

we are in good shape and that the Americans in Lebanon are truly convinced of our view. Less than 25 per cent of them believe, after being acquainted with our point of view, that we are completely right in the conflict. The rest of them do not completely agree with our view of the conflict. They agree with some of what we see as our right and, at the same time, they believe some Zionist claims. Hence they give the Zionists support and sympathy which is more or less equal to that which they grant us.

*Fifth*, there is a wide-spread belief that the Christian church in the U.S. (especially the Protestant Church) plays a big role in "poisoning" the minds of the Americans as far as the Palestine problem is concerned. The church is believed to conceal the facts about the Palestine problem and to prepare the American public to believe Zionist claims. This is the reason which made those in charge of our study attempt to measure the truth behind that belief. The findings show that the church does not seem to be a very instrumental element in making the Americans "pro-Israel." Only one-third of the Americans in Lebanon stated that the church affected their view of the Palestine problem. But, even this one-third did not say that the church made them more sympathetic to the Jews. One-third of it (one-ninth of our sample) said that the church made them less sympathetic to the Jews (but did not necessarily make them sympathetic to us). Still not all those who were made more sympathetic to the Jews became sympathetic to "Israel." The church does not affect the purely