

Lease For Los Angeles ORT Technical Institute Signed

A lease for facilities on the premises of the historic Wilshire Temple in Los Angeles that will house the new Los Angeles ORT Technical Institute (LAOTI) was signed at an official ceremony recently in the office of Ted Kanner, Executive Vice President of the Jewish Federation-Council of Greater Los Angeles. Signing for the Wilshire Temple will be Dr. Ralph Bookman, President.

This was announced jointly by Gertrude S. White, National President of Women's American ORT, of Springfield, New Jersey, and Alvin L. Gray, of Cleveland, President of the American ORT Federation, under whose joint auspices the school will operate in cooperation with the World ORT Union.

Joining Mrs. White and Mr. Gray at the gala signing ceremony, which will mark the official "birth" of a second ORT school in the United States that is affiliated with the far-flung global ORT network of some 800 vocational and technical education installations in 21 countries, will be Shelley Appleton, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the World ORT Union; Rona

Newman, President of District XI (Pacific South West) of Women's American ORT; Stanley Black, President of Los Angeles Men's ORT and Vice President of the American ORT Federation; Stephen Breuer, Executive Director of the Wilshire Temple, as well as other national and local leaders of Women's American ORT and the American ORT Federation and distinguished guests.

Mrs. Gertrude S. White, National President of Women's American ORT, said that the signing of the lease with the Wilshire Temple, on whose premises the Los Angeles ORT Technical Institute will operate, is a "landmark event for the entire ORT Network, LAOTI," she said, "follows the Bramson ORT Technical Institute in New York, which opened its doors to students in 1978, as a trailblazer in innovative and effective approaches to the kind of relevant, life-related vocational and technical education for which ORT is renowned throughout the world. We hope that both schools," she observed, "will serve as models and inspiration for similar institutions of learning across the nation. America urgently needs quality public

education, with an emphasis on rejuvenated vocational and technical education: Bramson ORT and LAOTI point the way toward a possible resolution of what we have come to call the education crisis in the U.S."

American ORT Federation President, Alvin L. Gray, noted that, "When LAOTI begins operations in September, 1985, it will serve the second largest Jewish community in the U.S. in the ORT tradition, providing top caliber training in the high technology fields of the future and an appreciation of the priceless Jewish heritage of the past. These two emphasis complement one another and ORT's commitment to both quality technical training and to Jewish identity is firm and unshakable."

The Los Angeles ORT Technical Institute, which will draw upon the 104 years of experience, know-how, advanced pedagogic techniques and educational resources of the World ORT Union, will provide post-secondary short-term, high technology courses in skills that are in great demand in the Los Angeles area. It will aim at alleviating Jewish poverty, middle class vulnerability, structural unemployment and the downward mobility of floundering youth and adults.

In the evening, a special reception honoring LAOTI founders will be held on the school premises at the Wilshire Temple.

ORT, the vocational and technical education program of the Jewish people, has been in operation since 1880. Over two million people have been trained by ORT since its inception. Today, the international ORT network has an annual student enrollment in excess of 100,000 on five continents, 78,000 of whom study in Israel.

ORT in America numbers over 170,000 supporters including American Men's ORT chapters and divisions throughout the United States and Women's American ORT which, with 145,000 members in 1300 chapters from coast to coast, is the largest of voluntary groups in 40 nations supporting the global ORT program.

to human decency."

The Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations, responsible for bringing Nazi war criminals to justice in the U.S., appealed the decision issued in a Manhattan court by Judge Francis Lyons.

Maikovskis can appeal the Immigration Board's decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and finally to the United States Supreme Court. It was not known whether he would make such an appeal.

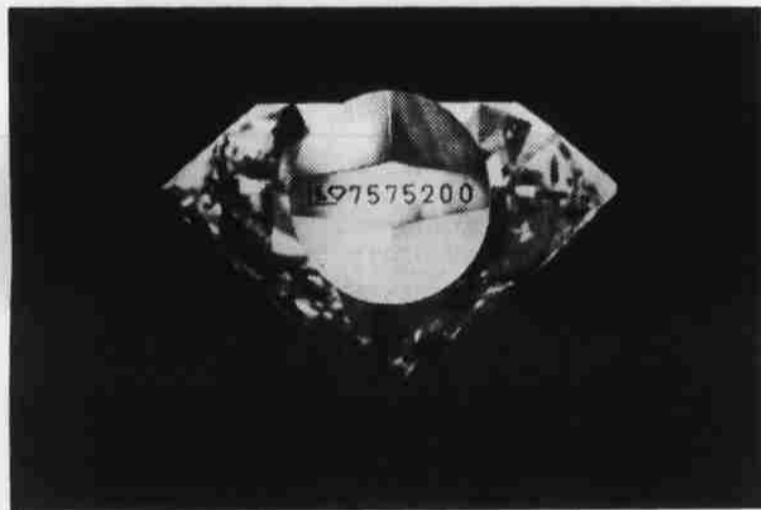
The Immigration Board's decision is part of an eight-year old legal effort by the Justice Department to deport Maikovskis.

War Criminal Ordered Deported From U.S.

NEW YORK (WNS) — Boleslavs Maikovskis has been ordered deported from the United States for having concealed his past activities as a police official in Nazi-occupied Latvia during World War II when he applied for entry into the U.S. in 1951.

The order, issued by the five-member Board of Immigration Appeal, reverses a decision in July, 1983, by a Federal Immigration Judge in New York who ruled that the 80-year-old resident of Mineola, Long Island, was "not deportable," because Maikovskis' past conduct did not rise to the "level of depravity" needed to make his alleged crimes "contrary

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