ZIONISM

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When Herzl wrote of "A Jewish State" he called it "An attempt at a modern solution of the Jewish problem." He stated that the Jewish problem arose because the Jews were everywhere a minority; and pointed out that this minority status had two aspects—one, as a people, and two, as a religion. Anti-Semitism arose, he said, not because Jews were worse than the peoples among whom they lived, but because the majority called the tune. Wherever Jews went in any numbers, they carried anti-Semitism with them. This constituted a problem, the solution of which was to be found in providing a spot in the world, where the Jews would be a majority. So he proposed the Jewish State.

I venture to think that it was precisely from this permanent minority status that they had hoped to escape. They had hoped that in one place on this earth this people of something like sixteen and a half millions might have a sphere of their own, where they could show what was in them, in them, where they could be masters of their own destiny and affairs, and where there could be a centre of Jewish life, culture and influence throughout the world. If they have, for obvious reasons, thrown very special emphasis upon numbers, I believe that in their hearts what Zionists have desired more than anything is that they should get their freedom from this minority status. A National Home in Palestine surely means that there should be a place where the Jews would be able to fulfill their aspirations, in a territory in which they had some autonomous control.

Cosmo Gordon Lang,
Archbishop of Canterbury
House of Lords, 1939 vs. White Paper
Let no American imagine that Zionism is inconsistent with Patriotism. Multiple loyalties are objectionable only if they are inconsistent. A man is a better citizen of the United States for being also a loyal citizen of this state, and his city; for being loyal to his family, and to his profession or trade; for being loyal to his college or his lodge. Every Irish-American who contributed towards advancing home rule was a better man and better American for the sacrifice he made. Every American Jew who aids in advancing the Jewish settlement in Palestine, though he feels that neither he nor his descendants will ever live there will likewise be a better man and a better American for doing so.

Brandeis

1. What is Zionism? Definition by Brandeis. ①

2. How did it arise? As attempt to solve J. problem. Quote from R. Szold. ②

Support from Xians — Archbishop Lang, quote. ③

3. It has a history:
   a.) in the aspirations of thousands of years —
   — concretized 50 years ago

4. It has a philosophy:
   a.) spiritual center of Jewish culture
5. It has a psychology:
   a) self-respect & dignity
   born fr. Palest. resident

6. of Main anti-Zionist arguments:
   Double-loyalty

   Refutation: Quote Brandeis

7. Zionism now part of World-Reconst.
   It is everybost concern.

   Movement supported by every
   president since Wilson.

   Some say it is the only
   Solution of the Jew. people.
   At least it is one aspect
   of the solution.
In Damascus—

"What's Zionism?" asked Catholic

While Damascus listening me—

"It's where a Jew goes so that when he goes there he feels that they have to take him in."

This made an impression.

Another soldier said—

"That's home."

Jewish soldier replied—

"That's what I meant to say."