



## Issue Statement Opposing Charges Of Dual Loyalty

A strong condemnation of the American Council for Judaism for its "unfounded charges and innuendoes casting doubts on the loyalty of American Jews" was issued last month by the National Community Relations Advisory Council, coordinating body for six national organizations and 27 local Jewish Community Councils throughout the country. JWV is a member of the NCRAC executive committee.

The statement of NCRAC views, in whose formulation JWV participated, was adopted unanimously by NCRAC member agencies. It is reprinted here in full following its release by Irving Kane, of Cleveland, Ohio, chairman of the NCRAC.

"The small, but highly vocal group of Jewish individuals known as the American Council for Judaism has been responsible for the publication in the nation's press of reiterated statements casting doubts on the loyalty of American Jews who have demonstrated their sympathies with Israel. These statements constitute thinly veiled slurs on the allegiance of substantially the whole American Jewish community. The overwhelming majority of American Jews, Zionist and non-Zionist alike, recognizing their obligation to help Israel in the huge task of resettling and absorbing hundreds of thousands of homeless Jews, and conscious of their deep religious and cultural affinity with the Jews of Israel, are aiding in the upbuilding of that land.

"In raising the bogey of 'dual loyalty', the American Council for Judaism ignores the fact that the American way of life recognizes the right of all citizens to work for such causes, consistent with the welfare and security of the United States, as engage their sympathies. Aid to Israel is such a cause. In the eyes of our government, Israel is—as a high official recently expressed it—'an outpost of democracy in the Middle East.'

"Our fellow citizens have joined American Jews in applauding the accomplishments and encouraging the efforts of the State of Israel. Indeed, leaving aside the professional anti-Semites who seize upon any pretext for fulminating against Jews, it is only in the minds of the numerically insignificant membership of the American Council for Judaism, and of the few individuals who have succumbed to the Council's propaganda, that the specter of 'dual loyalty' has arisen.

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## L. B. Mayer Honors National Commander

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. — A number of outstanding members of the motion picture industry and prominent industrialists were among those who gathered to honor National Commander Jackson J. Holtz at a dinner tendered him by movie magnate, Louis B. Mayer and Alfred Hart, one of Los Angeles leading citizens, at the Beverly-Wilshire Hotel on February 2.

Held during the National Commanders' recent visit to California, the dinner program included addresses by Commander Holtz, Mr. Mayer, PNC. Brig. Gen. Julius Klein and National Executive Director, PNC. Ben Kaufman. Dore Schary, MGM executive, acted as program chairman for the affair.

The affair served as a means of introducing JWV and its out-

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## National Brotherhood Week

The month of February is not noted for its benign climate. But three dates on the American calendar give it a spiritual warmth that is desperately needed in other parts of the world these days.

February brings us the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington. And since the National Conference of Christians and Jews came into being, still a third hopeful beacon has been lit: the annual week in February set aside for the observance of "Brotherhood Week."

This year "Brotherhood Week" is to be formally celebrated from February 19 to 26. That increasing numbers of Americans are broadening the boundaries of a single week's good will to months and even years of day-to-day deeds that reflects a desire to live with their neighbors in amity and understanding is an achievement in which the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and all America, may take great pride. We are a stronger and more secure nation because of the principles inherent in "Brotherhood Week." And because of these ideals we remain the principal hope of insecure and uncertain millions beyond our shores who continue to look to us for the moral and spiritual guidance to new paths of peace and freedom.

## JWV Joins In Civil Rights Mobilization

JWV representatives from a half dozen states were among the more than 4,000 delegates from all parts of the country who met in

Washington recently in a National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization. Prominent among the delegates were large representative groups from the national Jewish community relations agencies and the various local Jewish community councils affiliated with the National Community Relations Advisory Council.

Those in attendance button-holed Senators and Congressmen and organized themselves into State delegations for conference with their legislators. Demands were made for commitments to

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## National Commander In White House Visit

WASHINGTON, D. C.—JWV's continuing support for President Truman's civil rights program was pledged by National Commander Holtz during a White House visit last month.

Commander Holtz also lauded the Chief Executive's leadership in behalf of low cost and middle income housing and went on to urge that the United States resume leadership in the United Nations in behalf of the adoption of a genocide convention.

On two other current problems—the democratization of Germany and the veterans provisions of the Hoover report, JWV's National Commander transmitted this organization's views as set forth in the fifty-fourth annual Encampment and subsequent meetings of the JWV National Executive Committee.

Holtz drew a parallel between Germany's broken promises after World War I and failures of the

west German state of today to live up to agreement it had concluded with the Allied Occupying Powers. He cited Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's advocacy of a west Germany military force for "security" purposes, the merger of two ultra-nationalist political parties, the efforts of former Nazi editors and publishers to put pro-democratic, American-licensed newspapers out of business, the failure of the west German government to eliminate cartels and the breakdown in the denazification while advocating continued U. S. firmness in dealing with

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## Brotherhood Week Celebrations Set For JWV Units

JWVs more than 640 posts throughout the country are expected to exceed last year's record participation in "National Brotherhood Week" observances.

The National Conference of Christians and Jews, sponsoring body for the program, has designated the period of February 19 to 26 as "Brotherhood Week."

Hundreds of JWV units reported to National Headquarters plans ranging from interfaith meetings at post headquarters to programs of the Town Hall variety involving the participation of entire communities. More than one hundred local radio broadcasts have been scheduled under JWV auspices in cities throughout the country.

Specific instances of JWV's planning for the "Brotherhood Week" observance are:

PITTSBURGH, PENNA.—Pittsburgh Post No. 49 will hold its annual Good Will dinner during "Brotherhood Week." The 14th annual affair of the series, this year's dinner will be held in the main ballroom of the Wm. Penn Hotel and will feature addresses by National Commander Jackson J. Holtz and Judge Michael A. Musmanno, recently returned from Germany where he presided over the Nuremberg trials.

NEW YORK CITY—The New York County Council will sponsor a "Brotherhood Rally" at the Julia Richmond High School in New York City, at which Congressmen Jacob K. Javits and Adam Clayton Powell will appear. There will also be several entertainment features on the program which is aimed at emphasizing the spirit of the brotherhood of man.

CLEVELAND, OHIO—Cleveland Heights Post No. 524 in cooperation with the National Conference of Christians and Jews will sponsor a city-wide interfaith rally on February 21, at the Temple on the Heights in Cleveland.

James D. Nobel, area director of the NCCJ will serve as moderator introducing the evening's guest speakers who include Rabbi Rudolph Rosenthal of the Temple, Dr. Richard M. Schermerhorn, professor of sociology at Western Reserve University and Mr. M. C. Clark, prominent Negro businessman of Cleveland.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Adams-Wilshire Post No. 189 of Los Angeles will hold two services

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## Tribute Paid To Four Chaplains

Tribute to four Chaplains who lost their lives in 1943 when the S. S. Dorchester was torpedoed off the coast of Greenland was paid by National Commander Jackson S. Holtz and the Chiefs of Chaplain of the Armed Forces during a broadcast over the National Broadcasting Company network February 4, in commemoration of "Dorchester Day."

The program was arranged by JWV in conjunction with the National Broadcasting Co.

Taking part with Commander Holtz in the broadcast, which commemorated the 7th anniversary of the sinking of the Dorchester, a troop transport, were Chaplain (Major General) Charles I. Carpenter, Chief of Air Force

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## A Chat with the President



National Commander Jackson J. Holtz is shown with President Truman during recent visit at the White House. Commander Holtz expressed JWV's appreciation to the President for his efforts in behalf of civilrights and liberalized displaced persons legislation, while also urging United States backing for a United Nations Genocide Convention and safeguards in west Germany to prevent remilitarization and renewed political activity by neo-Nazi elements.