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## JEWS IN JACKSONVILLE MAP PLANS FOR CHECKING ANTI-JEWISH TERROR

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 29. (JTA) -- The Jewish Community Council of Jacksonville met today to map plans for immediate and long-range community action to prevent further attacks such as yesterday's bombing of the Jacksonville Jewish Center. The blast caused less than \$3,000 in damages but injured no one.

At the same time, local and county police officials drove forward with their investigation while civic and religious leaders throughout the city prepared to rouse the population against the attackers, identified in anonymous telephone calls as members of the "Confederate Underground."

(In Birmingham, Alabama, an attempt was made yesterday to blow up Temple Beth-El. However, the attempted bombing failed because of a faulty fuse. A total of 54 sticks of powerful dynamite were bundled together. The explosives were discovered after the 25 foot fuse burned to within 18 inches of the dynamite, enough to demolish the temple.)

The Jacksonville Jewish Community Council, whose members agreed today to act jointly on all matters pertaining to the bombing, has scheduled meetings with the local Ministerial Alliance to obtain an official expression of the views of the Christian clergy. It is understood that most ministers in Jacksonville were planning to devote their next Sunday's sermons to the attack and its significance as an assault on the civil rights of all citizens.

Meetings with newspaper and radio officials and with municipal officers and police authorities have already begun. Ben Stark, executive director of the Jacksonville Jewish Community Council, said today that the police officials were handling a "difficult" situation with a "great deal of understanding and a great deal of cooperation."

Among the long-range plan tentatively considered at today's Community Council meeting was the establishment in this city of a human relations council embracing the widest possible representation of political, civic and spiritual leaders. The Community Council also plans to keep in active contact with major national Jewish agencies working in the field of community relations.

Jewish community sources were at a loss to understand the reason for the violence since in Jacksonville, unlike in some other Southern cities, neither individually nor as a community had the Jews been active in the integration of Negro children in the schools. In fact, it was pointed out, there has been practically no integration in Jacksonville. Relations between the Jews and the non-Jewish community were characterized as "excellent."

Mayor Haydon Burns said "it is quite obvious that the bombing is the work of an outsider." He called on the FBI to investigate. But the FBI said it had no jurisdiction because it found no evidence of violation of Federal law. However, FBI agents are maintaining liaison with Jacksonville police.

## Senators Urge F. B. I. to Act on Jacksonville Synagogue Bombing

WASHINGTON, April 29. (JTA) -- Sen. Spessard L. Holland, Florida Democrat, today urged FBI director J. Edgar Hoover to lend every possible assistance to Florida authorities in bringing to justice those responsible for the bombing of a synagogue in Jacksonville. The Senator said he was "shocked over the lawless bombing incidents that took place in Jacksonville."

Republican Senator Jacob K. Javits of New York today urged immediate broadening of FBI powers to combat conspiracies and bombings in the South. He termed recent violence a "fifth column for disorder and anarchy." Speaking on the Senate floor, Sen. Javits said the recent attacks against synagogues and Negro schools would be exploited by Soviet propaganda to discredit the United States.

Chairman Emanuel Celler of the House Judiciary Committee today charged that a "confederate underground" is active in a conspiracy to blow up synagogues and schools in a number of Southern states. He demanded an immediate FBI investigation.

MOSCOW SAYS KHRUSHCHEV'S ANTI-JEWISH REMARKS ARE "FORGERY"; HITS ISRAEL

NEW YORK, April 29, (JTA) -- Moscow Radio, broadcasting in the Hungarian language on its European service, accused the French newspaper Le Figaro of "manufacturing a provocative forgery" in quoting anti-Jewish remarks by Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev in the course of an interview with that newspaper, it was reported here today by Radio Liberation, the anti-Soviet radio station which monitors broadcasts from the Soviet Union and also beams news to the Soviet Union.

In reporting this surprise development, Radio Liberation said that this was still another Moscow effort "to take Khrushchev off the hook for his intemperate remarks." Moscow Radio accused Le Figaro of having launched an "anti-Soviet huliabaloo" which, in turn, was "snapped up in Israel, where with plenty of additional spice and further slander it was published by the entire Israeli press and has served as an excuse for a further campaign of slander against the Soviet Union."

The Moscow broadcast assailed a "mass meeting of former Soviet Union subjects held recently in Tel Aviv organized by the Mapai administration, claiming the speeches consisted of "confused nonsense." "The aim of every single speech was to slander the Soviet Socialist state and to present in a distorted light the Leninist policy on nationalities followed by the Soviet Union," the Moscow broadcast contended.

The Moscow station claimed "it is well known" that Israel's leaders, "claiming to be the protectors of Jewry, have been waging for a long time a campaign for the concentration in Israel of the Jewish population of various countries, among them the Soviet Union." It observed that "there were such people who were taken in by the Israeli-American propaganda and have emigrated to Israel. But their disappointment was a bitter one." Apparently, this was a reference to Polish Jews who emigrated to Israel.

The Moscow radio broadcast quoted from letters purportedly received from "mised people who became victims of Israeli-American propaganda" and had emigrated to Israel. "These people became capitalist forced-laborers concealed by the figleaf of the Jewish national state," the broadcast declared. "These people were confronted by hunger, misery and unemployment."

"These letters of misled people are documents which expose the dirty slanderous character of the allegations of the inspirers of the new anti-Soviet propaganda campaign on the so-called Jewish question," the Moscow station continued. "This invented problem does not exist in the Soviet Union, where the Jewish population enjoys the fruits of the Leninist policy of nationalities in the same manner as all other peoples of the Soviet Union."

Dr. Silver Assails Khrushchev's Policy on Jews; Asks Their Emigration

TEL AVIV, April 29, (JTA) -- Dr. Abba Hillel Silver struck out sharply today at Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev for his remarks that Jews were not inclined to work in industries where they had to work collectively or cooperatively.

Addressing a meeting of 2,000 persons at ZOA House here, including 500 delegates from the Zionist Organization of America, Rabbi Silver suggested that if the Russian Jews had proved so unassimilable, they be allowed to leave for Israel. He predicted that Mr. Khrushchev would be "shocked to discover the number of Jews who would welcome the opportunity to leave a Marxist paradise and choose the hard, rugged pioneering life in the Israel democracy."

Dr. Silver called on the Jews outside Israel to rally to the continued support of the Jewish State. "Without an organized, mobilized world Jewry, Israel would never have been established," he said, "and without it Israel cannot be sustained."

The Zionist leader urged the United States to turn its face on the policy of sending jet planes and tanks to "friendly Arab states" in an attempt to compete with Soviet blandishments, and to offer Israel solid security guarantees as the strongest measure in behalf of peace in the Middle East. He warned that there were forces in the U.S., as well as in the USSR, which were prepared to sacrifice Israel to win favor with the Arabs.

JAPAN SENDS MISSION TO ISRAEL TO EXPLORE INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS

TOKYO, April 29, (JTA) -- The Japan Plant Association said today it has ordered an export mission to visit Israel this July to explore the possibility of building two fertilizer factories there.

A spokesman for the Association, which promotes Japanese plant equipment exports, said Israeli trade officials who were in Tokyo earlier this year suggested the project. He said the Israelis had proposed that the Japanese construct urea and ammonium sulphate factories in Israel, each capable of producing 50,000 to 100,000 tons of fertilizer per year.

The Association's three-man export mission is now in Brazil negotiating the construction of similar fertilizer plants. It is headed by Shinorku Nakao, a former board member of the giant Sumitoto Chemical Company. The mission will proceed to Peru when it leaves Brazil in June, to discuss technical cooperation in building a urea factory there.

ORTHODOX JEWISH LEADERS TESTIFY IN WASHINGTON AGAINST SLAUGHTER BILL

WASHINGTON, April 29. (JTA) -- Opposition to the proposed Humane Slaughter Bill, which was passed recently in the House of Representatives and is now pending before the Senate, was expressed today by Orthodox Jewish leaders at a hearing on the bill before the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

In a statement presented to the Senate Committee, Rabbi Solomon J. Sharfman, president of the Rabbinical Council of America, and Moses I. Feuerstein, president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, said: "This bill is bound not merely to fail of its proclaimed purpose, but will actually promote inhumane slaughter. Our conscience will not permit us to underwrite in any manner the treatment of animals which violates a principle of our religion requiring the humane slaughter of animals."

The testimony presented in behalf of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America and the Rabbinical Council of America, organization of the Orthodox rabbinate, laid stress on the view that while the bill would be a disservice to humanitarianism, it offers parallels with legislation in other countries directed against Shehitah, the method of animal slaughter required by the laws of the Jewish religion.

"Legislation in foreign lands, under the cloak of 'humane slaughter,' has been accompanied by vicious anti-Shehitah agitation, disclosing beyond doubt the real purpose of such measures," the Joint statement stressed. "While the immediate sponsors of the bill before this committee are surely free of any such motivation, we have reason to believe that there are those who would strive for the ultimate in that respect. Americans must not permit themselves to allow this specious bill to open the door to the undermining of American religious freedom."

Noting that the bill cites Shehitah, the method of animal slaughter required by the laws of the Jewish religion, as humane, Mr. Feuerstein and Rabbi Sharfman said that this was in accord with the findings of more than 800 recognized authorities, mostly non-Jewish, in the field of physiology, pathology and anatomy, who have testified that Shehitah is "most humane." Their statement declared, however, that the bill's provision for Shehitah is "illusory" because of other provisions which could restrict or prevent its exercise.

"Should this bill be enacted, an agency of the government will be responsible for the supervision of religious practices. Certainly, such legislation flouts the fundamental American tradition prohibiting the Government from interference with the religious practices of any faith," the Orthodox Jewish leaders argued.

ISRAEL MAY BECOME SCAPEGOAT OF THE WEST, DR. MORDECAI KAPLAN WARNS

KIAMESHA LAKE, N. Y., April 29. (JTA) -- "The Zionist movement must undertake a massive, universal educational effort among the statesmen of the Western world in order to avert the danger that Israel may become the Czechoslovakia of this era," Rabbi Mordecai Kaplan, noted Jewish philosopher, today told the 58th annual convention of the Rabbinical Assembly of America being held here. Some 600 Conservative rabbis are attending the four-day convention.

Asserting that world opinion of Israel will "ultimately depend on what Israel means to the Jew," the founder of the Reconstructionist movement said that opinion in the Western world regarding Israel is no less "frightening" than that in the Soviet orbit. Just as the Jew has often been the scapegoat of Western civilization, Dr. Kaplan added, there is a great danger that Israel may become the scapegoat of the West.

He expressed the fear that this might occur because the United States, inheriting the "blunders that Britain and France had made in the Arab world," might perpetuate them through a "futile policy of appeasing Arab nationalism."

Dr. Kaplan expressed the view that the "establishment of the State of Israel had created a new division" between Jews outside Israel and those living in it. Analyzing the role of world Jewry in relation to Israel, he said "many Jews outside Israel no longer feel a sense of responsibility for the state, many Israeli Jews no longer feel a sense of responsibility for Jews who do not migrate to Israel." As a "disbanded people" threatened by further divisions, he warned, "the future of world Jewry is precarious."

The religious leader averred that Israel could confer on the Jews of the world a spiritual status only if it became a "catalytic agent for the reconstitution of the Jewish people," which was presently disintegrating. Zionism, he insisted, was the force best qualified to "reconstitute the continuity, spirituality and structure of Jewish life."

DR. EDWARD TELLER, NOTED AMERICAN SCIENTIST, RECEIVES EINSTEIN AWARD

WASHINGTON, April 29. (JTA) -- The Albert Einstein Medal and the \$5,000 award of the Lewis and Rosa Strauss Memorial Fund will be given this year to Dr. Edward Teller, Hungarian-born American nuclear physicist. The award will go to the Jewish scientist for his contribution to "human knowledge in the natural sciences."

# AMERICAN ENTERTAINMENT WORLD SALUTES ISRAEL AT GALA PREMIERE IN N. Y.

NEW YORK, April 29. (JTA) -- The entertainment world saluted the State of Israel on its tenth anniversary tonight at a supper-reception following the gala premiere of "The Firstborn," by Christopher Fry, starring Katharine Cornell and Anthony Quayle, at the Coronet Theatre. Arthur B. Krim, chairman of the gala premiere, and Samuel Rubin, president of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation which sponsored the gala premiere, were hosts at the reception held at the Carnegie Endowment Center. Simcha Pratt, Consul General of Israel, was among the guests.

The proceeds of the gala premiere will be used to bring the entire production of "The Firstborn" to Israel this summer as part of the cultural exchange program of the Foundation, to participate in tenth anniversary celebrations there. Habima, which is among the 40 cultural institutions supported by the Foundation, has extended the invitation to Miss Cornell and the company.

## ELABORATE CELEBRATIONS OF ISRAEL'S ANNIVERSARY HELD IN LATIN AMERICA

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 29. (JTA) -- This capital of Brazil went all out to celebrate Israel's 10th anniversary. A mass meeting in honor of Israel was presided over by Mayor Francisco Negro de Lima and addressed by Osvaldo Aranha, Brazilian statesman who presided in 1948 over the United Nations General Assembly session at which the Palestine partition resolution was adopted. The meeting was also addressed by Israel Ambassador Arieh Aroch.

Avenida Rio Branca, the city's main street, has been decorated since last Wednesday, by the mayor's order, with Israeli flags. The Brazilian Senate and the Chamber of Deputies, as well as the City Council, held special sessions in honor of Israel. All letters were cancelled with a special Israeli 10th anniversary stamp, while some of the Brazilian newspapers put out special Israeli supplements.

In Sao Paulo, some 10,000 Brazilians attended a mass meeting in the Pacaembus Stadium in honor of Israel's tenth anniversary at which Israel Minister Bar Yehuda, Col. Tamir of the Israel Army and Brazilian Congressman Horacia Lafer the principal speakers. The Brazilian United Jewish Appeal launched its initial pledge campaign with marked increases in giving over last year.

BUENOS AIRES, April 29. (JTA) -- More than 2,000 persons attended a banquet here last night organized by the Argentine Committee to Celebrate Israel's Tenth Anniversary. The function took on political significance when Vice-President-Elect Dr. Alejandro Gomez made one of the major speeches. Representatives of virtually every Argentine Party were present as were several military leaders.

Israel's anniversary was also observed here in a gala affair held at the Colon Theater, which was arranged by the DAIA and the committee for the observance of the anniversary. Among the distinguished guests were members of the Argentine Cabinet. The diplomatic corps was represented by the ambassadors of the four Great Powers. Juan Jose Castro, noted conductor, directed a concert which included the Israeli Suite of Paul Ben Haim. The event began with the playing of the national anthems of Argentine and Israel.

SANTIAGO, Chile, April 29. (JTA) -- The municipality of Santiago honored the State of Israel on its 10th anniversary today by naming one of the city squares "Plaza Republica de Israel." Two state schools, one in the city of Concepcion and the other in Valparaiso, were named Escuela Republica de Israel, also in honor of Israel's anniversary.

The three leading morning newspapers in Santiago appeared with many pages depicting life in Israel. The radio station here initiated an "Israel Week" during which the station carried programs of Israel music every day. Samuel Goren, Israel's Minister in Chile, was invited to broadcast a speech on Israel. Mr. Goren tendered a reception for the diplomatic corps in the Union Club here. The Jewish population celebrated Israel's anniversary with a dinner-ball at Hotel Carera.

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, April 29. (JTA) -- Israel's Minister of the Interior, Israel Bar Yehuda, attended the festivities in Montevideo on the occasion of Israel's tenth anniversary. Mr. Bar Yehuda later visited the Uruguayan President, Carlos Fischer, and various members of the Cabinet and participated in the opening of the United Israel Campaign in Uruguay.

LIMA, Peru, April 29. (JTA) -- Peruvian President Prado gave a reception in honor of M. Carmel, Israel's Minister to Peru, on the occasion of Israel's tenth anniversary. In parallel developments, both houses of the Peruvian Parliament paid tribute to the Jewish State and its ten years of achievements.

GUATEMALA CITY, April 29. (JTA) -- Highest officials of the government here saluted Israel on its tenth anniversary at a formal reception at the home of Israel's Consul, Eric Heineman. Among the dignitaries present were the President of the Republic, Gen. Miguel Ydigoras Fuentes; the President of the Congress, and chief justice of the Supreme Court.