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NIXON KREMLIN APPEAL ASKED BY 165 INTERRELIGIOUS LEADERS

Passover Feature

IN HONOR OF PASSOVER, WHICH COMMEMORATES THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIBERATION OF THE ISRAELITES FROM EGYPTIAN BONDAGE, THE LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE WILL PUBLISH A SERIES OF FEATURES. THIS YEAR THE PASSOVER FESTIVAL IS INAUGURATED AT SUNDOWN ON THE EVENING OF WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29 AND ENDS ON THURSDAY, APRIL 6.

Passover Message

NEW YORK -- Thirty-four Jews in Kiev, U.S.S.R. -- where authorities have barred access to the synagogue to young people -- sent a Passover message to American Jews that likened the Soviet Union to ancient Egypt and asserted that now, as then, "we shall overcome."

The message was relayed by phone to the American Jewish Congress in two calls placed (Continued on Page 5)

CHICAGO (WNS) -- President Nixon has been asked by 165 Protestant, Catholic, Greek Orthodox and Jewish leaders to convey to Soviet leaders during his May visit to Moscow a request to end immediately "discrimination and denials of Soviet Jewry and others" and to grant "now" fundamental human rights to all Soviet citizens. The proposal was contained in a resolution at the close of a two-day National Interreligious Consultation on Soviet Jewry. The "Manifesto of Conscience" also declared that "we cannot remain silent as long

as the Soviet Union continues to hamper or strangle the spirit and cultural life of the Jewish people through extreme and special acts of discrimination."

The delegates also approved plans for more such meetings on regional and local levels several times annually; an interfaith gathering to seek permission to enter Russia to meet with Soviet Jewish political prisoners; and an interfaith delegation to seek a meeting with President Nixon to give him a copy of the manifesto. Dr. M.L. Wilson, chairman of the National Committee of Black (Continued on Page 3)

TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth
Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



Thriftmart Slots

A major scandal that has been brewing for months in Nevada is about to boil over in Las Vegas any minute.

It concerns the city licensing of slot machines in three Thriftmart supermarkets.

At the outset we hasten to state that Thriftmart is not, we repeat NOT, an advertiser in the Israelite. This does not deter us from reporting the results of our research, that the present operators of the food chain are solid, upright citizens and deserve every consideration in having their right to the slot machines reinstated. And we inform them here and now, they probably will be approved on re-application, if the officers and those holding more than five per cent of the stock, apply.

Some citizens are confused as to why Thriftmart, one of the oldest established food chains in our state, is being singled out, while other similar stores are permitted to operate the slot machines. The same interested citizens feel the city is being deprived of much-needed revenue because of a technicality among some city commissioners.

It is argued that the State Gambling Commission has approved Thriftmart's licenses, as did the County Gaming Commission, so why not the City Commission? Proponents of the licenses point out that machines are operating in the No. Las Vegas outlet. All this is well and good, and that is exactly why the Israelite decided to investigate and determine just what is holding up the nod from the city. Here is what we unearthed.

To begin with, all five elected members of the City Commission, including our mayor, are good public servants, even though two voted for re-instatement, two voted against and one abstained, at the special meeting this past Tuesday morning. Each individually are to be commended. Their actions proved they are incorruptable, and every Las Vegan should be proud. So who is to blame?

It appears that certain individuals, without the knowledge or consent of the Thriftmart owners and operators, took it upon themselves to threaten and coerce some members of the commission. One was told, presumably in confidence by a "friend," that "If you do not vote in favor of the licenses, a story of \$25,000 changing hands will be released to the newspapers." Another individual pressured a commission with: "If the state granted the license, (Continued on Page 4)

BLACK CAUCUS SUPPORTS ISRAEL

WASHINGTON (WNS) supported this week -- In what was unofficially described as a rebuttal to an anti-Israel resolution adopted at the Black Political Conference in Gary, Ind., on March 12, the Congressional Black Caucus strongly

supported this week Israel's "right to existence." The Caucus statement also hailed Israel's support of "30 Black African nations, from Burundi to Zambia."

The statement, signed by all 13 Black members of the House, said the example set by the Jewish people in overcoming oppression and winning freedom, from Moses to the State of Israel, had helped Black Americans "to strive for self-respect and dignity and to revive their own cultural heritage."

The Gary resolution, pushed through in the last hours of the Gary conclave, called for the dismantling of Israel.

The Caucus statement was prepared after questions were raised on where Black Congressmen stood relative to the Gary resolution. It was reported that Caucus members had not been present then but would have fought the resolution if they had been there.

"THE WORD FROM JERUSALEM"



FAYE L. SCHENK, NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF HADASSAH, TURNS ON AUDIO TAPE FOR HER GRANDDAUGHTER, ABBY HECHTMAN OF BOSTON AS HER OTHER GRANDDAUGHTER, JULIE LOOKS ON. THEY ARE IN "MIXED-MEDIA" GALLERY OF "THE WORD FROM JERUSALEM," HADASSAH'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW WHICH WILL TOUR COUNTRY.

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