

July 10, 1936

Called on Edwin (Nebi) Samuel this morning at the Immigration Office. He reinstated me as 'permanent resident', established that as such, and cabled, at my expense, her visa to Detroit, and gave me a reentry permit for Palestine. I am leaving for Syria tomorrow with Burrows and Bergman, and taking Sam and Mary Wolk up with us.

July 11, 1936.

Drove to Beirut. The details of the trip to be obtained from copy of my letter to Albright of . Compare my letter to Albright of July 11, 1936.

July 19, 1936 Returned last night from Haifa, having joined the army at Jerin. It was a slow trip to Nablus, where we arrived about 12 noon, and had an hour's wait. One of the Highlanders after my remark that the govt. ought to furnish us tea, filled our big canteen from the boiler full of tea being served the troops. It certainly tasted good. The arrival of a company of armored cars made Nablus look most formidable. All the soldiers' tents are barricaded with sand-bags against the hail of bullets poured against them almost nightly by Arab snipers from Elal + Jerisin.

Fisher, Burrows, & I stayed the night before at the Carmelite monastery. The view over the city & the Mediterranean, & the quietness of the monastery always attract me back to the place.

July 19, 1936 (cont.)

The strike seems to be approaching an end. Many more people were visible on the roads yesterday than on the preceding Saturday, and Shukri tells me that it is again easier to purchase vegetables from Arab fellahin, whose products were being spoiled by the Shabab as the vegetables were brought into town. It seems that the stone-keepers also are becoming more & more insistent that the strike come to an end. The economic effect upon the Arabs has been most severe, and comparatively speaking has hurt the Jews but little. The Arabs want now to substitute a boycott of Jewish goods instead of the strike. The British government seems to remain firm that no concessions will be granted, nor the Royal Commission come to Palestine, until all violence has ceased.

Had tea at Barbour's house this afternoon. Miss Nixon, and the younger of the two Barankis were there. Barbour is now the editor of The JPOS, and seems to be quite a nice chap. He evidently has a private income of his own, and devotes himself completely to Semitic studies.

July 20.

Received list of books from the Oriental Institute that we had asked for.