

THE PICTURE OF SUCCESS

This issue of the Newsletter is a collection of photographs of some of the people and projects who have been helped by your donations to ANERA. The photographs were taken by Sara Gentry, ANERA's Vice President and Editor of the Newsletter, during her trip to the West Bank and Gaza Strip in March, 1978.

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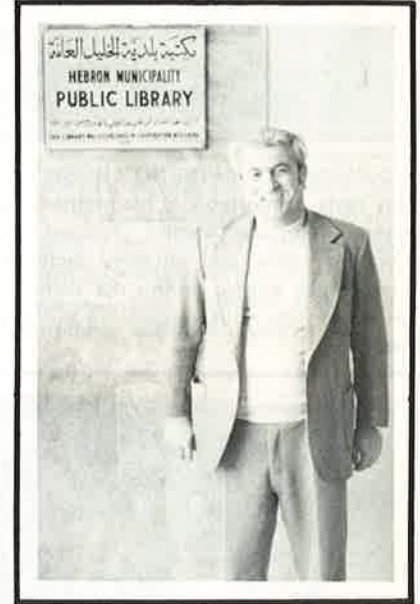
Palestinians with an idea for building a better life despite living under Israeli military occupation—the stories of people who see what needs to be done and who go out and do it. These are the success stories—pictures of people who refuse to be defeated.



BIRZEIT UNIVERSITY, Birzeit—Dr. Gabi Baramki (left), Vice President of Birzeit University, talks with Henry Selz, ANERA's Middle East Representative, in the courtyard of Birzeit University. The University is building a new campus just outside the town of Birzeit with the administration building scheduled for occupancy during the Fall of 1978.



RAWDAT EL-ZUHUR, Jerusalem—Rawdat El-Zuhur (Garden of Flowers) is an elementary school primarily for orphans and children from impoverished families. The school provides food, clothing, transportation, medical care, and home visits in addition to education for the young people. The children's Head Mistress, Mrs. Saawa, is shown here on the left with Miss Elizabeth Nasir, Rawdat El-Zuhur's dynamic founder.



CITY OF HEBRON, West Bank—Mr. In'am Sultan, Head Librarian, stands at the entrance of the new public library in Hebron. Established with the help of ANERA, the library opened in October, 1977, and use of the new facilities is four times what it was in the old municipal building.



AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERS' COOPERATIVE FOR DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES, Jordan Valley—Mr. Khalid Al-Nagea (left), Mr. Khalil Al-Alul, and Mr. Basam Daragmi (right), display some of the eggplants grown by the Cooperative in the Jordan Valley on the West Bank. In fy 1979, ANERA hopes to help the Cooperative irrigate an additional 25 acres of land and initiate a farmers' services program.



RED CRESCENT MATERNITY HOSPITAL, Jerusalem—A newborn baby rests comfortably in his mother's room at the Red Crescent Maternity Hospital. ANERA provided funds for equipment in the operating room and ancillary facilities at the Hospital. Now emergencies arising during the delivery of a new baby can be handled on the spot, minimizing the danger to both mother and child.



OLIVE PRESS COOPERATIVE, Tarqumia—With ANERA's assistance, this cooperative plans to expand its functions by providing a bulldozer, tractors, and accessories to assist local olive farmers in reclaiming land and improving marginally productive land. Two of the farmers active in the Cooperative are Mr. Salem Abd El Hamid (left), member of the Board of Directors, and Mr. Khalil Al-Iswid (right), Vice President of the Cooperative.



YWCA OF EAST JERUSALEM, Kalandia Refugee Camp—This little girl attends kindergarten sponsored by the YWCA in Kalandia Refugee Camp. Kindergarten is not generally provided for Palestinian children and in Kalandia, it is available only through the YWCA. The Y also sponsors pre-school education in 2 other refugee camps, Jalazone and Aqabat Jaber.



CITY OF GAZA, Gaza Strip—Mr. Henry Selz (left), ANERA's Middle East Representative in Jerusalem, Mr. Salah Issa, Gaza's City Manager, and Mr. Ismail Abu Shanab, City Engineer (right), stand with some of the young residents of Al Hawash Street, Shagaieh Quarter, Gaza. In Al Hawash Street, the group is gathered around the main manhole cover which is part of ANERA's aid for the extension of Gaza's sewer system in the city's poorer neighborhoods.



JEEL AL-AMAL, Bethany—Jeel Al-Amal (Generation of Hope) is an orphanage and primary school for Palestinian children. The number of children at Jeel Al-Amal is increasing; Mrs. Alice Sahhar, founder and guiding spirit of the orphanage/school, hopes soon to build a larger home for the children. Mrs. Sahhar is shown here (in the dark dress, center) with some of the young people of Jeel Al-Amal.



DAR EL-TIFL, Jerusalem—Singing one of their favorite songs, these young people are among the 1,000 students, primarily orphans and children from impoverished families, who live and/or attend school at Dar El-Tifl (House of Children) in Jerusalem. Dar El-Tifl's educational program begins with nursery school and continues on through post-secondary courses in social work and education.



POULTRY FARMERS' COOPERATIVE, Ramallah—With the help of ANERA, this Cooperative is constructing a chicken feed plant which will assure poultry farmers in the Ramallah area of a continuous supply of high quality feed at a low cost. Two chickens, although refusing to smile, are displayed above by Cooperative members in the Cooperative's retail store in Al-Bireh.



GAZA COLLEGE, Gaza—Founded in 1942 by 2 brothers, Shafiq (left) and Wadi' Tarazi, Gaza College is the only private high school for Palestinians in the Gaza Strip. Eventually, the high school hopes to expand its current program to include 2 years of college. In school year 1978-79, Gaza College will offer freshman level English orientation courses similar to those at Birzeit University.



BETHLEHEM CHARITABLE SOCIETIES, Bethlehem—In a new program sponsored by the Societies with the help of ANERA, needy young people learn to become craftsmen in the fashioning of religious and contemporary jewelry from silver and other metals. Pictured here are Mr. Jalil Sayeh (left), Chief Supervisor of the project, Mr. Antoin Abu Mana'a, Technical Supervisor, and Mr. Anton Saba, Secretary of the Societies.



AL-BIR SOCIETY, Jericho—The Al-Bir Society is an orphanage, school, and vocational training center for 150 Palestinian boys from all over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. These young men are learning to make objects from wrought iron as part of their vocational training at the Al-Bir Society.



WOMEN'S CHARITABLE SOCIETY, Hebron—The Society conducts numerous programs for women including a literacy program, vocational training in sewing, knitting, and traditional Palestinian embroidery and medical services in maternity and child care. With ANERA's assistance, the Society is building a new center to house its activities. Mrs. Yusra Shawar, President (center, in scarf), is pictured here with some of the other members of the Society.



OLIVE PRESS COOPERATIVE, Beit Jala—This cooperative, organized by olive farmers for the production of olive oil, would now, with the help of ANERA, like to expand its operation to the manufacture of soap from jift, a by-product of oil-pressing. Shown in front of the new soap factory are Mr. Saba El-Arj, the Cooperative's Secretary (left), Mr. Ahmed Deeb, security guard (center), and Mr. Judeh El-Araj, President of the Cooperative (right).



PALESTINE WOMEN'S UNION, Gaza—Young Palestinian women learn to operate knitting machines at the headquarters of the Palestine Women's Union in Gaza. The finished products are either sold to provide income for the women and the Union or are given to especially needy families in the area. In addition to programs for women, the Union provides libraries and pre-school education in refugee camps, aid to families of political prisoners, etc.



CITY OF HALHUL, West Bank—In fiscal year 1979, ANERA hopes to assist the City in financing a new market where farmers in the area can come to sell their fruit and vegetables. The market will bring increased income to both the city and the farmers, and will assure consumers a standardized, higher quality of produce. Pictured here, right to left, are the City's Deputy Mayor, Henry Selz of ANERA, the Mayor of Halhul, Mohammed Milhem, and Sara Gentry, Vice President of ANERA.

LEBANON

After learning of the Israeli invasion of southern Lebanon in March, 1978, many ANERA donors responded generously (and without even being asked) to the plight of Lebanese and Palestinian refugees pouring into Beirut from the South. ANERA was able to send immediately \$5,000 to the Lebanese Red Cross and \$5,000 to the Palestinian Red Crescent for relief efforts among the refugees. Fortunately, an ANERA shipment of powdered milk (valued at \$56,000 wholesale), destined for the American University Hospital in Beirut, arrived just after the invasion and was especially useful in helping to feed infants and children. Information is still wanting on ANERA-assisted projects in South Lebanon. Contributions for relief continue to be accepted at the ANERA office.

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