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### ROME POLICE GUARD JEWISH SECTION OF CITY TO PREVENT NEW CLASHES

ROME, June 6. (JTA) -- Strong police units guarded today all approaches to the midtown district of the former Jewish ghetto in Rome as an aftermath to two days of violent clashes between neo-Fascists and Jews in which two Jews and seven Rightists were wounded.

Four Jews were arrested in the first clashes on Monday and one was still under arrest today. None of the members of the Movimento Sociale Italiano were arrested. The disorders erupted when Rightist campaigners in Rome's hard-fought election campaign came into the Jewish area. Jewish community leaders said that the neo-Fascist propaganda in the ghetto section was clearly provocative.

Witnesses said the Rightists shouted anti-Semitic slogans and that a shot was fired from one of the campaign cars which came into the Jewish section. Angry Jews attacked and mauled the campaigners.

Last night, another file of rightwing election cars were driven past the main synagogue and occupants showered stones on the building. The wounding of the two Jews occurred in a clash at that time. Police planned special protection for the synagogue until after the municipal elections are held Sunday.

Dr. Elio Toaff, Chief Rabbi of Rome, issued the following statement in the name of the Rome Jewish community:

"After all that Jews, and especially Rome's Jews, suffered from Nazism and Fasism, any provocation would inevitably result in a violent reaction. The events yesterday proved it again and it is only due to the tact of the police force and its efficiency and the moderating action of Jewish community officials that no worse incidents occurred. The Jews of Rome want only to be left in peace and to dedicate themselves to their occupations. The best way to achieve this is to avoid vexing contacts."

The area of the clashes is a lower middle class district which was once the compulsory dwelling place of Rome's Jews. About a third of Rome's 12,000 Jews live in the old ghetto.

### TWO TRIALS ON ABDUCTION OF BOY BY ORTHODOX JEWS START IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, June 6. (JTA) -- Two trials began here today in the 1959 abduction of Yosselle Shumacher, the 10-year-old boy who was taken from his parents by Orthodox Jews who feared the boy would not receive a sufficiently Orthodox education.

A three-judge district court headed by President Binyamin Halevi began a hearing of charges against Rabbi Binyamin Mendelsohn and three other members of the Poale Agudat Israel collective village, Kommemiut, where police believed the boy had been kept for a time. The rabbi pleaded not guilty to two charges of hiding a youth named Yisroel Vinnik in a case growing out of the abduction of Yosselle. The three other defendants pleaded not guilty to five charges of complicity in Yosselle's abduction.

(In Washington, a delegation of American Agudat Israel leaders called on Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman today to protest the arraignment and trial of Rabbi Mendelsohn. The Ambassador reportedly told the delegation he would convey their views to the Israel Government in Jerusalem.)

Shmuel Tamir, attorney for the Kommemiut defendants, raised a series of technical objections, including a demand for separate trials since the charges against the four men involved different incidents.

At the same time, another court, with Judge Yitzhak Golan presiding, heard charges against a couple named Kutt from the same collective village. They were accused of complicity in Yosselle's abduction and hiding. Ada Shumacher, mother of the long-missing boy, began testimony asserting that the Kutts were implicated.

### OBSERVANCE OF SHAVUOT STARTS IN ISRAEL WITH CHILDREN'S STREET MARCHES

JERUSALEM, June 6. (JTA) -- Some 5,000 children took part today in the "first fruit" assemblies held here as part of the public observance of Shavuot both in the capital and throughout Israel which starts tomorrow evening.

The holiday commemorates both the giving of the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai and the traditional festival of the first harvests. Dressed in white the children marched through the streets carrying baskets of fruits. They later attended a ceremony with a special program of songs and dances.

### COURT ORDERS U. S. OFFICIALS NOT TO LEAVE ISRAEL; INVOLVED IN SUIT

TEL AVIV, June 6. (JTA) -- A Tel Aviv district court issued an order today barring two American directors of the United States Operations Mission from leaving Israel in a dispute over dismissal pay.

The Mission concluded operations this month and some 70 Israelis working for the mission were sent dismissal notices effective June 11. The workers demanded dismissal indemnification, a common practice in Israel. When the request was rejected, the workers filed suit and asked the court for an order to bar the USOM officials from leaving the country pending a hearing on the suit.

### LEVANT FAIR OPENS IN TEL AVIV; 36 LANDS PARTICIPATING WITH EXHIBITS

TEL AVIV, June 6. (JTA) -- Tens of thousands of Israelis and visitors, including President Yitzhak Ben-Zvi, attended the Levant Fair which opened today outside Tel Aviv, at the International Fair Grounds. Mr. Ben-Zvi opened the fair officially, as the well-known "flying camel" of the Fair flew from the mastheads and flagpoles fronting the pavilions which included exhibits by 36 countries.

The United States presented a large exhibit, and great crowds flocked to the American pavilion. Other impressive exhibits were arranged by the Philippines, Brazil, Poland, Yugoslavia, Austria and Cyprus. A number of exhibitors avoided establishing their own pavilions, fearing the Arab boycott, but were represented through goods shown at the Fair by their Israeli agents.

Paul Screvane, president of the New York City Council, met today with Finance Minister Levi Eshkol in his effort to induce Israel to reverse a decision not to participate in the 1964 World's Fair in New York. Israel decided against participation because of the estimated \$2,000,000 expenditure which would be involved.

### STEVENSON SAYS JEWISH CRITICISM OF HIS STAND AT U. N. IS 'BITTER PILL'

CHICAGO, June 6. (JTA) -- Adlai E. Stevenson, head of the American delegation to the United Nations, said he considers as a "bitter pill" the "extensive criticism by the American Jewish community" of the action of U. S. delegation in supporting at the U. N. Security Council, the resolution censuring Israel last April for her retaliatory attack on Syrian gun positions.

In a letter to Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein, spiritual leader of the K. A. M. Temple here, Ambassador Stevenson wrote: "The Judge-- the Armistice Commission -- would not fix who was principally responsible for provocation, in large measure because Israel has refused access to the Commission in these regions. Hence, there, could be no 'equal condemnation' of Syria."

Mr. Stevenson went on to say that the Security Council could do nothing else under the circumstances. He expressed surprise that the resolution was as tempered as it was. "Then to be criticized so extensively by the Jewish community of the United States is a bitter pill," he declared.

(At the United Nations headquarters in New York, Secretary General U Thant and Jacob Blaustein, noted American Jewish leader, had another long conference yesterday regarding a number of questions concerning the Middle East).

### JEWISH CLAIMS CONFERENCE SETS DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS

NEW YORK, June 6. (JTA) -- Applications to the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, by organizations, institutions and communities seeking the allocation of funds for the year 1963, must be filed before June 30, 1962 the Conference announced today.

Applications should be submitted in twenty copies to the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, New York, and should contain a detailed description of the activities for which funds are requested. The organization submitting applications should also include precise budgetary data and information on other sources of income which may be available to the applicant for the projects in question.

32 JEWISH GRADUATE RECEIVE COMMISSIONS IN U. S. SERVICE ACADEMIES

NEW YORK, June 6. (JTA) -- The first two Jewish cadets of the United States Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs were commissioned there yesterday. The United States Naval Academy at Annapolis commissioned 11 new Jewish ensigns today at the same time that the Military Academy at West Point commissioned nine Jewish second lieutenants and the Coast Guard Academy at New London, Conn., commissioned four Jewish ensigns.

A total of 32 Jewish graduates are receiving commissions at the country's five national service academies this month and next. The Merchant Marine Academy will commission six Jewish ensigns at Kings Point, N. Y. on July 30. All 32 of the new Jewish officers are receiving personally-inscribed copies of the Bible from the Jewish Welfare Board Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy.

JEWISH CENTER WORKERS CONCLUDE PARLEY; RESENT ATTACK OF RABBIS

ATLANTIC CITY, June 6. (JTA) -- The National Association of Jewish Center Workers concluded its deliberations here today with a resolution reaffirming "the vital and unique role of the Jewish community centers and YM and YWHA's in strengthening American Jewish life."

"The Association regrets and deplores the irresponsibility of the intended destructive attack upon the Jewish community center movement, in a recent issue of 'Conservative Judaism,' the publication of the Rabbinical Assembly of America," the resolution said. Noting the contributions of the Jewish centers to enrichment of Jewish life, the resolutions stated that the Association "will continue to work closely with every organization, institution and professional body which is dedicated to Jewish survival and the welfare of the Jewish community. Manuel Batshaw of Newark, N. J., was installed as president of the Association.

JEWISH SOCIAL WORKERS CONVENTION CLOSED; SOSKIS ELECTED NATIONAL PRESIDENT

ATLANTIC CITY, June 6. (JTA) -- Philip Soskis, executive director of the New York Association for New Americans, was elected president last night of the National Conference of Jewish Communal Service at the organization's 64th annual meeting which closed here today. Mr. Soskis succeeds Donald Hurwitz of Philadelphia.

Other officers elected by the conference were Jacob T. Zukerman of New York, first vice president; Bertram H. Gold of Los Angeles, second vice president; Maurice Bernstein of New York and William Avrunin of Detroit, secretary. The conference decided to meet in Cleveland next year.

ISRAEL SOCIAL WELFARE MINISTER HONORED IN MONTREAL BY MAYOR

MONTREAL, June 6. (JTA) -- Dr. Joseph Burg, Israel's Social Welfare Minister, was welcomed yesterday in the ceremonial hall of city headquarters by Mayor Jean Drapeau. He left for New York today. The Montreal visit was one of a series Dr. Burg is making to major communities in Canada and the United States for the Israel Bond drive.

(Trade union leaders here have launched a campaign in New York today to raise \$1,000,000 in Israel bonds, it was announced here by M. Michael Potoker, secretary-treasurer of the Newspaper Guild of New York. The campaign will be in honor of Morris Tushewitz, secretary of the Central Labor Council here.)

DENVER TO DEDICATE \$1,000,000 NEW JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING

DENVER, June 6. (JTA) -- Ground-breaking ceremonies were held here yesterday for the new Beth Israel Hospital of Denver. The hospital will replace an old structure, and will be a part of a complex of three buildings. The complex will include a home for the aged, a hospital for chronic diseases, and a general hospital, according to Nathan Rosenberg, executive director of the Allied Jewish Community of Denver.

At the same time, it was announced that a new \$1,000,000 Jewish Community Center will be dedicated on June 17th. The new Center will replace the B'nai B'rith Building, which has been used as a community center for a number of years.

O. A. GROUP TO ESTABLISH \$100,000 STUDENT DORMITORY IN KFAR SILVER

NEW YORK, June 6. (JTA) -- The Seaboard Region of the Zionist Organization will build a \$100,000 student dormitory at the ZOA Agricultural Training Institute Kfar Silver, located near Ashkelon, Israel, according to an announcement today by Harry M. Miller, president of the Region. Half of this amount has already been pledged by Baltimore contributors. The Seaboard Region encompasses ZOA Districts of the states of Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Washington, D. C.

Another important addition to the Kfar Silver campus will be a \$60,000 medical clinic to be established by the Pelham Parkway ZOA District in the Bronx, N. Y., in memory of their leader, veteran Zionist Samuel Oberman. Substantial contributions towards this project have already been made by the Oberman family and the ZOA Eastern Pennsylvania Region. The clinic to be equipped with modern facilities will serve the need of the 200 students of Kfar Silver.

RABBIS OFFER USE OF THEIR TEMPLES TO CATHOLIC CHURCH DESTROYED BY FIRE

BUFFALO, June 6. (JTA) -- Two rabbis offered the use of their temples by the parish of St. Michael's Catholic Church here, which was destroyed by fire, it was reported today by the Very Rev. James J. Redmond, pastor of the church. In addition, he announced, a group of Jewish women notified him they would be willing to help his parish in any way they could, including "cleaning up the debris."

According to the priest, the offers to permit the use of the temples "in any way in which St. Michael's wishes" were made by Dr. Isaac Klein and Herman Rekonon, rabbi and president of Temple Emanu-El, and by Rabbi Martin L. Goldberg, spiritual leader of Temple Beth Zion.

KOSHER MEAT FIRMS IN NEW YORK INDICTED ON VIOLATING ANTI-TRUST LAWS

NEW YORK, June 6. (JTA) -- A plot to fix prices and restrain trade in kosher and kosher-style meats and in frankfurter and hamburger rolls was charged by a federal grand jury here yesterday against 14 distributor companies, 17 individuals and three trade associations. They do a business of \$40,000,000 a year in the New York metropolitan area.

Morris Horn, business manager of Local 627 of the Provision Salesmen and Distributors Union of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, was named in all three indictments handed up by the grand jury. The indictments in the meat cases charged that retail prices of the meats are fixed by pre-arrangement.

The indictments also charged that the processors refused to sell to any jobber who was not a member of the union nor to any retailer not approved by the retailers association. The grand jury said artificially high prices were maintained by the conspiracy. Each count of the three indictments carries a maximum penalty of a year in prison and a \$50,000 fine for each individual convicted and a \$50,000 fine for concerns and trade associations.

WISCONSIN COURT BANS STATE TRANSPORTATION AID TO RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

MADISON, Wis., June 6. (JTA) -- The Wisconsin Supreme Court struck down yesterday a controversial state parochial school bus law which was to have become effective next July 1.

By a four to two decision the high court ruled that the law, which would have provided state aid for transportation of private and parochial school pupils, violated a constitutional ban on expenditure of public funds "for the benefit of religious societies or religious or theological seminaries."

The legislature had sought to avoid the constitutional issue by providing that the pupils were to be taken to the nearest public school instead of to their own. The Supreme Court declared this did not change the fact that "practically all of the non-public schools whose pupils are to be transported under the attacked act are operated by religious organizations."

The heart of the controversy is whether such legislation benefits the children of the non-public schools. California, Maryland and Kentucky Supreme Courts have held that such laws are constitutional on grounds they benefit the children. High courts in New York, Delaware, Oklahoma and Washington have taken the other view and banned such aid.

DR. HUTCHINS TO LECTURE ON AMERICAN CULTURE AT HEBREW UNIVERSITY

NEW YORK, June 6. (JTA) -- Dr. Robert M. Hutchins, president of the Fund for the Republic and the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, will serve as visiting lecturer in American Culture and Civilization at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem in the Chair established by Samuel Paley of Philadelphia, it was announced today by the American Friends of the Hebrew University. Dr. Hutchins' lectures at the Hebrew University will deal with American Institutions, American Education, Economic, Political and Legal Institutions, and America in the World.

ABBA ACHIMEIR, REVISIONIST LEADER AND PROMINENT WRITER, DIES IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, June 6. (JTA) -- Abba Achimeir, a Revisionist leader and prominent writer, died here today of a heart attack at the age of 61. He was former head of the Brit Biryonim, the Revisionist extremist organization. Born in Russia, Mr. Achimeir emigrated to Israel in 1924. He became one of the leaders of the Betar, the Revisionist militant youth organization.

BECAUSE OF SHAVUOT, THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN WILL APPEAR MONDAY