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A 'Lonely Pilgrim' To Write Book

UN Palestine Head 'Fades' With Job
Times Special
LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., June 15.—Dr. Karel Lisicky is now the loneliest of "the five lonely pilgrims."
He was the chairman of the United Nations Palestine Partition Commission which struggled so valiantly to set up partition against the shifting American policy this winter.
The five-nation commission faded into obscurity May 15 when the Zionists established the de facto state of Israel.
He's at Loose Ends
Dr. Lisicky is — or was — a Czechoslovak career diplomat under Mr. Benes and Mr. Masaryk. Mr. Benes has resigned; Mr. Masaryk is dead.
Therefore, Dr. Lisicky is at loose ends.
He plans soon to go to London where other free Czechs are congregated and where he spent the war years with the Benes government-in-exile.
There he will write "an objective, impartial book" on Palestine as he saw it last summer. Copyright, 1948, by The Indianapolis Times and The Chicago Daily News, Inc.

American Legion Head Diets on Peas, Speeches

Has Also Traveled 100,000 Miles
By DOUGLAS LARSEN
NEA Staff Writer
WASHINGTON, June 15.—James O'Neill, National Commander of the American Legion, swears that he has eaten more green peas in the last nine months than anyone else in the world has eaten in a whole lifetime.
That claim, Jim says, he can prove. He has saved the menus from all the banquets and luncheons he has attended. He suspects he holds the same record for baked ham and fried chicken.
In addition to his gastronomic achievements since being head of the Legion, he claims several other titles. He has made 1703 speeches in 610 cities in 44 states while traveling more than 100,000 miles. For the same period of time Jim's record even tops that of presidential aspirant Harold Stassen.
Typical Day's Plan
His last visit to Boston O'Neill cites as a typical day in the life of a National Commander:
"Arrive at 6:30 in the morning. Speak to 300 persons at a formal breakfast. Meet the mayor at the city hall to give a short speech accepting the key to the city. Rush to a studio for a 15-minute radio interview. Speed out to the governor's office for a special meeting. Speak to 700 persons at lunch."
"Meet the city's top Legion officials for a two-hour business meeting. Break it up just as it is getting interesting for another radio speech. Rush to a reception which precedes a banquet. The banquet calls for a one-hour-and-a-half speech to 1200 persons, which is broadcast on a big network. Leave before the banquet is over to catch a plane to the next city. Try to sleep on the plane."
Monotonous Routine
Even that routine could get monotonous. So the Legion boys along the way do their best to vary it for him.
Like the time O'Neill visited a city in Texas. They met his car at the city limits. Before he had time to even start a speech they had him on a frisky palomino pony parading through the streets, followed by a brass band.
Four hours later they helped him dismount and sent him on his way. Lying across the back seat of his car, he admitted it was the first time he had been on a horse since his last visit to Texas—in 1917 with a cavalry outfit.
One Dark Night
The Texas experience was so only only to what happened to him one dark night as he and his aide were trying to reach the next engagement by car. Suddenly they found the road ahead blocked with several cars, and



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men flashing lights. It was the sheriff with a warrant for his arrest. It turned out to be a gag, but it was disturbing before he realize it.
O'Neill's term as Legion Commander expires next fall. He claims that he wouldn't have missed a minute of it. When he took a year's leave of absence as chief of police at Manchester, N. H., he knew he was getting into a back-breaking, speaking-traveling job which is tough on the liver and feet.

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