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## ISRAELI PRESIDENT SUCCEEDS IN AVERTING CABINET CRISIS TEMPORARILY

JERUSALEM, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- In a dramatic move aimed at saving the Israel Cabinet from falling, President Izhak Ben-Zvi toda; summoned Premier David Ben-Gurion and seven other members of the Cabinet split over the "Lavon Affair," and succeeded in securing their agreement "to make an all-out effort to restore conditions for further collaboration and the normal working of the Cabinet,"

A communique to this effect was issued following the meeting in the President's residence, which lasted two and a half hours. The communique was issued on behalf of the eight Cabinet members participating in the talk, including Premier Ben-Gurion, Today was the first time since December 25--when Mr. Ben-Gurion stalked out of a Cabinet meeting--that he had met with the other Ministers.

His departure from the Cabinet meeting last month followed Mr. Ben-Gurion's anger Pinhas Lavon, former Minister of Defense, of charges of complicity in the aftermaths to a 1954 "incident" involving security. The Ministerial Committee was composed of the seven Cabinet members who, together with Mr. Ben-Gurion, were summoned today by President Ben-Zvi. Premier Ben-Gurion, who in the meantime took a vacation for several weeks, had threatened that he would resign his post if there were no reversal of the Ministerial Committee's decision.

At the meeting today in his home, President Ben-Zvi appealed to all present to desist from controversy over the "Lavon Affair," Instead, he requested that the Ministers see to it that the Government continue with its regular work "in its full composition," He demanded that all members of the Government refrain from resigning,

In addition to a resignation threat from Mr. Ben-Gurion, there are also threats of quiting by Minister of Justice Pinhas Rosen, who headed the Ministerial Committee. Sharp disagreements were voiced also by Foreign Minister Golda Meir and Minister of Commerce and Industry Pinhas Sapir. At the same time, Finance Minister Levi Eshkol and Minister of Police Behor Shitreet, who had been members of the Ministerial Committee that absolved Mr. Lavon, have said they could not reverse themselves.

#### Ben-Gurion Reported Altering Criticism; Cabinet Meets Tomorrow

At the meeting at the Ben-Zvi home, Mr. Ben-Gurion is understood to have modified previous attacks against the Ministerial Committee's findings, declaring he was not questioning the group's integrity but only its procedures. He emphasized his belief that the committee should have called witnesses and should have given the Lavon matter further study. It was reported after the meeting that several of the Cabinet members including Mr. Rosen, were satisfied with this stand.

The Ben-Zvi move, however, has not solved any of the fundamental difficulties as yet. Following the conference in the President's home, the Ministers went on to the regular Sunday meeting of the Eabinet--but Mr. Ben-Gurion did not Join them. He returned to his "leave," a vacation on which he started officially last month,

At the Cabinet meeting, Mr. Rosen repeated a proposal he had made previously, calling for the resignation of the entire Government. The Cabinet decided to meet again in extraordinary session Tuesday night, indicating that the crisis has been averted only temporarily. The time for the next Cabinet session was put off for 48 hours, to give the various coalition parties time to hold caucuses of their own in the meanwhile.

#### Sadigorer Rebbe Begs Ben-Gurion on His Knees Not to Resign

Meanwhile, another highly charged event that occurred late last night was revealed here today. It involved an appeal made directly to Mr. Ben-Curion by the revered Sadigorer Rebbe, to remain ir. his position at the helm of Israel's Government.

The Sadigorer Rebts has been attending the current Congress of Polish Jaws. Late Saturday night, one of his Hassadim telephoned the home of the vacationing Prime Minister, telling Mrs. Paula Ben-Gurion that the Holy man wants to see her husband. She replied that she would awake Mr. Ben-Gurion at once for a conference with the Rebbe.

The Sadigorer Rebbe, accompanied by several of his Hassidim, went to the Ben-Gurion home. Literally on his knees, with tears streaming down his face, the Rebbe told Mr. Ben-Gurion: "You constructed the State of Israel. Now you must save her from destruction by putting an end to this affair." Mr. Ben-Gurion was moved and replied that it was not he who

had built Israel "but I shall not give my hand to its destruction," "You can trust Israel," he told the Rebbe, "which found a way out of greater hardships, that it will find a way out of this difficult affair."

#### MAPAI CALLS ON BEN-GURION AND OTHER CABINET MEMBERS NOT TO RESIGN

TEL AVIV, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- The Central Committee of the dominant Mapai party voted here tonight a resolution calling upon Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion and other members: of the Cabinet to refrain from resigning.

After a meeting lasting nearly all night, at Mapai's Educational Center in the village of Kar Hayarok, north of Tel Aviv, the party leaders also voted two other demands. They called for: I, The-naming of a special committee to probe into all statements made by Pinhas Lavon, ex-Defense Minister and now secretary-general of Histadrut. 2. All members of Mapai to discontinue publication of statements or the voicing of further statements regarding the "Lavon affair,"

The 301 members of the Central Committee, attending the meeting, made it clear that they want neither Prime Minister Ben-Gurion nor any of the other members of the Cabinet to resign. In instructing members to keep from making further public statements, the party leaders obviously meant both Mr. Ben-Gurion and Mr. Layon.

While Mapai's Central Commission was in session, the Secretariat of another of the coalition parties, Ahdut Ha'avcdah, also held a caucus here. Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, political secretary of the party, called upon Mr. Ben-Gurion at this meeting to accept the findings of the seven-man Ministerial Committee that had exonerated Mr. Lavon.

Three others of the coalition partners--Mapam, the National Religious party and the Progressive party--have called meetings of their central bodies to be held here tomorrow,

#### ISRAEL ENVOY TO AUSTRIA SENTENCED FOR PERJURY BY TEL AVIV COURT

TEL AVIV, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- Yehezkel Sahar, Israel's Ambassador to Austria and former Inspector General of Police, received today a nine-month suspended prison senence, and was fined 15, 000 Israel pounds (\$8,000), after being found guilty in District Court here of having given false evidence in a libel suit involving Amos Ben-Gurion, Deputy Police Inspector General.

The sentencing of Mr. Sahar followed a series of trials and appeals which started three years ago, when Amos Ben-Gurion sued a students group known as the Volunteers, for libel. The student group had charged in a pamphlet that Mr. Ben-Gurion had brought about the termination of an investigation of a suspect with whom, it was charged he had been associated. They also charged that Mr. Ben-Gurion utilized his post for his own benefit.

At the libel suit, instituted by Mr. Ben-Gurion against the Volunteers, Mr. Sahar had testified that he did not know that the man with whom Mr. Ben-Gurion was associated was actually suspected of an economic offense and the Volunteers were found guilty of committing libel, In an appeal, the Volunteers were later acquitted and Mr. Sahar was accused of perjury. Mr. Sahar, who had in the meantime served as Israel's Ambassador in Vienna, was recalled from his post to stand trial,

The Foreign Ministry said this afternoon that Sahar had not yet submitted his resignation, nor had he been relieved of his post. It is known, however, that anticipating a conviction, the Foreign Ministry had already decided on a successor to Mr. Sahar.

## MAPAM LEADER GOES ON TRIAL; 'CONTACT WITH FOREIGN AGENTS' IS CHARGE

HAIFA, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- Aharon Cohen, an expert on Arabic problems and the MiddleBast, and formerly a leader of the Mapam Party, went on trial here today before a district court of three judges, charted with "maintaining contact with foreign agents and endangering the security of the State," He pleaded not guilty.

Friday, the three-judge panel visited Mr. Cohen's home kibbutz, Shaar Haamakim. According to the prosecutor, the accused had met at his home in the kibbutz with foreign agents. Mr. Cohen, author of a number of books on Arab and Middle East problems, told the court that his contact with foreigners was solely for the purpose of scientific study, claiming that he had received books from his visitors that he needed for his scientific work.

#### EX-GESTAPO CHIEF SENIENCED TO DEATH IN FRANCE; KILLED FRENCH JEWS

PARIS, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- A 50-year-old former Gestapo chief in Orleans, found guilty of having caused the deaths of "innumerable" French Jews and resistance fighters during — the Nazi regime, in 1943 and 1944, was sentenced to death here yesterday by a French military tribunal. The man is Francis Reimeringer, a native of Alsace-Lorraine who, during his checkered career, has held French and German nationality, and finally became a citizen of the Republic of Guinea.

He was caught in France, while changing airplanes on his way to Geneva to represent Guinea at an international conference. Guinea had employed him as a "technical adviser."

## ROWD STONES ROCKWELL IN BOSTON; INFURIATED BY HIS ANTI-JEWISH SLOGANS

BOSTON, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- George Rockwell, leader of the American Nazi party, was .ken into protective custody by Boston police today after he was stoned by a crowd estiated at 1,500 persons, when he and his "storm troopers" sought to picket the premiere ; the motion picture "Exodus" at the Saxon Theater here.

Police Lieutenant John Slattery said that despite the presence of 100 police, including ounted officers, when Rockwell appeared with swastikas and anti-Jewish slogans, the rowd surged forward throwing rocks and eggs. Police intervened to save Rockwell from a crowd and formed a protective shield around him in an alley adjacent to the theater,

Witnesses reported that had police not intervened, Rockwell would have suffered rious injuries at the hands of the irate crowd. Rockwell told police that he came to oston and would visit other cities to prove that his Nazi movement was national in scope.

#### MERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS PRESIDENT WANTS ZIONIST MOVEMENT DISSOLVED

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- Rabbi Joachim Prinz, president of the American wish Congress, called here today for dissolution of the Zionist movement and its merger to a world body dedicated to the unity of the Jewish people, "Zionism is dead-long live e Jewish people!" was the theme of an address by Dr. Prinz to the national governing uncil of the Congress meeting here.

Dr. Prinz, a life-long Zionist, said that creation of the State of Israel had fulfilled the rpose of Zionism. What is needed now, he asserted, is "a new and dynamic movement preserve Jewish peoplehood and create an independent and positive link between Amerin Jewry and Israel."

The blueprint for such a movement was outlined by Israel's Prime Minister David Bentrion in his address to the World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem last month, Dr. Princ clared, This calls for "doing away with outmoded ideology and accepting the real chalage of Jewish life under freedom," Dr. Prinz said. "Only in this way can we hope to tract the young generation of Jews in the United States and other lands to seek a means of pressing both their Jewish identity and their feeling for Israel.

## MERICAN ZIONIST MOVEMENT SEEN ENDANGERED BY Z.O.A. -HADASSAH RIFT

NEW YORK, Fan. 15. (JTA) -- "The whole future of the American Zionist movement is-doubt as long as the relationship between the Zionist Organization of America and Hadash, the two largest Ziorist organizations in the world, will not improve, "Mr. Jacques rezyner, leading member of the National ZOA Executive Council, reported today upon return from Israel where he attended the world Zionist parley.

Mr. Torczyner hailed the announcement made by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, re-elected scident of the World Zionist Organization, that he will strive towards the improvement these relations. He spoke at the ZOA meeting, at the Hotel Commodore, at which Max essler, ZOA president, reported on issues discussed at the World Zionist Congress in ich he was a leading participant.

Mr. Bressler said that "it was the consensus of the Congress that insofar as immigranino Israel from the West is concerned no mas immigration is to be expected." He ded that "while the Congress attempted to stimulate Western allyah, its resolution on squestion implied not even permanent mass settlement on the part of American Jews ta year or two of pioneering activities by enterprising youth to help build the country,"

Mr. Bressler denied categorically the reports published in this country of an alleged olitical" alliance of the Zionist Organization of America with the General Zionist party Israel, "I want to take this occasion to deny categorically that there existed at any se since the establishment of the State of Israel any sort of political alliance or political niffication of the ZOA with the General Zionist party or any other party in Israel or anyere else," he said. He made it clear that "every individual Zionist and Zionist group e their political allegiance and loyalties to the countries of which they are an integral tin citizenship."

#### S. STUDENTS CONSIDER PERSECUTION OF JEWS AS BASIC NAZI TENET

NEW YORK, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- By contrast with German students, nine out of ten of om "balieve that Hitler had done more good than harm," 75 percent of American stuts polled in a special survey know that persecution of Jews "was a salient feature of zi Germany," Benjamin R, Epstein, national director of the Anti-Defamation League of iai B'rith, declared here today.

Mr. Epstein made that statement at the closing session of the ADL's 47th annual meet. He reported the opinions expressed by American high school students in response to ADL survey conducted in 27 cities in 21 states. Of the students queried, he stated, percent also believe that the idea of a "master race" was central to nazism, while percent said the concentration camps were "a dominant characteristic of the Hitler te, "

## LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PLEDGES TO SELL \$80,000,000 IN ISRAEL BONDS IN 1961

NEW YORK, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- The sale of Israel bonds in 1961 is expected to produce approximately: \$80,000,000 in new investment capital for Israel, it was indicated here today at the closing session of the two-day National Leadership Conference of the Israel Bord Organization. The Conference decided to provide one-third of Israel's total development needs amounting to \$247, 222,000 for this year.

Leaders of the bond campaign from more than 60 cities who attended the conference and a report from Dr. Joseph J.Schwartz, vice-president of the Israel Bond Organization, in which he said that a total of \$51,965, 300 in bonds was sold during 1960. Of this total, \$41,437,700 was sold in the United States, \$4,252,800 in Canada, \$4,582,400 in Latin American countries, and \$2,692,400 in Europe.

Calling for an extraordinary response in 1961 to the bond campaign, Dr. Schwartz reported that, in dedication to Israel's Bar Mitzvah, or 13th anniversary, special honor categories of Israel bond purchasers would be established. Purchasers of \$13,000 in Israel bonds would be known as Bar Mitzvah Trustees of Israel; and persons who subscribe to \$1,300 in Israel bonds would be designated Bar Mitzvah Guardians of Israel. Another category dedicated to housing will be listed as Bar Mitzvah Builders for the purchase of \$3,900 in Israel bonds.

Dr. Schwartz announced that the 1961 Israel bond campaign will be formally launched at a 1961 Inaugural Conference for Israel Bonds, which will be held from Friday, March 3 through Sunday, March 5 at the Fontainebleau Hotel in Miami Beach. Abba Eban, Minister of Education of the State of Israel, and its former Ambassador to the United States, will be the guest of honor at the Conference. He also announced that the 75 days beginning October 8th, the 75th birthday of Prime Minister Ben-Gurion, who founded the Israel Bond campaign, would be dedicated to a nationwide celebration of the Israel leaders diamond Jubilee,

Other principal speakers at the conference included Dr. Binyamin Eliav, Israel Consul General; Abraham Feinberg, president of the Israel Bond Organization; Ira Guilden, national chairman of the organization, and Aryeh Manor, Economic Minister of the State of Israel, Mr. Manor outlined Israel's economic development program.

The conference re-elected Mr. Feinberg as president of the Israel Bond Organization for 1961. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver was elected chairman of the board of governors; Ira Guilden, national campaign chairman; Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, vice-president; and Jack Weiler, secretary-treasurer.

#### J. D. C. TO GIVE ORT \$1,800,000 IN 1961 FOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING WORK

NEW YORK, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee will provide \$1,800,000 during 1961 toward the vocational training program of ORT, it was announced here today by officials of both organizations. The funds will help finance trade education and economic rehabilitation activities which ORT conducts in Europe, Israel, North Africa and Iran. More than 40,000 persons are expected to receive such assistance in these areas during the coming year.

The agreement will for the first time make provision for a vocational instruction program in India. The new pact anticipates expansion during 1961 of ORT training activities in Israel, France, Morocco and Iran and allocates increased funds for this purpose. The agreement specifies that the American ORT Federation will refrain from conducting independent fund-raising campaigns in the United States, but will be permitted to continue its membership activities.

Signing the pact for the two agencies were Moses A. Leavitt, JDC executive vicechairman, and Dr. William Haber and Max Brauds, representing ORT. Dr. Haber is president of the American ORT Federation and Mr. Braude is director-general of the World ORT Union. The amount ORT will expend for all its 1951 programs in 19 countries is over \$5,740,000. Under terms of the agreement: reached between the two agencies, ORT will make up from other sources the difference between the JDC grant and the total required.

The understanding provides for continued large-scale assistance for the vocational training of Jews in Poland, both those repatriated from Russia and those in need among the son-called "settled population," JDC and ORT organized aid programs three years ago on behalf of an estimated 19,000 Jewish repatriates from the Soviet Union. The largest single amount is assigned to Israel, where ORT has established trade schools in 22 localities. These schools now comprise the largest vocational education system in the country.

## TERRORISTS DYNAMITE JOHANNESBURG SYNAGOGUE; HEAVY DAMAGE REPORTED

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- Terrorists today dynamited the main synagogue of Johannesburg in the fourth incident of bombings of religious buildings in this city in three days. Police said there were no injuries, but stated that the office of the synagogue was thoroughly wrecked and the house of worship itself badly damaged. The blast was so heavy it shattered windows in homes and other buildings within a three-block radius of the synagogue.

## JEWS IN MOROCCO COMPLAIN TO CROWN PRINCE ON POLICE MALTREATMENT

PARIS, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- A dossier showing Moroccan police maltreatment of at least 2,000 Jews in the last fortnight was handed this weekend in Morocco to that country's Crown Prince and Foreign Minister, Moulay Hassan, according to reports from Morocco reaching Paris today.

The file was given to the Crown Prince, who is known for his relatively liberal, pro-Jewish sentiments, by a delegation of leading Moroccan citizens of the Jewish faith. The dossier showed that about 2,000 Jews were arrested, some of them being detained and interrogated for as long as 48 hours,

The Jewish leaders also complained about the recent rise in kidnapings of young Jewish girls who are abducted by agents for rich Moslems. Despite repeated complaints, the Jews rold the Crown Prince, Jewish girls, some of them only 13 and 14 years old, are being kidnaped, forcibly converted to Mohammedanism, then installed in the harems sowned by wealthy Moroccan Moslems. Police authorities have refused to take any action toward tracing the whereabouts of these Jewish girls, the leaders complained.

The leaders meeting with the Crown Prince are understood to have avoided mentioning the incident of the ship, the Price, which capsized in the Mediterranean with the loss of 43 Jewish men, women and children en route from Meillia, Spanish Morocco, to Gibraltar. Of the 22 bodies recovered after that tragedy, only five have thus far been identified, according to the Moroccan reports, and efforts are being continued by the Chief Rabbi of Tetuan and by the Jewish community there to identify the remainder of the corpses. Those identified have seen interred in the Jewish cemetery at Alhucemas.

#### Rabbi and 10 Yeshiva Students in Morocco Reported Tortured

Arrests of Moroccan Jews have continued systematically since the African summit conference in Gasabianca, and both children and elderly Jews have been imprisoned and beaten, it was reported here today. The arrests began with the arrival of President Nasser of the United Arab Republic for the conference, which ended a week ago.

Moroccan Jews were reported viewing the future with apprehension. The Casablanca Jewish community, which met once with the Governor of the city to protest the arrests, and which received a promise of action on the matter, was contemplating another meeting. Some of the Casablanca Jewish leaders were reported considering a proposal to set up a strong delegation to visit the Royal Palace at Rabat with a demand for an audience with Kine Mohammed V and a request for protection for the Jewish population,

One positive development was the release of Rabbi M. Wrechner, director of the Neve challenge of the Nevel series a Swiss national who was arrested along with a group of yeshiva students. Rabbi Wrechner refused to sign a police declaration that he had not been ill-treated, and the Swiss consul reportedly planned to take the matter further. It was reliably reported that Rabbi Wrechner and the ten students were sublected to toxture.

## London Reports 'Violent Anti-Jewish Outbursts' in Moroccan Press

LONDON, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- "Violent anti-Jewish outbursts" have broken out in the Moroccan nationalist press, following the Price tragedy, in which 43 Jewish people were drowned in high Mediterranean seas, the Sunday Observer here reports today from Abat.

According to the London newspaper, the semi-official Rabat daily, Al Fair, has stretd attacks against "Zionists" whom it accuses of organizing illegal immigration to Israel. Another Moroccan newspaper, the pro-Government daily, Al Alam, is reported as saying: "The Jewish leaders who have complained to the City Governor should not be listened to. They should be brought before competent courts and charged with sedition and crimes against the State."

The Moroccan newspapers, according to the Rabat dispatch, "shed no toars for the moromed Jews," Pointing out that "the authorities lave allowed decent burial to the dead," the newspapers charge that the Jews of Morocco wore "mourning black" and offered prayers in their synagogues "for Israel" while United Arab Republic Presidert Nasser was in Casablanca recently, attending the African summit conference. Moroccan Jewish leaders are quoted by the Sunday Observer as saying the charge is "a ludicrous invention,"

#### French Press Condemns 'Inhuman' Moroccan Treatment of Jews

PARIS, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- Public opinion here sharply condemns the Moroccan Govimment for "inhuman" treatment of Jews, forcing them to resort to leaving the country n a manner which resulted in the perishing last week of 43 Jews on the small boat Price, n Mediterranean waters.

The entire press recalls with condemnation Morocco's restrictions against Jewish imigration, the country's discriminations against Jews in the Kingdom, and Morocco's ancelation of postal communications between Morocco and Israel under the pressure of he Arab League,

French political circles and public opinion are particularly outraged by the communique ssued last week, following the Price tragedy, by the Arab Magreb Press. In that an-ouncement, the newspapers here point out, the Maghreb Press, "without a word of regret on the casualties, raises further the hostility against the Moroccan Jews against 'Zionism,!"

## ZIM-ISRAEL SHIP RESCUES 29 GREEK SEAMEN FROM EXPLODED TANKER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- United States Coast Guard sources reported today that the Zim-Israel ship, the Dagan, figured in a dramatic rescue of the crew of a Greek tanker 360 miles southeast of San Juan. Puerto Rico.

All 29 of the Greek seamen who abandoned the 39,000-ton Kissavos after an explosion and fire were saved by the Israel i ship which rushed to the scene and took the 29 men from two lifeboats. A radio message was sent for a helicopter to pick up one seriously injured sailor.

It was disclosed that the rescue was the sixth by Zim-Israeli ships in answering the call for help in sea emergencies.

#### ISRAEL REGRETS RESIGNATION OF U.S. AMBASSADOR REID; AFFECTION STRESSED

JERUSALEM, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- Foreign Ministry zircles here expressed regret today over the resignation of Ogden R. Reid from his post as United States Ambassador. Ambassador Reid was lauded here for having earned the respect and affection of the Israeli people who particularly appreciated the fact that both he and Mrs. Reid learned to speak Hebrew.

(In Washington, President Eisenhower expressed "great personal regret" over Ambassador Reid's resignation and said that both he and Mrs. Reid had represented the United States with distinction. "The intense effort and zeal with which you have approached your job have meant-much to the strengthening of our friendship with the Israeli people," the President declared.)

#### MACHINE FOR DESALINATION OF ISRAEL SEA WATER COMPLETED IN U.S.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- The completion of the first mass-production type of machine for desalination by the Zarchin process has been announced by the Israel Government and the Fairbanks Whitney Corporation of the United States, partners in the development and testing of the Zarchin method,

After tests in Beloit, Wisconsin, the process was termed "the most economical method of desalting known to date. The new machine will be installed in a plant to be built in Eilat on the Gulf of Akaba. Ground-breaking ceremonies are slated for early March. The plant may be operational by early 1962. The Israel Government and the American firm worked together 13 months on the new process.

Actual cost figures for water conversion were not available. It was said, that to be worthwhile, the ratio of capital and operating cost production should approach one dollar per 10,000 gallons.

#### SCARSDALE GOLF CLUB DENOUNCED BY CHURCH FOR ANTI-JEWISH BIAS

SCARSDALE, N.Y., Jan. 15. (JTA) -- The Scarsdale Golf Club which barred the escort of a local debutante from attending a ball at the club on the grounds that he was born Jewish, continued to be under attack today by high church dignitaries. The Right Rev. Arthur C. Lichtenberger, Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, lauded the action taken by the Rev. George F. Kempsell Jr. of the Church of the Less here, when the latter announced that he would not welcome to holy communion, parishoners who had acquiesced in the bias incident against the youth who had Joined the Episcopal church.

Father Kempsell, who denounced anti-Semitism as a "sin against God," was also :supported in his attack on the perpetrators of the incident by the Right Rev. Horace W. B. Donegan, Episcopal Bishop of New York. Michael C. Hernstadt, 19, who was identified today as the youth who was barred from the club, said that he was the son of a Jewish father and a Catholic mother but that he and his two brothers "were allowed to pick our own religions when we became of age. At 17 I became an Episcopalian," he said.

## WALTON BACHRACH ELECTED MAYOR OF CINCINNATI; WAS VICE-MAYOR

CINCINNATI, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- Walton H. Bachrach, vice-mayor of Cincinnati, has been elected mayor of the city. The five Republicans on the nine-member city council voted in caucus to elect him.

Mayor Bachrach had been vice-mayor since January 1956, and will serve as mayor until December 1961. He is a member of Rockdale Temple.

## U.S. GOVT. NAMES MOUNTAIN IN ALASKA AFTER LATE SENATOR NEUBERGER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15. (JTA) -- The Government has named a mountain in Alaska in honor of the late Jewish Senator Richard L. Neuberger of Oregon. The Board of Geographic Names of the Department of the Interior announced that it had named a 6,747-foot peak after Senator Neuberger, upon the joint request of Interior Secretary Fred A. Seaton, the Alaskan members of Congress and the Alaskan Legislature.