

Detroiters Rally to Help Israel; Asked to Pay Campaign Pledges

(Continued from Page 1) President," according to Eitan Raz, one of the Israeli student group. "We have urged them to express their solidarity with Israel and call upon the United States both to honor her commitment to Israel's defense and to support free navigation in the Gulf of Aqaba."

Hyman Safran, president of the Jewish Welfare Federation, said that a check for \$250,000 has been sent this week to the United Jewish Appeal to help meet the cash crisis.

Curtailment of Israel government funds for its welfare services during the present crisis is creating demands on Detroiters to supply immediate funds.

A cablegram sent to Max M. Fisher of Detroit, national general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, by Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, executive vice-chairman of the agency, who is now in Israel, said that the "inevitable economic dislocation causes much hardship to many thousands of new immigrants in the country."

Friedman pointed out in his cablegram that the Israel government had informed the Jewish Agency that it could not continue its grants to agency programs of immigrant housing, farm settlements, relief and welfare services for recent immigrants to the country. This means the agency must increase its income from private sources to continue its life-saving assistance to the needy.

Fisher and Safran have sent a special letter to contributors to the Allied Jewish Campaign, asking for accelerated payments on pledges made during the drive which ended May 10.

The letter pointed out that in many instances the breadwinner in the family had been called for military duty and that the wife and children were left with little means of support.

Friedman said that "words cannot possibly convey the full picture and certainly cannot possibly describe emotions involved. This is a moment for everyone to exert himself to the utmost. I am sure our good people and communities will understand and rally quickly."

Irwin I. Cohn, chairman of the cash mobilization committee of the campaign, called an emergency meeting Monday to set in motion plans for meeting the cash crisis with a separate emergency campaign.

Funds received at the Jewish Welfare Federation, 163 Madison, whether they are payments on pledges made during the Allied Jewish Campaign or new contributions, will be dispatched immediately to meet the emergency, William Avrunin, executive director of the Federation, said.

The Council of Orthodox Rabbis of Detroit proclaimed a fast day Monday in accord with a directive from the Agudath Harabonim, Union of Orthodox Rabbis of United States and Canada.

Member rabbis received telegrams late Friday afternoon, and soon after were announcing the fast day from the bima. Similar proclamations were issued by other rabbinic bodies, such as the Rabbinical Council of America and Igud Harabonim of America, as well as Conservative and Reform bodies. Special prayers for peace were recited in synagogues throughout the city.

The council suggested the following special Psalms to be recited daily for the duration of

the crisis: 13, 17, 20, 22, 28, 31, 69, 80, 83, 130 and 142.

The Zionist Organization of Detroit, also acting in accord with a national directive, asked its members to send contributions to the ZOD office, 18501 W. Ten Mile, for an emergency information fund. The Zionist Organization of America's national executive committee has set a goal of \$500,000 for an expanded public affairs program to counteract anti-Israeli propaganda.

State of Israel Bonds, in announcing its own plans to meet the emergency, said this week that the previously scheduled June 12 dinner honoring The Jewish News and its editor Philip Slomovitz will be held in Cobo Hall instead of the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel to allow as many persons as possible to attend.

It was also announced that the price of the dinner has been lowered to accommodate a wider segment of the community.

'Tefilin,' 'Grace' Newest Jewish Tract Booklets

Burning Bush Press (218 E. 70th, NY 21) has issued two new pamphlets in the Jewish Tract Series. Continuing the practice of publishing brochures that present the Conservative Jewish interpretations of Jewish practices, the two newest booklets deal with "Tefilin" and "The Grace."

The series is a joint publication project of the National Academy for Adult Jewish Studies and the Rabbinical Assembly.

In "Tefilin," the author, Rabbi Robert Alan Harumer of Akron, O., explains the origin of the phylacteries, their contents, their symbols of learning. The author points out that Tefilin are an expression of God's kingship and God's love.

The Hebrew text is quoted and translated and an interesting epilogue incorporates a Saul Teher-nichovsky poem on Tefilin.

The pamphlet "The Grace" was authored by Dr. Evelyn Garfiel, a member of the faculty of the Women's Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary. Explaining the traditional grace after meals, the author commences with a comment on "the miracle of bread" in introducing the "Hamotzi." She deals interestingly with the idea and origin of the grace and explains the legal short form of grace after meals and the text.

Brazilian Court Told It Can Extradite Stangl

BRASILIA (JTA) — The demands of Austria and West Germany for the extradition of Franz Stangl, wartime commandant of the Treblinka and Sobibor death camps in Poland, are valid under Brazilian law, Attorney General Haroldo Valdao reported to the Brazilian Supreme Court here.

Stangl, who was arrested in Sao Paulo in February, has been under maximum security detention since awaiting a Supreme Court ruling on the extradition requests.

The court must now set a date for a hearing and give its ruling, expected next week. Stangl has been accused of responsibility in the killing of 700,000 Jews in the two camps.

Israeli cattle farms last year produced a total of 255,000,000 pounds (\$85,000,000) worth of meat compared with 247,000,000 pounds worth the previous year.

UAHC Board Backs Dr. Eisendrath on Withdrawal of New York Synagogue

NEW YORK (JTA)—The board of trustees of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations has "acknowledged with regret" the resignation of Cong. Emanu-El of the City of New York from the membership in the central congregational body of Reform Judaism in the United States and Canada.

Details of the action were released at a press conference by Irvin Fane, chairman of the UAHC board at the conclusion of the two-day meeting held here.

Fane stated that the board members adopted two resolutions, the first read "that this UAHC Board of Trustees acknowledges with regret the resignation of Cong. Emanu-El of the City of New York, and expresses the hope that Emanu-El will find its way back into the family of the union."

The other resolution gave a vote of confidence to the union's leadership and its president, Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath to speak out as an individual on public issues and "in accordance with the principles of American democracy, prophetic Judaism, and his own conscience, and to speak for the UAHC in accordance with resolutions adopted by the UAHC General Assemblies."

At its April 25 meeting, the trustees of Cong. Emanu-El adopted a resolution withdrawing their membership from the UAHC.

In a statement released to the press on May 5, Emanu-El's president, Alfred R. Bachrach, cited as one of the reasons for withdrawal the union's statement on Vietnam as well as similar pronouncements made by the presi-

dent of the UAHC, Rabbi Eisendrath.

In addition, Bachrach charged that the Vietnam statements were "unauthorized and impossible" and further criticized Rabbi Eisendrath's assumption to speak for the Reform movement. He said "There is no such thing as a spokesman for Reform Judaism on social and political issues."

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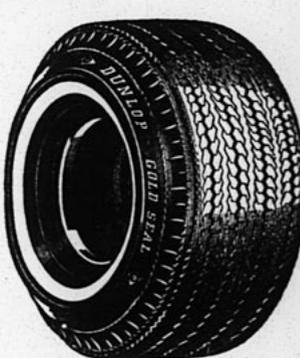
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