

World Jewry Responds to Israel's Needs

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and we will go on forever as partners in the task of our people's freedom."

Supplementing Pincus' plea, Max M. Fisher, national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, who was in Israel to confer with government and UJA officials in planning the emergency fund, told of the urgent needs and asked for speedy action. The Fisher gift, together with that of Max Jospay, Louis and Samuel Hamburger, represented the largest contributions which swelled the \$3,150,000 additional fund.

Pincus told of the stakes that were involved in the war, of the losses that were sustained. He said Israel was prepared to lose 100,000 people. "We did not lose that many, but the losses were in the thousands," he said. He pointed to

the dangers that had led to the conflict, to the difficulties that were created by the blows to Israel's economy, and he challenged the gathering to state whether "you and we are something separate," pointing to historic terms which indicate that a blow to Israel would be a blow to the entire Jewish people from which it could not recover.

"We were faced by a stranglehold," he explained, pointing to the danger involved in the blocking of Israeli shipping. He said Israel had just begun to recover from its economic recession when this crisis arose.

In spite of the triumph on all fronts, he said, "this is one of the somber moments in the life of the Jewish people." He emphasized: "If we don't survive in Israel; I don't know what Jewish life will be like

outside."

He described how people stuck to their posts, how all in Israel were in the country's defense, "determined to see it through."

Israel's losses in Kfar Saba, Nathania, Jerusalem and other points were revealed by Pincus. He told of the loss by Israel of 30 planes, the loss of lives, "and many of the pilots will not return." He added that "our struggle now begins." He wondered whether the United Nations would ask for a cease fire as speedily as it did if the war were going the other way and he declared that the war having gone as it has "our lives won't be disturbed again."

"Give us the sinews to keep our economy going—that's the job of world Jewry," he pleaded.

Israel Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir addressed another meeting at the Shaarey Zedek, Sunday evening, and enlisted added support for the Israel Emergency Fund.

Sapir outlined the current situation and pointed to the great need for assistance to protect Israel's economy.

He especially pointed to the losses in cessation of tourism and pleaded for aid that will assure resumption of all industrial efforts in Israel.

The response to the Israel Emergency Fund to support the health and welfare services in Israel has been overwhelming, Zuckerman reports.

"Christian and Jews alike are contributing to the fund so that the children and old people and families of the men in the military forces will not suffer," Zuckerman said.

Volunteers have been opening a mountain of mail daily containing contributions and letters of encouragement.

One letter from a Taylor, Mich.,

housewife said: "Here is a small contribution. It's my way of showing my admiration and respect for Israel and Jews in general. God blessed all of you. The Arab countries attitude toward Israel outrages me and this is the only way I can personally protest."

A 13-year-old boy wrote: "I wish this money to go to Israel to help the people and not the fighting. I know they (Israel) want peace and not war. So hurry and send the money. I have relatives in Israel and would like to go there when I'm 15. God save Israel and the whole world."

A son sending a memorial in "memory of my Dutch Protestant Zionist mother. She would have

liked the gift to be used for peace and help. A Jewish friend of mine planted a tree in memory of her in the John F. Kennedy Forest in Israel. May it grow in peace."

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Israel Bond Drive Reaches High Mark

By PAUL MASSERMAN

In a record outpouring of nearly 1,500 men and women at the Israel Emergency Dinner on Monday evening at Cobo Hall, the Detroit Jewish community demonstrated its solidarity with the people of Israel by bringing the total of the Israel Bond campaign to \$3,500,000. A great part of this sum was subscribed at the dinner which was a highlight of the Israel Bond emergency campaign.

The victory dinner was an emotional experience for the Jewish community and its friends.

It was the most historic gathering held in our community.

It was also a tribute to Philip Slomovitz, founder, editor and publisher of The Jewish News, and marked the 25th anniversary of the paper. Slomovitz was honored "in recognition of courageous service to the Jewish people, to Israel and to humanity." The affair marked his 50 years of distinguished service in the field of journalism.

Slomovitz was presented with the Israel Achievement Award by Ambassador Arieh Eshel, deputy director-general of the foreign ministry of the State of Israel.

Ambassador Eshel in a stirring appeal during which he recited psalms declared:

"We didn't want this war. We always wanted peace. On May 26, President Nasser proclaimed: 'The Arab people want to fight. We have been waiting for this day when we are ready. Our basic aim will be to destroy Israel.'"

"He wanted a new Auschwitz or Majdanek. There will never be another Auschwitz. He wanted to make Jerusalem and Tel Aviv another Auschwitz or Majdanek. It took 60 hours for us to crush the Arabs. Two and a half million Jews defeated 110,000,000 in the most brilliant campaign in history.

"The real heroes of our war for survival were our wonderful boys and girls who fought and died for us. Our children gave their lives so that we can live in peace. In this hour when the war is over but the struggle is just begun, they will be forever enshrined in our hearts.

"We alone performed the miracle of winning the war. But the miracle of saving our economy we must perform with you. This was our finest hour. Let this be your finest hour as well. We have not failed you. I know you will not fail us. Buy Bonds. We need the money!"

Phillip Stollman, the dinner chairman, called on the audience to rise for a minute of silent prayer to those who had fallen in battle. Stollman had set the tone of the evening when he said:

"The war is far from over—the military as well as the political. The enemies have not given up. The pressure on Israel will be great. Israel has no allies, only neutrals. The war concerns not only Israel but all the Jewish people. The only people Israel can depend upon is world Jewry and especially American Jewry."

Stollman pointed out that Ambassador Eshel has two daughters on the fronts—one in the Sinai peninsula and the other on the Jordanian front.

David Safran and Louis E. Levitan, Israel Bond director, made the Israel Bond announcements.

Purchases were in sums of \$100 to \$100,000. Many organizations purchased bonds, two synagogues in amounts of \$100,000 each, and the rabbis' pension fund directors made a \$10,000 purchase.

It was an outpouring of devotion unparalleled in Detroit Jewry's history.

Ruth and Robert St. John, in a message that accompanied their check for a Bond purchase, said it was "to express their faith in Israel."

The latter part of the program was devoted to various tributes to Slomovitz.

Hyman Safran, president of the Detroit Jewish Welfare Federation, extended greetings and congratulated Slomovitz and The Jewish News on "behalf of a grateful Jewish community."

Governor George Romney, unable to be present, sent a message "in tribute to a great journalist, Philip Slomovitz." The governor's message said: "I join with you in the conviction that the integrity and independence of Israel must be maintained."

The City of Detroit presented the honoree with a proclamation and the State Legislature passed a Resolution in honor of Slomovitz.

Mrs. Schaver, chairman of the Detroit Israel Bond Women's Division, said: "I am proud to join in the tribute to Phil Slomovitz, who was my leader from the days of Young Judaea that go back a long time. Good fortune and good health to Phil, Anna and their dear family."

Stollman said: "No one has done more to mold this community than Phil Slomovitz."

Dr. Israel Goldman, rabbi of Congregation Chizuk Amuna of Baltimore, Md., who is a brother-in-law of the Slomovitzes, praised The Jewish News. "Phil is one of the best read men in American Jewish life," said Dr. Goldman. "He is a true Ohaiv Israel."

Levitan presented Slomovitz with his portrait painted by Avrum Yechiel Borenstein of Toronto, a concentration camp survivor.

Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey, recovering from an operation, sent the following message:

"Great editors and publishers have made outstanding contributions to the cause of brotherhood, to social and economic justice. You honor such a man on June 12 in your well deserved tribute to my friend, Phil Slomovitz. Phil is rightly esteemed as the dean of Anglo-Jewish journalism. His articulate pen, his keen mind and proven courage have enabled him to champion human rights and progress at home and for our sister democracy of Israel abroad.

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