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ISRAELI SOLDIERS ON A REPRISAL RAID IN JORDAN

WATCH FOR ARAB SABOTEURS TO COME OUT

Rumania's Okay

By Nathan Ziprin

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Dr. Moses Rosen, chief rabbi of Rumania, told a group of Yiddish writers that 100,000 of the 400,000 Jews who had survived the Holocaust still remained in Rumania. Most of the rest migrated to Israel. Fifty thousand reside in Bucharest and the rest are in some 75 to 100 smaller communities throughout the country.

Rabbi Rosen said that the Rumanian Jews now enjoy full religious and cultural freedom. There are 150 synagogues open and functioning, 50 of them in Bucharest. Between 700 and 800 worshippers attend services at his own Choral Synagogue each week, he said. There were 500 synagogues at the end of World War II.

The rabbi reported that a professional Yiddish theatre, which he considers the "equal" of the Polish Jewish State Theater of Ida Kaminska, is supported by the Rumanian Government; and he added that he felt certain the Government would "heartily approve" a visit by the theater company to the United States, if a sponsor could be found here.

But more Jews attend the synagogue than do the Jewish

theater, he added, to give emphasis to the facts that Yiddish as a language was declining in Rumania as in the rest of the world, and also that the Rumanian Jews still have a strongly religious orientation.

The country-wide Federation of Jewish Communities, with groups in more than 75 towns throughout Rumania, is essentially religious, he said, but it also has an extensive welfare and cultural program.

With help from the Government and, substantially, from the Joint Distribution Committee, the Federation provides supplementary incomes for the elderly or ill Jews who receive only small pensions from the government, because, as small business men before World War Two, they were not part of a social security system. Clothing is also provided.

In the cultural area, the Federation maintains a Jewish Museum in Bucharest, as well as a library or more than 70,000 volumes. A bi-weekly newspaper is published in three languages, Rumanian, Hebrew, and Yiddish -- the only Hebrew-language publication in Europe. The newspaper's 10,000 copies sell out as soon as they appear, the rabbi said. He read an editorial from a recent copy he brought with him to the press conference which evaluat-

ed the achievements of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency of New York on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

The Jews of Rumania, the rabbi said, held high positions in the government and in the professional and intellectual life of the country far exceeding their proportion of a population of 20 million persons. Leading playwrights, like Aurel Baranga, are Jewish; and the Rumanian ambassador to the U.S. is also Jewish.

The rabbi admitted a decline in attendance at Talmud Torahs -- though he stressed that the Rumanian Jews enjoyed absolute freedom of worship and were not coerced into non-attendance. He attributed the decline to the lessening of religiosity in Rumania, as throughout the world, and to the shortage of trained teachers and other religious functionaries, who have migrated, to Israel and other countries. Such teachers and functionaries were extremely well paid, he said, but there was still a shortage. He urged young American rabbis and teachers to volunteer for service in Rumania.

He emphasized the favorable status the Jews enjoy in Rumania -- perhaps the most favorable in any socialist country -- and he said that both the government and the people, non-Jews and Jews alike, were strongly pro-Israel.

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CASE No. A 52861
IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF
CLARK

NOTICE
IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE
OF NAME OF KAREN JANE NELSON
TO KELLY STEVENS.

NOTICE is hereby given that
KAREN JANE NELSON has filed a
Petition to change her present name
to KELLY STEVENS with the Eighth
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of Nevada in and for the County of
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DATED this 22nd day of March,
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