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issues facing the Zionist movement and the future of Zionism after the elections.

Speakers at the conference will include Erra Shapiro, chairman of Keren Hayesod, Kalman Sultanik, executive vice-chairman of the World Confederation, and Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, member of the American section of the WZO Executive, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Mrs. Rose L, Halprin are chairmen of the Confederation.

MAIMONIDES HOSPITAL CHARGED WITH BLOCK-BUSTING JEWISH NEIGHBORHOOD

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (JTA)—About 75 Jews demonstrated today outside of Matmonides Hospital in the Boro Park section of Brooklyn to protest alleged "block-busting" on the part of the hospital which they claim will alter the predominently Jewish character of the neighborhood. According to Jay Kaplan, a spokesman for a group calling itself Citizens for a Better Boro Park, Matmonides, one of the largest Jewish hospitals in the city, has been using "block busting" tactics to get homeowners to sell their property.

The hospital wants the property to house Black and Puerto Rican members of its staff, Kaplan told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. He said the citizens group was demanding that Maincolides dests from the selleged practice and that it give priority to hiring Jews from the neighborhood to fill openings for nurses, amblence drivers and other positions. No Matmodes Hospital spokesman was available today for comment.

DANISH JEWS, ISRAELIS MOURN KING FREDERIK IX; WAS FRIEND OF JEWS

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 16 (JTA).—Danish Jews joined their fellow citizens in deep mourning this weekend for King Frederik IX who died Friday night at the age of 72. In an emotional sermon at the main synagogue yestorday, Chief Rabbi Bert Melchior eulogized the late king who, like his father Christian X who died in 1947, was a sincere friend of the Jewish people. Rabbi Melchior wished the successor to the throne, Queen Margrethe II, a long life and success. Israell Ambassador Moshe Leshem visited the Royal Palace to sign the mourning book. The israeli flag was flown at half mast over the Empages.

The grief of the Jewish community was more profound than usual over the passing of a titular head of state. The death of King Frederik inevitably recalled his stance during the Nazi occupation of Denmark in World War II when, as Crown Prince, he followed the example of his father and appeared publicly with a yellow Star of David on his chest. He was the first of thousands of Danish non-Jews to wear the symbol as a badge of honor after King Christian donned it as a gesture of solidarity with Denmark's Jews who were ordered by the Nazis to wear the star.

It was during the reign of King Christian that the Danish populace smuggled most of the courty's 7,000 Jews to safety in Sweden when they learned of Nazi plans to deport all Danish Jews. The Crown Prince, an officer in the Danish Nay, was a close personal friend of the late chief rabbl, Dr. Marcus Melohitor; He regularly visited the Copenhagen synagogue during the worst days of the Nazi occupation and openly chatted with the assembled Jews.

The King of Denmark is forbidden by the Danish constitution from playing a political role

or making polition! statements. The late King Frederik never made official statements on the Middle East conflict. But persons close to the Royal Court told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that in private and speaking as a "plain citizen," King Frederik always expressed great sympathy and understanding for israel.

Two events of significance to Jews occurred during his reign. After 1967, Denmark admitted thousands of Jewish refugees from Poland when an antiSemitic campaign was initiated by the Warsaw government. Most of them are still inere. Under King
Frederik, Prof. Stephen Hurwitz, a Jew, was appointed the first ombudsman of Denmark, the official
mediator in complaints of citizens against the civil
service. Prof. Hurwitz pioneered the office and
made it into a model institution since copied by
Prittan, Israel and other countries.

The new Queen of Denmark, the daughter of King Frederik, is a keen archeologist and as such is highly interested in Israel. Neither the Queen nor her husband, a former French diplomat, ever visited Israel but both are known to be friendly toward the Jewish State.

(In Israel, Prime Minister Golda Meir expressed today at the Cabinet meeting Israel's condolences to the Danish people and the ryasi family in their bereavement at the death of King Frederik. Israeli papers today recalled the friendly attitude the late King revealed towards the Jews during the Nazi occupation and his personal help to save them from the hands of the Nazis.)

KORN URGES \$5M FUND TO AID JEWISH NEWSPAPERS, BOOKS ON JEWISH SUBJECTS

TEL AVIV, Jan. 16 (JTA)—The second world meeting of the World Federation of Jewish Journalists, held here and in Jerusalem this weekend under the shadow of the demise in New York of the 57-year-old Day-Jewish Journal, heard Laborite MK Yitzhak Korn, head of the Israel Executive of the World Jewish Congress? Political Committee, suggest a \$5 million flund be established to insure the regular publication of Jewish newspapers and books on Jewish subjects,

Such a fund, Korn said, could be set up with the cooperation of several international Jewish organizations. A number of speakers stressed the precarious position of Jewish newspapers and urged a general, total effort to save them. Two speakers noted that the Day-Jewish Journal was closed with no prior announcement to the staff and with no opportunity to inform the readership of it in another issue.

954 Jewish Newspapers Around World

Joseph Fraenkel of London, a researcher specializing in Jewish journalism, asked the World Federation and the WOC to create a committee to arrange a special celebration on the occasion of the 300th anniversary of the Jewish press in 1975. The first such publication, he recalled, was launched in Amsterdam in 1675.

He said there were today 954 Jewish newspapers around the world, 43 percent of them in English, 23 percent in Hebrew, 12 percent in Yiddish, 6 percent in French, 5 percent in Spanish; 4 percent in German and 7 percent in other languages. Of the total number, 629-or 66 percent-are published in the diaspora, with 325-or 34 percent-in Israel.

Program For Jewish Journalists

The conference passed a resolution encouraging the creation of a new generation of Jewish journalists through a journalists' exchange program and grants to those with promise. The conference

praised the role of the Jewish press in the efforts of Soviet Jews to assert their Jewishness and move to Israel.

Greetings were sent to the Forward, the Yiddish daily; and Hadoar, the Hebrew weekly, celebrating their 75th and 50th anniversaries. Both are published in New York. The conference urged the release of all Soviet Jewish political prisoners and called for emigration permission to Mrs. Esther and David Markish, the widow and son of Peretz Markish, the Yiddish writer killed in the 1952 Stallnist purge of intellectuals.

KAHANE WARNS OF 'IMPENDING HOLOCAUST' IN THE U.S.; CITES ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (JTA)--Citing deteriorating economic and social conditions, the rising threat of quota systems and an "flarming" growth of neo-Nazi groups in this country, Rabbi Meir Kahane warned today of an "impending holocaust" in the United States. Thus, he said, there is an "urgent need for aliya," and he called for a "massive emergency aliya conference" for this April.

Speaking at a Jewish Defense League-sponsored public meeting at the Hotel Diplomat here that was attended by about 225 people, the JDL leader said the Jews are being blamed for the Vietnam war that has "poisoned this country," for the proliferation of pornography, and for the spread of narcotics and hallucinogenic drugs. As economic conditions here worsen, he warned, the Jews will feel the brunt of an America that is growing "more frightened, more angry, more bitter and more desperate,"

Rabbi Kahane said that only "the willfully blind or the fool" will say "it can't happen here." He said it would be a mistake to grant freedom of speech to the neo-Nazi groups now active in the US because these groups sull use that freedom of speech "to put every Jew in the ovens." Rabbi Kahane said he wards to discuss the urgent need for aliya at this week's World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem and that he will attempt to address the Congress delegates although he said he has twice been denied permission to speak by the conference's organizers.

He also retterated the need to get help for the Jewish poor in the US from Jewish federations and from city, state and the federal agencies. In addition, he repeated his encouragement to Jews to legally arm themselves for their own self-detense. And he announced that JDL is setting up a "unique" school for the intense training of specially selected college students each of whom will be returned to American campuses as a "professional Jewish agitator" to inculcate Jewish consciousness in Jewish college students:

\$4B BUDGET SUBMITTED TO CABINET

JERUSALEM, Jan. 16 (JTA) -- Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir submitted a \$4 billion budget for fiscal 1972 to the Cabinet today which he hoped would be anti-inflationary. The budget is some \$714 mil-lion less than the original draft based on the requests of all ministries and government departments. It represents a series of compromises worked out by Sapir with other ministries, notably defense, but not the Ministry of Education which still demands a budget in excess of what Sapir is prepared to allow. Sapir said more restrictions would be imposed on business expenses and that the government will approach wealthy Israelis for "voluntary" contributions to raise part of the additional \$100 million Israel will need this year to absorb the anticipated influx of immigrants. There would be a relaxation of taxes on wage earners.

LESS JEWISH CONGRESSMEN IN 1972 DUE TO REDISTRICTING, ACCORDING TO REPORT Five NY Democrats Considered in Danger

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (JTA).—Redrawing of Corpessional districts for the 1972 election may further the trend of a declining number of Jewish members in the House of Representatives. Of the 12 Jewish members of the current House, at least six can be considered to be "in trouble" with respect to retaining their seats. These findings were released in a report by the office of Rep. James H. Scheuer (D.,N.Y.). Of these six, five represent districts at least partially located in New York City. The sixth represents a district—soon to be non-existant—in Chicago, according to the report.

The number of seats in the House is set by law at 435. Likewise, the law says that redistricting must occur every 10 years to conform with census data. Because New York State has grown more slowly than California in the last 10 years, according to the 1970 census, New York will lose two seats

in the next Congress.

The New York State legislature, controlled by Republicans, will vote on a new district map to be drawn by a bi-partisan committee of members of both Houses, the report noted. This committee, too, is Republican-controlled. Besides the Supreme Court stipulation that the population must be equal in all districts, there are no restrictions that prevent the legislature from approving a map based largely on political considerations.

Abzug, Koch, Podell, Scheuer Among Five

The five Jewish Representatives from New York whose seats are considered to be in danger are all Democrats. They are, the report stated, Edward I, Koch and Bella Abzug of Manhattan, Bertram L, Podell of Brookyn, James H, Scheuer of the Bronx, and Lester L, Wolff whose district includes parts of Nassau County and Queens. There are now five Congressmen from Manhattan, but there will probably be only four in the next Congress because of the shifting location of the city's population. This means, the report stated, that incumbents will almost surely run against each other. This could also mean that two Jewish incumbents—Mrs. Abzug and Koch—may run against each other, insuring the loss of a Jewish seat.

Podell is considered in danger because the population of New York City is moving north and toward Long Island, so that the second lost seat may be from Brooklyn. Wolff, whose district straddles the line between Nassau County and Queens may be hurt if his new district includes more of Nassau County than of Queens, giving

him a new group of voters.

Shifting population is the cause of Scheuer's problems. In his case the population is moving from the Bronx to Westchester. Therefore, one of the four existing Bronx districts will probably be redrawn to include more of Westchester. The district could even be essentially in Westchester meaning that the Bronx will, in effect, lose one seat. If Scheur's district is, as he fears, carved up and divided between Representatives Mario Blaggi and Jonathan Bingham, the Bronx, despite its large Jewish population, will lose its sole Jewish representative, according to the report.

Ahner Mikva's Second Congressional District in Chicage was the victim of a Federal Court reapportionment of all the Illinois districts. Is effect, his district does not exist on the new map, Mikva has moved from Chicago to Evanston, a tra-

dittonally Republican suburb, where he will run in the new Tenth District where there is no incumbent. Still, given the nature of the electorate there, retention of his seat will not be easy, the report noted.

KGB HARASSES SOVIET JEWS

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (JTA)—The National Conference on Soviet Jewry has learned of continuing instances of harassement of Soviet Jews and of Soviet authorities minimizing the martyrdom of Jews in the Nazi holocaust of World War II. On Jan. 3, marking the 30th anniversary of the slaughter of 17,000 Jews in a field near a tractor factory in Kharkov in the Ukraine, a group of Jews requested permission to hold a rally at the grave site where all the dead are buried. The town's authorities refused, on the grounds that rallies could be held only on officially recognized days.

In spite of this, a few Jewish families 2-om Kharkov went to the cemetery on Jan. 3 and left flowers. The police were waiting there for them. They checked their identifications and then let them go. On Jan. 6, four Kharkov Jews, surnamed Greenberg, Karbel, Skobalins and Signievich, were summoned to the KGB and told to stop sending information abroad as to what is happening in Kharkov, otherwise they would be in trouble. The four Jews immediately responded to this threat by issuing a report about their confrontation with the KGB.

ADL HAILS FEDERAL GUIDELINES TO END JOB DISCRIMINATION

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (JTA).—The Anti-Defamation League of B^{*}na! B'rith today called proposed Labor Department guidelines simed at ending religious and ethnic discrimination in employment practices of federal contractors "a significant development in ending underutilization of Jewa." In making the statement, however, Seymour Graubard, the ADL's national chairman, noted that several areas of the directives might be strengthened. He cited as an example the section of the ruling concerning protection of the rights of employes who observe Saturday Sabbath and other holidays carrying a religious prohibition against work.

The ADL, through its discriminations department, acted as consultant to the Labor Department's Office of Federal Contract Compliance, which drew up the guidelines. ADL studies have shown that Jews, and to a lesser degree, Catholics, are victims of religious discrimination by big business.

The section of the proposed guidelines dealing with religious holidays says "employers are encouraged to make reasonable accommodations to the religious needs and observances" of workers. The League chairman said ADL would recommend that the word "encouraged" be changed to "required" in order to make the OFCO ruling consistent with Equal Employment Opportunity Commission rulings for private employers and federal agencies themselves.

The new guidelines are applicable to government contractors and subcontractors and subcontractors and federally-assisted construction contractors and subcontractors. If employers fail to comply with the OFCC rulings, the government can suspend or cancel their contracts and/or bar them from further federal contracts. Graubard said the new Yulings "put government strength into an area with which private agenotes have long been conocarned."



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--70 of whom are from abroad--is larger. The
World Confederation's conference will discuss
issues facing the Zionist movement and the future of Zionism after the elections.

Speakers at the conference will include Erra Shapiro, chairman of Keren Hayesod, Kalman Sultanik, executive vice-chairman of the World Confederation, and Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, member of the American section of the WZO Executive, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Mrs. Rose L, Halprin are chairmen of the Confederation.

MAIMONIDES HOSPITAL CHARGED WITH BLOCK-BUSTING JEWISH NEIGHBORHOOD

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (JTA)—About 75 Jews demonstrated today outside of Matmonides Hospital in the Boro Park section of Brooklyn to protest alleged "block-busting" on the part of the hospital which they claim will alter the predominently Jewish character of the neighborhood. According to Jay Kaplan, a spokesman for a group calling itself Citizens for a Better Boro Park, Matmonides, one of the largest Jewish hospitals in the city, has been using "block busting" tactics to get homeowners to sell their property.

The hospital wants the property to house Black and Puerto Rican members of its staff, Kaplan told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. He said the citizens group was demanding that Maincolides dests from the selleged practice and that it give priority to hiring Jews from the neighborhood to fill openings for nurses, amblence drivers and other positions. No Matmodes Hospital spokesman was available today for comment.

DANISH JEWS, ISRAELIS MOURN KING FREDERIK IX; WAS FRIEND OF JEWS

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 16 (JTA).—Danish Jews joined their fellow citizens in deep mourning this weekend for King Frederik IX who died Friday night at the age of 72. In an emotional sermon at the main synagogue yestorday, Chief Rabbi Bert Melchior eulogized the late king who, like his father Christian X who died in 1947, was a sincere friend of the Jewish people. Rabbi Melchior wished the successor to the throne, Queen Margrethe II, a long life and success. Israell Ambassador Moshe Leshem visited the Royal Palace to sign the mourning book. The israeli flag was flown at half mast over the Empages.

The grief of the Jewish community was more profound than usual over the passing of a titular head of state. The death of King Frederik inevitably recalled his stance during the Nazi occupation of Denmark in World War II when, as Crown Prince, he followed the example of his father and appeared publicly with a yellow Star of David on his chest. He was the first of thousands of Danish non-Jews to wear the symbol as a badge of honor after King Christian donned it as a gesture of solidarity with Denmark's Jews who were ordered by the Nazis to wear the star.

It was during the reign of King Christian that the Danish populace smuggled most of the courty's 7,000 Jews to safety in Sweden when they learned of Nazi plans to deport all Danish Jews. The Crown Prince, an officer in the Danish Nay, was a close personal friend of the late chief rabbl, Dr. Marcus Melohitor; He regularly visited the Copenhagen synagogue during the worst days of the Nazi occupation and openly chatted with the assembled Jews.

The King of Denmark is forbidden by the Danish constitution from playing a political role

or making polition! statements. The late King Frederik never made official statements on the Middle East conflict. But persons close to the Royal Court told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that in private and speaking as a "plain citizen," King Frederik always expressed great sympathy and understanding for israel.

Two events of significance to Jews occurred during his reign. After 1967, Denmark admitted thousands of Jewish refugees from Poland when an antiSemitic campaign was initiated by the Warsaw government. Most of them are still inere. Under King
Frederik, Prof. Stephen Hurwitz, a Jew, was appointed the first ombudsman of Denmark, the official
mediator in complaints of citizens against the civil
service. Prof. Hurwitz pioneered the office and
made it into a model institution since copied by
Prittan, Israel and other countries.

The new Queen of Denmark, the daughter of King Frederik, is a keen archeologist and as such is highly interested in Israel. Neither the Queen nor her husband, a former French diplomat, ever visited Israel but both are known to be friendly toward the Jewish State.

(In Israel, Prime Minister Golda Meir expressed today at the Cabinet meeting Israel's condolences to the Danish people and the ryasi family in their bereavement at the death of King Frederik. Israeli papers today recalled the friendly attitude the late King revealed towards the Jews during the Nazi occupation and his personal help to save them from the hands of the Nazis.)

KORN URGES \$5M FUND TO AID JEWISH NEWSPAPERS, BOOKS ON JEWISH SUBJECTS

TEL AVIV, Jan. 16 (JTA)—The second world meeting of the World Federation of Jewish Journalists, held here and in Jerusalem this weekend under the shadow of the demise in New York of the 57-year-old Day-Jewish Journal, heard Laborite MK Yitzhak Korn, head of the Israel Executive of the World Jewish Congress? Political Committee, suggest a \$5 million flund be established to insure the regular publication of Jewish newspapers and books on Jewish subjects,

Such a fund, Korn said, could be set up with the cooperation of several international Jewish organizations. A number of speakers stressed the precarious position of Jewish newspapers and urged a general, total effort to save them. Two speakers noted that the Day-Jewish Journal was closed with no prior announcement to the staff and with no opportunity to inform the readership of it in another issue.

954 Jewish Newspapers Around World

Joseph Fraenkel of London, a researcher specializing in Jewish journalism, asked the World Federation and the WOC to create a committee to arrange a special celebration on the occasion of the 300th anniversary of the Jewish press in 1975. The first such publication, he recalled, was launched in Amsterdam in 1675.

He said there were today 954 Jewish newspapers around the world, 43 percent of them in English, 23 percent in Hebrew, 12 percent in Yiddish, 6 percent in French, 5 percent in Spanish; 4 percent in German and 7 percent in other languages. Of the total number, 629-or 66 percent-are published in the diaspora, with 325-or 34 percent-in Israel.

Program For Jewish Journalists

The conference passed a resolution encouraging the creation of a new generation of Jewish journalists through a journalists' exchange program and grants to those with promise. The conference

praised the role of the Jewish press in the efforts of Soviet Jews to assert their Jewishness and move to Israel.

Greetings were sent to the Forward, the Yiddish daily; and Hadoar, the Hebrew weekly, celebrating their 75th and 50th anniversaries. Both are published in New York. The conference urged the release of all Soviet Jewish political prisoners and called for emigration permission to Mrs. Esther and David Markish, the widow and son of Peretz Markish, the Yiddish writer killed in the 1952 Stallnist purge of intellectuals.

KAHANE WARNS OF 'IMPENDING HOLOCAUST' IN THE U.S.; CITES ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (JTA)--Citing deteriorating economic and social conditions, the rising threat of quota systems and an "flarming" growth of neo-Nazi groups in this country, Rabbi Meir Kahane warned today of an "impending holocaust" in the United States. Thus, he said, there is an "urgent need for aliya," and he called for a "massive emergency aliya conference" for this April.

Speaking at a Jewish Defense League-sponsored public meeting at the Hotel Diplomat here that was attended by about 225 people, the JDL leader said the Jews are being blamed for the Vietnam war that has "poisoned this country," for the proliferation of pornography, and for the spread of narcotics and hallucinogenic drugs. As economic conditions here worsen, he warned, the Jews will feel the brunt of an America that is growing "more frightened, more angry, more bitter and more desperate,"

Rabbi Kahane said that only "the willfully blind or the fool" will say "it can't happen here." He said it would be a mistake to grant freedom of speech to the neo-Nazi groups now active in the US because these groups sull use that freedom of speech "to put every Jew in the ovens." Rabbi Kahane said he wards to discuss the urgent need for aliya at this week's World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem and that he will attempt to address the Congress delegates although he said he has twice been denied permission to speak by the conference's organizers.

He also retterated the need to get help for the Jewish poor in the US from Jewish federations and from city, state and the federal agencies. In addition, he repeated his encouragement to Jews to legally arm themselves for their own self-detense. And he announced that JDL is setting up a "unique" school for the intense training of specially selected college students each of whom will be returned to American campuses as a "professional Jewish agitator" to inculcate Jewish consciousness in Jewish college students:

\$4B BUDGET SUBMITTED TO CABINET

JERUSALEM, Jan. 16 (JTA) -- Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir submitted a \$4 billion budget for fiscal 1972 to the Cabinet today which he hoped would be anti-inflationary. The budget is some \$714 mil-lion less than the original draft based on the requests of all ministries and government departments. It represents a series of compromises worked out by Sapir with other ministries, notably defense, but not the Ministry of Education which still demands a budget in excess of what Sapir is prepared to allow. Sapir said more restrictions would be imposed on business expenses and that the government will approach wealthy Israelis for "voluntary" contributions to raise part of the additional \$100 million Israel will need this year to absorb the anticipated influx of immigrants. There would be a relaxation of taxes on wage earners.

LESS JEWISH CONGRESSMEN IN 1972 DUE TO REDISTRICTING, ACCORDING TO REPORT Five NY Democrats Considered in Danger

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (JTA).—Redrawing of Corpessional districts for the 1972 election may further the trend of a declining number of Jewish members in the House of Representatives. Of the 12 Jewish members of the current House, at least six can be considered to be "in trouble" with respect to retaining their seats. These findings were released in a report by the office of Rep. James H. Scheuer (D.,N.Y.). Of these six, five represent districts at least partially located in New York City. The sixth represents a district—soon to be non-existant—in Chicago, according to the report.

The number of seats in the House is set by law at 435. Likewise, the law says that redistricting must occur every 10 years to conform with census data. Because New York State has grown more slowly than California in the last 10 years, according to the 1970 census, New York will lose two seats

in the next Congress.

The New York State legislature, controlled by Republicans, will vote on a new district map to be drawn by a bi-partisan committee of members of both Houses, the report noted. This committee, too, is Republican-controlled. Besides the Supreme Court stipulation that the population must be equal in all districts, there are no restrictions that prevent the legislature from approving a map based largely on political considerations.

Abzug, Koch, Podell, Scheuer Among Five

The five Jewish Representatives from New York whose seats are considered to be in danger are all Democrats. They are, the report stated, Edward I, Koch and Bella Abzug of Manhattan, Bertram L, Podell of Brookyn, James H, Scheuer of the Bronx, and Lester L, Wolff whose district includes parts of Nassau County and Queens. There are now five Congressmen from Manhattan, but there will probably be only four in the next Congress because of the shifting location of the city's population. This means, the report stated, that incumbents will almost surely run against each other. This could also mean that two Jewish incumbents—Mrs. Abzug and Koch—may run against each other, insuring the loss of a Jewish seat.

Podell is considered in danger because the population of New York City is moving north and toward Long Island, so that the second lost seat may be from Brooklyn. Wolff, whose district straddles the line between Nassau County and Queens may be hurt if his new district includes more of Nassau County than of Queens, giving

him a new group of voters.

Shifting population is the cause of Scheuer's problems. In his case the population is moving from the Bronx to Westchester. Therefore, one of the four existing Bronx districts will probably be redrawn to include more of Westchester. The district could even be essentially in Westchester meaning that the Bronx will, in effect, lose one seat. If Scheur's district is, as he fears, carved up and divided between Representatives Mario Blaggi and Jonathan Bingham, the Bronx, despite its large Jewish population, will lose its sole Jewish representative, according to the report.

Ahner Mikva's Second Congressional District in Chicage was the victim of a Federal Court reapportionment of all the Illinois districts. Is effect, his district does not exist on the new map, Mikva has moved from Chicago to Evanston, a tra-

dittonally Republican suburb, where he will run in the new Tenth District where there is no incumbent. Still, given the nature of the electorate there, retention of his seat will not be easy, the report noted.

KGB HARASSES SOVIET JEWS

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (JTA)—The National Conference on Soviet Jewry has learned of continuing instances of harassement of Soviet Jews and of Soviet authorities minimizing the martyrdom of Jews in the Nazi holocaust of World War II. On Jan. 3, marking the 30th anniversary of the slaughter of 17,000 Jews in a field near a tractor factory in Kharkov in the Ukraine, a group of Jews requested permission to hold a rally at the grave site where all the dead are buried. The town's authorities refused, on the grounds that rallies could be held only on officially recognized days.

In spite of this, a few Jewish families 2-om Kharkov went to the cemetery on Jan. 3 and left flowers. The police were waiting there for them. They checked their identifications and then let them go. On Jan. 6, four Kharkov Jews, surnamed Greenberg, Karbel, Skobalins and Signievich, were summoned to the KGB and told to stop sending information abroad as to what is happening in Kharkov, otherwise they would be in trouble. The four Jews immediately responded to this threat by issuing a report about their confrontation with the KGB.

ADL HAILS FEDERAL GUIDELINES TO END JOB DISCRIMINATION

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 (JTA).—The Anti-Defamation League of B^{*}na! B'rith today called proposed Labor Department guidelines simed at ending religious and ethnic discrimination in employment practices of federal contractors "a significant development in ending underutilization of Jewa." In making the statement, however, Seymour Graubard, the ADL's national chairman, noted that several areas of the directives might be strengthened. He cited as an example the section of the ruling concerning protection of the rights of employes who observe Saturday Sabbath and other holidays carrying a religious prohibition against work.

The ADL, through its discriminations department, acted as consultant to the Labor Department's Office of Federal Contract Compliance, which drew up the guidelines. ADL studies have shown that Jews, and to a lesser degree, Catholics, are victims of religious discrimination by big business.

The section of the proposed guidelines dealing with religious holidays says "employers are encouraged to make reasonable accommodations to the religious needs and observances" of workers. The League chairman said ADL would recommend that the word "encouraged" be changed to "required" in order to make the OFCO ruling consistent with Equal Employment Opportunity Commission rulings for private employers and federal agencies themselves.

The new guidelines are applicable to government contractors and subcontractors and subcontractors and federally-assisted construction contractors and subcontractors. If employers fail to comply with the OFCC rulings, the government can suspend or cancel their contracts and/or bar them from further federal contracts. Graubard said the new Yulings "put government strength into an area with which private agenotes have long been conocarned."