

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PALESTINE

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUBCOMMITTEE ONE ON THE
ITINERARY OF VISITS ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE

The following recommendations of Subcommittee One on the Itinerary of Visits were adopted by the Committee at its Tenth Meeting (private), held at Kadimah Flats, Jerusalem, Friday, 20 June 1947, at 9:15 p.m.

Friday, 20 June: One-day Tour of the Dead Sea - Jericho Area

Leave Jerusalem at 9:00 a.m.

Arrive Palestine Potash Company at 10:00 a.m. and visit for one hour with manager of Potash Works.

Visit Beit Haarava collective settlement before lunch.

Accept invitation for lunch at Kallia Hotel at 12:30.

Leave for Jordan Valley at 3:00 p.m., visit Jericho and ruins of the Jericho of Joshua.

Return to Jerusalem not later than 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, 21 June: One-day Tour of Hebron, Beersheba, Negeb (Arab community)

Leave Jerusalem at 8:00 a.m.

Stop at Ein Arrub (Government Agricultural Experiment Station) at 8:30 a.m. for one-half hour.

Leave Ein Arrub at 9:00 a.m.

Arrive Hebron at 9:30 a.m., meet the Mayor and leave Hebron at 10:30 a.m.

Arrive Beersheba at 11:30 a.m., meet the Mayor, Municipal Council and the tribal Sheikhs.

Leave Beersheba at 12:30 p.m.

The party will carry box lunches and will eat lunch on the road between Beersheba and Gaza.

Arrive Gaza at 2:00 p.m., meet Mayor and Council and view the Municipal Gardens.

Inspect the sand dune fixation work which will be explained by the Acting Conservator of Forests.

Return to Municipal Gardens for tea at 4:00 p.m.

Leave Gaza at 4:30 p.m.

Arrive Jerusalem at 6:30 p.m.

(It is recommended that the out trip be by the coast route and the return trip by the inland route.)

/Sunday, 22 June

Sunday, 22 June: No trip

Monday, 23 June: No trip

Tuesday, 24 June: One-day Tour of Jaffa, Beit Dajan and Ramle.

Wednesday, 25 June: One-day Tour of Tel Aviv.

Thursday, 26 June: One-day Tour of Negeb (Jewish community).

Friday, 27 June: Visit to Hebrew University, Hospital and Medical Center in Jerusalem in the morning; afternoon free.

Saturday, 28 June: One-day Tour of Nablus, Jenin, Lajjun, Baqa and Tul-Karam.

Leave Jerusalem for Ramallah and continue to Nablus. Call on Mayor and Municipal Council.

Leave Nablus for Jenin. Visit to Jenin.

Leave Jenin for Arab villages Lajjun and Baqa.

Leave Baqa for Tul-Karam. When sufficient time visit Kadoorie Agricultural School.

Return to Jerusalem.

Note: Ramallah. No. of Jerusalem, Christian population; a prosperous and pleasant summer resort; headquarters of the American Friends' or Quakers' Mission which conducts here large schools.

Nablus. Moslem population. Well supplied with water by nature, having many springs, which irrigate a large number of gardens. Centre of Arab oil and soap industry.

Lajjun. Arab village, where the greatest quantities of wheat are produced.

Baqa. Arab village, where the greatest quantities of fruit are grown. Irrigation has been carried out in both villages.

Tul-Karam. Mostly Moslem population, where the Arab Agricultural School (Government institution) is situated.

Sunday, 29 June: No trip.

Monday, 30 June:)

Tuesday, 1 July:)

Wednesday, 2 July:)

Three-day Tour of
Galilee and Yezreel
Valley.

Monday and Tuesday nights to be spent at Safad. Visit Beit Alpha via Hadera, Wadi Ara and Affula, Tel Amal, Beisan, Affikim, Naharaym, Nazareth, Tiberias, Daganian A, Huleh, villages in Galilee hills, Kfar Giladi, Neve Yehoshua Tarshiha and Naharia.

In Yezreel Valley visit Ramot Hashavim, Nahalal, Ginegar, Merkhavia, Beisan Valley, Beit Hashita, and return to Jerusalem via Nablus.

Thursday, 3 July: One-day Tour of Kirvath Aravim, Ben Shemen, Rishon le Zion, Rehovoth and Givat Brenner.

The Subcommittee was in unanimous agreement on all aspects of this proposed itinerary with the exception of the two days proposed for separate visits to Jaffa and Tel Aviv, which was approved by majority vote.

/Further details

Further details on this proposed itinerary will be provided by the Subcommittee in a supplementary report at an early date.

The Subcommittee, in accordance with its terms of reference, also considered three invitations from private individuals or groups. It recommends that the Secretariat decline the invitations received from the Dalia Collective Settlement to attend the folk-dance festival on 20 June, and from Heatid Saligré and Co. for cocktails on an unstated date. The Subcommittee deferred action on the communication from Dr. Chaim Weizmann pending the approval by the Committee of the proposed itinerary.