

PALESTINE FUND FOR RESTORATION SOUGHT BY JEWS

Duluthians Asked to Aid in Financing Home for Persecuted of Europe.

Predicting Palestine will again be a "land of milk and honey," Abraham Goldberg, New York journalist, who recently completed a tour of that country, appealed to several hundred Jews to help finance their homeland in an address at Camels hall last night.

He said the end of the war had shown the need the Jews have for a country of their own is greater today than it has ever been, because of the persecution of Jews and pogroms against them which, he said, have been incited in practically every country in Europe which took part in the war.

Jews Loyal.

"The Jews rushed to the defense of their countries, when the World war broke out, they were going to wipe out with their blood the unreasonable hatred against them," Mr. Goldberg declared. "Unbelievable as it may seem even in dark Russia, they loyally fought for that country. Fighting shoulder to shoulder, the lot of the Jew during the war was better than it had ever been before. They at least suffered little more than the others.

"Poland became free, she got Galicia, she got Posen, surely the lot of the Jew who had forgotten the injustice she had meted out to him and loyally fought for her, would become better. But the undreamed happened, and even now, two years after the end of the struggle, the Jews are being wronged. In Ukraine, alone, 183,000 Jews, their children, their wives, have been killed.

Mr. Goldberg criticized Jews in the United States for not taking a greater interest in the welfare of the Jews in other lands. He said "to have a country we can call our own is a desire dear to the heart of 400,000,000 Jews in the entire world." He requested his auditors to invest in land in Palestine and thereby help the growth of that country.

Palestine A Desert.

He said Palestine through thousands of years of neglect had become a desert, but that the desert could be made productive with proper distribution of water. He said there are today 75,000 Jews, the great majority of them farmers, who are pioneers in the upbuilding of that country. He expressed confidence in the development of Palestine, declaring Palestine would be like California, if opportunity was given for thousands of dissatisfied Jews in the European countries to go there. He said professional men whose services could better be employed as tillers of the soil have enthusiastically joined the farmer. Groups of young men, born in Palestine, are being sent to California to study their agricultural methods and to bring their knowledge back to Palestine.

Mr. Goldberg will speak tonight in the Duluth Hebrew Institute, Third avenue East and Third street, S. Y. Josephs was chairman of last night's meeting. Rabbi Israel Lebendiger gave a short address.