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A NEW 'ORLEANS AFFAIR' BEGINNING:

JEWS ACCUSED OF 'KIDNAPPING' GIRLS

AND 'SELLING THEM ABROAD'

By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, Nov. 18 (JTA)—A new "Orleans affair" has broken out in the French city of Chalon sur Saone where public rumors are being circulated that local Jews are "kidnapping" teen-aged girls and "selling them abroad." Jewish sources in Chalon sur Saone told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the rumors started about two weeks ago in the local high-school for girls. From there it spread to the rest of the city's population.

Soon after the rumors first started, antiJewish slogans were painted at night on Jewishowned shops. Rumors, similar to those which
rocketed Orleans in the spring of 1969, claim
that Jewish shop keepers drug and kidnap their
non-Jewish customers, especially young girls, to
sell them abroad. At the request of the local 200member Jewish community the local police investigated the rumors and printed a denial in the
city's newspaper, "Le Courrier." In spite of
this, the rumors are continuing unabated, local
Jews told the JTA.

Two prominent French Jewish organizations expressed their concern today over the Chalon sur Saone situation and the anti-Semitism growing there. A spokesman for the Representative Council of Jews in France (CRIF) declared that the situation in the French town was another sign of a rebirth of anti-Semitism in France. The same view was taken by the International League Against Racism and Anti-Semitism (LICA).

CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON BROWN SEEM UNCERTAIN WITH FORD AWAY By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 (JTA)— The likelihood of Congressional hearings on the anti-Semitic remarks of Gen. George S. Brown, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, remained uncertain today as Congress returned from its election recess. The matter is not expected to be determined for a week or more and may be held in abeyance until President Ford returns from his Far Eastern trip Nov. 26.

The President personally rebuked Brown at a meeting in the White House to which the General was summoned last Thursday. But the President also made it clear, at his press conference in Phoenix, Ariz. later that day, that he had no intention of firing Brown because of his "one mistake."

Jewish organizations, including the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S., are continuing to demand Brown's ouster and many members of Congress have expressed reservations about his continuing to occupy the nation's highest military post.

Stating a view shared by others at the Capitol who were shocked by Brown's remarks, Sen. Howard O. Metzenbaum (D.Ohio) told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he saw "nothing to investigate" in the Brown case. He noted that the General had admitted making the slurring remarks and had apologized for them. Therefore, the Senator questioned what an inquiry would prove. He said, however, that more important than what Brown said was the General's state of mind as

revealed by his remarks. "Brown's remarks, put in the context of the kind of thinking he represents, is the issue. He ought not remain as the nation's military commander," Metzenbaum said.

RABIN: ISRAEL'S PARTIAL
MOBILIZATION OVER THE WEEKEND
MAY HAVE AVERTED SYRIAN ATTACK
By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Nov. 18 (JTA)—Premier Yitzhak
Rabin said last night that Israel's partial mobilization over the weekend may have averted a Syrian attack. "We mobilized only a very limited number of reservists...(but) when the other side sees that there is no possibility of surprising us, the temptation to go to war is reduced," Rabin told an audience of 2500 attending the triennial international convention of B'nai B'rith at the Mann Auditorium here.

The Premier was referring to the war scare of the past few days which has abated. He acknowledged, however, that the prospects for peace in the Middle East at the present time have diminished as a result of the Rabat summit conference. He said PLO chief Yasir Arafat's speech to the UN General Assembly last week "rejected the right of Jews to live in their own sovereign state."

He called the UN's effusive welcome of Arafat a "victorious revival of Hitlerism." But, he said, Israel recognizes the goal of the terrorists and their strategy for reaching it. "We are prepared to face them. There will be no talks with this group (the PLO). The only place we shall meet them is on the battlefield." Rabin said.

Arafat's speech to the UN was the subject of debate at this morning's Knesset session in response to five urgent agenda motions submitted by various factions. Likud leader Menachem Beigin opened the debate by noting that the important thing was not what Arafat said but that the terrorist chief "was standing on the UN rostrum and was cheered by UN members." This, Beigin said, "is the warning to us and to our sons."

Responding for the government, Foreign Minister Yigal Allon said the one benefit of Arafat's speech was that it made clear to the world the terrorists' aim to annihilate Israel. "I should like to believe that after Arafat's speech our friends do not expect us to recognize the PLO or to negotiate with it," Allon said.

Peace, Not Military Arrangements

Rabin, in his address to the B'nai B'rith convention, reaffirmed that Israel's desire and goal is for peace with its neighbors. He said Israel would adhere to its disengagement agreements with Egypt and Syria "as long as the other sides respect it mutually." He called the agreements an important move toward consolidation of the cease-fire and on the road to peace.

"We are prepared to continue seeking peace, a peace settlement, a peace agreement or something similar, but not military arrangements," Rabin said. He said those had already been made under the disengagement agreements. "In the future, we shall seek actual significant moves toward peace," the Premier said, but cautioned that in the meantime, Israel needs to be prepared for war.

U.S. Ambassador Kenneth Keating, who also

addressed the B'nai B'rith convention, said the change of administration in Washington made no change in American policy in the Middle East. He said the special relationship between the U.S. and Israel continued and would continue in the future.

U.S. BELIEVES WAR SCARE IS OVER

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 (JTA)--The State Department used two sentences today to put a period on the Middle East war scare that flared up Friday. "Both sides have spoken to it publicly and have said they are not going to attack," said State Department spokesman Paul Hare in referring to Syria and Israel. "I will let the matter rest there for the moment."

The tense military situation that developed toward the end of last week had set off a flurry of diplomatic activity in Washington over the weekend. Israel notified Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger last Thursday of its intention to call up part of its reserves but assured the Secretary that it did not plan to launch an attack. Kissinger then asked and received similar assurances from the Syrian and Egyptian governments and relayed them to Israel. There was no indication whether the Soviet Union gave the U.S. any indication of its intentions or information on its continuing arms shipments to Syrial

Kissinger breakfasted with Soviet Ambassador Anatoly F. Dobrynin on Saturday at which "a small part" of their conversation related to the Middle East. Later the Secretary lunched with the Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz and with Mordechai Shalev, a senior official of the Israeli Embassy. Dinitz reportedly assured Kissinger that Israel had no aggressive intentions and was assured by the Secretary that the other side had no plans to attack Israel.

According to reports reaching Washington, the Cairo daily Al-Gombouria, reported today that President Anwar Sadat had reassured President Ford and Soviet Communist Party Secretary Leonid I. Brezhnev that neither Egypt nor Syria will initiate hostilities against Israel. According to the paper, Sadat gave his assurances in an exchange of messages with the U.S. and Soviet leaders during the past two days. It said, however, that Sadat described Israeli military deployment on the Syrian front as serious.

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON PALESTINIANS

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 18 (JTA)--A fourpoint draft resolution demanding national independence and sovereignty for the Palestinian people and their right to return to their homes and property as an indispensable element of Middle East peace, was disclosed here today.

Shafik Al-Hout, a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization, said the draft would be circulated by tomorrow. He said that a separate resolution will be introduced asking the General Assembly to grant permanent observer status to the PLO. Both resolutions are sponsored by the nonaligned bloc of nations together with several Arab states. Observers here expect both to be adopted with large majorities.

A spokesman for the U.S. Mission said today that the U.S. had not seen the draft resolution but "we are aware of the context" and "have discussed the matter with a number of delegations.' He said the document "has been floating around the UN."

The Palestine debate is scheduled to end this Thursday when the General Assembly will be

addressed by the U.S. Ambassador John Scali. But observers expressed doubt that it can be concluded by then since there are already 15 nations on the speakers list for the Thursday afternoon session. (By Yitzhak Rabi)

URGES UNITED FRONT FOR ISRAEL

KIAMESHA LAKE, N.Y., Nov. 18 (JTA)--Addressing 2000 delegates attending the five-day biennial convention of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism which began here today. Mrs. Henry N. Rapaport, outgoing president of the League, said in her keynote statement that "in these days of peril for Israel, in which her very survival is being tested, I call upon every friend of Israel, Jews and Christians, to grasp the significance of this moment and rise to the challenge" so that Israel's enemies will not be given a chance to destroy her.

Terming the situation "most grave," Mrs. Rapaport said that "we have in recent days been witnesses to the callousness and hostility of a world which has apparently forgotten the holocaust and remains indifferent to the plans of those who seek to destroy the Jewish State." Those who voted in the UN to give "status and respectability to that murderous band which calls itself the Palestine Liberation Organization must themselves be considered as enemies of Israel and the Jewish people," she declared.

Mrs. Rapaport also stated that the ties of the Conservative Movement to Israel were constantly being strengthened and asserted, "We share with them not only our material resources, our moral support and understanding, but our children and ourselves."

GOVERNMENT. NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS INITIATING ECONOMY MEASURES By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 18 (JTA)--The government and national institutions are embarking on farreaching economy measures intended to conserve energy sources and stem the outflow of foreign currency in Israel's current economic crisis. The matter is considered urgent in view of the austerity economic measures imposed on the public last week. Government officials feel that the examples of belt-tightening should originate on the highest level.

At yesterday's Cabinet meeting, plans were discussed for the formation of at least four ministerial committees to recommend conservation measures. Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz announced that he was appointing a committee to examine means for saving petroleum and electric power. He said he would also appoint a public committee to study working conditions at government-controlled corporations with a view to reducing power consumption. Similar directives have been issued by Minister of Commerce and Industry Haim Barlev. He asked the Ministers of Labor and Interior to see whether street lighting and lighting on highways can be cut down.

The Israel Electric Corp. is expected to issue a ban tomorrow on the use of electric power for display advertising and shop windows after 9 p.m. with severe penalties for violators. Meanwhile, Labor Minister Moshe Baram and Education and Culture Minister Aharon Yadlin, announced that they were closing their Tel Aviv offices. They are following the example set last week by Information Minister Aharon Yariv who closed his Tel Aviv office to eliminate a duplicatory facility and end the fuel-consuming weekly automobile trips between the capital and Tel Aviv.

The move, if followed by the rest of the Cabinet, is expected to save IL 4.5 million's year. But it has encountered resistance from some ministers who argue that if they don't travel to Tel Aviv, many Tel Aviv officials will have to travel to Jerusalem to conduct business with them.

Overseas Trips To Be Reduced

There was general agreement in the Cabinet that public criticism of overseas travel by government officials was unfair, as one minister put it, "a matter of demagogy in the mass media." Cabinet ministers stressed that they travel abroad only on official business or for the United Jewish Appeal.

Nevertheless, Foreign Minister Yigal Allon has ordered a series of expense-cutting measures in his ministry. The number of overseas trips will be reduced, the expense accounts of foreign service employes abroad will be cut, their use of cars will be limited and several Israeli consulates will be closed. The first casualty has been the Israeli Consulate in Hong Kong.

Allon announced also that he was cutting down on ceremonial trips abroad by Foreign Ministry officials and that he would not hold the traditional Independence Day dinner for the foreign diplomatic corps next year. Minister of Tourism Moshe Kol issued a general directive for more saving in his office and said his Ministry would no longer hold events at hotels.

Limit Placed On Travel Tax

The Knesset Finance Committee, meanwhile, appointed a subcommittee to review exemptions to the travel tax and severely limit them. Israelis who travel abroad now pay an IL 750 travel tax plus 15 percent of the cost of their ticket. But there is a long list of exemptions including employes of El Al, Zim, employes of travel agencies and new immigrants. During the 1973-74 fiscal year, some 35,000 Israelis went abroad without paying the travel tax.

Similar measures were announced by the Jewish Agency Executive last week. There will be a 25 percent cut in the expense accounts of Agency and World Zionist Organization officials and Agency employes working abroad. Emissaries posted overseas will be required to cut their travel expenses by 20 percent. The Executive also announced an 18-month moratorium on hiring new employes and decided not to fill positions vacated by retiring officials.

WEST BANK DISTURBANCES SPREAD TO JERUSALEM; 10 INJURED, 80 ARRESTED By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Nov. 18 (JTA)—The wave of pro-terrorist disturbances that swept the West Bank over the weekend spread to East Jerusalem today resulting in injuries to at least 10 persons including demonstrators and police, and the arrest of 80 Arabs, 50 of them high school students. At one point, student demonstrators closed the heavy wooden gates of ancient Damascus Gate, one of the main entries to the old walled city. Police trying to re-open the gate were pelted with stones from the ramparts.

Arab bus drivers lined up their vehicles to block the main road between East and West Jerusalem outside the central bus terminal. But they drove off after being warned by police. Several hundred demonstrators who tried to march on the Christian quarter of the Old City were dispersed by police.

According to Jerusalem Police Chief Heinz Breitenfeld, the trouble began when students at several Arab high schools surged into the streets in a demonstration of solidarity with PLO chief Yasir Arafat. Police rushed to the schools and drove the demonstrators back into the school yards. Several students resisted and were detained.

Some East Jerusalem shopkeepers obeyed the demonstrators' exhortations to close as a sign of protest. But most of the shops reopened during the day after warnings by police that they would be shut down permanently. Despite the disturbances, tourists and Israeli shoppers strolled the streets of East Jerusalem and hunted bargains at the shops and stalls.

West Bank Unrest, Continues

Unrest continued in the West Bank towns of Ramallah, Bethlehem and Bet Jalla today where students chanting PLO slogans hurled stones at Israeli soldiers. School strikes continued for the third consecutive day in Al Bira. Youngsters attempting to march on a local school were dispersed by Israeli police. In Ramallah, Halhul, Dura and Kalkilya many pupils did not show up for classes today. Others gathered outside the schools shouting slogans and waving Palestinian flags. No clashes were reported.

Israeli authorities said the unrest, sparked by Arafat's inflammatory speech to the UN last Wednesday, was intended to destroy the image of peaceful Jewish-Arab co-existence on the West Bank and in Jerusalem which Israel has worked hard to build during the past seven years.

In an attempt to curb the unrest on the West Bank, students demonstrating outside of Jerusalem were brought before military courts during the past two days. Of 132 that were tried, 59 received sentences of up to six months in jail, two were acquitted and 71 paid up to IL 1000 in fines. Some 150 high school students were detained in various West Bank towns, 90 of these in Bethlehem which until now was considered one of the more tranquil West Bank communities.

Terrorist Attempts in Jerusalem

Meanwhile, three terrorist attempts against civilians in Jerusalem were reported over the weekend. Yesterday, residents of a large apartment building on French Hill in the city's northern outskirts were evacuated after two bazooka rockets were found in a stairwell. They were removed by police sappers. Earlier in the day, two small explosive charges detonated in the adjacent Ramot Eshkol district causing minor damage but no injuries. One charge exploded behind a stone wall, searing the stones and making a small crater in the ground. The other charge exploded in the stairwell of a residential building causing some damage to the gas and electrical systems. Ramat Eshkol was the first Jewish suburb built after the Six-Day War on former non-Israeli land.

PARIS (JTA)--Some 5000 demonstrators called Monday on UNESCO and on the French government to change their pro-Arab policies. The demonstrators assembled in front of the UNESCO building to protest against its recent decision to sever its links with Israel. Police forces guarded the building but there were no clashes and a small delegation was admitted within the building. The demonstration, which had been called by the Union of Jewish Youth, shouted slogans hostile to French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, accusing him of being "Arafat's accomplice." The demonstrators included several Paris Municipal Council members and Jean-Pierre Bloch, head of LICA.

FAMILIES OF 4 ISRAELIS MURDERED BY TERRORISTS MEET WITH WALDHEIM Tell Waldheim That Appeasement Of Arafat Is Similar To Appeasement Of Hitler

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 18 (JTA)—The families of four Israelis murdered by terrorists under the command of Yasir Arafat told United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim today that "by welcoming the murderers of innocent civilians into its midst, the UN has abandoned whatever hope it once represented for decency and morality in international relations."

In a joint statement at a news conference following an interview with Waldheim at his office here this morning, the survivors charged that "appeasement of Yasir Arafat in 1974 will fail to bring peace just as appeasement of Adolf Hitler

failed a generation ago."

Rabbi Israel Miller, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations which is acting as the host to the Israelis, quoted Waldheim as asserting that UN Security Council Resolution 242 would be "the basis for whatever solution is reached through peaceful negotiations." Waldheim was also reported to have said that he had been "most active" in recent days in efforts to reduce mounting Middle East tensions, which were described by him as "relaxed" but still requiring "perseverance and persistence."

Those who met with Waldheim in addition to Rabbi Miller were: Dr. Benjamin Berger of Cleveland, whose son, David, was a member of the Israeli Olympic team at the 1972 games in Munich. David, 28, was one of the Il Israeli athletes seized at gunpoint and shot dead by Black September terrorists; Mordecai Zarenkin, 31, an Israeli war veteran whose wife and two small children were among seven victims of a terrorist raid on Nahariya on June 24 in which Arafat-led El Fatah publicly claimed responsibility for the attack.

Also meeting with Waldheim were: Zippora Maimon, 15, and her brother Galil, 23 of Maalot. Zippora was wounded in the Arab terrorist raid on Maalot last May 15 in which 24 Israeli school children were killed. Her brother, Galil, rescued her from the schoolhouse that had been seized by the terrorists and carried her, bleeding, to safety

Express Revulsion And Outrage

In a statement to the press following the meeting, they said: "We told Dr. Waldheim of our revulsion and outrage at the standing ovation which Yasir Arafat received following his speech in this building last week. The spectacle of the nations of the world rising to acclaim the murderer of innocent civilians was obscene enough. But the prospect that he will be rewarded for his actions by a UN resolution giving him the territory he claims is a depressing reminder of the world's folly in rewarding Hitler with the Sudetenland 35 years ago. Peace in the Middle East cannot come by surrender to terrorists. Appeasement of Yasir Arafat in 1974 will fail just as appeasement of Adolf Hitler failed a generation ago."

Rabbi Miller said the UN was "no longer symbolized by the dream of peace but by a killer with a holster"—a reference to the gun holster worn by Arafat in addressing the General Assembly last week. He added: "By its own craven surrender to political expediency, the General Assembly has conferred authority on the Palestine Liberation Organization to represent the Arabs of Palestine themselves. In so doing, the General Assembly subverted the very charter of the United Nations for the proclaimed purpose of Yasir Ara-

fat is to destroy a member state of the UN, Israel. Israel will survive the UN vote but the UN may not." During their short stay in the United States, the Israelis, who arrived here last Thursday, have visited a number of communities, including Port Washington, N.Y., Philadelphia and Baltimore.

3 SOVIET JEWS STAGE HUNGER STRIKE

NEW YORK, Nov. 18 (JTA)—Three Soviet Jews, former prominent members of the film industry, today began a five-day hunger strike to coincide with the London film festival at which Soviet films will be shown, it was reported by Jewish sources here. Mikhail Suslov, a film cameraman, Felix Kandel-Kamov, a cartoon scenarist, and Leon Kann, a sound operator and dubbing editor, said they are protesting against the refusal of Soviet authorities to grant them exit visas.

Suslov and Kandel-Kamov staged a 12-day hunger strike last month coinciding with the San Francisco film festival which also showed Soviet films. A fourth Jew, former journalist Yevgeny Baras, who participated in last month's hunger strike, said he would not join the new one as he understood his application to emigrate is being considered by Soviet authorities. The three hunger strikers said they were also protesting against repressions, persecutions, illegality and arbitrariness on the part of Soviet officials, Jewish sources said.

11,000 JOIN ISRAEL BOND SOCIETY

NEW YORK, Nov. 18 (JTA)—More than 11,000
New Yorkers have purchased \$1000 or more in Israel Bonds this year and have become members of Shomrei Israel (Guardians of Israel), it was reported by Harvey P. Davis and Sam Paznik, chairmen of the New York Shomrei Israel campaign. "It is our goal to re-enroll as Shomrei Israel the tens of thousands of individuals and families who lent Israel at least \$1000 following the Yom Kippur War, Paznik said.

In another development, Herbert Tenzer, former member of the House Judiciary Committee, a New York attorney, business and civic leader, has been named chairman for Communal Resources in the Greater New York area for Israel Bonds, it was announced by Michael Arnon, president and chief executive officer of the Israel Bond Organization. "At this crucial juncture for the economy of Israel, when its people are being asked to make new sacrifices under a system of unprecedented austerity, we have a sacred obligation to mobilize the urgently needed large-scale financial resources through Israel Bonds to help stabilize the beleaguered economy of Israel," said Tenzer, in accepting the chairmanship.

STERN TRIAL DUE NOV. 20 IN VINNITSA

LONDON, Nov. 18 (JTA)—Jewish sources in the Soviet Union have reported that the trial of Dr. Mikhail Stern is expected to begin Nov. 20 and end Nov. 30 in Vinnitsa. Dr. Stern's elder son, Viktor, has now been granted an exit visa, presumably to get him out of the way before the start of the trial. Viktor has been the most active member of the family in campaigning on behalf of his father. Viktor has said that he will refuse to accept the visa which stipulates that he must leave the Soviet Union by Dec. 1.

Dr. Stern will be defended by a lawyer appointed by the authorities. He is Dmitry Pantelyevich Skripnik of the Vinnitsa Lawyers Council. The local authorities have said that Dr. Stern himself requested to be defended by a local lawyer, which is not true, according to sources. Meanwhile, Dr. Stern's condition is reported to be deteriorating.

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JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN ACTION

COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS 43RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

WIDE RANGE OF JEWISH CONCERN REFLECTED IN RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY 2500 COMMUNAL LEADERS AT CJF-GA

CHICAGO, Nov. 18 (JTA)-- The 2500 delegates representing Jewish communities of North America and abroad attending the 43rd General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds (CJF) adopted 12 resolutions last night covering a wide range of Jewish concerns. The resolutions dealt with the 1975 campaign to meet "massive needs in Israel and here at home''; peace in the Middle East; Soviet Jewry and the plight of Jews in Syria; urban problems; poverty; the American bicentennial and the CJF's Institute of Jewish Life.

No goal was set for the 1975 campaign. But the resolution noted that while the \$725 million raised in 1974 in the communities of the U.S. and Canada "dwarfed every previous achievement," it "fell short" of meeting the global human needs and "the requirements are even greater in 1975." The resolution stated that Israel looks to "the Jews of the world to help provide the tens of thousands of immigrants who continue to pour in, to help support those already there and to help build the kind of society which is Israel's historic purpose."

The resolution relating to the Middle East condemned the United Nations General Assembly for permitting the Palestine Liberation Organization to participate in its debate. It commended the United States for opposing that act and declared that admitting the PLO "sanctioned terror debased the international organization and obstructed the prospect of peace."

The resolution lauded the actions of President Ford, Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger and Congress for 'providing the economic and military aid indispensable to Israel's survival and in the vital interests of the U.S. Congress was urged to "speedily approve provisions in the 1975 Foreign Aid Bill which authorizes \$250 million in supportive assistance grants to ease Israel's severe economic burden and \$300 million (\$100 million in grants) in military credit sales."

Rights Of Soviet, Syrian Jews Stressed

The resolution on Soviet Jewry urged utmost vigilance "to assure full Soviet compliance" with the terms set forth in the Jackson/Mills-Vanik amendments to the foreign trade bill. It called on the Soviet authorities to release immediately Jew- dent of the CJF, stated that the Council has begun ish prisoners of conscience; permit all Soviet Jews to scrutinize itself "in an effort to make it more who wish to, to leave for Israel or any country of their choice; to allow those who have been wait ing longest to leave soonest; and to cease all forms of police, juridical and bureaucratic harassment of Jews wishing to leave.

Similarly, the "right to emigrate or travel abroad" was urged for the Jews of Syria. The CJF called on the governments of the U.S. and Canada to intensify their efforts to persuade the Syrian authorities to end their persecution of Jews and to grant Syrian Jews their basic human rights.

The resolution on poverty among Jews in the U.S. and Canada called on the governments to provide greater resources than can be provided by the voluntary agencies. The CJF voted to continue the Institute of Jewish Life for a fourth year. ending June 30, 1976. A further determination will be made at the 44th General Assembly next year.

\$15 M ALLOCATED BY 210 JEWISH COMMUNAL GROUPS THIS YEAR FOR JEWISH EDUCATION IN THE U.S.

CHICAGO, Nov. 18 (JTA)--A total of \$15 million was allocated this year by 210 Jewish communal groups throughout the country for Jewish education in the U.S., it was reported by I. Jerome Stern to the 2500 communal leaders from the U.S.. Canada and abroad attending the 43rd General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. The money raised this year, he said, was double the amount allocated for Jewish education in 1966.

Stern, chairman of the Committee on Federation Planning for Jewish Education, said the funds, raised by communal groups affiliated with the CJF, were used to maintain and enlarge programs dealing with cultural enrichment and Jewish identification. He reported that some 60 percent was used to subsidize Jewish elementary and high schools while the remaining 40 percent was utilized by 74 Federation-supported boards of Jewish education and committees for audio-visual material, curriculum aids, texts and consultants.

Allocations for Jewish day schools, Stern said, are currently above \$4 million. Figures he provided showed that about 75,000 children attend Jewish day schools in this country, 200,000 attend week-day afternoon schools and 125,000 attend Jewish Sunday schools.

Stern noted that Jewish Federations and welfare fund organizations in Chicago, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Toronto and New York are allocating \$1 million or more for Jewish education. However, he said, "allocations to all-day Jewish schools continue to grow at a faster rate, and in our large cities already represent 22 percent of all funds expended for Jewish education." The Assembly adopted a resolution calling for expansion of support for Jewish education.

Efforts To Make CJF More Representative

The five-day Assembly, which ended yesterday, focussed on priority measures to strengthen the quality of Jewish life in North America and to relate it to the diverse concerns of American cities as well as to that of Israel and world Jewry. More than 100 meetings were held during the five days, including early breakfast sessions and past-midnight meetings.

Raymond Epstein, who was re-elected presirepresentative, more responsive to the interests of its constituent Federations." He noted that "we not only seek to faithfully respond to those constituent interests but we must venture at times to lead them or at least to expose them to new, emerging, relevant concerns and solutions. We see our role today not as one of passive response but an acceptance of responsibility for initiating those actions which will best serve Federation goals."

To accomplish the objective of acting as "a collective community" a number of actions will be taken, including a restructuring of the CJF board and a schedule calling for more meetings throughout the country to make the CJF more accessible for participation by all, Epstein said.

SHRODER AWARDS TO 4 JEWISH COMMUNITIES. AND 2 NATIONAL JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS

CHICAGO, Nov. 18 (JTA)--Four Jewish com-