

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

JERUSALEM (WNS) A plea that Jewish organizations in the U.S. refrain from competing with the Zionist Organization was sounded by Aryah L. Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive.

NEW YORK (WNS) The Joint Distribution Committee in 1966 will allocate \$1,950, 000 toward ORT's vocational training programs overseas, it was disclosed in an announcement by both organizations.

PARIS (WNS) Austrian juries are making a "mockery" of justice in trying Nazi war criminals, it was charged here in a report issued by the European office of the American Jewish Committee. Citing a number of cases in which Austrian juries either freed or gave light sentences to major criminals, the report said the development has generated indignation in the Viennese press and in several foreign countries.

WASHINGTON (WNS) A complaint was filed by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith with the U.S. Justice Department against a Georgia resort hotel charged with practicing "religious discrimination in violation of Title II" of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This was the second time since enactment of the law that the ADL has filed such a complaint. The first action, in 1965, was against the Breakers Hotel in Palm Beach, Florida. After the complaint was filed, charging the resort with "denying accommodations to Jews," the management consented to open its hotel facilities "on an equal basis" to all.

MIAMI BEACH (WNS) Resumption of full-scale bombing of North Vietnam in the event Hanoi does not respond favorably to President Johnson's peace offensive was urged by Milton A. Waldor, national commandor of the Jewish War Veterans of America.

NEW YORK (WNS) Dr. Milton Aron, a leading rabbinic and communal figure in Canada, has been elected national director of the Jewish National Fund of America.

WASHINGTON (WNS) The State Department, in a statement believed triggered by recent press reports that American citizens were helping Egypt in the development of rocket missiles, declared "we are not aware that any U.S. citizens capable of making significant contributions to missile research and development have been or are connected with United Arab Republic missile development."

TORONTO (WNS) Jewish refugees who turned to farming after settling in Canada attained "inspiring success" in developing prosperous farms in Southern Ontario and the Niagra Peninsula.

WASHINGTON (WNS) Assistant Secretary of State Douglas Mac Arthur, 2nd, in reply to inquiries by Senators Jacob K. Javits of New York and Harrison Williams of New Jersey, declared that Egyptian authorities had at no time threatened to close the Suez Canal to an American President Lines ship if it included Haifa in its itinerary. It had earlier been reported that the ship company had eliminated Haifa from its cruise itinerary because of Arab boycott pressure.

CHICAGO (WNS) Only duly ordained rabbis are qualified to officiate at Jewish weddings, it was announced by the Chicago Board of Rabbis in an effort to halt the tendency to engage cantors to perform that function. The only role the cantor can play at such nuptial, said the statement, is to chant appropriate portions of the service.

Immigration and Naturalization

By Robert E. Segal

(Continued from last week)

The idea of basing our immigration law on a hopelessly frozen ethnic pattern was so obviously nurtured in bias and racism that no intelligent modern right wing foe of the law's reform dares to defend it. One of America's most capable students of immigration, Dr. William S. Bernard, co-director of the American Council for Nationalities Service, has well asserted that the ethnic composition of the United States cannot be pegged to a particular pattern. "We were not the same in 1920 as in 1890, let alone in 1776 or the 1660's," he points out. "And we are not the same (now) as we were in 1920... Yearning for a fond and dimly - remembered

Protestant Anglo-Saxon, rural, un-neurotic, monolithic culture is nostalgic nonsense and is itself a psychotic baying at the moon.. Any law that arbitrarily admits one man because of alleged superiority, excluding another because of alleged inferiority, squares completely with the Hitleresque theories of racism that spewed crematory gas into the air and precipitated World War II."

Yet Senator Eastland has shrewdly let young Senator Ted Kennedy chair the hearings of the Senate Subcommittee on Immigration when proponents of change were heard and has taken over the chair himself to serve as cheer leader for pro-national origins quota prin-

cipal witnesses. And DAR Chief Mrs. Sullivan has warned that abolition of the quote system would destroy a first-line of defense in perpetuating our institutions of freedom and the American way of life.

Well, if it is humanly possible for this nation to square its debts to the 40,000,000 or more immigrants who have given the United States much of its verve and energy and inspiration, the new efforts of President Johnson and the National Committee For Immigration Reform

may supply the punch needed. Former Ambassador Bob Murphy, now board chairman of Corning Glass International speaking for the immigration reform committee, has challenged the forces of reaction by declaring that enactment of long overdue changes in the law will emphasize the humanitarian aspects of American foreign policy, improve our relations with other nations by banning racial and ethnic bigotry in our immigration policy, and bring into this country people,

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