr. Stephen S. Wise, chairman, administrative committee; Louis Lipsky, chairman, executive committee; Edmund I. Kaufmann, Dr. Solomon Goldman, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Judge Morris Rothenberg, national co-chairmen.

Other officers of the U. P. A. include Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, Leon Gellman, Dr. James G. Heller, Judge Louis E. Levinthal, Charles Ress, Elihu D. Stone, Joe Weingarten and David Wertheim, vice chairmen; Charles J. Rosenbloom, treasurer; Abraham L. Liebovitz and Jacob Sincoff, associate treasurers.

EDITORIALS

Democratic Unity

THE visit of Churchill to the United States so soon after our entry into the war has probably contributed as much, if not more, to the ultimate victory of our cause as any triumph on the field of battle. In terms of morale, the effect of Churchill's visit is invaluable, coming as it does at a time when initial Japanese successes—the fruit of treachery—might otherwise have left us in a mood of depression, if not of discouragement.

The meeting of Roosevelt and Churchill, the chief personalities in whom center the hopes, loyalties and prayers of the two greatest democratic powers, dramatizes a unity of purpose, a common determination and resolution, which makes the unity of selfish interest among the gangster governments of the Axis appear petty and feeble by comparison. The Axis was a victorious power only as long as it could take on the democracies one by one and deal with them in isolation. The union of the democracies under the doughty leadership of the Roosevelt-Churchill duomvirate spells the certain defeat of the Nazi policy of "divide and conquer."

The final victory will not come overnight. Sacrifices will have to be made, and they will be made ungrudgingly.

Encouraging, above all, is the insistent reiteration by both Roosevelt and Churchill that the unity existing today between the democracies must be made permanent. It must serve not merely the negative purpose of defending our way of life from attack. It must also demonstrate positively to all nations that the democratic way *is a way of life* and that its opposite, the way of tyranny, brutality and aggression, which the Axis powers have made their own, is the *way of death*. That the democratic nations can and must cooperate, in peace as well as in war, to insure the freedom, security and general welfare of all mankind—this is the inspiring ideal to which Roosevelt and Churchill stand committed in their joint leadership. It was the failure of the democratic nations to realize the need for just such collaboration that wrecked the Peace of Versailles and enabled the "serpent's root" of the Nazi minority in Germany to grow into the "basilisk" of the present Reich. That failure must never again be repeated. It will not, if the democratic world remains loyal to the leadership of Roosevelt and Churchill.

Toward a Jewish United Front

A victory for the democracies is indispensable to the liberation of the Jewish people, as of all who are victims of Nazi aggression; but victory alone is not enough to effect that liberation. Every nation that has found its way of life destroyed or impaired by the Nazis will doubtless, after the war, be given the opportunity to build up its civilization anew. The work of reconstruction will be facilitated by a degree of mutual cooperation among nations, but the major task of each people in insuring its future will rest with its own population. We Jews have no right to expect that concern for the Jewish future will move the non-Jews to act on our behalf, if we ourselves show no concern. The responsibility for the welfare of Jews must be primarily a Jewish responsibility.

We must realize this principle now. If we do not, the end of the war will find us unprepared. The fact that Great Britain and the United States are in the midst of an all-out war effort has not prevented their governments from making exploratory studies of post-war reconstruction along the lines of the Eight Points announced jointly by Roosevelt and Churchill after their first meeting on the Atlantic. Jewish organizations in America, such as the American Jewish Congress, the American Jewish Committee, and the American Emergency Council for Zionist Affairs have also given thought to the problem. But can they unite on a program?

We believe that they can and will. However deep are the differences of viewpoint between Jews, the need of saving our people from any possible future recurrence of Hitlerism is so urgent that we can hardly conceive of responsible Jewish leaders failing to arrive at some formula for united action. We cannot believe that they will permit ideological differences to prevent their reckoning with the practical realities of the immediate situation in a practical way.

These are the realities which, if properly dealt with, can afford the basis for united Jewish action:

1—After the war millions of Jews in Eastern and Central Europe will need to emigrate.

2—Only an autonomous Jewish Commonwealth in a territory reserved by international agreement for Jewish colonization would welcome a mass immigration of destitute Jews and afford them security and freedom.

3—Ever since the Balfour Declaration, Palestine has been internationally recognized, on historic grounds, as territory especially designated for Jewish mass settlement.

4—To enable Palestine to absorb all the Jewish immigrants who will need and want to settle in it would require the support of all Jewry, plus governmental assistance.

5—Jews electing to remain in the Diaspora must be free to do so and must everywhere be protected against unfair political, economic and social discrimination.

6—Effective constructive relief must be provided for Jews who have suffered from the ravages of war and persecution, and they must be helped to start their lives anew under the most hopeful conditions attainable.

We believe that the acceptance of these immediate practical objectives could prove a basis of unity for all Jews. Zionists and non-Zionists, secularists and religionists, Orthodox and Reform, survivalists and assimilationists could cooperate to achieve these proximate ends regardless of their diverse conceptions of the ultimate character and destiny of the Jewish people.

The Conference for Palestine

The action of the Administrative Council of the Z.O.A. in urging full representation at the forthcoming National Conference for Palestine, which will be held in Cleveland on January 17th and 18th, hardly needs editorial endorsement to commend it to Zionists. But perhaps a word on the subject may be appropriately addressed to members of non-Zionist organizations that have been invited to send representatives. There have been times when certain non-Zionists have deplored diverting the money of American Jews from American causes to Jewish overseas needs. If such Jewish isolationists are still to be found, they should be reminded of the words addressed by President Roosevelt to the Zionist Convention: "The threat to Palestine does not differ in essence from the threat to this country." Now, when Palestine and America are allies in the same war effort, there is no excuse for any Jew's shirking his responsibility to the United Palestine Appeal.

We Jews have a double stake in the war, as Americans and as Jews, and we must be prepared to make double sacrifices in consequence. We shall give to America all that our government asks, and more if need be, but we are also obligated to give to Palestine whatever it may need to carry on in the present and to play its role of redemption and emancipation of our people after the war. The National Conference for Palestine should prove an impressive demonstration of the unanimous support of Jewish Palestine by American Jewry.

New Evidence of a Need

The Nazis are reported massing on the Turkish border. Nobody knows how soon they may launch a new drive to break through to the Suez Canal, the oil fields of Mosul and the way to India. The main forces that Great Britain now has available in Palestine and the Middle East to resist such an attack are largely constituted of troops from Australia and New Zealand. But who knows when these Anzac troops may be needed to defend their own homelands against Japanese invasion? Yet, in Palestine, there are Jews by the tens of thousands eager to constitute a Jewish unit in defense of Palestine or wherever else their services may be required.

We have had occasion more than once to point out the injustice of Great Britain to our people in not permitting them to fight as Jews in defense of the honor and security of the Jewish people. But the injustice is not one to Jews alone. It is an injustice to Australia and New Zealand to deprive them of man power for the defense of the Middle East when the Jews on the spot could be used for that purpose. Yes, it is even an injustice to America to keep in Palestine forces that are badly needed in the Pacific theater of war out of which they have been withdrawn, while not utilizing to the full the available man-power of Jewish Palestine.

And why this denial of justice? To appease Hitler's friend and ally, the Mufti and the would-be Arab Quislings who are his henchmen?

From the President

Zionists in all parts of the country have written me in recent weeks inquiring about the future of our movement in the stirring days ahead, and seeking information regarding the steps being taken to promote our cause. In the volume of my mail the note of pessimism has been happily subdued; most of my correspondents merely wish to be reassured that we who stand at the helm of American Zionism are conscious of our responsibilities, and are alert to seize upon every opportunity for prosecuting our cause.

I can offer such reassurance not only to those who have written but to the many others who, I am sure, must ponder the Zionist future. These are times not only for watchful waiting, but for bold and vigorous action as well. The Balfour Declaration did not ensue from the first World War as an unexpected gift; it was the result of weary months of negotiations, and of utilization of every opportunity. American Zionists may be assured that our policy today is one of vigor and decision. In a hundred and one ways we are now being enabled to obtain for Zionism the attention which is due it, and which will eventually crystallize, once and for all, in a permanent and unquestioned recognition of the status of the movement. Our program of public relations, shortly to be immensely expanded under the direction of the American Emergency Council for Zionist Affairs, in which members of the Z. O. A. play a leading role, is but one phase of this war-time program.

Far from halting Zionist work, the war has intensified it. We look forward to the day of peace, and in time of war prepare for that day. While the Zionist membership and the Zionist Organization of America are bending every muscle to bring about a military victory for our country and for the United Nations, we are not losing sight of the fact that for the Jews another victory remains to be won at the peace table.

This is no time for hesitation, for misgivings, or for weakening. The world respects those who speak out boldly for their rights. Let us not forget that our beloved country is fighting to establish a just world. In such a world every people shall be free to live its own group life. The Jewish people, too, will be accorded its right to reestablish its Commonwealth in Palestine for those Jews who desire to live there.

To achieve our goal we must have a solidly united Jewry. Louis D. Brandeis, in the days of another war, said that our Organization needed "MEN, MONEY AND DISCIPLINE." These are now also our essential requisites. And the first of these is MEN. The Brandeis Memorial membership campaign of the Z. O. A. is a test of our Zionist faith and determination.

Louis E. Levinthal

The United Palestine Appeal in 1941

By CHARLES J. ROSENBLOOM

WHEN representative American Jewish leaders gather in Cleveland on January 17th and 18th in the National Conference for Palestine, sponsored by the United Palestine Appeal, to formulate plans for mobilizing the support of American Jewry for the Yishuv, they will want to know what has been accomplished in 1941 by the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund, twin instruments of Palestine upbuilding supported by the United Palestine Appeal.

At the beginning of 1941 the United Palestine Appeal informed the American public that the requirements of Palestine for a twelve-month period approximated $13,810,500. Expenditures of the two national funds for the twelve months ending September 30, 1941, approximated $8,000,000. This 40% reduction was caused by the loss of income from all Continental European countries and the failure of the free Jews of America proportionately to increase their contributions.

Despite this serious decrease in available funds, the Jewish National Home in 1941 has many positive achievements to its credit, not the least of which is its increasingly important role as our chief military and economic ally in the Middle East. Its manpower, industrial and agricultural resources have been wholeheartedly thrown behind the Allied war effort. There are today more than 1,600 plants and factories in Palestine turning out goods for the Army. In 1940 industrial products valued at a million Palestine pounds were supplied to the Army. In 1941 military production was tripled and three million pounds worth of Army orders were completed.

Aid to Industry

The Jewish Agency, of which the Palestine Foundation Fund is the fiscal agent, has a quasi-governmental role in developing Palestine industry. Its double-barreled purpose is to speed the ultimate victory over the Nazi Axis and at the same time increase the country's productive capacity and its ability to absorb Jewish immigration. During the past year Palestine industrial production has grown in importance in the field of textiles, metals and electrical goods. The shoe industry alone is now capable of turning out 125,000 pairs of army boots a month. Large numbers of Anzac troops as well as the 12,000 Palestine volunteers have been clothed by the Palestine textile industry. Even some of the ammunition, small arms and armored cars used in the Libyan desert have come from the Palestine arsenal for democracy.

To stimulate and aid Palestine industry, the Jewish Agency spent during the year $300,000. The immediate effect of this expenditure was to increase the number of man-days of work by 22 per cent, the consumption of electric power by 60 per cent, and to decrease considerably the dependence of the Middle Eastern forces on imported goods.

But this sum was only one-fourth of the amount budgeted for trade and industry at the beginning of the year. It is obvious that more than four times as much could have been accomplished had the funds been available.

Agricultural Colonization

Not less urgent are the activities of the institutions supported by the United Palestine Appeal in the field of agricultural colonization. While the industrial development of Palestine can be achieved, at least partially, with private capital, the establishment of new farm settlements requires a large amount of public money.

The Palestine pioneers, who are ready to devote their lives to hard work in new agricultural settlements where everything must begin from scratch, cannot contribute much more than their muscles and brains. It is the duty of the Keren Hayesod (Palestine Foundation Fund) to provide them with long-term loans even after the land for settlement is put at their disposal by the Jewish National Fund. Houses, or at least wooden bungalows, must be erected, and the most necessary farm buildings—stalls, barns, chicken coops—must be constructed even before the living accommodations are built.

The members of Palestine's collective farms do not demand much. They are perfectly willing to spend several years in barely-protected tents, but they still feel the necessity of more secure buildings for the housing of their children. They must also have some money to dig a well, for water installation, irrigation, domestic animals and agricultural machinery. With all the stringent economy imposed by circumstances, the Jewish Agency must spend from $800 to $1,000 for the settlement of an adult worker in the agricultural farms. This is certainly not an excessive amount.

As the economic life of Jewish Palestine is built on its own foundations, instead of being an adjunct to the existing economy of the non-Jewish majority, there is no possibility of building cities and developing industry without establishing a certain Jewish agricultural basis for them. Every agricultural settlement in Palestine serves as an economic basis for a still larger Jewish population in the cities and industries.

Encouraged and assisted by the Jewish Agency, the Jewish farmers of Palestine greatly increased their food production in the last two years. They are now producing about 20% more of cereals, 15% more milk, 25% more eggs, and about 60% more vegetables than during the last year before the war. Not only is the Jewish population now able to get along with local food products, but the military forces brought into Palestine are to a very great extent dependent on local supplies. The increased agricultural production in the existing settlements requires, naturally, a greater number of working hands and involves a larger area of cultivated land.

Eleven New Settlements in 1941

Eleven new settlements were founded in Palestine in 1941, some of them in extremely important strategic

positions. They help to connect large tracts of previously settled land and to extend Jewish agriculture to certain regions which were not previously drawn into the framework of our activities.

Eighty-five closely-knit groups, with 6,110 members, are registered with the Colonization Department of the Jewish Agency for settlement on the land. Employed in all kinds of urban work and public projects, these young workers are impatiently awaiting their turn to settle on the soil. If we would be able to fulfill their ardent wish during the next year, the absorptive capacity of Palestine would be enlarged to a very considerable extent, and the great masses of Jews who will certainly be drawn into Palestine at the end of this war would find there much greater possibilities for their economic establishment.

New Trades

In addition to training newly-arrived immigrants for all types of work, the institutions supported by the United Palestine Appeal are devoting a great deal of attention to the work of introducing young Jews to specialized branches of labor, from which Jews were estranged in the Diaspora. This training is given not only to the newly-arrived young men, but also to a considerable part of the Palestinian-born younger generation. Unfortunately, because of lack of funds, only $50,000 was spent in 1941 for these important projects toward the budget allocation of $243,000.

One of the most promising "forgotten" trades to which Palestine's youth is being introduced is fishing. Ten fishing villages were established in recent years at various points on the coast of Palestine. While cultivating a certain area of adjoining land, these villages derive most of their revenue from fishing by motor boats in the open sea! Fishing is likewise being encouraged on the Lake of Galilee and Lake Huleh ("Merom" of the Bible) which recently came into Jewish possession after the acquisition of the important Huleh concession. Artificial lakes for fresh water species have been built in the region of Haifa where a large supply of water is easily available.

Eight of these fishing villages were established on the Mediterranean Coast after the outbreak of war cut off the former sources of fish.

Faced with urgent needs for which there were no funds, the Jewish Agency undertook commitments and guarantees. For the year ended September 30, 1941, the Jewish Agency assumed commitments totalling more than $350,000 and gave guarantees for loans amounting to more than $450,000. During the past year indebtedness was amortised to the extent of more than $2,000,000. These sums were due to Palestine and London banks and it is perhaps the most remarkable tribute to the stability and soundness of Jewish upbuilding activities in Palestine that such institutions as Lloyds' Bank, one of the world's outstanding financial institutions, should have advanced such considerable sums to enable the work to keep going.

In the field of land purchase, executed by the Jewish National Fund, the shortage of income has meant lost opportunities in vital areas. It should be pointed out, however, that the Jewish National Fund, with faith that the Jews of the world, especially in America, are eager and able to contribute, is making commitments today which will have to be met in coming years.

BEFORE and AFTER

The progress of Jewish colonization in Palestine made possible with the aid of the U.P.A. is dramatically depicted in these pictures. The photograph above shows the Massada-Ain Hakoreh in the Beisan region of Palestine when a group of pioneers came to the barren plain and set up the first stockade. The picture below, taken from the same spot, reveals plowed farm land, homes and schools built, as another thriving settlement is added to the Yishuv.

During the last year Palestine has proved its worth in the titanic struggle that lies ahead of us. The agricultural production, the establishment of great industrial organizations and the development of cultural, commercial and economic institutions constitute solid foundations for the Jewish National Home, which is today the strongest bulwark of the democratic front in the Middle East.

The maintenance of this structure and the extension of fullest support to our allies in Jewish Palestine, is, in the words of former Senator King of Utah, our "highest patriotic duty as Americans and as Jews." Our second task is the expansion of these foundations so that in the post-war period Palestine may be able to absorb the hundreds of thousands of Jews for whom a safe, creative and free Jewish existence in Palestine will be possible, because of the energy, the resources and the vision of American Jews. These are the historic tasks which confront the delegates to the National Conference for Palestine as they convene in this most crucial moment of our work.

Palestine Faces the Year Ahead

By JESSE ZEL LURIE

TWENTY-EIGHT months have passed since the start of this war, and eighteen months since Palestine, due to the French capitulation and Italy's entering the struggle, came more closely into its orbit. Palestine went through these trying months with flying colors. Not a single Jewish position was lost, and many others were added. At the conclusion of this great struggle, the importance of Palestine for the solution of the Jewish problem will become greater than ever. There will be at least one country in the world to which millions of Jews, uprooted by Hitler persecution and confined in overcrowded ghettos in Poland or horrible concentration camps in the Nazi-occupied areas of Russia, will look with longing and hope.

The ability of Palestinian Jewry to preserve all its positions and even to enlarge them in these critical times is due largely to the support of world Jewry and especially of the Jews in the United States. The United Palestine Appeal can be proud of its great contribution to the preservation of our vital achievements in Palestine in this difficult war period. No less credit is due to the Palestine Jews themselves, to their marvelous spirit of solidarity, to their limitless readiness for sacrifice, to their amazing organizing skill and the great ability shown in using every opportunity for common weal.

Invaluable War Aid

Unlike World War I, the present war is highly mechanized. It requires supply bases, skilled workers, local food supplies, repair shops. Palestine Jewry provides these in abundant measure. In the last war, 135,000 unskilled Arabs had to be brought from Egypt to Palestine. They had to be transported and then fed in Palestine. Today the industrially skilled, mechanically trained Jews of Palestine make the importation of labor unnecessary.

Jewish stevedores unloading cargoes, Jewish ironmongers repairing Allied battleships, Jewish factories spilling out in unending stream the mechanical, textile, electrical, chemical and other supplies needed for war and fighters, Jewish artisans repairing the giants of mobile and mechanized warfare damaged on the battlefields, Jewish men and women in the Air Raid Precautions services, the civil guards and the supernumerary police, Jewish farmers laboring valiantly to multiply acreage for food, Jewish pioneers fighting and dying on the battlefields of the Middle East—all of these are the staunch, brave allies of the American nation. Ancient Judea and modern America, six thousand miles apart, are defending the common frontiers of freedom.

Budget for 1942: $8,037,527

The Jewish Agency for Palestine which, under the League of Nations Mandate, is recognized as the representative of world Jewry in administering Jewish interests in Palestine, is financed through the funds contributed to the Palestine Foundation Fund. For the Jewish calendar year, ending October 1, 1942, the operating budgets of the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund total £2,007,000 (which, at the present rate of exchange is $8,037,527).

The requirements of the Jewish Agency and the Palestine Foundation Fund total £1,180,000 ($4,720,000), while those of the Jewish National Fund aggregate £827,000 ($3,308,000). It is obvious that with all of continental Europe virtually debarred from providing any funds as in the past, a greater responsibility than ever before rests on the Jews of America to supply these budgets. It is important to emphasize that these budgets do *NOT* represent *expectations* of expenditures or forecasts, but scientifically calculated definitions of the minimum basis on which the functioning of the vast network of the national institutions in Palestine is possible. Further stress might be laid on the fact that the budget for 1942 is approximately equal to the actual expenditures for the previous twelve months, ending October 1, 1941.

Because of the additional war-time obligations upon the national institutions in Palestine, because of the great rise in the cost of living and because of the accumulated and delayed needs of the past few years, the Jewish Agency and Jewish National Fund might well have called for a much larger budget. But, confronted as it has been during the past few years by the failure of world and American Jewry to rise to the full responsibility entrusted to it, these institutions, working with governmental precision, have sheared their budgets to the irreducible minimum so that planning might not jeopardize credit, the most vital possession of the Jewish people in Palestine.

As in the previous year, the budgets for Palestine upbuilding in 1942 provide in most substantial measure for colonization and land acquisition. This is inevitable, first, in view of the basic nature of the Palestine upbuilding program involving the settling of Jews on the land, secondly, because a Jewish National Home without Jewish national land is unthinkable, thirdly, because political security requires the broadest extension of Jewish colonization foundations during this interim period, and fourthly, because immediate war-time necessities require the maximum cultivation of land for greater food resources.

New Colonies in 1942

The Jewish Agency plans between eight to ten new colonies in 1942. Of these, two had already been launched in the last days of December, 1941. Refugees from Germany, Poland and Yugoslavia settled areas in southern Palestine. On the site of ancient Gath, 137 young men and women established the colony of Manof, located on 1,500 acres of Jewish National Fund land, while 2,500 acres of J. N. F. land were occupied by 132 other refugees at Habone near Ruhama.

An important field of employment, in which an increasing number of young Jews is being trained, is at the

Women, too, register for war service in Palestine.

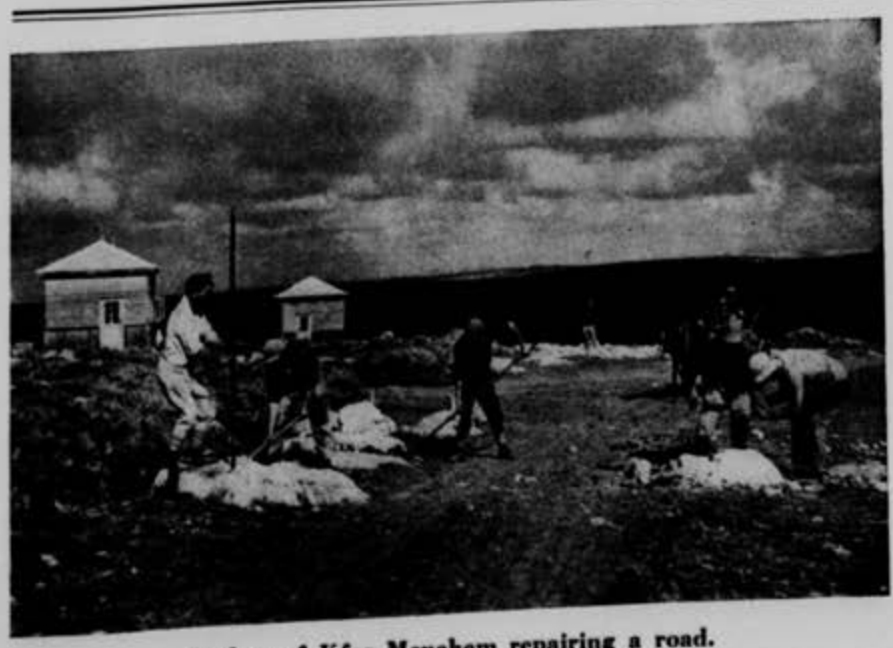
maritime trades—shipping, shipbuilding, stevedoring and all types of harbor work. The field of aviation is also being encouraged by the Jewish Agency. Situated at the hub of three continents and directly on the road from Europe to India and the Far East, Palestine is rapidly becoming one of the most important aviation centers in the world. The Jewish Agency subsidizes two aviation schools and several glider clubs. Mechanics are being trained to handle airplanes as well as automobiles, tractors and trucks. Some 1,600 Palestinian Jews are serving in various branches of the Royal Air Force.

The war has added other new responsibilities to the Jewish Agency, because of its semi-governmental character. Its budget includes some $40,000 for an extension of its recruiting activities in Palestine, $40,000 for assistance to the families of Jewish soldiers and about $25,000 for hospitality to the various Allied garrisons stationed in Palestine. The British Government, which had, up to early 1942, failed to yield to the insistent Jewish Agency demand that a Jewish Army be created in Palestine, should be grateful to the Jewish Agency for its persistent efforts to secure the enrollment of thousands of Palestine Jews in the British Army. Their heroic exploits are known from Bengazi to Beirut.

The year 1942 will be a decisive one in the course of the present war, as well as in Jewish history. When the victory of the anti-Nazi forces is assured, the political problems affecting the Jewish people and particularly Palestine, will approach their final decision. Previous experience has proved that the fulfillment of our demands after the war will depend to a large extent on our actual position in Palestine. The future of Palestine is so closely interwoven with the fate of the Jewish people throughout the world that no efforts should be spared in achieving a predominant place in its economic and political life before the democratic victors of tomorrow will arrive at a final decision. That is why every dollar sent to Palestine in the year 1942 will serve a double purpose. It will cover current needs and, at the same time, will insure the status of Jews in Palestine for the future.

Due to the misfortune of millions of Jews abroad, the Jews of America have become the guardian of the Jewish people and of Palestine. It is to be hoped that they will show the vision and the generosity which the situation demands. The position of American Jewry among the Jewish communities of the world places upon us additional obligations. The National Conference for Palestine will serve to mobilize all sections of American Jewry behind our Allies in Palestine. As Americans it is our patriotic duty and as Jews it is our privilege to support them. Upon such support depends the extent to which the Jewish future will be made secure.

There's work to be done, and fighting, too, for these Jewish boys, members of a Palestinian company of the Royal Buffs. This picture, however, shows the Royal Buffs Glee Club, following one of its programs over the Palestine Broadcasting System.



Settlers of Kfar Menahem repairing a road.

Pinchas Rutenberg—Man of Action

By **NATHAN TANNEN**

WHEN Pinchas Rutenberg died last week after a long illness, Palestine lost one of its most dashing and colorful figures. In his lifetime he combined many careers and synthesized many social and political ideologies which united to give him a rich, a full and an intelligent outlook upon the problems of the Jewish renaissance. If one were asked to epitomize the life of Rutenberg it could be done by a mute gesture indicating the nearest electric light bulb in any Palestinian village or town, for it was he who first harnessed the River Jordan, and made available the electricity which today provides not only illumination, but the power as well for the mighty war industries of the land.

Yet Rutenberg's colorful career began far back in his adventurous youth when he joined and became active in the ranks of the Socialist Revolutionary party in Russia. For a while he lived in Italy, where he was an electrical engineer. He visited America during the days of World War I, and threw himself into the organization work of the American Jewish Congress. Returning to Russia, he became one of the key figures in Kerensky's Provisional Government, which fought against the Bolsheviks. When that cause was lost he finally turned all his efforts to the Jewish Homeland.

Man of Vision

His first interest was in Jewish self-defense and in the welfare of the former members of the Jewish Legion. He was foremost a man of vision, however, and immediately began pressing his plans for making available the electric power without which, he knew, Palestine would ever remain a backward agricultural country, with an absorptive capacity chained to the limits of the farm. Conception of the plan was perhaps the easiest part of the project. It required the consummate skill of a financier to obtain the needed capital, the training of an engineer to translate blue-prints into realities, and the techniques of a managing wizard to put the whole proposition into operation. Rutenberg combined all these qualities, and added to them a temperament in which dynamic energy was predominant.

Long before his death his name became a legend in Palestine; everywhere Rutenberg is synonymous with electricity. In fact, some of his other achievements have since been almost overshadowed and forgotten, though their value to the Yishuv cannot be minimized. He helped make possible the creation of the Tel Aviv harbor, built the first airport in that city on his own land, helped found the Palestine Airways Corporation, and played a prominent role in the political life of Palestine.

The latter represented the final phase of his career, and was not unattended by heartache on his part. Though no individual can be truly objective and neutral, Rutenberg was the nearest approach to a non-partisan figure which Palestine has known. A capitalist, head of a $20,000,000 industrial power plant, he was yet the darling of the Histadruth, the all-powerful labor federation in Palestine. His opinions and advice were sought by all, perhaps because be abstained from participation in public affairs. His job was to create power for home and industry; he sought none of its counterpart for himself in public life.

In 1927 he was finally prevailed upon to become a member of the Vaad Leumi, the Jewish National Council of Palestine, and two years later became its head, serving for several years.

As party factionalism became more rife, however, and a "strong man" was sought who could guide the destinies of the Yishuv without yielding to the control of one group or another, eyes turned to Rutenberg, and in 1939 he was again drafted for this responsible post. His statement upon assuming office provides illuminating commentary on his nature: "I have not come for the sake of title or profit. I have come only to serve, to do whatever is in my power. I beg of you, now that you have elected me as your head, to allow me leeway. When you find that there is no further need for me you may say, 'Rutenberg may go'—and I shall leave. But as long as I remain in office I desire some measure of freedom of action."

His experience was not a happy one. A year later he resigned as President of the Vaad Leumi, and issued a statement calling for the abandonment of party controversies and the promotion of full unity and coordination. "Nothing is to be gained by majorities" he warned, advising that a small non-partisan executive committee be created to administer internal affairs of the Yishuv for the duration of the war.

His Last Wish

The statement occasioned considerable discussion, and some bitterness, from which Rutenberg did not emerge unscathed. His desire to be of service to Palestine Jewry was apparent once again in his will, made public upon his death. The section dealing with unity reads:

"The division of our people and communities into parties and sects has always been our disaster. Civil strife has brought us to the brink of the abyss. If it does not cease, ruin confronts us. Therefore it is my desire and will to the Yishuv and the Jewish youth growing up in its midst always to remember that it is not this or that Jewish sect or party which is persecuted and downtrodden by others but the Jewish people as a whole. Whether or not we want it, we are brothers in distress. Let us realize this and be brethren in life, in creative endeavor, in action and in upbuilding."

The thriving industry of Palestine, the steel skeleton towers which dot the landscape and carry the life-bearing wires, constitute fitting memorial to the achievements of one who was himself a human dynamo. Nor should Jewry fail to give heed to the sage advice offered in the closing days of his career, by one whose knowledge of people and human relationships was on a par with his technical and scientific skill.

Zionism and the Reconstruction of Jewish Life

By EUGENE KOHN

IN HIS challenging article, "New Horizons for Zionism in America", (*The New Palestine*, December 12, 1941), Carl Alpert calls attention to the necessity for rethinking the fundamental ideas of Zionism with a view to keeping the movement responsive to current needs. "What," he asks, "can revitalized Zionism mean to modern American Jews? What new forms must it take, what new approaches must it utilize, what new language must it speak? Perhaps, as some maintain, *this new comprehensive Zionism which we seek is Judaism itself, but a Judaism reinterpreted to modern needs and reconstructed for living service to a people?*" (The italics are mine.)

What Mr. Alpert here advances as a tentative proposition, I would affirm categorically. Zionism is, or should be, synonymous with Judaism, but with a Judaism that is alive and conscious of its direction and aims. As distinguished from a mere sentimental or philanthropic interest in Palestine, Zionism is the effort of the Jewish people to fulfill its nationhood, just as Americanism is the effort of the American people to fulfill its nationhood. But Judaism, as its name implies, also bore originally the same relation to the Jewish people that Americanism bears to the American people. It, too, constituted the effort of the Jewish people to fulfill its nationhood. It follows that, since "things that are equal to the same thing are equal to each other," Zionism is identical with Judaism.

How Zionism Became Distinguished from Judaism

But if Zionism and Judaism are identical, how is it that a new name, *Zionism*, had to be coined to describe a concept that was already covered by an old name, *Judaism?* The answer is that since the so-called Emancipation of the Jews of Western Europe in the late decades of the 18th and early decades of the 19th century, the term Judaism has been given a new meaning, one that no longer identifies it with the effort to fulfill Jewish nationhood. The theory not only of the assimilationists but of all who at that time sought to adjust Judaism to the conditions of western life, including the Neo-Orthodox, was that Judaism constituted not a complete national civilization but a religious denomination. It was assumed that only by making Judaism fit the pattern of the Christian churches, could Jews be given a group status that permitted of their enjoying the privileges and sharing the responsibilities of citizenship in modern nations.

But this denominationalism was a form thrust on Judaism from without and not an organic, self-determined expression of the Jewish will to live. It has proved a Procrustes' bed to which Jewish nationhood could be fitted only by being maimed and crippled. Vital interests of the Jewish people that were essential to Judaism as a civilization were lopped off as completely dispensable for Judaism as a religious denomination. When not completely lopped off, they were shrunken and withered beyond recognition or usefulness.

This is evident in the changed attitude toward Palestine. Throughout the Middle Ages Jews had regarded themselves as a nation in exile. Palestine remained its national home to which all the people hoped to return. The frequent Messianic movements and the actual settlements made in Palestine from time to time by groups of saints and mystics, show how alive was this expectation of a return, how ready it was to be translated into action, though the conditions of the time prevented such action from being effective. But, with the change to a denominational conception of Judaism, Palestine could no longer play the role of a national home temporarily occupied by an alien power. Reform Judaism, which stressed only the abstract universal values of the Jewish religious tradition, renounced altogether the hope of a national return to Palestine. Neo-Orthodoxy, which tried to preserve Judaism on a denominational basis by hardening traditional beliefs into dogmas, could not dismiss that hope so casually. Instead it sublimated it in a way that prevented it from ever appearing on the agenda of Jewish life.

In the course of time it became apparent to more and more Jews that the attempt to reconstruct Judaism along denominational lines was a mistake. It could not provide a creative adjustment of Judaism to the new conditions of life. It meant stagnation and disintegration. The one good which its proponents were most confident it would effect, the improvement of the attitude of the Gentile peoples toward the Jews, it did not effect. Jew-hatred persisted. The futile effort of Jews to escape from the consequences of that hatred did not diminish but rather increased as Jewish life was more and more emptied of content and value. Zionism was born as a protest both to assimilationism and denominationalism. It was largely inspired by the attempts of other nations to emancipate themselves from dependence on foreign powers through an appeal to national spirit. But Zionism could not, in those early days, identify itself with Judaism as a whole, because the majority of Jews had come to accept the denominational view of Judaism as correct.

But, if Zionism is to effect the self-emancipation of the Jewish people and enable Jewish civilization to take root and flourish, it must not any longer flow in so narrow a channel. Conditions have changed, and a vigorous Zionist movement can lead Jewry as a whole to accept an interpretation of Judaism that does not view it as merely a religious denomination but as a religious civilization, the civilization of the Jewish people. Being a complete civilization, its religious quality does not mean that it lacks secular interests or that these are illegitimate or unimportant. Judaism must be given the meaning that it had for Jews before the Emancipation. Zionism must seek to give it that meaning, and to show how, under present conditions of life, Judaism can function, not only in Palestine, but even in America as the civilization of the Jewish people.

Toward a Zionist Reconstruction of Judaism

What grounds are there for believing that the time is ripe for a Zionist reconstruction of Jewish life as a whole? In the first place, the tragic events of our own day must, at last, bring Jews to a realization that those who attempted to reconstruct Jewish life on a religious denominational basis were building on sand. Jews are today, no less than in the days before Emancipation, recognized as distinct from the majority group of the population. This applies even to America and other countries in which Jews enjoy freedom and a fair degree of prosperity. To treat that distinction as solely a difference of religious belief and practice is to flee from reality.

Moreover, with the deepening of the meaning of democracy, the original motivation for the denominational approach to Judaism no longer has any point to it. That motivation was based on the notion that equality of citizenship was conditional on cultural uniformity in all matters except religious beliefs and practices, which were regarded as private affairs. In those days, democracy was envisaged as a movement to secure the rights of the majority against the tyranny of a privileged minority. Today, democracy stands opposed to totalitarianism and seeks to protect the rights of the individual and of minority groups against encroachments even by the majority. Democracy today implies a social order that enlists the services of all in a cooperative effort to enable each to realize his own best capacities in his own way. It involves the right to be different as long as one is not antisocial. This applies to groups no less than to individuals.

There is, therefore, in a true democracy, no need for Judaism to conform to the denominational pattern of the Christian churches. There is no need for Jews to renounce their interest in Palestine, or in the welfare of Jews in other countries, or in the Hebrew language and literature, or in Jewish art and music, or in Jewish folk-ways and customs, any more than there is a need to renounce Jewish religion. Judaism can flourish as a civilization which Jews cherish in addition to their American civilization; it need not shrink to the dimensions of a religious denomination. This does not mean that it must become less religious. Jewish civilization has always had a religious quality. But even as the most religious man cannot dispense with such activities as eating, drinking, sleeping and providing himself with the means of a livelihood, so the most religious civilization cannot neglect the secular interests of the group to which it belongs.

There is, therefore, both the need and the opportunity for a reconstruction of Jewish life on religious-national rather than religious-denominational lines. It devolves on the Zionist movement, as the effort to fulfill Jewish nationhood, to take the lead in this reconstruction. In order to do so, it must adopt three principal objectives: (1) It must seek to establish Palestine as a Jewish commonwealth in which the Jewish civilization shall prevail; (2) it must make Jewish civilization worthwhile for every Jew; and (3) it must create an organizational structure for Jewish nationhood in the Diaspora as well as in Palestine.

Zionist Objectives in Palestine

Zionist objectives in Palestine involve no radical departure from past policies in order to enable Palestine to play its part in Jewish reconstruction. The movement should seek a synthesis of political, economic and spiritual Zionism.

From political Zionism there must be retained the demand for a national home with adequate political guarantees, and with boundaries extensive enough for mass immigration of Jews after the war.

From economic Zionism comes the demand for economic institutions that shall insure to the settler access to the land and its resources, and to the indispensable tools for his work. For only on such economic foundations can a secure and stable social order be established in Palestine.

Spiritual Zionism must contribute the demand for a life of the highest intellectual, aesthetic, ethical and religious quality attainable. Jewish nationalism in Palestine must definitely repudiate the fascist pattern of nationalism which glorifies national self-assertion and egotism. The aim of Jewish nationalism must be to utilize the collective experience of the group for the enrichment of human life in the individual, the nation and the world.

Making Jewish Life Worthwhile

A Zionist reconstruction of Jewish life must aim at making Judaism worthwhile not only for the Jews of Palestine but for the Jews of the Diaspora as well. Only in this way can we counter effectively the tendency to assimilationism. Zionists have denounced assimilationists, have mocked their futile efforts at escape from Judaism and have pleaded with them—all to no effect. But they have not done the one thing that can stem the tide of assimilationism. They have not made Judaism so interesting, so beautiful and so stirring that Jews would cease *wanting* to be other than Jews. As long as Zionism will be limited to a movement for the colonization of Palestine, those Jews who do not expect to migrate to Palestine will not be able to feel personally identified with the movement. They may contribute to its financial support, they may even join the organization as members and attend Zionist meetings, but they will be Zionists only *during* meetings and not *between* meetings. For Zionism, at present, does not constitute a program of Jewish living but only a theory of Jewish survival.

If Zionist theorists had looked less to foreign models and pondered more deeply the characteristic Jewish technique for maintaining Jewish nationhood in the Diaspora, they might have arrived at a program of Jewish living adequate to combat assimilationism. They would have discovered the wisdom with which the spontaneous national sentiment of our fathers reacted to the situation of the enforced dispersion. *The technique of that spontaneous reaction was to raise Jewish nationalism to the level of religion.*

Religion is the effort of men to find meaning and value in life. It implies the belief that the world is so ordered as to give support to those human purposes which make

life worth living. It includes all that is done to strengthen in men their confidence in God as the guarantor of human values and to bring the personal lives of men into harmony with those principles that condition human welfare and happiness and thus express the will of God or constitute the law of God.

Zionism in our day should endeavor again to raise Jewish nationalism to a religious level. This does not mean that we need cling to all the particular beliefs and practices through which Jewish religion in the past hallowed and exalted Jewish nationhood. Conditions change and both beliefs and practices often lose their value in consequence. They must then be replaced by other beliefs and practices that reckon more directly with present needs. Zionism should, however, reaffirm, in terms appropriate to the contemporary situation, Jewish faith in the future of mankind and the part that Israel is destined to play in that future. It should utilize to the full appropriate rituals and symbols, both traditional ones and others newly created, to keep that faith alive and active.

When we shall create in America a Jewish religious attitude that will enable Jews to experience in their Judaism a new zest for living, the will to live and create will express itself in all the arts and in every manner of intellectual and ethical endeavor. Then and only then can loyalty to Judaism offer an attractive alternative to Assimilation. The desperate tragedy of the modern Jew is that he no longer knows how to live as a Jew and yet cannot escape involvement in the Jewish fate. If Zionism is to save Jews from the horror of self-hatred, it must make of Judaism as it is lived in America something worthy of admiration and love. Zionism cannot thrive in America, if Judaism languishes; if Judaism is to thrive, Zionism must infuse new life into it.

The Social Structure of Jewry for the Future.

In addition to the establishment of the Jewish National Home and the development of a program of Jewish living in the Diaspora, American Zionism must have a third objective; it must create a unified organizational structure for Jewish life.

Before the Emancipation, the unity of Jewish life was largely maintained by a common understanding of what constituted Judaism and a uniform way of life based on that understanding. But adherence to that way of life was not altogether voluntary. Wherever there were Jews, the Jewish community enforced standards of Jewish behavior. There was, moreover, no possibility of withdrawing from the Jewish community except by accepting the Christian or Moslem faith.

With the Emancipation, the civil authority of the Jewish community was abolished. In some countries, where church and state were not completely separated, Jewish religious institutions received a measure of state support along with others, and were officially represented by a Chief Rabbi and some sort of representative board or consistory. In such countries, as in England for example, some degree of union between congregations has been preserved but not with a power and authority adequate to prevent a breakdown of Jewish religious law. In America, with its complete separation of Church and State, the congregation as the unit of the Jewish denominational set-up is absolutely independent.

But congregations are primarily associations of people for public worship. When it comes to maintaining those aspects of Jewish civilization which demand wide-scale organization or international collaboration, there is need for other social structures. Even to meet the needs of local Jewish communities, the congregational set up has proved its inadequacy. Not only Zionists but those very Jews who insist on the denominational character of Judaism have established charitable institutions, fraternal orders, educational and cultural organizations, associations for defending Jewish rights, etc.

The result is that, in our day, Jewry is both disorganized and overorganized. We have many more Jewish organizations than are needed, for there is endless duplication, interference, and destructive competition among Jewish institutions. But we are less organized than we need to be, because we have no machinery for the democratic determination and implementation of public policies; we are not organized for effecting the survival and enhancement of Jewish life in the Diaspora.

What is clearly needed is an organizational structure that will give reality to Jewish unity, notwithstanding the diversity of Jewish opinion and the lack of autonomous legal authority. To us Zionists such unity would serve as an expression of Jewish nationhood, since it would contribute to the preservation and development of Jewish civilization. The basis of its organization, however, should be broad enough to include all others who identify themselves with Jewish life and want it to continue whether they think of it in national or denominational terms. Membership in the organization would be entirely voluntary, so that it could not, by any possibility be deemed to usurp the powers of the state. It would merely involve the exercise of the democratic right of free assemblage by Jews for promoting their legitimate common interests.

The local units of such a form of Jewish communal organization would be democratically organized functional federations of Jewish societies and institutions. The principle of democracy implies that they would operate under a constitution. It implies further that representation on the governing board of the community would have to be accorded to every organized Jewish group the purpose of which involves an interest in Jewish survival. By the adjective *functional* is meant the principle of seeking the maximum collaboration among organizations that have common purposes for carrying out those purposes. At the same time the autonomy of each organization in respect to interests that it may not have in common with others must be constitutionally guaranteed.

Such local Jewish communities would then be represented in a national Jewish body, which would also include representatives of national functional groups. This national assembly would thus likewise be a constitutional

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With Our DISTRICTS and REGIONS

Akron, Ohio—Ian Ross MacFarlane will speak at the Zionist meeting here on Mon., Jan. 19. Dr. F. W. Steiner will preside.

Albany, N. Y.—The first joint meeting of the local dist. and the B'nai B'rith lodge took place recently at the Hotel Ten Eyck. Dr. Wm. H. Breslaw and Howard Wander were chairmen. Guest speaker was Dr. Mitchell Salem Fisher.

Bangor, Me.—Judge Bernard A. Rosenblatt will speak at the Center on Tues., Jan. 13. Meyer Minsky is in charge.

Boston, Mass.—Judge Louis E. Levinthal will address members of all Zionist districts in the metropolitan area on Sunday, January 25. He will speak in behalf of the Brandeis Memorial Membership drive, and will meet with local Zionist leaders.

Bronx, N. Y.—Pelham Parkway dist. No. 11 will install officers Sun. eve, Jan. 11, at the Hebrew Tabernacle. Rabbi Meyer Passau will speak, Rabbi Murray Alstet will install, and Max Mandel will preside. A J.N.F. golden book certificate will be presented to Morris Maydin. Dist. officers are: David Pfeffer, pres.; Max Mandel, Dr. Isaiah Adler, Louis E. Greenberg, v.p.; Louis Bluestone, treas.; Samuel Jacobs, R. Gampel, secretaries; Irving Reingold, ch. of the board.

Bronx, N. Y.—The Fed. of Hungarian Zionists will hear Adrian Schwartz at their meeting in the Spooner Theatre Building on Sun., Jan. 11. Nathan Markowitz will preside.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Dist. No. 14 will meet at the Brooklyn Jewish Center on Thurs., Jan. 15, and will hear an address by Dr. Nahum Goldmann.

Canton, Ohio—Local Zionists will hear Ian Ross MacFarlane at their meeting on Tues., Jan. 20. Rabbi I. Fine will preside.

Charleston, W. Va.—Local Zionists will hear Maurice Samuel at a meeting at the B'nai B'rith auditorium on Mon. eve, Jan. 19. Martin L. Braunstein will preside.

Columbus, Ohio—Officers of the dist. are: Robert L. Mellman, pres.; Jack Schiff, Roy J. Stone, v.p.; Albert Schiff, treas.; Fred Yenkin, sec'y.

Dayton, Ohio—Maurice Samuel will be guest speaker for the local dist. on Tues., Jan. 27, it is announced by the Ohio Valley Region.

Duluth, Minn.—Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut will speak for local Zionists at the Jewish Covenant Club on Mon., Jan. 26. Frank Keil will preside. The comm. includes Rabbi Burton E. Levinson, A. B. Horwitz, J. M. Pape, Isidore Zien and S. Mizrachi.

Evansville, Ind.—Special Zionist services here on Fri. eve, Jan. 23, will be addressed by Ian Ross MacFarlane. Rabbi Joseph A. Garfinkle will officiate.

Green Bay, Wisc.—The regular schedule of monthly meetings is being held without interruption, it is reported by Jerome Reznik. The most recent affair was the Hanukah Festival last month for the benefit of the J.N.F.

Hartford, Conn.—The Hanukah meeting of the dist. was addressed by Abraham Goldstein and Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman. I. E. Goldberg was presented with a J.N.F. Golden Book certificate. Judge Saul Berman, cultural ch., is planning a series of meetings throughout the year. Milton Nahum is dist. pres.; Harry L. Wise, memb. ch.; Martin B. Wiener, sec'y.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Maurice Samuel will address the Zionist dist. on Wed. eve, Jan. 14, at the Kirshbaum Center. David L. Sablosky will preside.

Kansas City, Mo.—Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner spoke for the dist. here this week. Louis Brown presided.

Kingston, N. Y.—A Brandeis Memorial Membership rally will be held at Temple Emanuel on Mon., Jan. 19. Speaker will be Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow, and Abe Streifer will preside.

Memphis, Tenn.—Officers elected recently are: Abe Waldauer, pres.; George Abraham, Dr. David Scheinberg. Hardwig Posert, Nathan Thomas, v.p.; Harry Dlugach, treas.; Louis Kotler, sec'y.

New Kensington, Pa.—Ian Ross MacFarlane will be the speaker at the Zionist dist. meeting here on Mon. eve, Jan. 26. Rabbi Judah Washer will preside.

New York, N. Y.—The Yorkville dist. forum series at the 92nd St. Y.M.H.A. will be continued on Tues. eve, Jan. 13, with James G. MacDonald as speaker. Dr. Harry F. Wechsler is ch.

Parkchester, N. Y.—A new dist. was formed here this week, with Marcus Abramson as guest speaker. A comm. composed of Rabbi H. D. Silver, Abraham Weingarten, Abraham Dressner, A. L. Gross and A. Stoller planned the dist.

Philadelphia, Pa.—A joint meeting of the Oak Lane, West Oak Lane and Logan Boulevard districts will be held on Tues. eve, Jan. 20 at Temple Judea, Broad St. above 69th Ave. Rabbi Meir Lasker will speak and Jacob B. Hoffman will preside. Dist. Presidents Fred Goldentyer, Harry W. Greenberg, and Frank Brown have invited the men's clubs of the neighborhood to attend.

Pittsfield, Mass.—All Zionist groups in the community united in a Hanukah celebration at which Isodore Goodman, dist. pres., presided. Samuel Bloomberg and Rabbi M. Fuhrman spoke; Jacob Pecker and Rev. O. Z. Duker led the services.

St. Louis, Mo.—The dist. meeting this week was addressed by Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner of Cleveland.

St. Paul, Minn.—The next dist. meeting will be held on Tues. eve, Jan. 27, at which time Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut of Chicago will speak. Louis Gordon is in charge of arrangements.

South Bend, Ind.—The Zionist dist. will meet at the Progress Club on Mon., Jan. 26, and will hear Maurice Samuel. Benj. Pisen will preside.

Terre Haute, Ind.—The meeting of local Zionists on Thurs. eve, Jan. 22, will be addressed by Ian Ross MacFarlane. Rabbi Marshall Taxay will preside.

Washington, D. C.—Dr. Israel Goldstein will speak for the dist. at the J.C.C. on Tues., Jan. 27, at a special J.N.F. meeting. Rabbi Isadore Breslau is dist. pres., Rabbi Henry Segal, ch. of the J.N.F. Council, and Tobias Naftalin education ch.

Westwood, N. Y.—Dr. David Tannenbaum will speak for local Zionists at Temple Emanuel on Sun., Feb. 1. Rabbi Emanuel Schwartz will be in charge of the meeting.

Wilmington, N. C.—Prof. S. Ralph Harlow will speak for local Zionists on Thurs. eve, Jan. 15, on his three visits to Palestine. Rabbi Mordecai M. Thurman will preside.

Ohio Valley Region

A sub-regional conclave will take place in Cincinnati on Sunday, Jan. 11. Cities represented will be Dayton, Middletown, Hamilton, New Albany, Lexington, Troy, Newport, Covington, Richmond, Louisville, Piqua and Cincinnati.

Paul J. Gaiser is chairman of the subregion and Herbert Bernstein is program chairman. Speakers will be Daniel Frisch and Rabbi Samuel Cooper.

Membership Drive Aided by Much New Promotion Material

The Brandeis Memorial Membership campaign is now entering upon an intensive phase it was stated this week by Simon Shetzer, executive director of the Z.O.A. Information received at the national headquarters in Washington indicates that numerous large communities are already engaged in sweeping drives, and report excellent results.

First city in the country to smash all previous membership records is Atlantic City, N. J. Other communities where the big drive is under way include Pittsburgh, Washington, Los Angeles, Atlanta and Philadelphia.

To assist in promotion of the membership drive a new eight-page illustrated pamphlet entitled, "In War Prepare for Peace—a Challenge to Every Jew," has been published. The pamphlet features the great interest taken by Justice Brandeis in Zionist activity, contains factual material on the war effort of the Jewish community of Palestine, and offers an evaluation of the role which American Jewry can play in the rehabilitation of Palestine and the Jewish people at the end of the conflict.

Announcement was also made of the issuance of a multi-colored poster depicting Palestine as the post-war solution for oppressed Jewry. Copies of the poster will be available for display in community centers, synagogues, meeting rooms and other public places.

A considerable amount of educational material dealing with Hamisha Osor B'Shevat, which occurs on February 2, is now being prepared. This will augment the large amount of educational material which has already been made available for districts this year, including feature and program material dealing with Brandeis, Herzl, Pinsker, and Hanukah, as well as news bulletins.

The Letter-Box

Correspondence from readers is invited. The editors assume no responsibility for the views expressed in this column and reserve the right to abridge unduly long letters.

AMERICAN PIONEERING

To THE EDITOR:

In the article dealing with the "Redemption of the Emek," in a recent issue of *The New Palestine*, the writer points out the unique role played by the Jewish National Fund. Without retracting anything from the splendid achievements of our land redemption fund, under the management of the great Ussishkin, it is only fair to point out that the pioneer activities in Northern Palestine, after the World War, were a distinctive American contribution, in the establishment of the colony of Balfouria, in the Emek, by the American Zion Commonwealth, in 1919, preceding even the founding of Nahalal.

The veteran Joshua Hankin travelled with me, by horse and wagon (because there was no available automobile), from Tel Aviv to Haifa and the Emek in July, 1919, to negotiate the purchase of the land upon which the settlement of Balfouria now stands. I remember so well the cablegram that I sent to Dr. Chaim Weizmann from Jerusalem, in the summer of 1919, asking for the consent of Arthur James Balfour, in naming the first settlement after the World War in his honor, and the reply that came expressing the satisfaction on the part of Balfour that his name should be associated with the soil of the Holy Land.

When I left for the States that autumn, Nellie Straus, a veteran Zionist member of Hadassah, was placed in administrative charge of the settlement, which thus became the first successful American colonization effort after the war. The Afuleh and Herzlia settlements followed later; and on some other occasion it might well be profitable to review the contribution made to Jewish colonization efforts through the American Zion Commonwealth. For the present, since we seem bent upon emphasizing the American contribution in Palestine, over and above mere money donations, it might be well not to forget these pioneer activities of two decades ago and more.

BERNARD A. ROSENBLATT.

New York, N. Y.

POLITICS AND MUSIC

To THE EDITOR:

I have just read that Jose Iturbi has been invited to direct the Palestine Symphony next Summer. I may be mistaken but I have never heard that Senor Iturbi has given up his allegiance to the Spanish Dictator, Franco. Further, I have never heard that Iturbi has rejected the statement made by the notorious General Gonzalo Queipo de Llano that Iturbi was an example to the world of the greatness of the art of Fascist Spain.

I hope that others may make their disapproval known so that those who made this error will hasten to amend it. We are all aware of the fact that in a world such as ours the artist cannot be disassociated from his politics. Until we know definitely that Iturbi has given up his Fascist leanings, he is "against us and not for us".

SAMUEL D. SOSKIN.

Fort Worth, Texas.

Anniversary of Palestine School

The American Palestine Fund and the Palestine Craft Education Society recently sponsored a twentieth anniversary celebration in New York of the founding of the Julian W. Mack School and Work Shops in Jerusalem. Among the speakers and those present were David Ben Gurion, Dr. Ruth Mack Brunswick, Mark Eisner, Dr. Philip R. Goldstein, Dr. Jacob Greenberg, Hon. Stanley M. Isaacs, Dr. Horace M. Kallen, Judge Louis E. Levinthal, Mrs. Julian W. Mack, Edward A. Norman, Mrs. Jean Starr Untermeyer, Miss Helen Viteles, Dr. and Mrs. Stephen S. Wise.

The School, which is under the direction of Deborah Kallen, provides elementary educational and industrial training.

Yishuv Cables Confidence

A message of confidence that American Jewry will stand firmly behind the Yishuv was received this week by Kurt Blumenfeld and Leib Jaffe from the Board of Directors of the Keren Hayesod in Jerusalem. The message read:

"The entrance of the U. S. A. into the war creates an immense new problem also for our work in Eretz Israel. We trust American Jewry's contribution to tremendous American war effort will be paralleled by American Jewry's full participation in our historical effort to maintain and to extend the Jewish National Home. Whatever lies before us we shall hold through. Full Board meeting held today decided to convey message of hope and confidence to you and all directors residing in America and through you to all Zionist friends."

Council of Organizations

Leib Jaffe, director of the World Keren Hayesod headquarters in Palestine, will be guest speaker at the 19th annual conference of the Council of Jewish organizations for Palestine, to be held on Sunday, Jan. 11, at the Riverside Plaza Hotel in New York. Herman Hoffman is President of the Council, and Max Ogust co-chairman.

Hebrew Program in N. Y.

Tarbut, formerly known as Histadruth Hanoar Haivri, is presenting an evening devoted to the American Hebrew writer on Jan. 24 at the 92nd St. Y.M.H.A. Alil, the organization's dramatic group, will participate, Rabbi Milton Steinberg will speak in English, and Menahem Ribalow in Hebrew. Jacob Rothman will direct the artistic program.

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Reconstruction of Jewish Life

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functional federation. It would deal with all sorts of Jewish problems that demand organization on a nation-wide scale. Finally, there would have to be a world congress of national Jewish communities to act in all matters in which the legitimate common interests of Jews throughout the world are involved.

The Self-Liquidation of the Zionist Movement.

Were the three objectives of Zionism set forth in the foregoing discussion achieved, there would be no further need for the existence of the Zionist Organization. The Jewish community, organized on a local, a national and an international scale, could deal with all the problems of Jewish life. And it would deal with those problems both in Palestine and the Diaspora from the point of view of faith in the possibilities of Jewish life both for the Jew and for mankind. Zionism would then have fulfilled itself; it would have again become identical with Judaism.

That consummation, however, is still remote. It must, nevertheless, be clearly envisaged now. For unless Zionism can create, within a reasonable time, the conditions which would make possible its self-liquidation, it will become more and more a small esoteric sect of persons unfanatically interested in Palestine and proportionally uninterested in the welfare of Jews who intend to continue living in America. This will produce a reaction on the part of American Jewry that would view Zionism in America as exotic and unimportant. The movement would thus grow weaker and weaker and, for want of a program which would make possible its ultimate self-liquidation through the fulfillment of its purpose, it may eventually be liquidated of necessity through the frustration, *halilah!*, of its purpose. To avoid this fate, Zionism must effect the reconstruction of Jewish life on a religious national rather than a religious denominational basis.

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At National Palestine Conference Dinner

Part of the crowd of 1200 at the National Conferen ce for Palestine dinner in Hotel Statler last night

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Palestine Is Called Strategic Key

Barkley Addresses Jewish Group at Closing Session

Jewry throughout the world today read a "mandate" from Cleveland that Palestine is a strategic key of world affairs in the fight against Axis powers.

This was the summation of a two-day session here of the National Conference for Palestine which came to a close last night in Hotel Statler.

The conclave, which brought together more than 1200 Jewish leaders, was sponsored by the United Palestine Appeal of which Rabbi A. H. Silver of The Temple is national president.

In the climactic address of the conference last night, Senator Alben W. Barkley, majority leader of the U. S. Senate, said President Roosevelt considered the fight of the United States and the battle of Palestine as a common struggle for democracy.

One of a Series

Senator Barkley's address was one

Barnett R. Brickner, Euclid Avenue Temple; Henry Monsky, president of B'nai B'rith; Judge Morris Rothenberg, New York; Dr. Nahum Goldman, New York, and others.

Indorsing the request of the conference for the creation of a Jewish army to fight under its own standard, Senator Barkley explained that while Jews were eager to fight for democracy, "they prefer to fight under their own flag because it has been a symbol of human liberty and justice for 4000 years."

He arraigned Hitler's attacks upon the Jews and exclaimed that the free peoples of the world were rising to crush for all time the slavery which the Nazis have sought to impose upon the world.

Admiral Stirling declared:

"In this great fabric of many fighting fronts, the importance of Palestine must be recognized. It is to our advantage to see a Jewish army utilized."

"Stronghold of Democracy"

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox and Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, in telegrams to the conference, joined in asking "greater aid for Palestine as a stronghold for American and world democratic front."

For the fifth consecutive time, Dr. Silver was re-elected national chairman. As a special tribute, his name was written in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund.

Nine vice chairmen chosen were: Rabbi Brickner, Leon Gellman of New York, Rabbi James G. Heller, Cincinnati; Edmund I. Kaufman, Washington; Charles Ress, New York; Elihu D. Stone, Boston; Robert Szold, New York; Joseph Wel-

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A Fortress of Democracy

The importance of Palestine as a fortress of democracy in the Middle East was brought into critical focus in Cleveland during the National Conference for Palestine, attended by Jewish leaders of national prominence.

Dr. Israel Goldstein of New York, president of the Jewish National Fund of America, described the 550,000 Jews in Palestine as the only population in that part of the world that can be relied upon to fight for democracy to the last ditch.

Official note of this nation's appreciation of the tiny country's position in the war was expressed in a message to the conference from Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox. He said:

> The land of Palestine looms large on the immediate horizon as a strategic key to the control of the Middle East. Hitler must capture it if he is to reach Iran and the Mosul oil fields he needs. We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine against that aggression . . . Palestine is a thorn indeed in the flank of Hitler.

We agree with Secretary Knox and the other speakers of the conference that in this critical hour we must help and support the tiny, but important, land of Palestine.

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. . . . Palestine is a tiny country on the map of the world but it is shaped like a thorn. It is a thorn indeed in the flank of Hitler. We must strengthen that thorn until it becomes a sword that will halt the tyrant's eastward march. . . . We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine. . . .

FRANK KNOX,
Secretary of the Navy.

. . . . The appeal today is no longer addressed to Zionists alone, but to all Zionists, non-Zionists and non-Jews who believe in justice and freedom. It no longer appeals to Americans alone, but to the people of all free nations. And the cause is identified with the all-embracing cau[illegible] Democracy. . . .

HENRY MORGENTH[illegible]
Secret[illegible]ry.

. . . . To the United Palestine Appeal of [illegible] best wishes. Your work for Palestine in [illegible] admiration and respect and I look forward [illegible] lishment of the reign of law among the nations will enable you to set free all your energies again for this work. . . .

SIR ARCHIBALD SINCLAIR,
Secretary of State for Air, Great Britain.

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Cleveland Gathering Encouraged by Messages from Sec'y Knox, Morgenthau, Weizmann, British and Allied Statesmen—Special Tribute to Silver —Admiral Stirling, Albright, Barkley, Among Speakers

More than fifteen hundred delegates and guests attending the annual National Conference for Palestine at the Hotel Statler, Cleveland, last week-end, heard speaker after speaker, including prominent government officials, a noted scholar, and outstanding Jewish leaders, emphasize the strategic role which Palestine plays in the present world conflict, as an ally of the United States, and as a member of the united democracies.

A brilliant address by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, set the keynote for the conference, and effectively stated the issues confronting the gathering. Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., former Chief of Staff of the U. S. Navy, and the Hon. Alben W. Barkley, Majority Leader in the U. S. Senate, made it clear that Palestine is regarded a most important sector in the "great fabric of many fighting fronts."

The audience arose and cheered when a message from Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox was read, in which the Secretary emphasized that "we in the United States must help strengthen Palestine" against aggression. The spirit of enthusiasm manifested by the delegates was kept at a constantly high pitch, reaching its climax at the final banquet on Sunday evening when Dr. Silver was honored for his service to the U. P. A. and re-elected chairman.

First Sessions

Though the first formal session was not held until Saturday evening, an educational Oneg Shabbat took place during the afternoon with Henry Montor presiding, and Dr. Martin Rosenbluth and Dr. Baruch Braunstein participating in a panel discussion.

Judge Louis E. Levinthal, president of the Z. O. A., presided at the first formal session in the evening. The opening prayer was delivered by Rabbi Armond E. Cohen of Cleveland, and greetings were extended by Philmore J. Haber, president of the local Jewish Community Council, and Frank J. Lausche, Mayor of Cleveland.

Dr. Silver then gave his annual report, followed by Dr. Stephen S. Wise and Dr. Israel Goldstein.

MAJOR ADDRESSES

The available texts of all major addresses delivered at the conference will be found on ensuing pages.

Sunday morning the Hon. George Z. Medalie, president of the N. Y. Federation of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, was in the chair. Charles J. Rosenbloom, national treasurer of the U. P. A., delivered a report on the fund-raising activities of the Appeal.

Full details of the work of the Keren Hayesod were given by Charles Ress who reviewed the history and achievements of that organization since its founding in 1921.

Demand for Jewish Army

The demand for a Jewish Army, which was expressed by most of the speakers at the conference, and which was later incorporated into a strong resolution, was given impetus by the speech of David Ben Gurion, chairman of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine. Reviewing the history of Jewish military achievements in Palestine since the Biblical days of Joshua, he stated: "We don't need to apologize for our request for a Jewish Army in Palestine. We are as entitled as every one of the United Nations to fight under our own flag, especially in our own country."

Admiral Stirling, addressing the luncheon, was outspoken in this regard. "It is to our advantage as Americans to see a Jewish army utilized," he declared. "We have a worldwide war to win. Even at best our reserves of manpower are not such that we can squander them."

Dr. Nahum Goldmann sounded a challenge to American Jewry in his speech. "The moment has come when American Jewry cannot limit its participation in world Jewish affairs to the rather easy task of giving help to those who lead the fight," he said. "It has to assume responsibility and leadership in this fight."

The luncheon session was presided over by Dr. Silver, and opened with the saying of grace by Rabbi Philip Bernstein of Rochester, N. Y.

Anxious to continue their deliberations, the delegates refused to permit adjournment of the luncheon session, and the program continued without interruption throughout the day. Eugene M. Solow of Dallas took over the chair and introduced Emanuel Neumann, director of the Emergency Council for Zionist Affairs, Dr. William F. Albright, professor of Semitics at Johns Hopkins University, and Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner of Cleveland.

Mr. Neumann gave an account of the political activities of the American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs during the past year, dividing them into two categories: activities of a long-range character designed to win the support of the American people and government for a Zionist solution of the Jewish Problem and the Palestine question; and strenuous efforts which were called for from time to time to meet special emergencies as they arose.

He paid tribute to Senators Wagner, McNary and their associates of the American Palestine Committee now numbering seven hundred distinguished Americans—the most notable political achievement of the year.

The closing session of the conference was dedicated in honor of Dr. Silver for his services as national chairman of the U. P. A. In behalf of his fellow-officers of the U. P. A. Judge Morris Rothenberg, who was presiding, presented Dr. Silver with a special certificate of a J. N. F. Golden Book inscription, while the delegates unanimously expressed their approval of the choice of Dr. Silver for a fifth term as head of the Appeal.

Senator Barkley, who arrived from Washington just in time to address the conference, delivered a fighting speech which time and again roused the huge audience to a high pitch of excitement. While the Jews are naturally eager to

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EDITORIALS

A Reply to *The New York Times*

One should not be unduly surprised by the editorial opposition of *The New York Times* (Thursday, January 22, 1942) to the proposal of the Jewish Agency and to the demand of the Yishuv to establish a distinct Jewish military force, based on Palestine, to serve under the standard of the Star of David and under British command. That newspaper has long and uniformly been antagonistic to the national aspirations of the Jewish people. It would have been strange indeed if a rabidly anti-Zionistic publication had favored the idea of a Jewish army based on Palestine.

Is it not obvious that the arguments presented by the *Times* against the proposal for a Jewish army are identical with the specious and prejudicial contentions made by anti-Zionists a generation ago, contentions which were repudiated by the overwhelming majority of Jews and which were rejected by enlightened non-Jews of all civilized countries?

Fortunately for the Zionist movement and for the Jewish people, the right to reconstitute Palestine as the Jewish National Home is not now open to "theoretical" discussion or debate. The year 1942 marks the 25th anniversary of the issuance of the Balfour Declaration and the 20th anniversary of the promulgation of the Mandate for Palestine, both of which documents recognize the historic claim of the Jewish people to Palestine as its national homeland.

Coincidentally, this year also marks the 20th anniversary of the Churchill White Paper, which enunciated as the basic principle of the rehabilitation of Palestine the fact that the Jews return to their homeland "as of right, and not on sufferance." Nor should it be forgotten that it was also twenty years ago that both Houses of Congress adopted the Joint Resolution approving the reestablishment of the Jewish National Home in Palestine.

We Zionists are convinced, as Admiral Yates Stirling pointed out the other day in Cleveland, that the establishment of a distinct Jewish military force in Palestine will strengthen the cause of Britain and the United Nations. We do not believe that the Arab world will "revolt" because of the formation of a Jewish Army, but on the contrary, the Arabs will be impressed by Britain's fulfillment of its solemn obligation to the Jewish people and by the abandonment of the appeasement policy of some of the British Colonial officials.

Finally, we Zionists, in vigorously asserting the claim of the Jewish people to Palestine as its National Homeland, and in pressing our demand for a Jewish army based on the National Homeland, are of course no less insistent in demanding that in the new world after the war the "Jews along with other religious and national minorities may live peaceably and happily in every nation, enjoying the full rights of other citizens." We Zionists realize, of course, that Palestine is not to be the home of *all* the Jews, but rather of those Jews who will make Palestine the place of their abode, and that equality of Jewish rights everywhere must be guaranteed. This we regard as axiomatic. It is absurd to assume that the reestablishment of Palestine as the Jewish Commonwealth will preclude equality of rights for Jews in other lands.

Louis E. Levinthal
President, Zionist Organization of America

Magnificent Spirit

The national conference for Palestine, held last weekend in Cleveland, was the first nationwide gathering of American Jewry since the United States entered the war and the proceedings accordingly took on a greater significance than usual, as pointed out by Henry Morgenthau, Jr., in his message. Even a casual observer could not fail to be conscious of a new tone, a deeper, though more subdued note of earnestness and sincerity which pervaded every session and made itself manifest in every address.

The delegates present, without succumbing to any war hysteria, were nevertheless under the influence of the times and sensed, perhaps more deeply than ever before, that their project, the creation in Palestine of a permanent home for the Jewish people, was not an individual undertaking, but part of a great world plan, part of the broad picture of which the Atlantic Charter and the pact of the United Nations had given preliminary glimpses.

There was no need for Zionist apologetics at the conference. The cause of Palestine was presented in a statesmanlike manner, as befits a people of noble history. Though no one expressed it in precisely these words, there was the general feeling that if Zionism had previously been ignored or overlooked by the world powers, if it had been regarded by some statesmen, in England or in America, as a provincial, unimportant nationalist movement among a few million of the earth's two billion people, that day had definitely gone. With Palestine spoken of as a military ally of the United States, hailed as a bulwark of democracy, and pointed to as the key to the entire vital Mediterranean situation, Zionism has emerged finally as a mature movement, accepted on every hand as a partner in the struggle for a common cause. The indications of this emergence and this acceptance were numerous. They appeared in the significant address by Admiral Stirling; they were evident in the greetings extended by the governments of Poland and Norway and Denmark and Czechoslovakia and The Netherlands; they were clearly expressed in the message from Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox.

It was because of this certainty, this new found confidence, that Zionist leaders spoke out again courageously and with even more spirit against the last remnants of appeasement. It was because of the new sense of growing optimism, tempered only by knowledge that there is still a struggle ahead, that the delegates vowed the fullest measure of personal assistance to the Jewish

Homeland by support of the United Palestine Appeal.

The spirit of the conference was magnificent! Grateful for a task well done the delegates were unsparing in their tributes to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the U. P. A., and enthusiastically returned him to leadership for a fifth year. All these many elements, the optimism, the dogged determination, the sincerity, the feeling of maturity, united to give the conference a genuine character of its own. As Dr. Silver's brilliant address set the keynote for the gathering, so it may be said that this conference, the first since the fateful December 7th, has set the tempo and the mood for American Jewry's will to complete victory.

The United Jewish Appeal

Agreement has been reached among the three organizations constituting the United Jewish Appeal—the Joint Distribution Committee, the National Refugee Service and the United Palestine Appeal—to continue their joint campaign during the year 1942 on approximately the same basis as last year. The announcement of this decision is a welcome one. In the present crisis we cannot afford the luxury of competing drives. The causes united in this appeal are, all of them, related. They all help to keep the Jewish people alive during the present terrible years and to salvage whatever of Jewish life can be reclaimed for the happier future for which we are fighting. By contributing to the United Jewish Appeal, Jews aid Jewish survival in two ways: they help build up the Jewish homeland and they demonstrate that mutual responsibility of one Jew for another which is the basis of Jewish morale.

Moreover, every contribution to the United Jewish Appeal is also a contribution to the ultimate victory of the democratic cause. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and Dr. Jonah B. Wise make this point in a joint statement issued to the press. "Following President Roosevelt's leadership," they say, "we must recognize that our energies and our thoughts must encompass the far-flung front of democracy, which extends to all four corners of the earth. Our government is determined to maintain the flow of supplies and war material to all people in all countries who share in the common struggle. Similarly, it is our solemn obligation to continue and expand the flow of our support to the Jewish people, who were the first victims of Hitlerism."

The customary excuses for not giving to overseas purposes because of needs at home cannot well be invoked in resistance to the U. J. A. campaign. Whoever is not with the U. J. A. in its effort to save Jews is with Hitler in his efforts to destroy them. With a double stake in the war, as Jews and as Americans, we must be prepared for double sacrifices; we must provide the means for rescuing our Jewish people as well as the means for supporting the American war effort. There is no place for Jewish isolationism.

From the President

Three news dispatches received almost simultaneously from three far separated cities may be woven into one lesson which American Zionists take to heart.

From London has come word that the Poale Zion Organization of Great Britain, convinced that partisan competition and duplication of Zionist activities have no place during time of war, has affiliated with the British Zionist Federation, the General Zionist body in that country. While the Poale Zion will retain its membership in the World Poale Zionist Organization, the union with the General Zionists will have the effect of building a united front for the basic cause which all Zionists hold in common. There is an obvious lesson here for us American Zionists.

From Jerusalem, shortly after the death of the beloved Pinchas Rutenberg, came the text of his will, according to the terms of which an endowment fund has been established "for the inculcation in our youth of the spirit of unity and brotherhood." Rutenberg's last words, uttered from the heart, should penetrate to the hearts of all who read them: "The division of our people and communities into parties and sects has always been our disaster. Civil strife has brought us to the brink of an abyss. If it does not cease, ruin confronts us. Therefore it is my desire and will to the Yishuv and the Jewish youth growing up in its midst always to remember that it is not this or that Jewish sect or party which is persecuted and downtrodden by others but the Jewish people as a whole. Whether or not we want it, we are brothers in distress. Let us realize this and be brethren in life, in creative endeavor, in action and in upbuilding."

And from Poland, in the same batch of cables, came the delayed report of a "Palestine Day" observed by the Jews in the Warsaw ghetto on the anniversary of the Balfour Declaration. How poignant is the observance by our kinsmen, "brothers in distress", who united in prayer for the day when peace shall be restored and they might resume their Zionist work or fulfill Aliyah to Palestine!

London has set an example for us; Jerusalem has sent forth a warning call; Warsaw has provided a tragic and pointed lesson. Unity in planning and cooperation in action are essential in war-time. How thankful I am to find a readiness on the part of Zionists throughout the country to lay aside petty partisan considerations and to join wholeheartedly and devotedly in the service of our cause. History will gratefully remember those who in the time of great crisis rose to the occasion.

Zionists are mindful that DISCIPLINE is one of the three essentials of our movement listed by Justice Louis D. Brandeis. They realize that in these fateful days unity and discipline are absolutely indispensable to the attainment of our goal.

Louis E. Levinthal

In War and Peace

By DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

WHAT of 1942? What is likely to be the response of American Jewry to the appeal of the United Palestine Appeal, to all appeals for overseas aid and relief? There are already many prophets of gloom who are volubly prophesying in our camp: the response will be poor. Not only will taxes be much higher, making generous giving more difficult, but the minds and interests of our people will be absorbed in purely American problems and tasks. They will not be willing in war time to send their resources abroad to assist their fellow Jews in other lands. They will patriotically concentrate on the American scene to the exclusion of all else. These prophets anticipate a sort of involution in beneficence, which, they believe, will not fail to impress Americans with the undivided loyalty of the American Jew.

Dr. Silver accepts J. N. F. Golden Book certificate from Judge Morris Rothenberg in highlight ceremony of conference. Senator Barkley is in foreground

Such an attitude on the part of our people, should it develop, would of course run contrary to the foreign policy of our government now universally endorsed by the American people. After long months of indecision and violent debate, the American people finally rid itself of the dangerous folly of isolation. Instead, a firm, resolute and broad policy of international cooperation for victory and for a new international order has been adopted—a united war program, and a united peace program. Our country has announced a global program of lease-lend aid to all nations fighting the Axis powers. It is prepared, and is now in the process of pouring out its vast resources to assist peoples, some of them thousands of miles removed from our shores, with food and funds, with arms and men, to equip and sustain them in the common struggle against the common foe. Our forces will soon be on all oceans, at many points in the Far East, on bases within this hemisphere and outside it. Billions of dollars of the American taxpayers' money will go overseas to help other peoples. This is the grand strategy which has been adopted and approved by the American people; for they have become convinced that only in such a way can the war be won.

Will the American Jew now become the heir of the repudiated folly of isolationism? Will he become parochial in his interests and concerns at a time when his country is becoming international in vision and outlook, and is thinking and planning in terms of United Nations? I doubt it. The malaise of isolationism, if it ever does make its appearance among us, will be restricted to a group at the top where traditionally the specific "Galut" maladies make their home—timidity, escapism, tilting with wind-mills, dodging one's own shadow, protective dissociation from other Jews—that whole complex of racial affections and disorders which may best be defined in our day as the Jerome Frank Complex.

The great masses of our people have never been isolationists and have never consented to the proposition, enunciated only by shell-shocked Jews, that aid given to fellow Jews in other countries, or efforts to establish for their nationally homeless people a normal national existence, diminished their loyalty to the land of their birth or adoption, or clashed with the full performance of their duties as citizens in peace-time and in war-time. And so they help their fellow Jews everywhere in peace-time and in war-time. And so they will continue to do.

To Win the Peace

America is resolved to win not only the war but the peace which is to follow. The war is only the tragic, costly prelude to the real work of building a just, free, and enduring social order. Will the cause of world reconstruction be helped if what still remains of tortured European Jewry still within the reach of our help is allowed to sink deeper and ever deeper into the mire of misery and helplessness? Will the cause of permanent world peace be advanced if Palestine—the one promising solution for the homelessness of the Jewish people, where more than a half million Jews have already found rest, and where millions more can—is permitted to languish and to run down during the long, hard years of war ahead? The President of the United States recently gave the answer, clairvoyantly and incisively: "The threat to Palestine does not differ in essence from the threat to this country." Palestine and America today are welded into one single front. They face a common threat. They are engaged in a common struggle. They await a common victory. Every dollar given to Palestine is thus a defense bond for democracy!

At this juncture in world history Jewish Palestine meets a two-fold need. It meets a war need. It is an important military ally of the free nations fighting Hitlerism. It is providing soldiers, munitions, food and military services in this war. Palestine may yet become a sector of major military significance. The plains of Jezreel were, of old, the battle grounds of empires, and around the walls of Jerusalem battles may yet rage again.

Palestine occupies a strategic post in the far-flung

allied battle front. A half million Jewish lives are pledged to defend that post. Great Britain should swiftly mobilize this valuable potential. It should swiftly arm the fighting Jews of Palestine—before it is too late, lest it repeat in Palestine the tragic mistakes of Crete and Malay and of other battle areas where foresight might have averted disasters. If Great Britain cannot arm the Jews of Palestine, presumably for lack of equipment, America should. Palestine today is as much an American front as it is a British front, and an Allied defeat in Palestine, even as an Allied defeat in Singapore, would prove as costly and as dangerous to America as to Great Britain.

Privilege of Free Men

The Jews of Palestine should not only be armed immediately, but should be permitted to form their own military units and to fight under their own flag under Empire command. This is a privilege of all free men. The American Jew fights under the Stars and Stripes. That is his flag. The Palestine Jew should be free to fight under the Star of David. That is *his* flag. The Jews of Palestine belong to no other nationality but the Jewish, and their land is the Jewish Homeland, so proclaimed by Great Britain a quarter of a century ago and so confirmed by all the civilized nations of the earth. To be denied the right to defend their homeland, as Jews, is unjust and ungracious, and to fail to mention by name the Jews of Palestine who are valiantly fighting with the British forces in Libya and elsewhere, many having been wounded and killed, is unbecoming a great Empire, and is an act of spiritual violence against a friendly ally. "What kind of people do they think we are?" . . .

Zionists have occasionally been taunted with the charge that they wish to maintain themselves in Palestine with the help of British bayonets. That was always a pointless taunt which rang particularly hollow in the ears of the British officials of Palestine who knew how eager the Jews were to possess their own bayonets and to fight with their own weapons, and how often ways were found by them clandestinely to supplement British bayonets. In this war, the Jews of Palestine have offered a Jewish army to fight alongside Great Britain, over and above the twelve thousand Jews who have already volunteered and have already seen action in the Middle East, in Syria, Greece, Crete and Libya. Why is Great Britain now afraid of Jewish bayonets? Does it suspect that these bayonets may some day be employed to back up the righteous demand for a free Jewish Palestine by men who will finally be forced to the conclusion that freedom must be taken when it is not given? There is no fear. The Lion of Judah and the Lion of Trafalgar and Dunkirk may roar at each other. They will never fight each other. . . .

Jewish Palestine also meets a world peace need. There can be no lasting peace in the world until the fate of the homeless and the rightless minorities of Europe is properly determined. Jewish homelessness will be widespread after the war. There will be millions of people, both Jews and non-Jews, who will have to seek new homes in a world which will be inhospitable to immigration. The struggle for existence in an impoverished and ravaged post-war Europe will be harsh and bitter. Famine, poverty and misery will stalk over the face of that war-riven continent. There will be ruined economies, worthless currencies, social collapse and revolutions in every defeated country—just as after the last war. The youth of half the world which has been indoctrinated with the racial and nationalistic mythologies of dictatorship will be spiritually lost and unsuited to a democratic way of life which they had been taught to hate and despise—and they will be virulent Jew-haters. Jews will again be eyed sullenly as unwelcome economic competitors by millions of job-hungry and career-hungry men. Economic hostility will once again be rationalized into the well known and quite serviceable anti-Semitic theses.

The End Is Yet Far

It is idle to assume that an era of peace and good-will will set in right after the war and as a sure consequence of the peace. The long protracted agony of our epoch wherein capitalism is evolving into new forms in a transition even more violent than that of feudalism at the close of the Middle Ages, will not end with this war. Stable new economic forms, compatible with human freedom and security, have not yet emerged. The most that one can hope for is that this war will put an end to political aggression and imperialistic adventures which are anachronisms in the modern world, breeding war and

Dr. Silver addressing the banquet. Among those on the platform are Simon Shetzer, Rabbi Morris Adler, Mrs. Silver, Judge Rothenberg, Senator Barkley, Henry Montor and Mrs. David de Sola Pool

fatally interfering with the efforts of peoples to adjust themselves to the requirements of the new technological age. Vast disturbances are destined to continue long after the peace is signed; and in a politically and economically disturbed world, the Jewish people is always under attack.

No doubt the Jews of Europe, following an Allied victory, will be restored to their political rights and to equality of citizenship. But they possessed these rights after the last war—even minority rights; and anti-Semitism was never so rampant, so vicious and so programmatic as after the last war.

Can Europe permit this menacing situation to continue indefinitely after the war? Especially in view of the way in which anti-Semitism has been exploited in recent years by all sorts of political adventurers and by aggressor nations? In our day the strategy of total war discovered a supremely valuable use for anti-Semitism. By means of it, hostile governments are undermined, the unity of peoples, marked for conquest, is disrupted, confusion is sown and the *will* of the nation is paralyzed. The strategy of total peace must discover the true corrective to anti-Semitism, in order to save not the Jews of Europe, but Europe itself, and the Peace of the world. Palestine is that corrective.

The Jewish people must be permitted and helped to develop their homeland in Palestine in such a way as to be able to drain off, in a relatively short time, two, three, or four million Jews from the crowded and economically tensioned centers of Central and Eastern Europe. This will ease the pressures upon the Jews who will remain there, who will then cease to be foci of irritation, conflict and unrest.

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There are no other opportunities for mass emigration of Jews anywhere else in the world. There will be none. We wish it were otherwise, but wishes are not horses. Feeble trickles of immigration will be permitted in this or that country, but waves will be fiercely resisted; and it is with waves, and not with trickles that we must concern ourselves.

Let us not forget the experiences of our refugees in the last ten years. These experiences will be no different after the war. They may be even more difficult; for nations will then be in the grip of vast economic dislocations and they will be thinking in terms of helping their own people over the extremely formidable transition period when their national economies will be passing from a war-time to a peace-time footing. They will refuse to complicate their lives with large influxes of impoverished immigrants.

A free and open Palestine is the indispensable condition not only for a peaceful solution of this most obdurate problem of Europe, but also for the pacification of Europe. Theodore Herzl understood it. "The Jewish State," he declared, "is essential to the world; it will therefore be created." Behind the idea of a Jewish State, he knew, was the incontestable force of logic and necessity. Balfour understood it. The British Colonial Office has since forgotten it. . . .

We should not underestimate or overlook the seriousness of the situation which will face the Jewish people, even after an Allied victory. The defeat of Hitler will not of itself normalize Jewish life on the European continent. An Allied peace which will not frankly and unequivocally face the problem of the national homelessness of the Jewish people will leave the age-old and tragic status, or lack of status, of European Jewry unchanged—and ground will be broken for the harvesting of another whirlwind.

The Jewish people is in danger of coming out of this war not only more torn and broken than any other people, but also betrayed and unrequited. Allied statesmen are strangely silent about Jewish prospects and Palestine prospects after the war. They are not so silent about the vindication, restitution and freedom of other peoples and countries. Surely we are not unnoticed. Hitler has not allowed the Jewish people to go unnoticed. He has singled them out for special treatment now and in his projected New Order. He has designated them as the very principals in this world war. How can Allied statesmen maintain such reticence about a people which is so dramatically tangled in the very web of the world's present strife and circumstance? Are they hoping to arrive at some solution of our problem in some furtive and surreptitious manner? Or is our fate to be an after-thought? We are left suspended between our unrelenting foes and our unconfiding friends. But this is the time for the large authentic utterances, for frank prose, and for accents clear.

The Jews of Europe have suffered more than any other people. Having suffered most, shall they obtain least? Jews are dying on every battlefield in this war. Is dying all that we shall be called upon to do? Why should not the Jewish people live because of these dead? Why should not their blood, so freely poured out for freedom, seal the holy covenant of their national rebirth?

A Pressing Urgency

The establishment of a homeland for the Jewish people is not a bit of romanticism, a playful political conceit, calculated to satisfy a national vanity. It is the cry of desperation of a people driven to the wall, fighting for its very life. Zionism is not self-pity for ancient, legendary wrongs. It is the pressing urgency of instant and current suffering and of besetting dangers and disabilities. From the infested and typhus-ridden ghettoes of Warsaw and Cracow which the enlightened twentieth century has re-established, from the death-blocks of the Nazi-occupied lands where myriads of our people are awaiting execution by the slow or the quick method, from a hundred concentration camps which befoul the map of Europe, from the pitiful ranks of our wandering hosts over the entire face of the earth, from the storm-tossed by land and sea, from the vast new diaspora which marks the final bankruptcy of enlightenment and assimilation comes the cry: Enough! There must be an end to all this! A sure and certain end!

How long is our immemorial crucifixion to last? Time

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Dr. Edward Carp, Uniontown; Harry L. Jacobson, Pittsburgh; Charles J. Rosenbloom, Pittsburgh; Morris Neuman, Pittsburgh; Rabbi George B. Lieberman, Wheeling; Saul Spiro, Pittsburgh; I. G. Simon, Pittsburgh

and again we have been stretched upon the rack for other peoples' sins. Time and again we have been made the whipping-boy for blundering governments, the scapegoat for defeat in war, for misery in depressions, for conflict among classes. How long is it to last? Are we forever to live on the world's crumbs of sympathy, forever to stand in need of defenders, forever doomed to thoughts of refugees and relief?

Is this what the world is fighting for today? Does the vision of Churchill and Roosevelt not go beyond this? The world, under their inspiration, is again forward-reaching to a new and brighter future. Of all peoples, are we alone to be left behind?

The world must answer this question. As far as we are concerned, we can only follow the sound counsel of the great champion of another people which was oppressed for centuries and which had valiantly struggled for its national redemption. When asked how his friends were to proceed to free Ireland, Daniel O'Connell, the Liberator, replied: "Agitate! Agitate! Agitate!", a resounding echo of that famous reply of Danton to the question what was needed to save France: "Boldness! More boldness! And always boldness!"

"Do not listen to those over-cautious persons," wrote O'Connell to Isaac Lyon Goldsmid in 1829, during the struggle for Jewish emancipation in England, "who may recommend postponement. Believe an agitator of some experience that nothing was ever obtained by delay—at least in politics. You must to a certain extent force your claims on the Parliament. You cannot be worse, recollect, even by a failure, and you ought to be better by the experiment. . . . I once more repeat, do not confide in any liberality, but that which you will yourself rouse into action and *compel* into operation."

Courageous, forthright agitation to arouse the conscience of the world—that is our present and most urgent task, second only to the all-surmounting task of helping to win the war. The world must not be permitted to side-step this ghastly national tragedy, for which an un-Christian Christendom is responsible.

Governments have for years looked on from the ramparts of a formal detachment and a comfortable neutrality at the systematic degradation and destruction of European Jewry. They looked on unmoved, until the aggression which was really aimed at them through us, finally overtook them and plunged them into a war for which the persecution of the Jews was but the prelude and should have been understood by them as a warning. These governments were forced to accept Munich because they had previously accepted Nuremberg! It is from Nuremberg that the tortured decade of Europe dates. The democratic peoples must be aroused in order that their governments shall not repeat this disastrous blunder again after the war.

"Ye who remember God," ye who remember what can never be forgotten of your people's horrible tribulation, "take ye no rest," and give the world no rest until the monstrous wrongs of Israel are righted.

It Is Our War

We must carry on this bold agitation even while we give of ourselves without stint and measure to the successful prosecution of the war in which our beloved country is now engaged. America's war is our war in a threefold sense: Ours, because it is *our* country which is at war. American Jews have always known how loyally to serve their country in war-time, proud of the privilege, profoundly grateful for the manifold blessings of liberty and equality which they have been privileged to enjoy in this blessed land along with all other men. It is our war, too, because the fundamental human ideals which are at stake in it are of the very essence of the Jewish spiritual tradition. The dictators understand it. "Democracy," declared Hitler, "is fundamentally Jewish, not Germanic."

It is also our war because our very survival is involved. To think of an Axis victory is for us to dwell with madness, and to lodge with dark despair. In a slave society we Jews would be the slaves of slaves, fenced in and compassed with bitterness and hate. Certainly in a Hitler world there will be no Jewish Palestine.

No sacrifice, therefore, will be too great for us to make for victory. We are prepared to pay a three-fold price for victory and freedom. But freedom it must be! Not only for Jews as individuals, wherever they live, who will share the same freedom with all other men, but freedom also for the Jewish people in its national homeland where at long last it will be a free nation within a world-federation of free nations.

The world may fail us again. We must not fail ourselves. We are at a cross-road of our destiny. In these days which are as big as years, let us leave nothing undone that can be done to assure for our people a better and freer life in a better and freer world

Palestine in the Grand Strategy

By ADMIRAL YATES STIRLING, JR.

THE experience of the American Navy at Pearl Harbor and their recent defeats in the Philippines have emphasized the essential defensive nature of the battle we must wage on both oceans in the coming months. With a fleet inadequate in both the Atlantic and the Pacific for broad offensive operations, we face the problem of holding off our enemies until we can forge enough weapons to crush the Axis powers.

Obviously the striking capacity of America is sharply limited for the near future. Even in cooperation with the British fleet we shall be unable at least during the year 1942 to carry the battle directly to Hitler, Emperor Hirohito and Mussolini. What, then, is the paramount lesson we must gain?

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It is clear that in view of the shortage of war vessels we are unable to fight a decisive struggle on the seas as yet. Similarly, we cannot undertake large scale bombing operations over Tokyo or Berlin until our air power has expanded far beyond its present limits. We must depend upon those armies and those allies who are now on the scene. We must recognize the value of those allies and potential allies who can help America win the war.

The Key to Suez

Any world-wide concept of naval strategy would require a vigorous defense of the Mediterranean area from Gibraltar to Suez. The capture of the Suez Canal would not only destroy a vital link between the scattered lands under the British flag. It would also cripple the allied war effort in a critical theatre of conflict. Whoever holds the key to the Suez holds the pathway to the great oil fields of Iraq and the Middle East. Whoever controls Suez controls the gateway to the vast riches of India.

In this great fabric of many fighting fronts, the importance of Palestine must be recognized. What has Palestine to offer to the allied cause? Speaking as a naval man, I can refer immediately to two great contributions which it can make: the first is the Harbor at Haifa where a large part of the Mediterranean fleet can find a hospitable base; the second is the magnificent new oil refinery also at Haifa, where millions of tons of crude oil are converted into fuel and by-products for the war.

The oil pipe line which ends at Haifa provides the only oil terminus in the British Empire. The value which Haifa Harbor has to the Allied cause is doubled by its link to other parts of the Middle East, through the Haifa-Cairo road and the Haifa-Bagdad road. It is typical of the progress which Palestine has made under Jewish initiative that the port of Haifa has developed far more rapidly than anyone could have anticipated. Its full capacity has not yet been utilized, although undoubtedly work toward that end is under way. Its deep-water harbor lends itself to shipyards and boat-building, with the completion of dry-dock facilities. Haifa's usefulness for repair purposes has already been demonstrated by repairs made to destroyers.

A factor of great importance in relation to Palestine is that it is the only country in the eastern Mediterranean where there are technical scientists and skilled labor in sufficient quantity to make a real contribution to the naval as well as to the requirements of the land forces. It is interesting to note that in the last war the British had to import 135,000 unskilled laborers from Egypt into Palestine. The necessity for that does not exist now, for the Jews, a great many of them driven from Europe by Hitler, have the skills required for technical services. During the past decade or more, Haifa has become one of the great centers where Jewish schools have produced engineers, craftsmen and seafarers. Thus there has been restored to the Jewish people the art of seafaring which they had not generally followed for almost two thousand years.

Palestine Not Remote

There are also other contributions which must be weighed. We have long ceased to think of the war as consisting of individual unrelated factors. The fleet must have air support, and both aviation and seapower must eventually have infantry and artillery on the land if the final victory is to be assured. Fortunately, Palestine is in a splendid geographical position to help carry forward the war. There are splendid military airport facilities in the country, such as the airdrome at Lydda. The fanwise spread of allied airplanes can begin in Palestine and reach out to those lands in southeastern Europe which now lie under Hitler's domination. It is not inconceivable that one of the major offensives into Hitler's Europe can be undertaken by troops which have had their starting point in Palestine.

To think of Palestine today as a remote country is to lapse into the kind of thinking which has brought one new disaster after another to the allied cause. Palestine today has a great reservoir of Jewish manpower which could be organized into an army whether under British control or given some autonomous powers under its own leaders, whichever seems best to Britain, which must of necessity assume responsibility for all fighting forces in the Near East. The Jews in Palestine should make the most effective fighters against Hitler. Most of them have fled from Europe where they felt the lash of Hitlerism long before other peoples.

Hitler marked out the Jews as his first victims. Those Jews who have reached Palestine have wished for the opportunity, as men of honor, to take up arms against that system which denies them the rights of free and equal men. I have noted that General Sir Archibald Wavell, now Commander-in-Chief of the Allied forces in the Southwest Pacific, paid high tribute during his Libyan campaign to the Palestine Jews who fought under him. General Wavell came into close contact with these Jews while he was General Officer Commanding British troops in Palestine. He recognized their fierce devotion to the cause of human freedom, for they had suffered, as few others have, the deprivation of that freedom.

Palestine Jews who have already distinguished themselves by their exploits in Libya, in Syria and in Ethiopia could exercise an influence on the course of this war far greater than the actual number of men available. It is estimated that if the Jews of Palestine were permitted to form an army under the British flag, they could mobilize 70,000 young men. These 70,000 young men are on guard. They are near the front. If they were used, the allies could save a huge tonnage in shipping which would be required for the transport of soldiers from other sectors, in which case it would be unnecessary for the British to bring thousands of troops from other sectors where they may be more urgently needed to make up armies for the Libyan and North African campaigns. For they could recruit Jews by the tens of thousands in Palestine and after a short overland journey of only a few hundred miles, put them into the front rank for the fight against the Italians and the Germans.

To American Advantage

It is to our advantage as Americans to see a Jewish army utilized. We have a worldwide war to win. Even at best our reserves of manpower are not such that we can squander them. We must take advantage of all possible sources of other armies if we are to hold the fronts we now protect and reach out to new battlefields. In military terminology we have extended lines of communication. Hitler has the advantage of so-called interior lines. Therefore we need proportionately more soldiers if we are to make his downfall a certainty.

The Jews of Palestine are loyal, faithful allies of Britain and of America. They are an ally whom Britain can trust in the Near East. The British and the Free French have had to fight to win back Syria. They have had to fight to win Iraq. They need never fight to hold Palestine. As long as there are Jews in Palestine, we can be sure that Palestine will remain faithful to the allied cause. As long as there are Jewish soldiers in Palestine, trained and equipped, we need not fear but that Palestine and the entire Near East will be defended with courage and with honor.

You men and women who have been supporting the United Palestine Appeal have the best traditions of America at your side. You are not only helping to speed the total war effort which we must wage on every front. You are giving inspiration to the post-war world by showing a constructive achievement which may well be the model for generations to come.

If we recognize these many wars in the Far East, in Europe, in the Near East and on the high seas as one war, then we can truly say that what you are doing is of tremendous help in creating a great link in the steel chain that will eventually destroy the war machine of Hitlerism.

Appeal to All Free Nations

By HENRY MORGENTHAU, JR.
Secretary of the Treasury

This Conference, which in normal times would be another laudable appeal to American Zionists for the Zionist cause, in our turbulent days rises immeasurably in importance. The appeal today is no longer addressed to Zionists alone, but to all Zionists, non-Zionists and non-Jews who believe in justice and freedom. It no longer appeals to Americans alone, but to the people of all free nations. And the cause is identified with the all-embracing cause of Democracy.

The appeal of this Conference is to fortify the ideals of social good, the ideals of true democracy, the ideals of a just peace which will secure to the smallest nations equal justice with the great —ideals which are the cornerstone and foundation of the Jewish spirit, unconquered and unconquerable.

To all at this Conference dedicated to victory in our just cause, I send my heartiest greetings.

Dr. E. J. Gordon, Columbus; William Schiff, Columbus; Charles E. Schwartz, Akron; David M. Siff, Akron; Albert Schiff, Columbus; Simon S. Fishel, Lima; Seated, Harry Frankel, Cincinnati

David Wertheim, Rabbi James G. Heller and Louis Lipsky

The Near East Needs the Jews

By PROFESSOR WILLIAM F. ALBRIGHT

I COME before you as friend of the Arabs as well as the Jews. During my first months in the Near East, in 1919 and 1920, I oscillated rather violently between the causes of the two peoples, but after those first waverings I became an increasingly warm supporter of cultural Zionism, especially of the great institution on Mount Scopus. Until shortly after the outbreak of the Second World War I remained strictly neutral on the subject of political Zionism. Recent events have made it impossible to continue this neutral attitude. The appalling situation of the Jewish people in Europe, and the steady widening of the zone in which they are declared to be an alien race with slave status, has changed my attitude. Like my friend Chancellor Magnes of the Hebrew University, who gave up life-long pacifism when he was confronted with the monstrous reality of Hitlerism, I have been forced to adopt political Zionism as the only alternative to heartless cynicism.

PROFESSOR ALBRIGHT

What are the proposed alternatives to Palestine as a home for the homeless Jews of Europe? Tracts in equatorial Abyssinia, in Uganda, in Tanganyika, in Madagascar, in Guiana—or in Eastern Siberia or Northern Alaska, or in Labrador—all regions as inclement as possible, and usually offered without the consent of the natives or of the present suzerains. It might indeed be interesting and exciting to see what Jewish enterprise, Jewish industry, and Jewish research could make of them; but none of these is a practicable solution. Palestine is, in fact, the only possibility, the only land where the Jewish people has a historical right to be, and where it has an internationally recognized legal right to dwell. More important than the clear historical right is the tremendous emotional force of the movement to revive Zion. Palestine is the home of the patriarchs, poets, and prophets of Israel; Palestine is the workshop in which Jews forged three mighty instruments of Western culture: the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament, and the Second Law.

Near East Minorities

It is not true that a Jewish Palestine will be an irritating alien body in an otherwise homogeneous Moslem Arab world. The Near East has always been a swirling vortex of heterogeneous peoples and faiths, and the Jews have always formed an important minority in Moslem Arab lands. Religions are just as important as languages and peoples in the Near East, a fact that is often denied but which remains just as hard a fact as it has always been.

Iraq is torn between two irreconcilable Arab sects, the Shicah and the Sunni, who hate each other as much as Catholics and Protestants do in Ireland. Besides there are the Christian and Jewish and other minorities.

Syria is part Sunni, part Shicah, and part Christian, to say nothing of having other minority religious and national groups, such as the Jews, the Armenians, the Nosairis, and the Druse.

The Arabian Peninsula is split between Sunni and Wahhabi, with the latter at present in the saddle, very much against the wishes of the Sunni population.

Egypt has a very strong Christian minority, composed of Copts and of immigrants from several Mediterranean lands. In spite of denials that Sunni supremacy would endanger the rights of Christian and Moslem sectarian minorities by such Libanese propagandists as Amin Rihani and George Antonius, the fact exists.

The danger to the Christians from potential Moslem domination was brought home to me again and again during my fifteen years in the Near East. If Jewish Palestine must become a helpless pawn in the game of political diplomacy, so must also the Christian republic of Lebanon. What applies to the one applies remorselessly to the other.

If the Near East is ever to achieve stability and happiness, the warring groups *must* learn to live together in some kind of peaceful symbiosis, where each group plays the role for which it is best adapted. Otherwise there will be constant chaos. Unless the Arabs learn to tolerate the Jews and to cooperate with them, the Moslems will not tolerate the Christians, nor will the Sunnis tolerate the smaller Moslem sects. Unless the Moslems learn that a *jihad* against Jews or Christians is not in accord with the spirit of the Koran, Islam will never again play the distinguished part among the religions of the world to which its origin, half Christian and half Jewish, entitles it. Therefore it is a delusion of the most dangerous sort to eliminate Jewish Palestine for the alleged purpose of restoring peace and unity to the Arab world.

Jewish Influences

The Near East needs Jewish Palestine with rapidly increasing urgency. The Far East and the Middle East are being modernized and mechanized with such incredible speed before our very eyes that the Near East cannot remain far behind without forfeiting most of the real advances it has made during the past century. European and American influence on the Near East has come mainly through merchants, teachers, and missionaries, with increasingly effective aid from the mandatory governments during the past two decades. Returning emigrants and traders, as well as students, have played a

Civilization! This modern tractor on a Jewish colony is a never-failing object of interest for nearby Arabs

very important part in Syria and Palestine, and a less significant part in other lands of the Near East. But none of these sources of influence can be as important as a center of European civilization—an immensely energetic and progressive focus of influence—in the heart of the Near East.

Jewish Palestine has already made contributions of vast importance and is destined to distance all competitors in this respect. It now offers an example of progressive agriculture, industry, technology, medicine and academic activity which cannot be surpassed anywhere in the world—and all on the soil of Palestine! Nowhere in the Near East can be found such examples of successful reclamation of swamps as in Palestine, nor such splendid illustrations of effective introduction of new breeds of cattle and poultry, of grapes, of citrus fruits, of potatoes, and so forth, as in Palestine. The Arabs have already learned more than I believed possible twenty years ago, and the new knowledge is spreading rapidly to surrounding countries. It is difficult to exaggerate the force of the example set by Jewish technology in the Rutenberg hydro-electric project or the exploitation of the waters of the Dead Sea for their fabulous mineral wealth. It is not easy to visualize Palestine as one of the greatest centers of medical research and practice in the world. Yet it is a fact—and a lambent fact situated in the heart of the Arab world. From Iran to Abyssinia and from Yemen to Turkey patients come to Palestine for treatment in Jewish hospitals and by Jewish physicians. Nor is it easy to imagine Jerusalem as one of the greatest centers of academic research in the world—yet it really is just that. Even in the early thirties it was possible to concentrate a greater number of investigators in almost any field of research in Jerusalem than it is, for example, in Cleveland or Baltimore, with five times the population. Now, thanks to the great influx of scholars from Europe, Jerusalem has become more of a research center in some respects than even Philadelphia.

Future Needs

One can scarcely exaggerate what Jewish research and enterprise may mean to the Near East in the near future. Already the problem of what to do with the normal surpluses of fruit in Palestine and Syria has been partly solved by Jewish experimenters. Already the war against malaria, sand-fly fever, and various tropical diseases has gained new momentum as a direct result of Jewish medical research in Palestine. Dr. Bodenheimer has gone far toward the goal of developing scientific methods of eliminating the age-old locust threat.

In conclusion, we repeat again that the Arabs need the Jews and that there is no solution for the problems of the Near East which does not include a Jewish Palestine. Arabs and Jews both have a glorious heritage of religion and literature, which they cherish with an enthusiasm perhaps unequalled by any other people of today. And not the least important Jewish task of the near future is to show the Arab world that they, too, respect the glories of the Arab past and love the magnificent heritage of Arab literature and art. Then only can we have true friendship between the two peoples—when each respects the spiritual traditions of the other. Then we may again say, "From Zion goes forth Torah."

The Right of a Free Nation

By DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN

Most cordial greetings and good wishes for the extraordinary Conference of the United Palestine appeal assembled in Cleveland. I had wished to be with you at this historic gathering but circumstances which I could not control have unfortunately delayed my departure.

This Conference has special significance as the first Zionist gathering after America's entry into the war. I know it will reaffirm with all the force at its command both our unshakable confidence in the victory of free peoples and our resolution to persevere in the reconstruction of our national home in Palestine.

Even though as Jews we are still denied the right to take our place as a nation among other nations now defending their lives and liberties against Nazi aggression, Jews as individuals are playing in all countries their full part in the war effort.

That work they must and will continue to the utmost of their ability. But in addition we seek the right of every nation to defend itself as a nation against the bitterest and implacable foe. As Jews we were the first and the most helpless victims of Hitler's sadistic cruelty. As Jews we claim our place in the ranks of those dedicated to the destruction of Nazism.

That is our immediate aim. But pursuing it we must never lose sight of Palestine or the role that Palestine alone can play in the solution of our problem when peace comes. For that day and task we must unremittingly prepare that we may not be found wanting in the hour of destiny.

The Road to Victory

By DR. STEPHEN S. WISE

THE chief objective of this Conference is to expand, accelerate and enlarge the war effort of the Jewish homeland in Palestine as a vital link in the far-flung front for democracy and human freedom.

All of us are deeply conscious of the fact that the future of all civilization is being determined in this crucial war. It is not mere accident that the world conflict is now being fought savagely in the jungles of the Far East. When we pause to consider the full significance of the struggle, we must recognize that the enemies of freedom are actually seeking to plunge all of humanity back into the jungle—to replace law and order with the brutal code of the wilderness. It is our determination to fight our way out of this jungle for all time.

We are fighting to break the bonds of enslavement that have been clamped upon millions of freedom-loving men throughout the world. We have been driven by the forces of evil to lay down the tools of peace and to forge mighty instruments of war. We have sought to bring light and freedom into the world by harnessing our skills and our energies to create a better civilization. The totalitarian powers have laid down the challenge to our free institutions and now we have put our hands to the task of creating an arsenal of might to assure the right of all men. We have diverted our resources from the road of peace to the road of war unwillingly. But the great American nation will demonstrate for all time that our will to life and our will to freedom are far greater than our enemy's will to conquest and will to destruction. Today we are the arsenal of democracy. Tomorrow we will be again the powerhouse of the world's free, democratic and peaceful progress.

Our Cause

As we travel the road to victory the sacrifices which it will demand will be all the more easy to make if we keep before us the image of not only what we are fighting *against* but what we are fighting *for*. We are fighting not merely to root out the diseased elements of evil and brutality. We are fighting also to create a free world upon the ruins of the old.

Through the reconstruction of the Jewish homeland in Palestine the Jewish people are striving to make their contribution toward a new world of justice and freedom. During the past two turbulent decades they have sought to build in Palestine a homeland founded on the highest principles of democracy. While Hitler was straining to persuade the world that if the Jews were destroyed he would live in amity with all the other peoples—while his Storm Troopers were brutally attacking innocent men and women—while his Nuremberg Laws were uprooting hundreds of thousands and his propaganda was shrilly pronouncing their doom and destruction—the Jews firmly maintained their faith and their courage. They bent their energies with increasing devotion to the tasks of setting up in Palestine a structure of life that has given the lie to all the Nazi libels and slanders.

Today, the men and women who were made outcasts by Hitlerism are giving new evidence of their heroism in the war effort of Palestine. It was no more than poetic justice that the Nazis and the Italians were beaten back at Tobruk by Palestinian Jewish soldiers many of whom were from Nazi Germany. Palestine is making its contribution to the free world. It is making it on the battlefield, in the factory, on the farm—in every sphere of economic, agricultural and military endeavor. And the Jewish women, too, are sharing in this struggle. The Jewish women of Palestine have been singled out as the only women of the Near East to be organized into Auxiliary Territorial Service, cooperating with their menfolk in the grim tasks of war.

In this war effort, in which no corner of the earth is too remote to be touched by the great conflagration, Palestine occupies a decisive role in the defense of the Middle East. Palestine is a bastion of strength. It is an arsenal of war. It is a granary for the armies. Jewish workers repair British warships at the Haifa Harbor. Jewish workers recommission Italian tanks seized in the desert and rush them into service for the Allied cause. The industrial skills and the scientific knowledge of the refugees who came to Palestine have been converted into an invaluable asset for the Allied forces in the Mediterranean. The agricultural settlements established through the help of the United Palestine Appeal are yielding an ever-increasing crop of foodstuffs. The industries nurtured and developed over a period of twenty years by the United Palestine Appeal, are now geared to maximum production for the war machine.

Remarkable Achievements

Yes, with the help of American Jews, Palestine is making its contribution to the winning of the war. But in the immortal words of our President, it is also making its contribution to the winning of the peace. For Palestine embodies the eternal values and aspirations of the Jewish people. The ancient Jewish homeland has been the modern world's foremost outpost of safety and refuge for the victims of totalitarianism. Its remarkable achievements in colonization and settlement are a tribute to the fortitude and idealism of the Jewish pioneers. In less than nine years, more than 300,000 Jewish refugees from Central and Eastern Europe came to Palestine to build a permanent home there. These newcomers are not building merely for their own security and their own future happiness. The economic and social structure which they have erected now stands prepared to provide the opportunities for the rehabilitation of hundreds of thousands of other Jews made homeless by persecution and war.

The National Conference for Palestine meets in a year which will mark the 25th anniversary of the Balfour Declaration and the 20th anniversary of the adoption of the Joint Resolution by Congress, endorsing the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine. From

its early beginnings down to the present day the reconstruction of Palestine has had the sympathy and admiration of the American people. American representatives who have visited Palestine have been deeply impressed with the fact that the Jewish colonization effort today in many respects resembles the pioneering epoch in our own country.

Today, when the United States stands at the head of the union of free peoples, known as the United Nations, the American people and the American Government regard Palestine as highly important in a dual capacity: First, the military and material aid Palestine can give to the successful prosecution of the war; second, the opportunities which it has developed for large-scale post-war colonization.

Historic Pledge

The United Nations are dedicated to the proposition that all men, wherever they are, whatever their origin, shall be assured "life, liberty, independence and freedom of religion." By this historic pledge the free governments of the free peoples of the world have committed themselves to a well-planned, far-flung human reconstruction program. There will be much to do to clear away the wreckage of a decade of destruction and ruthless oppression. There will be much to do to root out hatred, to restore good-will among men and faith in the concept of human dignity. The Jewish people who have suffered so bitterly at the hands of Hitler earnestly hope that the United Nations will explore the possibilities for rehabilitating them and putting an end to their tragic wanderings. American Jewry hopes that through Intergovernmental action definite steps will be taken to inaugurate mass migration and settlement in Palestine for hundreds of thousands of homeless Jews. For Palestine can be not only haven but home for those who bear the scars of the madness which must and will be banished from this earth when victory comes.

Prologue to a Glorious Future

By JUDGE LOUIS E. LEVINTHAL

As President of the Zionist Organization of America, I welcome this opportunity of extending my official and personal greetings to this National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, which has brought us together from virtually every part of the country and which is taking place in the early days of the year 1942—the year that may mark a decisive turning point in the affairs of the whole world and may yet be recorded as the most significant of all the years in Jewish history.

Those of us who are fond of turning back the pages of history may recall that sixty years ago—in 1882— the intrepid pioneers of the Bilu and Hovevei Zion—the "Pilgrim Fathers of Palestine", to quote Justice Brandeis—laid the foundations of the Jewish Homeland of today.

JUDGE LEVINTHAL

The First United Drive

If I may make one more reference to the past, I shall add that the present Conference for Palestine brings back to mind another historical gathering, held more than sixty years ago, in the city of Baltimore. I refer to the first Extraordinary Conference on Palestine, convened November 29th, 1925, at the initiative of the Zionist Organization of America, to launch the first United Palestine Campaign in this country. That decision to launch an appeal to include the Keren Hayesod, the Keren Kayemeth, Hadassah and the Hebrew University, was reached at a meeting of the National Z.O.A. Executive Committee, held on October 18th of that year. The National Administrative Committee was authorized to form a National Committee on Appeal for the United Palestine Funds with Dr. Stephen S. Wise as Chairman. A quota of $5,000,000 was proclaimed.

The foresight, the wisdom, manifested by the leadership of the Z.O.A. in bringing about a union of all Palestine funds has been proved by the record of the United Palestine Appeal since its inception. Palestine has benefitted to a considerably larger extent than would have been the case were campaigns conducted separately by each of the funds. The record speaks for itself. The delegates assembled here will have an opportunity to acquaint themselves at first hand with the remarkable accomplishments of the U.P.A. through the reports which will be submitted by our brilliant, devoted leader, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, and by his associates.

The need for the coordination of all our forces, particularly in the field of fund-raising, has been dramatically accentuated by the years that have elapsed since 1925. The population of the Yishuv has been quadrupled. The number of Jewish settlements has likewise increased, and Palestine now is, for the first time in 2,000 years, on the road to self-sustenance.

Value to America

In the present war, Palestine serves as a citadel of anti-Axis strength and a strategic fortress in the defense of the entire Near East. There is perhaps no better indication of the importance our Government places upon Palestine as a vital link in the chain of democratic defenses throughout the world than the statement in President Roosevelt's message to the last Zionist Convention:

"The threat to Palestine does not differ in essence from the threat to this country." It is significant that the flow of lend-lease supplies to the Middle East has been steadily increasing in recent months, and the appointment of Ambassador William C. Bullitt as the President's Special Envoy to the Mediterranean countries, including Palestine, is not without special meaning. Can there be any doubt that whatever American Jewry does in this crucial year in support of Palestine represents an added contribution on our part to the successful prosecution of the war waged by our beloved America?

With our entry into the war, the United States became the hub of the world-wide democratic front. When Prime Minister Churchill came to this country, London recognized that Washington is increasingly becoming the capital of the free world. It was in Washington that the historic declaration establishing the united front of the United Nations was signed by the representatives of twenty-six countries. We Americans have dedicated ourselves to winning the peace as well as the war. Upon us, American Jews, rests the added responsibility—shall I say ours is the privilege?—to win the peace as well as the war for Palestine.

Twenty-five years ago this year, when the Balfour Declaration was issued by Great Britain with the collaboration of President Woodrow Wilson, the Jewish people made their claims on the basis of what they aspired to do in Palestine. In 1942 we can make these claims on the basis of what we have accomplished in Palestine. We need no longer rely merely on blueprints designed of hopes and dreams—we can go forward armed with the records of solid achievement, as evidence of our right and of our capacity to rebuild Eretz Yisrael. And we may indeed hope that the recent past may be the prologue to a glorious future in Palestine.

However, recent world events have demonstrated that in order to conserve the achievements of the years, there dare not be complacency and self-satisfaction. There must be preparedness and vigilance, and unity in plans and action. A step in the direction of further consolidating all forces concerned with the Jewish National Home was taken at our last Zionist Convention through measures calculated to bring about harmonious and efficient collaboration among all institutions and agencies of our cause. I am happy to report that the purposes of the Cincinnati resolution are gradually but definitely being achieved.

The Jewish Answer

The call sounded by the first Conference 17 years ago admonished every Zionist—indeed, every Jew—to enlist in the service of our cause. The aim of our immortal leader, Theodor Herzl, for the "Kibbush Hakehiloth", the winning over of the communities in behalf of Palestine, is being slowly but surely attained. In his first address as Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, Dr. Stephen S. Wise sounded the keynote—true now even as it was true then—when he declared that Palestine is not a Jewish question; it is the Jewish answer.

The time has now arrived for a reaffirmation of our Zionist stand, as expounded by the first Conference held in 1925. True, the entrance of America into the war has placed additional burdens on our shoulders. American Zionists have offered up all their resources and manpower for the successful prosecution of the war waged by our beloved country. However, the concentration of our efforts for national defense must—will—go hand in hand with our effort to preserve the future of Palestine and of the Jewish people. There can be no just peace for our centuries-old persecuted people without a reconstituted Palestine as the Jewish Commonwealth.

In time of war we must prepare for peace. We must equip ourselves for the hour when we may be called upon to present our just claims. Adequate funds is one of the essential prerequisites for this all-important objective. But I know you all agree that funds alone, without morale, without spiritual incentive, without unity of purpose, will not bring about the attainment of our goal.

For that reason it is the Zionist membership which has the high duty and privilege of serving as the vanguard of the army of workers in behalf of the United

The U. S. Must Help Strengthen Palestine

By FRANK KNOX
Secretary of the Navy

The National Conference for Palestine can be held at no more propitious hour. The land of Palestine looms large on the immediate horizon as a strategic key to the control of the Middle East. Hitler must capture it if he is to reach Iran and the Mosul oil fields he needs. We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine against that aggression.

In this critical hour every last measure of help must be given Palestine for yet another reason. Once again a would-be world conqueror finds this little country in his path. Japan hopes at the same time to capture Singapore and move westward toward India thus closing in on that storehouse of allied resources in a gigantic pincer movement. But Hitler dares not march through Turkey while Syria and Palestine thwart his lines of communication.

Palestine is a tiny country on the map of the world but it is shaped like a thorn. It is a thorn indeed in the flank of Hitler. We must strengthen that thorn until it becomes a sword that will halt the tyrant's eastward march.

In Palestine Hitler faces the wrath of the people he has starved and tortured and degraded —Jews, over half a million strong, many of whom know the ache of a storm trooper's kick, the agonies of the schutzstaffel's lash.

On this side of the Atlantic at this National Congress for Palestine are Jewish leaders representing millions of patriotic citizens who are glad to make any sacrifice to save democracy. It is my earnest hope that some of the fortitude of America can be passed on through your organization to the valiant defenders of our common cause in Palestine. The Jewish haven in peacetime has become a bulwark for democracy in wartime. Lend it your strength!

Palestine Appeal. As organized Zionists, animated by a high sense of responsibility and discipline, our membership should be in the forefront of the militant champions and zealous workers in the raising of funds for the rebuilding of Palestine.

Speaking as President of the Zionist Organization of America, the parent body of all Zionist groups in this country, I solemnly renew our pledge to apply all our resources and energies to the task of awakening American Jewry to the responsibility of providing maximum funds for the rehabilitation of Palestine. It is my privilege to give you this message. We propose to address ourselves to every Jew in each city, town, village and hamlet of this great country, to lure him out of his lair of complacency, to awaken him from his inertia, so that he may bestir himself to the cause of his people, to respond to the call of Jewish Palestine, the Ally of America

The late Justice Louis D. Brandeis, during the first World War, succinctly summarized the need of the Zionist movement—a need as imperative now even as then—to be: "men, money and discipline". One is dependent on the other. Funds must have behind them a large, disciplined Zionist Organization, the vehicle for a strong idea. Let us remember the words of our immortal Herzl: "No human being is wealthy or powerful enough to transport a nation from one habitation to another. An idea alone can encompass that."

In our day the idea of which Herzl spoke finds its fullest expression in organized Zionism. That idea must pervade all our activities, all our endeavors on behalf of Zion. Then the United Palestine Appeal shall be transformed into United Jewry's answer; then the Zionist program shall become the Jewish achievement; then Palestine shall be the Jewish Commonwealth! Miracles, you say? Yes. But ours is a people of miracles, with a history of miracles, and Palestine is the land of miracles, miracles today even as in the days of yore. For surely every Zionist has always known, and every Jew shall soon recognize, that for us, indeed, "the Age of Miracles is forever here."

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David Ben Gurion, Rabbi Barnett Brickner, Rabbi Armond E. Cohen, Charles Ress

Morris Singer, Tulsa; Dr. Morris B. Lhevine, Tulsa; Samuel Sandheimer, Muskogee; Eugene Solow, Dallas; Jacob Lightman, Houston

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A Post-War World

By JUDGE MORRIS ROTHENBERG

IN one afternoon six weeks ago the bloody hand of Japanese treachery jolted the American people into a unity of high resolve such as had not been attained in years of argument. The foul blow which was struck at us from ambush finally opened the eyes of every last doubting American who had not yet realized that no country or people on earth was safe from the murderous Nazi-Fascist code of banditry.

Now that we too must fight for our national life as so many other nations have had to do, against ruthless gangsters who were permitted to concentrate in themselves a terrifying power, we shall offer to our country our unstinted labor, our treasure, and our lives, in its defense and in defense of its ideals. Every thinking American today must realize that involved in this struggle is the future of democratic America and of the very structure of civilized society. Arrayed as we are against the most evil and brutal forces that have made their appearance since the middle ages, upon the outcome of this battle will depend whether America and the rest of civilized humanity shall remain free in an enlightened world or whether they shall live as slaves in a totalitarian order. The Jewish people have an additional stake in the outcome of the conflict, for the avowed purpose of the Nazi-Fascist terror is to exterminate them.

Ultimate Victory

No one will underestimate the gravity of the present situation, but however dark the clouds may be at the moment, the crisis is not such as to make us feel discouraged. Indeed one may say with truth that despite any temporary setback which we may have had in the war, the outlook for ultimate victory for the democracies is brighter today that it was a year ago when the resistance of France was crushed. Then it appeared as if the struggle no longer could go on, that England would be invaded, that the British Empire was in danger of dismemberment. England has not been invaded. The British Empire is intact and in a far better position now than she was then to defend herself.

The Italian Navy has been crippled. The East African Italian Empire is no more. Russia, which a year ago was under treaty with Germany, is delivering smashing and possibly fatal blows to Nazi armies. Above all, the titanic strength of the United States, growing from day to day, is now in the war, and it will not be long before the Axis powers will feel its crushing might. There can be no doubt that whatever may be the agonies which we together with the other democracies must endure, in the end their arms will be victorious and the criminal axis conspiracy will be utterly destroyed.

But it is because we have in mind the profoundly wise and significant words of our great President, that not only the war, but the peace must be won, that honest and courageous thought must be given to the kind of world that should emerge from the welter of tears and blood by which it is now engulfed. The Jewish people who were the first and the most tragic victims of Nazi brutality have a right to demand that the assurances which have been given to other nations who have suffered from Nazi tyranny will also apply to them.

In a post war world such as is contemplated, fair play and the unparalleled homelessness which Jews will then unquestionably face, will require an end to the policy of appeasement which has been practiced in Palestine and elsewhere touching the Jew.

During the period following the first World War many Americans came to feel that the United States should not involve itself in European affairs. Were it not for that misguided isolationism and the resulting wrecking of the League of Nations, the world might have been spared its present misery. It is therefore a source of the greatest hope for humanity that present American leadership envisions a free world in which America will take its proper place in safeguarding the principles of justice in the affairs of nations embodied in the Atlantic Charter and in the program of the United Nations.

Post-War Problems

That Jews will be restored to their civil and political rights with all other nationals of whatever countries they are citizens is implied in the terms of the Atlantic Charter and the principles of the United Nations. But a realistic view of the conditions that will face the Jew after the war must raise the question: will it be possible to absorb all the Jews into the body politic and economic of the countries in which they were robbed and despoiled and from which they were then mercilessly expelled? What will be the possibilities for Jewish rehabilitation in lands impregnated with Nazi doctrines of Anti-Semitism? Can the deep-seated prejudices which have been evoked by fiendish Nazi propaganda be eradicated by the stroke of a pen on a document? The grievous wound that has been inflicted will be slow to heal.

The re-settlement of tens of thousands of Jews will become imperative unless the grave is to become their shelter. And it is Palestine, proved to be capable of large scale colonization, that will have to take the primary and logical place in the efforts for rehabilitation. An enlightened statesmanship will have to give heed to the fundamental solution of the problem of Jewish homelessness by transformation of millions of insecure Jews into a people on their own soil who will not be dependent on the love or hatred of others.

The role which Palestine is playing today in the prosecution of the war is a striking vindication of the desirability of such a policy. In little more than two decades a splendid bastion of strength and loyalty for freedom has been built up by the Jewish pioneers in Palestine whose faith in Jewish capacity for creative life and in democratic institutions was not shaken or dimmed

by Nazi persecution or by shortsighted British administration in Palestine.

Jewish Palestine today is an arsenal of democracy in the Near East. A modern Jewish community of over half a million persons has furnished a large fighting unit and important military supplies to British Mediterranean forces. A community loyal and eager to make every sacrifice to fight for its own self-preservation and the perpetuation of the democratic way of life is now spurred to greater deeds by the inspiring fact that America has joined in the struggle to defeat the common enemy of Christian and Jewish ideals.

The gallantry of the Jewish soldiers in Libya, in Syria, in Greece, in Ethiopia, has more than once received unqualified praise from British commanding generals. Thus has the development of the Jewish National Home, the establishment of which was so generously endorsed by the American people through Congress, surpassed all expectations.

These are some of the considerations that have moved the American Jewish supporters of Palestine upbuilding to gather in this crucial time. Under the inspiring leadership of our great President we shall loyally respond to every call made upon us in the prosecution of the war. With the approval of our Government we shall continue our moral and financial aid to Jewish Palestine. And a decent regard for a people fighting with their back to the wall, impels us to give them every measure of support in their aspiration to live in freedom and in human dignity.

The Root of a Homeland

By DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN

WHILE Jews in the United States are doing their full share in America's war effort, in military and civilian fields, it is worth recalling that a community of more than half a million Jews in Palestine is making a special contribution toward the democratic victory, in a war front which may yet prove to be the decisive front in the entire struggle.

It is not necessary to review what Palestinian Jews have contributed in manpower to Britain's fighting forces, or to repeat the high praise which their valor has won at the hands of the British commanders in Libya, in Greece and in Crete. Wars, however, are not fought only by soldiers. Industrial output and food supply are likewise telling factors in modern warfare. Let it be known that Jewish industry in Palestine and Jewish agriculture in Palestine have made important contributions to England's war potential in the Middle East.

If Jewish National Fund land, which produces the major part of Jewish grown products in Palestine, has produced, since the war, fifty percent more vegetables, cereals, fruits and dairy products, the extra produce has gone to support the British military, and some of it has gone to support British positions beyond Palestine. The President of Syria has acknowledged that not only have Jewish young men played a decisive part in the liberation of Syria, but that from Palestine food supplies were rushed to Syria's hungry population whose food stores had been looted by the Nazi "protectors". Now with the new British drive in Libya, Palestine is again one of the supply bases for that segment of the war front.

What a contrast between what is Palestine's productive industrial and agricultural contribution to England's war needs in 1941 and what it was in the last war when the land was impoverished, neglected, malaria-infested. The difference spells Zionism's achievement.

We point, therefore, with pride—I trust it is justifiable pride—to the 550,000 Jews in Palestine who constitute an outpost of Democracy, the only population in that part of the world who can be relied upon to fight for Democracy to the last ditch.

A Contrast

The contrast between the attitude of the Arabs toward England and that of the Jews in the Near East is too significant to be overlooked. At best, the Arabs are neutral, sitting on the fence waiting to see which side is likely to win the war. To a considerable degree, they are pro-Hitler and pro-Mussolini.

On the other hand, the Jewry of Palestine is the only unequivocal, reliable, nay passionately devoted ally upon whom England and the United States can unreservedly count in the Near and Middle East.

When President Roosevelt said recently, "The threat to Palestine does not differ in essence from the threat to this country," he offered every Jew who helps keep Palestine strong a renewed sense of American patriotism coupled with Jewish loyalty.

When President Roosevelt, in his message to Congress yesterday, stated that American military aid will be made available to every strategic area in the far-flung battlefront, he must have had Palestine in mind, too, situated as it is near the Suez Canal.

There will therefore be a reciprocal relationship. Palestinian Jewry will receive in the course of the war civilian aid from American Jews and military aid from the American government. It will, however, give even in greater measure than it will receive, for the per capita contribution in the war effort which has already been made by that community of more than half a million Jews, a contribution of military manpower, food supply and war industry, is greater than that made by any community anywhere.

Palestinian Jewry therefore deserves a place of honor among the United nations.

While statesmen of other nations are building now the foundations for their post-war existence, let us not neglect

whatever opportunities the present holds for us to expand our land foundation in Palestine, so that there will be room for large numbers on the soil and, therefore, for correspondingly large numbers in industry. If 550,000 Jews can live contentedly and productively in one-fifteenth of the land in Palestine west of the Jordan, is it too much to hope that an additional two or three million Jews can settle in Palestine without in the slightest hurting the interests of the Arab population?

Today—Not Tomorrow

Let our leaders and statesmen concern themselves with the questions of Palestine's political status in the world of tomorrow. For all of us, even the humblest of us, it is possible today, during the war, to provide additional acres which will warrant additional immigration tomorrow when the war will have ended.

It is worth noting that in the past two years of wartime, and despite the White Paper policy, the Jewish National Fund has added approximately 90,000 dunams to its holdings. It is worth noting further that the greater part of these purchases were made in the restricted areas, by virtue of certain loopholes in the edict.

For you and me it is possible, therefore, not only to provide footholds for the post-war Aliyah, but at the same time to enable the establishment of settlement points in various parts of Palestine which may have a bearing on the determination of the boundaries of the Jewish Commonwealth or the Jewish State of tomorrow.

Again Ussishkin reminds me, "If the soil of Palestine will be ours a dozen Passfields will not prevail against us; if not, a dozen Balfours will not help us."

What a great privilege, and what a tremendous responsibility is ours—ours, Oh, American Israel—to lay broad foundations for our people's future! It is our responsibility because it is our good fortune, by grace of numbers, security and wealth, to be the "saving remnant" of our people.

The Central Jewish Problem

By RABBI BARNETT R. BRICKNER

Spiritual Basis of Zionism

WE are living in what is veritably a turning point in human history. That is why these times are at the same time revolutionary, and implicit with the fulfillment of prophecy. The Hebrew Prophet Isaiah 2700 years ago spoke of the coming of a time such as this when destruction will overtake the world because of its violation of the moral law, and predicted that it will be followed by the establishment of a better and newer world order, one which would see Zion redeemed in justice, and the people of Israel gathered up from the four points of the compass, and re-established in their Homeland.

> The earth shall be utterly emptied and clean despoiled
> The lofty people of the earth do fail
> Because they have transgressed the laws, violated the statute and broken the everlasting covenant. (Isaiah 24—vs. 3-6.)

> And it shall come to pass in that day,
> The Lord will set his hand again the second time
> To recover the remnant of His people.
> And he will set up an ensign among the nations,
> And He will assemble the dispersed of Israel,
> And gather together the scattered of Judah
> From the four corners of the earth. (Isaiah 10-11.)

Few people appreciate that Zionism is but the spiritual expression in modern guise of the age old Messianic hope about the return of the people of Israel to Zion. When the Jewish people were driven from their land, and dispersed to the four corners of the globe, they conceived that in the days to come, *Be'achrit Ha-Yameem*, when God would send His Messiah to redeem the world, that there would be established a heavenly Jerusalem (*Yerusholayim shel Ma-aloh*) to take the place of the mundane Jerusalem, (the *Yerusholayim shel Matoh*) which had been laid in ruins. For centuries, the Jews nurtured this hope, in the face of a world that kept them in bondage until in our own times, under more liberal conditions, they translated the dream of a heavenly Jerusalem back again into terms of a mundane Jerusalem because that would restore for them the opportunity for normal living like other peoples. They associated with this new Jerusalem all of those conditions of life, peace, prosperity, the brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God which were concomitants of the Heavenly Jerusalem. The Jewish Commonwealth that is already taking shape in Palestine is being woven in terms of that pattern. It is a commonwealth based on the principles of co-operative living, of no exploitation of one's fellow man; a place where there will be no rich and no poor, and where all shall have the opportunity for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. When the war is over, and the world will be looking for the pattern for the new social and democratic order that can be made universal, they shall find its outlines in the new Jewish co-operative commonwealth that is being forged in Palestine.

Dual Nationalism in the Future

As we think of the Palestine that will be built after the war, the question arises: will it involve the problem of dual nationalism for those Jews who remain outside of Palestine?

The problem of dual nationalism is a red herring even in the world in which nationalism was an autarchic, exclusive concept of state sovereignty. It is now apparent

Morris Rothberg, Philadelphia; William Sylk, Philadelphia; Maurice E. Cohen, Philadelphia; Harry Frankel, Cincinnati

to every one that in the new social order, the whole concept of nationalism is going to undergo a radical if not complete change. The Wilsonian idea of the independence of small nations has been bankrupted. It made out of Europe a crazy quilt of nations, large and small, each independent with its own sovereignty. International trade was made impossible by economic autarchy. It was bred of this kind of nationalism. The migrations of people which had a right to follow the economic demands for labor in a world governed by supply and demand were intercepted, because each country, little or large, set up its own quotas based not on economics but on racial and religious prejudices. Each country, fearful of invasion by its neighbor, seeking "lebensraum," sought to establish an independent military force to defend itself, which ended in a mad race in armaments which ended in war.

All of this is finished and over. The new world order will set up nations on the basis of the principle in which the states of these United States are set together. The hemispheres will be made up not of sovereign nation states but of blocks of countries following economic lines of cooperation and regulated by an international organization on the pattern of the League of Nations that will control such items as money, immigration, access to raw materials, international trade, and above all armaments, and above all it will be the League of Nations that will guarantee collective security. In such a set-up, nationalism will be largely a psychological and cultural consideration and peoples will have their autonomy along the lines of language, literature, and religion.

I envision Palestine after the war as part of a near-eastern block of nations, none of which will have independent sovereign status, but all of whom will collaborate economically and politically. Now to speak of a clash of nationalism in such a set-up is to speak of something that is an anachronism. American Jews, citizens of this country, interested in promoting the up-building of Palestine after the war, will not be entertaining a dual allegiance any more than in fact they do now, and in principle they will entertain it then less than they do now.

Not Charity for American Jewry

For the American Jew, the building of the Jewish commonwealth in Palestine is fundamentally a matter of enlightened self-interest and not a matter of charity. It is a well-established fact, that was recognized by President Wilson and the other statesmen of Europe after the last war, that there would be no peace in Europe as long as there was a Jewish problem in Europe. That there was a Jewish problem in Europe nobody denied for it was patent in the anti-Semitism which was rampant. The statesmen at Versailles tried to solve the Jewish problem in two ways. One, by approving in principle the establishment of a Jewish Homeland in Palestine for the homeless Jews of Europe, and gave to Great Britain a mandate over Palestine for the express purpose of helping the Jewish people build up that homeland by emigration and economic and political assistances, a task which British officials in the Colonial office in London, and on the spot in Palestine, sabotaged consistently for reasons of their own, and the imperialistic policies of the British Empire.

The second thing that the peace conference did was to institute the principle of autonomous rights for minority peoples in the newly constituted states of Europe. This principle failed in practise, and the minorities problem was the fulcrum that Hitler used to invade one country after another in Europe. Jews were, of course, the greatest victims of the failure of this principle, because their rights could be violated with impunity. It is clear to everyone now that as long as there will be two million or more homeless Jews in Europe after the war there is no chance for a permanent peace. Jewish homelessness will make for anti-Semitism. Anti-Semitism is always something that the Fascists will exploit. Furthermore, anti-Semitism is something that cannot be restricted, ghettoized; it is both exploitable and transferable as we so sadly know. It is also like a lethal gas; it permeates and spreads with deadly effect. It is therefore inconceivable that after the war anti-Semitism can be permitted to exist in Europe without spreading over here. It is therefore in the interest of American Jewry to make sure that after the war the problem of Jewish homelessness, which is the focal infection that breeds anti-Semitism, be solved permanently.

Of all the problems which beset the Jew, homelessness is the central problem from which all the others stem. Palestine is large enough to accommodate the two million Jews who will have to leave Europe when the war is over because there will be no place or room for them there. I figure that of the ten million Jews that were in Europe before the war about two and one-half million will be destroyed or killed or will die before the war is over. Of the remainder about one-third will be old and sick people who cannot be migrated. Another third will be composed of young people who will be needed for the local physical rehabilitation of a devastated Europe. Of the remaining third, two or two-and-one-half million will have to leave because they will be "surplus population" in a world that will not have any room for them because the shops and factories and professional positions have already been confiscated by others, who will not be minded to give them up.

It is important that the Jews of America realize that Palestine is the real constructive solution to the Jewish problem. Relief is important but it is only palliative and temporary. God willing, when Hitler is beaten, and the problem of Jewish homelessness is solved through

Palestine, we won't have as staggering a problem of relief as we had after the last war. The cost of migrating two and one-half million Jews to Palestine will have to be borne by an intergovernmental loan because there will not be any Jewish wealth left in England or America after a long war. The five hundred million dollars of Jewish investment in Palestine and the expanding Jewish settlement there will be adequate security for such a loan. The defeat of Hitler will also go a long way in mitigating the problem of anti-Semitism. We must keep our eye on the ball—on the real issue which is Palestine.

Role of America

When the war is over, America is bound to play a leading role in the shaping of things to come and therefore it is of the very essence of things that we should do everything in our power to shape American public opinion so that it sees Palestine as a solution to the Jewish problem. Palestine is today part of the Allied war front. Palestine's contribution to the winning of the war is already outstanding with 15,000 men fighting heroically, and triple that number ready to join the Jewish Army. American public opinion is bound to be impressed by the justice of the Jewish aspiration; it is in line with the whole American ideal.

We are all looking farther ahead than just winning the war. The background of America and that of the Jew has trained us to see in this war more than just the licking of Hitler. We are all fighting so that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness shall be assured to all people. America, concerned in seeing justice done to all peoples, will surely concern itself when setting up a new world order, that justice be done to the Jew. It behooves the Jewish people of America to convince our authorities in Washington and public opinion in general, that internally we are united in this great project.

A Solemn International Pledge

By GEORGE Z. MEDALIE

IT is a pleasure to welcome you to this morning's session of the National Conference for Palestine. It is hoped to present this morning a clear picture of the Palestine of today; to recall the achievements there of two decades of faith and determined purpose; without bitterness and with confidence in the future to recall the difficulties that, perhaps needlessly, beset a great effort; to point out the relation of Palestine's development to international justice and to international obligations for human freedom and security; to chart, at least for some little distance ahead, the course of the future; to point out a common ground which all of us can take as Americans ever mindful of the world's greatest struggle in which brute force and injustice still battle hopefully against honor and humanity.

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In a conflict so far reaching and basic every effort is rightfully directed to the energies of production, to self denial of every peace time indulgence and to the heart straining and heroic fight that spreads from stratosphere to ocean bed, from desert to jungle, from the icy arctic to the tropics. Though we concentrate with a single purpose and a strong will on these tasks, we must never forget that we who believe that we are in this war on the side of humanity must consider humanity's problems. And wherever we are fitted to deal with any of them, we may not because of the stress and strain of war consider ourselves relieved and discharged from duties and obligations which we have assumed to others and in the performance of which we vindicate the principles for which America and her allies are risking their men and their resources.

Never Sought More

In every land in which Jews have lived they have sought only a human status of dignity and decency. Theirs has never been a demand for exceptional treatment. No Jewish problem has ever arisen because Jews have sought what was not accorded their neighbors. Only the denial of fundamental rights to Jews ever creates a Jewish problem. No Jewish problem has ever arisen because Jews did not wish wholly to identify themselves with the land in which they lived.

In the peace that followed the last world war an effort was made to repair the wrongs suffered through a long, a painful history of denial of ordinary rights to Jews. First it was guaranteed that the equality of Jews in certain countries would be recognized. The worth of this guaranty in certain places and the brutality of its violation need not evoke comment from us at this moment. But to many there came new hope in another direction. A land to which, in prayer and story, through oppression and indignity, hope pointed with a finger that spoke eloquently of work and sacrifice and creation, was now offered. By solemn declaration and in unison with nations now allied for peace, a great government accepted and proclaimed a homeland for untold thousands whose will had never been broken in centuries of struggle for fair treatment, for the right to toil and to build. The promise of the Balfour Declaration in 1917, and the

League of Nations mandate to Great Britain in 1922 gave the solemn pledges in the establishment of a new order of international justice in the attempted achievement of which a new epic began to be written. The books of this great saga are not completed. The promises are still to be completely performed. The heroic enterprise is still in the making and numberless recruits still bid eagerly for enlistment.

Most of us will remember the early enthusiasm and the corresponding skepticism. Some said that the soil destroyed by conquerors could not be redeemed, that what ignorance had neglected could never be recovered and that to send pioneers to a neglected, eroded and unproductive Palestine was to make a grim jest of the sufferings and privations of the pioneers. It was stated that at best Palestine might support a handful of newcomers, but no more. But faith moves mountains. At the very least, it drains swamps and brings water; it recreates a soil; it builds cities and industries and harnesses power. Those who had the courage and faith to accomplish this were in the front line. We who cheered their effort supplied what we could to make their effort a reality.

They have won the first skirmishes and the first battles. But the great campaign is not ended. It needs more recruits and the doors of the enlistment office must not now be shut in the faces of those who want their chance and nothing more. That is as true of the service of peace as of the sacrifice of war. It is conservative to say that this great venture is no longer a mere experiment. The threat that its growth will be choked off must be erased. The mandate and the declaration that made all this possible must be translated into a new vitality.

By International Agreement

Less than three weeks before the British government in 1917 formulated its announced policy and pledge, President Wilson cabled to London his approval of the document that came to be known as the Balfour declaration. This year is the twentieth anniversary of the issuance to Great Britain of the League of Nations mandate for Palestine. It was issued on terms acknowledged that very year in the British Palestine Order in Council. The preamble of the order refers to Article 22 of the Covenant of the League which states the fundamental principle that "the well being and development of the peoples form a sacred trust of civilization, and that securities for the performance of this trust should be embodied in the Covenant."

Referring to the declaration of November 2, 1917, as adopted by the principal allied powers "in favor of the Establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people", it meets the possible objection of Jews, Christians and Moslems in and out of Palestine, first by safeguarding "the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine" and secondly, "the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country". This latter assurance makes it unnecessary for Jews to quarrel over certain ideologies. Under it, all Jews may unite in the upbuilding of Palestine without

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Darman, Woonsocket; Archibald Silverman, Providence; Mrs. Aaron Tofield, Woonsocket; Rabbi Aaron Tofield, Woonsocket

the loss of a status still enjoyed and cherished by them in enlightened lands.

As stated by Mr. Churchill in the White Paper in 1922, it was intended that there be further development of the then existing Jewish community in Palestine, one in which Jews could take an interest and a pride and to which could be given the assistance of Jews in other parts of the world. It is in the giving of that assistance that we in America may act as one without discord and with mutual good will. It is an obligation graciously accepted.

A Capacity to Grow

Palestine has shown a capacity to grow and to absorb a great new community. Those who came and toiled and created and those who helped them come have made this possible. We take a just pride in the achievement. Ours, then, is the privilege, and since we prosper and are free, the responsibility to enlarge Palestine's absorptive capacity so that it may receive the maximum number of Jews who need to and who want to go there, and who, like those who came before them, will be a blessing and not a burden to the land. It is asking little of responsible American Jewish leadership to forget other differences and join in considering objectively every means of facilitating the ordered, permanent resettlement of bitterly oppressed Jews who, once in Palestine, will give to that land far more than they receive.

Nowhere in our sessions shall we forget our obligations to our country and the tasks that fall to us now to help her achieve victory in a cause that calls for all that humanity's soldiers are able to give. In the work of this gathering today we know that our efforts will give strength to those who, in Palestine, are allied to America's cause in this war, and strength and hope to those who would join them and whom oppressors have unwittingly taught that love for freedom and justice which spurs our heroes to their devoted sacrifices.

Dr. Louis Launer, Liberty; Abram S. Magida, N. Y. C.; Harry Cohen, Wilmington, Del.; Bernard Morgenstern, N. Y. C.; Abe Cohen, Uniontown

Our Common Security

By HENRY MONSKY

IT is a great privilege, indeed, to participate in this program of the National Conference for Palestine, in the City of Cleveland, the home city of that distinguished personality, the National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, who has consecrated himself, selflessly and with magnificent devotion, to the cause of Palestine and the general welfare of the people of Israel His forthrightness, his zealous interest, his personal sacrifices of time and energy, his clarity of thought, his moving eloquence, his powerful logic—all of these have inspired many thousands of our people to rally to the cause which he so nobly exemplifies, and it is with humility and profound pleasure that I salute on this night, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

Through the graciousness of the Office of Civilian Defense, and as a member of the Volunteer Participation Committee, I have the honor to be officially designated as the representative of that very important governmental activity, to bring to you a brief message concerning the responsibility, in this critical period in our nation's history, of the entire civilian population of America—men and women of every social or economic stratum. We are at war—not a war of our choosing, not a war of aggression, not a war of conquest, but a life-and-death struggle for the defense of those values which are sacred to every liberty-loving American.

American War Effort

We are building, under a program so extensive as to be unprecedented in the history of the world, our military strength. Our great productive capacity will soon be geared up to serve our needs and those of our allies in the gigantic struggle for the preservation of freedom. There is, or shortly will be, scarcely a household in America, that will not be represented in the military service or in essential national defense production. There is need for a consecration of the whole of our collective and individual resources, to the completion and prosecution of our military program. It is, however, imperative that along with the maximum military strength, there shall be a completely united civilian population, devoting every resource at its command—time, toil, treasure, talent and energy—to the support of our nation in this time of trial. Whatever may be the sacrifice and whatever the price, it is but little for the protection of our common security.

You have in all of your several communities Volunteer Enrollment Offices. You have in your several states, State Defense Councils, and in your communities, Local Defense Councils. You can assist in making effective the program of Civilian Defense by prompt registration and by volunteering your services for whatever activity you may be best suited. That, briefly, is my message to you on Civilian Defense.

Profound Interest of B'nai B'rith

And now, may I avail myself of the opportunity, as President of B'nai B'rith, and on behalf of its vast membership, to bring you greetings and to give you assurance of our profound interest in the continued progress of the cause of Palestine.

Some months before the tragic and treacherous attack upon Pearl Harbor, the President of the United States had occasion to say, "The threat to Palestine does not differ in essence from the threat to this country." Some days after the Pearl Harbor tragedy, our distinguished guest speaker, Senator Barkley, Majority Leader of the United States Senate, publicly proclaimed in substance, that the United States and Palestine were fighting for the same cause. These statements are significant. The Palestine project is apparently recognized as a symbol of freedom, as an enterprise in which a people are endeavoring to re-establish a homeland, a project for self-determination.

Realism

Need any more be said, in the light of the statements to which I have referred, concerning the status of Palestine and the importance of the Palestinian program? The program of Palestine symbolizes the everlasting and eternal philosophy of hope on the part of the Jew. The depth of Jewish tragedy, the overwhelming calamity which has rendered homeless and helpless so many millions of our co-religionists, who, albeit they cannot during the present world catastrophe, seek refuge, will necessarily, after the cessation of hostilities, present a problem of unprecedented magnitude. Is it not self-evident that when that time comes, Palestine will present perhaps the most realistic opportunity for the resettlement and rehabilitation of large numbers of the unfortunate and victimized of our people? If we have the vision and the statesmanship now to make timely and adequate preparation for the conditions that will follow the present world catastrophe, we shall enjoy in some measure the realization of the hopes and the aspirations of our people down through the centuries.

It is proper to record at this Conference the significant role which Palestine plays in the conflict between the democracies, who fight for the preservation of freedom, and the Axis powers who threaten to destroy our civilization. Its strategic location makes it a focal point in the conflict. It is thrilling to observe the spirit of devotion and consecration manifest on every hand to the cause of Great Britain by the Yishuv in Palestine. The development of its industry and of all of its resources, has resulted in an important contribution to the military program of the democracies.

British Leaders Greet Conference

My Admiration

Now more than ever the fortunes of World Jewry stand or fall with the victory of the cause of freedom-loving peoples everywhere. To the United Palestine Appeal of America I send greetings and best wishes.

Your work for Palestine in the past has commanded my admiration and respect and I look forward to the days when the re-establishment of the reign of law among the nations will enable you to set free all your energies again for this work. Until that day dawns I wish you every encouragement in the battle for freedom against Nazi tyranny.

ARCHIBALD SINCLAIR
(From the Aircraft Ministry)

The Cry of Patrick Henry

For the Jews there is but one demand that must be heard. We ask the directors of the New United Front of America and Britain to use in arms all enemies of Hitlerism; to end the invidious selection of those worthy to fight and die for freedom; to end the narrowminded pro-Nazi, pro-Fascist influence which prevents Jews as well as Chinese, Indians, Malays and Africans from being allowed with arms to protect themselves and kill our enemies.

I recall to Congress the words of the American poet: "Had not defeat upon defeat, disaster upon disaster come, the slaves on emancipated feet had never marched behind the drum."

You Americans could let the slaves fight. When will you allow the men of Palestine to take their share and follow to its appointed end the cry of Patrick Henry?

LORD WEDGWOOD

Justification of Zionist Policy

I am honored to send a special message to the Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in America. The great events since September, 1939, have been full justification of American Zionist policy and that of the British Empire which was agreed upon during the last war.

With thousands of British well-wishers I regret that there was no possibility of taking advantage of the noble offer of a Jewish Legion fighting by the side of the Allies prior to the entry of the United States into the struggle. I consider this refusal a blunder. But it can be rectified now with the U. S. A. as a full belligerent. I hope that the Allies will facilitate the formation of such a Legion.

I take this opportunity to send congratulations to the Organizers of the United Palestine Appeal on the great success throughout the world despite the difficulties of the times and the great generosity of those who have subscribed to this fine cause.

LORD STRABOLGI
Chief Labor Whip in House of Lords

Fresh Chapter of Service

The entry of the United States into the war gives added hopes to the friends of Zionism. No world order would be complete without the Jewish National Home which will give the Jews a normal background of national status.

They have a special contribution to make to human culture which cannot be fully developed without a motherland. Liberty, as the necessary basis of natural growth, is a familiar theme to Americans and Jews throughout the world. We confidently look to the U. S. A. to help in re-establishing their home in Palestine and starting a fresh chapter in their service to mankind.

R. D. DENMAN
National Labor Member of Parliament

Threefold Crisis

The Conference of the United Palestine Appeal meets at a time of threefold crisis—that of civilization as a whole, that of democratic freedom, and that of the civic status of the Jewish people.

I wish you complete success. The Conference will appeal for the united support of these great causes, for renewed and extended help in the financial and economic reconstruction of Palestine, and I am sure it will not appeal in vain.

LORD SNELL

Forward to Victory

All good wishes for the success of your Conference. Friends of Jewry the world over look to the American Jews to support the wonderful work which has been done and which is being done in Palestine.

Every day brings victory nearer. The Jews have been fighting our common foe for the past eight years. Every true Christian looks forward to the victory which will bring an end to Jewish sufferings and will lay the foundation of the solution of Jewish problems.

Christian and Jew, we go forward united to victory.

MAJOR VICTOR CAZALET
Member of Parliament

A Great Act of Faith

By FIELD MARSHAL SMUTS

Prime Minister of South Africa

On the occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of the inception of modern Jewish colonization in Palestine, I take pleasure in sending a message of congratulation and encouragement to your Conference. The colonization of Palestine by the Jews is one of the most remarkable achievements of modern times. Large areas in Palestine that had for centuries been deserted and in ruins have been reclaimed and cultivated with vigor and success.

Courage and determination have been needed. It has been a great act of faith, a faith that has held true and strong through all vicissitudes and oppression. This act of faith has been amply justified by its results and it will be vindicated anew in the world of tolerance and wider liberalism which must emerge from the great struggle to which the people of America have now set their hand as allies of the British Commonwealth.

We are now joint companions of freedom, and freedom from persecution and oppression must be the corollary of the triumph of our cause. Those who are responsible for the Jewish colonization of Palestine can therefore look to the future with new hope and with renewed faith.

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"Small Nations" Join in Greetings

Czechoslovakia

It was always with interest that I have followed the endeavor of the Jewish national movement to bring about a lasting and above all a just solution of Jewish national aspirations.

Today more than ever we realize that it is not merely numbers that make a nation truly great—great in the cultural connotation of this word. What the comparatively small group of Jewish patriots has already achieved is a very encouraging omen for the rest of us who also belong to a "small" nation.

May I assure you that the Czechoslovak people have, because of events in their own national history, a particularly sympathetic understanding for the justified aspirations of your group.

Vladimir S. Hurban
Minister for Czechoslovakia

The Netherlands

I am happy to send you, as the representative in this country of Her Majesty, Queen Wilhelmina, and the Kingdom of The Netherlands, my hearty greetings and best wishes to all those in attendance at the National Conference for Palestine. The splendid work in establishing a Jewish national home in Palestine, and the development of that community from a population of 50,000 to its present size of more than half a million, are worthy of the highest commendation, and I am sure I express the earnest wish of free peoples everywhere that the Jewish aspiration for human freedom and security attain complete fulfillment.

A. Loudon
Netherlands Minister

Poland

May I convey my best wishes for the success of your deliberations. Poland has always taken a great interest in the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine, and many of her citizens have effectively contributed to the great task already achieved.

Jan Ciechanowski
Ambassador of Poland

Denmark

In these days when Imperialism, race hatred and intolerance, have ruined the happiness of millions of people all over the world, I send my greetings to the National Conference for Palestine, wishing it success.

The people of Denmark share with you the firm belief that in spite of all the hardships of the present day, the noble ideals of humanity will conquer, and liberty and justice will be restored to all peoples on earth.

Henrik Kauffmann
Minister of Denmark

Norway

Please accept my sincere wishes for a successful conference.

William Morgenstierne
Minister of Norway

MAJOR RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, Sunday, January 18, 1942—Hotel Statler, Cleveland

A Jewish Army

The Jews of Palestine are there as of right, duly recognized and guaranteed by the civilized nations of the world. In the exercise of that right, they have converted large areas of Palestine from arid land to a flourishing community which has become a source of strength to the United Nations in their current struggle. No implication of that right is more precious to them than that of the privilege of defending their home, more especially when that home has become a strategic front in the battle for democracy.

Believing that the right of men to bear arms to preserve their homes and their honor is inalienable to all free peoples and recognizing that the Mandate entrusted to Great Britain has as its very core and basis the creation of a free Jewish people in Palestine, the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, meeting in Cleveland on January 18th, 1942, appeals to President Roosevelt to urge upon the British Government, as trustee for the establishment of the Jewish National Home in Palestine, to act favorably upon the request of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, so that as promptly as possible there may be called into existence a Jewish armed force recruited in Palestine to serve under their own standard under British command, in the defense of the universal cause of freedom and democracy.

A Jewish Commonwealth

Whereas the principles for which the war against the Axis powers is being fought include the liberation of those oppressed by aggression and

Whereas the solution of the problem of Jewish homelessness represents a primary task in any post-war program of international adjustment, and

Whereas the establishment of the Jewish National Home in Palestine under international guarantee represents one of the still-unfulfilled pledges of the democratic world, as contained in the Balfour Declaration of November 2, 1917, subsequently embodied in the League of Nations Mandate for Palestine, both of which documents were issued with the collaboration and approval of the American Government,

Be it Resolved by this National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, meeting in Cleveland on January 18, 1942, to urge upon the Government of the United States incorporation into its post-war program, as outlined in the Atlantic Charter and the Declaration of the United Nations, of active support of the establishment of the self-governing Jewish Commonwealth of Palestine, to which Jews who need or wish to live there may freely return.

United Jewish Appeal

The National Conference for Palestine, impressed by the need for extraordinary action on the part of American Jewry to enable it to meet the unprecedented obligations of the Jewish people in terms of permanent rehabilitation in Palestine, relief and assistance elsewhere and provision for the needs of Jewish refugees wherever they may be helped,

Calls upon all those attending this Conference and the organizations, national and local, which they represent:

To give priority to the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine in campaigns to be conducted in 1942 and thereby signal to its beneficiaries throughout the world that, in the phrase of President Roosevelt, they have not been forgotten and will not be forgotten; and

To adjust the distribution of funds in local communities so that we American Jews, secure, free and blessed in this land, may in 1942 postpone such of our own requirements as are not urgent so that we may the more adequately share our resources with those for whom continued existence is dependent on our generosity and vision.

The Letter-Box

Correspondence from readers is invited. The editors assume no responsibility for the views expressed in this column and reserve the right to abridge unduly long letters.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

TO THE EDITOR:

The members of Williamsburgh District No. 24 of the Zionist Organization of America, at a general membership meeting held January 4, 1942, in a formal resolution declared themselves in favor of the creation of an Associate Membership of $2.00 per year, in order to make it possible for the Zionist Organization of America to enroll the masses of our people in its membership this year.

In view of the fact that our section is entirely without representation on the Administrative Council, the membership directed me to transmit its resolution to *The New Palestine*, with a request that those members of the Administrative Council who may share our views, be good enough to bring it before the next meeting of the Council in our behalf.

A. D. BRAHAM,
Pres., Williamsburgh District No. 24.
Brooklyn, N. Y.

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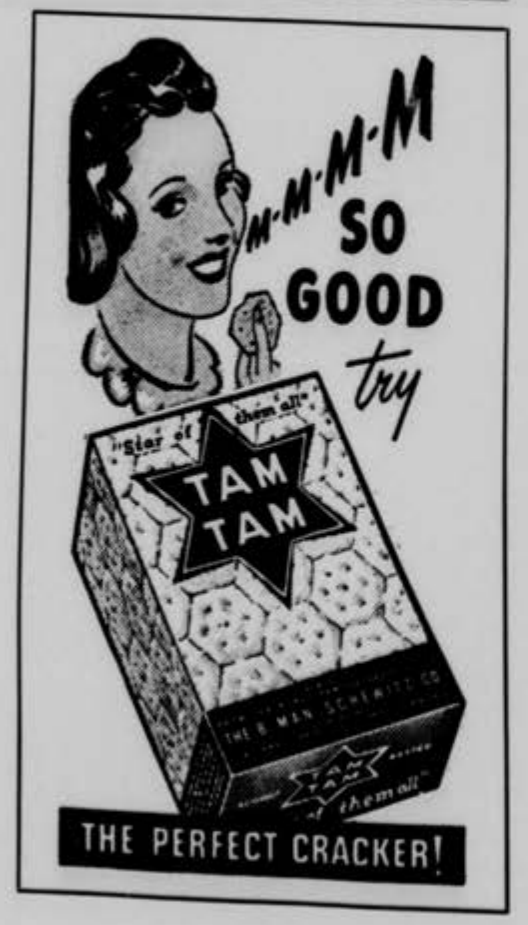

Negotiations With Jewish Army Comm. Still in Progress

Z. O. A. Head Tells of Attempts to Promote Joint Effort

Judge Louis E. Levinthal, Z. O. A. President, last week addressed a letter to the members of the national Administrative Council and to all district and regional chairmen of the Zionist Organization, setting forth the policy of the organization with regard to the activities being conducted by the "Committee for a Jewish Army."

Explaining that the Committee was Revisionist inspired, Judge Levinthal declared that nevertheless possibilities were being explored for the promotion of "a joint or coordinated effort on behalf of a Jewish Army." However, serious problems have arisen "in regard to policy, organization and methods of work." Until a decision is reached, he stated, Z. O. A. members should refrain from contributing to or aiding the Committee for a Jewish Army.

The complete text of Judge Levinthal's letter follows:

"In view of the many inquiries I have recently received as to the position of our Organization with regard to the "Jewish Army Committee" and its published appeal for support and contributions, I deem it necessary to make the following statement:

"You know, of course, that in the Proclamation unanimously adopted at our last Convention, we urged the British government to heed the demand of the Yishuv for the right to establish a "Jewish military force under British command." When, after many promises and delays,, the Jewish Agency's proposal for the organization of a Jewish Army was rejected about two months ago, Dr. Chaim Weizmann issued a vehement protest in London, and shortly thereafter, on December 2, 1941, I personally addressed a press conference in Washington specially arranged for the purpose of presenting to American public opinion the attitude of the Zionist Organization of America on this important question. (See *The New Palestine*, December 12, 1941, pp. 6-8.)

"For months the American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs, in which all Zionist bodies are represented and in whose leadership the Zionist Organization of America plays an important part, has conducted an effective campaign in the press in support of a Jewish Army to be recruited in Palestine.

"In the meantime, the Jewish Army Committee was organized under the Chairmanship of that gallant champion of our cause, that tried and true friend of the Zionist Organization of America, Mr. Pierre Van Paassen, but on the initiative of a group which, though not officially a committee of the Irgun, is composed of persons affiliated with that organization. As you know, the Irgun, is the extreme wing of the Revisionist Party, which seceded from the World Zionist Organization several years ago. Many of the sponsors of the Jewish Army Committee are non-Zionists and non-Jews, who, while they are in sympathy with the demand for a Jewish military force, and ready to lend their names as a token of that sympathy, are probably unaware of the fact that the Jewish Agency has been actively concerned with the problems since war broke out.

"During the past weeks the Emergency Committee and the Army Committee have through their representatives been exploring the possibilities of a joint or coordinated effort on behalf of a Jewish Army. While these negotiations have not been fully terminated, it is a fact that serious problems have arisen and it is by no means clear whether certain difficulties in regard to policy, organization and methods of work can be overcome. Obviously, Zionists cannot be part of any effort on behalf of a Jewish army or of any other important Zionist objective unless the vital interests of the Zionist movement and the cause itself are safeguarded. Even if the difficulties referred to should be ironed out, we do not know whether we would approve the raising of public funds for financing the propaganda and administration of this effort.

"The whole subject is engaging our most serious attention at this moment. A definite decision on the attitude of the Z. O. A. and other Zionist bodies may be expected very soon. Until such a decision is made, an attitude of caution is indicated. It does not seem to us desirable for members of the Z. O. A. either to contribute funds or to lend their adherence to the Jewish Army Committee, pending a clarification of the issues.

"Whether or not an agreement will be reached, please rest assured that your Organization will continue vigorously to support the Yishuv's just claim to the right to fight as a distinct military force in this war for justice and righteousness. I shall, of course, keep you further informed on this matter. Kindly convey the contents of this letter to our members and friends."

Palestine Tract Named in Honor of Israel Goldstein

A special area of the "Land for Victory" tracts which the Jewish National Fund is now acquiring in Palestine to further America's and the Allies' war effort in the Middle East, will bear the name of Dr. Israel Goldstein, Rabbi of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, New York, and President of the Jewish National Fund of America, it was announced this week following a session of the Fund's Board of Directors. The announcement was made by Jacob Sincoff, treasurer, and Maurice M. Boukstein, chairman of a special committee which arranged the session in the form of a dinner in tribute to Dr. Goldstein.

Spokesmen for all Zionist groups joined in the tribute to Dr. Goldstein and lauded the progress in the administration and fund raising activities of the Fund since Dr. Goldstein assumed leadership eight years ago. The spirit of unity resulting in harmonious relationship with all participating and cooperating organizations was emphasized in addresses delivered by Judge Louis E. Levinthal, President of the Zionist Organization of America. Mrs. David de Sola Pool, President of Hadassah, Leon Gellman, President of Mizrachi, and David Wertheim, Secretary of the Poale Zion.

The speakers at the function also included Mrs. Samuel Inselbuch, chairman of Hadassah's J. N. F. Council, Rabbi Max Kirshblum, executive secretary of Mizrachi; Louis Segal, secretary of the

Jewish National Workers' Alliance; Abraham H. Cohen, chairman of the Z. O. A. committee for J. N. F. activities; Louis P. Rocker, Dr. Harris J. Levine, chairman of the Finance Committee and of the Fund's Council for Greater New York; Rabbi I. M. Kowalsky, associate treasurer; Mr. Sincoff and Mendel N. Fisher, executive director. Rabbi Maurice J. Bloom of Newburgh, New York, offered the benediction.

United Appeal Again Renewed For Coming Year

To meet the greatly enlarged wartime needs of the Jews in overseas lands, the Jewish community in Palestine and the refugees in the United States, the unified fund-raising campaign of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine will be continued for the critical war year of 1942, it was announced by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and Dr. Jonah B. Wise, Chairman of the Fund-Raising Committee of the Joint Distribution Committee. The United Jewish Appeal was established in 1939 to provide for the needs of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service.

In issuing the formal announcement of the renewal of the agreement for a combined campaign in 1942, the national leaders emphasized that "through American Jewry's united effort to help Jews throughout the world who are victims of Nazi oppression and aggression, the far-flung front for democracy will be strengthened".

Following the precedent established in previous years, it was agreed that an initial sum of $9,100,000 be appropriated to the three agencies to enable them to operate until an Allotment Committee shall have had an opportunity to distribute all funds that will become available to the campaign. This initial sum is to be allotted to the participating organizations as follows: To the Joint Distribution Committee, $4,525,000, to the United Palestine Appeal, $2,575,000, and to the National Refugee Service a guaranteed sum of $2,000,000. On this basis the balance of the funds is to be distributed between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal by the Allotment Committee established along the lines of similar committees in previous years.

Declaring that since the outbreak of the war in September, 1939, the agencies represented in the United Jewish Appeal have been confronted with an ever-expanding theatre of Jewish suffering and need, the joint statement by Dr. Wise and Dr. Silver stressed the fact that America's entry into the war has imposed upon the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service even greater responsibilities, requiring them to conduct their operations on a full wartime basis.

Dr. Silver and Dr. Wise expressed their appreciation to Mr. David Watchmaker of Boston and Mr. Sidney Hollander of Baltimore, acting for the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, for their cooperation in the negotiations leading to the renewal of the United Jewish Appeal for 1942.

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fight for democracy, he said, "they prefer to fight under their own flag, because it has been a symbol of human liberty and justice for 4,000 years."

He bitterly arraigned the Axis powers, and exclaimed that the free peoples of the world are rising to crush for all time the slavery which the Nazis have sought to impose upon them. Returning to the stand after conclusion of his formal address, Senator Barkley asked permission of the gathering to bring their greetings to the President of the United States. An enthusiastic roar of approval followed.

Henry Monsky, speaking as both president of B'nai B'rith and as official representative of the Volunteer Participation Committee of the Office of Civilian Defense, pointed out the imperative need for a "completely united civilian population, devoting every resource at its command—time, toil, treasure, talent and energy—to the support of our nation in this time of trial."

Rabbi Morris Adler of Detroit said grace at the opening of the session and greetings were extended by Mrs. David de Sola Pool, president of Hadassah and David Wertheim, secretary of the Poale Zion. A message from Leon Gellman, president of Mizrachi, was read.

Vocal selections were offered by Kurt Baum, leading tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Company, accompanied at the piano by Leon Machan. Mrs. Mildred Zimbalist led the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" at an earlier session.

Greetings

Many messages of greetings were received and read to the conference. Official representatives of Holland, Norway, Denmark, Czechoslovakia and Poland joined in wishing success to the gathering, and a number of British leaders, including Sir Archibald Sinclair, Lord Snell, Lord Strabolgi, Lord Wedgwood, Major Victor Cazalet, M.P., R. D. Denman, M.P., and General Jan Smuts, prime minister of South Africa, sent greetings.

Greetings from American statesmen and political leaders were headed by messages from Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Ambassador John G. Winant, Myron C. Taylor, and Paul V. McNutt.

Others included Senators Sheridan Downey, C. Wayland Brooks, Harold H. Burton, Arthur Capper, Guy M. Gillette, Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., Charles L. McNary, James M. Tunnell, Ed C. Johnson, William H. Smathers, David I. Walsh, Frederick Van Nuys and Harry S. Truman.

Additional messages were received from Lady Reading, Selig Brodetsky, Simon Marks, the Jewish Agency Executive and Isaac Naiditch.

Resolutions

Important resolutions dealt with a Jewish Army, the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth, and the continuation of the United Jewish Appeal. Other significant resolutions sent greetings to the Yishuv, recorded appreciation to Dr. Silver and to other officers of the U. P. A., hailed the Jewish National Fund on its anniversary, expressed appreciation to Dr. Israel Goldstein, and mourned the loss of Zionist leaders during the past year.

The complete set of officers elected will be found on page 26.

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With Our DISTRICTS and REGIONS

Atlanta, Ga.—Dr. James G. Heller will speak for the local dist. and the Atlanta section of the American Palestine Comm. on Wed. eve, Jan. 28.

Baltimore, Md.—A Brandeis memorial meeting sponsored by all Zionist groups in the city was held on Jan. 11. The principal address was given by Judge Louis E. Levinthal. Rabbi Samuel Rosenblatt, Rabbi Adolph Coblenz, Judge Eugene E. Sobeloff and Cantor Adolph Weisgal also participated in the program; Frank J. Rubenstein presided.

Beaver Falls, Pa.—J. H. Braun is in charge of the dist. meeting here on Tues. eve, Jan. 27, at which Ian Ross MacFarlane will be guest speaker.

Boston, Mass.—The Kadimah Dist. will hear Abraham Goldberg of N. Y. at their meeting on Sun. eve., Feb. 1. Max Kabatznick will preside.

Bronx, N. Y.—Dr. Mitchell Salem Fisher will address Dist. No. 12 at the Young Israel building, 1015 Walton Ave., on Wed. eve, Feb. 4. Dr. Isidore Rosenthal will preside.

Bronx, N. Y.—The new dist. in Parkchester has been formally established and named in memory of the late Pinchas Rutenberg. Temporary officers are: Rabbi H. D. Silver, pres.; Nathan Weingarten, v.p.; Leon Sandberg, sec'y; Isaac Silver, treas.; exec. comm.: A. L. Gross, and Sigmund Kanarvogel.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Mrs. Oscar Bender will speak for the Brownsville and East N. Y. districts and Hadassah chapters on Tues., Jan. 27, at Empire Manor, 70 Thatford Ave.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—The Rugby dist. will play host at services at Cong. Shaarei Israel, 810 E. 49th St. on Fri. eve, Jan. 30, at which time Abraham Goldberg will speak. Rabbi D. Bernard Stolper will conduct services; Harry G. Warshaw is pres. of the cong.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Dist. No. 15, Brownsville, will hear Abraham Goldberg at a membership meeting at 1848 Pitkin Ave. on Thurs. eve, Feb. 5. Dr. H. D. Rosenberg will preside.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—The Prospect Park dist. will hold a parlor meeting for memb. at the home of Dr. Lehman, 10 Maple St., on Mon. eve, Jan. 26. Speaker will be Maurice Boukstein. A membership rally will be held at the Center on Feb. 1, at which the speaker will be Maurice Samuel.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Judge Bernard A. Rosenblatt will speak on Sun., Jan. 25, at the Hotel Statler. Judge D. Diamond will preside. The comm. includes Nathan E. Lazarus, Rabbi Harry Brevis, A. Jacob Silverberg, S. Sabshin, M. Gerstman, H. Rachlin and David I. Cantor.

Camden, N. J.—The monthly meeting will be held on Mon. eve, Jan. 26, at the home of Elias Klein, 1531 Baird Ave. Membership ch. Ellis Goodman will discuss the geography of Palestine and also appeal for increased Z. O. A. membership.

Chelsea, Mass.—The regular breakfast meeting on Sun. morning, Feb. 1, will be addressed by Abraham Goldberg, it is announced by Samuel L. Elkins, dist. pres.

Chicago, Ill.—Guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Z. O. C. at the Congress Hotel was Rabbi Milton Steinberg. Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein presented the speaker, and A. H. Rosenberg presided over the business meeting. Wm. J. Robinson is ch. of the Red Cross drive for the dist., aided by M. A. Smoler, A. H. Rosenberg, M. Weiss, R. J. Klemperer, J. H. Schwimmer, B. Shulman, F. Geller and B. Hacker.

Cincinnati, Ohio—Maurice Samuel will speak for the Cincinnati dist. on Wed. eve, Jan. 28.

Columbus, Ohio—Maurice Samuel will address Columbus Zionists on Sun. eve, Jan. 25. Robert L. Mellman is dist. pres.

Duluth, Minn.—Rabbi Abraham Milgram will speak at a joint Zionist and B'nai Brith meeting on Tues. eve, Feb. 10. Arrangements have been made by S. Mizrachi.

Everett, Mass.—Isaac Tarmy will preside at the regular monthly meeting of the local dist. on Wed. eve., Feb. 4, which will be addressed by Abe Goldberg.

Fort Wayne, Ind.—Maurice Samuel is scheduled to address the dist. meeting here on Sun. eve, Feb. 1, under the auspices of the Ohio Valley Region.

Hempstead, N. Y.—Rabbi Harry E. Schwartz conducted special Zionist services in the Temple last week.

Jersey City, N. J.—Rabbi Abraham Dubin will speak under auspices of the J. N. F. Council at the Sherman Ave. Talmud Torah on Wed. eve., Jan. 28. Dr. Elias Shapiro is in charge of the meeting.

Johnstown, Pa.—Abraham Goldberg of N. Y. will address the Johnstown dist. on Tues. eve., Jan. 27. Elvin Teitelbaum is in charge of the meeting.

Lafayette, Ind.—Local Zionists will hear Maurice Samuel at their meeting on Thurs. eve, Jan. 29.

Lorain, Ohio—Ittamar Ben-Avi will speak for the Elyria-Lorain dist. on Sun. eve, Feb. 8, it is announced by Samuel Deutsch.

Los Angeles, Cal.—A Palestine Unity festival, in which all Zionist groups in L. A. participated, was sponsored by the local dist. Harry Bauman, dist. pres., addressed a special message to the gathering on the subject of Zionist unity.

Manchester, N. H.—Abraham Goldberg will address the Zionist meeting here on Mon. eve., Feb. 2. Arrangements were made by Hyman Reingold.

New York, N. Y.—The Riverside Zionist Club will hold a reception for prominent Zionist leaders of the dist. on Sat. eve, Jan. 24, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Mitchell Salem Fisher, it is announced by Isaac Imber, pres.

New York, N. Y.—Speaker at the rec nt board meeting of the Jacob Ehrlich Society was Dr. Maximilian Piekarski, pioneer Viennese Zionist, who has just arrived in this country.

Oil City, Pa.—Local Zionists will hear Abraham Goldberg of N. Y. at their meeting on Mon. eve., Jan. 26. Dr. Harold Schleider will preside.

Omaha, Neb.—New officers of the Omaha dist. are: Joseph Tretiak, pres.; Dr. Philip Sher, hon. pres.; M. F. Levenson, Abe B. Gendler, v.p.; Joe Hertzberg, sec'y; Dr. Sher, treas. Rabbi David A. Goldstein, Dr. Sher, Paul Veret and Nathan Yaffe are on the program comm.

Philadelphia, Pa.—The N. Philadelphia dist. will hold its annual Hamisha Asar B'Shevat celebration on Wed. eve., Jan. 28, at Rosenthal's Banquet Hall, Marshall St. and Girard Ave. Guest speakers will be S. L. Blank and Dr. Solomon Stein; Meyer Levine will preside.

Portsmouth, N. H.—The local dist. will meet on Thurs. eve., Feb. 5, to hear Abe Goldberg it is announced by Leo Liberson.

Providence, R. I.—Harry D. Jagolinzer, chairman of the local Red Mogen David committee, has announced a quota of $5,000 for Rhode Island. Arthur A. Winkleman is treas., and Morris W. Shoham sec'y.

Roxbury, Mass.—The Herzl Dist. will be addressed by Abraham Goldberg at their monthly meeting on Tues. eve., Feb. 3. Morris Eisenberg will preside.

Waco, Texas—Membership has already increased 30% over last year's total it was announced recently, and Messrs. L. W. Wizig, F. Chazanow, A. Berkman and L. Gershowitz of the comm. were given a vote of thanks. Dist. officers are: Pres., L. Gershowitz; V.P., F. Chazanow; Sec'y, Ben Levin; Treas., L. W. Wizig.

Washington, Pa.—Ian Ross MacFarlane will address local Zionists on Sun., Jan. 25. David H. Weiner will preside.

Washington, D. C.—Dr. Israel Goldstein will speak for the dist. at the J. C. C. on Tues., Jan. 27, at a special J. N. F. meeting. Rabbi I. Breslau is dist. pres., Rabbi H. Segal ch. of the J. N. F. Council, and T. Naftalin education ch.

Westwood, N. J.—Rabbi Maurice Bloom will speak for local Zionists at Temple Emanuel on Sun., Feb 1. Rabbi Samuel Schwartz and Dr. David Goldberg will be in charge.

Wheeling, W. Va.—Local Zionists will meet on Wed. eve., Jan. 28, and will hear an address by Abraham Goldberg of N. Y. Dr. Braverman will preside.

OHIO VALLEY REGION

Gov. M. M. Neely of West Virginia was presented with a Golden Book Certificate of the J.N.F. at a meeting held in Charleston, W. Va., last week. Announcement of the inscription, which was sponsored by A. H. Frankel of Huntington, W. Va., was first made at the Ohio Valley convention last June.

Presentation of the certificate was made by Rabbi Samuel Cooper, regional president. Guest speaker was Maurice Samuel.

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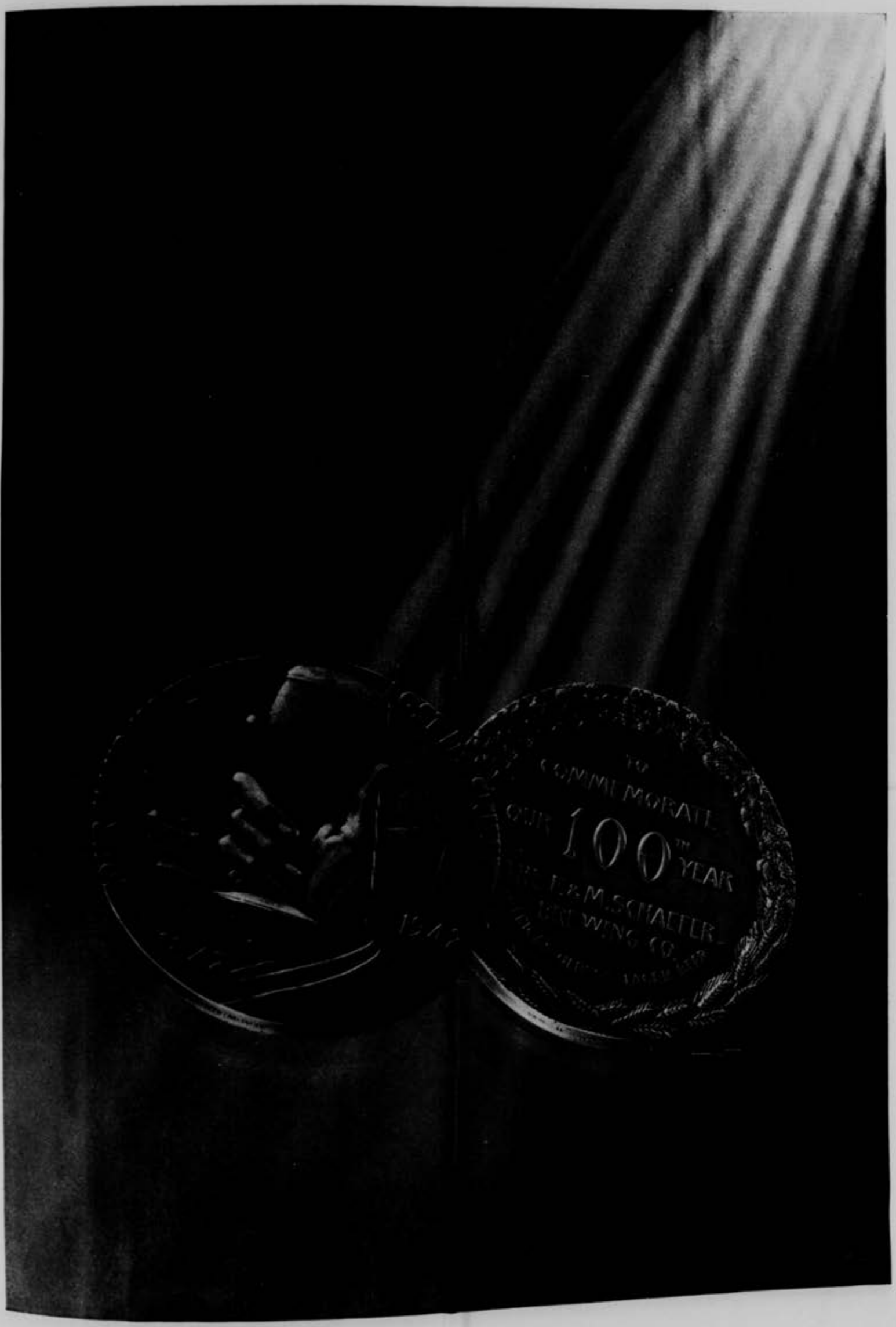

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Address Jewish Leaders

Dr. Wise

Admiral Stirling

Dr. Silver

Senator Barkley

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Mrs. J. L. Weinberg Heads Hostess Group

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MRS. JOSEPH L. WEINBERG is chairman of the committee of Cleveland women who are hostesses to a large number of out-of-town delegates to the National Conference for Palestine at the Hotel Statler this week-end.

The delegates are coming from as far west as Seattle, Wash., and as far east as Portland, Me. They will be welcomed at an "Oneg Shabbat" tea tomorrow at 3 p. m. at the Statler. The conference will continue through Sunday night. The speakers will be Majority Leader Senator Alben W. Barkley, Admiral Yates Sterling Jr. and Dr. Abba Hillel national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, sponsors of the conference.

Assisting Mrs. Weinberg are Mrs. Ezra Brudno, Mrs. Sigmund Herzog, Mrs. David Ralph Hertz, Mrs. Benjamin Levine, Mrs. A. F. Mellman, Mrs. Clarence Weidenthal, Mrs. Louis Kaufman, Mrs. Henry Frankel, Mrs. Milton Halle, Mrs. Uriah Shapiro, Mrs. J. C. Newman, Mrs. Leo Neumark, Mrs. Moses Garber and Mrs. Leonard Grossman.

Map Palestine Aid in Sessions Here

1200 Jewish Leaders Meet on Mobilization Plans

By FRANK STEWART
Church Editor

Why are 1200 Jewish leaders, representing all parts of the United States, coming to Cleveland tomorrow to attend sessions of the National Conference for Palestine at Hotel Statler?

That's the question I asked Rabbi A. H. Silver of The Temple, E. 105th street and Ansel road, who is national chairman of United Palestine Appeal, which is sponsoring the conference.

From Dr. Silver I learned the conference will:

CONSIDER a program for the mobilization of American Jewish resources behind the 550,000 Jews in Palestine.

INITIATE discussion of a plan for solution of the Jewish problem in the post-war period in terms of mass colonization in Palestine.

REVIEW the means to furnish $8,000,000 for requirements of the people in Palestine in 1942.

The spiritual leader of The Temple revealed some facts about the Jews in Palestine which, in these hectic days, are likely to escape the attention of the general newspaper reader.

Here is a summarized version of things Dr. Silver told me:

At the moment there are 15,000 Jewish soldiers in the fighting forces of the British Empire. More than 1500 Jews are enrolled in the Royal Air Force.

Jewish tank and infantry units are in the forefront of the battle of Libya.

$75,000,000 U. S. Aid Sent

In the 20 years since the American Congress adopted a resolution pledging the support of the American people for the Jewish National Home in Palestine more than $75,000,000 American money has gone in to the project.

There are 266 Jewish agricultural settlements in Palestine with a population of 143,000 out of a total Jewish population of 550,000, which Dr. Silver said was the highest farm ratio of any Jewish community in the world.

Eleven of these settlements were founded last year with the aid of American Jews through the United Palestine Appeal.

Palestine is not only the granary of the British forces in the Middle East but it is fast becoming one of the chief arsenals. In the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv, just 20 years ago a stretch of barren dunes, armored cars are being made where camels once trod.

More than half the population has come from Germany or Nazi-dominated countries. In the 1942 budget of the Jewish Agency, which will be considered here during the week-end, more than $528,000 is allocated to industrial development.

World leaders of the Jewish people and outstanding personalities of American Jewry will review the highlights of the achievements mentioned here.

Noted Speakers Attend

Among the speakers will be U. S. Senator Alben Barkley, Admiral Yates Stirling Jr., former chief of

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CALLS FOR ARMING OF PALESTINE JEWS

Rabbi Silver Declares U. S. Should Assume Task if Great Britain Cannot

LINKED WITH WORLD PEACE

Fate of Homeless in Europe Must Be Determined, National Conference Is Told

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 17—"Palestine is as much an American front today as it is a British front, and an Allied defeat in Palestine, even as an Allied defeat in Singapore, would prove as costly and dangerous to America as to Great Britain," Rabbi Abba H. Silver said today at the opening of the National Conference for Palestine. More than 1,200 Jewish leaders are here for the sessions, which will continue through tomorrow.

Robbi Silver, giving the keynote of the conference, called for American Jews to give all required aid to Palestine, saying:

"Palestine meets a war need. It is an important ally of the Free Nations fighting Hitler. It is providing soldiers, munitions, food and military services in this war. It may yet become a sector of major military significance.

"Palestine also meets a world peace need. There can be no lasting peace in the world until the fate of the homeless and the rightless minorities of Europe is properly determined. Jewish homelessness will be widespread after the war. . . . The strategy of total peace must discover the true corrective to anti-Semitism, in order to save not the Jews of Europe, but Europe itself, and the peace of the world.

"The Jewish people must be permitted and helped to develop their homeland in Palestine in such a way as to be able to drain off, in a relatively short time, two, three or four million Jews from the crowded and economically tensioned centers of Central and Eastern Europe."

Saying that Great Britain should swiftly arm the fighting Jews of Palestine before it was too late, Dr. Silver declared: "If Great Britain cannot arm the Jews of Palestine, presumably for lack of equipment, America should."

Message Sent by Smuts

By The Associated Press.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 17—Postwar aims of the United Nations must include freedom from persecution for Jews and the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine, declared Field Marshal Jan Christiaan Smuts, Prime Minister of South Africa, and Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands in messages to leaders of the National Conference for Palestine.

Marshal Smuts declared the faith manifested by Jews in colonization efforts would "be vindicated anew in the world of tolerance and wider liberalism which must emerge from the great struggle to which the people of America have now set their hand."

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PALESTINE CALLED A VITAL WAR BASE

Admiral Stirling Says Planes Could Hammer at Europe From Existing Fields

JEWISH ARMY SUPPORTED

Cleveland Conference Urges Federal Action—Knox and Morgenthau Send Word

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 18—Rear Admiral Yates Stirling Jr., former Chief of Staff of the Fleet, told the National Conference for Palestine today that Palestine was a vital center for naval and air support for the Allied cause. He said that that country was in "a splendid geographical position to help carry forward the war."

Secretaries Knox and Morgenthau sent messages to the conference, which met under the auspices of the United Palestine Appeal.

Admiral Stirling said:

"There are splendid military airport facilities in the country, such as the airdrome at Lydda. The fanwise spread of Allied airplanes can begin in Palestine and reach out to those lands in Southeastern Europe which now lie under Hitler's domination.

"tI is not inconceivable that one of the major offensives into Hitler's Europe can be undertaken by troops which have had their starting point in Palestine."

He was applauded when he said:

"It is to our advantage as Americans to see a Jewish army utilized. We have a world-wide war to win. Even at best our reserves of manpower are not such that we can squander them. We must take advantage of all possible sources of other armies if we are to hold the fronts we now protect and reach out to new battlefields."

A Strategic Key, Says Knox

Secretary Knox sent this telegram:

"The land of Palestine looms large on the immediate horizon as a strategic key to the control of the Middle East. Hitler must capture it if he is to reach Iran and the Mosul oil fields he needs. We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine against that aggression.

"Palestine is a tiny country on the map of the world, but it is shaped like a thorn. It is a thorn indeed in the flank of Hitler. We must strengthen that thorn until it becomes a sword that will halt the tyrant's eastward march."

Secretary Morgenthau's message declared that the cause of Palestine was identified with "the all-embracing cause of democracy."

The Secretary said:

"This conference, which in normal times would be another laudable appeal to American Zionists for the Zionist cause, in our turbulent days rises immeasurably in importance. The appeal today is no longer addressed to Zionists alone, but to all Zionists, non-Zionists and non-Jews who believe in justice and freedom. It no longer appeals to Aemricans, alone, but to the people of all free nations."

Rabbi Silver Is Re-elected

Speaking at the morning session of the conference, David Ben Gurion of Palestine, chairman of the executive committee of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, said that "to transform Palestine into a progressive European country capable of maintaining a high standard of living is a Jewish task and cannot be accomplished by an English colonial administrator."

Rabbi A. H. Silver was re-elected national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal for a fifth term.

The conference adopted a resolution calling upon the Federal Government to incorporate "into its post-war program, as outlined in the Atlantic Charter and the Declaration of the United Nations, active support of the establishment of a self-governing Jewish Commonwealth of Palestine to which Jews who need or wish to live there may freely return."

The government also was urged to aid in the establishment of a Jewish army for the defense of Palestine and other parts of the Middle East.

Other speakers at today's sessions included Dr. William F. Albright, Professor of Semitics, Johns Hopkins University; Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, vice chairman, United Palestine Appeal; Henry Monsky, Omaha, president of B'nai B'rith; Judge Morris Rothenberg, New York, co-chairman of the Council of Jewish Agency, and Dr. Nahum Goldmann, New York.

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PALESTINE RALLY BRINGS 1,200 HERE

Nation's Jewish Leaders to Mobilize Tonight

Cleveland today will become the focal point for mobilization of American Jewish resources behind the 550,000 Jews of Palestine when 1,200 Jewish leaders from all parts of the United States assemble here for the National Conference for Palestine.

JUDGE MORRIS ROTHENBERG

The conference will open tonight in the ball room of Hotel Statler. Sessions will also be held tomorrow morning, noon, afternoon and night.

DAVID BEN GURION

Rabbi A. H. Silver, chairman of the conference, yesterday received numerous messages of encouragement.

From Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts, prime minister of South Africa, came a message saying that "the colonization of Palestine by the Jews is one of the most remarkable achievements of modern times."

The Netherlands' minister to the United States, expressing the sentiments of Queen Wilhelmina, sent a telegram praising "the splendid work done in establishing a Jewish National Home in Palestine" and saying it was "the earnest wish of free peoples everywhere that the Jewish aspiration for freedom and security attain complete fulfillment."

The conference beginning tonight is sponsored by the United Palestine Appeal, American Jewry's central instrument for rebuilding the Jewish homeland in Palestine.

Tonight's session will begin with a welcome by Mayor Frank J. Lausche. Judge Louis E. Levinthal of Philadelphia, president of the Zionist Organization of America, will be chairman.

Speakers will include Rabbi Silver, who will present a report on American Jewry's activities on behalf of Palestine; Dr. Israel Goldstein of New York, president of the Jewish National Fund, and Dr. Stephen S. Wise of New York, chairman of the administrative committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

Responsibility Cited

American Jews have a responsibility for saving not only the body but the soul of the Jewish people, Dr. Israel Goldstein, rabbi of B'nai Jeshurun Congregation in New York and president of the Jewish National Fund, said last night at forum services at Cleveland Jewish Center, 1117 E. 105th Street.

The New York rabbi said that the spirit of Judaism itself was, like the Jewish people, a refugee from European lands of oppression. Practically the only places of ref-

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די קאנפערענץ פאר ארץ ישראל און איהר פראגראם

צו קליוולאנד איז צוגעטיילט געווארן דער כבוד צו זיין די מכנסת אורחים צו דער קאנפערענץ פאר א"י, וואס וועט ערשטענס ווערן מארגן, שבת אויפנט. און וועט אנהאלטן ביז דינסטאג אויפנט.

די קאנפערענץ פאר ארץ ישראל איז א יערליכע אינסטיטוציע און ווערט אראנזשירט דורך דעם פאראיינינטן ציון אפיל. דורך די 6 יאהר פון דער עקזיסטענץ פון פאראיינינטן ציון אפיל זיינען די קאנפערענצן אפגעהאלטן געווארן אין וואשינגטאן, אבער היי יאהר צוליב מאנגעל פון באקוועמליכקייטן אין וואשינגטאן איז די קאנפערענץ נעבראכט געווארן אהער אין דער רעזידענץ שטאדט פון נאציאנאלען טשערמאן פון פאראיינינטן ציון אפיל, ראבבי אבא הלל סילווער.

די קאנפערענצען ביז איצט האבען געוואונען טאר זיך א נאמען מיט זייער פראקטישען צוגאנג צו די פראבלעמען פון ארץ ישראל ווי אויך דורכדעם וואס זיי זיינען געווארן א צוזאמענקונפט פלאץ פאר די וויכטיגסטע אקטיוויטעטן פון אמעריקאנער אידענטום, צוויניסטישע און ניט צוויניסטישע.

דאס יאהר נעמט די קאנפערענץ אן א וויכטיגען חיסטארישען כאראקטער, וויל זי איז די ערשטע גרויסע אידישע אסאמבלי - אמעריקא'ס אריינטריט אין קריג און וועט דארפען אנצייגען פאר די אידען פון אמעריקא די פאר־פילפאכטע פליכטען וואס דער קריג קליוולאנד וועט זיין הבנסת אורחים צו קהיב 2,000 דעלעגאטען און בעסט צו דער גרויסער אידישער אספה. — פילע פראמינענטע אידען אין גיט־אידען צווישען די רעדנער. — באנקעט וועט עהרען ראבבי סילווער.

פון פנחם למדן

אמעריקאנער אידענטום זאל בייטראגען דעם גרעסטען טייל צום בודשעט פון 8 בילי־אן דאלאר וואס דער ישוב האט אנגענומען פאר דעם יאהר 1942. אויף מיין מראגע, וואס זיינען די אויסזיכטען פאר דער דערפילונג פון דיזער פאדערונג און וואס זיינען די אויסזיכטען דאס יאהר פאר דער קוואטא פון אמראיינינטען אפיל, האט ראבבי סילווער געענטפערט, אז אונטער איצטיגע תנאים קען מען קיין זאך ניט פאראויסזאגען. ער איז אבער גע־נויגט צו גלויבען, אז דער קאמפיין וועט זיין אן ערפאלג.

„אידען — האט ער געזאגט — זיינען א פאלק פון געבער. ס'איז אמת, אז די גאר רייכע האלטען אין איין מארקלענערען זייערע ביישטיי־ערונגען פון יאהר צו יאהר. מעגליך, אז דאס יאהר, אונטער דעם אויסרייד פון שווערע שטייערען, וועלען זיי זיר־כען נאך מעהר צו פארקלענערען זיי־ערע ביישטייערונגען. אבער די אידי־שע מאסען גיבען און זייער אפרוף היי־יאהר היינט פיל אפ פון די עקא־נאמישע אומשטענדען און די נעוויכט פון שטייערען אויף דעם מיטעלמעס־נען קלאס."

די קאנפערענץ, ווי שוין געזאגט, וועט ערעפענט ווערען מארגן, שבת 8 אזייגר אוונט, אין האטעל סטאט־לער. מר. הענרי מאנטאר, עקזעקו־טיוו דירעקטאר פון פאראיינינטען ציון אפיל, איז געווען פריינדליך גע־נוג אונז איבערצוגעבען דעם פולען פראגראם פון דער קאנפערענץ מיט דער ערקלעהרונג, אז די אויסארבי־טונג פון דעם פראגראם איז נעטאן געווארען אין א וועג צו באטאנען, אז די ארבייט פאר ארץ ישראל איצט איז ניט א צווייט־קלאסיגע ארבייט נאר איינע פון די גאר וויכטיגע אויפגאבען פאר ישדען אידישען בירגער.

עם ווערען ערוואר־טעט קרוב צו טויזענט דעלענאטען און א נאך גרע־סערער צאהל נעסט. די דעלענאטען שליסען אין די וויכטינסטע פיהרער אין ציוניזם און אין אלגעמיינעם אמעריקאנער אידישען לעבען.

פראגראם פון קאנווענשאן

שבת פון 2:45 ביז 5 נאכמיטאג, פאר דער אפיציעלער ערעפענונג פון דער קאנווענשאן ווערט אין יוקליד באל רום פון סטאטלער האטעל אפגעהאלטען ווערען אן „עונג שבת" צוזאמענקונפט אין וועלכער עם ווערען זיך באטיילי־גען עמנואל ניומאן, דר. מארטין רא־זענבלוט, דר. ברוך בראונשטיין און הענרי מאנטאר.

די אפיציעלע ערעפענונג אין אווענט ווערט זיין אין נרעגר באל רום, אונ־טער'ן פארזיץ פון ריכטער לואים י. לעווינטאל, פרעזידענט פון דער ציר־נים־טישער ארגאניזאציע פון אמעריקא.

אויף דער זיצונג ווערט דר. א. ת. סילווער, טאציאנאלער טשערמאן פון קאמפיין, אפגעבען זיין יערליכען באי־ריכט.

דר. סטיפען ס. ווייז, טשערמאן פון דער ארמיניסטראטיווער קאמיטע, ווערט רעידען אויף דער טעמע „די פראגמא־וואלטליכקייט פון אמעריקאנער אי־דענטום." און דר. איזראעל גאלד־שטיין, פרעזידענט פון אידישען קאר־ציאנאל פאנד, אויף דער טעמע „לאנד און היימלאנד."

באגריסונגען ווערען געהאלטען ווערען דורך מעיאר פרענק דוש. לאו־שע און פילמאר דוש. הייבער, פרעזי־דענט פון אידישען קאמיוניטי קאונ־סיל. ראבבי ארמאנד י. קאהען, פון אידישען צענטער, ווערט נעבעטן די ער־עפנונג'ס תפלה.

די צווייטע זיצונג, זונטאג אין דער פרי אונטער'ן פארזיץ פון האנ. דושאדוש ז. מעראליע, פרעזידענט פון ניו יארק פעדעראציע פון אידישע פילאנטראפישע סאסייעטיס, ווערט הע־

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די קאנפערענץ פאר ארץ ישראל און איהר פראגראם

(שלום פון פֿיידוש 5)

„די סאציאלע וויזיעס פון ארץ ישראל".

די סעסיע וועט אויפנעמען באריכטן פון קאמיטעס און וועט אויך האבן דיסקוסיעס.

די קאנפערענץ וועט זיך שליסען אין אוועגס מיט א באנקעט וואס וועט זיין געווידמעט אין עהרע פון ראבי סילווער פאר זיינע דינסטען אלס נאציאנאלע טשערמאן פון פאראייניגטען ציוניסטן.

טשערמאן פון באנקעט וועט זיין ריכטער מאריס ראטענבערג, קאטשערמאן פון קאונסיל טאר דער אידישער אנענטור.

סענאטאר אלבען וו. בארקלי, יוניטעד סטייטס סענאטאר פון קענטאקי; נייטען שטראוס, אדמיניסטראטאר פון יוניטעד סטייטס האוזינג אויטאריטי, און העגרי מאנסקי, פרעזידענט פון די בני ברית, וועלען זיין די הויפּט רעדנער.

באגריסונגען וועלען נעהאלטען ווערן דורך מרס. דייוויד דע סאלא פול, פרעזידענטין פון דער תרסה; לעאן נעלמאן, פרעזיענט פון מזרחי, און דייוויד וואהרטהיים, סעקרעטאר פון די פועלי ציון.

ראבי מאריס אדלער פון דעטראיט, וועט מאכען די תפוציא.

די איינלאדונג פון סענאטאר בארקלי, לויט אן ערקלעהרונג פון מר. מאנטאר, האט א פאליטישע באדייטונג.

עס ווערט איצט 20 יאהר זיט די פאראיינינגטע שטאטען האט אויף א נעמיינזאמער זיצונג פון סענאט און קאנגרעס גוט נעהייסען דעם סאן־פראנסיסקא באשלוס צו כאטשען פאלעסטינא אלס אידישע היימלאנד. בארקלי, וועלכער איז איינער פון די טאר סייניד פון ציוניזם און מאיאריטעט פיהרער פון סענאט, איז די פאסענדסטע פערזאן צו עהרען די ענין וועלכע, און צו בייזיגען איהר פולע באדייטונג וועגען דער שטעלונג פון דער אמעריקאנער רעגירונג צום ציוניזם.

עס איז כדאי צו באמערקען, אז די קאנפערענץ באצייכענט אויך די 60 יעהריגע עגזיסטענץ פון פאלעטישען ציוניזם.

אין פארבינדונג מיט דער קאנפערענץ איז אראנזשירט געוואָרען א בראדקעסט פאר וונטאג 12:15 נאכמיטאג אויף דער קאלאמביא בראדקעסטינג סיסטעם מיט ראבי סילווער אלס רעדנער.

א האריגינער בריף הבא צו אלע דעלענאטען מיט אן אויפריכטיגען וואונש פאר ערפאלג אין די פארהאנדלונגען.

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ראלישע טרופן שטעלן אפ יאפאנ

זאגט ארץ ישראל איז א טייל פון דעם אמעריקאנער פראנט

ראבי ווייז און ראבי גאלדשטיין רייטן אויף עפענונגס סעסיע פון ארץ ישראל קאנפערענץ. — באגריסונגען פון דר. חיים ווייצמאן און פילע אנדערע פראמינענטע פערזאנען. — זיצונגען היינט א נאנצען טאג. — שלום זיצונג מיט באנקעט אין אוועגס.

איבער צוועלף הונדערט דעלעגאטן פון אלע טיילן לאנד האבען נעכטען ביינאכט נעהערט ראבי אבא הלל סילווער, נאציאנאלער טשערמאן פון דעם פאראיינגטען ציון אפיל, ערקלערענדיג, אז ארץ ישראל איז אויף אזוי פיל אן אמעריקאנער פראנט ווי דאס איז אן ענגלישער פראנט און אז די פאראיינגטע שטאטען דארף באוואפענען די ארץ ישראל אידן, אויב ענגלאנד קען עס טאקע ניט „צוליב מאנגעל אין מכשירים."

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אין א שטארקען אפיל פאר דער נאדימלחמה רעזאלוטסיע פון דער אידישער חיימלאנד האט ראבי סילווער באטאנט, אז די אידען טאר נים פארגעסען ווערען בזים שלום טיש. זיי קאנען משהר ניט ערוואַרטעט ווערען צו „לעבען אויף די אפגעפאלענע בריקלאך פון וועלט סיכפאטיע."

אונטערשטרייכענדיג, אז ארץ ישראל איז א וויכטיגע פארפינדעטע פון די פרייע פעלקער, וועלכע באקעמפען היטלעריזם, האט ראבי סילווער אנגעוויזען, אז זי שטעלט צו כאלדאטען, אמוניציע, שפייז און מיליטערישע באדינונג. ער האט אויפגעפאדערט ענגלאנד שנעל צו באוואפענען די אידען אום עס זאל זיך ניט איבערחזר'ן אין ארץ ישראל וואס עס איז געשען אין קרעטע און מאלאיא און אנדערע שלאכטפראנטען, וואו מען האט געקאנט פארמיידען קאטאסטראפעס דורך פארבארריטונגען באציישענס. אויב ענגלאנד טוט עס ניט, דארף עס אמעריקא טאן, האט ער נעזאגט.

פאדערט אידען זאלען קעמפען אונטער אייגענעם פלאג

ער האט נעפאדערט, אז ניט נאר זאלען אידען גלייך באוואפענט ווערען, נאר זיי זאלען ערלויבט ווערען צו קעמפען אונטער זייער אייגענעם פלאג, וואס ער האט באצייכענט אלס „די פרוווילעגיע פון אלע פרייע מענער."

צימערמאן רוזוועלט'ס סטייטמענט וועגען ארץ ישראל, איז וועלכען דער פרעזידענט האט ערקלערט,

ראבי אבא הלל סילווער

ראבי סטיפען ס. ווייז

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צום אפיל פאנפערענץ נייעס

(שלום פון פוידוש 1)

אז „די דראהונג צו ארץ ישראל אונטערשיידעט זיך ניט אין תמיות פון דער דראהונג צו אונזער לאנד", האט ראבי סילווער געזאגט, אז ארץ ישראל און אמעריקא זיינען איצט איינגעשמאלצען אין איין פראנט, שטאהענדיג פאר אן אלגעמיינע גענאהר און קעמפענדיג פאר אן אלגעמיינעם נצחון.

באנריסונגען פון די פאראיי־ניגטע לענדער

די וויכטיגקייט פון ארץ ישראל אין קאמף נעגען היטלעריזם איז אונטערשטראכען געווארען אין באנריסונגען פון די אמבאסאדארען פון פילע פון די פאראייניגטע לענדער, צוויישען זיי פון האלאנד, נארווועגיע, דענמארק, טשעכאסלאוואקיע און פוילען.

באזונדער ויארימע קייבעל מעסער רושעס זיינען דערהאלטען געווארען פון דושאן דוש, ווינאנט, אמערי־קאנער אמבאסאדאר אין ענגלאנד: ארטשיבאלד סינקלעיר, ענגלישער לופט מיניסטער: מיורען פי טיילאר, רוזוועלט'ס שליח צום וואטיקאן און אנדערע פראמינענטע פיגורען.

דר. חיים ווייצמאן, פרעזידענט פון דער ציוניסטישער וועלט־ארגא־ניזאציע, האט צונעשיקט א מע־סערוש פון דערמוטיגונג און אויפ־פארעכנג צו ארבייטען דערפאר, אז ארץ ישראל זאל ווערען די איידישע חיימלאנד. (ווייצמאנ'ס פולער מע־סערוש ווערט איבערגענעבען באזונ־דער אין חיינטיגען נומער).

די קאנפערענץ איז באנריסט גע־ווארען דורך דערעם פון מעיאר פרענק לאוטש אין נאמען פון דער שטאדט; פילמאר חייבער אין נאמען פון קאמיוניטי קאונסיל און ראבי ארמאנד קאהען פון דעם אידישע צענטער.

מיר קעמפען נעגען שקלא־טעריי, זאגט ראבי ווייז

ראבי סטיפען ס. ווייז, טשערמאן פון דער אדמיניסטראטיווער קא־מיטע פון פאראייניגטען ציון אפיל, האט אין זיין רערע נעוואגט, אז „די שונאים פון פרייהייט זוכען אריין־צוואוואפען די גאנצע מענשהייט צו־דיק אין וואלד אריין" און אז „מיר קעמפען צו ברעכען די קייטען פון שקלאפערייי, וואס זיינע ארויפגע־צוואונגען געווארען אויף מיליאנען פון פרייהייטס־ליבענדע מענשען."

ראבי ווייז האט ציטירט דעם פארשפרעכען פון די פאראייניגטע פעלקער, אז אלע מענשען זאלען זיין פארזיכערט מיט „לעבען, פרייהייט, אומאפהענגיגקייט און דעליניעזע פרייהייט" און געזאגט, אז דאס איז

די מיינונג פון ארץ ישראל פאר הונדערטער טויזענטער היימלאזע אידען.

אין אוועגט וועט פארקומען א באנקעט אין עהרע פון ראבי סילי־ווער. סענאטאר אלבין בארקלי, הערי מאנסקי און אנדערע וועלען רייד־ען. קורט באום פון דער מעט־ראפאליטאן אפערא וועט זינגען.

נעכטען נאכמיטאג אין פארגעקו־מען אן עונג שבת, מיט ראבי ווייז, ראבי נאלדשטיין און הענרי מאנ־טאר אלס הערנער.

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צוזג מאנפערענץ נייעם

(שלוס פון פיירוש 1)

אין א שווערה."

וואר וואריעם באגריסונג איז ווארעם אנגענומען פון סינאנץ מיגים־ תענרי מארגענטוי, פון לארד מוראר, פעלדמארשאל סמוטס, ישר פון זיך אפריקא און אנ־ באריממע פערזענליכקייטען פון יקע אין אוסלאנד.

ערזין ארויפטרעט צוויטע מאל פון מאנפערענץ

צוויסע מעמיג, וואס איז אפ־ לטען נעווארען אין דער פריה אר דעם פארזיץ פון דושאהדוש בערלין, נעווזענער יו. עם. רבי פון ניו יארק און פרעזידענט דער ניו יארקער פערראציע פון שע פילאנטראפישע מאסייעטים, ארויסרים נעווארען פון דור בן ן פון ירושלים, טשערמאן פון אריטער אנענטור עקזעקוטיוו־ קומיטע פון פיטס־ נאציאנאלער מרעזשורער פון אפיל און טשארלס רעם פון ם ווערמאן פון מקוארען האט פון פאלעסטינא נדיישען מאנד.

ערקלערענדיג, אז די תיפט אויס־ ע פון אמעריקאנער אידענטום איז ן פאלען אויסבויען א אידיש אוי־ נאכמען שטאט אין פאלעסטינא, ס זאל קאנען אריינגעמען נדיוסע טען פון קריג־דוראינידעד אידען, ם בן נורין נעזאגט אז „צו פאר־ נגרלען ארץ ישראל אין א פראגרע־ דו אידישפאיש לאנד, וואס זאל ן מעהיג אנצוהאלטען א חויבען לע־ נגם שטייגער איז א אידישע אויס־ בע און קיין ליט דורכגעפיהרט וועד ן פון ענגלישע קאלאניאלע אדמי־ סטראטארען".

די ענגלענדער זייגען אונזערע בעס־ ע פריינט. די בריטישע אדמיגים־ ראציע אין פאלעסטינא איז ניט אזוי לעכט און איז ניט אנטיסעמיטיש דער אנטי־ציוגיסטיש. אבער דער זרכשניט פון כאנדאל אובער ארץ שראל איז אייגענטליך. ניט ענג־ לאנד'ס שולד, וויל דער אויסבוי פון ידישען היימלאנד אין ארץ ישראל איז אוא אומגעהויער שווערע ארבייט, וואס קאן ניט געטאן ווערען דורך אן אנדערען. נאר מיז געטאן ווערען פון אידען אליין. האט בן נורין ערקלערט. ער האט נעזאגט אן איבערבליק אובער די אידישע מיליטעריש אויס־ משונגען אין ארץ ישראל זינט די בריטישע צייטען פון יהושע בן נון ווי צו דעם אידישען לענין אין דער נוואר מלחמת אין באציאנט די ריטישע מון פאלעסטינא, וואס ם אידען נעמען אום יקרען. נאר צוליב די אידען, נאר ויטער סטרעטעגישען פונקט אין ברעטל כוזח.

ויטער האבען זיך ניט אנטשולדי־ גען פאר אונזער פאדערונג פאר א אי־ דישע מדינע, וויל מיר זיינען פונקט אזוי בארעכטינט ווי ענגלאנד, אמע־ ריקע אין אנדערע לענדער פון די פאראיינגטע פעלקער צו סעקסען אונ־ זער אונזער אייגענער פאטן, באזונ־ דערס אין אונזער אייגענעם לאנד", האט בן נורין נעזאגט.

פון האט אנגעוויזען, אז די צרות וועלען זיך ערשט אנהייבען נאך דער מלחמה אין באהויפטען, אז דער גורל פון אידישען פאלק איז נרעסטענטייל אפהענגיג פון דער ארבייט פון אמע־ ריקאנער אידענטום און דאס אידישע פראבלעם קאן נאר נעלייזט ווערען דורך א אידישען קאמענוועלט אין פא־ לעסטינא.

בן נורין האט נעסראגען א נרויסע אוואציע וועו פר האט פארענדיגט זיין אינדרוקסמולע און קעמפערישע רעדע.

ראזענבלום האט איבערגענעבען אן אויספיהרליכען פינאנץ באריכט פון דער יו. ג. א., באשאענדיג, אז דער יוניטער פאלעסטיין אפיל שאפט פאנדען פאר'ן קרן היסוד און פאר'ן קרן קימת און אנגעווייזען אויף די וויכטיגע הערנרייכונגען פון די צוויי נרויסע אגענטורען אין דעם אויפבוי פון אידישען ישוב אין ארץ ישראל.

ארץ ישראל שפילט א ווייכ־ טיגע ראלע אין דער מלחמה זאגט אדמיראל סטוירלינג

ראבי סילווער איז נעווען דער פארזיצער פון דער דריטער סעסיע, וואס איז אפגעהאלטען נעווארען בישעת דעם לאנטשאפ.

די צוויי הויפט רעדנער פון דער סעסיע זיינען נעווען אדמיראל יעישס סטוירלינג, נעווזענער שטאבישעף פון דעל יו. עס. פלאטע און דר. נחום נאלדמאן, נעווזענער פארטר־ טער פון דער אידישער אגענטור בייט פעלקער בונד.

אדמיראל סטוירלינג האט אנגעוויי־ זען אויף דער סטראטעגישער וויכ־ טיגקייט פון פאלעסטינא אין דער איצטיגער מלחמה, באזונדערס ווע־ גען דעם האפען פון חיפה, וואו א גרויסער טייל פון דער מיטעל־ים פלאטע קאן נעפינען א פרייגטליכע באזע און די נייע אויל ראפינערי אין חיפה.

ארץ ישראל האט היינט א גרויסען רעזערוואיר פון אידישע מענער־ קראפט, וואס ווילט געקאנט ארגא־ גיזירט ווערען אין ארמיע אונטער בריטישען קאנטראל אדער אונטער אייגענע אידישע פיהרער, האט סטוירלינג נעזאגט, ערקלערענדיג, אז די ארץ ישראל אירען ווילטען נע־ ווען די שטארקסטע קעמפער נעגען היטלער'ן.

זאגט ארץ ישראל ווילט נעקאנט צוואמענשטעלן אן ארמיע פון זיבציג טויזענט

מען רעכענט, האט סטוירלינג פאר־ נעזעצט, אז אויב מען ווילט ערלויבט די ארץ ישראל אידען צו ארגאניזי־ רען אן ארמיע ווילטען זיי נעקאנט מאביליזירען 70,000 סאלדאטען, וואס ווילט נעווען א נרויסע הילף פאר די עליים.

„די אידען פון ארץ ישראל זיינען לאיאלע און טרייע פארבינדעטע פון ענגלאנד און אמעריקא. זיי זיינען א פארבינדעטער, ווען ענגלאנד קאן נעטרויען אין וויטען מזרח. די ענגלענדער און די פרייע פראנצויזען האבען נעמוזט קעמפען כדי צוריק־ צוקריגען סיריע. זיי האבען בא־ דארפט קעמפען צו נעווינען איראק. זיי ווילען קיינמאל נישט דארפען קעמפען צו האלטען פאלעסטינא.

„אזוי לאנג ווי עס זיינען דא אי־ דען אין פאלעסטינא, קאנען מיר זיין זיכער, אז פאלעסטינא ווען בלייבען טרייו צו די עליים. אזוי לאנג ווי עס זיינען דא אידישע סאלדאטען אין פאלעסטינא, אויסגעבילדעט אין אויסגעשטאטעט, קאנען מיר זיין זי־ כער, אז פאלעסטינא און דער נאכ־ צער נאהענטער מזרח ווען ווערען פארטיידינט מיט קוראזש און עד־ רע", האט אדמיראל סטוירלינג אויסגערופען.

נאלדמאן שילדערט פיטערע לאגע פון איראפעאישען אידענטום

נאלדמאן האט אין זיין רעדע זיך אפגעשטעלט אויף דער אלגעמיינער אידישער לאגע אין די איצטיגע שווערע צייטען, ערקלערענדיג, אז אחוין די 300,000 אידען אין ענג־ לאנד, איז דאס נאנצע איראפעאישע אידענטום פארשקלאפט.

ער האט נעזאגט, אז דער גורל פון אידישען פאלק, וואס ווען אנט־ שידען ווערען אין די קומענדע פאר יאהר, ווען זיך הויפטזעכליך זיין אפהענגיג אין דער כאס קאמפערא־ ציע צווישען די צוויי נרויסע פרייע אידישע גרופען, וואס זיינען נעפלי־ בען אין דער וועלט, — צווישען דעם ארץ ישראל אידענטום פון איין זייט און דאס אמעריקאנער אידענטום פון דער צווייטער זייט.

ער האט אויסגעדריקט די מוראַ, אז מיר וועלען פיוויש פארלירען דריי מיליאן אידען, ארער נאך מעהר, אין דער איצטיגער מלחמה און די ע־ דען, וואס וועלען איבערלעבען די

ראבי בריקנער באטאנט אמעריקאס ראלע אין אויפ־ בוי פון ארץ ישראל

דער צווייטער רעדנער אויף דער סעסיע, וואס איז נעפיהרט נעווארען אונטער דעם פארזיץ פון יוזשין ס. סאלאי סין דאלאס, איז נעווען ראבי בארנעט ר. בריקנער, וויצע טשערמאן פון פאראיינינטען ציון אפיל.

ראבי בריקנער האט ערקלעהרט, אז דער אויפבוי פון א אידישען שטאט אין ארץ ישראל איז פאר דעם אמע־ ריקאנער איד א פראגע פון זעלבסט אינטערעס אוז ניט א פראגע פון צדקה אזן אמעריקאנער אידען, בי־ נער פון די פאראיינינטע שטאטען. וועלכע זיינען אינטערעסירט אין דעם אויפבוי פון ארץ ישראל נאך דער מלחמה, וועלען דאדורך ניט באטראכט ווערען אלס בירגער פון צווייי לענדער. אמעריקא וועט נאך דעם קריג

ריק מאזשאָינסק

זפּירן אידיש היימלאַנד

סענאטאר נארקלי שטיצט פאדע רזנג פאר אידישער ארמיע

די נאציאנאלע קאנפערענץ פון פּאום, פירענדער טענאר פון דער מעטראפּאליטאן אָפּערא, וועלכער האט באצויבערט די אנווועזנדע אויס'ן באנקעט מיט זיין וואונדער בארער שטימע, האט נעמוזט צוליב זיין אידישקייט אנטלויפן פון דייטשלאנד, האט בארקלי אויסגע־ רופן, או ,,אירענד וועלכעם פאלק וואם שיקט אריום פון לאנד אזא טאלאנטפולען מענש פארדינט ניט צו לעבן.''

רשעם זיינען אויך נעהאלטען נע־ווארן פון מרם. דוד דע סאלא פול, פרעזידענט פון הדסה און הענרי מאנסקי, פרעזידענט פון בני ברית.

ריכטער מאריס ראטענבערג איז געווען טאָסטמאסטער פון דעם אויסנעצייכענטען באנקעט. ,,וואם איז פאראנשטאלטעט געווארן לכבוד ראבּי סילווער פאר זיינע נדויסע פארדינסטען.

ראבּי סילווער צוריק ער־ וואַרטט טשערמאן פון פאר־ אייניגטען ציון אפּיל

ראבּי סילווער איז פון דער קאנ־ פערענץ איינשטימיג צוריק ערוועהלט געווארן נאציאנאלער טשערמאן פון פאראייניגטען ציון אפּיל פאר'ן פינפטען טערמין. אלס טריבוט צו זיין פיהרערשאפט פון אמעריקאנער אידענטום אין דער חילף פון ארץ ישראל' אויספּוי, אין דר. סילווער'ס נאמען אייניגע־רייבען געווארן אין נאלדענעם בוך פון אידישען נאציא־ נאל פאנד.

די קאנפערענץ האט אויך אפּיציעל אויסגעדריקט איהר דאנק צו דר. סילווער'ס אויפטאונגען אין א ספע־ ציעלער רעזאלויציע, אין וועלכער עס ווערט ערקלערט, או ,,דר. סילווער האט סימבאליזירט די וואקסענדע אנטשלאסענהייט פון אמעריקאנער אדענטום צוריק אויפצובויען ארץ ישראל אלס די אידישע נאציאנאלע חיים, וואוהין א מאקסימום צאל אי־ דען זאלען זיך קאנען צוריקקערען צו עטאבלירען דעם באזים פון א גע־ זיכערטער און שאפענדער עקזיס־ טענץ.''

נאקם מארגענטוי און אנ־ דערע שיקען וואַרימע באגריסונגען

פלאטען מיניסטער פרענק נאקם האט צוגעשיקט א וואַרימע באגרי־ סונג צו דער קאנפערענץ, ערקלערענ־ דיג אז ארץ ישראל איז א דאָרן פאר חיטלער'ן וואס דארף ,,פארוואנדלט

(שלום אויף פּירוש 3)

הויפּט רעדנער אויף נעכטיגער קאנפערענץ

סענאטאר אלבין בּארקלי

דוד בן גוריון

ראבּי בּאדנעט ר. פּריסנער

אדמיראל יעיטס סטיוירלינג

אוז ני

זרוב — וועט די מענשליכע נעשיכ־ טע באקומען דעם גרעסטען שטויס זאראוים. דער מענש גופא וועט דורך דעם שטורמדיגען פראצעס וואס ער וועהט דורך, ווערען אן אנדערער. אויב נאך דער פריהערדיגער וועלט מלחמה האבען זיך נעפּיטען אידעען אוו בא־ גריפען און אנשויאונגען, וועט דאס איינענע מיט נאך מעהר בולם'ער שארפקייט און אויסגעשפראכענקייט זיין דער פאל, אזוי ניך ווי דער היינ־ טיגער מלחמה פייער וועט אינגע־

דושאדוש מיני

נייער פרעזידענט פון פאראיינigטער אמעריקאנ׳ סעדעריישאן פון לייבאר

פרייונק נאקם

פלאטען פיניסטער פאדערט אמעריקע זאל נייער סעקרעטער־טרעזשורער פון פאראיי־ניגטער אמעריקאן סעדעריישאן פון לייבאר העלפען באשיצען ארץ ישראל.

פרעד מארעי

אמעריקא מוז העלפען באשיצען ארץ ישראל, דערקלערט נאקם

קלייוולאנד, זונטאג (דושואיש פרעס סערוויס). — סעקרעטער פון דער אייוויי, פרענק נאקם, האט הייַנט אין מעמעדוש צו דער נאציאנאלער קאנפערענץ פון פאראיינigטען ציון־פיל אין היגען האטעל סטאטלער אויפגעפאדערט, אז ארץ ישראל איז פון גרויסען סטראטעגי־שען ווערט פאר די דעמאקראטיש־אינ׳ם איצטיגען קריג. דערקלערענדיג, אז "אין דער קריטישער שעה מוז יעדע מעגליכע הילף געגעבען ווערען ארץ ישראל", האט נאקם געלויבט די קאנפערענץ פון אידישען היימלאנד אוז זיי באציכענט אלס "די בראוע פאר־טיידיגער פון אונזער געמיינזאמער זאך אין ארץ ישראל".

נאקם וויזט אז אין זיין מעמעדוש, אז "כדי צו גרייכען אירען אוז די מאסול אויל־מעלדער", וואס קענען איהם אזוי שטארק צוגיץ קומען, "מוז היטלער פארכאפען ארץ ישראל". אוז וויטער, דערענדיג ווענען אידי־שען לאנד, האט דער פלאטען מיניס־טער פון די פאראיינigטע שטאטען געזאגט: "עס איז א קליינע מדינה אויף דער מאפע פון דער וועלט, אבער עס איז פארמירט אזוי ווי א דארן. עס איז א דארן אין היטלער'ס זייט. מיר מוזען שטארקען דעם דארן בין עס וועט ווערען א שווערד, וואס אפשטעלען דעם טיראנ'ס מארש אויף מזרח".

עס ווערט דא אנגענומען, אז נאקם האט נעהאט די צושטימונג פון די העכסטע רעגירונגס קרייזען אויף די מיינונגען, וואס ער דריקט אויס אין מעמעדוש. "דער אידישער מקום מנוחה פון פרידענס־ציים", שרייבט ער וויטער, "מוז ווערען א פעסטונג פאר דעמאקראטיע אין קריגס־ציים. העלפט איהר מיט אלע כחות!"

באריסונגען זיינען אנגענומען פון נאר דער וועלט. רעדעם האבען נע־האלטען: סענאטאר אלבען וו. בארק־לי, מאדושארימי פיתרער פון סענאט; אדמיראל יעוסס סטוירלינג דושוניאר, געווועזענער הויפט פון אמעריקאנער פלאטען־שטאב, און פראפעסאר ווי־ליאם פ. אלבריט, געווועזענער דירעק־טאר פון דער אמעריקאנער שול פאר ארכעאלאגיע אין ירושלים.

דערענדיג פונ'ם שטאנדפונקט פון פלאטען סטראטעגיק אינ'ם איצטיגען קריג, האט אדמיראל סטוירלינג, ווע־לכער איז אמאל געווען קאמאנדיר פון פוירל הארבאר, דערקלערט, אז ס'איז "אין אונזערע אינטערעסען אלס אמעריקאנער צו זעהן, אז אן אידישע ארמיי זאל אויסענווצט ווערען".

פראפעסאר אלבריט האט נערעדט ווענען ארבייט־אידישע באציהונגען. ער האט דערצעהלט, אז ער האט לעצ־טענס אנגענומען דעם "פאליטישען ציוניזם ווי דער אינטיגער אויסווענ־דונג פון הארצלאזען ציוניזם", און אז "די גרויליגע לאגע פון די אידען איז איי־ראפע, ווען עס וואקסט מיט יעדען טאג דער שטח, ווען זיי ווערען באי־טראכט פאר א פרעמדער ראסע, גלייך ווי שקלאפען, האט מיר דערצו בא־ווויזען".

אויסער די שוין אויסלערבענטע רערנער האבען אויך אדרעסירט די קאנפערענץ: הענרי מאנסקי, פרעזי־דענט פון בני ברית; דושארדוש ז. מעראליע, פרעזידענט פון דער אידי־שער צדקה פעדעראציע; טשארלס רזאזענבלום, טרעזשורער פון פאראיי־ניגטען ציון אפיל; טשארלס רעם, טשערמאן פון קרן היסוד דירעקטא־רען באארד; דוד בן גוריון, טשער־מאן פון דער אידישער אגענטור עק־זעקוטיוו; דר. נחום גאלדמאן, לואיס

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ליפסקי, ראבי בארנעט ר. בריקנער פון קליוולאנד, ריכטער מארים ראטענבערג, מרם. דייוויד דע סאלא פון, הרסה פרעזידענטין: ל. נעלמאן, מזרחי פרעזידענט, און דוד ווערטהיים, סעקרעטאר פון די פועלי ציון.

אדמיראל סטוירלינג, רעדענדיג וועגן "דער פלאטען סטראטעגיק אין דער מלחמה און די ראל פון ארץ ישראל", האט דערקלערט, אז "אן אלי־ווילטליד־ארגאניזירטע פלאטען סטראטעגיק מוז אינשליסען די פארטיידיגונג פון מיטעללענדישען נארטעל, פון ניבראלטאר ביז'ן סועץ. אין אט דער קייט פון פראנטען מוז אנערקענט ווערען די וויכטינקייט פון ארץ ישראל".

אדמיראל סטוירלינג האט זיך באזונדערס אפגעשטעלט אויף דער וויכטיגקייט פון חיפה־האפען, די אויל־רעפיינערים און דעם מענשען מאטעריאל אין לאנד. א באזונדערס וויכטיגער פאקטאר איז דאס, וואס ארץ ישראל איז דאס איינציגע לאנד אין מזרח־מיטעללענדישען שטח, וואו עס זיינען דא טעכנישע וויסענשאפטלער און געשולטע ארבייטער, וואס קענען א סך העלפען דער פלאטע און די יבשה־ארמייען.

"וועז מען טראכט פון ארץ ישראל זיי א קליין מדינה'לע, באגעהט מען די זעלבע טעות'ען, וואס האבען נעבראכט איין קאטאסטראפע נאך דער אנדערער פאר די אליאירטע. ארץ ישראל איז היינט־צו־טאג א נרויסער רעזערוואואר פון אידישער מענשען־קראפט, וואס קען ארגאניזירט ווערען אין אן ארמיי, צי אונטער ענגלישען קאנטראל, צי מיט אויטאנאמע רעכט אונטער אייגענע פיהרער. וועגען דעם דארף ענגלאנד באשליסען, וויל זי איז דאך פראנטוואלטיך פאר די קעמפענדיגע חיילות אין נאהענטען מזרח. די אידען אין ארץ ישראל דארפען זיין די מוטיגסטע און שטארקסטע קעמפער נעגען היטלער'ן. די מייסטע דארטיגע אידען זיינען אנטלאפען פון איראפע, וואו זיי האבען נעפיהלט די בייטש פון היטלעריזם לאנג אידער אנדערע פעלקער האבען זי דערפיהלט.

"די אידען, וואס האבען זיך דערשלאגען קיין ארץ ישראל, קוקען אויס אויף דער געלעגענהייט, ווי עהרענהאפטע מענשען, צו נעמען וואפען אין די הענט נעגען א סיסטעם, וואס רויבט ביי זיי צו די רעכט פון פרייע און גלייכע מענשען".

לויבענדיג די העלדישקייטען פון די אידישע פראנט קעמפער אין ארץ־ישראל, האט אדמיראל סטוירלינג געזאגט אז ארגאניזירענדיג א אידישע ארמיי דארט, "וואלטען די עליים נאך קאנט זיך איינשפארען די אלע שיפען וואס וועלען מוזען איינגעשפאנט ווערען אויף איבערצופיהרען זעלנער פון אנדערע וועלט־טיילען."

ער האט אויסגעפירט: "עס איז אין אונזערע אינטערעסען אלס אמעריקאנער צו זעהן אז א אידישע ארמיי זאל אויסגענוצט ווערען. מיר מוזען אויסנוצען אלע מעגליכע רעסורסען פון אנדערע ארמייען אויב מיר ווילען זיגען [illegible] פראנטען, אויף וועלכע מיר שטעהען יעצט און זיך אויסברייטערען אויף נייע שלאכטפעלדער. די אידען פון ארץ ישראל זיינען לאיאלע, געטרייע אליאירטע פון ענגלאנד און אמעריקא. זיי זיינען די אינציגע אליאירטע אין צענטראלען מזרח, ווען ענגלאנד קען נעטרויען. אזוי לאנג ווי עס זיינען דא אידען אין ארץ ישראל, קאנען מיר זיכער זיין אז ארץ ישראל וועט בלייבען טריי דער אליאירטער זאך."

פראפעסאר אלבריים'ס רעדע

פראפעסאר אלבריים האט דערצעהלט אז זיין פארבינדונג מיט ארץ ישראל האט זיך אנגעהויבען גלייך נאך דער מלחמה, אין יאהר 1919, און אז זיין דאן האט ער "זיך שטארק געוואקלט און שטארק נעצענערט" צוויישען די אידישע און אראבישע תביעות. ער האט דערקלערט אז ביז קורץ נאך'ן אויסברוך פון דער צווייטער וועלט מלחמה בין איך נעגליבען שטרענג נייטראל וועגען פאליטישען צויגיזם. אבער די לעצטע נעשעהענישען מאכען עס אונמענליך צו בלייבען נייטראל. די נרויליגע לאגע פון די אידען אין ארץ ישראל דארף אין איראפע און דאס זואקסען פון'ס שטח וואו זיי וועהרען זיך פראקלאמירט אלס א פרעמדע ראסע, אלס שקלאפען, האט נעביטען מיין שטעלונג. ווי מיין פריינד דר. מאגנעס פון העברעישען אוניווערזיטעט ירושלים האט זיך אפגעזאגט פון זיין צוגעהעריגקייט צו דער פאליסיזם וועז ער האט בעקעמפט דעם נרויליגען היטלעריזם, בין איך נעצווואונגען נעוואָרען אנצונעהמען פאליטישען ציוניזם אלס דעם אייניגען אויסוועג צו זינקען אין הארצלאזען ציוניזם".

ער האט אויך נעוואָרנט אז וועז די מוסולמאנער זאלען באהערשען דעם נאנצען נאהענטען מזרח און עס זאלען ניט אנגעצייכענט ווערען קלאר נרעניצען, וועט דאס קריסטליכע כנסון זיין אין א ניט־קלענערער נאר וויי דאס אידישע פאליסטינע. "עס איז ניט אמת, — האט ער נעזאגט, — "אז א אידישע פאליסטינע וועט זיין א פרעמדער, ענטצינדענדיגער עלעמענט אין א הארמאניישער אראבישער וועלט. דער נאהענטער מזרח האט א סך פעלקער און גלויבענס און די אידען האבען שטענדיג מיט זיך פארנעשטעלט א וויבטיגע מינדערהייט אין מוסולמאנישע אראבישע מדינות."

צווישען די מעסרדושעס וואס זיינען אנגעקומען צו דער קאנפערענץ, זיינען פאלנענדיג:

פון הענרי מארגענטהאו דזשוניאר, סעקרעטאר פון דער טרעזשורי; נאר וועראנער לעהמאן, פאול וו. מאקנאט, פערעראל סעקיוריטי אדמיניסטראטאר; סעקרעטערי אוו דהי נעיוויי נאקס: און פון פאלנענדע פראמינענטע ענגלענדער: לארד סטראבאלגי, לארד ווערזשוואוד, וויקאונט סעסיל, וויקטאר קאזאלעט: און די אמבאסאדארען פון האלאנד, דענמארק, טשעכאסלאוואקיע, נארווענע און פויילען.

ראבי דר. אבא הלל סילווער
ווידער ערוועהלט צום פינפטען מאל, חויפט פון יונייטעד פאלעסטיין אפיל.

עס האבען אויך צוגעשיקט מעסעדושעס: דר. חיים וויצמאן, די אידישע אגענטור אין ירושלים, דער ועד לאומי, לוידי רעדינג, לארד מעלטשעט: און די סענאטארען לאדוש, ברוקס, בוירטאן, קעפער, דאוני, דזשילעט, מינאריטי לידער מעקנערי, סמאטערס, טרומאן, טונעל, וואן נאיס און וואלש.

ערשטער ציוניסטישער מעסעדוש פון מארגענטהאו

אינ'ם סאמע ערשטען מעסעדוש וועגען ארץ ישראל, וואס ער האט פארעפענטליכט זייט ער איז נעוואָרען סעקרעטערי אוו דהי נעיוויי נאקס: דר. חיים וויצמאן, די אידישע אגענטור אין ירושלים, דער ועד לאומי, לוידי רעדינג, לארד מעלטשעט: און די סענאטארען לאדוש, ברוקס, בוירטאן, קעפער, דאוני, דזשילעט, מינאריטי לידער מעקנערי, סמאטערס, טרומאן, טונעל, וואן נאיס און וואלש.

ערשטער ציוניסטישער מעסעדוש פון מארגענטהאו

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זיי וויסען דעם וועהטאג פון א בריף, וואס א שטורם־טרופער גיט, די וועהטאנען פון דער בייטש פון א שוץ־שטאפעל.

"אויף דער זייט אטלאנטיק, ביי אט דער קאנפערענץ, זיינען פארזאמעלט אידישע פיהרער, וואס פארטרעטען מיליאנען פאטריאטישע בירנער, וואס זיינען נרייט צו ברענגען יעדען קרבן צו ראטעווען דעמאקראטיע. עס איז מיין אויפריכטיגע האפענונג, אז אבי־סעל פון דער אויסרויער־קראפט פון אמעריקע זאלען דורך אייער ארנאניזאציע איבערנעמבען ווערען צו די בראווע פארטיידיגער פון אונזער נעמיינזאמער זאך אין ארץ ישראל. דער אידישער מקום מנוחה אין פרידענס צייט מוז ווערען א פעסטונג פון דעמאקראטיע אין קריגס צייט. גיט עם אייער קראפט!"

באריכט פון יוניטעד פאלעסטיין אפיל טרעזשורער

ביי דער מארגען זיצונג הצט טשארלס י. ראזענבלום, נאציאנאלער טרעזשורער פון פאראיינינגטען ציון אפיל, אפגענעבען א באריכט ווענען אפיל. דער קרן קימת און קרן היסוד, האט ער אנגעוויזען, האבען פאר'ן יעצטינען פינאנס יאהר א בודזשעט פון אכט מיליאן דאלאר, וואס אמעריקאנער אידען מוזען צושטעלען.

דר. אבא הלל סילווער איז ווידער דערוועהלט נעוואָרען אלס נאציאנאלער טשערמאן, שוין צום פינפטען יאהר, פון פאראיינינגטען ציון אפיל. היינט אוונט איז ער באנקעט.

קאטשערליט מיט איהם זיינען: דר. סטיפען ס. ווייז, לואים ליפסקי, דר. סאלאמאן נאלדמאן, דר. ישראל נאלדשטיין, ריכטער לואים ע. לעווינטאל און ריכטער מארים ראטענבערג. די עהרען־טשערליט זיינען: פראפעסאר איינשטיין, נאוורנאר לעהמאן, ריכטער דזשוליאן וו. מאק, הענרי מאנסקי, נייטען סטראוס, און הענריעטא סזאלד פון ירושלים. דער נאציאנאלער טרעזשורער איז טשארלס דזשוי. ראזענבלום פון פיטסבורג, און אסאשיאיט טרעזשורערס זיינען: אייבראהעם י. ליבאוויץ און דזשייקאב סינקאף. די וויס טשערליט זיינען: ראבי בארנעט ר. בריקנער פון קליוולאנד, לעאז נעלמאן, מזרחי פרעזידענט, ראבי דזשיימס ג. העלער פון סינסינעטי, עדמאנד י. קאופמאן פון וואשינגטאן, טשארלס רעם, אליהו ד. סטאון פון באסטאן, ראבערט סזאלד, דזשאו וויינגארטען פון יוסטאן און דוד ווערטהיים, סעקרעטאר פון די פועלי ציון.

בן־נורין פארדאמט א"י רעזשים

אין איינער פון די סאמע שטאק־סטע רעדעם אין זיין קאריערע, האט דוד בן גורין, טשערמאן פון דער אי־דישער אגענטור עקזעקוטיווע, היינט פארדאמט דעם וויסען פאפיר רעזשים אין ארץ ישראל, און דערקלערט אז די באלפור דעקלאראציע, וועלכע איז אינדארסירט נעוואָרען פון דער אמעריקאנער רעגירונג גלייך ווי פון ענגלאנד, האט זיכער ניט באצווענגט אז די אידען זאלען זיך אומקערען קיין ארץ ישראל ווי אין א טויטען־פאסטקע אריין. דוד בן־נורין האט נערעדט ביי דער מארגען זיצונג פון דער קאנפערענץ פון יוניטעד פאלעסטיין אפיל.

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טעקסט פון נאקם'ס מעסעדוש

סעקרעטערי אוו דהי נעיוויי נאקם'ס מעסעדוש לייענט זיך:

"די נאציאנאלע קאנפערענץ פאר ארץ ישראל האט ניט נעקאנט פארוסען ווערען אין א מעהר פאסינער שעה. ארץ ישראל שטייגט אויף נרויס אויס'ן באלדינען האריזאנט אלס א סטראטעגישער שליסעל צום קאנטראל פון צענטראלען מזרח. היטלער מוז עס פארכאפען, אויב ער וויל נרייכען אירען און די מאסול אויל פעלדער, אין וועלכע ער נויטיגט זיך אזוי. מיר, אין די פראיינינגטע שטאטען, מוזען העלפען שטארקען ארץ ישראל נעגען אנגריף.

"אין דער קריטישער שעה מוז יערע מעגליכע הילף נענעבען ווערען ארץ ישראל צוליב נאר א סיבה. נאר אמאל נעפינט אייגער, וואס חלומ'ט פון דער אבערען די וועלט, אז די קליינע מדינה שטעהט איהם אין וועג. יאפאן האפט, גליכצייטיג, צו פארכאפען סינגאפאר און זיך פארנעהמען מערב צו צו אינדיע, און אזוי ארום מיט א מעכטיגער פינצער־באוועגונג אריינקלעמען דעם ריזען־סקלאד פון אליאירטע רעסטרסטען. אבער היטלער וואנט ניט צו מאכשירען דורך טערקיי, אזוי לאנג ווי ארץ ישראל און סיריע זיינען זיינע קאמוניקאציע ליניעס.

"ארץ ישראל איז א קליינע מדינה אויף דער מאפע פון דער וועלט, אבער פארמירט ווי א דארן. עס איז א דארן אין היטלער'ס זייט. מיר מוזען שטארקען ארץ ישראל, זאל אמעריקע זיי באוואפענען.

טעקסט פון נאקם'ס מעסעדוש

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"אין ארץ ישראל וואלט אויף היט־לער'ן דער צארן פון א פאלק, וואס ער האט אויסגעהונגערט, געפיינט און דערניידריגט—אידען, איבער א האלבער מיליאן שטארק, וואס א סך פון

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אמעריקע זאָל באַוואָפנטע א"י אויפֿ

דר. אבאָ הלל סילווער דערקלערט אויף צוזאמענקונפט פון פּראַיעניגטען ציון אפיעה, אז אמעריקע מוז
עם מחאָן אויס עגלאנד מחוש עם נט. — פאַדערט קלאָרע רעזולטאטיעם ווענ
אידישער חיים אין ארץ ישראל. — ווייזענט, סמאָטס, טעיללאָר, סינקלעיר שיקען צו באריסון

קלעוולאנד, שבת. (אינדיפענדענט דושואיש פרעס סערוויס). — "אויב עגלאנד קאן ניט באוואפענען די אי דען אין ארץ ישראל, איז עס די פליכט פון דער אמעריקאנער רעגירונג זיי צו געבען וואפען אין די הענט" — האט דא חיינט אויסגעט דערקלערט דר. אבא הלל סילווער, נאציאנאלער טשערמאן פון פּראַיעניגטען ציוני אפיס, אין א

רעדע פאר איבער 1,300 דעלעגאטען פון נעסט, וואס האבען איבערגעפאקט דעם גרעסטן באל רום פון סטאטלער האטעל, צו דער דערעפענונג פון דער נאציאנאלער קאנפערענץ פאר א"י.

דר. סילווער'ס רעדע איז געווען אייניג פון די שארפסטע וואס איז ווען עס איז געהאלטען געווארען אויף א ציוניסטישען צוזאמענפאהר אין אמעריקא און ער האט קיינעם ניט געשאנט געווייזענדיג, או עס איז אין די אינטערעסען פון אלע איידאפּאיש פּעלקער און אין די אינטערעסען פון וועלט פריעדען, או אין ארץ ישראל זאל איינגעשטעלט ווערען א פרייע אידישע חיים, כדי דעמאנאנען זאלען מעהר ניט קאנען נוצען אידענהעצע אויף צו קומען צו דער מאכט, — האט דר. סילווער אויפגעפאדערט די אלי־ אידע שטאאטסלייט, או זיי זאלען ארויסקומען מיט קלאָרע דבורים וועי נען די פלענער פאר דער צוקונפט פון די אידישע מאסען. ער האט אנגעווי־ זען אויפ'ן שטילשווייגען אין דעמא־ קראטישע קרייזען ווען עס קומט צום אידען־פראבלעם און האט פאראפּרא־ זירט די וועלט־ווארט טשוירטשיל אליין האט לעצטענס נעגוצט אין קאי נאדע: — "וואס פאר א פאלק מיינען זיי, זיינען מיר?" — ער איז אויך ארויסגעקומען מיט א שארפער אטא־

קע אויף "אידען וואס האבען איבע־ נעגומען דעם אייזאלישאניזם און לעז זיך אפטייליען פונ'ם נרויסען דעוויפראבלעם און וויללען זיך נישט פעהרען מיט דער אידישער ו ר סטראפע". וועגען דער ראל פו ישראל אינ'ם אידישען לעבי

(פארטזעצונג אויפ'ן צווייטען ז

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(פארטועיגג פון ערשטען פיידוש)

דער מלחמה, האט סילווער געזאגט, אז "דער וואס גיט א דאלאר פאר ארץ ישראל, קויפט א באנד פאר דעמא־ קראטיע".

אמאליגדיג די ענגלישע שטאאטס־ לייט בנגע וייער באציהונג צום אי־ דישען היימלאנד, האט דר. סילווער געזאגט: "ענגלאנד מוז גיוויס מאכי־ רזוירען אין באזאפענען די טעמפע־ רינג ארץ ישראל אידען, אידער ס'אין צו שפעט. מיידען זי ווייל אין ארץ ישראל ווידערהאלען די טראנישע בעהנרעען פון ריים אין מראי אין אנדערע פראנטען, ווי פראיסיזירן ווילס נעווען פארטידיגן די פאטא־ סטראפע".

אין זאל האט נעהערשט א יום טוב־ דינע שטימונג צו דער דערפענונג פון דער ארץ ישראל קאנפערענץ. צוויישען די דעלענאטען ווינען נעווען פאר־ שטעהער פון דער אמעריקען דושואיש קאמיטע, דער יונאי אף אמעריקען היבריו קאנגרעגיישאנס, דער מעמראל קאנפערענס אף אמעריקען דאבוים דער ציוניסטישער ארגאניזאציע, דעם אמעריקאנער אידישען קאנגרעס, די יוניטער סיגאגס, חדסה, דאבוימעי אסעמבלי, פועלי ציון, מזרחי, און אנ־ דערע נאציאנאלע אידישע ארגאניזא־ ציונס. פון דער דעלענאטען ליסטע האט מען נעמענט זהה, או דער יעני־ טיגער ארץ ישראל ציוניסטענפאהר אין מעהר דעפרעזענטאטיוו פאר אלע שיכ־ טען פון אמעריקאנער אידענטום ווי ווילעבר עס אין אנדער צוזאמענפאהר, אלע מיטגלידשיפטען גרופען אפילו ווי־ נען נעווען פארטרעטען. אין צוזאנדע־ נער ווילפעיר פאנדען איבער'ן לאנד האבען נעהאט אפיציעלע פארטרעטער. פארוויגער אויף דער עשטער זיצונג אין נעווען, דיכטער לואים ע. לעווי־ טאל, פרעזידענט פון דער אמעריקא־ נער ציוניסטישער ארגאניזאציע, נע־ רעט האבען אויך: דר. סטיפען ס. ווייז, אין דר. ישראל גאלדשטיין, פרע־ זידענט פון אידישען נאציאנאל פאנד, א תפילה האט נעזאגט ראבי א. מאג־ ע. קאהן, און באגריסט די דעלענא־ טען האבען: פרימאר דושיי. האבער, פרעזידענט פון דעם אידישען נעמיינ־ דע לאוכסיל אין קליוועלאנד און מיאר פרענק דוש. לאוישער.

דר. אבא הלל סילווער האט אין זיין ערשט אטאקירט אפיסיאלאטארישע עלע־ מענטען, וואס זאגען פראוים, אז די ארץ ישראל נעדט אקציעס אין אמע־ ריקא וועלען ליידען צוליב אמעריקא'ס ארויסגאבע אין קריג. — "די שווארצע גביאים דערוואדטען, און איך בין חושד, אז זיי האפען, אז עם וועט זיך דערווענען דא א מיז פילאנטראפישער אייזאלישאניזם... וואס וועט, גלויבען זיי, העלפען פאדויבערען די אמעריקא־ צווייאבע לאיאלטעט". סילווער האט אנגעווייזן, אז ווען די אמעריקאנער־

דארפען לייגען א פעסטען פונדאמענט פאר דער פאליטישער צוקונפט פון אי־ דישען היימלאנד נאר דער מלחמה.

דר. ישראל גאלדשטיין, פרעזידענט פון אידישען נאציאנאל פאנד אין אמעריקא, האט אנגעוויזען אויף דער וויכטיגקייט פון אייניאפען נייע לאנד שטרעקעם אין ארץ ישראל, וויל נא־ ציאנאלער בארען איינענטום אין דער פונדאמענט פון דער אידישער היים. פופצעהן יוניטעד סטייטס סענא־ טארען האבען צוגעשיקט א מעסדוש. ווידערהאלענדיג זייער שטיצע פאר דער אידישער נאציאנאלער היים אין ארץ ישראל.

מארגען, (זונטאג), ווערען אפגע־ האלטען ווערען פיער ויצונגען: אייגע, אין דער פריה, אונטער'ן פארזיץ פון דושאנדוש ז. מעדאליע, פרעזידענט פון דער אידישער צדקה פערראציע, ווען עם ווערען ריידען: דוד בן גוריון, משערמאן פון דער אנענטור עקזעקו־ טיווע: משארלם דושיי. ראזענבלום, ניצאנאלער טרעשוורער פון פאראיי־ גונטען ציון אפיל, און טשארלם רעם, טשערמאן פון קרן היסוד ראטה.

בייי יערער לאנטשעאן זיצונג ווערען ריידען: אדמיראל יעיטס סטוירלינג דושוניאר, נעווזענער הויפט פון דעם שטאאט פון דער אמעריקאנער פלאטע, און דר. נחום גאלדמאן.

בייטאג, אונטער'ן פארזיץ פון יי־ דושין וו. סאלאוו, פון דאלאס, טעק־ סעס, ווערען רערדען: פראפעסאר ווי־ ליאם פ. אלברייט, פון דושאהנס האפ־ קינס אוניווערזיטעט, ווערכער איז יא־ רעלאנג נעווען דירעקטאר פון דער אמעריקאנער ארכעאלאניע שול אין ירושלים. ראבי בארנעט בריקנער פון קלעוולאנד, און לואים ליפסקי.

איז אוועגט ווען נענעבען ווערען א באנקעט פאר דר. אבא הלל סילווער, ווערען ווערלען: סענאטאר אלבען וו. בארקלי, מאדושאריטי פיהרער פון אמעריקאנער סענאט: מענרי מאנסקי,

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Signal Leadership

THE United Palestine Appeal has announced that, as part of the proceedings of the National Conference for Palestine which it is sponsoring in Cleveland on January 17 and 18, honor will be paid to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver as its National Chairman. It is a tribute in which the whole of American Jewry will wish to join. His scholarship, his stylistic distinction as a writer, his eloquence as speaker, his persuasive championship of all liberal American causes have all combined to make him one of the truly great leaders of our generation.

Many lay claim to the toga of leadership. But it is a garment of peculiar dimensions, fitting only around the shoulders of those equipped to wear it with propriety and grace. In these days of anxiety and doubt, when some Jews are prepared to abandon all the values and the institutions which they have not yielded in nine years of ruthless aggression by Hitler, it is comforting and strengthening to know that a man like Dr. Silver is in our midst, to caution against hysteria, to steel against difficulty, to buoy up with hope and courage.

Dr. Silver's leadership is not restricted to the United Palestine Appeal, although in that role he has given new dignity and broader power to the appeal of Palestine to American Jewry. From coast to coast, communities have heard Dr. Silver in his capacity as National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for the past three years. He has been warning Jewry of the responsibility which it owes to its people and to its time. He has been dispelling the clouds of despair and lifting men and women to compassion, generosity and understanding.

There may be only several thousand people at Cleveland for the National Conference for Palestine. But there will be hundreds of thousands of American Jews whose voices will be heard in silent praise for the leader who embodies the valor and the virtue of the basic ideals of the Jewish people.

CONFERENCE TO HONOR DR. SILVER JAN. 17-18th

Dr. A. H. Silver

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Among those from Columbus who will attend the Conference in Cleveland are Dr. B. W. Abramson, Dr. E. J. Gordon, Albert Schiff and Robert L. Mellman.

Renew United Appeal for '42

To Meet the Wartime Needs of Europe, Zion, Refugees

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Dr. Silver and Dr. Wise expressed their appreciation to David Watchmaker of Boston and Sidney Hollander of Baltimore, acting for the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, for their cooperation in the negotiations leading to the renewal of the United Jewish Appeal for 1942.

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Communities Gear to Action In Efforts for Relief Work And Palestine's Redemption

Cleveland Conference C r Redoubled Efforts for Eretz Israe ish Army Demanded; J.D.C. P elief in Russia

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America's Jewish con s are being geared to action to assure continuat elief efforts in behalf of millions of Jews suffe a result of the war, and to redouble activities for the redemption and resettlement of Palestine.

The current year's first organized move to inaugurate American Jewry's program of relief and reconstruction for 1942 took place at the inspiring National Conference for Palestine, called by the United Palestine Appeal and held in Cleveland last week-end

Simultaneously, announcement was made by the Joint Distribution Committee of the organization of assistance to 500,000 needy Polish Jews who are now refugees in Russia.

The J.D.C. program, according to Joseph C. Hyman, executive vice-chairman, is being undertaken in collaboration with the Polish Government-in-Exile.

Another important move in the direction of organizing relief efforts was the potentially significant diplomatic discussion which took place in Washington between Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Ambassador to the United States, and Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, and Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the administrative committee of the World Jewish Congress. It was stated that the Russian diplomat and the Jewish leaders talked about the refugee situation within the the Soviet Union and other significant matters pertaining to the Jewish community in the U.S.S.R.

The United Palestine Appeal conference in Cleveland was an historic event from many points of view. It witnessed the mobilization of Jewish efforts in behalf of Eretz Israel and the establishment of a Jewish commonwealth in Zion. The delegates heard declarations by spokesmen for the United States government and governments-in-exile in support of the Jewish National Home. There was unanimous approval of the demand for the formation of a Jewish Army in

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Plan Tribute To Dr. Silver At Cleveland

Outstanding Leader to Be Honored at Conference Jan. 17-18

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Palestine, not only by the delegates but also by all spokesmen at the conference, non-Jews and Jews alike.

The highlight of the convention was the masterful address of the national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. Recognized as one of the most brilliant orators, Dr. Silver's address last Saturday night was so magnificent that it stirred the 1,000 delegates from all parts of the land and was declared to be not only a great oratorical achievement but equally as significant as a document of historic value in evaluating the position of the Jews in the world today. Rabbi Silver's address of Jan. 17 is destined to go down on record on a par with the great addresses that were delivered at World Zionist Congresses by Dr. Max Nordau, Nahum Sokolw, Chaim Weizmann and other world leaders who spoke for the purpose of arousing the conscience of the world to an appreciation of the Jewish position.

It was an address that will rank on the Jewish front with Emile Zola's "J'Accuse".

Dr. Silver was effective in his description of Palestine as being as much an American front as it is a British front in this war. He showed how Palestine is helping to win the war and how it is contributing toward winning the peace "by draining off in a relatively short time from 2,000,000 to 4,000,000 Jews from the crowded and economically tensioned centers of Central and Eastern Europe."

But he was especially effective in castigating those Allied statesmen who are "strangely silent about Jewish prospects and Palestine prospects after the war." He was equally as effective in repudiating the Jewish assimilationists who, he declared, "will be restricted to a small group at the top where traditionally the specific 'Galut' maladies make their nest — timidity, escapism, tilting with wind-mills. dodging one's own shadow, protective disassociation from other Jews — that whole complex of racial affections and disorders which may best be defined in our day as the Jerome Frank Complex."

Speaking of Palestine as the "one promising solution for the homelessness of the Jewish people," Rabbi Silver described how "Palestine and America today are welded into one single front," and proposed as the slogan for this year's fund-raising efforts:

"EVERY DOLLAR GIVEN TO PALESTINE IS THUS A DEFENSE BOND FOR DEMOCRACY!"

He demanded that Great Britain should arm the Jews of Palestine and organize them into a fighting force, and declared: "If Great Britain cannot arm Palestine, presumably for lack of equipment, America should." He demanded that the Jews of [illegible] enabled to fight under the Star

other nationality but the Jewish, and their land is the Jewish Homeland.

His condemnation of the "strange silence" of Allied statesmen on the Jewish position was emphatic, and his description of the tragic position of world Jewry brought tears to the eyes of hundreds in the audience. He declared that "Zionism is not sefl-pity for ancient legendary wrongs. It is the pressing urgency of instant and current suffering and besetting dangers and disabilities." Speaking of the persecutions to which Jews are subjected he exclaimed: "Enough! There must be an end to all this! A sure and certain end!"

Admiral Stirling's Speech

Significant, from a military point of view, was the address of Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., former Chief of Staff of the United States Fleet.

Admiral Stirling said: "In this great fabric of many fighting fronts, the importance of Palestine must be recognized. It is to our advantage to see a Jewish army utilized." He declared that "a factor of great importance in relation to Palestine is that it is the only country in the eastern Mediterranean where there are technical scientists and skilled labor in sufficient quantity to make a real contribution to the naval as well as to the land forces."

Prof. Albright Speaks

Equally significant was the inspiring address of Prof. William F. Albright of Johns Hopkins University, eminent authority on Semitics. He explained how he became a political Zionist. Palestine, he said, "is, in fact, the only possibility, the only land where the Jewish people has a historical right to be, and where it has an internationally recognized legal right to dwell." He stated, with reference to the Arab-Jewish problem, that "there is no solution for the problem of the Near East which does not include a Jewish Palestine."

Ben-Gurion's Address

David Ben Gurion of Palestine, chairman of the executive committee of the Jewish Agency, made the demand, in one of the most important addresses heard in this country on the Palestine question, that an autonomous Jewish Palestine be created.

He emphasized that there is no need to apologize for our demands for a Jewish army because "we are entitled as every one of the United Nations to fight under our own flag especially in our own country."

Spokesmen for all parties in American Jewry spoke at the conference and endorsed the demands for Jewish rights in Palestine.

The resolution adopted by the conference called for the establishment of a Jewish commonwealth and a Jewish army in Palestine, and the American government was urged to assist in the realization of these demands.

An important message from Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau declared that the cause of Palestine is identified with the "all-embracing cause of democracy." Being his first statement of its kind, it is considered a distinct contribution towards the battle for the realization of Jewish aspirations.

Honor Dr. Silver

Dr. Silver was honored with re-election as chairman of the United Palestine Appeal for a fifth term and his name was inscribed in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund as a mark of honor for his great contributions as a Zionist leader.

Maximum military strength, sacrifices, whatever the costs, consecration to the completion of the program for the defeat of the Axis was urged by Henry Monsky, president of Bnai Brith, who declared: "The program of Palestine symbolizes the everlasting and eternal philosophy of hope on the part of the Jew."

Judge Morris Rothenberg pointed to Palestine as an arsenal of the Near East, while Nahum Goldmann showed how the Jewish people is serving in the front line in the present war. Charles J. Rosenbloom, national treasurer, said that the Palestine program will need $8,000,000 in 1942. Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner declared that the building of the Jewish National Home is a matter of enlightened self-interest for the American Jew and stated that "Jewish homelessness will make for anti-Semitism." The development of the Keren Hayesod was outlined by the chairman, [illegible] in [illegible] Medalie, president of the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropic Societies. Emanuel Neumann described the work of the American Palestine Committee and the aid given the Jewish cause by Christians.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise spoke of the importance of Palestine in winning both the war and the peace and declared that the Jewish Homeland must be included in the goals of the United Nations.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the Jewish National Fund, delivered one of the important messages to the conference, outlining the need for increased land purchases and declaring that the Jewish colonies in Palestine have increased food production for the Allies. Judge Louis E. Levinthal, president of the Zionist Organization of America, showed in his address how Jews have demonstrated their ability to reconstruct waste places and pointed to the responsibilities of American Jews in the present crisis.

Senator Barkley Urges Jews Be Permitted to Fight Under Own Flag Because It Has Been Flag of Human Liberty for 4,000 Years

Declaring that President Roosevelt postponed his regular Monday morning White House conference in order to give him an opportunity to address the National Conference for Palestine which brought its sessions to a close at the Statler Hotel in Cleveland early Monday morning, Senator Alben W. Barkley, Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate, stated at the banquet that President Roosevelt considers the fight of the United States and the fight of Palestine as the common struggle for democracy.

Endorsing the request of the conference, sponsored by the United Palestine Appeal, for the creation of a Jewish army to fight under its own standard, Senator Barkley said that while the Jews were eager to fight for democracy, "they prefer to fight under their own flag because it has been a symbol of human liberty and justice for 4,000 years."

(Detroit was represented at the Cleveland U.P.A. conference by the following 31 delegates: Rabbi and Mrs. Morris Adler, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence W. Crohn, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Schaver, Isidore Sobeloff, Herman Pekarsky, Isaac and Simon Shetzer, Charles Rubiner, Abraham Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kay, Miss Belle Shier, Mrs. Maurice Landau, Nathan Linden, Mr. and Mrs. P. Slomovitz, Mrs. David Sheraga, Mrs. D. Sislin, Meyer Beckman, Sol Edelman, Abe Kasle, Mrs. Albert Feldstein, William Hordes, Mrs. Philip Broudo, Rabbi Leon Fram, Miss Rose Greenwald, Walter L. Field, Joseph Jackier. The Adlers were accompanied by their daughter, Shulamith. Rabbi Adler gave the opening prayer at the banquet Sunday night. Other Detroiters participated in conference discussions.)

The J.D.C. Program for Aid to Jews in Russia

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Jews now in Russia, Mr. Hyman reported early this week that the Joint Distribution Committee has made available an initial allocation of $50,000 out of a first appropriation of $100,000.

Prince Jan Ciechanowsky, the Polish Ambassador in Washington, D. C., has written to Edward M. M. Warburg, chairman of the J.D.C., confirming the arrangement and stating that a first shipment of 600 tons of clothing is about to be sent to Russia on a Soviet ship. Further purchases of concentrated foodstuffs and medical supplies are now being negotiated, Ambassador Ciechanowski added.

A new organization, to be known as American Friends of Polish Jews, was officially launched on Jan. 6 in New York, with George M. Feigin, Commander of the Metropolitan Post of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States, as president; Prof. Jacob I. Hartstein as vice-president; and Isidore Teitelbaum, cil of the American Jewish Congress and president of its Bronx Section, as treasurer. Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum, former chairman of the Joint Boycott Council, was elected chairman of the executive committee.

The purpose of the new organization is to aid Polish refugees in this country, to strive for the restoration of a free and democratic Poland, and to support the national defense effort.

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Silver Urges U. S. To Arm Jews of Palestine

Conference Marks 60th Anniversary of Jewish Colonization In Palestine

Cleveland (WNS).—Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, declared that Palestine is as much an American as a British front and urged that the United States arm the Jews of Palestine, in the principle address at the two-day National Conference for Palestine held here at the Statler Hotel.

Speaking before more than 1,200 delegates from all parts of the country, Dr. Silver emphasized that "an Allied defeat in Palestine, even as an Allied defeat in Singapore, would prove as costly and as dangerous to America as to Great Britain."

Stressing the position of Palestine as an important factor in the post-war reconstruction of Europe, he stated that Palestine could absorb, in a relatively short time, "2,000,000 to 4,000,000 Jews from the crowded and economically tensioned centers of Central and Eastern Europe."

Among the other speakers at the conference, which marked the 60th anniversary of Jewish colonization effort in Palestine, were David Ben Gurion, chairman of the executive council of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Rear Admiral Yates Stirling and Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the Jewish National Fund.

In his address, Mr. Ben Gurion stated that a Jewish National Commonwealth in Palestine was the only solution for the post-war Jewish problem and declared that Jews have a

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LEADERS ELECTED TO HEAD 1942 UNITED JEWISH APPEAL DRIVE

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right to their own army, fighting under its own flag, as are each of the United Nations fighting Hitler.

Rear Admiral Stirling discussed the military importance of Palestine, stressing the loyalty of its Jewish residents and especially its "two great contributions — Haifa Harbor and the new oil refineries." He stated that the use of Haifa as a pivotal base for an Allied fleet operating in the Middle Eastern area had restored the art of seafaring to the Jewish people after a lapse of 2,000 years.

Emphasizing the role of Palestine as a post-war refuge, Dr. Stephen S. Wise declared that Palestine "now stands prepared to provide opportunities for the rehabilitation" of hundreds of thousands of Jews made homeless by persecution and war.

Dr. Israel Goldstein revealed that Jewish settlements on land belonging to the Jewish National Fund had increased production by fifty per cent in order to feed the garrisons in the Near East.

Messages of support and praise were received from ambassadors and diplomats of many of the Allied Nations. A cabled message from the American Ambassador to Great Britain, John G. Winant, expressed appreciation for "the great contribution made to democracy by the Jews in Palestine." A message from Secretary of the Navy Knox declared that "Palestine is a thorn in the flank of Hitler and Americans must sharpen that thorn." Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau praised Jewish ideals in Palestine and its support of democracy.

Myron C. Taylor, President of the Inter-Governmental Committee for Refugees and President Roosevelt's Envoy to the Vatican, paid tribute to the Jewish achievements in Palestine, the beginnings of which he had observed first-hand during his visit to Palestine following the first World War.

Federal Security Administrator Paul V. McNutt; Sir Archibald Sinclair, British Air Minister, and Dr. Chaim Weizmann were among others who sent greetings to the conference.

Judge Louis E. Levinthal, president of the Zionist Organization of America, presiding at the opening session, pointed out in his address, that while 25 years ago the Jewish people "made their claims on the basis of what they aspired to do in Palestine, in 1942 we can make these claims on the basis of what we have accomplished in Palestine."

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Pictorial Highlights of the Week

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The Shape of Things to Come

The Aftermath of War

By Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, one of America's great scholars and leaders, is noted for his succinct summations of the trend of an era and his penetrating analyses of current problems. He believes that it is time — even while we are in the midst of war — to be steeled to the problems of peace. In this statement, he summarizes the prospects that must be feared — and shaped. —THE EDITOR

Spiritually and ethically the shape of things to come is very blurred.

One cannot forget that the last world war was fought for the very same objectives as this war and against the same foe. The war was won and yet, following it, the world entered one of the most disastrous periods in history, a breakdown and blackout period, culminating in this second world war.

Why did victory lead to defeat? Not because the Versailles Treaty was vicious. It was no better and no worse than similar treaties which are imposed by victors upon vanquished. The recognition of the independence of Belgium, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Austria, the acceptance of the principles of the rights of minorities, and the establishment of the League of Nations marked definite forward steps. The failure of the peace was due to a lack of economic foresight. Political self-determination was confused with economic self-sufficiency. The failure was also due to defects in the structure of the League. The League was not given military power to enforce its decisions. The right of secession was reserved to the member nations and a unanimous vote was required for all important decisions of the Assembly and the Council. The failure of the United States to join the League was a nigh mortal blow, and the failure of Great Britain, France and the other principal signatories to live up to the letter or the spirit of the covenant completed its ruin.

It was this last failure — essentially a moral one — the failure to assume responsibility for world peace or, having assumed it, to live up to it — which was principally responsible for the wreck of the first important and promising experiment in world pacification. Statesmen called national wardice non-entanglement, and the successive cries of betrayal of the League appeasement, and so another world war was blunderingly concocted. Those nations which did not wish to intervene for peace are now interesting in war and the peacemongers turned out to be the real warmongers.

What will come after this war? Will victory again lead to defeat? This will depend largely upon the moral attitude of the victorious Allies towards a revived and revised world union. All the ethical promises of an Allied victory depend entirely upon it.

Europe and other parts of the globe will be ravaged after the war. Famine, poverty, misery and hate will stalk over the face of the earth. There will be ruined economies, social collapse and revolutions in every defeated country — just as after the last war. Millions of people will seek new homes in a world which will be inhospitable to immigration. The youth of half the world which has been indoctrinated with the racial and nationalistic mythologies of dictatorship will be spiritually lost and unsuited to a democratic way of life which they had been taught to hate and depise. There will also be resentments, rivalries and recriminations among the victorious Allies—just as after the last war. Will the British Empire and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America share reconcilable views on world reconstruction at the peace table? Will their economic interests be compatible? And will they agree on the basic freedoms which should be guaranteed to men and nations?

Under these conditions the attempt to build a peaceful and stable social order will tax intellectual and spiritual resources of human statesmanship to the utmost.

It is idle to assume that an era of peace and good will will set in right after the war and as a sure consequence of the peace. The long protracted agony of our epoch wherein capitalism is evolving into new forms by way of a transition even more violent than that of feudalism at the close of the Middle Ages, will not end with this war, for stable new economic forms, compatible with human freedom and security, have not yet emerged. The most that we can hope for is that this war will put an end to political aggression and imperialistic adventure which are anachronisms in the modern world, breeding war, and fatally interfering with the efforts of peoples to make their difficult adjustments to the requirements of the new technological age. The defeat of Hitlerism will give free nations a chance, and only a chance, to continue their planning and experimenting for a more just social order which will combine safety with civilization.

The peacemakers, in my judgment, will not be able to solve all or many of the manifold problems which will confront the world at the time of the armistice — nor should they attempt to. Their primary concern should be to restore freedom to the conquered peoples, within regional economic blocs or federations, to insure to all nations equal access to the raw material of the earth and to create the effective safeguards against future aggression. This means a recreated League of Nations, structurally modified, backed by force and geared for action, whose member nations will consent to a modified sovereignty and forego the right of secession — a League which will be empowered to review treaties from time to time and to rectify what time will prove necessary.

There will be great spiritual strain in our country after the war. Eras of reconstruction are dangerous eras. Passions, hopes and fears run high. The demagogues and the political adventurers hope to find in the very fluidity of social forms their great opportunity. Orthodox and far-marked Fascist and Nazi doctrines and slogans will of course be discredited. Dogmatism generally, both of a political and economic character, is likely to suffer eclipse. But this will not preclude other attacks upon human rights and liberties under other guises and with other catchwords, nor will it prevent the recrudescence of bigotry and intolerance which, for the duration, have gone underground in our land. The Ku Klux Klan was launched on the ebb-tide of the last war, and capitalized on the totalitarian patriotism which the war engendered. In the severe adjustment which will follow the war in our country and which will probably entail periods of inflation, depression and large-scale unemployment everybody will be looking for scapegoats. Some have theirs already well tethered in their backyards. The hope of course, is that the very fact that these things happened after the last war may put Americans on their guard against their reoccurrence.

Religion which has so much at stake in this war — in fact the whole classic Judeo-Christian tradition is at stake — is hoping, though it has no assurance, — that this war, coming so soon after the last, will sober the human race so that it will forsake the cynical and brutal materialism which has led it from one Golgotha to another, and will return to respectability the eternal human ideals and the spiritual values which alone give significance to human life. Religion hopes that this war will mark the end of the persecutions of races and minorities, the exploitation of hates, the total submergence of the individual to the state and the narrow nationalism which have made international life ugly, mean and cruel. Religion is hoping that the hard tasks of peace will evoke at least some of those virtues which fighting free men evidence in war—courage, resoluteness, self-sacrifice and unity. For we shall have need of an even higher order of spiritual fortitude, of faith and vision, after the war, if we are to conserve those values for which our country is fighting today, and for which brave men will die.

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Dr. Silver Honored for United Palestine Appeal Leadership — Local Leaders Named As Officers

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Judge Jacob J. Kaplan, Louis E. Kirstein and Samuel Markell were named honorary vice-chairmen of the United Palestine Appeal.

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Palestine Resolution To Be Key-Note of Conference

1,200 Delegates From All Parts of Nation To Assemble In Cleveland To Review Jewish Homland Progress And Mobilize Support For America's Near East Allies

The 20th anniversary of the adoption by both Houses of Congress of the Joint Resolution pledging the support of the American people for the Jewish National Home in Palestine will be celebrated by 1,200 delegates from all parts of the nation at the National Conference for Palestine in Cleveland on January 17th and 18th, it was announced yesterday by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal which is sponsoring the conference.

"The moral support extended to the reconstruction of Palestine by the American people through Congress, and the financial support extended by American Jewry through the United Palestine Appeal are now paying dividends to America at war," Dr. Silver said yesterday.

"The 550,000 Jews in Palestine are maintaining a bastion of the anti-Axis forces in the Near East. Their young men are in the forefront of the Battle of Libya, their factories are turning out ever-increasing amounts of war material, an dtheir modern farms are feeding the garrisons of the Near East.

"It is to mobilize the support of American Jewry for our allies in the Near East that this national conference has been called," Dr. Silver continued. "Over 1,200 representatives of national Jewish organizations and community leaders have signified their intention to attend. This will make it one of the largest assemblies of its kind and indicates the awareness of American Jewry of Palestine's critical importance in winning the war and the peace to come."

The delegates will hear Admiral Yates Stirling, former Chief of Staff of the United States Navy, describe the role of Palestine in the naval strategy of the war. They will hear Dr. William F. Albright, Professor of Semitics at Johns Hopkins University and former Director of the American School of Oriental Research in Jerusalem, talk on "The Role of Palestine in the Rehabilitation of the Near East." And among the many distinguished Zionist speakers will be David ben Gurion of Jerusalem, Chairman of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, who will describe in detail the war effort of Palestine.

The Joint Resolution stating the policy of the American government on Palestine is as important to the Jewish people as the Balfour Declaration issued by the British Government five years earlier, Dr. Silver explained yesterday. The Resolution stated:

"Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled that the United States of America favors the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of Christian and all other non-Jewish communities in Palestine, and that the holy places and religious buildings and sites in Palestine shall be adequately protected." (Public No. 73, 67th Congress).

In addition to Dr. Silver as National Chairman, the officers of the United Palestine Appeal, American Jewry's central agency for the upbuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine, include as Honorary Chairmen: Professor Albert Einstein, Honorable Herbert H. Lehman, Judge Julian W. Mack, Henry oMnsky, Honorable Nathan Straus and Henrietta Szold, and as Co-Chairmen, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Louis Lipsky, Dr. Solomon Goldman, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Edmund I. Kaufman and Judge Morris Rothenberg.

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Dr. Silver's National Leadership

The United Palestine Appeal has announced that, as part of the proceeds of the National Conference for Palestine which it is sponsoring in Cleveland on January 17th and 18th, honor will be paid to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver as its National Chairman. It is a tribute in which the whole of American Jewry will wish to join. His scholarship stylistic distinction as a writer, his eloquence as a speaker, his persuasive championship of all liberal American causes have all combined to make him one of the truly great leaders of our generation.

Many lay claim to the toga of leadership. But it is a garment of peculiar dimensions, fitting only around the shoulders of those equipped to wear it with propriety and grace. In these days of anxiety and doubt, when some Jews are prepared to abandon all the values and the institutions which they have not yielded after nine years of ruthless aggression by Hitler, it is comforting and strengthening to know that a man like Dr. Silver is in our midst, to caution against hysteria, to steel against difficulty, to buoy up with hope and courage.

Dr. Silver's leadership is not restricted to the United Palestine Appeal, although in that role he has given new dignity and broader power to the appeal of Palestine to American Jewry. From coast to coast, communities have heard Dr. Silver in his capacity as National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for the past three years. He has been warning Jewry of the responsibility which it owes to its people and to its time. He has been dispelling the clouds of despair and lifting men and women to compassion, generosity and understanding.

There may be only several thousand people at Cleveland for the National Conference for Palestine. But there will be hundreds of thousands of American Jews whose voices will be heard in silent praise for the leader who embodies the valor and the virtue of the basic ideals of the Jewish people.

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Communities Gear to Action In Efforts for Relief Work And Palestine's Redemption

Cleveland Conference Calls for Redoubled Efforts for Eretz Israel: Jewish Army Demanded; J.D.C. Plans Relief in Russia

By PHILIP SLOMOVITZ

America's Jewish communities are being geared to action to assure continuation of relief efforts in behalf of millions of Jews suffering as a result of the war, and to redouble activities for the redemption and resettlement of Palestine.

The current year's first organized move to inaugurate American Jewry's program of relief and reconstruction for 1942 took place at the inspiring National Conference for Palestine, called by the United Palestine Appeal and held in Cleveland last week-end

Simultaneously, announcement was made by the Joint Distribution Committee of the organization of assistance to 500,000 needy Polish Jews who are now refugees in Russia.

The J.D.C. program, according to Joseph C. Hyman, executive vice-chairman, is being undertaken in collaboration with the Polish Government-in-Exile.

Another important move in the direction of organizing relief efforts was the potentially significant diplomatic discussion which took place in Washington between Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Ambassador to the United States, and Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, and Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the administrative committee of the World Jewish Congress. It was stated that the Russian diplomat and the Jewish leaders talked about the refugee situation within the the Soviet Union and other significant matters pertaining to the Jewish community in the U.S.S.R.

The United Palestine Appeal conference in Cleveland was an historic event from many points of view. It witnessed the mobilization of Jewish efforts in behalf of Eretz Israel and the establishment of a Jewish commonwealth in Zion. The delegates heard declarations by spokesmen for the United States government and governments-in-exile in support of the Jewish National Home. There was unanimous approval of the demand for the formation of a Jewish Army in

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Palestine, not only by the delegates but also by all spokesmen at the conference, non-Jews and Jews alike.

The highlight of the convention was the masterful address of the national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. Recognized as one of the most brilliant orators, Dr. Silver's address last Saturday night was so magnificent that it stirred the 1,000 delegates from all parts of the land and was declared to be not only a great oratorical achievement but equally as significant as a document of historic value in evaluating the position of the Jews in the world today. Rabbi Silver's address of Jan. 17 is destined to go down on record on a par with the great addresses that were delivered at World Zionist Congresses by Dr. Max Nordau, Nahum Sokolw, Chaim Weizmann and other world leaders who spoke for the purpose of arousing the conscience of the world to an appreciation of the Jewish position.

It was an address that will rank on the Jewish front with Emile Zola's "J'Accuse".

Dr. Silver was effective in his description of Palestine as being as much an American front as it is a British front in this war. He showed how Palestine is helping to win the war and how it is contributing toward winning the peace "by draining off in a relatively short time from 2,000,000 to 4,000,000 Jews from the crowded and economically tensioned centers of Central and Eastern Europe."

But he was especially effective in castigating those Allied statesmen who are "strangely silent about Jewish prospects and Palestine prospects after the war." He was equally as effective in repudiating the Jewish assimilationists who, he declared, "will be restricted to a small group at the top where traditionally the specific 'Galut' maladies make their nest — timidity, escapism, tlting with wind-mills. dodging one's own shadow, protective disassociation from other Jews — that whole complex of racial affections and disorders which may best be defined in our day as the Jerome Frank Complex."

Speaking of Palestine as the "one promising solution for the homelessness of the Jewish people," Rabbi Silver described how "Palestine and America today are welded into one single front," and proposed as the slogan for this year's fund-raising efforts:

"EVERY DOLLAR GIVEN TO PALESTINE IS THUS A DEFENSE BOND FOR DEMOCRACY!"

He demanded that Great Britain should arm the Jews of Palestine and organize them into a fighting force, and declared: "If Great Britain cannot arm Palestine, presumably for lack of equipment, America should." He demanded that the Jews of Palestine be enabled to fight under THEIR flag, under the Star of David. "The Jews of Palestine," he said, "belong to no other nationality but the Jewish, and their land is the Jewish Homeland.

His condemnation of the "strange silence" of Allied statesmen on the Jewish position was emphatic, and his description of the tragic position of world Jewry brought tears to the eyes of hundreds in the audience. He declared that "Zionism is not sefl-pity for ancient legendary wrongs. It is the pressing urgency of instant and current suffering and besetting dangers and disabilities." Speaking of the persecutions to which Jews are subjected he exclaimed: "Enough! There must be an end to all this! A sure and certain end!"

Admiral Stirling's Speech

Significant, from a military point of view, was the address of Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., former Chief of Staff of the United States Fleet.

Admiral Stirling said: "In this great fabric of many fighting fronts, the importance of Palestine must be recognized. It is to our advantage to see a Jewish army utilized." He declared that "a factor of great importance in relation to Palestine is that it is the only country in the eastern Mediterranean where there are technical scientists and skilled labor in sufficient quantity to make a real contribution to the naval as well as to the land forces."

Prof. Albright Speaks

Equally significant was the inspiring address of Prof. William F. Albright of Johns Hopkins University, eminent authority on Semitics. He explained how he became a political Zionist. Palestine, he said, "is, in fact, the only possibility, the only land where the Jewish people has a historical right to be, and where it has an internationally recognized legal right to dwell." He stated, with reference to the Arab-Jewish problem, that "there is no solution for the problem of the Near East which does not include a Jewish Palestine."

Ben-Gurion's Address

David Ben Gurion of Palestine, chairman of the executive committee of the Jewish Agency, made the demand, in one of the most important addresses heard in this country on the Palestine question, that an autonomous Jewish Palestine be created.

He emphasized that there is no need to apologize for our demands for a Jewish army because "we are entitled as every one of the United Nations to fight under our own flag especially in our own country."

Spokesmen for all parties in American Jewry spoke at the conference and endorsed the demands for Jewish rights in Palestine.

The resolution adopted by the conference called for the establishment of a Jewish commonwealth and a Jewish army in Palestine, and the American government was urged to assist in the realization of these demands.

An important message from Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau declared that the cause of Palestine is identified with the "all-embracing cause of democracy." Being his first statement of its kind, it is considered a distinct contribution towards the battle for the realization of Jewish aspirations.

Honor Dr. Silver

Dr. Silver was honored with re-election as chairman of the United Palestine Appeal for a fifth term and his name was inscribed in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund as a mark of honor for his great contributions as a Zionist leader.

Maximum military strength, sacrifices, whatever the costs, consecration to the completion of the program for the defeat of the Axis was urged by Henry Monsky, president of Bnai Brith, who declared: "The program of Palestine symbolizes the everlasting and eternal philosophy of hope on the part of the Jew."

Judge Morris Rothenberg pointed to Palestine as an arsenal of the Near East, while Nahum Goldmann showed how the Jewish people is serving in the front line in the present war. Charles J. Rosenbloom, national treasurer, said that the Palestine program will need $8,000,000 in 1942. Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner declared that the building of the Jewish National Home is a matter of enlightened self-interest for the American Jew and stated that "Jewish homelessness will make for anti-Semitism." The development of the Keren Hayesod was outlined by the chairman, Charles Ress. Unity in American Israel was urged by George Z. Medalie, president of the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropic Societies. Emanuel Neumann described the work of the American Palestine Committee and the aid given the Jewish cause by Christians.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise spoke of the importance of Palestine in winning both the war and the peace and declared that the Jewish Homeland must be included in the goals of the United Nations.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the Jewish National Fund, delivered one of the important messages to the conference, outlining the need for increased land purchases and declaring that the Jewish colonies in Palestine have increased food production for the Allies. Judge Louis E. Levinthal, president of the Zionist Organization of America, showed in his address how Jews have demonstrated their ability to reconstruct waste places and pointed to the responsibilities of American Jews in the present crisis.

Senator Barkley Urges Jews Be Permitted to Fight Under Own Flag Because It Has Been Flag of Human Liberty for 4,000 Years

Declaring that President Roosevelt postponed his regular Monday morning White House conference in order to give him an opportunity to address the National Conference for Palestine which brought its sessions to a close at the Statler Hotel in Cleveland early Monday morning, Senator Alben W. Barkley, Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate, stated at the banquet that President Roosevelt considers the fight of the United States and the fight of Palestine as the common struggle for democracy.

Endorsing the request of the conference, sponsored by the United Palestine Appeal, for the creation of a Jewish army to fight under its own standard, Senator Barkley said that while the Jews were eager to fight for democracy, "they prefer to fight under their own flag because it has been a symbol of human liberty and justice for 4,000 years."

(Detroit was represented at the Cleveland U.P.A. conference by the following 31 delegates: Rabbi and Mrs. Morris Adler, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence W. Crohn, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Schaver, Isidore Sobeloff, Herman Pekarsky, Isaac and Simon Shetzer, Charles Rubiner, Abraham Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kay, Miss Belle Shier, Mrs. Maurice Landau, Nathan Linden, Mr. and Mrs. P. Slomovitz, Mrs. David Sheraga, Mrs. D. Sislin, Meyer Beckman, Sol Edelman, Abe Kasle, Mrs. Albert Feldstein, William Hordes, Mrs. Philip Broudo, Rabbi Leon Fram, Miss Rose Greenwald, Walter L. Field, Joseph Jackier. The Adlers were accompanied by their daughter, Shulamith. Rabbi Adler gave the opening prayer at the banquet Sunday night. Other Detroiters participated in conference discussions.)

The J.D.C. Program for Aid to Jews in Russia

In his outline of the program for aid to the 500,000 Polish Jews now in Russia, Mr. Hyman reported early this week that the Joint Distribution Committee has made available an initial allocation of $50,000 out of a first appropriation of $100,000.

Prince Jan Ciechanowsky, the Polish Ambassador in Washington, D. C., has written to Edward M. M. Warburg, chairman of the J.D.C., confirming the arrangement and stating that a first shipment of 600 tons of clothing is about to be sent to Russia on a Soviet ship. Further purchases of concentrated foodstuffs and medical supplies are now being negotiated, Ambassador Ciechanowski added.

A new organization, to be known as American Friends of Polish Jews, was officially launched on Jan. 6 in New York, with George M. Feigin, Commander of the Metropolitan Post of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States, as president; Prof. Jacob I. Hartstein as vice-president; and Isidore Teitelbaum, cil of the American Jewish Congress and president of its Bronx Section, as treasurer. Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum, former chairman of the Joint Boycott Council, was elected chairman of the executive committee.

The purpose of the new organization is to aid Polish refugees in this country, to strive for the restoration of a free and democratic Poland, and to support the national defense effort.

Council Jrs. to Hear Donald Thurber Jan. 28

The Fireside Discussion Group of the National Council of Jewish Juniors, Detroit Section, will have as guest speaker Donald Thurber, executive secretary of the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Council, on the subject "The Rise of Youth in Civilian Defense," at the meeting at the home of Miss Bea-

Rabbi Solomon P. Wohlgelernter is spiritual leader of Congregation Bikor Cholum, which has recently celebrated its 50th anniversary. Vice-president of the Federated Jewish Fund

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his residence in Detroit, will address the closing function, Sunday noon, Feb. 22, which will take the form of a luncheon honoring representatives of all communal organizations. Events on week-day evenings will be graced by the

velopments of the drive will be discussed and supervisors of the various divisions will be announced. Sally Fields is the director of the drive. Mary Lotery, accordianist, will entertain the members.

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Parley Honors For Dr. Silver

U.P.A. Parley to Hear Admiral Stirling and Prof. Albright

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...way today. It relates Norway's struggle for freedom, the country's rejection of slavery, its 62-day war against Nazism and its present effort to help destroy the German menace. It tells how the Norwegian Royal Navy is participating in the battle of the Atlantic, how its aviators are contributing to the war effort and declares that "Norway is still a going concern." And it points out: "One of the Norwegian people's most dangerous weapons—one of the weapons which the Nazis fear most—is

William F. Albright, professor of Semitics at Johns Hopkins University and former director of the American School of Oriental Research in Jerusalem, will be two of the featured speakers at the conference.

Admiral Stirling, who is an internationally known naval authority and whose articles as naval critic for the United Press are released to 1400 newspapers, will speak on "Palestine and the Naval Strategy of the War."

In his talk, the Fighting Admiral, as he is known in naval circles, will describe the pivotal

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role played by Palestine as the strategic center of the war lifeline connecting the battle areas of the Atlantic with that of Singapore and the Dutch East Indies.

Dr. Albright's subject will be "The Role of Palestine in the Rehabilitation of the Near East." As a lifelong student of Near Eastern affairs, he has always been interested in the role which the Jewish National Home is playing in restoring Palestine as the cultural and industrial center of the East. During his residence in Jerusalem, he was a personal friend of Eliezer ben Yehuda, David Yellin, Joseph Klausner and other intellectual leaders of Palestine and has often lectured in Hebrew, which he speaks fluently, at the Hebrew University.

Raised $13,000,000

A review of the income of the United Palestine Appeal, central instrument of American Jewry for the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine, indicates that during Dr. Silver's incumbency as national chairman, some $13,000,000 was raised for the stimulation of emigration into Palestine, colonization, land acquisition and the promotion of every agricultural, industrial and economic activity designed to increase the absorptive capacity of Palestine.

Dr. Silver is also the national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, the nationwide campaign for $25,000,000 on behalf of the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service.

To Celebrate 60th Anniversary of Palestine Colonization

The 60th anniversary of Jewish colonization in Palestine, the most successful large-scale back-to-the-land movement in modern times, will be celebrated by representative leaders of American Jewry at the National Conference for Palestine.

This was announced by Dr. Silver, together with a survey of Jewish achievements in Palestine during the year 1941. Dr. Silver said:

"Jewish colonization in Palestine began in 1882 with six tiny villages and a few hundred settlers who had fled from the Czarist pogroms of the year before. Today there are 266 Jewish agricultural settlements in Palestine with a population of 143,000 out of a total Jewish population of 550,000, the highest farm ratio of any Jewish community in the world.

"Eleven of these settlements were founded in 1941, with the aid of American Jews through the United Palestine Appeal. This expansion was necessitated by the large quantities of foodstuffs provided to the armies in the Near East.

"The 20 per cent over-all increase in produce in 1941 indicates the service of the Jewish settlements to the quartermaster's division. The output of Irish potatoes was more than doubled in 1941, while that of other vegetables and fruit rose 60 per cent and dairy and egg production was increased 20 per cent.

"Palestine is not only the granary of the British forces in the Near East, but it is fast becoming one of the chief arsenals. $15,000,000 worth of army orders were completed in 1941, three times as much as was produced for the army the year before.

"Over 5,000 Palestinian Jews were recruited into the British forces in 1941 bringing the total of Palestinian Jewish fighters to more than 12,000. Over 1,500 are serving with the R.A.F. and Jewish tank and infantry units are in the forefront of the Battle of Libya."

Honoring Dr. Silver

The United Palestine Appeal has announced that, as part of the proceedings of the National Conference for Palestine which it is sponsoring in Cleveland on January 17th and 18th, honor will be paid to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver as its National Chairman. It is a tribute in which the whole of American Jewry will wish to join. His scholarship, his stylistic distinction as a writer, his eloquence as a speaker, his persuasive championship of all liberal American causes have all combined to make him one of the truly great leaders of our generation.

Many lay claim to the toga of leadership. But it is a garment of peculiar dimensions, fitting only around the shoulders of those equipped to wear it with propriety and grace. In these days of anxiety and doubt, when some Jews are prepared to abandon all the values and the institutions which they have not yielded after nine years of ruthless aggression by Hitler, it is comforting and strengthening to know that a man like Dr. Silver is in our midst, to caution against hysteria, to steel against difficulty, to buoy up with hope and courage.

Dr. Silver's leadership is not restricted to the United Palestine Appeal, although in that role he has given new dignity and broader power to the appeal of Palestine to American Jewry. From coast to coast, communities have heard Dr. Silver in his capacity as National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for the past three years. He has been warning Jewry of the responsibility which it owes to its people and to its time. He has been dispelling the clouds of despair and lifting men and women to compassion, generosity and understanding.

There may be only several thousand people at Cleveland for the National Conference for Palestine. But there will be hundreds of thousands of American Jews whose voices will be heard in silent praise for the leader who embodies the valor and the virtue of the basic ideals of the Jewish people.

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"Palestine Is a Thorn In Hitler's Side" Says Knox

CLEVELAND (JPS).—A call not only to the Jews but to all the people of America to realize the strategic importance of Palestine as a key center for the winning of the war and to strengthen the Jewish community of Palestine by giving it greater material resources and by permitting it to establish a Jewish Army was sounded at the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, held in Cleveland last week end, by Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr. and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

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Five Times President

In the keynote address of the Conference by Dr. Silver, he presented a broad program for present and future Jewish needs which included the arming of the Jews of Palestine by America if Great Britain cannot do so, the definite guarantee of a self-governing commonwealth in Palestine and a broad program to facilitate Jewish immigration to Palestine which would bring from 2 to 4 million Jews into that country in the postwar period.

Other speakers included Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., former Chief of Staff of the United States Fleet, who said that it is to "our advantage as Americans to see a Jewish Army utilized"; David ben Gurion, Chairman of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, who in a stirring address denounced the White Paper regime in Palestine; Professor William C .Albright, former Director of the American School of Archaeology in Jerusalem and now Professor of Semitics at Johns Hopkins University, who said that he believes that "political Zionism is the only alternative to heartless cynicism"; Senator Alben W. Barkley, majority leader of the United States Senate, and a host of Jewish leaders, including Judge Louis E. Levinthal, President of the Zionist Organization of America; Dr. Stephen S. Wise, President of the American Jewish Congress; Dr. Israel Goldstein, President of the Jewish National Fund of America; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, member of the Jewish Agency Executive, and Henry Monsky, President of B'nai B'rith.

In the most forthright emphasis on Palestine's strategic value for the winning of the war, the pioneers of the Yishuv were called "the valiant defenders of our common cause in Palestine" in a stirring message from Secretary of the Navy Knox, who emphasized that "the Jewish haven in peace-time has become a bulwark for democracy in wartime."

His message, regarded as the most significant utterance made by an American Government officer since America's entry into the war, read as follows:

NAVY SECTY. FRANK KNOX
Says Palestine is Bulwark for Democracy

"The National Conference for Palestine can be held at no more propitious hour. The land of Palestine looms large on the immediate horizon as a strategic key to the control of the Middle East. Hitler must capture it if he is to reach Iran and the Mosul oil fields he needs. We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine against that aggression.

"In this critical hour every last measure of help must be given Palestine for yet another reason. Once again a would-be conqueror finds this little country in his path. Japan hopes at the same time to capture Singapore and move westward to-

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Frank Knox Says Palestine Is a Thorn in Hitler's Side

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ward India, thus closing in that storehouse of Allied resources in a gigantic pincer movement. But Hitler dares not march through Turkey while Syria and Palestine thwart his lines of communication.

"Palestine is a tiny country on the map of the world but it is shaped like a thorn. It is a thorn indeed in the flank of Hitler. We must strengthen that thorn until it becomes a sword that will halt the tyrant's eastward march.

"In Palestine Hitler faces the wrath of the people he has starved and tortured and degraded—Jews, over half a million strong, many of whom know the ache of a storm trooper's kick, the agonies of the Schutzstaffel's lash.

"On this side of the Atlantic at this National Congress for Palestine are Jewish leaders representing millions of patriotic citizens who are glad to make any sacrifice to save democracy. It is my earnest hope that some of the fortitude of America can be passed on through your organization to the valiant defenders of our common cause in Palestine. The Jewish haven in peacetime has become a bulwark for democracy in wartime. Lend it your strength!"

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, reelected for a fifth term as National Chairman of the UPA, told the 1,300 delegates and visitors representing American-Jewish communities and national organizations from coast to coast that every dollar spent for the support of the Yishuv is a defense bond for the victory of America. An essential for not only Palestine but for all the free peoples is a Jewish Army, he declared.

At the opening session of the Conference, held at the Hotel Statler here, Dr. Silver said that the American "prophets of gloom" hope for a "philanthropic isolationism to develop among our people, a sort of involution in beneficence, which, they believe, will not fail to impress Americans with the undivided loyalty of the American Jew.

"Such an attitude," Dr. Silver asserted, "on the part of our people, should it develop, would of course run contrary to the foreign policy of our government now universally endorsed by the American people . . . . The great masses of our people have never been isolationists and have never consented to the proposition, enunciated only by shell-shocked Jews, that aid given to fellow Jews in other countries or efforts to establish for their nationally homeless people a normal national existence diminished their loyalty to the land of their birth or adoption, or clashed with the full performance of their duties as citizens in peacetime and in wartime. And so they help their fellow Jews everywhere in peacetime and in wartime. And so they will continue to do."

"The Jews of Palestine should not only be armed immediately, but should be permitted to form their own military units and to fight under their own flag under Empire command. This is a privilege of all free men. The American Jew fights under the Stars and Stripes. That is his flag. The Palestine Jew should be free to fight under the Star of David. That is **his** flag. The Jews of Palestine belong to no other nationality but the Jewish, and their land is the Jewish Homeland, so proclaimed by Great Britain a quarter of a century ago and so confirmed by all the civilized nations of the earth. To be denied the right to defend their homeland, as Jews, is unjust and ungracious, and to fail to mention by name the Jews of Palestine who are valiantly fighting with the British forces in Libya and elsewhere, many having been wounded and killed, is unbecoming a great Empire, and is an act of spiritual violence against a friendly ally. 'What kind of people do they think we are'?"

Turning to a discussion of Palestine as a world peace need. Dr. Silver said: "Jewish Palestine also meets a world peace need. There can be no lasting peace in the world until the fate of the homeless and the rightless minorities of Europe is properly determined. Jewish homelessness will be widespread after the war . . . . No doubt the Jews of Europe, following an Allied victory, will be restored to their political rights and to equality of citizenship. But they possessed these rights after the last war—even minority rights; and anti-Semitism was never so rampant, so vicious and so programmatic as after the last war."

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal, (speaking at Saturday night session) said that it was no mere accident that the fiercest battles of the war were "now being fought savagely in the jungles of the Far East."

"The enemies of freedom are actually seeking to plunge all of humanity back into the jungle. It is our determination to fight our way out of this jungle for all time. We are fighting to break the bonds of enslavement that have been clamped upon millions of freedom-loving people," Dr. Wise stated.

Dr. Wise quoted the pledge of the United Nations that all men shall be assured "life, liberty, independence and freedom of religion," and said that its meaning for the Jewish people was mass migration and settlement in Palestine for hundreds of thousands of homeless Jews. "For Palestine can be not only a haven but home for those who bear the scars of the madness which must and will be banished from this earth when victory comes," he said.

Notable addresses were delivered by many Americans, both Jew and non-Jew, and messages were received from others of equal prominence and importance.

Senator Barkley said "Jews should be permitted to fight under their own flag because it has been a flag of human liberty for 4,000 years.

There was one from Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau. A vigorous protest was made by David ben Gurion, in which, declaring for a Jewish army, he said that the pledge given in the Balfour Declaration, which had the endorsement of the American Government as well as Great Britain, emphatically did not mean that the Jews were to remain in, or return to Palestine as a death trap. And Doctor Naham Goldman claimed that democracy will not have won its battle unless at the peace table, Jews are granted the right and are made secure in the operation of a political state in Palestine.

Henry Monsky, Grand President of the B'nai B'rith expressed the belief that "the program of Palestine symbolizes the everlasting and eternal philosophy of hope on the part of the Jews. The depth of Jewish tragedy, the overwhelming calamity which has rendered homeless and helpless so many millions of our co-religionists, will necessarily, after the war, present a problem of unprecedented magnitude . . . . if we have a vision and a statesmanship now to make timely and adequate preparation for the conditions that will follow the present world catastrophe, we shall enjoy in some measure, the realization of the hope and the aspirations of our people down through the centuries."

Messages were also received from Field Marshal Jan Christiaan Smuts, Prime Minister of South Africa; Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands; John Winant, American Ambassador to Great Britain; Sir Archibald Sinclair, British Air Minister; Myron C. Taylor, Chairman of President Roosevelt's Inter-Governmental Committee for Refugees; Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York; Paul V. McNutt, Federal Security Administrator; Lord Strabolgi; Lord Wedgwood; Viscount Cecil; Captain Victor Cazelet, and the Ministers at Washington of the Netherlands, Denmark, Czechoslovakia, Norway and Poland. Dr. Chaim Weizmann, the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem, the Vaad Leumi, Lady Reading, Lord Melchett also greeted the Conference.

Elected as Co-Chairmen with Dr. Silver were Dr. Stephen S. Wise of New York, Louis Lipsky of New York, Dr. Solomon Goldman of Chicago, Dr. Israel Goldstein of New York, Judge Louis E. Levinthal of Philadelphia and Judge Rothenberg of New York. The Honorary Chairmen are Professor Albert Einstein of Princeton, Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York, Judge Julian W. Mack of New York, Henry Monsky of Omaha, Nathan Straus of Washington and Henrietta Szold of Jerusalem.

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Shushan Purim ..... March 4
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PALESTINE IS BULWARK FOR DEMOCRACY

Abba Hillel Silver Electrifies Audience in Memorable Address at War Conference

Palestine Jews, Says Eminent Leader, Entitled to Arms

Arraigns "Civilized" World

Warns Against Tragic Error of Other Battle Areas

New York — (Spl.) — The National Conference for Palestine which was held in Cleveland last week was the first national assembly of American Jews since United States entry into the war. As a war conference, it struck sparks of fire and militancy which auger well for the fullest participation of the Jews of the United States in bringing about a constructive solution to Jewish problems during the war and Jewish problems after the war. There were many highlights in this year's annual Conference of the United Palestine Appeal. There was the electrifying "*J'accuse*" arraignment by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of the civilzed world for its indifference to Jewish fate.

Dr. Silver's keynote address was a statesmanlike analysis of the Jewish position and Jewish needs, hopes and expectations for the future. It was a clarion call to agitation, courageous agitation for Jewish rights, and it blasted Jewish isolationism and timidity. It anchored the future of world Jewry in the rebuilding of Palestine which is the only answer the world can make to the cry which Dr. Silver said came from the ghettos and concentration camps of Europe.

Meets War Need

The UPA leader declared that "at this juncture in world history Jewish Palestine meets a twofold need. It meets a war need. It is an important military ally of the free nations fighting Hitlerism. It is providing soldiers, munitions, food and military services in this war. Palestine may yet become a sector of major military significance. The plains of Jezreel were, of old, the battle grounds of empires, and around the walls of Jerusalem battles may yet rage again. Palestine occupies a strategic post in the far-flung Allied battle front. A half million Jewish lives are pledged to defend that post. Great Britain should swiftly mobilize this valuable potential. It should swiftly arm the fighting Jews of Palestine—before it is too late, lest it repeat in Palestine the tragic mistakes of Crete and Malay and of other battle areas where foresight might have averted disasters.

If Great Britain cannot arm the Jews of Palestine, presumably for

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ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Professor Cohen Approves Times Stand—Supports Aims of Arabs

A dissenting voice among the storm of protests against the Times editorial was that of Morris Raphael Cohen, Professor Emeritus of Philosophy, of the College of the City of New York, who spoke out for the Arabs as against his fellow Jews. Approving of the stand taken by the New York daily, Cohen, President of the American Jewish Committee's Committee on Peace Studies, supported Arab claims rather than the demands of the Jews.

"No people" [illegible] mit to being made a minority in their own land. Against any such attempt the Arabs will certainly fight, and in such a fight they will have the support not only of 30,000,000 fellow-Arabs, but the sympathy of all lovers of democracy and fair play."

President Roosevelt Sees "Watch on Rhine"

Washington (JPS)—"Watch on the Rhine," the successfully produced anti-Nazi play written by Lillian Hellman, American-Jewish playwright, was presented before President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in conjunction with his Diamond Jubilee birthday celebration.

Assemblyman Sullivan Would Withhold License From Christian Fronter

Says Ideology Un-American

Quotes Late Pope Pius XI's Historic Utterance

New York—(JPS)—Defining the Christian Front as "a bunch of bums," Assemblyman Patrick H. Sullivan said he will offer a resolution in the Legislature protesting against the admission to the bar of John F. Cassidy, Brooklyn Christian Front Leader.

The 6-foot 5-inch Catholic, who said he once threw out of his office a Christian Front delegation because the group had protested to him that he employed Jews exclusively in his law office, bitterly attacked the anti-Semitic Christian Front.

"The ideology of the Christian Front as exemplified by Cassidy," he declared, "is contrary to true Americanism and true Christianity. The late Pope Pius XI, discussing anti-Semitism stated:

"'It is a movement in which we cannot, we Christians, have any part whatsoever . . . No, it is not possible for Christians to participate in anti-Semitism.'"

The Assemblyman also asserted that "the doctrines of hate preached by Cassidy on the street corners of Brooklyn against the President and the Jews are un-American and un-Christian."

To Bring Home Citizens in Middle and Far East

Washington (JPS) — Stranded American citizens in Palestine, other Middle Eastern lands and the Far East will be evacuated from these danger areas by the [illegible] declared here. Plans have been made to supply financial assistance to other American citizens trapped in enemy lands.

The Swiss Government, it was stated, has been asked by the State Department to make "small relief payments" to needy Americans and to investigate the financial status of other stranded Americans.

Dr. Julius Wolff Dies

New York — (JPS) — Former head of the Department of Opthalmology at Mount Sinai Hospital here, Dr. Julius Wolff, specialist in diseases of the eye and ear, died here at the age of 72.

Stephen Wise Voices Resentment at Times Editorial Opposition to Jewish Policies

Asks Publisher to Let Jews Alone—to Solve Problems

Newspaper PM Adds Protest

Appeasement of Arabs Taken As Barrier to Jewish Army

New York — (WNS) — An editorial in the New York Times opposing the organization of a Jewish Army in Palestine and the establishment after the war of a Zionist State in the Holy Land this week precipitated a stormy controversy with Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress and chairman of the American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs, condemning the Times editorially as "a blow below the belt."

Zionist and non-Zionist advocates of a Jewish Army bitterly denounced the Times editorial and announced plans to mobilize greater support for the project. The New York liberal newspaper PM joined in the controversy, accusing the Times and the British Foreign Office of following an appeasement policy. The Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs took steps to hold a special protest meeting at Carnegie Hall.

"Zionist and non-Zionists are in the midst of what were imagined by us to be friendly negotiations with respect to the Zionist position vis-a-vis the Peace Conference," Dr. Wise said. "I have no hesitation in saying that this is a blow below the belt."

"I am loath to believe, though all [illegible] to Knox and Secretary Morgenthau, whose brave and generous words to the Cleveland Conference (National Conference for Palestine) are hardly understandable to the Editor of the New York Times. The Times may have another and more sinister purpose to sabotage all efforts to bring about understanding between Zionists and non-Zionists.

In its editorial, the N. Y. Times took issue specifically with a resolution recently introduced in the House of Representatives by Congressman Somers of New York calling upon President Roosevelt to direct the State Department to petition Great Britain "to take such action as may be necessary to permit the organization of all-Jewish military units in Palestine." The Times commented that while no official action has been taken as yet on the proposal several members of the Government and a number of deeply-sincere and well-meaning people have endorsed the resolution.

Cites British Stand

The Times editorial said: "For two reasons we believe that these well-meaning people are mistaken and that it would be unwise for the United States to attempt to bring pressure to bear upon the British Government in this matter. The

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HENRY MONSKY,
President, B'nai B'rith

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statesmanship now to make timely and adequate preparation for the conditions that will follow the present world catastrophe, we shall enjoy in some measure the realization of the hope and the aspirations of our people down through the centuries."

Agudath Israel Supports Palestine Army

New York — (JPS) — Declaring that "the rights of the Jewish people in Palestine are God-given and eternal," the Agudath Israel, extreme Orthodox group which has held aloof from the Zionist movement, issued a statement supporting the demand for a Jewish Army.

DEMOCRACY'S BULWARK

By FRANK KNOX,
Secretary of the Navy

"Palestine is a tiny country on the map of the world but it is shaped like a thorn. It is a thorn indeed in the flank of Hitler. We must strengthen that thorn until it becomes a sword that will halt the tyrant's eastward march.

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Publisher's "Stab in the Back" Confounds Opinion

(Editorial)

That the owner of the *New York Times* is a Jew and injects his personal political philosophy with respect to the Jews into his editorial columns makes all the more reprehensible the leading editorial of January 22nd, which could be interpreted by the Jewish community in Palestine only as a stab in the back—a phrase so colorfully used by President Roosevelt for Mussolini.

American Government officials like Secretary of the Navy Knox, responsible for the strategy of winning the war, understand and applaud the request for a Jewish Army. But the *New York Times*, dominated by the anti-Zionist convictions of Arthur Hays Sulzberger, comes forward with an editorial at a time when it can best confound the sympathies of men like Secretary Knox. How can Christians understand that there are among Jews those more concerned with their personal predilections than with the fate of their people, and more preoccupied with their Jewish political philosophies than with the defense needs of the United Nations and of America herself?

The *Times*, speaking for the same British bureaucrats responsible for the Mufti of Jerusalem, the rape of Ethiopia, the signing of Munich and the catastrophes of the Far East, says, forsooth, that a Jewish Army will result in "an Arab uprising." Does the *Times* think that Syria, Iraq, Iran and Egypt are being held to the Allied cause by bonds of affection or by British guns? The Arabs will not make up their minds until they see whether Axis or Allies will win. The Jews have already made up their minds.

With them there was never any doubt. The *Times* would bind these Jews from helping win the war—even, if necessary, to fight against the Arabs if they should be stimulated by the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, now in Berlin, to rise against Britain. And all because Mr. Sulzberger is opposed to an eventual "Zionist state!" Mr. Sulzberger seems to forget that these Palestine Jews want to fight to preserve the American State. Was there ever a more unpatriotic act committed against the interests of the American Government — not to speak of the Jewish people—than to sacrifice a nation's best military interests for the hoary personal prejudices of a publisher who happens to own the most influential newspaper in America?

DR. STEPHEN WISE

"One is tempted to say to the New York Times that it has never dared, despite its Jewish ownership, to stand up and speak out on any Jewish problem. Will not the New York Times, therefore, be good enough to leave the Jews alone in their problems, policies and difficulties?"

Dinah Shore Donates All Best Seller Royalties to Paralysis Fund

New York — (JPS) — Dinah Shore, singer from Nashville, who has achieved national fame on the radio networks, has decided to contribute all the royalties from her recording of the popular "Everything I Love" to the infantile paralysis drive, which annually honors President Roosevelt. The song is a current best seller and is expected to hit the million mark, which would make $10,000 available for the fund.

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL CHIEFTAINS STRESS CRUCIAL NEED

ABBA HILLEL SILVER
National Co-Chairman, UJA

In greeting the Jewish community of Nashville on the eve of the opening of its Jewish Welfare Fund drive, I wish to call your attention to the spirit of sacrifice with which the Jews of Great Britain have borne the duties of war and the responsibilities of Jewish survival.

During my recent visit to England I was deeply impressed by the energy and devotion with which the Jews on the front line in Europe have responded to the causes which in this country are represented in the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine. They have gone forward in their efforts to sustain oppressed Jews in other lands and to provide the sinews of war to the intrepid Jewish pioneers and fighters in Palestine in the same spirit in which they have supported the war effort of the United Nations. We too must recognize that our obligations to the Jews of European lands, to the Jewish homeland in Palestine and to the refugees in the United States are obligations of war. Through the United Palestine Appeal we can give Palestine the tools of agricultural and industrial production and the means for continued reconstruction to enable the valiant Jewish community of Palestine to do its share in the defense of Democracy and for the survival of the Jewish people.

The Joint Distribution Committee and the National Refugee Service, which are represented with the United Palestine Appeal in the unified campaign of the United Jewish Appeal, are also manning vital fronts of Jewish need and reconstruction. The threefold rescue programs of the United Jewish Appeal must receive increased resources to enable them to hold the battle lines of Jewish existence.

It is my earnest hope that the Jewish community of Nashville will respond with generosity and sacrifice to the Jewish Welfare Fund campaign so that freedom and security may be achieved for the large numbers of our people caught in the vise of war and destruction.

WILLIAM ROSENWALD,
National Co-Chairman, UJA

Today, with the United States fighting for its life and the future of free civilization at stake, many of us are naturally inclined to ask: "Will this year's campaign help my country's war effort?"

For the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine and the Jewish Welfare Fund of Nashville, this question can be answered only with an unequivocal "Yes."

The United Jewish Appeal is financing a struggle on the humanitarian front which is an integral part of our total victory effort. President Roosevelt made this clear recently when he declared that the American public must not only maintain but increase its support to humanitarian causes, both overseas and at home during the war.

The importance of the United Jewish Appeal for victory can be seen in the new wartime responsibilities confronting the National Refugee Service, one of its three constituent agencies. Promotion of national unity is obviously in the forefront of our war duties both as Americans and as Jews. The N.R.S. is called upon to turn its resources and experience to this end and to speed the integration into American life of loyal aliens who have found a haven in our country.

Equally important to the cause of democracy and to Jewish survival are the work of the Joint Distribution Committee in aiding Jewish victims of war and persecution overseas, and the United Palestine Appeal in supporting the defense and upbuilding of the Jewish homeland in Palestine. Clearly, it is a patriotic duty of American Jews to support the essential wartime operations of the three agencies constituting the United Jewish Appeal. Your Jewish Welfare Fund campaign, of which the United Jewish Appeal is a major beneficiary, provides the opportunity for the Nashville community to fulfill this duty to our fellow Jews, our country and ourselves.

RABBI JONAH B. WISE,
National Co-Chairman, UJA

America has its war fronts in Austria, in Africa, in China and in the Phillipines. The Jews of America also have a war front that is their special responsibility, and it, too, encircles the world.

The words "we must turn our spears into pruning hooks" do not mean that our obligations as Americans in this war can be met by pruning our contributions as Jews. Every Jew must do his full duty as an American. A part of that duty is to see to it that the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine is fully supported in order to hold the lines of Jewish survival.

For millions of Jews who have been among the first victims of Nazism, the Joint Distribution Committee, one of the constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal, is keeping alive the spark of life and hope. Last year the J.D.C. helped 930,000 Jewish victims of war and persecution. This year it will be able to assist as many or more — in Russia, unoccupied France, in Latin America, in scores of other territories in Europe and throughout the world—if we provide the funds.

The other agencies of the United Jewish Appeal are doing equally vital work. The United Palestine Appeal is providing for the defense and continued development of the Jewish homeland in Palestine, and the National Refugee Service is aiding newcomers who have found freedom in this country and are eager to do their share in America's war effort.

The tasks of the United Jewish Appeal agencies are tasks of war on the human front. I have complete confidence that the Nashville community, in its Jewish Welfare Fund campaign on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, will play its full part so that the Jews everywhere who are carrying the burden of our struggle may survive to share in the victory and in a peace that will bring freedom to all mankind.

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THE great assembly in Cleveland, Ohio, convened by the United Palestine Appeal for the purpose of furthering the Jewish National Home in Palestine last month, was a striking demonstration of the deep attachment of American Jewry to the Zionist ideal. The Jews in the United States have, through their numerous organisations, placed their unlimited service at the disposal of President Roosevelt in the cause of American victory. That, however, does not deflect them from the age-long Jewish national aspirations in Palestine. On the contrary, the great struggle for general freedom and for the liberation of conquered and oppressed nations has deepened the obligation of Jews in the U.S. towards their people. This was manifested by the vast assembly which both in size and representative character was unprecedented. It was made equally clear that the foremost leaders of American public opinion are not only in fullest sympathy with the Jewish efforts in Palestine, but share the conviction that the future of the Jewish nation is closely linked with Palestine. Judge Louis Levinthal, President of the Zionist Organisation of America, struck the right note when he told the Conference that support of Palestine represented an added contribution to the prosecution of the war. This assertion was endorsed by the striking message from the American Secretary for the Navy. After stating that Palestine is a thorn in the flanks of Hitler which must be strengthened, Colonel Frank Knox observes that "Hitler faces the wrath of the people he has starved, tortured and degraded—Jews over half a million strong;" adding that "on this side of the Atlantic the Jewish leaders are representing millions of patriotic citizens who are glad to make any sacrifice to save democracy. It is my sincerest hope that some of the fortitude of America can be passed on through your organisation (the United Palestine Appeal) to the valiant defenders of the common cause in Palestine." And the American Navy Secretary concludes: "The Jewish haven in peacetime has become the bulwark of democracy in wartime." As the British Government have persistently omitted to mention Jewish war efforts in Palestine, this authoritative statement from so high an authority is particularly refreshing. It is regrettable that the British Press, with few notable exceptions, has not deemed it important enough to report either the statement by Mr. Knox, or the fine tribute that came from Mr. John Winant, the American Ambassador in London, who cabled to Cleveland expressing gratitude for "the great contribution made to democracy by the Jews in Palestine in volunteering their man-power, and for the efficient mobilisation of their industrial and agricultural resources in that critical area of the world's war front."

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APPRECIATION of Jewish work in Palestine and full sympathy with Jewish aspirations in Palestine came from other notable quarters. A warm message from Henry Morgenthau, Secretary for the Treasury, is of particular interest. It is for the first time that he has publicly identified himself with Jewish efforts in Palestine, and it is all the more remarkable that he should insist that the appeal for Palestine "is no longer addressed to Zionists alone, but to all—Zionists, non-Zionists, and non-Jews—who believe in justice and freedom. It no longer appeals to Americans alone, but to the people of all free nations, and the cause is identified with the all-embracing cause of democracy." The warm tribute to the achievement in the Jewish National Home that came from Her Majesty Queen Wilhelmina, through her representative in Washington, is extremely welcome. It shows a noble understanding of the tragic fate of a nation in exile. Heads of nations experiencing brutal exile for the first time cannot fail to appreciate the age-long tragedy of the Jewish nation. Field-Marshal Smuts, whose stirring address last November reverberated throughout Jewry, reiterated that the pledge to the Jewish people was an act of faith and pointed to the fact that the Jews have "reclaimed and cultivated large areas of Palestine that for centuries have been deserted and in ruins." This is an incontrovertible statement to which we would respectfully draw the attention of Lord Harewood who, to judge from some remarks in Leeds regarding Jewish land purchases in Palestine, appears to be entirely unacquainted with the true facts of the situation. Mr. Myron Taylor, President of the Inter-Governmental Committee for Political Refugees, who saw the beginning of the Jewish National Home and its development, reminded the conference of the "heroic undertaking conceived of human sympathy, fostered by religious fidelity and sustained by unparalleled generosity."

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WITH almost all members of the American Government, the President and Vice-President not excluded, actively supporting the Jewish

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER *to address* CAMPAIGN OPENING DINNER-MEETING

1942 CAMPAIGN

Tuesday, April Twenty-eighth, at 6 P. M.

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A Message From Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

"In 1942 the United Jewish Appeal must evoke in Jews throughout the United States the recognition that the aid which is being provided to the first victims of Hitlerism in European lands, the support that is being given to the Jews of Palestine as defenders of democracy in the Middle East, and the assistance that is being provided for the refugees in this country are an integral part of the world front for freedom—that the United Jewish Appeal is helping to accomplish on the human front what the armies of the United Nations are achieving on the battlefront."

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1942, Number 3 WAR EMERGENCY CAMPAIGN Page One

Dr. Silver to Address Bronx U.J.A. Dinner

RELIEF PROGRAMS GO FORWARD IN WAR AREAS

Despite the difficulties of working under wartime conditions, the Joint Distribution Committee is continuing to bring life-sustaining aid to hundreds of thousands of Jewish victims of Nazi oppression, and is constantly expanding its work as vast new areas of need open up.

The J.D.C. is working in neutral countries, such as unoccupied France, Switzerland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Turkey and North Africa, where it continues to provide food, shelter, clothing and medical aid to those who might otherwise be doomed.

One of the most outstanding public services rendered in recent years by the Joint Distribution Committee is the rescue through emigration of thousands of victims of oppression from Europe. Emigration has not stopped as a result of the war. Over 3,500 persons have been enabled to emigrate from Europe since Pearl Harbor, and it is expected that emigration will be continued, though limited in extent, throughout the year.

Although direct contact has been broken with Jewish communities in occupied countries, plans were

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PALESTINE SEEN AS ALLIED WAR HUB

Palestine is seen as the hub of the Allied war effort in the Middle East by leading officials in the United States entrusted with the direction of the war policy. Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox recently declared that "Palestine is a thorn in the flank of Hitler. We must strengthen that thorn until it becomes a sword that will halt the tyrant's eastward march . . . We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine."

According to the United Palestine Appeal, through which aid to Palestine is made available, industry and manpower in the Jewish National Homeland are geared at high speed to afford maximum aid to the anti-Axis forces garrisoned there.

Some 15,000 Palestine Jews have enlisted in the British armed forces while tens of thousands of skilled workmen are helping to manufacture and repair the war machinery upon which the Middle East Command must depend.

Meanwhile the immigration and resettlement of those who have escaped from Hitlerism continues. Immigration into Palestine has not

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WAR GIVES EMPHASIS TO REFUGEE WORK HERE

America's entry into the war has created new responsibilities for the National Refugee Service. Its broad program of relief and assistance gives major aid to thousands of Jewish refugees in the United States. The responsibility for the adjustment of refugees here (more than 200,000 have come to the United States since 1933), rests with the Jewish community which, in the final sense, served as their sponsors to these shores. Refugees still come—from neutral and unoccupied countries, from Cuba and from South America.

Relief remains a pressing problem for the National Refugee Service. Many receiving relief are older people, unemployable, and make up a continuing group. Others need assistance because anti-alien sentiment has caused the displacement of many refugee workers. The speeding up of the processes of Americanization is also of vital importance in the present emergency.

Figures available in the year-end report of the National Refugee Service show that a monthly average of 6,650 individuals in 1941 re-

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To Report On Recent European Trip At Concourse Plaza, April 29

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER
National Chairman, United Palestine Appeal and a National Chairman, United Jewish Appeal

MONROE GOLDWATER
Chairman, Bronx Division

MAX J. SCHNEIDER
Co-chairman, Bronx Division

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, a national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, will fly in from Cleveland to address the opening dinner of the Bronx Division of the United Jewish Appeal, to be held Wednesday, April 29th, at 6:30 P.M. at the Concourse Plaza Hotel, 161st Street and Grand Concourse, it was announced by Monroe Goldwater, chairman of the Bronx Division.

Dr. Silver recently returned on the clipper from London after several weeks of conferences with outstanding Jewish leaders and British statesmen. In his address, he will report on the situation abroad and give an intimate off-the-record account of the Jewish scene across the Atlantic.

In making the announcement, Mr. Goldwater declared that results so far indicate that the 1942 opening dinner of the Bronx Division will be the most successful in the history of the borough. "Reservations are coming in," he said, "from scores who are anxious to hear Dr. Silver's address." He urged those who have not as yet made their reservations to send them in to Bronx campaign headquarters, 59 East 161st Street at once, in order that accommodations for them might be arranged.

Dr. Silver is considered one of the Jewish community's most dynamic and magnetic personalities and has achieved wide reputation as an orator. He is an outstanding figure in the American rabbinate and spiritual leader of The Temple in Cleveland. He has long been in the forefront of the fight to rebuild Palestine as the Jewish National Homeland.

Last year, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization was guest speaker at the Bronx dinner of the United Jewish Appeal which was held at the Plaza Hotel in honor of Louis Altschul on his 70th birthday.

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Dr. Silver to Address Bronx U. J. A. Dinner

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In a recent editorial on the Bronx U.J.A. campaign, the *Home News* praised the work of the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service, and declared that "all of Hitler's malign power cannot prevent charity from reaching across oceans with succor for multitudes who were fortunate enough to escape to territories where his writ is not supreme, but who now find themselves in desperate poverty, among strangers."

The editorial continues, "Every man, woman or child who has felt the fist of a stormtrooper, the insatiable rapacity of a brownshirt robber, the thousandfold oppression of Naziism rampant, should be dearer for that reason to the American heart. To many, many millions of these unfortunates, we can now give nothing more than our sympathy, for Nazi steel stands between them and us. But the destitute legions of the escaped should be shown that the world into which they fled out of Hitlerian darkness is mindful of their sufferings and anxious to help them."

Co-chairmen with Mr. Goldwater are Postmaster Albert Goldman, Hon. Benjamin J. Rabin, Max J. Schneider and Ira J. Sobol.

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HEAR RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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JUST RETURNED FROM EUROPE BY CLIPPER

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Rabbi Silver Speaker at Annual Meeting

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, national Jewish leader, will be guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies at Schenley Hotel at dinner on Monday, March 8. The Annual Meeting Committee, consisting of Mrs. Raymond Kaufmann, Ben H. Giffen and Dr. Lawrence Wechsler, announced that Dr. Silver had agreed to come to Pittsburgh though he is taking practically no speaking engagements anywhere in the country.

Rabbi Silver recently celebrated his 25th anniversary as spiritual leader of the Temple in Cleveland, an event which was marked by the appearance of Dr. Chaim Weizmann in his pulpit. In those 25 years, Dr. Silver has become a figure of national and international renown, not only in the Jewish but also in the general world.

He is a staunch Zionist and one of a delegation of two American Jews who went to England shortly after the outbreak of war to make representations to the British government on the possibility of securing more immigration certificates for Palestine.

In his own community, Dr. Silver has served as chairman of the Jewish Welfare Fund and as a leader in all movements for civic and social betterment. Nationally he is one of the co-chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, a member of its Allocations Committee and national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. His subject will be "Jewish Leadership — a Communal and National Need."

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2-19-43

Re-Elected for 1943, U.J.A. National Chairmen Map Campaign to Meet World-Embracing Needs

Re-elected to lead the 1943 nationwide war rescue campaign of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, William Rosenwald and Dr. Jonah B. Wise, pictured above (from left to right), met with the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal to map the current year's drive to provide for the world-embracing needs of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service. The Joint Distribution Committee must extend its program of war relief and rehabilitation overseas to include areas liberated by the Allied armies. The United Palestine Appeal must go forward with the defense and upbuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine and the National Refugee Service must continue its assistance to newcomers in the United States to help them share in our war effort.

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UNIFIED RESCUE EFFORT ASSURED AS U.J.A. IS RENEWED FOR FIFTH YEAR

Newly-chosen officers of the nationwide 1943 United Jewish Appeal are shown at their recent meeting in New York: seated around the table, l. to r., Abraham L. Liebovitz, Isidor Coons, I. Edwin Goldwasser, Albert Abrahamson, Mrs. David M. Levy, William Rosenwald, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Henry Montor, Simon Shetzer, Charles A. Riegelman, Charles J. Rosenbloom. Standing, l. to r., Edward Goodell, Dr. Ferdinand Sonneborn, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Paul Baerwald, Sidney Lansburgh, Joseph C. Hyman, Albert H. Lieberman and Al Paul Lefton.

Renewed for its fifth year, the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine stands on the threshold of the most important campaign in its career, assuring a united effort for the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service in one of the most decisive periods in American Jewish history.

As the National Chairmen, William Rosenwald, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, expressed it in their statement on the needs for 1943 (full text appears on pp. 4-7), "we must think in terms of an arena of rescue enlarged by Allied victories." They pointed out that the 1943 quota of $25,000,000 was a minimum requirement to meet adequately the expanding needs of the constituent agencies.

At the first meeting of the Executive Committee, convened to map the 1943 campaign, Mr. Rosenwald, Rabbi Silver and Rabbi Wise were re-elected to serve as National Chairmen.

Among the officers and members of the Executive Committee elected at the meeting were:

Honorary Chairmen: Paul Baerwald, Louis Bamberger, Prof. Albert Einstein, Dr. Harry Friedenwald, Henry Ittleson, Judge Julian W. Mack, Henry Monsky, James N. Rosenberg, William J. Shroder, Judge Max C. Sloss, Dr. Ferdinand Sonneborn, Hon. Nathan Straus, Miss Henrietta Szold, Lieut. Edward M. M. Warburg, Mrs. Felix M. Warburg and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.

National Co-Chairmen: James H. Becker, Rabbi Solomon Goldman, Rabbi Israel Goldstein, Monroe Goldwater, Rabbi James G. Heller, Judge Louis E. Levinthal, Mrs. David M. Levy, Louis Lipsky, Charles A. Riegelman and Judge Morris Rothenberg.

Co-Treasurers: I. Edwin Goldwasser and Charles J. Rosenbloom.

Executive Vice-Chairmen: Isidor Coons and Henry Montor.

The newly-elected *Executive Committee* includes: Albert Abrahamson, Louis Broido, Ralph E. Colin, Hon. David Diamond, Abraham Goodman, Sylvan Gotshal, Joseph C. Hyman, Sidney Lansburgh, Al Paul Lefton, Isaac H. Levy, Albert H. Lieberman, Abraham L. Liebovitz, Richard P. Limburg, Rabbi Irving Miller, Bernard A. Rosenblatt, Irving H. Sherman, Simon Shetzer, Jacob Sincoff, Rudolf G. Sonneborn, Elihu D. Stone, Mrs. Roger W. Straus and officers.

FROM THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT COMES NEWS . . .

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER, who has just returned on the clipper from London after several weeks of conferences with outstanding British statesmen, will pay a flying visit to this city to address the Queens Division opening dinner of the

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

For Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine

on Tuesday evening, MAY 12th

at the FRESH MEADOW COUNTRY CLUB

Flushing, L. I. at 6:30 o'clock

Dr. Silver, whose radio audience numbers hundreds of thousands, rarely appears on the speaker's dais in New York. He will report on the situation abroad and give an intimate, off-the-record account of the swiftly-moving scene across the Atlantic.

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PALESTINE ISSUE IS HELD IGNORED

Dr. Silver Says Government 'Detours' Homeland Question Into Refugee Parleys

ASKS ACTS, NOT SYMPATHY

Head of United Appeal Tells Philadelphia Session That War Victory May Be Too Late

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PHILADELPHIA, May 1—The whole subject of a Jewish homeland in Palestine "has suddenly become taboo in Washington," Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, declared tonight in the keynote address opening the National Conference for Palestine.

"The President of the United States sent an official greeting to the United Jewish Appeal this year which quite pointedly, and not by accident, omits any mention whatsoever of Palestine, he said.

"Our former friends in government circles content themselves with sending us prolific expressions of sympathies on Jewish persecution. When pressed to do something about it, they regretfully remind us how difficult it is to do anything for these unfortunate people under present war conditions.

"The suggestion is even made that anything which may be done for these unfortunate Jews now might in some way postpone the day of their ultimate liberation. That they may all then be dead does not seem to arouse these friends of ours to any extraordinary emergency acts of rescue and deliverance."

Describing these friends as "men of many words and few deeds whose compassion never goes beyond political expediency," he accused them of "detouring the world's clamor into some governmental refugee conference" such as that at Evian which "accomplished nothing beyond offering a way out for governments" and the recent one at Bermuda.

Asserting that "our fortunes were never so low," he called upon Zionists and non-Zionists to unite to continue the upbuilding of Palestine.

Dorothy Thompson, who also spoke at tonight's meeting, said she believed that "as long as the Jews do not have a country of their own, built by themselves and expressing their own peculiar culture and way of life, there will continue to exist a common superstition about them in the Gentile world."

"They do lead abnormal lives," she said. "They are a cohesive people without a place on earth of their own. This fact gives them, in the superstitious mind, an atmosphere of doom, which produces an atmosphere of fear. Jewish life, therefore, must be normalized."

Arthur Szyk, the Polish-Jewish

artist, speaking ... ering in the after... that Great Britain ha... cised its mandate over Palestine "with sufficient wisdom" and that American Jews "must stop relying upon England to be the final arbiter of Palestine's future" but "demand that the United Nations assume the responsibility."

Dr. Ernst Bergmann, chief ... asserted ... not exer-

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL opened its 1943 campaign at dinner in Hotel Plaza last night. (L. to r) Alexander E. Arnstein, chairman of the New York drive; William L. Batt, vice-chairman of the WPB and Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland. National drive is for $25,000,000.

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White Paper MUST Be Abrogated

Nearly 1,500 delegates, speaking for the vast majority of American Jewry at the sessions of the United Palestine Conference in Philadelphia, made the blunt demand that the White Paper be abrogated.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, expressed some undeniable truths when he directed charges of indifference at our own government as well as Great Britain.

It is a tragic fact that the plight of millions of Jews has fallen on deaf ears, and that the heads of the democratic powers have failed to act when opportunities presented themselves to open avenues of escape for the unfortunate victim of Nazism.

It is greatly significant that on the very day on which Dr. Silver delivered his courageous address in Philadelphia, Dr. James G. McDonald, speaking for the United Jewish Appeal on a national broadcast, made the following statement regarding the White Paper:

"British White Papers are not unchangeable, they are not sacrosanct. The war crisis itself makes drastic changes in British immigration policies into Palestine inevitable. The United States government has the right and the duty to remind the British government of our country's legal right to be concerned at any White Paper violation of the spirit of the Mandate.

"President Roosevelt might well remind Prime Minister Churchill that the latter, when he was in the Opposition, made a historic protest against the present White Paper."

There is primarily a violation of human rights in the White Paper. Millions of Jews must be saved, and hundreds of thousands of them must go to Palestine. The White Paper would prevent their finding refuge. Therefore it must be abrogated at once. No other course is open for governments which proclaim democratic principles.

Our government must act. President Roosevelt must act, even if he must take steps that are contrary to the views of an unfriendly State Department. Prime Minister Churchill must act. Nothing short of an open door policy for Jewish immigration in Palestine is acceptable as a basic principle of rescue work for millions of our suffering people.

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THE WEEK IN EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

SILVER SPEAKS OUT

The most significant speech delivered in many years by a responsible Jewish leader was uttered in Philadelphia at the National Conference for Palestine by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, who bitterly contrasted the phrases of commiseration emanating from Washington and the deeds of salvation for the Jews.

Dr. Silver's speech stirred the delegates to the Conference as it must the Jews of the entire country. Bluntly, unreservedly, it pointed out that while millions of Jews are being slaughtered, action that can and should be taken on behalf of many of them is being substituted by "Rosh Hashanah greetings." He pointed his finger directly at the Administration.

Recognizing that we are living in a political world, Dr. Silver took at face value the assertions that have been made by other leaders that "action" is demanded and that "plain speaking" is required. It is possible, however, now that Dr. Silver has spoken that the timorous souls will retreat. They will hasten to eat the "courageous" words that they spoke in the quietness of private meetings, where they did not have to submit their "courage" to the gaze of the public.

Mr. Winston Churchill is known in 1943 to have associated himself with the Chamberlain White Paper which he so eloquently and unequivocally condemned in 1939. To repeat unctuously the strong words of criticism which Mr. Churchill spoke in 1939 and to ignore the unspoken words of approval given in 1943 would reveal in Jewish leaders a misshapen sense of political values and a peculiar understanding of the obligation they assumed when they took the mantle of leadership. A man who takes leadership must be prepared to take on his broad shoulders the condemnation as well as the praise that comes from words that he must speak — not as a private citizen but as a leader of a people.

With respect to Palestine, the Zionist movement and the Jewish people as a whole do not yet seem to realize that pretty speeches about the "war contribution of the Jewish homeland" are concealing the stark truth: that in 1943, unless the White Paper is cancelled, Jewish work in Palestine will be stopped and the hopes of millions will be shattered.

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...Bellevue-Stratford Hotel here, was the key-

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It was time that someone told the truth. It was time that someone aroused the Jews of America to the peril involved. It was time that someone revolted against the nauseating repetitions of sympathy which lead nowhere and are never accompanied by action. It was time that someone made clear that in a world of politics only political action can accomplish results. It was time that someone treated the Jews of America as adults and not as children who must be fed with fantastic sugar-coatings to hide the facts. The time was Philadelphia. The spokesman was Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. Now it is time for the Jews of America to demonstrate whether they truly want leadership or whether, as in the days of ancient Egypt, when they see a leader they whimper that they prefer the fleshpots of Pharaoh's land.

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The Washington Times-Herald ridiculed the two men, describing their induction under the headline: "Bureaucrats Ginsburg, Nathan sworn in as Buck Privates" and declared: "As gently and as delicately as a June rose is opened by the morning sun's caress, the beauties of Army discipline were unfolded yesterday at the Fort Myer (Va.) induction center to two of the brainiest bureaucrats ever wrested by the stern requirements of war from a desk job in Washington." In a later edition, the story was toned down somewhat, but a reiteration of the charges made on the House floor against Ginsburg remained intact.

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CATHOLICS TO REVISE FOOTNOTE IN CIVILIAN EDITION OF BIBLE

New York (JPS) -- Responding to protests against the anti-Semitic implications of the footnote to Apocalypse 2:9 in the Roman Catholic New Testament, Catholic church dignitaries have agreed to alter the civilian edition to remove the objectionable passage, it was revealed in a letter sent by the Right Rev. William Newton, editorial secretary of the Confraternity of Christian doctrine, to Willard Johnson, assistant to the president of the National Conference of Christians And Jews.

Chief Chaplain William R. Arnold of the United States Army had announced previously that the footnote had been altered in the Army-Navy edition of the New Testament. The objectionable passage read: "The Jews are the synagogue of Satan. The true synagogue is the Christian Church."

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TO PLANT GROVE IN MEMORY OF JEWISH GIRLS OF WARSAW

New York (JPS) -- A "Grove of the Ninety-Three" will be planted in Palestine to commemorate the 93 girl students of the Beth Jacob School in Warsaw, Poland, who committed suicide rather than submit to a visit by Nazi soldiers, it was announced here by the Junior Hadassah. The grove will comprise 1,000 trees on Jewish National Fund land.

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END OF "INHUMAN" WHITE PAPER DEMANDED BY PALESTINE CONFERENCE

Parley Summoned by United Palestine Appeal Hears Dr. Silver Denounce New "Line" of Silence on Jewish Palestine by Washington Officialdom

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Weizmann Pleads with Arabs for Common Effort To Build Great Civilization

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Philadelphia (JPS) -- Smashing the tradition that requires obsequiousness on the part of Jewish leaders toward official Washington, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, revealing for the first time publicly the serious political dangers that confront the Zionist movement, bitterly denounced the Administration for what he described as the "new line," which makes sympathetic reference to the Jewish Homeland in Palestine "tabu," and restricts itself to "Rosh Hashanah greetings," which Dr. Silver called "stale and tasteless" by now.

Dr. Silver's precedent-shattering speech, which startled and enthralled over a thousand delegates who had come from all parts of the Unites States to the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel here, was the keynote address at the National Conference

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for Palestine, summoned by the United Palestine Appeal, of which Dr. Silver is National Chairman. Dr. Silver even took to task President Roosevelt who, in previous times, has voiced his cordial support of the Jewish Homeland but who, Dr. Silver said, is now pointedly avoiding any reference to Palestine at a time when that country represents the only genuine channel through which concern for the tragic plight of the Jewish people can be expressed in concrete terms.

Described as the most representative and most widely-attended conference of its kind ever held and spread over six crowded sessions, the United Palestine Appeal parley was dominated by expressions of anxiety that the Chamberlain White Paper on Palestine of 1939 would be put into effect, as has been threatened by the British Government, on April 30, 1944.

Stirred by the vigorous condemnations that one Jewish leader after another and such non-Jewish spokesmen as Dorothy Thompson had heaped upon the document, the conference rose spontaneously in giving unanimous approval to a strong attack on the White Paper, which was described as "unjust, illegal and inhuman." The American government was asked to call upon Great Britain to repudiate it forthwith, as Britain had already repudiated the Munich Agreement of 1938.

Highlights of the conference were:

(1) A demand for the abrogation of the White Paper, inasmuch as all competent bodies, including the Mandates Commission of the League of Nations had found it illegal.

(2) Condemnation of the Bermuda conference for its neglect of the only real haven for Jewish immigration, Palestine, and for its trivial approach to the whole refugee problem.

(3) Reaffirmation of the desire of American Jews for the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine.

(4) An address by Dorothy Thompson, noted columnist, asserting that until Jewish life was normalized through the establishment of the Jewish National Home in Palestine, anti-Semitism would continue to feed on the fears created in non-Jews by the homelessness of the Jews.

(5) An impressive castigation by Dr. Stephen Wise of Great Britain for going forward with her announced intention of enforcing the White Paper and an expression of hope by Dr. Wise that the White Paper would be peaceably withdrawn by the British Government, coupled with a veiled warning that the Jews of Palestine could not be expected to sit by without action if the whole purpose which animated their lives on behalf of their people were to be frustrated.

(6) A fervent appeal to American Jewry by Rabbi Meier Berlin, Mizrachi leader, for a more vigorous support of Palestine, expressed not only in terms of more money for the United Palestine Appeal but in stronger political action which must be undertaken to save the foundations of the Jewish Homeland.

(7) A solemn assertion by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, that the Jews never have accepted and never will accept the White Paper.

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He also called upon the great mass of decent Arabs to join with the Jews in a common effort to build a civilization which would revitalize the entire Near East.

(8) A denunciation of the "political appeasement" which marked the Bermuda conference by Frank Gannett, chain newspaper publisher, who called himself a "convinced Zionist." He emphasized that he, whose ancestors came to America over 300 years ago, regarded the Zionist movement as an extension of the American spirit of his own pioneer forefathers.

Cancel White Paper

Condemning the MacDonald White Paper as an illegal document which would in effect "liquidate the Palestine Mandate and terminate the growth of the Jewish National Home," the National Conference adopted a resolution calling upon the American Government to "make representations to Great Britain forthwith to annul the White Paper of 1939 and to ask for assurance that Jewish immigration into Palestine shall not be abridged nor shall the purchase of land by Jews be restricted."

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver was elected for the sixth year as National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. The conference paid tribute to his statesmanlike leadership in a special resolution expressing appreciation "for the strength he has given to the upbuilding of the Jewish National Home through the mobilization of the maximum moral and material support of American Jewry."

Deep disappointment was expressed in another resolution at the failure of the American British Refugee Conference at Bermuda to give adequate consideration to the desperate plight of the Jews under the heel of Hitlerism and to include within its terms of reference full consideration of the immediate possibilities for large-scale mass immigration into Palestine. The delegates also officially voiced their protest against the denial of the just demands of the Jewish people of Palestine for a "Jewish Army in Palestine to be comprised of citizens of Palestine and stateless Jews residing in that country, such army to be officered by Jews and to be incorporated in the armed forces of the United Nations."

"Whole-souled devotion to the winning of the war" was pledged to President Roosevelt in a resolution in which the delegates asserted that "all our resources of life and property are pledged to the end that victory may be speeded for the United States and for all of the United Nations."

In greeting the Jews of Palestine and paying tribute to their "mighty contribution to the cause of the United Nations," the United Palestine Appeal conference registered its complete support of "the task of realizing the goal which the Yishuv (Jewish community of Palestine) and we have in common: the creation of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine to which may come all Jews who wish to do so and which, in turn, will strengthen the foundations of Jewish life throughout the world."

The two-day conference was convened for the purpose of enlarging the scope of the United Palestine Appeal, the central fund-raising body for the defense and upbuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine.

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The sessions were also addressed by telephone by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and by Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Bernard A. Rosenblatt, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Rabbi Meier Berlin, Judge Morris Rothenberg, Judge Louis E. Levinthal and Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein.

Jews Will Not Accept White Paper

In his address, read by Dr. Silver, Dr. Weizmann, charged that Palestine which he characterized as "the one area which we Jews have for a generation prepared for our salvation" was deliberately being thrust into the background of discussion "whenever our plight is considered." He said a " treacherous 'but'" was being injected into the discussion of Palestine's possibilities for Jewish absorption as part of a carefully conceived plan to "keep the doors closed to our last hopes — our only hope."

Addressing himself to the United Nations, the world Jewish leader said: "We shall not permit our long deferred hopes to be smothered nor shall we be intimidated by threats of revolt. We shall not permit our patient, laborious upbuilding of Palestine, on which are concentrated the last hope of millions, to be by-passed as if it were a prejudgedmatter. We must demand, and we shall demand, that the United Nations address themselves to this question with a full understanding of all its implications. It is a tragic paradox to call refugee conferences and to ignore Palestine, a country -- the only country — ready and eager to receive the greatest number of refugees."

He urged the Jews not to permit themselves to "be frightened out of their legitimate demands by so-called diplomatic advice to keep quiet until a more opportune moment. We are told to wait; victory is the thing! We are told victory is the thing — as if there were a single people which has as much to dread from defeat or one which is prepared to make greater sacrifices for victory."

Remarking that he did not wish to embarrass the friends of the Jewish people, Dr. Weizmann asserted however that "we cannot stand by and see our vast problem fragmentated and reduced to a patchwork of little charitable proposals, which may be well meant, but which only serve to obscure the magnitude of the task, both morally and physically."

While millions are in danger of annihilation the British Government offers a few thousand certificates for Palestine immigration, or places for the admission of hundreds elsewhere, he said, adding that always the proposals for refugee immigration are confined "within the straitjacket of the White Paper.

"We are too weary, our suffering is too great, to be satisfied with palliatives. We want evidence," he demanded, "of a generous understanding and a will to action."

Vigorously denouncing the restrictions of the White Paper, Dr. Weizmann exclaimed: "We do not accept the White Paper, we never shall accept it as the last word of British statesmanship or the last answer of the civilized world."

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He urged the adoption of a program of united action "based not on illusory schemes and a refusal to face the realities of the Jewish position but one that will stand the test of time and indeed be worthy of our ancient heritage."

Referring to some elements in American Jewry who caution silence, Dr. Weizmann said:

"I know there are some among us who are so overwhelmed and bewildered by our problem that they are incapable of demanding a larger outlook from the civilized governments of the world. They are content -- if one may use the word -- to apply nineteenth century relief mentality, with sixteenth century methods, to a twentieth century task. These little retail doses will not meet the wholesale problem, even if they were multiplied a hundredfold. . . Perhaps this toying with a hundred little solutions is a last resort for those who have not the strength for clear vision and great action; but whatever its reason, it will end, as it has always ended, in futility."

Gannett Sees Palestine Only Jewish Hope

Declaring that he was "heartsick with disappointment that the Bermuda conference has failed utterly to develop a constructive program to help the Jews of Europe who today face extermination," Frank E. Gannett, noted newspaper publisher, who addressed the delegates as a "confirmed Zionist" in the closing session said that "the only hope for the Jews is Palestine. There is no other solution."

Mr. Gannett referred to press statements that American and British representatives at the Bermuda conference had "reached a tentative compromise to relocate European refugees temporarily in French North Africa, the Cyrenaica portion of Libya and the Diredawa region of Ethiopia."

"Of course the Jews of Europe will be glad to have any haven set up for them," said Mr. Gannett, "but they and all of us interested in this problem have a right to ask why this proposal to send them to regions where they do not want to go when they could be sent to Palestine where they want to go and where they are wanted."

Asserting he was speaking as a "confirmed Zionist," Mr. Gannett declared that "the dictates of expediency and political appeasement have been factors in this Bermuda Conference. Indeed, there is reason to believe that the political barriers set up in the days before the outbreak of hostilities are not being removed to clear the path of escape. Why not?"

Pointing out that "into ten terrible years have been crowded the most cruel and brutal oppression that the world has ever known," Mr. Gannett asked: "How can the civilized world forget that the bodies of hundreds of thousands of men, women and children, buried in mass graves, have actually been reduced to human fertilizer, how can any man -- Jew, Christian or Moslem -- remain indifferent to this unspeakable crime, not merely against one people, but against civilization as a whole. And what nation, what people can rightfully claim that it is without guilt for this greatest of all tragedies?"

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Willkie On Palestine Reconstruction

In a message telegraphed to Dr. Silver from Rapid City, South Dakota, Wendell L. Willkie declared that the work of Palestine reconstruction "must continue as a symbol of hope to those Jews, who daily face hunger, torture and death under the barbaric rule of Hitler in Europe." He added: "I was privileged to visit Palestine recently and although I did not get to stay as long nor see as much of the great work being done there, as I would have liked, I did through talks with your leaders get a first-hand picture of the splendid determination and foresight with which the Jews are tackling the multitude of problems involved in building a National Home. That work must continue as a symbol of hope to those Jews, who daily face hunger, torture and death under the barbaric rule of Hitler in Europe."

Dr. Stephen S. Wise likened the British White Paper to the Munich agreement. Dr. Wise said that just as England formally repudiated the Munich agreement, so the British Foreign Office and the Colonial Office must repudiate the White Paper which, in itself, constitutes a repudiation of the Balfour Declaration.

In the course of his speech, Dr. Wise said:

"In the meantime some weeks earlier something had been said and done which in advance annulled the possibilities of the Bermuda meeting. England had spoken through its Prime Minister in ominous terms. Prime Minister Churchill came to power because the English people felt that a great spirit must reverse the policies and practices of Chamberlain appeasement. Churchill has done just that. If my memory serves me aright, he never thundered after the Munich appeasement as he did after another act of appeasement, of which we became the victims -- the framing of the White Paper. I go further than to say that the White Paper must be dropped and forgotten. Just as England formally and technically repudiated the Munich agreement, so the Foreign and Colonial Offices of England must finally repudiate the White Paper, itself a repudiation of the Balfour Declaration. It is a repudiation of the agreement by the Mandatory Power of Britain with the nations.

"Let this meeting of the United Palestine Appeal resolve itself into an appeal to the British Government to cancel and even to repudiate the White Paper. We speak thus as the friends of Britain. We speak as men who are loathe to look upon England's dishonor and its violation of the plighted word of the British Commonwealth. The White Paper must be cancelled. Its terms are intolerable and ignominious. And we go further. We appeal to our own country to remind the English government that our government and country have rights in relation to Palestine -- rights which the State Department cannot yield up nor foreswear -- rights which go much deeper than the status of American nationals in Britain. It is the business of our government, led by our President, not so much to make Lend-Lease agreements with Saudi-Arabia as to insist that England cancel a Paper written under duress; a document of appeasement, which the world will assume to be a token of England's incapacity or unwillingness to observe its most sacred obligations. We, who say the White Paper must go, know full well that it will be peaceably repudiated by those who became its authors under the impact of the appeasement passion; or it will be cancelled by the living strength of Palestine Jewry.

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The Jews of Palestine cannot, ought not, will not accept this dishonoring and dishonorable limitation. Their homelessness makes it physically unavoidable that they should refuse to be bound by the provisions of appeasement. Their moral idealism, their deep devotion to Palestine will bring about results which England cannot afford to face. They will not accept a Palestinian Amritsar. Palestine is their life, and they will not yield up their life without bitterest struggle."

Rosenbloom On Palestine Budget

Asserting that two of the most important factors in considering the annual budget for Palestine were the "extraordinary need of the Jewish people for greater settlement opportunities in Palestine" and "the reduced value of the dollar in terms of purchasing capacity in Palestine," Charles J. Rosenbloom, of Pittsburgh, National Treasurer of the United Palestine Appeal, told the morning session that the combined budget of the Jewish National Fund and the Palestine Foundation Fund, which obtain their funds in the United States through the United Palestine Appeal, will be $10,000,000.

"In the United States," said Mr. Rosenbloom, "the general estimate of rise is 15 per cent. It is estimated that in England the cost of living has risen about 23 per cent since the war began. But in Palestine, even with controlled prices, the increase in the cost of living is 110 per cent. In view of this fact, it is startling to realize that in 1939 the total income of the United Palestine Appeal, including the Jewish National Fund traditional collections, was $4,373,236. In 1942 the income was $4,348,663, also including traditional collections. We see, therefore, not only a quantitative decline of funds but a reduction by a steep percentage in the purchasing power of the funds we make available."

Mr. Rosenbloom said that the budget of the Palestine Foundation Fund for 1943, which totals $4,667,625, includes $800,000 for the establishments of new settlements in Palestine and $600,000 for the consolidation of previously established settlements; some $230,000 for aid to trade and industry; about $550,000 for security activities, such as recruiting soldiers for the British Army and similar purposes; $220,000 for labor, retraining, marine and similar work; $260,000 for aid to families of soldiers and $260,000 for immigration activities, which do not include "the responsibility which the Jewish Agency for Palestine," receiving funds from the Palestine Foundation Fund, "assumed early this year when it advised the Palestine Government that it would hold itself financially liable for every child that came into the country until they became of age."

He explained that the budget of the Jewish National Fund for 1943, which totals $6,148,525, includes about $4,000,000 for the acquisition of land; $182,000 for development and afforestation purposes and about $1,800,000 for the repayment of loans.

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JEWISH BOY WINS NATIONAL ORATORY CONTEST

Granite City, Ill. (JPS) -- Sixteen-year-old Burton Bernard of this city is the winner of the annual national oratorical contest on the Constitution of the United States, it was announced here. He was awarded a $4,000 scholarship by the American Legion, which sponsors the contest.

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National Conference for Palestine

Silver Scores Washington's Attitude on Jewish Homeland

All Speakers Attack British White Paper Limiting Immigration

Philadelphia (JPS) — Smashing the tradition that requires obsequiousness on the part of Jewish leaders toward official Washington, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, revealing for the first time publicly the serious political dangers that confront the Zionist movement, bitterly denounced the Administration for what he described as the "new line," which makes sympathetic reference to the Jewish Homeland in Palestine "tabu," and restricts itself to "Rosh Hashanah greetings," which Dr. Silver called "stale and tasteless" by now.

Dr. Silver's precedent-shattering speech, which startled and enthralled over a thousand delegates who had come from all parts of the United States to the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel here, was the keynote address at the National Conference for Palestine, summoned by the United Palestine Appeal, of which Dr. Silver is National Chairman. Dr. Silver even took to task President Roosevelt who, in previous times, has voiced his cordial support of the Jewish Homeland but who, Dr. Silver said, is now pointedly avoiding any reference to Palestine at a time when that country represents the only genuine channel through which concern for the tragic plight of the Jewish people can be expressed in concrete terms.

Described as the most representative and most widely attended conference of its kind ever held and spread over six crowded sessions, the United Palestine Appeal parley was dominated by expressions of anxiety that the Chamberlain White Paper on Palestine of 1939 would be put into effect, as has been threatened by the British Government, on April 30, 1944.

Stirred by the vigorous condemnations that one Jewish leader after another and such non-Jewish spokesmen as Dorothy Thompson had heaped upon the document, the conference rose spontaneously in giving unanimous approval to a strong attack on the White Paper, which was described as "unjust, illegal and inhuman." The American Government was asked to call upon Great Britain to repudiate it forthwith, as Britain had already repudiated the Munich Agreement of 1938.

Highlights of the conference were:

(1) A demand for the abrogation of the White Paper, inasmuch as all competent bodies, including the Mandates Commission of the League of Nations had found it illegal.

(2) Condemnation of the Bermuda conference for its neglect of the only real haven for Jewish immigration, Palestine, and for its trivial approach to the whole refugee problem.

(3) Reaffirmation of the desire of American Jews for the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine.

(4) An address by Dorothy Thompson, noted columnist, asserting that until Jewish life was normalized through the establishment of the Jewish National Home in Palestine, anti-Semitism would

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ontinue to feed on the fears cre-ted in non-Jews by the homeless-ess of the Jews.

(5) An impressive castigation y Dr. Stephen Wise of Great ritain for going forward with her nnounced intention of enforc-ng the White Paper and an ex-pression of hope by Dr. Wise that he White Paper would be peace-ably withdrawn by the British Government, coupled with a veiled warning that the Jews of Pales-tine could not be expected to sit by without action if the whole purpose which animated their lives on behalf of their people were to be frustrated.

(6) A fervent appeal to Amer-ican Jewry by Rabbi Meier Berlin, Mizrachi leader, for a more vigor-ous support of Palestine, expressed not only in terms of more money for the United Palestine Appeal but in stronger political action which must be undertaken to save the foundations of the Jewish Homeland.

(7) A solemn assertion by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, that the Jews never have accepted and never will accept the White Paper. He also called upon the great mass of decent Arabs to join with the Jews in an common effort to build a civilization which would revital-ize the entire Near East.

(8) A denunciation of the "po-litical appeasement" which mark-ed the Bermuda conference by Frank Gannett, chain newspaper publisher, who called himself a "convinced Zionist." He emphas-ized that he, whose ancestors came to America over 300 years ago, re-garded the Zionist movement as an extension of the American spirit of his own pioneer forefathers.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver is Guest of Honor at Special Dinner for 1943-44 Campaign

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and the United Palestine Appeal, one of the fore-most scholars and leaders of world Jewry, will be the guest of the United Jewish Community at its special Initial Gifts Dinner next Thursday evening, April 29th, according to Henry H. Brenner, chairman of the Initial Gifts Committee.

HENRY H. BRENNER

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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'Stale and Tasteless' Encomia

In his stirring address at the Philadelphia sessions of the United Palestine Appeal, on May 1, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver made an interesting declaration. In his denunciation of the "new line" adopted by the Administration in Washington, which has established as a "tabu" any sympathetic reference to the Jewish Homeland in Palestine, he charged that our government officials restrict themselves to "Rosh Hashanah greetings" to our people. These, Dr. Silver said, are by now "stale and tasteless."

Dr. Silver has earned the gratitude of American Jewry for exposing this New Year "practice," and for labeling it for what it is worth. Our readers will recall that The Jewish News, in its holiday issue last Rosh Hashanah, definitely de-viated from the nauseating policy followed by Jewish news-papers throughout the country and eliminated from its col-umns these "stale and tasteless" greetings. Jews need to be enlightened, not patted on the back and called "nice." We limited ourselves at Rosh Hashanah time to publishing the President's message, as having news value, and two or three statements which carried weight because of their references to the position of the Jewish people.

Mere denunciation by Dr. Silver of the "stale and taste-less" policies of publishing empty encomia is not enough. Jewish readers must exert pressure upon their publications to stop emphasizing nonsense and to dealing with Jewish issues in all sincerity, in order that our people may have more facts and less compliments.

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EDITORIALS

THE UNITED STATES AND THE ARAB WORLD

THE Government of the United States is apparently getting ready to sell the Jewish people down the river, as far as Palestine is concerned. This is a serious charge, but there are disquieting signs pointing in that direction. At the National Conference for Palestine held recently in Philadephia, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, in an outspoken and realistic appraisal of Zionism's deteriorated political position, cited several examples of a conspiracy of silence on the part of government officials regarding Zionism. A prominent Cabinet member, who has spoken often and eloquently on Zionism, twice addressed important Zionist meetings in recent months, and completely ignored Zionism. The President of the United States, who has often spoken of Zionist work in Palestine with sympathy, omitted pointedly any mention of Palestine in his 1943 official greeting to the United Jewish Appeal. Right down the line, government officials who were entirely sympathetic with Zionist aims in Palestine now completely avoid the subject and content themselves with expressions of sympathy for Jewish persecution. Judging by the political policy of this country in North Africa and Spain, this silence is indeed ominous. Appeasement of fascist and semi-fascist forces is not dead!

In the light of the above, the series of articles by C. L. Sulzberger on the Near East, which has appeared in recent weeks in the *New York Times,* takes on added significance. C. L. Sulzberger, a chip off the old block, reports that the Middle East fears a Zionist-dominated Palestine in the post-war era; that the lack of an official United States policy is harmful to Allied interests, and gives the OWI a difficult role to play in winning over the Arab world to the cause of the United Nations. Poor OWI! Maybe the Americans *are* innocent babes in the political wood! Or maybe the fact that the Damascus office of the OWI alone has but eight Americans and thirty natives accounts for this undue concern over the fate of the Arabs.

We maintain that this bogie of Arab fear of a Zionist-dominated Palestine is largely the creation of C. L. Sulzberger's mind and of the OWI itself. The same *New York Times* has been printing a series of articles by its military editor, Hanson W. Baldwin, who has just returned from a 22,000-mile trip by sea, air and land to North Africa and Britain. In his article of May 15, he has the following to say with regard to the Arabs in

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די „קאָמוניסטישע געפאַר" איז היטלער'ס הויפּט געווער, זאָגט ראבאי הלל סילווער

(ספעציעל צו דער „מאָרגן־פריהייט")
פון ס. וויינגער

קלינוולאנד, מאי 13. — ראבאי אבא הלל סילווער, וועלט־בארימטער אידישער פירער, האָט לעצטן זונטאג שארף אטאקירט און געטאדלט אלע וואָס ווערן נאָך ביז איצט פארפירט פון היטלער'ס הויפּט פראָפאגאנדע־וואפן, די שרעק פאר א „קאָמוניסטישער געפאר".

אין זיין רעגולערער וועכנטלעכער דרשה אין דעם טעמפל האָט דער ציוניסטישער וועלט־פירער דערקלערט בשעת ער האָט געגעבן אן איבערזיכט איבער וועגדעל :ווילקי'ס בוך „איין וועלט":

„ווילקי האָט גיט מורא פאר קאָמוניזם; ער איז גיט קיין קרבן פון דער פאטאלער מורא, וואָס האָט תרוב געמאכט אראבע נאָך דער לעצטער מלחמה, און דראָט דאָס צו טאָן נאָך דער איצטיגער מלחמה".

ראבאי סילווער האָט זיך אנגעשלאָסן אן ווילקי'ס רוף פאר א פעסטן און דויערהאפטן בונד מיטן סאוועטן־פאר־באן פון דער יונאיטער פאלעסטאין אפיל און אן עקזעקוטיוו מיטגליד פון דער ציוניסטישער וועלט־ארגאניזאציע, ווי אויך א מיטגליד פון דעם עקזעקוטיוו קאָמיטעט פון דער אמעריקאנער אידישער קאנפערענץ, האָט שארף פארדאמט די פאליטישע פארווירונג וואָס הערשט נאָך אין געוויסע רעפובלנאנס־קרייזן. ער האָט רעקאָמענדירט ווילקי'ס „איין וועלט" אלס „א בוך, וואָס מוז געלייענט ווערן פון יערן אמעריקאנער, באזונדערס פון מענטשן וואָס האבן געוואלשאפטלעכע אמטן און שטעלעס".

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AMERICAN JEWRY AND PALESTINE: CONFERENCE REPRESENTING MEMBERSHIP OF 1,600,000

Dr. Weizmann Condemns Evasion of Jewish Question And White Paper Policy

Dr. Silver's Sharp Criticism of Attitude of U.S. Government

Philadelphia, May 2 (Palcor Agency).

The National War-Time Conference for Palestine, which opened last night at the Hotel Bellevue Stratford, in Philadelphia, was attended by 1,450 delegates representing national and local organisations with a combined membership of 1,600,000.

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, in his opening address, made a sharp attack on the attitude of the United States Government towards the Jewish National Home, while Dr. Weizmann, in a telephonic message from New York read at the Conference, severely criticized the Mandatory Power for Palestine for pursuing the policy of the White Paper, which, he said, the Jews will never accept.

"Within the last few months, as if by concerted action, there has set in a very definite and noticeable withdrawal on the part of our official family in Washington from anything which might, even remotely suggest a recommendation or endorsement of the Jewish homeland," Dr. Silver said in the course of his speech. "The whole subject has suddenly become tabu in Washington. Our former friends in Government circles content themselves with sending us apologetic expressions of sympathy on the Jewish persecution. When pressed to do something about it, to help saving a race from annihilation, they regretfully remind us how difficult it is to do anything for these poor unfortunate people under present war conditions. They counsel us to have patience, and the suggestion is even made that anything which may be done for these unfortunate Jews now might, in some way, postpone the day of their ultimate liberation. That they may all be dead when the ultimate day of liberation arrives, does not seem to arouse these friends of ours to any extraordinary emergency acts of rescue and deliverance."

"We must not beguile ourselves, or permit others to beguile us, by empty words of sympathy and praise, or with denunciations of Hitler or the Nazi persecutions," Dr. Silver continued. "Such expressions of sympathy have turned stale and tasteless. The tragic problems of the Jewish people in the world today cannot be solved by the chiefs of Governments or prominent officers sending us Rosh Hashanah (New Year) greetings.

Forgotten By Friends

"Government officials who have been persuaded that silence and complete avoidance of the entire subject of Palestine is the proper line to follow during the war, may be easily persuaded that this is also the proper line to follow after the war and at the Peace Conference," Dr. Silver proceeded. "The inclination to be persuaded is unfortunately there and men to do the persuading, both here and abroad, will certainly not be wanting. Clearly, the friends upon whom we had hoped to lean, have turned out to be broken reeds. The enemies of Israel

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do seek us out and single us out, but our friends would like to forget our existence as a people. Our fortunes were never so low. One thing we must make clear to ourselves and to the world; We shall have to continue our struggle for survival in the same way as we have had to do throughout the ages, with our own resources, however diminished, with our own unbroken will, with out own unshaken confidence in our destiny, and with the help of God.

"The sins which are being visited upon our helpless refugees," Rabbi Silver warned the United Nations, "will return to plague the world. This is the unfailing law of moral retribution. Corrupt and cursed, indeed, is a world that cannot give sanctuary to men fleeing from death. We are confident that the inescapable logic of events will, in due time, make Palestine a Jewish State."

The Meaning of the White Paper

Referring to the White Paper for Palestine, Dr. Silver said:- "If the White Paper remains in force, Palestine, too, will have to be written off as a place for large-scale immigration for our people. When the last of the thirty odd thousand visas still available for distribution under the terms of the White Paper, is issued, it will mean the end of Jewish immigration into that country. It will be the Arabs of Palestine who will determine whether another single Jew should be permitted to enter that country. Those who believe that by abandoning the Balfour Declaration or the Zionist programme the Arabs of Palestine might be induced to welcome the Jews into that country, are simply uninformed and naive.

"If the Jews are kept out of Palestine where we have an internationally established, recognized and unique status - that of a people in its National Home - if they are prohibited from entering Palestine, what hope or prospect is there that they will be welcomed elsewhere?" Rabbi Silver asked. "And if they will be unable to go elsewhere and conditions in Europe will nevertheless irresistibly force them to move, there will be created a situation so dangerous and explosive as will endanger the stability of any scheme of reconstruction in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe. Statesmen should clearly understand this. If the problem of mass Jewish emigration and of the national homelessness of the Jewish people is not clearly faced and solved after the war, it will return over and over again to harass and unsettle the world."

The representative nature of the attendance at the National Conference and the extraordinary interest displayed are considered unparalleled in the history of the Zionist movement in America. Dr. Silver's courageous speech at the opening session established a new line for Zionist policy in the United States in speaking out vigorously against the American Government's policy of silence and reversion of that policy of sympathy towards the Jewish National Home which has existed since the last war. His indictment of the silence on the part of Washington officialdom in regard to Palestine was marked by a storm of applause.

A Jewish State; Says Dorothy Thompson

Miss Dorothy Thompson, in the course of her speech, told the Conference that she believed that the Jews must have a home and a state in order that the life of the Jews be normalized to the life of all other men on this planet. The Jews must have their place in the family of nations.

"It is my belief," Miss Thompson said, "that at this moment, the one single place where a Jewish child can be sent with the most favourable opportunity to grow into a psychologically adjusted human being is Palestine."

Mr. Hoover On Palestine

Mr. Herbert Hoover, the former President of the United States, in a message to Dr. Silver, wrote:- "In these days of tyranny and persecution, Palestine looms as a shining symbol of strength and hope to Jews not only in Europe but throughout the world. The large part taken by American Jews in the task of upbuilding and maintaining those institutions which have meant great sacrifice and labour, is splendid indeed. Such work, more than ever before, merits the admiration, sympathy and encouragement of everyone."

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Dr. Weizmann's Indictment

Philadelphia, May 2 (Palcor Agency).

At the banquet that followed the National Conference for Palestine on Sunday night, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, who was unable to go to Philadelphia needing rest prior to his return shortly to England, briefly addressed the Conference over the telephone and then turned his speech over to Dr. Silver who read the full text of the address, in which the evasive attitude of the world in face of the annihilation of the Jews is strongly condemned.

"I do not know if this evasion is due to a lack of imagination, or to an inability to face the responsibility laid upon their conscience," Dr. Weizmann observed, "but the truth remains that the one area in which we Jews have for a generation prepared our own salvation, is studiously thrust into the background of discussion whenever our plight is being considered. In particular of late, all sorts of strange mysterious half-utterances reach us concerning the Near East. There are forebodings, preparations and manoeuvres seeking to reduce the vast Jewish world tragedy into a question of an adjustment between Jews and Arabs in Palestine. Instead of recognizing the intolerable injustice which an ancient people is suffering on an unprecedented scale, we are confronted with trivial suggestions and arguments which seem meaningless.

Jews Will Not Be Intimidated

"We are told on all sides, by military and political emissaries and soldiers, sailors, scientists and merchants, who come and go to and from Palestine 'What the Jews have accomplished in Palestine is a real miracle'," Dr. Weizmann continued. "They sing our praise and laud our achievements, but - then comes that treacherous 'but' - if other Jews enter Palestine, they say, there will be an Arab uprising. Hence they keep the doors closed to our last hope - our only hope. Beware of these 'friends', and their generous praise. They are ubiquitous. They bedevil public opinion - a technique so skilfully employed by the Nazis in the course of this war.

"I say in all solemnity," Dr. Weizmann continued, "we shall not permit our long-deferred hopes to be smothered in such an atmosphere, nor shall we be intimidated by threats of revolt, whether they come from inspired Nazi sources in the Near East or from far off India. We shall not permit our patient, laborious millions to be by-passed, as if it were a prejudged matter. We must demand, and shall demand, that the United Nations address themselves to this question with a full understanding of all its implications. It is a tragic paradox to call refugee conferences and to ignore Palestine, a country - the only country - ready and eager to receive the greatest number of refugees."

What To Tell The Arabs

Dr. Weizmann then continued that, if he were to utter that which stirs in the depths of the conscience of the United Nations, he would tell the Arabs- "You are a people recognized by the world. Palestine is one - and it is among the smallest - of the many countries you inhabit, but none of which you fill to the extent of one-half, one -quarter or one-tenth of their capacity. If a chance is given to you to develop in freedom and peace, if you can call your lands your own, remember this is due to the efforts of the Democracies in the last war and of the United Nations in this war. What you will get out of this war you will owe to the sacrifices of the peoples of America, and of England, who have poured out their blood on a score of battlefields for the freedom of the world. You owe it also, in a measure, to the Jewish people, to the very soldiers which Jewish Palestine has furnished, giving the flower of her manhood, without compulsion, to swell the armies of the United Nations in the Near East.

"It is right and proper that this Jewish people should be restored at last to that small niche which it has cherished through thousands of years of homelessness. We think that in such a restoration, you Arabs will not come to any harm. Your legitimate rights, your religion, your language, your culture, your property, will suffer no diminution. Not a hair on your heads shall be

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touched. We think that if you and the Jews will co-operate, you will build up for our mutual benefit, and for the benefit of the world, those tremendous areas which to-day are a desert. Such an upbuilding, indeed, is a life and death necessity for you. An empty country, a political and geographical vacuum, invites aggression.. It invites predatory nations. You and the Jews can make this part of the world safe for yourselves and for us. For all three of us have a stake in this part of the world."

Such words, Dr. Weizmann said, addressed to the Arabs, would not be accepted by all of them, such as the Mufti or the so-called disbanded Arab National Higher Committee, for whom the Moslems of India shed such copious tears. But the honest and decent people among the Arabs would hear and would be moved by the thought of a recreated civilisation built up in common by two peoples who have always belonged to the same Semitic branch of mankind. Arabs who will reflect that instead of permanent friction and hostility, they can have permanent peace and collaboration for the asking, will listen. The tradition of great leadership, such as was represented by Feisal, is not dead among the Arabs. It is only dormant. But if the memory of his tradition and his great-hearted policy is to be re-awakened, the call most come from an equally great-hearted policy on the part of the United Nations. It cannot come from men who appease the Arabs at any price and ignore the solemn pledges given to the Jews.

Fragments And Patchwork

"Let us refuse to be frightened out of these legitimate demands by the so-called diplomatic advice to keep quiet until a more opportune moment," Dr. Weizmann added. "We are told victory is the thing, as if there were a single people which has as much to dread from defeat, or one which is prepared to make greater sacrifices for victory. We certainly don't wish to embarrass our friends -and we have many, both here in the United States and in England. But we cannot stand by and see our vast problem broken into fragments and reduced to a patchwork of little charitable proposals. We are too weary. Our suffering is too great to be satisfied with palliatives. We want evidence of a generous understanding and a will to action.

"We will not be diverted from our last and greatest hope," Dr. Weizmann said in conclusion. "We do not accept the White Paper. We never shall accept it as the last word of British statesmanship or the last answer of the civilised world. Remember that there were not always White Paper Governments in Palestine. Those years will return. We will hasten their return if we remember that either we shall build up Palestine, or we shall go under."

U.S. Government Urged To Help To Annul The White Paper

Many other speakers addressed the Conference and a series of Resolutions was adopted.

The Resolutions include the condemnation of the White Paper for Palestine and an urgent request to the United States Government to intercede in order to bring about the annulment of that document. There is also a Resolution seeking assurances that Jewish immigration and land purchases in Palestine will not be restricted, while another Resolution records the ineffectiveness of the Bermuda Conference. (Fuller details of the further proceedings of the Conference and of the Resolutions will be published in the next Palcor Bulletin).

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The "Chicago Herald Tribune" to-day prominently publishes an article by Mr. Pierre van Paassen, in the course of which the writer says that Palestine is the only solution to the refugee problem. He also criticizes the policy of the British Government in regard to the Jewish National Home in Palestine.

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RESOLUTION IN TRIBUTE TO DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

The National Council for Palestine of the United Palestine Appeal meeting in annual session at the Hotel Commodore, New York City, on Sunday, January 30, 1944, records the debt which the cause of Palestine and American Jewry owes to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver for the leadership which he gave for seven years to the United Palestine Appeal.

Devoted to the Zionist ideal, he has given eloquent expression to the aspiration of the Jewish people for the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home and has inspired the Jews of America with a new conception of the dignity and the necessity of the Jewish renaissance.

In the seven years of his leadership as National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, there was a steady growth in the resources made available for the cause of Palestine. The monument to his services is found today in the enormous achievements that have been registered in Palestine during these years with the aid of resources made available by American Jewry.

In relinquishing his leadership of the United Palestine Appeal to assume a new and vital task on behalf of the Zionist movement, he will continue to give to American Jewry the benefit of his inexhaustible energy, his untiring devotion and his statesmanlike vision.