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## Zionist Congress Cloud

Even as delegates begin to arrive in Jeru-salem for the 28th World Zionist Congress, storm cloud hovers over the scheduled proceedings. It is the controversy engendered by the decision of the World Zionist Congress Executive to withdraw the invitation to Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, to address the festive session marking the 75th anniversary of the Zionist movement.

Many Zionists and Jewish leaders in the United States and elsewhere have deplored the disinvitation as a body blow to the central concept of Zionism that it is a democratic national liberation movement of the Jewish people. The basic issue is not whether Dr. Goldmann should have made aliya of Soviet Jews primary over defense of their right to live as Jews in the USSR. This is only the froth on waves of the controversy.

The basic issue is whether Dr. Goldmann, or any other Zionist leader who has fought for Jewish survival and identity for decades, has the right to differ with the official es-tablished "line." The Zionist Executive has made it clear that Dr. Goldmann can participate in the Congress session but not be the only speaker at the festive occasion. But many critics fear that Dr. Goldmann has been punished.

The critics of the Zionist Executive decision are particularly distrubed because it appears to be a clear signal to young people that they must hew to an established "line" and that democracy within the Zionist movement means democracy to only agree with the top leadership. Dr. Judah Shapiro, president of the Labor Zionist Alliance, alluded to this when he termed the Executive's decision a shock to those who view the Congress as a forum for the free exchange of ideas.

Rabbi Joseph Karassick, chairman of the WJC-American section, put it on the line when he noted that the paramount issue is whether an almost hysterical insistence on absolute conformity is compatible with democracy. The answer will be given at the Congress, and the answer will determine whether Zionism continues as a revolutionary movement or a hollow shell.

## Rehnquist, hingering Doubt

By ROBERT E. SEGAL.

If Justice Thurgood Marshall should, because of ill health or some other bad turn of fate, find it necessary to retire from the Supreme Court bench, would President Nixon be inclined to name a black as successor?

An iffy question, of course; and yet few

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observers questioned the logic of the President's determination to put one or more southerners on the bench after the loss of Judge John M. Harlan and Hugo M. Black.

Should representation on the highest bench by region, race, or religion be a consideration henceforth? For example, is the break with the custom of having a Jew on the Supreme Court after half a century of that circumstance a proper cause of concern for believers in equality of opportunity? Some folks, conscious of the fact that perhaps as many as 20% of all members of the bar in the United States are Jewish, raise the issue with added effectiveness. Others regard it as irrelevant.

But how many can go on believing that the latest appointee, William H. Rehnquist of Arizona, should not have been put to severe testing in the Senate before confirmation? Following confirmation of Mr. Rehnquist and Lewis F. Powell, the President was quoted as saying: "The quality of the Court decisions should be enhanced for years to come." This may prove true in Mr. Nixon's mind. But many in the nation are bound to have serious doubts about the advisability of confirmation for Mr. Rehnquist.

Long a friend of Mr. Rehnquist, Mr. John P. Frank--regarded by many as an authority on the Constitution and the Supreme Court-he said of Mr. Rehnquist: "He will represent
the Goldwater view on the Supreme Court, Bill has been an intellectual force for reaction. I do not believe he will put manacles back on the slaves, but I'm sure from his point of view, it will be more than a pause...there will be backward movement. Interms of race relations, I would expect him to be retrograde. He honestly doesn't believe in civil rights and will oppose On criminal matters, he will be a supporter of police methods in the extreme, On free speech, Bill will be restrictive. On loyalty programs -- McCarthyism -- he'll be 100% in favor.

Of much more significance, however, is the haunting fear that the new jurist will not be able to set aside his personal views in deciding cases. Here again, even though one can turn to the famous memorandum Law Clerk Rehnquist prepared for the late Justice Robert H. Jackson 19 years ago and find Mr. Rehnquist himself contending that personal views should be placed on the balance by jurists, the doubt lingers. For in that memorandum, a younger Rehnquist, noting that jurists had decided long since to stop stitching their economic biases into decisions, said in effect to Judge Jackson that a jurist, considering the school desegregation cases, should not be expected to read his own sociological views into the Constitution.

The charge that sociological and psychological considerations were given far too much attention in the Supreme Court rulings in the Brown (school) cases is a continuing weapon in the arsenal of those who rationalize their opposition to an integrated society. That issue is not simply a matter of shaping a mechanism whereby black and white children shall go to school together. Rather it is a distinct matter of respecting individual worth. And for anyone -- Supreme Court justice or man in the street -to persist in denying any human being his dignity

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



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with a series of claims which were not only never authenticated, but subsequently proven to be deliberate lies.

As time progressed, the Israelite found out why the Sun publisher kept backing Maheu, who is suing for \$50,000,000. It was learned that Greenspun had profited by more than \$10,000,000 of Hughes money (which we know of) and an unestimated amount more that could be uncovered if Maheu would surrender the records he absconded with when fired.

The Israelite's only purpose in setting the record straight about Greenspun and the Sun, concerning Hughes, was because the chaos caused by the irresponsible publisher was upsetting the economy of the state. It became more and more evident that the selfish, personal gain of Greenspun, was more important to him than the subsistence of 20,000 Hughes employees in Nevada and the livelihood of all other residents of the state.

The Israelite has been using every effort to maintain the confidence of Hughes employees and the public at large in the continued operation of the Hughes Nevada properties, and we have been succeeding. But the general decline of the economy, nationwide, has been affecting us

here in Nevada. Ask anyone. Now comes Hughes out of retirement, via telephone, to clear up the mess surrounding the publishing of his "autobiography" which he disclaims in no uncertain terms. During the three hour telephone conversation, Hughes stated he intended to return to Nevada, when the

situation clears somewhat. So what happened? The Las Vegas Sun takes on a "ho hum" attitude and the governor says he couldn't This is the attitude they have care less. been adopting right along without regard or concern to what is happening in their state. Well, for their information, here is what is happening.

The mere mention of Hughes returning has created a fervor of excitement. It has given many new hope for heightened economy. How do we know?

An ad for the sale of a home has been running in the Israelite for the past month. The phone number listed was our own, 870-1255. We had been receiving three or four calls a week, with all the potential purchasers not fully committed on their future plans in Las Vegas. There was an aire of uncertainty. Then came the news stories of the Hughes phone call on Sunday.

From Sunday evening to Tuesday evening, when this column was being written, we have received more than 80 phone calls resulting in at least six persons definitely interested in purchase. Why the sudden surge in interest? If the Israelite could create all that heat with a classified ad, imagine what is happening all over town with other properties?

All this took place after Hughes said he was returning to Nevada. We know it is useless attempting to reason with Greenspun who apparently is helplessly enmeshed in the immoral money pit he created. But there is the matter of the governor who stubbornly refused to consider the plight of the state he is running.

After all obstacles manufactured by Greenspun have been painstakingly cleared, one by one to allow Hughes Tool Co. directors to be licensed so that \$300,000,000 in properties could be properly managed, another delay is being created by the recent controversy concerning the "autobiography." Now the Gambling Commission won't act on the Hughes applications until February, when it had agreed to grant the licenses this week.

We hope the governor and the commission know what they are doing, with the fate of the economy of Nevada at stake.

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