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POPE PAUL PROMULGATES DECREE ON JEWS; IS BINDING FOR ALL CATHOLICS

ROME, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The historic declaration on the Jews, repudiating the charge that the Jewish people are collectively responsible for the crucifixion of Jesus and deploring anti-Semitism was promulgated today by Pope Paul VI in the splendor of St. Peter's Basilica, thus becoming a decree binding for every member of the Catholic Church.

The 2,312 prelates attending today's public session of the Ecumenical Council, cast "pro forma" votes on the declaration which the Council approved October 15 by a ballot of 1,763 to 250. Today's vote was 2,221 in favor of the declaration, 88 against it and three bishops abstaining. The promulgation today of the decree, which orders that Jews must never again be presented as "rejected or accursed," took place on the seventh anniversary of the election of Pope John XXIII, the late pontiff who instituted a friendlier approach of the Catholic Church to the Jewish people.

In promulgating the declaration on the Jews and four other schemas, Pope Paul told the assembled prelates:

"May our Christian brothers, still separated from the full communion of the Catholic Church, wish to contemplate this new manifestation of its renovated face. May such contemplation come also from the followers of other religions and, among them, those who have the same relationship to Abraham, especially the Jews. They are certainly not objects of reprobation or distrust but of respect, love and hope."

Although the "yes" votes represented an overwhelming majority, it was nevertheless considered significant that 88 "hard-core" opposition votes were recorded in a public session. This was regarded at the very least as an odd manner of expressing disapproval toward the Ecumenical Council and its head, the Pope. It was noted that the other four decrees were accepted with near-unanimity by the prelates.

At the opening of today's public session, the entire body joined in singing the traditional "Tu es Petrus," honoring the pontiff as the successor of Peter, and Psalm 132. The choice of that Psalm for this ceremony was also considered as a significant bow to the Jews. That Psalm is a paean to King David, starting with "Lord, remember David and all his afflictions," ending with "His enemies will I clothe with shame; but upon himself shall his crown flourish."

Jesuit Organ Says Original Text Would Have Been More Effective

NEW YORK, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The Jesuit weekly, America, today welcomed the promulgation of the declaration concerning relations of the Catholic Church with the Jews as an "affirmation of our common spiritual patrimony and the rejection of anti-Semitism." In an editorial in the magazine's issue dated tomorrow, America pointed out that it had earlier expressed its inability to accept the reasons given for dropping the word "deicide" from the draft document or the shift regarding anti-Semitism from "condemn" to "deplore," and it still is not persuaded by the reasons given.

"While we understand the political pressures and theological problems that forced the changes, we feel that in these respects the original text would have better achieved the goal intended: Still, as Cardinal Bea insists, the substance denoted by 'deicide' and 'condemnare' remains: the Church has solemnly decreed that no basis exists in the religion of Christ for 'hatred, persecutions, displays of anti-Semitism directed against Jews at any time and by anyone.' That much should be clear to the whole world."

The New York Times, commenting today in an editorial on the Vatican declaration on the Jews, said: "In this declaration 'on the relation of the Church to non-Christian religions' it can be said, despite minor disappointments over wording, that the ecumenical spirit and purpose of Pope John have been fulfilled."

American Jewish Committee Welcomes Pope Paul's Promulgation Act

NEW YORK, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Morris B. Abram, President of the American Jewish Committee, welcomed today the promulgation by Pope Paul VI and the Vatican Council of the declaration on the Jews as "a turning point in 1,900 years of Jewish-Chris-

tian history" and as "the climax to an unprecedented effort to bring about a new era in relations between Catholics and Jews."

Stating that the declaration's rejection of the charge of Jewish collective guilt for the Crucifixion and its repudiation of anti-Semitism are "significant clarifications of Church teachings," Mr. Abram added the hope that they would help "purify the climate of relations between Christians and Jews throughout the world."

Mr. Abram expressed particular gratification for the "vigorous leadership" of Augustin Cardinal Bea and the Cardinals and Bishops of the American hierarchy. "Their devoted efforts have won for them the friendship and confidence of all men of good will and unquestionably has earned for them an honored place in the history of Jewish-Catholic relations," he said. "As a result of this action by the highest authorities of the Catholic Church," Mr. Abram went on, "we are confident that close and friendly ties will be increasingly developed between the Jewish and Catholic communities of America and elsewhere in the years ahead."

KING OF JORDAN ANNOUNCES MILITARY PREPARATIONS AGAINST ISRAEL

LONDON, Oct. 28; (JTA) -- Jordan will build up its military power to prepare for the liberation of Palestine, King Hussein said today in Amman, capital of Jordan, in a speech from the throne. He announced a program of support for the Palestine Liberation Organization and arming border villages for defense against Israeli attacks or reprisals.

The King said that to achieve the necessary force for the liberation of Palestine, Jordan has accomplished "a great result in record time in increasing her armed forces in numbers, efficiency, and equipment" during the past year. He said the coming months would see still more increases in Jordanian military capacities.

LEBANON APOLOGIZES TO ISRAEL FOR ATTACK OF SABOTEURS NEAR BORDER

JERUSALEM, Oct. 28; (JTA) -- The Lebanese Government today apologized to Israel for the attack this week by infiltrators from Lebanon on an unoccupied house in an Israeli settlement near the border.

The apology was presented unofficially at a meeting of the United Nations Lebanese-Israel Mixed Armistice Commission which began an investigation of the incident following a complaint by Israel to the commission.

BRITAIN PLEDGES TO PROTECT ADEN JEWS; NO FUTURE FOR THEM SEEN

LONDON, Oct. 28; (JTA) -- The British High Commissioner in Aden has informed the Colonial Office that special measures will be taken to protect the Jewish community in the colony if the need should arise. This was disclosed here today by Maurice Edelman, M.P. president of the Anglo-Jewish Association at a meeting here of the organization's Council.

Mr. Edelman said, however, that with the continuing unrest in Aden and the progress of the colony towards independence, it is clear that the Aden Jewish community as such has no future. Most of those Jews remaining in the colony plan to leave for Israel with some coming to Britain, he said. He told the Council that the British Colonial Minister had received assurances from the High Commissioner of the colony that the Jews of Aden would be protected if the need arose.

CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN RABBIS CONDEMNS SOVIET ANTI-JEWISH MOVE AT U. N.

BRUSSELS, Oct. 28; (JTA) -- The Standing Committee of the Conference of European Rabbis today condemned the attempt last week by the Soviet delegation to the United Nations to bracket Zionism with Nazism and anti-Semitism.

In a statement adopted at the Committee's semi-annual meeting here, the rabbinical organization said it was "dismayed" by the Soviet proposal which, it said, "conflicts with moral and ethical values." "To list Zionism with anti-Semitism and Nazism whose diabolical philosophy resulted in the destruction of millions of human beings is a misrepresentation of the essence of Zionism and an offense to any liberal-minded person."

The Committee also approved the affiliation of various other religious bodies to constitute the Conference of European Rabbis and Associated Religious Organizations. Among those attending the meeting, under the chairmanship of Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie of England, were Grand Rabbi N.R. Dreyfuss of Belgium; Rabbi H. Grunewald of West Germany; Chief Rabbi Jacob Kaplan of France; Chief Rabbi A. Schuster of the Netherlands; Chief Rabbi Elio Toaff of Rome and Grand Rabbi H. Chilli of Paris.

STUDENT INVESTIGATION FINDS NO ANTI-SEMITISM IN UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

BALTIMORE, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The Diamondback, the student newspaper of the University of Maryland, denied today that any motive of anti-Semitism was involved in a recent incident in which an instructor in a German class scheduled an examination for the first day of Rosh Hashanah. The paper had earlier reported that the instructor later canceled the examination;

In an editorial commenting on protests arising from the paper's publication of the incident, "from people who read allegations of rampant anti-Semitism into our previous editorial," the Diamondback announced that it had "conducted an investigation of the problems of the Jewish student on this campus" and that it had found "no trace of anti-Semitism in any area of this University's administration."

"Although this does not mean that there are no anti-Semites on the campus," the editorial declared, "we feel confident that the administration and faculty are as free from bigotry as is possible in a liberal institution of this size." Referring to the incident involving the German instructor, the editorial said that it was a mixup "subject to misunderstanding" and added: "We are convinced that neither the department nor the teacher acted intolerantly, but the action and words of both were misinterpreted."

The paper cited the university administration policy which provides that all absences for religious reasons be excused and takes the stand that no examinations be given on religious holidays. It noted that calendars are supplied to all departments and religious holidays are generally taken into consideration.

In another statement, Rabbi Meyer Greenberg, Hillel director at the university, said that the original report on the incident giving rise to charges of anti-Semitism was due to "a misunderstanding by the editorial writer" of the Diamondback.

Noting that he had also investigated the incident, Rabbi Greenberg said that Hillel had "found the administration generally understanding of the rights and needs of religious groups and cooperative in the solution of problem situations. University policy is very clear," he declared, "Jewish students are permitted free exercise of their religion and are given excused absences for all Jewish holidays."

ORTHODOX BODY TO SEEK ENDING OF MIXED MARRIAGES BY JEWISH STUDENTS

NEW YORK, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- A special commission to study the causes and seek means of ending mixed marriages by Jewish students attending American colleges and universities was announced yesterday by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America.

Moses I. Feuerstein, UOJCA president, said the creation of the Commission on Intermarriage in American Colleges was motivated by an "increasing trend" toward such marriages by Jewish college youth. He called the problem "a grave challenge to the continuity of the Jewish community in this country and a serious menace to the survival" of traditional Judaism. He cited studies of such marriages in several cities.

The commission, which will be composed of scholars and rabbis whose names will be announced soon, will make a "study in depth" of the reasons why Jewish college students abandon Judaism in marriage "and other social areas." It would seek to create centers to counsel Jewish students and adults, mobilize community resources "to combat the inducements" to mixed marriage, and sponsor periodic conferences of American rabbinic and lay leaders on the problem, Mr. Feuerstein said.

CORNERSTONE LAID FOR MOSHE SHARETT BUILDING AT TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY

TEL AVIV, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The cornerstone was placed yesterday for the Moshe Sharett Building for the Science of Education at Tel Aviv University in a ceremony attended by Premier Levi Eshkol. The Premier said that the new building "should inspire its students to imitate the devotion to education of the man whose name it bears."

Dr. George Wise, president of the university, said that Mr. Sharett, a former Foreign Minister and Prime Minister, who died earlier this year, was one of the first to understand the need for the university and later helped it to attain formal recognition.

A residential section for scientists on the campus of the Weizmann Institute in Rehovot was launched yesterday with the laying of the cornerstone of the first building in the section. The building will be named in honor of Erwin Weiner of Chicago.

The Institute also announced the election of five new members of its Board of Governors. They are Prof. Arthur J. Kornberg of Stanford University, the sixth Nobel prize winner on the board; Ezer Weizmann, commander of the Israel Air Force; Dr. Albert Sabin, developer of the live vaccine for polio; Louis Boyar, Los Angeles communal leader, and Stephen Stulam of New York.

ANDRE MEYER, JEWISH BANKER, GIVES \$2,500,000 TO NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

NEW YORK, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Andre Meyer, a Jewish investment banker, has given \$2,500,000 to New York University for a new physics building, the university announced yesterday.

The new structure, for which no construction date has yet been set, will be named the Andre and Bella Meyer Hall of Physics. The investment banker said he had chosen NYU for the gift because he was a trustee of the university. Preliminary plans call for lecture and seminar rooms, laboratory and faculty offices and other facilities.

CHICAGO JEWISH COMMUNITY HONORS DENMARK FOR RESCUING JEWS FROM NAZIS

CHICAGO, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Denmark's Ambassador to the United States, Torben Rønne, received the Jewish Welfare Fund's Shofar Award last night at the organization's 29th annual meeting here. The award, presented by the entire Chicago Jewish community, honors the Government and people of Denmark for their "courage, humanity and indomitable will," in rescuing virtually the entire Jewish population of Denmark from the Nazis in 1943.

Morris Glasser, president of the Jewish Welfare Fund, said the Ambassador was invited to the meeting to permit the Jewish Welfare Fund "to express our boundless gratitude for the role played by the people of Denmark."

Speaking to more than 700 leaders of the Chicago Jewish community, Ambassador Rønne said: "The Nazi occupation of Denmark made it clear that a policy of neutrality cannot keep a country out of wars." Consequently, he said, Denmark now tries to help preserve world peace through direct political relations with many states outside of Europe.

David Jacker, a member of the board of the Jewish Welfare Fund, was chairman of the annual meeting committee. Reports on the stewardship of the Jewish Welfare Fund were also made by Mr. Glasser and by Samuel A. Goldsmith, executive vice-president.

BRIDGEPORT SYNAGOGUE BOMBED; SECOND ATTACK ON BUILDING WITHIN MONTH

BRIDGEPORT, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- An unidentified man who tossed two Molotov cocktail bombs at the Bikur Cholim synagogue here Tuesday night was the object of a police hunt today. At the same time, police in nearby Trumbull reported that the word "Jew" had been painted on the walls of two homes there during the past weekend. An investigation is underway.

The bombing incident, in which one of the missiles exploded, was the second attack on the synagogue this month. On October 7, the building was broken into and a swastika was carved in the altar and five Torah Scrolls were slashed. A member of the congregation who was assigned to guard the building since the break-in put out the flames of the bomb. The second bottle hit the building but did not explode. After the October 7 vandalism, the 150-member congregation received expressions of sympathy and contributions from local Catholic and Protestant churches.

WOMEN'S AMERICAN ORT OPENS NATIONAL CONVENTION IN PITTSBURGH

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Some 1,000 delegates from all parts of the country met here today for the opening session of the 18th biennial national convention of Women's American ORT. Guest speaker at the opening session was Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas.

In a message of greeting sent to the convention, President Lyndon B. Johnson lauded the organization "for the broad scope of your activities as reflected in the network of vocational schools you have established in 22 countries and on five continents."

In a report to the convention, Mrs. Max M. Rosenberg, national president of the organization, said that membership in Women's American ORT had grown to 66,000 with 490 chapters throughout the country, and that the organization's annual financial productivity had increased by \$330,000.

B'NAI B'RITH ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE LAUNCHES 1965 DRIVE IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith launched last night at a dinner here its national campaign to raise \$4,584,000 for its community relations program.

Some 2,000 persons attended the \$125 a plate banquet at which the ADL named Meshulam Riklis, Jewish industrialist and philanthropist, as its 1965 "Man of Achievement." Presentation of an engraved silver scroll to Mr. Riklis, was made by Albert A. List, Jewish philanthropist and business associate of Mr. Riklis.