WILL ASK AID FOR PALESTINE

Zionist Organization Will Launch Campaign For Fund of \$10,000,000

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New York, Dec. 22.—Ten million dollars is the minimum which the Zionist organization of America will endeavor to raise in this country beginning January 18, by an appeal to Jews and non-Jews alike, for the purchase of large tracts of land in Palestine and the preparation of the country in every way for the masses of Jews who, according to authoritative reports, are eager to migrate thither from Russia, Poland, Galicia, Rumania and other pogromiden countries of Eastern Europe. The mass-desire on the part of the Jews to escape to Palestine from lands of persecution everywhere, before that country is prepared to receive them, is so intense as to make the task of restraining the impending immigration a most difficult problem for the Zionist organization.

The executive committee of the Zionist organization of America announced that it has every reason for confidence that Great Britain will assume the mandate over Palestine for the specific purpose of establishing there a national homeland for the Jewish people. This purpose was announced by Great Britain on November 2, 1917, in what is known as the "Balfour Declaration" and was reiterated on November 2 of this year, by Lord Curzon, the present British Foreign Secretary, who stated that the policy of Great Britain toward Palestine as announced two years by Arthur J. Balfour remains unchanged.

Development Needed

The Zionist Organization of America feels, in view of Lord Curzon's statement, and the fact that the treaty with Turkey is to be taken up by the Allies at an early date, that the time has arrived for beginning a program of construction and reconstruction in Palestine. This program includes not only the acquirement of large tracts of land, but also water conservation and the development of water power; sanitation and development of natural resources and the establishment of technical laboratories for agricultural purposes.

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Large sums will also be needed for the maintenance and development of work already launched in Palestine by the Zionists. These include a school system ranging from kindergartens to a university, loans to agricultural and industrial organizations and groups, rehabilitation of Jewish colonies devastated during the war, maintenance of the American Zionist Medical Unit, its three hospitals and two nurses' training schools, an antimalaria campaign and improvement in the housing conditions of Jerusalem, Jaffa and other cities. Other items to be met by this fund include the care of Jewish legionaires and their dependants; supplies for hospitals and institutions in Palestine, and a Palestine information bureau, as well as the maintenance and administration of the Zionist organization through which these enormous tasks are to be carried out.

All of the resources of the Zionist districts in the United States will be utilized for the purposes of this campaign, which will be conducted by a national committee headed by Texaga Endowment Fund

Harvard Endowment Fund on the Twelfth Million

New York, Dec. 22.—With the \$12,000,000 figure in sight, workers for the Harvard endowment fund of \$15,250,000 reported a total of \$11,057,518 for the week, according to a report issued at headquarters here to-day. The gain for the week represents more than \$250,000. Nearly 15,000 of 36,000 living Harvard graduates have thus far subscribed to the fund.

Boston among all districts has a firm hold upon first place with a total of \$4,425,550, while New York takes second place with \$3,851,351 to her credit.

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France leads the foreign countries with \$28,000. Hawaii, with sixty-two Harvard men, has sent forty-nine individual subscriptions for a total of near \$31,000.

Blind Are Following Many Vocations

About 75 soldiers, sailors, and marines who have been totally or partially blinded during the war are new taking vocational retraining at the Red Cross Institute for the Blind at Baltimore, through the Federal Board of Vocational Education.

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It is interesting to note that poultry raising and dairy farming, store keeping, and salesmanship are among the vocations in which these men become proficient.
It is explained by the experts that the men develop a sort of sixth sense which, if properly trained, enables them to 'see' better than a good many whose eyesight has not been impaired in the slightest degree.

Philippine Hats Will Be Brought Here to Aid Drive

New York, Dec. 22. — Philippine hats may become the fashion in women's millinery for the coming spring. The Smith College Club of our Oriental possession is sending hats made of native materials of the islands, and these will be sold in this country, the profits going to the \$4,000,000 endowment fund of the College at Northampton, Mass.

Mrs. George C. Bartter, a graduate of Smith in 1901, is now chairman of the fund committee for the Philippines. She writes that the nine alumnae in the islands are anxious to assist in the drive for \$4,000,000.

CO-OPERATION IN WHALE FISHING

The Twofold bay whale hunters tell that when the Antarctic whales, on their way to northern waters for calving, appear off Twofold bay with them come the "killers"—a fierce species of grampus whale, which is the greatest enemy of the true whale, and that these killers have learned to herd the whales into the bay for the human hunters to deal with.

Man wants from the whale only the blubber, the whalebone (from the roof of the mouth), and, when it is present, the ambergis. The rest of the carcass is left to be devoured, it is said that the killers—the same killers come year after year to the hay—have learned that to co-operate with man is the easiest way to a feast of whale fish and so concentrate their energies on driving a victim toward the whaling beats and does drive sheed.—London Morning Post.

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