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Plan Big-Town, Big-Time Convention

Commander Moss Cautions U. S. on Red 'Peace' Moves

BOSTON, Mass.—“The sincere desire of the American people for peace should not color their judgment in appraising the current Russian peace offense,” warned National Commander Jesse Moss at a JWV national executive committee meeting here April 19.

The national commander voiced his warning at the close of the two-day NEC meeting in the Hotel Statler.

“Americans want peace and have demonstrated repeatedly that they are prepared to work



COMMANDER MOSS

for it with deeds,” Commander Moss said. He added, however, that “to drop our guard merely because the Kremlin has decided to say a few kind words for peace would be to court disaster.”

He deplored “a growing tendency at home and abroad to credit Soviet Russia with assuming the initiative in easing international tensions.” Instead, he stressed, “these tensions were engendered by the Soviets to begin with, and from the beginning it was the free world, and not the Communist world, which called for the resolution of differences by peaceful means.”

He emphasized that “the integrity of current Russian professions can be measured far more accurately by what Russia's leaders are saying to the Russian people than by what they are saying to the world outside the Communist orbit.” And in this connection, he said, “the official Soviet press and radio are continuing to heap abuse and invective on the United States and her sister democracies.” He suggested “a set of clearcut tests by which Russian avowals can be judged.”

He called for Russian intercession with North Korean and Chinese Communists to cease hostilities in Korea and Indo-China, challenged the Soviets to “disarm and disband an east German Red army made up of both Commun-

ist and Nazi elements,” urged Russian pressure on Czechoslovakia to release imprisoned A. P. correspondent William N. Oatis, and demand that the Russians “match the deed to the word” by restoring civil and religious liberties in the Communist world.

Taking note of current Congressional sentiment for reductions in appropriations necessary to the maintenance of a fully prepared defense establishment, Commander Moss warned sharply against “economies that would in effect invite national suicide by crippling United States armed strength and contributing to the already dangerous apathy that is slowing down defense preparations by our allies in western Europe.”

Hike Cigarette Price

The American Tobacco Company has announced price rises on Lucky Strike cigarettes for the use of organizations buying them for tax-free distributions in VA hospitals. The boosts, effective at once, raise the cost of cases of 10,000 cigarettes (500-20s packages) to \$39.30, and that of 2,000 (100-20s packages) to \$7.86. Cases of 10,000 were formerly priced at \$35.50.

New order blanks for purchasing the cigarettes for hospital use are available at JWV National Headquarters.

Flo Greenwald New Head Of N. Y. County

Florence Greenwald was unanimously elected County Commander of the New York County JWV at its annual convention at Labor Temple on April 12. She is the first woman county commander



FLORENCE GREENWALD
New County Commander

in the history of the organization. She was also appointed National Deputy Aide by National Commander Jesse Moss.

Miss Greenwald joined JWV in June 1946, and was the first commander of the All-Women's Post in New York County. She is now a member of Metropolitan Post 164. She has held the following offices in JWV:

She was a member of the executive committee of N. Y. County

Delegates Will Have More Fun Than Ever in Chicago

Machinery for the Jewish War Veterans 58th National Convention at Chicago from September 3-6, shifted into high gear this month, with arrangements completed for transportation, hotel reservation and JWV and Auxiliary business and pleasure. Preliminary program reports indicate that the 1953 affair will be one of the biggest and friendliest gusts to hit the Windy City since the 1932 World's Fair.

For the first time in recent years, the National Ladies' Auxiliary and the parent body will be housed on the same premises—the large and beautiful Hotel Sherman, one of Chicago's better buildings.

AMONG THE ACTIONS taken by the recent national executive committee meeting in Boston was a resolution extending National Convention invitations to two former Presidents of the United

for three years; county vice-commander, two years; and chairman of numerous committees in the county organization during the past five years.

In February, 1943 Miss Greenwald enlisted in the U. S. Navy, and was promoted to the rank of chief petty officer. She was assistant to the officer of the Fleet Records Division of the Fleet Post Office in San Francisco and New York. In New York, the girls of her watch presented her with a whip for a birthday gift, a souvenir which she still cherishes.

States, Harry S. Truman and Herbert Hoover.

Among the big things planned for the Chicago blowout will be the Early Bird night, a sightseeing tour, a Grand Military Ball, the National President's luncheon and National Commander's Banquet, and a Memorial Service and participation in radio and television programs.

One of the biggest attractions, of course, will be the National Elections, with the National Commander's and National President's races the focal point of interest. No official announcements of candidacies have been received yet by the JEWISH VETERAN, but gleanings from the last NEC meeting in Boston has it that 1953 will see one of the most hotly-contested races in JWV history.

AS FAR AS OTHER accommodations are concerned, they are all good. Rates have been posted on the back page of this issue of the JEWISH VETERAN, and all reservations must be made through National Headquarters.

Transportation facilities, of course, will be excellent, since Chicago is the crossroads of America and the center for many railroad, motor and airlines. Bus and train rides should be part of the convention fun, for special price and schedule arrangements have been made for JWV members, and there undoubtedly will be partying as they travel. Special JWV bus and train schedules and prices are listed on Page 8.

Automobile information will be listed in the June and July issues of the “Veteran,” including a full AAA report on road conditions.

THOSE WHO PLAN to come by car will be glad to know that JWV has arranged a special parking rate of \$1 per day with the North Loop Garage, including “in and out” privileges.

Banquet tickets will be sold in groups of 10, preferably to posts, counties and departments on a first-come, first-served basis.

ONE OF THE BIGGEST treats of this encampment will be the opportunity to take part in the “Welcome Travelers” radio and television show, through the good offices of Leo Nellis, Hotel Sherman director of sales.

And finally, here's some good news to you people who are late risers (and who isn't at Convention time?) because you were transacting business, serious or otherwise, the night before: the hotel has arranged to keep the restaurants open for serving late breakfast for Convention delegates.

Sounds good? Get that reservation filled out and mailed in NOW!



REPRESENTATIVE ARTHUR G. KLEIN of New York congratulates the first commander of the new Al Jolson Post 660, Dr. Jack Katz, at the presentation of the post's colors. Open meeting, held recently, featured many celebrities. Left to right are: Dr. David Coyne, NEC; Sol Marcus, Adjutant; Lester Duberstein, executive director, Department of New York; Irving Schreckinger, New York City councilman; Representative Klein, Dr. Jack Katz, Bob Olin, former light heavyweight champ; Murray Diamond, N. Y. executive committeeman; William Katz, post judge advocate, and Dr. A. Edward Bernstein, post senior vice commander.

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