LOS ANGELES (WNS) -- B'nai B'rith first Hebrewspeaking lodge in North American, Shalom Lodge, has been chartered in Los Angeles, A majority of 128 founding members are Israeli but the roster includes Ameri-



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ZOA PRESIDENT ANSWERS CRITICS FOR 5TH TERM

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Jacques Torczyner lashed back at members of the Zionist Organization of America who have formed a committee to fight his bid for re-election to a fifth term as president of the organization.

An ad hoc "National Committee to Safeguard the Integrity of the ZOA" said it hoped to defeat at the ZOA convention to be held this month a proposed amendment to the group's constitution that would allow Mr. Torczyner to run for a fifth and sixth term as president. Past changes have enabled him to run for two terms beyond the constitutional limit of two terms.

committee's statement at- counter Arab propaganda, tacking him a "deplorable extended the ZOA aliya proexample of destructive organizational politica at their worst," asserted that throughout his ZOA presidency, "the very members of this self-styled committee applauded, endorsed and shared the policies of our administration." He declared that "they know themselves that their shrill criticism is phony and their sudden alarm contrived."

He said that despite the committee's allegations, the ZOA has, under his administration, increased its membership, carried on an extensive and effective pub-

gram and intensified youth and summer programs.
These activities "speak for themselves and will be presented to the convention of judgement," he declared.

He added that support for his candidacy had come from

Mr. Torczyner, calling the lic relations program to "hundreds of national, regional and district leaders throughout the country. "Also running for the presidency besides Mr. Torczyner are Rabbi L Usher Kirshblum of Kew Gardens Hills, N.Y. and Rabbi Joseph Shubow of Boston.

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NEW YORK CITY -- A lot of New Yorkers who are neither insomniacs nor night workers, stayed up through the wee small hours on Saturday, July 13 to participate in WMCA-radio's "power line tour" which enabled listeners to call in to speak directly with people in Jerusalem. First Israel Bank and Trust Company of New York served as sponsor of the show, which began at 1 A.M., and continued for five hours.

