

Sir,—We, the undersigned, without presuming to criticize the principle of the Government's general internment policy, are aware that certain hardships connected with it could be rapidly disposed of. The following three points occur:—

1. Jewish and other refugees from Nazi oppression should not be interned with Nazi sympathizers. Could not the War Office make the distinction rapidly so as to avoid scenes of persecution such as have already been alleged?

2. Refugee husbands and wives, especially those between the ages of 50 and 70, should not be separated. Would it not be possible for the War Office to institute special camps for elderly married couples as well as for young people from 16 to 18, using existing large refugee hostels, which could be well guarded and run by an English warden?

3. We understand that tribunals may be set up in the camps with a view to exempting certain refugees. We feel that it is important that people with wide Continental experience should be included in these tribunals. Suitable names could be obtained from the Central Register.

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