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U.S. JEWS START PASSOVER TONIGHT MINDFUL OF SOVIET JEWRY AND ISRAEL

NEW YORK, April 17. (JTA) -- Jews in the United States and throughout the world will user in the festival of Passover tomorrow night, conscious of the fact that, for the first time in the history of Russian Jewry, the Jews in the Soviet Unionwill have no matzoh this Passover because of the ban imposed by the Soviet authorities.

In observing the Seder, during which the story of the liberation of Jews from slavery in Egypt is told, American Jews will also think of the increased number of Jews who are now immigrating to Israel from countries of oppression, seeking freedom in the Land of Israel. Their prayers will also go for Jews in need in other overseas countries.

More than 100,000 Jews in the U.S. armed services on duty around the world will observe Passover and hold Sedorim under arrangements made by the National Jewish Welfare Board. They will be served by 370 full and part-time Jewish military chaplains. Supplies of matzoh, wine and other Passover foods, togethr with Haggadahs, were shipped months ago by the JWB to every military installation where Jewish personnel are serving, including installations in Germany, France, England, Spain, Turkey, Italy, Greece, Japan, Korea, North Africa, Iceland, Formosa and other parts of the world.

American Jewry Reminded of Obligations to Jews Seeking Freedom

Joseph Meyerhoff, general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, reminded American Jewry in a Passover message that the great needs created by the current heavy Jewish immigration from certain countries overseas to Israel and other lands can be met only through increased support of the 1962 UJA campaign. He cited the great sacrifices being made by the people of Israel in maintaining their "open door" immigration policy.

"To help those on the move today to make their journeys, settle and take root in the countries of their choice must be regarded by every member of the American Jewish community as his first and solemn obligation. Only by helping-fully, swiftly and wholeheartedly-will the celebration of the Passover festival achieve its true meaning and significance for us as Jews and as Americans," Mr. Meyerhoff said.

Edward M. M. Warburg, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, pointed out in his message that many refugees from tyranny and oppression are celebrating Passover in dignity and freedom for the first time in their lives, due to the aid given to them by American Jews through the United Jewish Appeal.

"But," Mr. Warburg emphasized," even as we take joy that so many have been helped to achieve freedom and security, we cannot forget those who are still not free, those with whom we are this year unable to share the matzoh and the blessings of freedom. But if only in spirit, they too--those who are not yet free--are also guests at our seder. As we remember those who fled oppression in Egypt, so shall we remember the harrassed and the oppressed of our own times."

Murray I. Gurfein, president of United Hias Service, the worldwide Jewish migration agency, said in his Passover message: "In today's distress-ridden world, growing numbers of uprooted and stateless Jewish persons are appealing to us for the opportunity to put down new roots in the United States, Latin America, Canada and Australia. The swelling tide of anxious requests for assistance is as critical as it was during the exodus of refuges from Hungary and Egypt in 1956 and 1957. We must not let these pleas for salvation go unanswered."

Jewish Agency Leaders Stress Israel As Home for Liberated Jews

Mrs. Rose L. Halprin, chairman of the American Section of the Jewish Agency executive, emphasized in her Passover message that large sections of the Jewish people "are again finding freedom and hope in their new-found home in Israel."

"In this ingathering of our people from lands of oppression we are witnessing the historic re-enactment of the Passover story. However, Israel's continuing ability to serve as a blessed refuge can be assured only if the Jewish people in the free world will rise to the great opportunity of rescue and give its wholehearted support to the striving of large numbers of our people from freedom and a new life in Israel,"

Pointing out that "recent developments in the political field remind us again that Israel still faces hazardous problems in its efforts to establish peaceful relationships with its neighbors in the Middle East," Mrs. Halprin expressed certainty that "the Jewish-people in the

free world surely would give its fullest understanding and support to Israel's firm resolve to develop to its fullest potentialities in peace and security."

Dewey D. Stone, chairman of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., stressed that "the traditional holiday of Passover extends only over one week out of the year. Yet in Israel today every week brings boatloads of men, women and children who, in stepping off the gangplanks, experience their own private Passover. There is no Moses today to part the waters of the Red Sea, yet a sense of a unique historical process bordering on the miraculous surrounds also this modern Exodus.

"As the stream of immigration to Israel gathers momentum, one might say in a way that there is Passover all year round-the year-round re-enactment of ore of the great themes in the history of our people. Thus it seems only appropriate that on this Passover holiday we, too, should reaffirm our resolve to mobilize all the resources of our own communities to aid Israel's newcomers." Mr. Stone declared.

Abraham Feinberg, president of the Israel Bond Organization, drew attention to the fact that "in a real sense, the history of Passover is being repeated today. Tens of thousands of immigrants are making an historic journey toward freedom in their ancient homeland, Israel, in a renewed wave of mass immigration. Many of the newcomers will be settled in the desert area known as the Negev, where the ancient Hebrews entered the promised land from their wanderings in the Sinai peninsula." He called for American Jewish support of Israel's development through the Israel Bond drive,

Zionist Leaders Appeal for Moral and Material Aid to Israel

A call upon Jews in America to continue providing moral and material help to Israel, resisting at the same time the forces of assimilation in this country, was issued in a Passover message on behalf of the American Zionist Council by Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the Council's executive committee,

Expressing pride in "the miracle of Israel," the AZC leaders stated "our joy is marred by knowledge that the lives of Israel citizens, and the very existence of their national State, are constantly threatened by hostile neighbors on all sides."

Mrs. Siegfried Kramarsky, president of Hadassah, said in her Passover message that "Hadassah will continue to impress upon the Jewish people and, indeed, on all people, the need for accepting responsibility for maintaining their own identity while pursuing universal gals."

Max Bressler, president of the Zionist Organization of America, said: "At this season, in keeping with the noble concepts of the founders, the Zionist Organization of America rededicates itself to the ideal of Zion Restored—the upbuilding of the Jewish land and the fostering of the unity of the Jewish people everywhere through the bond of common faith, tradition and heritage."

Rabbi Mordecai Kirshblum, national president of the Religious Zionists of America, pointed out in his message that "there is a direct relationship between the exodus from Egypt, many thousands of years ago, and the present exodus of our fellow Jews from Arab countries." He hailed Israel as a "bastion of freedom in the Middle East."

Joseph Schlossberg, president of the National Committee for Labor Israel, related the Passover observance to Syral's recent aggressions against Israel, and denounced the United Nations Security Council censure of Israel on that issue as "a cheap example of world powers ungraciously wying for the favors of the Middle Eastern rulers--who are as unstable as they are unreliable."

Passover messages also were issued by the rabbinical and congregational bodies of American Judaism, stressing the relationship of the Passover message to current Jewish problems. The organizations included the Central Conference of American Rabbins, the Combined Campaign for Reform Judaism, the United Synagogue of America, the Rabbinical Council of America, the New York Board of Rabbis, and others.

The 'Unfinished Business of Freedom' Stressed by Jewish Congress

Rabbi Joachim Prinz, president of the American Jewish Congress, said in a Passover statement: "The unfinished business of freedom, which the Passover recalls to us, affects many people in many places. At home, the struggle of the American Negro to achieve that full measure of equality which our country promises to every citizen continues unabated.

"Abroad, too, there is a deep yearning for freedom--among the newly emerging states of Africa, whose people are tasting the first fresh breath of liberty, in Israel, where despite hostile neighbors and economic hardships a brand-new nation based on the timeless utterances of the Prophets is taking shape, and in Soviet Russia, a land not blessed by liberty, where millions of our fellow-Jews seek some means of maintaining their link with Judaism and the Jewish people, a link their rulers would sever.

"To us who live in freedom, Passover is a summons to join in the struggles for human dignity taking place in our own day," Rabbi Prinz stressed.

SOVIET DENIAL OF RELIGIOUS RIGHTS TO JEWS HIT IN PASSOVER STATEMENTS

NEW YORK, April 17. (JTA) -- Leaders of Jewish organizations in the United States today condemned the Soviet Union in Passover statements for the USSR's general denial of religious and cultural rights to Russian Jewry and, particularly, for denying to Russia's 3,000,000 Jews this year the right to obtain matzohs.

Statements dealing with the current situation of Russian Jewry were issued by the Americal Jewish Committee; the Synagogue Council of America, the central national agency representing rabbinical and congregational organizations of Conservative, Orthodox and Reform Judaismirthis country; and Mrs. Sidney Leff, national president of Pioneer Women, labor Zionist Women's Organization.

At the same time, reports reaching here from all over the United States indicated, that in many Synagogues and temples around the country, special Passover rabbinical sermons would deal with the situation of Russian Jews and the Soviet Union's ban against matzoh baking in state factories this year.

On behalf of the American Jewish Committee, Louis Caplan president, pointed out that, while religious liberties are curtailed for all groups in the Soviet Union, "Soviet Jews suffer far greater handicaps and disabilities than others. No federation of Jewish communities is allowed in the USSR," Mr. Caplai noted, "and even contact and communication between local congregations appears either to be disrupted or non-existent, Similarly, no contact is allowed with Jewish religious bodies outside the USSR. Countless Jews," he continued, "will be deprived of the matzohs, the symbol of Passover, due to the Soviet Government's prohibition against the baking of matzohs in state-operated bakeries.

Soviet Ban on Matzoh Is Not the Only Matter of Concern to U.S. Jews

Rabbi Julius Mark, president of the Synagogue Council of Amerca, stated that the matzon situation in the Soviet Union is not the only matter of concern to organized American-Jawish religion. "We are deeply concerned," he stated, "over reports emanating from the Soviet Union that our fellow-Jews in that country are being subjected to new harassments. The lives of many are in jeopardy. A number have been arrested and at least two have been executed."

Speaking for the Pioneer Women, Mrs. Leff denounced in her Passover message "the spiritual genocide" practiced by Soviet authorities against the USSR's 3,000,000 Jews, Other major Jewish organizations have similarly condemned the Soviet action in their Passover statements.

(In Jerusalem, Sephardic Chief Rabbi Nissim spoke tonight, in a Passover broadcast, of the dangers of assimilation hovering over "certain Jewish communities," stressing the removal of religious freedom of Soviet Jewry indicated in the ban on the baking of matzoh for Russian Jews. He called on world Jewry to gird itself with "the spiritual armament" of the Jewish people, namely, faith and observance of the commandments and strengthening of the link with Israel.)

ISRAEL MEETS PASSOVER IN JUBILANT MOOD; HIGH FLOW OF TOURISTS

JERUSALEM, April 17. (JTA) -- An unprecedented flow of tourists poured into Israel today to join in celebration of the Passover feast of freedom. Bright sunshine and a spring breeze buoyed the spirits of Israelis as the holiday mood began to prevail throughout the country.

Some 14 passenger ships were expected to bring more than 5,000 visitors from the United States, Latin America and Europe, in addition to the many thousands who have already arrived. A second seder was planned for tourists in major new hotels. Special traffic precautions were ordered on all roads and highways to cope with the surge of holiday travel. Every track-worthy coach was taken from railroad depots and pressed into service.

Lydda Airport and Haifa harbor have never seen such an influx of tourists for Passover, pert officials said. El Al Boeing jets with capacity loads and a score of chartered jets and turbo-prop passenger airliners landed at the airport at such a rate that the scene was reminiscent of European or American international airports,

Organized groups in chartered planes comprised a large part of the tourist influx and hotels were sold out until after Israel's Independence Day, May 9. Haifa port authorities rushed in special officials to speed landing procedures of the ships arriving at the port. Passover travel by Israeli Jews also was at a record level, mainly to the south, despite recent Arab incidents.

Israeli markets were jammed with a rich variety of Passover foods and sales were brisk. Prices of some commodities were high, mainly in fruits and vegetables. The high prices were attributed to seasonal factors.

Israel's Samaritans, a sect which split itself off from Jewry several centuries ago, crossed the lines to Jordan today to celebrate Passover on Mount Gerizim. The 143 Israeli Samaritans will join the 230 remaining Samaritans in Jordan. The Jordanian Treasury allotted eight Jordanian dinar per adult and four for minors to the visiting Samaritans for use during their stay in Jordan.

ARGENTINE JEWS FEAR 'RISKY CONSEQUENCES' OF PRESENT DEVELOPMENTS

BUENOS AIRES, April 17. (JTA) -- The Argentine Jewish community today girded all its forces to fight neo-Nazism, "Marxist nationalism," and "dogmatic" Catholic teachings in the public schools under the aegis of provincial governments.

The bolstered defense campaign was the result of an extraordinary, countrywide conference of Argentina's Jewish leadership which last night concluded a three-day assembly sponsored by DAIA, representative body of Argentine Jewry. The sessions, held at Cordoba, were attended by 93 Jewish leaders from 20 communities in this country.

An exhaustive review of the situation now facing the Jews in this country was made at the conference by Dr. Isaac Goldenberg, president of DAIA. Mark Turkow, Latin American representative for the World Jewish Congress, made a special report about the resurgence of neo-Nazism in other countries of South America.

Reviewing the changed political and socio-economic situation in Argentina, Dr. Goldenberg said: "Our problem, is not a matter of more anti-Semitism or less anti-Semitism, but the fact that certain, fundamental changes in the economic and social structure of the country exposes the Jews to highly risky consequences."

The leader cited the spread, throughout Latin America, of "Marxist nationalism, beneded with an aggressive posture," He pointed to the spread of the Tacuara movement, which he identified as "a nationalist group acting similarly to other Nazi groups in Latin America, small in numbers but motivated by Nazi revanchism as a result of Nazism's defeat in World War II.

It is known, he said, that leaders of the Tacuara movement have assailed the viability of Argentine democracy in general. While other "power factors" are involved in the antidemocratic movement, he warned, the net impact on the situation of the Jews must be carefully evaluated, and steps must be taken to counter the effects on Jewry.

Jewish Children Forced to Classes in Catholic Teachings

Dr. Tobias Kamenszain, president of the Buenos Aires Jewish Community and head of the Federation of Argentine Jewish Communities, analyzed the public school situation now existing in most of the Argentine provinces. He pointed out that Catholic, religious teachings are now being impressed upon all students, Jewish and non-Jewish, in the primary schools under provincial jurisdiction.

Professor Leon Dujovne, addressing the conference, pointed out that, after ex-President Arturo Frondizi had introduced the "provincialization" of the national school system, the public schools developed the practice of obligatory Catholic teachings. "This teaching, he said, "is unintentionally but strongly anti-Semitic." He noted that, while Jewish pupils may, if they wish, bypass the public school instruction in religion, their only other choice is to attend special classes in "Christian ethics and morals." These classes, however, he asserted, "are also dogmatically Catholic" in their content.

"It is necessary," he told the conference, "to stop spreading religious teachings in the schools wherever it is as yet possible to do so, and to find means to establish courses in the Jewish religion." He advocated an approach by Jewish leadership to moderate Catholic circles in this country in an effort to ameliorate the situation.

Still another delegate, Jaime Finkelszsten, prominent Zionist leader, told the Cordoba conference that Jewish education must be strengthened "to immunize the Catholic influence" in the public school systems of the provinces. Various leaders inbisted that steps must be taken to bolster lay teaching in the public schools.

Summarizing the results of the conference, Dr. Goldanberg said: "We must depend upon ourselves, though our forces are small. We must obtain the solidarity of the Jewish parents," De claring there was no reason for "panic," he said: "It should be understood that economic and social processes in Latin America are not Jewish processes. But they affect the Jewish position. The efficient defense of that position depends on accurate knowledge and understanding of the general situation."

HIGH STATE DEPT. OFFICIAL CONFERS WITH ISRAEL'S FOREIGN MINISTER

JERUSALEM, April 17. (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, today received James P. Grant, deputy assistant Secretary of State of the United States, who is in charge of Near Eastern and South Asian affairs. He is here for a three-day visit to end tomorrow, and his talks with Israeli officials were described as "get acquainted" sessions.

Among others, Mr. Grant has met with Minister of Education Abba Eban and with Dr. Eliahu Elath, president of the Hebrew University. Last night, a number of Israeli officials attended a dinner honoring Mr. Grant, given by U.S. Ambassador Walworth Barbour. Among those zendingthe dinner were Ministers of Agriculture Moshe Dayan, and Theodor Kollek, director of the Prime Minister's office.

Dr. Joseph E. Johnson, special Middle East representative for the United Nations Palestine Concilitation Commission, who is on his second tour of Middle East capitals in an effort to help ease Arab-Israeli disagreements about possible solutions for the Arab refugee problem, conferred for the second time with Israel's Foreign Minister here today.

CATHOLIC LEADERS IN CHICAGO START DRIVE TO ERADICATE ANTI-JEWISH BIAS

CHICAGO, April 17. (JTA) -- New Catholic efforts to end anti-Jewish prejudice were underway in the Chicago area today following a special meeting on Catholic Jewish relations sponsored by the Chicago Catholic Interracial Council.

More than 200 Catholic leaders discussed such relations and a panel of four Catholic and Jewish clergymen and laymen discussed the topic. The session also featured the showing of a film on Catholic-Jewish relations, "The Chosen People," which was produced by the National Council of Catholic Men.

The new anti-prejudice campaign in Catholic churches was started by Albert Cardinal Meyer, Archbishop of Chicago who is encouraging priests in his diocese to preach against racial and religious prejudice this year.

Cardinal Meyer has told the priests that "in the Mass, in the prayer after consecration, we speak of Abraham, as our father. This fact points to the absurdity of anti-Semitism on the part of Catholics. We are the spiritual descendants of Abraham and the Jewish people."

Leaders of the Interracial Council said today they hoped to encourage wide use of the Chicholic film and panels throughout the Chicago Catholic community. The Anti-Defamation League helped to sponsor the special meeting.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS MAY BE DENIED TO TWO FIRMS CHARGED WITH BIAS

WASHINGTON, April 17, (JTA) - Two companies were told today that alleged discriminatory employment practices will have to be reviewed before they can receive additional government contracts. Notification of the review orders came from the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity which identified the companies as Danley Machine Specialists of Cicero, III, and the Comet Rice Mills which has plants in four southern cities,

The actions were the first of their kind taken by the committee. They grew out of complaints of discrimination filed with the committee whose preliminary investigations reportedly indicated "reasonable doubt" of compliance with an executive order calling for equal employment opportunity.

A national conference of educators and community laaders will meet here next month to the develop plans to stadicate discrimination in employment, the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity said today. Several hundred representatives of civic, religious, intergroup and other interested organizations are expected to participate in the one-day conference scheduled for May 19.

NATIONAL NEGRO ORGANIZATION MAKES CONTRIBUTION TO JEWISH WELFARE DRIVE

CLEVELAND, April 17, (JTA) -- The 1962 Jewish Welfare Appeal announced today it had received a contribution from a national Negro organization which was believed to be the first contribution to the Jewish welfare campaign by a Negro group.

The Cleveland chapter of Links, a civic and social Negro group, presented a check to Julius Paris, special gifts co-chairman of the campaign. The amount of the contribution was not disclosed.

C. J. F. W. F. URGES SENATE REVISE THREE PROVISIONS IN PENDING WELFARE BILL

NEW YORK, April 17. (JTA) -- The Board of Directors of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds has urged the United States Senate to strengthen the pending Public Welfare A mendments Bill of 1962 by revising three of its provisions.

Irving Kane, president of the Council, pointed out that while the CJFWF endormed the major objectives and provisions of the proposed legislation, it recommends that the Senate: l. Liberalize the bill's residence requirements for public assistance; 2. Prevent abuses in payments for dependent children; 3. Cut the disparity in welfare rates between those for needy children and those for the aged or disabled.

These revisions were recommended by the Council's Public Welfare Committee headed by Bernard P. 'Kopkind, as a means of "strengthening the Bill so as to reflect principles of sound welfare legislation," The bill, originally embodying the Administration's welfare program, was revised by the House of Representatives before passage, and now awaits action by the Senate Finance Committee.

JOINT DEFENSE APPEAL NATIONAL DRIVE FOR \$6,100,000 LAUNCHED IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, April 17. (JTA) -- More than 400 Jewish business and philanthropic leaders tonight launched the 1962 national campaign for the Joint Defense Appeal, at a dinner inaugurating a drive for \$\$, 100,000 for programs to combat bigotry and prejudice and promote democratic liberties. The JDA is the fund-raising arm of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of Braia Britth.

Harry Brandt, motion picture exhibitor and civic leader, was honored at the dinner which an award for his "distinguished leadership on behalf of human rights." The principal address was delivered by Dore Schary, playwright and producer.

REFORM CONGREGATIONS HOLD NATIONAL 'FREEDOM FROM HUNGER' CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, April 17. (JTA) -- Representatives of 637 Reform congregations throughout the United States, Canada, Panama and the West Indies joined United Nations experts and Christian delegates here today, at a "Freedom from Hunger" conference convened by the Reform groups at the House of Living Judaism.

The conference was sponsored by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Wational Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and Reform Judaism's Commission on Social Action.

The conference, according to the sponsors, demonstrated the Passover theme embers and the invitation extended to the hungry during the Seder, urging "all who are hungry" to partake of the Passover food. The "Freedom from Hunger" campaign is currently one of the main undertakings of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, which is trying to wipe out hunger throughout the world in the current decade.

Judge Emil N. Baar, board chairman of the UAHC, told the conference that the gathering was "another program by Reform congregations in translating the ethical and moral principles of our Jewish faith into study and action on the imperative social action problems of the world."

TRENDS IN MODERN JEWISH PHILOSOPHY DISCUSSED AT TWO-DAY CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, April 17. (JTA) -- A two-day conference on Jewish philosophy, sponsored by the Theodor Herzl Institute attracted some 700 persons, it was reported today by Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Theodor Herzl Foundation.

A group of authorities in the field discussed perspectives and trends in modern Jewish holiosophy and the response of Jewish philosophy to current world tensions. Dr. Alexander Altman, Philip Lown Professor of Jewish Philosophy at Brandeis University, delivered the keynote address and Rabbi Jacob B. Agus of Baltimore, was the featured speaker at the closing session.

Other speakers included: Dr. David Sidorsky and Dr. Sidney Morgenbesser, Columbia University; Dr. Arthur Hyman, Yeshiva University; Dr. Maurice Friedman, Sarah Lawrence College; Dr. Meir Ben-Horin, Dropsie College; Dr. Samuel Atlas, Hebrew Union-College-Jewish Institute of Religion; Dr. Steven S. Schwarzschild, Rabbi, Temple Beth El, Lynn Mass., and Dr. Michael Wyschogrod, Hunter College.

J. D. C. DIRECTOR ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL BODY IN GENEVA

GENEVA, April 17. (JTA) -- Charles Jordan, overseas Director-general for the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, today was elected chairman of the governing board of the newly formed International Council of Voluntary Agencies.

The new Council is composed of 70 voluntary agencies in the field of international social welfare. The II-member governing board includes representatives of eight constituent organizations. These are, in addition to the JIO, the National Catholic Welfare Conference, International Catholic Migration Commission, International Social Service, Lutheran World Federation, the World ORT Union, World Alliance of YMCA's, and the World Council of Churches.

B'NAI B'RITH INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL GETS CONSULTATIVE STATUS WITH UNESCO

WASHINGTON, April 17, (JTA) -- The B'nai B'rith International Council has been given consultative status with the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization, B'nai B'rith President Label Katz announced today. The Council will participate in a mutual information relationship," a UNESCO category for non-governmental groups, and will be represented at the UNESCO conference in Paris in May.

JEWS IN PARIS COMMEMORATE WARSAW GHETTO UPRISING AGAINST NAZI ARMY

PARIS, April 17. (JTA) -- Several thousand Paris Jews last night commemorated the wartime Warsaw Ghetto revolt against the Nazis at ceremonies held in the city's huge Salle de la Mutualite. After recitation of the kaddish and the El Molel Rahamim prayers, speakers recalled the tragic days of the Nazi holocaust and the brave fight of the Warsaw Ghetto,

SHLOMO RIVLIN, FATHER OF ISRAEL CONSUL IN NEW YORK, DIES IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, April 17. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held today for the noted Jerusaten cantor, Shlomo Rivlin, father of David Rivlin, Israeli Consul in New York. He died at the age of 78.

A fifth generation Jerusalemite, Cantor Rivlin devoted his life to the study and teaching of cantorial music. More than 50 years ago, he founded the Shirat Yisroel Institute, which has trained hundreds of cantors.