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MISS HENRIETTA SZOLD

HENRIETTA SZOLD AWARDED DEGREE

Native Of Baltimore Honored
By Boston University

Boston, March 13 (AP)—Boston University tonight used two-way short-wave radio to confer an honorary degree of doctor of humanities upon Miss Henrietta Szold, 83, Baltimore-born founder of Hadasah, women's Zionist organization of America.

Miss Szold was scheduled to reply to the citation at 3.30 A. M. (EWT) from Palestine, where she also heads the Youth Aliyah, or immigration, movement which reportedly has rescued more than 11,000 Jewish child exiles from war-ravaged Europe and settled them in Palestine.

Lauded By Dr. March

Dr. Daniel L. March, president of Boston University, characterized Miss Szold as "distinguished for social settlement work in America and Palestine, a scholar, classicist, journalist and accomplisher of unparalleled reclamation and rehabilitation work in Palestine."

He declared that (this) "Mother in Israel, through organizing and directing the Youth Aliyah" has become a "joyful mother in Israel of 10,000 motherless children."

Born Here In 1860

Born in Baltimore December 21, 1860, Miss Szold went to Palestine first in 1909 and announced her resolve to "do something" for the Jews and Arabs there.

On her return to America in 1912 she founded Hadassah, which then began its work in a small child welfare station in Jerusalem. In 1918 the organization sent a medical unit to Palestine to install a war-relief program.

The group now has a country-wide medical organization with headquarters in the Rothschild-Hadassah-University Hospital and medical school building, which cost \$1,000,000 to build.