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## REPUBLICAN CONVENTION 'STRENGTHENS' ITS PLANK ON MIDDLE EAST

CHICAGO, July 27. (JTA) -- The foreign Policy Committee at the Republican Convention today issued what was described by Senators Jacob K. Javits and Kenneth B. Keating, New York Republicans, as a "strengthened" Middle East plank. Eliminating a portion of the previous Middle East plank, the revised plank reads:

"With specific reference to Israel and the Arab nations, we urge them to undertake negotiations for a mutually acceptable settlement of the causes of tension between them.

"We pledge continued efforts: to eliminate the obstacles to a lasting peace in the area, including the human problem of the Arab refugees; to seek an end to transit and trade restrictions, blockades and boycotts; to secure freedom of navigation in international waterways, the cessation of discrimination against Americans on basis of religious beliefs, and an end to the wasteful and dangerous arms race and to the threat of an arms imbalance in the area."

## NASSER RETALIATES AGAINST IRAN FOR RECOGNITION OF ISRAEL; BREAKS TIES

LONDON, July 27. (JTA) -- The Iranian ambassador to Cairo and his staff were expelled today from the United Arab Republic following an announcement last night by President Nasser that he is closing the UAR embassy in Iran in retaliation for Iran's recognition of Israel.

Iraq joined other Arab Governments in assailing Iran for extending full recognition to Israel but said nothing about cutting off diplomatic ties. The official Baghdad Radio said last night that the recognition "shocked us and those who are keen to seek the promotion of good relations between us and Iran."

Nasser said the Shah of Iran had "sold himself to his master's imperialism and Zionism at a cheap price." He added that "we are waiting for the day when the Iranian people will free themselves both from the Shah and the Zionist yoke."

Nasser also said that because of the "ties of affection" which the UAR had with the people of Iran, the break in diplomatic relations was being made with "grief and reluctance" but "if anyone gives us a slap on the face, we give him two slaps back." He charged that the Shah had shown a "hostile attitude" toward Egypt, the UAR and Arab nationalism since 1953.

Iran's recognition of Israel was reported by the Cairo daily Al Gumhurriya today to be also a major factor in the rejection by the U.A.R. of a British request to raise diplomatic relations between the two countries from charge d'affaires to full embassy level. The Cairo viewpoint is that "British policy toward the U.A.R. has not changed and Iran's recognition of Israel was the result of this policy," the paper quoted a responsible source as saying.

## LABOR-MANAGEMENT STRIFE IN ISRAEL FEARED OVER COST-OF-LIVING INCREASE

TEL AVIV, July 27. (JTA) -- The threat of widespread labor-management strife in Israel developed today when Israeli manufacturers indicated they would oppose payment of an increase in cost-of-living allowances approved by Finance Minister Levi Eshkol.

The Histadrut, Israel's Labor Federation, asked for and received approval for the boost despite the fact that the increase in the consumer price index, to which such allowances are linked, was currently below the minimum required for living cost allowance increases. Management objections to paying the increases were based on this point.

Histadrut officials replied they hoped it would not be necessary to use strikes to force payments. The increases amount to about 14 pounds (around \$7) per month for the highest-paid workers, and are scheduled to be paid on a staggered basis to reduce their inflationary impact.

## WASHINGTON JUDGE COMMITS ROCKWELL TO HOSPITAL FOR PSYCHIATRIC TEST

WASHINGTON, July 27. (JTA) -- Municipal Judge George Neilson today committed George Lincoln Rockwell, self-styled leader of the "American Nazi party" to the District of Columbia General Hospital for psychiatric examination.

Rockwell's defense counsel promptly announced a bid would be made for a writ of habeas corpus tomorrow and Judge Neilson was not expected to issue the commitment order until consideration of that writ.

The judge issued his decision after a prolonged hearing today in two sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Rockwell testified in his own defense as the last defense witness, spending most of his 45 minutes on the stand describing his neo-Nazi philosophy.

The decision for commitment followed a battle of psychiatrists over the question of Rockwell's sanity at the court hearing at which Rockwell had originally been scheduled to face a second charge of disorderly conduct.

Judge George Neilson accepted a request of Clark King, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the question of Rockwell's sanity, originally scheduled to be considered at a hearing August 10, be considered today. Rockwell was in court today again on disorderly conduct charges growing out of a clash which developed at his latest "rally" last Sunday in the nation's capital.

Rockwell had asked previously for a postponement from July 27 to August 10 so he could engage a psychiatrist and Judge Neilson approved the continuance. Today Rockwell appeared in court with his own attorney, James K. Hughes, who worked with the court-appointed lawyer, O.B. Parker as Rockwell's defense counsel.

### Psychiatric Expert of Washington Hospital Testifies Against Rockwell

Dr. John Schultz, medical director of the District of Columbia Hospital and former head of the hospital's psychiatric clinic, testified for the prosecution. He said he had examined drawings and writings from Rockwell's college days, as well as current ones. He testified he had reached the conclusion that "whoever developed this material gave evidence of having a deep-seated mental disturbance of a nature which one might assume could be dangerous."

Mr. King then moved to submit that a prima facie showing had been made that Rockwell "might be of unsound mind and should be confined for full-time examination." Defense counsel Parker objected, arguing that Rockwell was competent to stand trial and that he had been found to be so by Dr. Thomas Murphy, a private psychiatrist in Washington.

The defense then began to call witnesses, all of them members of Rockwell's group. Although there were some contradictions in their testimony, they agreed generally that the use by Rockwell and his followers of the swastika on armbands and on other displays was an "advertising gimmick." The defense counsel sought to show that Rockwell's activities were motivated only by the goal of getting publicity.

In an earlier clash today between Mr. King and Mr. Parker, the defense attorney objected to the demand for an immediate sanity hearing, pointing out that Rockwell had been cooperating with the court and that there was therefore no need for the court to consider a detention order. Mr. King replied that Rockwell had been arrested even while a hearing was pending on a previous disorderly conduct charge. He said that there had already been bloodshed as a result of Rockwell's activities and that action should be taken promptly to avoid more violence.

In earlier testimony, the prosecution presented two witnesses, Henry C. Borchard, Jr., a reporter for the North Virginia Sun of Arlington, Rockwell's residence city, and Lt. Walter Lange of the capital Park Police. Borchard, who said he had been associated with Rockwell's group, testified he had had long talks with Rockwell and that Rockwell had talked repeatedly about "gassing the Jews." Lt. Lange testified he had been on duty at a number of Rockwell "rallies" and that he had heard Rockwell preach extermination of the Jews.

### NAZI COMMANDANT WHO DESTROYED WARSAW GHETTO ARRESTED IN GERMAN

LONDON, July 27. (JTA) -- The Central Commission Investigating War Crimes in Poland has collected considerable material on the wartime activities of Ludwig Han who has been arrested in Hamburg, it was reported here today from Warsaw.

Han, as commandant of the Nazi Security Police in Warsaw, reportedly took part in the destruction of the Warsaw Ghetto and in the crushing of the Warsaw Ghetto revolt. Janusz Gumkowski, director of the Central Commission, said the commission was ready to provide documentation on Han to the court that tries him if such a request is received.

STATE DEPT. EXPRESSES 'GREAT CONCERN' OVER ARAB BOYCOTT OF U.S. JEWS

NEW YORK July 27. (JTA) -- Discrimination by the Arab Governments against American Jewish firms is a matter of "great concern" to the United States Government, the State Department said today in a communication to Louis Segal, General Secretary of the Farband-Labor Zionist Order. The communication was an answer to a complaint that the Government of Kuwait has addressed letters to American enterprises requesting information about their relations with Israel or Israeli firms.

Mr. Segal referred specifically to a letter addressed by the Boycott Affairs Department of the Kuwait Government to Samuel Shulsinger, head of a New York printing firm engaged in the printing of Jewish books, periodicals and other printed matter. He attached a copy of this letter to his complaint to the State Department. Kuwait, a sheikhdom on the Persian Gulf, has sent such letters to American firms all over the United States warning them against doing business with Israel on pain of Arab boycott.

Pointing out that these letters are "an outright example of the Arab boycott which is being conducted in the United States against American citizens," Mr. Segal asked the State Department to advise him as to what action can be taken "in this most serious and urgent matter." In a reply received from the office of the Near Eastern Affairs of the State Department, Mr. Segal was told that the Kuwait letter "will be cited" by the State Department "as we continue to register our Government's disapproval of Arab boycott activities."

The text of the State Department's letter to Mr. Segal outlining the U.S. Attitude toward the Arab boycott of Israel and of American firms doing business with Israel reads as follows:

"The letter from the Government of Kuwait is a manifestation of Arab boycott and blacklisting practices which, as you are aware, are highly regrettable outgrowths of tension arising from the Arab-Israel conflict. The Arab nations assert that as sovereign nations they are entitled to establish rules and regulations regarding the entry of goods into their territories and to restrict trade activities in accordance with what they deem to be in their national interest. They cite in this connection trade restrictions which they claim the United States and other countries occasionally apply for political reasons.

"The Government of the United States neither condones nor recognizes the Arab boycott of Israel. We have consistently made clear at every appropriate opportunity our disapproval of boycott regulations, particularly so far as those regulations provide for discriminatory actions which adversely affect American firms and citizens. United States views were most recently enunciated publicly in a statement of policy issued by the Department May 6. Paragraphs 3 and 4 make clear the Department's intention to pursue every avenue whereby private American interests in international trade may be fully safeguarded and restored. Our diplomatic missions in the Arab countries have been instructed to make these views known directly to the Governments concerned.

"As you know, the boycott is only one of several disturbing problems arising out of the Arab-Israel conflict. It is our conviction that, as progress is made toward a general solution of the basic conflict, such problems as boycotts, transit restrictions and homeless Arab refugees will disappear. We believe that effective and peaceable progress toward a resolution of the fundamental problem can be made only through a spirit of accommodation on both sides, facilitated by the efforts of the United Nations. Our Government continues to support in fullest measure all such efforts.

"You may be assured that discrimination by the Arab Governments against Shulsinger Brothers and other American companies is a matter of great concern to our Government. The Government of Kuwait's letter will be cited as we continue to register our Government's disapproval of Arab boycott activities. Meanwhile, we shall continue to do what we can to facilitate progress toward a solution of the root problem from which these unfortunate boycott and blacklisting practices stem."

JEWS IN ITALY EXPRESS SATISFACTION OVER FORMATION OF NEW GOVERNMENT

ROME, July 27. (JTA) -- Jewish circles here expressed satisfaction today over the formation yesterday of Italy's new Government under the premiership of Amintore Fanfani. The Premier is considered by Jews here to be an impartial friend of Israel. During his premiership two years ago, Mr. Fanfani was scheduled to visit Israel, but the government crisis at that time forced him to cancel the trip. It is hoped here that Mr. Fanfani will make the trip to Israel now.

"Israel," the official organ of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities, pointed out in an editorial today that the government of former Premier Fernando Tambroni, who was forced to resign last week, had relied on neo-fascist support for his Parliamentary majority. "For Italian Jews and for all freedom-loving citizens alike, there is no chance of prosperity, progress and peace unless all forms of autocracy are opposed and the fundamental values of a democratic state are strenuously defended," the editorial said.

## VANCOUVER BARS RELIGIOUS DISCRIMINATION IN SALE OF GOODS, SERVICES

VANCOUVER, July 27. (JTA) -- The Vancouver City Council has adopted a municipal by-law which bars racial and religious discrimination in the sale of goods or services in the city.

The by-law stipulates that every person holding or required to hold a license to carry on "any trade, business or occupation under the provisions of any by-law" of the city cannot refuse "to sell any goods or furnish any service to a person by reason only of such person's race, creed or color." Penalties on conviction are fines to a maximum of \$100 "with or without hard labor" for a period not exceeding two months.

The by-law filled a gap in the prior license law which developed from the fact that there were several types of business in Vancouver, particularly hotels, which were licensed under a Lodging House by-law but not under the general license by-law.

## 800 HADASSAH MEMBERS ARRIVE IN ISRAEL; WILL DEDICATE MEDICAL CENTER

JERUSALEM, July 27. (JTA) -- Eight hundred members of Hadassah, led by Mrs. Rebecca Shulman, have arrived here for the official dedication August 3 of the Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center near Jerusalem.

Correspondents taken on a tour of the center observed last-minute preparations for the ceremony. The \$25,000,000 structure is complete and ultra-modern equipment is now being installed. Joseph Neufeld, the chief architect, said that the medical center is the largest building in the Middle East and the most mechanized medical structure in the world outside of the United States.

Mrs. Abraham Tulin of Hadassah said that the organization has already collected \$15,000,000 of the organization's \$22,000,000 commitment for the structure.

## U.S. EXPERT TO PRESENT PAPER ON SEPHARDIC JEWS AT BOGOTA CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, July 27. (JTA) -- A paper on the development and decline of Spanish among Sephardic Jews will be presented by an American specialist on Sephardic culture at the Third Congress of Academies of the Spanish Language which opened today at Bogota, Colombia.

The paper will be delivered by Henry V. Besso, a member of the United States Information Agency staff here. He is attending the Congress as a representative of the Sephardic community at the special invitation of Father Felix Restrepo, president of the Colombian Academy of Spanish Language and as a guest of the Sephardic residents of Bogota. The Congress of Academies is a non-governmental body.

(From Buenos Aires it was reported to the JTA today that Dr. Moises Goldman, president of the executive of the South American World Jewish Congress, will propose to the Third Congress in Bogota the elimination of terms in Spanish dictionaries offensive to Jews.)

## TEAM LED BY ISRAELI ARCHEOLOGIST MAKES MAJOR DISCOVERY IN ITALY

ROME, July 27. (JTA) -- Widespread press attention has been given to a major archeological discovery in northern Italy, after four years of research, by a team led by Emanuel Anati, an Israeli archeologist.

The team unearthed documentation on the existence of a community which lived in the area, near Lake Iseo, 2,000 years B.C.E. The community left artifacts of its existence in rock drawings. Mr. Anati, who was born in Florence, was graduated from the Hebrew University. He completed his studies at Harvard University and the Sorbonne in Paris.

## PUERTO RICAN GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS 1960 AS SOLOMON IBN GABIROL YEAR

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, July 27. (JTA) -- Luis Munez Marin, Governor of Puerto Rico, has issued a proclamation designating 1960 as Solomon Ibn Gabirol year, in memory of the 11th century Spanish-Jewish poet. This is the second such proclamation, the first having been issued by Mayor Wagner of New York City last January.

## DR. RUPIN NAMED ISRAEL'S FIRST AMBASSADOR TO REPUBLIC OF MALAGASY

JERUSALEM, July 27. (JTA) -- The Israel Foreign Ministry announced officially today the appointment of Dr. Eytan Rupin as Israel's first Ambassador to the Republic of Malagasy, the former French colony of Madagascar. Dr. Rupin is en route to that country, accompanied by Dr. Joseph Burg, Minister of Welfare, to represent Israel at the new African nation's independence celebrations.

## MEMORIAL INAUGURATED IN ITALY IN HONOR OF POLISH-JEWISH WRITER

PIZZOLI, July 27. (JTA) -- A memorial was inaugurated in this northern Italian town in honor of the late Leone Ginzburg, a Polish-Jewish writer who fought in the area with Italian partisans against fascist and German troops. Carlo Levi, the Italian Jewish writer was the principal speaker. Members of the Italian Parliament took part.