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PHILADELPHIA, April 6 (JTA)--The editor of Philadelphia Magazine told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that he was "distressed" that a local rabbi should be so "uptight" as to condemn him for publishing an article designed, in the editor's words, as "a lamentation for the excesses that go on in the celebration of bar mitzvahs."

Alan Halpern, who has edited the 60-year-old magazine for the past 20 years, said the charge by Rabbi Gerald I. Wolpe, senior rabbi of Har Zion (Conservative) Congregation, was distressing because it indicated that "some Jews don't have enough faith in the American experience" to withstand criticism of "materialistic" aspects of Jewish life.

In an editorial in the March 31 issue of the Har Zion Bulletin, Rabbi Wolpe said the article was not only "juvenile journalism" but "a tasteless insult to the Jewish community" and "an undisguised affront to every Jew in our community." Further calling the piece "objectionable," he singled out "the picture of a bar mitzvah boy in yarmulka, tallith and clutching envelopes to his breast" as "a more appropriate presentation of Streicher's obscene anti-Semitic papers in Nazi Germany than of a local magazine."

Urging local Jews to assert their right "to live in dignity" by protesting to the publication, Rabbi Wolpe declared: "If we do not have the courage of our own dignity then we deserve this attack. I do hope you will write, cancel and scream so anti-Semites of any religion or lack of religious persuasion will have to listen."

#### RABIN ASKED TO REMAIN IN WASHINGTON FOR ANOTHER YEAR

JERUSALEM, April 6 (JTA)--Informed sources here reported today that Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin has been asked to remain at his Washington post for another year--until March or April, 1973. Rabin has said recently that he would not continue as Ambassador to the US beyond next Nov. and would retire from public life if he is not appointed to the Cabinet.

The proposal reportedly made to him would have him return to Israel a year from now to head the Labor Alignment's election campaign. That would postpone his appointment to the Cabinet until after Israel's next national elections.

Although Rabin was slated to join the Cabinet late this year or early next year, the Labor Alignment is believed unable to name another Labor minister without granting at least one more portfolio to its coalition partner, the National Religious Party. On the other hand, several incumbent Labor Party Ministers are expected to resign after the elections which would leave a portfolio vacant for Rabin.

#### MOROCCAN JEWS URGE FREE EMIGRATION FOR JEWS IN USSR, ARAB COUNTRIES

TEL AVIV, April 6 (JTA)--The world convention of Moroccan Jews closed here last night with the establishment of an Association of Moroccan Jews governed by a 20-member secretariate half of whose members are from Israel. Resolutions adopted by the convention called on world public opinion to support demands for free emigration for Jews in the Soviet Union and the Arab countries.

**BLACK GROUP SPOKESMAN SAYS DIGGS,  
HATCHER 'WENT ALONG' WITH REVISED  
GARY, IND. RESOLUTION**

NEW YORK, April 6 (JTA)--A spokesman for the National Black Political Convention confirmed to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that a recent meeting of its steering committee unanimously approved a "rectified" and "softened" version of a resolution adopted in Gary, Indiana on March 12 which called for the dismemberment of Israel. According to Jeleidi Mfuasi, Mayor Richard G. Hatcher of Gary and Rep. Charles C. Diggs Jr. (D, Mich.), co-chairmen of the Black Political Convention, "went along with" the revised version that condemned Israel for the "forceful occupation" of Arab territory but eliminated the call for Israel's dismemberment.

Neither Hatcher nor Diggs could be reached directly today for comment. An aide to Hatcher told the JTA that the Mayor took the same critical stand on the revised resolution as he had on the original which he had called "unfortunate" and unrepresentative of the convention as a whole.

Diggs is one of the 13 members of the Congressional Black Caucus which issued a unanimous statement in Washington on March 21 in defense of Israel's existence, three days before the Black Convention steering committee met at Howard University in Washington. The statement, hailed by Jewish bodies, was seen as a repudiation of the March 12 Gary resolution.

Mrs. Caroline Dubose, Diggs' press secretary, agreed when questioned by the JTA, that there was a "contrast" between the Black Caucus statement of March 21 and the steering committee resolution of March 24. She said the Black Congressional Caucus "operates independently" of the National Black Political Convention and indicated that the latter's revised resolution was a compromise reached in the interests of unity. Mrs. Dubose said it was adopted by a hand vote and that she didn't know whether Diggs voted for it. According to Mfuasi, the revised version won unanimous approval.

Diggs' office told the JTA that the steering committee convened in executive session March 24 expressly to reach a position of unity on two "controversial" resolutions adopted at the Gary convention, one on busing and the other on Israel. The meeting was presided over by Diggs, Hatcher and the third co-chairman, Imam Baraka of Newark, N.J. It was attended by the state chairman and representatives of the National Black Political Convention.

**OUA, UN Resolutions 'Valid'**

The revised resolution declared support of the Organization for African Unity as the official representative body speaking for Africans on that continent. It resolved that the position of the OUA on Israel and a recent resolution adopted by the United Nations Human Rights Commission condemning Israel for the alleged mistreatment of Arabs in the occupied territories were "fair and valid."

The revised resolution endorsed "the OUA's position calling for condemnation of the Israeli government for its expansionist policy and forceful occupation of the sovereign territory of another state; for measures to be taken to alleviate the suffering and to improve the position of the Palestinian people; and for support of the struggle of the Palestinian people for self-determination."

The resolution also called for "occurrence in the UN Commission on Human Rights' position that Israel rescind and desist from all practices

affecting the demographic structure and physical character of the occupied territories and the rights of their inhabitants." The JTA learned that Walter E. Fauntroy, the delegate from Washington, D.C. proposed that the revised version be subject to further revision by various state delegates up to April 22.

A formal document, to be known as the Black Agenda, is to be ratified by the steering committee in Greensboro, N.C. on May 6 and will be released May 19. The Black Agenda, incorporating the Israel resolution was described to the JTA as a statement defining the issues around which Blacks must rally "in 1972 and beyond."

Mfuasi clarified a report from news sources in Newark, N.J. which indicated that the steering committee meeting attended by Hatcher and Diggs was held there this week. The JTA carried that report which had appeared in the Newark Star Ledger with no dateline, an indication that it was a local story. Mfuasi said the Star Ledger item stemmed from a press release he had sent out.

**API-HH SCORES POLICY OF ESTABLISHING  
JEWISH SETTLEMENTS IN GAZA STRIP**

NEW YORK, April 6 (JTA)--The administrative committee of Americans for Progressive Israel-Hashomer Hatzair, a Socialist Zionist organization aligned ideologically with Israel's Mapam Party, has scored Israel's attempts to build Jewish settlements in the Gaza Strip as an "establishment of facts" that "hinders the cause of peace." Declaring that "we greet those who struggle against it," API-HH said in a statement: "We are proud of the courage of the young men and women of the border kibbutzim who defended the frontiers, including those with Gaza and the Sinai, before the Six-Day War and are ready to defend them when peace comes--but stand uncompromisingly against violations of peace and justice."

API-HH explained that "the dislocation of the Bedouins was insensitive not only to the rights of the Bedouins but also to the Israeli settlements which have painfully and slowly built understanding and friendship with them." This is a "sensitive and painful issue," the group said, centering on "justice and the brotherhood of peoples." API-HH stressed that "we identify with Israel in her desire for secure borders."

**EXPERTS TO DISCUSS HOUSING SHORTAGE**

JERUSALEM, April 6 (JTA)--Israel's severe housing shortage, stemming in large measure from high construction costs, will be the subject of discussions by 15 leading experts on housing from Israel and abroad which will open here next week. The experts will tour building sites and will draw up a report for submission to the Housing Ministry and the Jewish Agency suggesting ways to reduce costs and alleviate the problem.

The meeting will be opened by Jack Weller, a member of the Jewish Agency's Board of Governors and chairman of its housing committee. Housing Minister Zeev Sharef will participate along with the owners of building companies in the US, France, Britain and Israel and experts from the Haifa Technion and other Israeli universities.

Approximately 400 students, the majority non-Jewish, are attending Sao Paolo's University's Institute for Jewish Studies courses which include Hebrew, Yiddish, Jewish philosophy, literature, sociology and history.

An estimated 150,000 persons from Arab and Moslem countries having no diplomatic relations with Israel are expected to visit there this year under the summer visits program.

### WOMEN'S INTERFAITH ACTION FOR SOVIET JEWS SET FOR APRIL 17

Leader Says Plight Of Soviet Jews Is Not Exaggerated

LOS ANGELES, April 6 (JTA)--The wife of Rep. Alphonzo Bell (R. Calif.) will head a local women's delegation to Washington April 17 to participate in the Women's Interfaith Action for Freedom for Soviet Jews, according to the Southern California Council for Soviet Jews. Mrs. Bell, who is the actress Marian McCargo, said: "This is not primarily a Jewish issue. Oppression has no boundaries and no geography. We are dealing with human beings--three and a half million men, women and children who happen to be Jewish; and whose only crime is that they want to leave the country that no longer wants them."

Mrs. Bell, who with her husband visited Russia earlier this year with a study mission of the House Education Subcommittee, said that while "I was, of course, aware of the Soviet Jewish problem before our trip," she had thought that "much of what I heard had been somewhat exaggerated." Her personal talks with Russian Jews "impressed and amazed" her, she continued, since they "were willing to meet with us and ask for our help while knowing that they could be arrested for just being seen with the Americans."

The women's delegations will seek meetings with "women in public life" in Washington, including Mrs. Richard M. Nixon and the wives of other Presidential candidates, the wife of Soviet Ambassador Anatoly F. Dobrynin and officials of the Red Cross. They expect to be joined by Katya Palatnik, whose sister Raiza is a political prisoner in the USSR.

### ZIONIST LEADER URGES EFFORT TO BRING JEWISH YOUTH BACK TO ZIONIST FOLD

Calls For College For Jewish Studies Under Zionist Auspices

MONTREAL, April 6 (JTA)--"As there is a visible decline in interest of Jewish students in the New Left and most of them are now looking for new ideas, it is the duty of Zionists to inspire them with the dedication for Israel." That is the philosophy of Dr. Leon Kronitz, the educator and writer and newly appointed executive vice-president of the Canadian Zionist Federation--the highest position in Canadian Zionism. "We have to make a strong effort to bring back youth to the Zionist fold," Dr. Kronitz said in an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

To this end, the Zionist leader envisages an educational framework unprecedented in North America: a college for Jewish studies under Zionist auspices where students can earn bachelor's and master's degrees--but must spend six to 12 months in Israel to perfect their knowledge of that country.

### Main Thrust To Inspire Aliya

Dr. Kronitz, who was born in Poland 54 years ago, said that with few Jewish boys and girls interested in Zionism, he wants to direct his efforts toward addressing selective Zionist literature to those apathetic or alien to the problems facing the Jewish-conscious. He also pointed to the important role Zionists should play in raising funds for Israel.

His main thrust, Dr. Kronitz said, will be to inspire aliya by Canadian Jews of all ages, primarily through education from elementary school through university, because "there is no Jewish identity without Zionism." He added: "Israel has to pull them in because American diaspora is not pushing them out."

Dr. Kronitz is also principal of the Solomon Schechter Academy here, chairman of the National Executive of the Canadian Jewish Congress, and a

member of the Action Committee of the World Council of the World Zionist Organization. As CZF executive director, he will also serve as national director of its new Education Department. The holder of a doctorate in education from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Dr. Kronitz has lived in Canada since 1938.

### H.E.W. TO PROBE BLACK TEACHER'S GROUP

NEW YORK, April 6 (JTA)--The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith has been advised by Elliot L. Richardson, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, that he has asked Education Commissioner Dr. Sidney B. Marland Jr. to investigate thoroughly the ADL's charges against the African-American Teachers' Association. ADL officials told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that Richardson asked Marland to report his findings to the Jewish group in detail.

In a Feb. 29 letter to Richardson, ADL national chairman Seymour Graubard charged the ATA with using federal funds geared to dropout aid "to subsidize racial or religious hatred," especially anti-Semitism. ATA president Albert Vann has denied the charges, but acknowledged to the JTA last month that he believed Jews have disproportionate power in the New York school system.

### WARNING SOUNDED THAT JEWS IN USSR

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Recent Attacks On Soviet Jews Cited

TEL AVIV, April 6 (JTA)--World-wide reaction in the form of demonstrations and condemnation of recent attacks on Russian Jews may be the only effective measure to prevent pogroms in the Soviet Union according to Yehzekel Polarowitz, chairman of the Assirel Zion, an organization dedicated to helping Russian Jews imprisoned for Zionist activities.

Polarowitz said at a meeting last night that unless energetic steps are taken to rally public opinion in reaction to recent attacks on Jews going to synagogues in Russian cities, "we may face the renewal of pogroms." Polarowitz claimed that the attacks were "feelers" by the Soviet authorities to test reaction. "Should there be no reaction, the authorities would give the green light to extremist elements to hit the Jews," he said. He said that the eve of President Nixon's visit to Moscow was the opportune time "to sound all the alarm bells" on this issue.

In recent weeks Jews have been arrested in Kiev for congregating outside their synagogue on the Sabbath and several have been warned they would be sentenced to one-year prison terms if they returned. On Passover eve Soviet police reportedly prevented an overflow crowd from entering the synagogue there and several persons beaten and arrested and released after interrogation.

### ARCHBISHOP CONDEMNS ROCK OPERA

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 6 (JTA)--Dom Paulo Evaristo Arns, Archbishop of Sao Paulo, has condemned the rock opera. "Jesus Christ Superstar" for manifesting anti-Semitism "through theatrical art." His criticism appeared in an interview in the bimonthly "Resenha Judaica." The Brazilian premiere of the show is scheduled for mid-month in Sao Paulo. "Superstar" was earlier condemned by the American Jewish Committee and other Jewish groups for allegedly fostering anti-Semitism. The producer and creators of the show have denied the charges.





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PHILADELPHIA, April 6 (JTA)--The editor of Philadelphia Magazine told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that he was "distressed" that a local rabbi should be so "uptight" as to condemn him for publishing an article designed, in the editor's words, as "a lamentation for the excesses that go on in the celebration of bar mitzvahs."

Alan Halpern, who has edited the 60-year-old magazine for the past 20 years, said the charge by Rabbi Gerald I. Wolpe, senior rabbi of Har Zion (Conservative) Congregation, was distressing because it indicated that "some Jews don't have enough faith in the American experience" to withstand criticism of "materialistic" aspects of Jewish life.

In an editorial in the March 31 issue of the Har Zion Bulletin, Rabbi Wolpe said the article was not only "juvenile journalism" but "a tasteless insult to the Jewish community" and "an undisguised affront to every Jew in our community." Further calling the piece "objectionable," he singled out "the picture of a bar mitzvah boy in yarmulka, tallith and clutching envelopes to his breast" as "a more appropriate presentation of Streicher's obscene anti-Semitic papers in Nazi Germany than of a local magazine."

Urging local Jews to assert their right "to live in dignity" by protesting to the publication, Rabbi Wolpe declared: "If we do not have the courage of our own dignity then we deserve this attack. I do hope you will write, cancel and scream so anti-Semites of any religion or lack of religious persuasion will have to listen."

#### RABIN ASKED TO REMAIN IN WASHINGTON FOR ANOTHER YEAR

JERUSALEM, April 6 (JTA)--Informed sources here reported today that Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin has been asked to remain at his Washington post for another year--until March or April, 1973. Rabin has said recently that he would not continue as Ambassador to the US beyond next Nov. and would retire from public life if he is not appointed to the Cabinet.

The proposal reportedly made to him would have him return to Israel a year from now to head the Labor Alignment's election campaign. That would postpone his appointment to the Cabinet until after Israel's next national elections.

Although Rabin was slated to join the Cabinet late this year or early next year, the Labor Alignment is believed unable to name another Labor minister without granting at least one more portfolio to its coalition partner, the National Religious Party. On the other hand, several incumbent Labor Party Ministers are expected to resign after the elections which would leave a portfolio vacant for Rabin.

#### MOROCCAN JEWS URGE FREE EMIGRATION FOR JEWS IN USSR, ARAB COUNTRIES

TEL AVIV, April 6 (JTA)--The world convention of Moroccan Jews closed here last night with the establishment of an Association of Moroccan Jews governed by a 20-member secretariate half of whose members are from Israel. Resolutions adopted by the convention called on world public opinion to support demands for free emigration for Jews in the Soviet Union and the Arab countries.

**BLACK GROUP SPOKESMAN SAYS DIGGS,  
HATCHER 'WENT ALONG' WITH REVISED  
GARY, IND. RESOLUTION**

NEW YORK, April 6 (JTA)--A spokesman for the National Black Political Convention confirmed to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that a recent meeting of its steering committee unanimously approved a "rectified" and "softened" version of a resolution adopted in Gary, Indiana on March 12 which called for the dismemberment of Israel. According to Jeleidi Mfuasi, Mayor Richard G. Hatcher of Gary and Rep. Charles C. Diggs Jr. (D, Mich.), co-chairmen of the Black Political Convention, "went along with" the revised version that condemned Israel for the "forceful occupation" of Arab territory but eliminated the call for Israel's dismemberment.

Neither Hatcher nor Diggs could be reached directly today for comment. An aide to Hatcher told the JTA that the Mayor took the same critical stand on the revised resolution as he had on the original which he had called "unfortunate" and unrepresentative of the convention as a whole.

Diggs is one of the 13 members of the Congressional Black Caucus which issued a unanimous statement in Washington on March 21 in defense of Israel's existence, three days before the Black Convention steering committee met at Howard University in Washington. The statement, hailed by Jewish bodies, was seen as a repudiation of the March 12 Gary resolution.

Mrs. Caroline Dubose, Diggs' press secretary, agreed when questioned by the JTA, that there was a "contrast" between the Black Caucus statement of March 21 and the steering committee resolution of March 24. She said the Black Congressional Caucus "operates independently" of the National Black Political Convention and indicated that the latter's revised resolution was a compromise reached in the interests of unity. Mrs. Dubose said it was adopted by a hand vote and that she didn't know whether Diggs voted for it. According to Mfuasi, the revised version won unanimous approval.

Diggs' office told the JTA that the steering committee convened in executive session March 24 expressly to reach a position of unity on two "controversial" resolutions adopted at the Gary convention, one on busing and the other on Israel. The meeting was presided over by Diggs, Hatcher and the third co-chairman, Imam Baraka of Newark, N.J. It was attended by the state chairman and representatives of the National Black Political Convention.

**OUA, UN Resolutions 'Valid'**

The revised resolution declared support of the Organization for African Unity as the official representative body speaking for Africans on that continent. It resolved that the position of the OUA on Israel and a recent resolution adopted by the United Nations Human Rights Commission condemning Israel for the alleged mistreatment of Arabs in the occupied territories were "fair and valid."

The revised resolution endorsed "the OUA's position calling for condemnation of the Israeli government for its expansionist policy and forceful occupation of the sovereign territory of another state; for measures to be taken to alleviate the suffering and to improve the position of the Palestinian people; and for support of the struggle of the Palestinian people for self-determination."

The resolution also called for "occurrence in the UN Commission on Human Rights' position that Israel rescind and desist from all practices

affecting the demographic structure and physical character of the occupied territories and the rights of their inhabitants." The JTA learned that Walter E. Fauntroy, the delegate from Washington, D.C. proposed that the revised version be subject to further revision by various state delegates up to April 22.

A formal document, to be known as the Black Agenda, is to be ratified by the steering committee in Greensboro, N.C. on May 6 and will be released May 19. The Black Agenda, incorporating the Israel resolution was described to the JTA as a statement defining the issues around which Blacks must rally "in 1972 and beyond."

Mfuasi clarified a report from news sources in Newark, N.J. which indicated that the steering committee meeting attended by Hatcher and Diggs was held there this week. The JTA carried that report which had appeared in the Newark Star Ledger with no dateline, an indication that it was a local story. Mfuasi said the Star Ledger item stemmed from a press release he had sent out.

**API-HH SCORES POLICY OF ESTABLISHING  
JEWISH SETTLEMENTS IN GAZA STRIP**

NEW YORK, April 6 (JTA)--The administrative committee of Americans for Progressive Israel-Hashomer Hatzair, a Socialist Zionist organization aligned ideologically with Israel's Mapam Party, has scored Israel's attempts to build Jewish settlements in the Gaza Strip as an "establishment of facts" that "hinders the cause of peace." Declaring that "we greet those who struggle against it," API-HH said in a statement: "We are proud of the courage of the young men and women of the border kibbutzim who defended the frontiers, including those with Gaza and the Sinai, before the Six-Day War and are ready to defend them when peace comes--but stand uncompromisingly against violations of peace and justice."

API-HH explained that "the dislocation of the Bedouins was insensitive not only to the rights of the Bedouins but also to the Israeli settlements which have painfully and slowly built understanding and friendship with them." This is a "sensitive and painful issue," the group said, centering on "justice and the brotherhood of peoples." API-HH stressed that "we identify with Israel in her desire for secure borders."

**EXPERTS TO DISCUSS HOUSING SHORTAGE**

JERUSALEM, April 6 (JTA)--Israel's severe housing shortage, stemming in large measure from high construction costs, will be the subject of discussions by 15 leading experts on housing from Israel and abroad which will open here next week. The experts will tour building sites and will draw up a report for submission to the Housing Ministry and the Jewish Agency suggesting ways to reduce costs and alleviate the problem.

The meeting will be opened by Jack Weller, a member of the Jewish Agency's Board of Governors and chairman of its housing committee. Housing Minister Zeev Sharef will participate along with the owners of building companies in the US, France, Britain and Israel and experts from the Haifa Technion and other Israeli universities.

Approximately 400 students, the majority non-Jewish, are attending Sao Paolo's University's Institute for Jewish Studies courses which include Hebrew, Yiddish, Jewish philosophy, literature, sociology and history.

An estimated 150,000 persons from Arab and Moslem countries having no diplomatic relations with Israel are expected to visit there this year under the summer visits program.

### WOMEN'S INTERFAITH ACTION FOR SOVIET JEWS SET FOR APRIL 17

Leader Says Plight Of Soviet Jews Is Not Exaggerated

LOS ANGELES, April 6 (JTA)--The wife of Rep. Alphonzo Bell (R. Calif.) will head a local women's delegation to Washington April 17 to participate in the Women's Interfaith Action for Freedom for Soviet Jews, according to the Southern California Council for Soviet Jews. Mrs. Bell, who is the actress Marian McCargo, said: "This is not primarily a Jewish issue. Oppression has no boundaries and no geography. We are dealing with human beings--three and a half million men, women and children who happen to be Jewish; and whose only crime is that they want to leave the country that no longer wants them."

Mrs. Bell, who with her husband visited Russia earlier this year with a study mission of the House Education Subcommittee, said that while "I was, of course, aware of the Soviet Jewish problem before our trip," she had thought that "much of what I heard had been somewhat exaggerated." Her personal talks with Russian Jews "impressed and amazed" her, she continued, since they "were willing to meet with us and ask for our help while knowing that they could be arrested for just being seen with the Americans."

The women's delegations will seek meetings with "women in public life" in Washington, including Mrs. Richard M. Nixon and the wives of other Presidential candidates, the wife of Soviet Ambassador Anatoly F. Dobrynin and officials of the Red Cross. They expect to be joined by Katya Palatnik, whose sister Raiza is a political prisoner in the USSR.

### ZIONIST LEADER URGES EFFORT TO BRING JEWISH YOUTH BACK TO ZIONIST FOLD

Calls For College For Jewish Studies Under Zionist Auspices

MONTREAL, April 6 (JTA)--"As there is a visible decline in interest of Jewish students in the New Left and most of them are now looking for new ideas, it is the duty of Zionists to inspire them with the dedication for Israel." That is the philosophy of Dr. Leon Kronitz, the educator and writer and newly appointed executive vice-president of the Canadian Zionist Federation--the highest position in Canadian Zionism. "We have to make a strong effort to bring back youth to the Zionist fold," Dr. Kronitz said in an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

To this end, the Zionist leader envisages an educational framework unprecedented in North America: a college for Jewish studies under Zionist auspices where students can earn bachelor's and master's degrees--but must spend six to 12 months in Israel to perfect their knowledge of that country.

### Main Thrust To Inspire Aliya

Dr. Kronitz, who was born in Poland 54 years ago, said that with few Jewish boys and girls interested in Zionism, he wants to direct his efforts toward addressing selective Zionist literature to those apathetic or alien to the problems facing the Jewish-conscious. He also pointed to the important role Zionists should play in raising funds for Israel.

His main thrust, Dr. Kronitz said, will be to inspire aliya by Canadian Jews of all ages, primarily through education from elementary school through university, because "there is no Jewish identity without Zionism." He added: "Israel has to pull them in because American diaspora is not pushing them out."

Dr. Kronitz is also principal of the Solomon Schechter Academy here, chairman of the National Executive of the Canadian Jewish Congress, and a

member of the Action Committee of the World Council of the World Zionist Organization. As CZF executive director, he will also serve as national director of its new Education Department. The holder of a doctorate in education from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Dr. Kronitz has lived in Canada since 1938.

### H.E.W. TO PROBE BLACK TEACHER'S GROUP

NEW YORK, April 6 (JTA)--The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith has been advised by Elliot L. Richardson, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, that he has asked Education Commissioner Dr. Sidney B. Marland Jr. to investigate thoroughly the ADL's charges against the African-American Teachers' Association. ADL officials told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that Richardson asked Marland to report his findings to the Jewish group in detail.

In a Feb. 29 letter to Richardson, ADL national chairman Seymour Graubard charged the ATA with using federal funds geared to dropout aid "to subsidize racial or religious hatred," especially anti-Semitism. ATA president Albert Vann has denied the charges, but acknowledged to the JTA last month that he believed Jews have disproportionate power in the New York school system.

### WARNING SOUNDED THAT JEWS IN USSR

MAY FACE RENEWAL OF POGROMS  
Recent Attacks On Soviet Jews Cited

TEL AVIV, April 6 (JTA)--World-wide reaction in the form of demonstrations and condemnation of recent attacks on Russian Jews may be the only effective measure to prevent pogroms in the Soviet Union according to Yehezkel P-larowitz, chairman of the Assirel Zion, an organization dedicated to helping Russian Jews imprisoned for Zionist activities.

Polarowitz said at a meeting last night that unless energetic steps are taken to rally public opinion in reaction to recent attacks on Jews going to synagogues in Russian cities, "we may face the renewal of pogroms." Polarowitz claimed that the attacks were "feelers" by the Soviet authorities to test reaction. "Should there be no reaction, the authorities would give the green light to extremist elements to hit the Jews," he said. He said that the eve of President Nixon's visit to Moscow was the opportune time "to sound all the alarm bells" on this issue.

In recent weeks Jews have been arrested in Kiev for congregating outside their synagogue on the Sabbath and several have been warned they would be sentenced to one-year prison terms if they returned. On Passover eve Soviet police reportedly prevented an overflow crowd from entering the synagogue there and several persons beaten and arrested and released after interrogation.

### ARCHBISHOP CONDEMNS ROCK OPERA

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 6 (JTA)--Dom Paulo Evaristo Arns, Archbishop of Sao Paulo, has condemned the rock opera. "Jesus Christ Superstar" for manifesting anti-Semitism "through theatrical art." His criticism appeared in an interview in the bimonthly "Resenha Judaica." The Brazilian premiere of the show is scheduled for mid-month in Sao Paulo. "Superstar" was earlier condemned by the American Jewish Committee and other Jewish groups for allegedly fostering anti-Semitism. The producer and creators of the show have denied the charges.