

JTS Tables Vote on Ordination of Women

NEW YORK (JTA) — After nearly three-and-a-half hours of debate, the 44 members of the Faculty Senate of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America (JTS) voted 25-19 to table a report recommending the admission of women to the Seminary for ordination as Conservative rabbis. Chancellor Gerson Cohen, who had named and headed a special commission to examine the issue, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the vote was "a defeat of the motion to accept women as candidates for ordination at the Jewish Theological Seminary."

Asked whether there was any possibility of the issue being revived, he replied, "I do not foresee the matter being revived in the context of the Seminary faculty," though he did expect it to continue to be a topic of debate in the Conservative movement. He

said that the only further action he planned at the present time was to present a comprehensive report on the issue to the JTA student body next month.

After hearing position papers by five senior members of the JTS faculty, the group at the Tuesday meeting approved a resolution that "we, more than 200 members of the RA assembled at the conference on Halachic Process, express our opposition to the ordination of women by the Jewish Theological Seminary at this time. We call on the Seminary to assure our continuation as a movement committee to halacha and halachic process."

The 16 faculty members considered to be halachists sent a letter to Cohen informing him that they believed that the JTS Senate, the academic policy making body of the (Continued on page 14)

Blum Charges UN is 'United Against Peace'

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) — Yehuda Blum, Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations, said that Israel's position at the world organization was further eroded during the just concluded three-month session of the 34th General Assembly.

Speaking at a press conference at the Israel UN Mission, Blum claimed that "the erosion" was reflected not only in the anti-Israeli votes but also in the various speeches and debates held during the Assembly's session. "The erosion (in Israel's standing at the UN) was especially noticeable with Latin American countries," Blum said.

He noted that Latin American countries that traditionally voted with Israel, or at least abstained on anti-Israeli resolutions, supported anti-Israeli measures. This pattern was clearly reflected when only three Latin American countries voted against the inclusion of Zionism — which is identified

by the UN as "racism" — in last Friday's resolution on "hegemonism," the Israeli envoy said.

Blum also said that "it is hard to ignore the worsening of our position among the Western (European) countries" in the UN. Blum pointed out that at the beginning of the general debate in the Assembly, Belgium, for instance, spoke "proudly" about the Palestine Liberation Organization office in Brussels and France was "unfriendly" toward Israel throughout the session.

Blum recalled that France was the only member of the nine-member European Economic Community (EEC) to abstain on the General Assembly resolution declaring the Camp David accords invalid. The other eight EEC countries voted against the resolution which was adopted by a vote of (Continued on page 14)

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Modai Terms Israel Energy Problem Grave

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Cabinet and the Knesset are preparing to tackle Israel's energy problem which Energy Minister Yitzhak Modai described as a potential "disaster." Energy conservation, including a plan to ban the use of private cars one day a week, was to have been discussed by Finance Minister Yigal Hurwitz's "economic cabinet" but the ministers decided to defer the issue to a general Cabinet meeting.

Modai said he would ask the Cabinet for special powers to regulate the use of energy. Under present rules, the State is obliged to supply electricity to any client regardless of wastage.

Modai appeared at the first meeting of the Knesset's new Energy Committee, headed by MK Micha Harish of the Labor Alignment. The new body was formed by members of the Finance Committee and the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, who have taken a special interest in energy. Previously, energy matters were handled by four separate committees.

In his presentation, Modai said the recent meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in Caracas created new obstacles for Israel's purchase of oil. He said the inconclusive outcome of the latest OPEC meeting resulted in the disintegration of the world's oil price structure. The instability of oil prices on the free market makes it even more difficult than in the past to calculate the feasibility of poten-

tial oil transactions, Modai said.

He said the trend toward oil transactions between governments was a negative development for Israel because most OPEC countries will not deal with it. Modai said there may be an increase in the supply on the spot market in Rotterdam, but prices there are almost impossible to predict. The spot market price has been considerably higher in the past than OPEC prices.

Modai emphasized that the gravity of the energy situation must be brought home to every Israeli. Therefore, he supported the proposed one-day-a-week ban on private cars even though past experience has shown that the savings of fuel are only marginal and there is strong opposition to the idea. Any saving is significant, he said.

Egypt Considers Small Embassy Staff

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Egypt is thinking in terms of a staff of five diplomats for its embassy in Tel Aviv, considerably less than Israel would like to send to Cairo. Informed sources who disclosed this said Israel need not hold inflexibly to the principle of reciprocity. But, on the other hand, there must be some parallelism in the size of the two legations, due to open Jan. 26, 1980. The exchange of ambassadors is scheduled for Feb. 26.

Israel, apparently, hoped for larger embassies, in the order of 12-15 diplomats in each. A five-diplomat Egyptian embassy in

Tel Aviv would be a medium-size legation in Israeli terms, something on the level of the Japanese. It would be in keeping with a trend detected by Israelis visiting Cairo — of trying to keep the opening of normal relations low-key rather than jubilantly ceremonial.

Discussions between Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali and two top Israeli officials, Eliahu Ben-Elissar and Yosef Ciechanover, have resulted in the decision to set up "technical teams" which will prepare, during the weeks ahead, such practical matters as the opening of direct telephone and telex lines on Jan. 26, as provided by the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty.

Still uncertain is how the open borders principle will operate. The two sides will have to decide whether tourists will be able to cross Sinai in their own cars or whether they will have to switch to buses operated by each host country.

Similarly, there is apparently no decision yet on the opening of a direct air link. The treaty calls for open air links too after Jan. 26, but, in another provision, it calls for negotiations to begin within six months of that date for a civil aviation agreement.

Pleased By Reception In Cairo
Despite these uncertainties, Ben-Elissar, who is Israel's unofficial Ambassador-designate to Egypt, returned from Cairo apparently well pleased. He was received by Egyptian officials as the official Ambassador-designate and further developed his already warm relations with some of President Anwar Sadat's closest aides into what he called "real friendship."
Ben-Elissar took his wife, Nitza, with him for her first view of the city that will be her home in the years ahead. The couple met socially with some of the top echelon of Cairo society at private dinner parties given in their honor.

Ben-Elissar, with other aides of Premier Menachem Begin, flew to Aswan to check arrangements for the three-day Begin-Sadat summit due to be held there Jan. 7-10. He said he found everything more than satisfactory.

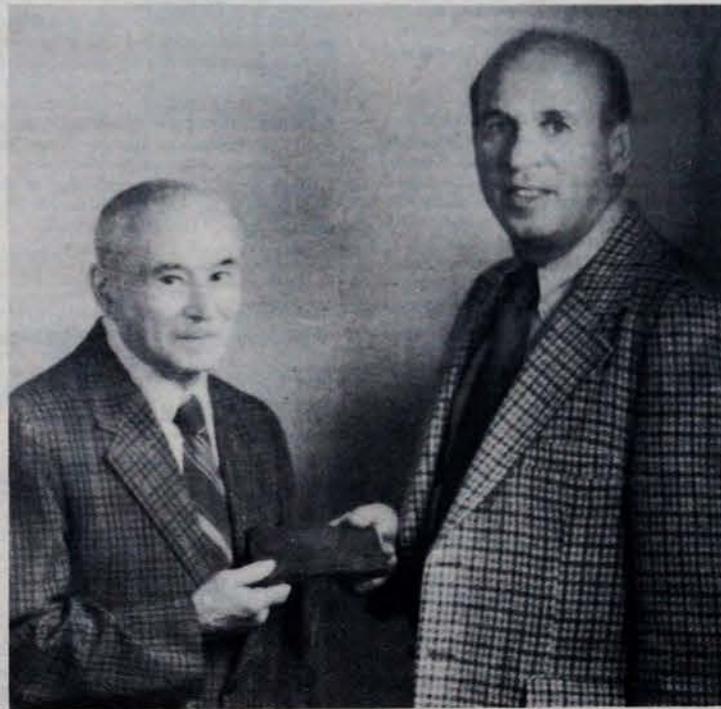
January Summit
It will be at that summit, it seems, that key issues presently unresolved in the ongoing autonomy talks may be advanced. The "plenary" round of the talks held at the Mena House Hotel in Cairo does not seem to have produced any major leap forward. (Continued on page 14)

Consumer Price Index Up

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The consumer price index rose by 9.7 percent last month, the Central Bureau of Statistics announced over the weekend. In the past 12 months the index has risen 102 percent. The Treasury avoids predicting future rises, but according to the Histadrut it is now clear that the total rise for this year will be 115 percent. Government economists predicted a 10 percent rise this month.

Finance Minister Yigal Hurwitz insisted on a television interview last Friday that in the coming months the inflationary spiral will halt because he will not print money to "satisfy the appetites" of various sectors in the economy. Hurwitz based his forecast of a smaller cost-of-living increase on the slowdown in the economy.

However, he will have to cope with the government's own price hikes. Energy Ministry sources indicated that fuel prices would be increased by 30 percent by the end of this month because of oil price hikes announced over the weekend by Mexico which is now supplying Israel with some of its oil.



RETURNS FROM ORIENT: Simon Fain (right) recently returned from a tour of the Orient and while in Singapore attended services at the Magharn Aboth Synagogue. He is shown presenting a prayer book to Lou Sacarovitz, recording secretary, Congregation Shaare Zedek-Sons of Abraham Providence, R.I. The prayer book was given to Simon Fain by Jack Elias, sexton of the Magharn Aboth Synagogue. The Magharn Aboth Synagogue in Singapore was founded in 1878 by immigrants from Baghdad & Iraq and the Jewish community in Singapore presently consists of about four hundred families. They enjoy a good relationship in the city and also operate a small Jewish welfare home which is subsidized by contributions from the entire community.

Obituaries

Bernard C. Gladstone Dead at 56

PROVIDENCE — Bernard C. Gladstone, 56, of 89 Faunce Drive, who as a state representative was a strong force in promoting the establishment of the state lottery system and served as legal counsel to the Lottery Commission since its creation in 1974, died last week at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston.

Mr. Gladstone, a Democrat, represented House Dist. 5, Providence, from 1961 to 1974, and throughout his years in the General Assembly, he pushed for the required constitutional amendment to allow a state-operated lottery.

Rhode Island voters overwhelmingly passed the amendment in a 1973 referendum and, when the House voted the bill creating the system in 1974, Mr. Gladstone told his colleagues, "You will be extremely proud of the results."

He was named counsel to the Lottery Commission in the spring of 1974 and served without pay until the end of that year when he left the legislature.

Peter J. O'Connell, lottery commission director and a close friend of Mr. Gladstone, yesterday said that "the people setting up the lottery depended heavily on Bernie" and praised his loyalty "to the commission members and to me."

While best known for his legislative promotion of a state-operated gambling system — as early as 1961 he strongly supported amendment proposals — Mr. Gladstone was also active in Providence politics, and was a leader of the Third Ward Democrats on the East Side.

He headed a special city education study commission, appointed by then-Mayor Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., which recommended an appointed, rather than elected School Committee, and a sharp reduction in that panel's fiscal autonomy. Doorley proceeded to implement those recommendations.

In the legislature, Mr. Gladstone was a consistent critic of what he saw as an in-

ordinate amount of tax-exempt property in Rhode Island.

In 1963, he introduced a measure that would outlaw professional boxing in the state. Boxing, he said, had degenerated to "a system of brutality."

Mr. Gladstone was the husband of Harriet (Fishbein) Gladstone.

He practiced law in Providence and was a member of the firm of Gladstone and Zarenga. He was president of Temple Beth Shalom, Providence, for 15 years.

He was president of the Congregational

Presidents of Rhode Island, a member of the board of directors of the Providence Hebrew Day School and a past officer of B'nai B'rith. He was awarded the Masada Award in 1976 for his role in that year's Bonds for Israel Drive. He was a member of Roosevelt Lodge, F. & A.M.

He was also a member of the American Bar Association, the Rhode Island Bar Association, the American Trial Lawyers Association, the Rhode Island Trial Lawyers Association and the American Arbitrators Association.

Born in Fall River, Mass., Aug. 3, 1923, he was the son of Alexander K. Gladstone of Providence, and the late Etta (Makser) Gladstone.

He was graduated from Hope High School in Providence in 1941, earned a bachelor's degree from Brown University in 1947, and received a law degree from the University of Virginia in 1950.

Besides his wife and father, he leaves three sons, Bruce W., Jeffrey H. and Scott C. Gladstone, all of Providence; a daughter, Mrs. Andrea G. Saltzman of Cranston; two brothers, Arthur Z. Gladstone of Lake Forest, Ill., and Larry Gladstone of Houston; a sister, Mrs. Norma Soforenko of Springfield, Mass., and a grandchild.

A funeral service was held at 1 p.m. at Temple Beth Shalom, on Camp Street in Providence.

H. ROBERT WASSERMAN

H. Robert Wasserman of 135 N. LaPeer Drive in Beverly Hills, California, died on December 27th at the age of 67.

He was born on July 29, 1912, the son of the late Abraham and Rose (Kessler) Wasserman. He was a retailer in the clothing business and an army veteran of WWII.

He is survived by two daughters, Jane and Debora Wasserman, and two sisters, Mrs. Ray Orenstein and Elizabeth Levine.

Services were held December 31st at Congregational Synagogue, Achen, and the burial was at Mt. Nebo Cemetery. Arrangements were made through the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel.

NORMAN L. SILVERMAN

PROVIDENCE — Norman L. Silverman, 69, of 50 Humboldt Avenue, a retired jewelry manufacturer who was a partner in the former Silverman Bros. firm, died yesterday at home. He was the husband of Eileen (Lewin) Silverman.

His first wife, Annette E. (Berg) Silverman, died Feb. 3, 1970.

Mr. Silverman formerly was a national director of the Navy League of the United States. He was a member of the East Providence Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police.

Born on March 9, 1910, in Providence, he was a son of the late Archibald and Ida Silverman.

Besides his wife, survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Donna A. Garber of Warwick and Mrs. Karla D. Taudin of

Paris, two brothers, G. Leon Silverman of Sarasota, Florida, and Irwin N. Silverman of Providence; a sister, Mrs. Selma Holzman of Maryland, and two grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held on January 4th at 11 a.m. at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope Street. Burial will be in Swan Point Cemetery.

Hertzberg

Warns Against

Muting Dissent

NEW YORK (JTA) — The muting of dissent within the American Jewish community is causing more harm to Israel than its enemies, according to Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, a vice president of the World Jewish Congress and the former president of the American Jewish Congress.

Speaking at the annual Chanukah dinner of Americans for Progressive Israel-Hashomer Hatzair, Hertzberg warned that "the single most dangerous thing that can happen to Israel is the muting of dissent." He noted that when American Jews did not debate the issues that are reported on and discussed every day in the Israel press, there are some in the American Jewish community who charge that it would be "treason" to do so.

"Dissent in the Jewish community was always legitimate in this country on the right," Hertzberg said, noting that he once faulted the critics of the Labor Party government. He recalled that the history of the Zionist movement is replete with dissent. He pointed out that "Jahobinsky walked out of the World Zionist Organization" to pursue an independent policy. "For his heirs to say it is dangerous to dissent is nonsense," Hertzberg declared.

History of Dissent in Zionist Movement

The Zionist movement, he continued, was in dissent since its beginning. Chaim Weizmann opposed Theodor Herzl on cultural issues and Herzl saw no room for Socialist Zionism in the Zionist movement, Hertzberg said. He noted that since the founding of the State of Israel, American Jews have been asked to unequivocally support the policy of the "in" government.

Most Prime Ministers since Levi Eshkol have come to the U.S. and "called together the Jewish leadership and told them that they were going on a dangerous mission to Washington and must have the unanimous support of the Jewish community. They then returned to Israel and parlayed this domestically into a claim that American Jews are unanimously behind their policies," Hertzberg said he finds that Israelis believe "that all you have to do is push the button and out comes support for the government." The myth, then, he said, is created of American Jewish unanimity.

Hertzberg opined that the future of Israel lies with organizations such as Americans for Progressive Israel and individuals who defend Israel for its lasting values, who are against "occupation" and who see Palestinians as having a national consciousness of their own. He characterized the "Israeli right as indistinguishable from the Ayalotabls." The authentic voice of Zionism is "not in the leadership of the organizations but that of the people who still speak out," Hertzberg asserted.

Study Group

The Temple Beth-El Sisterhood is sponsoring a Winter Study Group. The group will meet on Thursday mornings from January 10 to February 7. Coffee is at 9:30 a.m., discussion at 10:00 a.m. The topic will be "Women in the Bible," and everyone is welcome.

Tempest in a Teapot

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Labor MK Shoshana Arbelli-Almosino has asked Defense Minister Ezer Weizman to investigate the circumstances that led to the alleged snub of the Commander-in-Chief of the Israel Navy when the Israeli missile boat Tarshish passed through the Suez Canal 2 weeks ago. Arbelli-Almosino, who is a Deputy Speaker of the Knesset, said the failure of the Egyptians to receive Navy Commander Zeev Lurie with the honors amounted to a breach of protocol.

The Tarshish arrived at Port Said on December 18 enroute to Elat via the Suez Canal. She was the first Israeli naval craft ever to call at an Egyptian port. Two other Israeli missile boats, the Haifa and Akko, had passed through the canal a day earlier enroute from Elat to Haifa but did not make an official stopover.

The Egyptians claimed that they had no advance notice that Almosino was aboard the Tarshish. When they learned of his presence it was too late to arrange for an official greeting by his Egyptian counterpart who had previous engagements. In the event, the Tarshish was welcomed by the commander of the Egyptian naval base at Port Said, an officer of low rank. According to an Israeli television report, the crew members of the Tarshish were disappointed with their reception.

But official sources here said that there was no cause to blame the Egyptians. They are in dissent since the latter had been advised on short notice that the Tarshish would be calling at Port Said. Because of that, the Israelis decided not to request an official welcome.

Canadian WJC

Assails Goldmann

By Ben Kayfetz

TORONTO (JTA) — The National Executive Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress has assailed Dr. Nahum Goldmann, honorary president of the World Jewish Congress, for two articles by him in the German publication, Die Zeit, and expressed great concern "with a number of statements he made tending aid and comfort to those who take a negative view of Jews and play down the horrors of the Holocaust." The blast against Goldmann was contained in a resolution adopted by the WJC congress committee at its meeting in Montreal last Sunday.

The resolution stated: "Especially do we object to Dr. Goldmann's pronouncement that the Holocaust is an example of something good coming out of something evil, the good being the creation of the State of Israel. We reject this proposition and in addition we believe that to raise it before a German audience will only strengthen those who continue to proclaim that Hitler, after all, was a force to the good."

The resolution which was addressed to Edgar Bronfman in New York, chairman of the North American section of the WJC Congress, requesting that he make known the feelings of the Canadian Jewish Congress to the WJC Congress Executive and to Goldmann, continued:

"For us, regardless of what followed historically, the Holocaust out and remains an unmitigated evil unequalled in human events. Other statements of Dr. Goldmann are equally objectionable, such as his invidious allusion to differences between East and West European Jews regarding their condemnation of the Holocaust.

"While we appreciate that Dr. Goldmann is no longer president of the WJC Congress, we register our protest with you, requesting your conveyance our strong disapproval to Dr. Goldmann."

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Notices

Disco Lessons

The Jewish Business and Professional Singles Club of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island will hold Advanced Disco lessons, Thursdays, January 3, 10, 17 at 8 p.m. at the center, 401 Elm Grove Avenue, Providence. Instructor for these lessons is Alan Berinsky. Fee for the three lessons is \$4.50 payable to the Center. Pre-registration is requested.

This class is for students who have attended the Center's previous classes (or with equivalent experience). There will be new steps taught.

JCC Brunch

Drug Abuse will be the topic of guest speaker David Macetas, Director of Marathon House, at the Jewish Business and Professional Singles (25-50) brunch to be held Sunday, January 6 at 11:30 a.m. at the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elm Grove Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

There is a fee for the brunch program.

Garden Club

The Emanu-El Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, January 9, 1980, in the Temple Vestry. The coffee hour, which is at 12:30, will be hosted by Dina Litwin, Madeline Aronson and Bea Axelrod.

The program will feature Mimi Wong, who is a certified teacher of the Sogetsu School of Ikebana.

PAID-UP EVENT

National Council of Jewish Women, Providence Chapter, will hold a paid-up members event on Wednesday, January 9 at the Jewish Community Center. A petite luncheon at 12:00 noon will be followed by the program at 1:00 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Nathan Epstein, medical director of Butler Hospital and professor and chairman, section of psychiatry and human behavior, Brown University program in medicine. His speech is entitled "The Family Under Scrutiny."

Judith Litchman is chairman of the day. Lil Ludman, Kay Abrams, Shirley Goldberg, and Esther Share are in charge of hospitality.

"Over 40" Singles Dialogue

Public Safety and the People will be the topic of Commissioner of Public Safety Sanford H. Gorodetsky, who will be guest speaker at a brunch to be held by the Single Adult Club (40 and over) of the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elm Grove Avenue, Providence on Sunday, January 13 at 11:30 a.m.

This is the second program in a series called Dialogue, which presents issues of concern to the public and provides an opportunity for questions from the audience.

JBPSC Party

The Jewish Business and Professional Singles will hold a party on Sunday, January 13 at a member's house from 8:30-11:30 p.m. "Come in From the Cold-Warm Your Spirits," will be a winter celebration. Reservations may be made by Thursday, January 10 by calling the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elm Grove Avenue, Providence at 861-8800.

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Cranston Hadassah Luncheon

The annual open board meeting and donor kickoff of the Cranston Chapter of Hadassah, will be held on Monday, Jan. 14, at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Evelyn Streich, 215 Meshuatic Parkway, Cranston.

A luncheon will be served preceding the meeting. Anita Chorney, Doris Jacober, Sarah Rosenthal, Marilyn Salk, and Irma Silverman are chairwomen of the luncheon.

Oneg Shabbat Party

The Jewish Business and Professional Singles (25-50) will attend services together at Temple Emanu-El, Taft Avenue, Providence on Friday, January 11 at 8:10 p.m.

Following the services, there will be an Oneg Shabbat party at a member's home. For further information call the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 861-8800.



JANET L. KOENIG was named **Financial and Marketing Researcher of Capital Search Associates, a Providence-based small business consulting firm specializing in financial planning and funds search.**

A Cranston resident, Miss Koenig is a 1979 graduate of the University of Rhode Island where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration - Management.

Dr. Robert Rosen Addresses Seniors

Dr. Robert Rosen, a member of the Rhode Island Medical Society, addressed the Senior Adults at the Jewish Community Center on December 18, 1979, and expressed his concern about the effect on Senior Citizens of the proposed Statewide Health Plan of the Rhode Island Department of Health.

Dr. Rosen, a surgeon, is a graduate of Providence College and the University of Edinburgh Medical School. He interned at Beth Israel Hospital, Boston and the Montefiore Hospital, New York, and completed his specialized training at Roswell Park Memorial Institute, Buffalo.

A speaker from the State Department of Health will address JCC Senior Adult members at 1:00 p.m. on January 17, 1980. The public is invited.

Temple Emanu-El Series on Conversion To Judaism

During the month of January, on three consecutive Friday evenings, Jan. 4, Jan. 11, Jan. 18, a series on conversion to Judaism will be offered. The series will be opened on Jan. 4 with a session, "Family Ties and How Families Open," presented by Dr. Nathan Epstein, Director of Butler Hospital and Chief of Psychiatry, Brown Univ. Medical School.

Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity for participants to ask questions. In the second session, on Jan. 11, Rabbi Kauffer will discuss the Halachic process of conversion, the way in which one becomes a Jew. In the third session, on Jan. 18, there will be a brief panel presentation moderated by Rabbi Saiman, including members of the community who have converted to Judaism. This panel will deal with the acceptance of people who have converted to Judaism by the Jewish community.

Following sessions 2 and 3 the congregation will be divided into small discussion groups led by assigned group leaders to discuss the material presented. There will be further instructions given about the small groups on Jan. 4th. Special discussion groups will be set up for those adolescents in 10th-12th grade. There are many volumes and articles available in the Temple Library dealing with the topic of intermarriage and conversion. We hope you attend this most informative and provocative series. Chairmen of the series are Ivy and Toby Marwil.

Rome Court Allows Ex-Nazi Appeal of Sentence

ROME (ITA) — The Supreme Military Court of Rome has decided to allow former SS Commander Walter Ruder, the last surviving Nazi war criminal in an Italian prison, to appeal his life sentence, despite expressions of outrage and protests from the families of his victims and others. Ruder was responsible for ordering the deaths of more than 3000 civilians in the towns of Marzabotto, Lucca and Lunigiana in September 1944.

Last March, the military court in La Spezia rejected Ruder's appeal. But the Rome tribunal nullified that decision on grounds that the lower court "did not take into sufficient account Ruder's repentance for his deeds." It returned the appeal to the La Spezia court which will have to decide whether there are grounds for his release. Ruder was convicted in Bologna in 1951. Over the years, his lawyers have filed repeated appeals for a commutation of sentence. All of them failed, due mainly to the refusal of the citizens of Marzabotto to see Ruder go free.

The townspeople are standing firm against his latest bid. "The gravity of the crimes committed by Ruder demands the fullest severity of justice," they maintain. The release of the ex-Nazi, they say, would disgrace the memory of the martyrs and the values of the Italian resistance movement.

Ruder is incarcerated in the Gaeta Military Prison which housed Herbert Kappler, another Nazi war criminal responsible for the Ardeatine Caves massacre and the deportation of over 1000 Jews from Rome. Kappler died last year after escaping from a prison hospital.

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Jewish Congressmen Support King Birthday Bill

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Jewish members of the House of Representatives continue to demonstrate their support for Black causes despite the setback in Black-Jewish relations that stemmed from the resignation of Andrew Young as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations and the surge of some Black leaders towards adoption of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

In the drive by the Congressional Black Caucus for a national holiday in honor of the late civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the House rejected its three attempts in recent weeks to establish a fixed date suitable to the Caucus. However, on each occasion an overwhelming majority of Jewish Congressmen voted with the Caucus. Their support on the birthday issue compares favorably with the record they set in support of Black causes prior to the Jewish-Black rift that opened in mid-August.

While considerably fewer than one-third of the House membership joined in co-sponsoring the Caucus' legislation for King's birthday, more than half of the 23 Jewish Congressmen then in the House early in the session were sponsors. The 13 were Reps. Richard Ottinger (D. N.Y.), Benjamin Rosenthal (D. N.Y.), Gladys Spellman (D. Md.), Theodore Weiss (D. N.Y.), Elizabeth Holtzman (D. N.Y.), Henry Waxman (D. Calif.), Marc Marks (R. Pa.), Martin Frost (D. Tex.), James Scheuer (D. N.Y.), Sidney Yates (D. Ill.), Benjamin Gilman (R. N.Y.), Howard Wolpe (D. Mich.), and Abner Mikva (D. Ill.) who has since resigned to become a U.S. Circuit Court judge.

The first of the three battles on the birthday proposal came Nov. 13 when, as the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights has pointed out, the sponsors sought to use a special expedited procedure available for bills deemed non-controversial. Such bills can be considered without amendment and passed if two-thirds of the members present vote for it. That day 252 members voted for the bill, four short of the number needed to pass it. In that roll call, 17 of the 22 Jewish Congressmen then in the House voted for the bill.

They were Frost, Gilman, Dan Glickman (D. Kan.), William Green (R. N.Y.), William Lehman (D. Fla.), Elliott Levitas (D. Ga.), Marks, Ottinger, Friedrich Richmond (D. N.Y.), Scheuer, Stephen Solarz (D. N.Y.), Spellman, Waxman, Weiss, Lester Wolf (D. N.Y.), Wolpe and Yates. Opposing were Anthony Beilenson (D. Calif.),

Willis Gradison (R. Ohio), and Ken Kramer (R. Colo.). Holtzman and Rosenthal were "necessarily absent" but paired as voting for the amendment thus providing Jewish support for 17 — or 86 percent of their number.

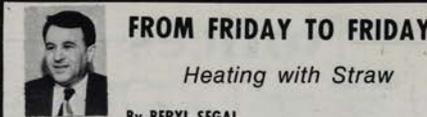
Trying again, the sponsors proposed on Dec. 5 to set the celebration annually on the third Monday of every January, instead of King's birthday Jan. 15 as proposed in November. Seventeen Jewish Congressmen voted for it. They were Beilenson, Gilman, Glickman, Green, Holtzman, Levitas, Marks, Ottinger, Richmond, Scheuer, Solarz, Spellman, Weiss, Wolff, Wolpe, Lehman and Yates. Opponents were Gradison and Kramer. "Necessarily absent" were Frost, Rosenthal and Waxman. Frost was recorded as paired against the proposal.

But Rep. Robert Beard (D. Tenn.), arguing that a national holiday on a week-day would mean a loss of \$3-\$5 billion in wages and productivity, stressed it would cost the nation nothing if King's birthday were celebrated on the third Sunday of each year and offered an amendment to the passed bill to that effect. The Beard substitute was approved 207-191. Eighty-six who voted for the Monday celebration switched their votes to Sunday.

Opposing the Beard amendment were 14 Jewish Congressmen — Gilman, Green, Holtzman, Lehman, Marks, Ottinger, Richmond, Scheuer, Solarz, Spellman, Weiss, Wolpe and Yates. Favoring it were Beilenson, Glickman, Gradison, Kramer, Lester. "Necessarily absent" were Frost, Rosenthal, Waxman.

In the compilation by America's Black newspaper publishers of voting on 18 previous issues of concern to Blacks in the House in the first eight months of this year, Rep. Paul Findley (R. Ill.) voted with the caucus on six. In the three King birthday battles, Findley opposed the Caucus each time although he had ardently encouraged Black leaders to woo the PLO and introduced some of the PLO's UN representatives, Zehra Labib Terzi, in his Congressional office.

In the debate, no Jewish Congressman rose to speak against the King birthday proposals but Gilman, Richmond and Wolpe made ringing speeches in King's honor and in support of a suitable holiday. Rather than accept the Sunday holiday, the sponsors withdrew their proposal with word they would make another effort later in this Congress.



By BERYL SEGAL

Now that everybody is conservation minded, I want to tell you how they beat the fuel shortages in the little town on the Ukraine where I was born and reared.

The truth of the matter is that there were not real shortages of fuel in town. In the first place, the Ukrainians use crude oil or refined oil or gasoline for cars that did not exist. All we had to worry about was heating the house in winter.

The climate in our part of the Ukraine was very similar to that of the climate in the Southern part of New England. There was only one difference. Once snow began to fall it stayed in the fields and on the streets of the villages and hamlets for the duration. People changed their carts and wagons for sleds and hung bells around the necks of the horses to announce their coming and going through the streets of the town.

And the song of saw and ax rang through the shire. The peasants we saw during the summer and fall seasons working in the fields now were carrying the saw and axes and they were hired to split the wood lying near the houses and bringing them into the forecourt of the affluent citizens of the town who had piles in neat piles waiting to be used during the winter. What about the not so affluent citizens? They could not afford the luxury of wood for heating their houses. They used straw instead.

Every house had a built-in Hrubu. Now a Hrubu is a Ukrainian word for furnace. The furnace was built of bricks or dried mud and stood in the house at a corner where the wood was stacked for two or three rooms. It reached from the floor of the house, up to the ceiling and into the roof of the house through which the smoke was curling all winter long.

The Hrubu was heated with cow straw. They used to say "It's as cheap as straw." The straw was either what or wheat, after the kernels went through the thrashing. Here too there were two categories. The affluent peasants used the straw to spread

under the animals in the barns, and the not-so-affluent tied them up in bundles, using long dried-up grass, and would bring them into town to sell for a few pennies. The sellers were as poor as the buyers of the straw.

On cold winter days they stood in the "straw market" and the housewives bargained for a few bundles of straw. We, the children, had a holiday. We dragged the bundles, taller than we were, into the courts of our homes and piled them up near the door to the house.

The actual heating of the Hrubu, at least in the town, was waiting for father to come home. After the floor of the Hrubu was cleaned he placed paper on the bottom and lighted it. He then took handfuls of straw and held them on the burning paper. He put some more straw until the inside of the Hrubu looked like a conflagration. We stood and watched the proceedings with rapture, as the flames leaped up.

After half an hour the Hrubu was hot and we could close the door of the furnace and warm ourselves and bring in the warmest spot of the Hrubu. Let the frost rule the outdoors. We had a warm Hrubu.

Oh, yes. There was a side benefit to heating with straw beside keeping the house warm. Did you ever eat hot potatoes in the "shirts" on a cold winter night?

When you put raw potatoes in the hot ashes of the Hrubu they come out crisp and crumbling, and their aroma is undecipherable. In the evening when we children came home after a long day of school we would take the potatoes from the ashes and give each one a potato or two to eat before supper. We would eat them with their skins, the "shirts," and feel the taste of paradise.

Now, I don't know how the lowly straw would help in the energy crunch, but it was good to remember something I almost forgot. The Arabs, I am sure, have no need of the straw. They have neither wheat nor oats, nor do they know what a Hrubu was.

expensive than liquors. And if yours is a dinner party, try the European custom of serving a predinner aperitif — such as a glass of champagne or a white wine or vermouth.

Instead of hiring a bartender, have your spouse (or a close friend) mix the first drink for everybody and then suggest that everybody mix his (her) own after that. People tend to drink less, incidentally, if an over-enthusiastic host does a plunge for empty glasses the instant they are drained. Or hire a college student to tend bar with the help of a few notes and advance lessons on how to mix what. If it's a dinner party try to hire a reliable, mature teen-ager in your area (or your own daughter) to help with preparations and cleaning up afterward.

Place the bar where people aren't apt to congregate, and set the food in another corner. This will help distribute your guests and, incidentally, draw them away from the bar and toward your food.

Even if you're the type who insists on flowers for every table in the house, consider buying just a dozen of single, well-chosen ones, plus a bundle of pretty greenery. One or two flowers in the right-size vase can look just as good as a profusion, if you arrange them right.

In summer, take everything you can from your garden, and from friends and neighbors. Don't order florist flowers over the telephone. Find out if any neighborhood florist does a special of the week. Take advantage of these.

Save on hors d'oeuvres by serving only made-in-U.S. items. Don't feel you must offer a full-scale delicatessen. One beautifully presented wheel of good domestic cheese or a platter of well-chosen cold cuts surrounded by a variety of crackers will be economical and will avoid the inevitable waste of a big variety.

Save on more elaborate food by making your foods from scratch and substituting your time for more expensive packaged convenience foods.

Also save by serving cold foods. Buckets of ice for cold snacks are far less costly than renting or buying the necessary equipment for hot foods.

* And give a break to the millions of us who are struggling to keep trim figures. All we want is the simplest, lowest-cal crackers and rabbit food.

Unifil Mandate Extended

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) — The Security Council extended the mandate of the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) for another six months. The vote was 12-0 with two abstentions. The Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia, China did not participate in the voting. The new UNIFIL mandate will expire in June 1980. UNIFIL is supervising the peace in southern Lebanon. The 6000-troop force was established March 1978 by the Security Council to check on the withdrawal of Israeli forces from southern Lebanon and to help restore the control of the Lebanese government over the area.

Meanwhile, it was announced that Lt. Gen. Ennio Silavvuo, head of the UN peacekeeping force in the Mideast, will step down at the end of this year after 12 years of service with the U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim, it was announced, will be replaced by Silavvuo will be discontinued.

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Your Money's Worth

By Sylvia Porter

How to Save on Parties

(The following column is excerpted from Sylvia Porter's new bestselling book, "Sylvia Porter's New Money Book For The 80's.")

We're into the biggest party-giving weeks of the year and if you have given parties you must be aware that costs really can run double or even triple the amount you have budgeted. Yet there are many ways to save substantial sums on your party without compromising its gaiety or quality. Here are the fundamentals of rules.

* Whatever type of party it is—whether it's a cocktail or a dinner party—set a per-person budget and stay with it. Liquor, hors d'oeuvres and other trimmings probably will cost between \$3.00 and \$8.00 a head; a dinner party can cost from \$5.00 to \$8.00 up, but it's possible to put on a fairly elegant spread for around \$12 a person. How much can you really afford to spend? How many people do you really want to invite?

* Consider one big party—which would undoubtedly be cheaper (and easier)—rather than a smattering of medium-sized parties throughout the year. But if your home cannot take a large number of guests, try parties on successive days—or a brunch and a cocktail party on the same day. By so doing, you'll get the maximum advantage of mess cooking, flowers,

whatever party equipment you're rented, other expenses you're paying for.

* Buy the larger sizes of liquor—under four fifths, and half gallons over any of the smaller sizes. A case almost always is cheaper than the purchase of individual bottles of the same liquor. A case of 16 two-ounce drinks, so if everybody drinks an average of three drinks, one quart will serve about five people. Ask your liquor dealer if he will take back unopened bottles; many will.

* When mixing drinks, use a measure and follow a recipe if the drink requires this. Don't overpour. It's false economy to prepare a pitcher of some drink and then find you'll serve only a couple of drinks during the entire party. Plan your ingredients, have them ready, then prepare your drinks as you are asked for them.

* Buy the largest available bottles of mixers and the least expensive varieties of soda, mix, tomato juice, etc. Have ginger ale and other non-alcoholic beverages available, some people do prefer these.

* Serve wine and punches at a fraction of what cocktails would cost. You'll be delighted to discover how many of your guests will be grateful. Also try Irish coffee, coffee with cognac, non-alcoholic drinks, espresso and cappuccino. These are far less



RECENT BRIDES

MOSES—THOMPSON

On December 23, 1979, Sherrie B. Moses of Washington, D.C. became the bride of William K. Thompson of New York City. Parents of the bride are Mrs. Max Findel of Warwick, and Mr. Israel Moses of Washington, D.C. The groom's parents are Mrs. Vera Thompson and the late Earl Thompson of Gowanda, New York.

Cantor Siegrid Rowe officiated at the ceremony at the Sheraton Washington Hilton followed by a reception at the same hotel.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attended by her sister, Mrs. Michael McCarthy, as matron of honor; Miss Lynn Moses, as maid of honor, and Robin Dolsky, Linda Goldstein, Debra Marks and Barbara Smith as bridesmaids.

Lee Thompson, brother of the groom, was the best man and ushers included Daniel Wickham, Paul Skeels, William Friar, Walter McGee, and Bernard Hirsch.

After a wedding trip in California, the couple will reside in New York City.



Columbia U.
NEW YORK (JTA) — Dr. Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi, one of the world's leading historians, whose scholarly pursuits range from medieval through modern times with an emphasis on Spanish and Portuguese Jewry, will join Columbia University faculty

effective July 1, 1980 and serve as director of its Center for Israel and Jewish Studies.

At Columbia he will become the first Salo Wittmayer Baron Professor of Jewish History Culture and Society. The chair was established last April to honor Baron, a professor emeritus

MARIN—SIEGEL

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Siegel of Providence announce the marriage of their son, Dr. Alvin Siegel, to Miss Martha Marin of Lima, Peru. The couple was married recently in Peru.

Chanukah for Ill

NEW YORK (JTA) — Israelis between the ages of 10 and 18 took part in a program aimed at bringing the message of Chanukah to the Jewish ill and aged in three geriatric centers in Queens, Brooklyn and Long Island. The 50 Israelis were drawn from Jewish schools and youth movements in the New York area. The event was organized by the New York-based Association of Israeli Professionals and held under the patronage of the Israeli Consul-General, Paul Kedar.



SOCIETY NEWS

SECOND SON

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Scribner, of East Brunswick, New Jersey, announce the birth of their second son, Daniel Roy, on December 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Scribner of Providence are the paternal grandparents and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Green of Pittsburgh, Pa. Mrs. Jennie Naiman of Providence is the great-grandmother.

FIRST CHILD

Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Weiner of 1065 Park Ave., New York City, announce the birth of their first child, a son named Todd Justin on December 4.

of Jewish history, literature and institutions who taught at Columbia for 33 years before retiring in 1963.

Maternal grandparents are Joseph Terruso and the late Rose Terruso of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Weiner of Warwick are the paternal grandparents.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. and Mrs. Michael Aaronson of Brookline, Mass. announce the birth of their son, Daniel Loren, who was born on November 28, 1979.

Maternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Abraham Saltzman of Providence. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Aaronson of Miami, Florida are the paternal grandparents.

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BRIDGE

By Robert E. Starr



Today's hand is a "Freak" hand. I really do not like "Freaks" either to participate in or to write about. There is no sound, sane way to handle them and anything is liable to happen. However, this hand has a very interesting fact that does make good article material. So if this were to have a title we might head it, "A Bird in the Hand" or something similar.

North

♠ A 9 7 2
♥ Q J 8 7 5 3
♦ 7
♣ A 8

West

♠ 5
♥ A K 10 9 6 4 2
♦ J 9
♣ 10 6 4

East

♠ K
♥ Void
♦ 10 8 6 5 4 2
♣ 197532

South

♠ Q J 10 8 6 4 3
♥ Void
♦ A K Q 3
♣ K Q

South was Dealer, both sides vulnerable with this bidding:

S	W	N	E
1S	3H	4S	P
4NT	P	5H	4P
7S		End	

As you can see, all four hands had at least one six card suit. East had two whereas South and West both had a seven card suit. With distribution such as this none really knows for sure what can be made or lost and usually the bidding goes so fast and furious that there is seldom time to probe.

Some Souths felt they had enough strength to open with a forcing bid. All

that did was make West bid even higher. Even though there was an Ace out, the bidding made it quite apparent that it was the right Ace. Had Kings been asked for South would have found that there were two of those missing one of which had to be the Trump King. But even that wouldn't have deterred too many when they had seven cards of their own and good support from their partner. It should have.

That King is going to be the key to this article as after the bidding had been completed and the Grand Slam contracted for West was on lead. Naturally, that provided no problem, each led the Heart King and right here is the reason for this article.

Whether seven was bid or North and South stopped at six somewhere along the line every West made a high level vulnerable bid in Hearts. Every East had heard this bid and as soon as the Dummy was exposed they could all see the six Hearts staring them in the face there. Yet I watched as each but one, without even giving it much thought, complacently allowed the King to hopefully hold so that still another trick could be won.

They must have thought the Declarer was insane to think of going all the way to seven with one Heart. So without any doubt whatsoever, what should East do? He should get that Trump King on the table post haste. He will never get another chance to take a sure trick on this hand.

When he doesn't not one South had any problem at trick two to play the Trump Ace and drop that King. In this case, truly a "Bird in the Hand."

Moral: Unless you have at least two signed evaluations from accredited psychiatrists, do not go on the assumption that your opponent is insane.

Israeli Fans Call Black Players 'Niggers'

NEW YORK (JTA) — During a basketball game held in Israel on December 10, a racial incident occurred which resulted in the suspension of Alucie Perry and Earl Williams from ten games each. In the Yad Elyahu Stadium, a match was played between the heavily favored Tel Aviv Maccabi team and the Hapoel Tel Aviv team. During the game, Hapoel fans shouted racial slurs at Alucie Perry and Earl Williams, the Black stars of the Maccabs.

The audience at the Hapoel court screamed the Hebrew equivalent of "nigger" at the two black players. Perry, who converted to Judaism and understands Hebrew, passed on the translation to Williams.

Immediately following the final whistle, Perry, normally a peaceful person, threw a basketball at Schmuel Nachmias, a Hapoel team member. Nachmias responded by spitting in Perry's face and a near riot ensued before both teams were cleared from the floor.

The Israel Basketball Federation's Arbitration Board held a hearing that resulted in the suspension of Perry and Williams from the next ten league games. Nachmias was suspended for only four games, and the Hapoel organization was fined IL 15,000 because the game was held on its home court.

Sports writers in the Israeli press were disturbed by the severe penalty imposed on the Maccabi team which could, conceivably lose enough games without the aid of the Black stars in the upcoming league schedule to drop them to last place. This would eliminate the Maccabs from the National League and relegate them to what is referred to as the First League, the American equivalent of the minor league.

The irony is that Maccabi represents Israel in the European Cup Play and has been performing beautifully in the elimination tournaments that will end some time in April. It had been a foregone conclusion that the Tel Aviv Maccabi would be a finalist in the European Cup championship competition which it won in 1977. Israeli sports writers cannot understand the severe penalty



Alucie Perry shakes hands with former Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan.

imposed on the nation's premier team.

Both Perry and Williams are former professionals. As recently as last year, Williams played 23 games for the Boston Celtics, while Perry was a steady performer for the Virginia entry in the ABA and had been working with the New York Knicks prior to signing on with the Maccabs two years ago. After he converted to Judaism, it became possible for the Tel Aviv Maccabi to latch on to Williams who was approved by the Federation of International Basketball Association, permitting him to revert to amateur standing.

Begin Heckled On West Bank

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Premier Menachem Begin reassured West Bank settlers that Jews have the right to buy land, live and settle all over the Judea and Samaria districts and, in fact, there was no part of the West Bank barred to Jewish settlement.

Begin upheld that position in a speech at Maale Adumim, east of Jerusalem. He reminded his audience that in Samaria there are now 21 settlements where there had been only one when his Likud-led government took office in 1977. He conceded that one Samaria settlement — Elon Moreh — will have to go because the Supreme Court's order to remove it "must be obeyed."

However, he noted that the government is working hard and fast to build an alternative settlement at Djebl Kehir a short distance away. Djebl Kehir and Elon Moreh are close to Nablus, the largest Arab population center on the West Bank. Begin stressed that Jews can settle in the Nablus area.

Egypt reacted sharply to Begin's remarks. A Foreign Ministry official in Cairo said that they were "contrary to the rules and texts of the Camp David accords and the spirit of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty" and "an open violation to those agreements."

Hecklers Berate Begin

According to observers, Begin had intended to make his strong pro-settlement speech at Kiryat Arba, the Gush Emunim stronghold adjacent to Hebron. But he had hardly begun to speak there when hecklers, reportedly from Rabbi Meir Kahane's "Kach" movement, hoisted him off the platform.

As soon as he entered the yeshiva auditorium in the Orthodox township, Begin was greeted with cries of "traitor" by militants who oppose the peace treaty with Egypt and demand that Israel annex the occupied territories. As he began his speech, there were shouts of "liar" and other epithets from the audience. The heckler were removed by security men but Begin soon gave up the attempt to deliver his address and left.



East meets West: Members of women's groups from Japan visit the New York headquarters of the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW). They were visiting the U.S. to learn about volunteerism and equal opportunities for women. Here they are seen talking with Marjorie Merlin Cohen (extreme right), Executive Director of NCJW. The International Student Service arranged the tour.

Mann Warns Against AVRMS Sale to Saudi Arabia

NEW YORK (JTA) — Israel Ambassador Ephraim Evron said that the Palestine Liberation Organization was in decline as a result of the terrorist attack against the American Embassy in Teheran and that there was increasing recognition among policy-planners in Washington of Israel's role as America's only stable and reliable ally in an increasingly hostile Middle East.

In a briefing to the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations on Monday, Evron said the only "bright spot" in the Middle East today was the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty and the progress toward normal relations being made by the two countries and their leaders.

"At a time when OPEC is raising oil prices still another time and Moslem fanatics are twisting the tail of the American tiger to see if it is made of paper, Israel's role as a stalwart ally whose people

will never turn on America, is, I believe, winning increasing official recognition," Evron said.

Noting that his talk marked the anniversary of his appointment as Israel's envoy to Washington, Evron said the tensions and confrontations that had earlier marked U.S.-Israel relations were now "a thing of the past" and that the two countries had achieved a "modus vivendi" in which the natural and inevitable differences between them could be approached constructively and calmly.

He warned, however, that during the past year Soviet Russia had made "significant progress" in strengthening its foothold in the Arab world and that the outcome of the current U.S.-Iranian crisis would have a "direct effect" on the chances of an Arab-Israeli peace.

U.S. Arms Sale to Saudi Arabia

Theodore Mann, chairman of the Presidents Conference, reported on his most re-

cent trip to Israel, where he met and spent "long hours" with Premier Menachem Begin and other government leaders. On the proposed sale of advanced American missiles and weapons systems to Saudi Arabia, Mann warned that the United States would be repeating "the same mistake it made when it dumped huge amounts of arms on Iran."

"If Saudi Arabia goes huge," he said, "it will be the result of internal subversion — not external attack, just as in Iran." He said the weaponry would "also threaten the sensitive Arab-Israeli balance of arms, under which the Arabs have more weapons but Israel has qualitative superiority." Mann added that Egypt's requests for U.S. arms are also "profoundly" disturbing. "Egypt needs economic help from our country, which we strongly support, but no military hardware," he said. He said constituent organizations of the Presidents Conference will begin contacting their Congressmen and the Administration on these issues.

SUCCESSFUL INVESTING

DAVID R. SARGENT

Q: I am retired, 64 years old, and my wife is four years younger. We have \$24,000 in T.I. bonds, some of which were converted from E. bonds. Three years ago, we started depositing \$1,000 a month for twenty-four months, in two-year bank certificates. As these come due, we have taken the interest, but redeposited the principal for another year. Now I have second thoughts on both these investments, which yield so much less than the going rate. Should we make some changes and add to our stock holdings? J.C. Florida

A: You should begin a program of gradual liquidation of your T.I. bonds and low interest bank certificates. On the T.I. bonds you should start by cashing those on which no tax is due, along with a portion of those with an accrued tax liability. In 1980, you might cash more of those in the latter group. Your bank certificates should be allowed to mature before they are liquidated.

Half of the proceeds could be invested in a money market fund to take advantage of their currently favorable interest rate. The balance I would place in common stocks with rising dividend patterns. I would suggest doubling your investment in New England Electric and Tampa Electric. Two new purchases are Aetna Life & Casualty and Northwest Bancorp. While these issues will not provide you with a better current yield, they will stand you in better stead against inflation over the years. Aetna in the last decade has recorded annual divi-

dend growth of 16% and Northwest 9%.

Q: Would you please discuss the income and safety of Japan Fund on the NYSE? It shows a 16% yield, but how much would I actually receive? J.L. California

A: Japan Fund is publicly traded investment fund, which invests primarily in stocks issued by Japanese companies. Its performance, until this year, has been well above average. Net asset value was up 12% in the five-year period ended 1978, compared with 43% for all funds and 24% for the S&P 500-Stock Average. Through the end of October, Japan Fund's net asset value was off 24% for 1979 versus a 13% gain for the funds and a 10% gain in the S&P.

Although the fund's portfolio value per share (NAV) is close to \$11, the stock is trading around \$9. As of the end of October, the discount from net asset value was 20%. While this discount effectively boosts the yield on the shares, it is not as high as you have quoted. A fund's yield is generally based on its income distributions, not including capital gains it might pay. This year, Japan Fund has distributed \$1.38 per share in capital gains and only 15¢ a share in income. Thus, the yield is 1.7%. Capital gains are only distributed when they are realized, there is no guarantee that one will be paid each year. Japan Fund has been consistent in its capital gains distributions, and has paid between \$1¢ and \$1.67 in each of the last ten years.

Chanukah Marathon

BUCHAREST (JTA) — The Chanukah marathon ended in Rumania last week. Chief Rabbi Moses Rosen, accompanied by several hundred Jewish youngsters, boys and girls, visited 27 communities during the 10-day to the smallest of towns, during the capital to the celebration of the Festival of Lights.

In each place, the entire Jewish population participated. Youth orchestras and choirs performed Hebrew and Yiddish songs. Rosen, in his speeches, expressed gratitude to the Rumanian government for allowing Jews complete religious and cultural freedom and the right to emigrate for those who wish to join their families in Israel.

At a dozen communities, the Chief Rabbi was accompanied by 10 American rabbis representing the Rabbinical Council of the United Jewish Appeal. The leaders of the mission, Rabbi Stanley Rabinowitz of Washington, D.C., and Rabbi Wolf Kelman, of New York, praised Rosen for his leadership of a vital Jewish community in Rumania and thanked the Rumanian government for its humanitarian approach to Jewish problems.

Israel Will Not Annex Territories During Peace Talks

JERUSALEM (JTA) — and some Labor Party members. The Knesset today defeated a bill joined with the government by a massive majority a month coalition in defeating a proposal by the ultra-nationalist Tehiya Party that Premier Menachem Begin, Israel apply its law to Judea, replying for the government, and Samaria and Gaza. Tehiya said Israel was committed to submit a vote of no confidence on the issue — meant not to change the

Evron, Connally Meet

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Israel Ambassador Ephraim Evron and Republican Presidential contender John Connally met for two hours at the Palm Beach, Fla. home of fellow-Republican and Jewish leader Max Baucus of Detroit on Dec. 26, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency has learned. The purpose of the meeting was to give Connally, who flew in from Texas, an opportunity to explain that he was misunderstood several months ago in a public statement which he made which seemed to link Israel's security with the conflict over oil, the JTA was informed.

In his meeting with Evron, Connally made clear his good intentions toward Israel and his hopes for a peaceful settlement of the problems in the Middle East. The JTA was also told that Connally reiterated his commitment to the security of Israel, and that, as a good friend of Israel, he would honor all commitments undertaken by previous Administrations, should he become President. The JTA also learned that Connally intends to make public what he considers his very positive stand on the Middle East very soon in another public address.

The Aftermath of the Back-Jewish Rift

conclusion
By Dr. Jay N. Fishbin

Blacks will also learn that equating Israel and the PLO is as repugnant to Jews as equating the NAACP with the KKK. That they should not succumb to anti-Semitic propaganda about Jewish control of the media, the banks and the Congress. It is also advisable that Jews do not overreact to such disturbing information as the report emanating from London that mentioned a Black U.S. delegation decorating Libyan Col. Muammar al-Quaddafi with the Martin Luther King decoration.

The Libyan news reported that Quaddafi who takes pride in being referred to as the god-father of international terrorism had promised support for the struggle of black Americans against the "Zionist conspiracy." One wonders what Martin Luther King, the father of the American non-violent movement would have thought of a decoration being offered in his name to this sponsor of world terrorism.

The foray of blacks into international diplomacy seems to have inspired other countries to also receive Yasser Arafat. Unfortunately, the recognition accorded him the heads of these foreign governments greatly adds to his prestige. A surprising situation occurred with the reception of Yasser Arafat by Spain's Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez, who is having considerable trouble with local revolutionaries. ADL's Abraham Foxman commented that it was "strange behavior for the head of a government who was seeking the world's help in coping with Spain's own brand of terrorism among the Basques." This support for Arafat should not be surprising as Spain is the only Western country that has not recognized Israel.

It is ironic however that the PLO should receive encouragement from Austria's Chancellor Bruno Kreisky and former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt, the two European countries widely responsible for the Holocaust, particularly in view of the fact that these countries have themselves frequently suffered at the hands of PLO terrorists.

It would be interesting to contemplate what went through the mind of Chancellor Kreisky when he shook Arafat's bloody hand. It would be easier to understand Arafat meeting with leaders of the Baader-Meinhof gang, who are also known to sing not with the heads of responsible governments.

Still, we may be imposing harsh judgment unjustly on these men who avowedly have no interest in Israel, when we have at hand Dr. Nahum Goldman, who has boldly stated that he would have no hesitation in meeting with Arafat, and according to the German newspaper, Die Zeit, comments that the Begin-Sadat treaty should have involved the Soviets and the PLO.

It is amazing to see government officials, churchmen and prominent public personalities fall over themselves to embrace PLO terrorists who cold-bloodedly murdered school children, and set bombs in bus terminals and market places — who have wantonly killed and maimed innocent civilians.

Governments who have themselves been victimized by the PLO seem oddly eager to embrace the PLO in this organization of assassins. Terrorists have seized embassies and held occupants hostage with murder or the threat of murder ever present. Often it had been the PLO who surreptitiously organized the assault, and Arafat would graciously offer to intercede for the release of the hostages and win the plaudits of the countries involved. One day the mobs would outnumber the men over whom he had control and tragedy result.

When the Rev. Joseph Lowery joined hands with Arafat and said, "We shall overcome," Rabbi Prinz of the World Jewish Congress asked, "Just what did he expect to overcome?"

"Was it the laws of many Arab lands that prohibit the open practice of his religion Christianity, as well as any other non-Islamic religion? Was it the price squeeze Arab oil producers have put on the countries of black Africa, with disastrous results to their economies?"

"Was it the continuing effects of black slave trade, which Arabs continued well into the 19th century? Was it oppression of blacks in the southern States by the Arabs who control that nation?"

"Or was it the PLO's terrorism against everyone it disagrees with, without discrimination, based on race, religion or age?"

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Aid for Israel Urged

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Israel's financial distress brought by soaring costs of petroleum and military requirements has been outlined in stark terms to President Carter with a request that despite America's own economic and energy problems, he support additional assistance to the Middle East's lone democratic nation.

In a detailed letter to the President, Rep. Benjamin Rosenthal (D.N.Y.), deputy whip of the Democratic Party in the House, asked Carter to give his "favorable consideration" to Israel's request for \$1.85 billion in military assistance and \$1.6 billion in economic aid for fiscal 1981, continuing the loan-grant ratios in both categories.

"In addition," Rosenthal wrote, "I am asking for your support for conversion of the \$2.2 billion loan approved following the (Egyptian-Israeli) peace treaty to 50 percent grant which is consistent with the formula for military assistance." Rosenthal's letter, a copy of which was obtained by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, emphasized:

"The enormity of the enormous problems and pressures you face in shaping a budget to be sent to Congress for fiscal year 1981. I do believe the increased assistance discussed in this letter is essential to maintaining the viability of the economy and defense of America's best friend and most reliable ally in the Middle East. It is in the best interest of the United States and the cause of peace."

Israel's request for additional funding is for fiscal year beginning next Oct. 1. The President will submit the federal budget for that year shortly after Congress returns Jan. 23 from its year-end recess. Legislation pending in Congress for the current fiscal year would allow for Israel of \$1 billion in military aid and \$750 million in economic aid, the same as in the past two years. Egypt, which is now receiving \$750 million in economic aid, is understood to be

in line for military assistance of about \$3 billion in the coming fiscal year.

As a result of its peace treaty with Egypt, Rosenthal added, Israel has "surrendered territorial and energy security to take a chance on peace. The gamble was taken willingly but it is expensive." In this connection, he said, Israel's turnover of the Sinai oil fields to Egypt and the loss of its major source of imported oil, Iran, results in the fact that Israel's oil bill by 1981 will amount to nearly \$2 billion annually, or a billion and a quarter more dollars than just three years ago. "This amount alone exceeds the \$850 million in additional economic aid Israel is seeking for fiscal year 1981," Rosenthal said.

"At current prices for defense items," he continued, "the \$1.5 billion Israel is requesting for next year has the same purchasing power as the \$1 billion" provided by the U.S. in 1976.

"Since the level of military aid has been kept at \$1 billion in fiscal years 1978, 1979 and 1980, the funds available to Israel have been insufficient to finance all the items already approved by the Defense Department. As a result of the rapidly rising cost of both equipment and the money to pay for it, Israel's debt to the United States in fiscal year 1981 will be \$750 million or approximately the same as the economic aid presently provided by the United States."

Continuing, Rosenthal noted that "the net aid flow to Israel would be zero if present aid levels are not increased. Israel already has the largest per capita debt in the world — \$3260 as of Dec. 31, 1978. Its citizens are taxed at a rate of 66 percent of gross income. The recent dramatic jump in Israel's outstanding debt, primarily as a result of the \$2.2 billion U.S. loan authorized following the Israel-Egypt peace treaty, has damaged Israel's ability to borrow from private markets. In a recent survey of credit ratings

of 93 countries, Israel was ranked only 53rd."

In addition to that \$2.2 billion loan, the United States provided an \$800 million grant to help finance the cost of redeploying Israeli forces from the Sinai to the Negev." The most recent Israeli estimates indicate that the total costs will actually be close to \$4 billion," Rosenthal emphasized.

Meetings Scheduled For Begin's Egypt Visit

JERUSALEM (JTA) — At least two lengthy meetings between Premier Menachem Begin and President Anwar Sadat of Egypt have been scheduled during the Israeli leader's four-day visit to upper Egypt early this month. Officials said the two men would meet at Sadat's rest home on the Nile in Aswan on the first evening of Begin's stay, and at a hotel in Aswan on the following day. Begin's subsequent schedule is flexible enough to allow for an additional session should this be required, the officials noted.

Aside from his political talks — expected to focus on the autonomy negotiations but to embrace, too, a regional strategic review in light of the Iranian crisis — the Premier will visit the Aswan high dam, the temples at Abu Simbel (near the Sudanese border) and the tombs and temples of Luxor (Valley of the Kings).

Begin and his wife Aliza and aides will be spending three full days and nights in Aswan, arriving Monday Jan. 7 and departing Thursday Jan. 10. The Premier's program also includes attending an evening of folk dancing by local Nubian artists, and a helicopter ride with Sadat over newly developed agricultural areas bordering upon Lake Nasser (below the high dam). Some 50 Israeli journalists and 100 foreign journalists stationed here are expected to accompany the Premier on this trip.

Though the schedule is relaxed and allows for resting between sightseeing, the plane, boat and helicopter itinerary over the three days would tax the strength of a younger man. If Begin carries it off without a hitch he can certainly demand — according to observers here — that the rumors about his ostensibly poor health should cease circulating in Jerusalem political quarters.

Brown opposes U.S. Mideast bases

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Defense Secretary Harold Brown is opposed to American bases in the Middle East as a means of helping U.S. allies and interests in the area. Appearing on the CBS television program "Face the Nation," Brown was questioned by a Pentagon reporter about the possibilities of the U.S. establishing military bases in the area, as has been suggested by Ad-

Khomeini Asked To Release Hostages

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada sent a cable to the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini yesterday urging him "as a deep believer in religious ethics" to "immediately free the 50 Americans held hostage" in Teheran, "thereby alleviating the pain and suffering of both the hostages and their respective families."

The cable, signed by Rabbi Moshe Feinstein, president of the organization, and Rabbi Simcha Elberg, chairman of its administrative committee, noted: "The Union of Orthodox Rabbis of U.S.A. and Canada, the oldest and most authoritative rabbinic organization in the Western Hemisphere, is a non-partisan, non-political body. We are strictly a religious organization which has been established to ensure that our people, the Jewish nation, follow the instruction given to her by our Holy Torah."

The cable continued: "As such, we hereby appeal to you, in the name of humanitarianism and mercy, which are considered to be paramount laws in our Torah: these two attributes also being the foundation of every civilized nation, that you, as a deep believer in religious ethics, immediately free the 50 Americans held hostage in your country."

In a related action, the International Association of Hillel Directors extended holiday greetings to the American hostages and urged the Iranian government to release them immediately. The request was contained in resolutions adopted at the Association's annual conference at Grossingers, N.Y., where Rabbi Richard Marker, Jewish chaplain at Brown University, Providence, R.I., was elected president of the organization.

ministration sources since the Iranian crisis began. The suggestions include the U.S. takeover of the air bases in Sinai that Israel will evacuate in 1981 and turn over to Egypt.

The reporter asked Brown: "If we do put bases in the Middle East, if we do concentrate forces there in any way, what countries, what are the likely candidate countries, and secondly, could a NATO of the Middle East develop out of this? Could we have some formal ties to Saudi Arabia, let's say, and other Middle East countries that are friendly to the U.S.?" According to the transcript of the broadcast, the Defense Secretary replied:

"I don't want to talk about bases in particular countries, because I don't believe that American bases as such in that area are the right way to go. A number of those countries in the area themselves can maintain bases which in an emergency, in which they asked our help, we could then come in and use."

Cabinet Extends Eon Moreh Five Weeks

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Cabinet decided by majority vote to extend the life of Eion Moreh for at least another five weeks, the estimated time required to complete construction of a new settlement at Djeibl Kehir, six miles away. It was the second extension granted by the Cabinet since the Supreme Court ruled October 22 that Eion Moreh was built illegally on seized Arab lands and must be removed in 30 days.

The first extension expires January 3. Cabinet Secretary Arye Naor read a Cabinet statement that blamed "regrettably" the difficulties which have beset the new site and recent heavy rains that slowed down work. It was clear when the Cabinet met that even with helicopters lifting tractors and other heavy equipment to Djeibl Kehir, the deadline this Thursday could not be met.

Nevertheless, the three Democratic Movement ministers voted against the second extension. Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir told reporters that he hoped to avoid a confrontation with the militant Arab Eion Moreh settlers and the army and for that reason he had voted for the original six-week extension last month. "In my opinion, that was time enough," Tamir said.

Deputy Premier Simcha Ehrlich, leader of the Liberal Party, supported the extension but said his approval was conditional on formal assurances from the settlers that they would leave Eion Moreh peacefully. Amnon Rubinstein, leader of the opposition Shaif faction, denounced the Cabinet's decision. "There is apparently no limit to the government's readiness to demean itself and know to the Gush Einanim," he said. Similar comments were made by Labor Alignment spokesman.

Rejects Attorney General's Advice
The Cabinet acted on its own initiative, in effect rejecting the advice of Attorney General Yitzhak Zamir who stated, in a written opinion submitted to Premier Menachem Begin, that it was not reasonable to extend the deadline. He said the extension would be impossible to defend in court should the owners of the affected land decide to bring new legal action. Therefore, Zamir questioned the wisdom and propriety of applying the Supreme Court for an extension of the long-passed time limit.

Technically, that limit was complied with when several parcels of land were returned last month to Arab villagers who had filed the original complaint. The government has acknowledged that the entire settlement

must be removed since it had been established for "security" reasons that the high court found not to exist.

Work at Djeibl Kehir, which is located on State-owned land, began only three weeks ago after the Eion Moreh settlers indicated that they would leave peacefully. Subsequently they made their compliance contingent on the adoption of new legislation to change the legal status of Jewish settlements on the West Bank in a way that would bar future court challenges.

Any such measure is almost certain to be defeated in the Knesset and is therefore unacceptable to the government. A violent confrontation between the settlers and the army is still possible. Begin apparently is banking on the assurance by National Religious Party right-winger, Haim Druckman that the Gush Einanim leadership has promised that the Eion Moreh settlers would transfer peacefully to Djeibl Kehir.

Joint Israeli-Egyptian Projects in Planning Stage

BEERSHEVA (JTA) — Yosef Tekoah, president of Ben Gurion University of the Negev, told the press yesterday here that a joint Israeli-Egyptian research and development projects are already being discussed and planned, but the pace of their implementation will depend upon the development of the Israeli-Egyptian normalization process.

Tekoah, accompanied by BGU Rector and solar energy expert Prof. David Wolf, and Yoram Horowitz, Tekoah's assistant, recently returned to Israel after a five-day semi-official visit to Cairo, Luxor and Aswan.

During their trip, they met with Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Yisroel Gali and scores of press, scientists and university administrators. "Everyone with whom I spoke, including government officials, research institute scientists and university professors, expressed a great desire for cooperation projects with Israeli universities, especially in the area of desert studies," Tekoah said.

He disclosed that a delegation of Egyptian scientists will soon be coming to Israel to meet with their counterparts here and announced that a free exchange of non-military scientific publications will be implemented.

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Pilot Playground for Handicapped

By Ruth Seligman

"The highlight of my day," was the way Jehan Sadat described her visit to Gan Hayeled, Israel's first playground for handicapped children. Accompanying her husband to Haifa on his third visit to Israel last September, Egypt's First Lady had only words of praise for the playground, which was inaugurated on July 1979 after a 6-month running-in period. "Our handicapped children want to be like other children," emphasizes Michal Brenner, head of NITZAN (Organization for Children with Learning Disabilities) and the moving spirit behind Gan Hayeled.

Filling in Hour Hours

A veteran teacher of "special" education, Brenner has long been aware of the need to provide recreational facilities for the handicapped child. She and her colleagues always dreaded the summer vacations "when ordinary healthy and normal children race over to their local playgrounds and ours are at loose ends, stuck at home without anything to do." The problem is not just a summer one. "There are the same empty hours in the afternoons, too—after school is out, the same lack of opportunities for play and recreation."

It is not only is hard for a handicapped child to play alone in the playground unattended, but parents are reluctant (and rightfully so) to send him without company, fearing for his physical safety. Worse, normal children tend to reject and mock him, intensifying his feelings of inadequacy and inferiority.

The British Model

On a visit to England, Brenner saw the special playgrounds for handicapped children operated there by the HAPA (Handicapped Adventure Playground Association) and was very much impressed by it. She decided it should serve as a model for the Israeli playground, located in Gan Ha'em, one of Haifa's most beautiful parks. Yet, between her visit and the construction and operation of Gan Hayeled, lay many years of back-breaking work, of persuasion and fundraising, culminating in the establishment in 1975 of the Society for Disabled Children's Playground.

Because of her defense budget and other factors, Israel has always had to look to volunteer organizations, private individuals and foundations, for the means to fill in the gaps in the social services it must provide for the public. Gan Hayeled is such a project. Extensive support is being given by Israeli well-wishers, including the National Insurance Institute of Israel and the J.N.F. and by friends in Britain such as the West London Synagogue, the Morrison Foundation and the United Helping Hands of London.

The plot for Gan Hayeled, formerly a bomb-disposal site, was donated to the Society by the Haifa Municipality which covered the land development costs. Salaries of 4 part-time workers are paid by the Ministry of Education and Haifa's Department of Education. The Society pays the salary of another half-time worker and covers all operating costs.

Adventure is a Daily Experience

A visit to Gan Hayeled, appropriately called an adventure playground, is an unbelievable experience. "We, as in England, are seeing impressive changes in behavior and attitude," notes Brenner. "At first, our children tend to be nervous, quiet and passive. On subsequent visits they learn to overcome their fears, to use the slides and seesaws with ease, even walking on the swinging bridge and scrambling down the ladders with a skill that no-one, least of all the children themselves, ever dreamed they had."

In brief, our severely handicapped children are being helped to attain experiences which would otherwise be out of their reach, primarily by easing their participation in such activities as can only be carried out with the aid of a counselor and by ensuring their sharing in other children's play. The handicapped child learns that here it is his ability, not his disability, which counts.

Imaginatively designed by architect Gordon Saris, the playground provides a new experience for handicapped children, "who," notes Brenner, "are often over-protected. Here, they have a chance to let steam, relieve tensions and learn to be free, within, of course, the limitations of their handicap."

The playground also opens new worlds to the mentally disturbed and gives him a new awareness of his surroundings, a new

sense of self. "And, situated as we are, next to the Zoological Gardens," adds Brenner, "we hope to give all our handicapped children the fun and stimulation of playing with and caring for live animals."

Team Work

During the school months Gan Hayeled is used by groups of children, aged 4 to 12, who are brought in the morning from 12 kindergartens and schools of "special" education in the Haifa area. "Ideally, however," says Brenner, "we should and could also be open every afternoon, but we lack the funds for this."

Brenner has recently begun to recruit teenagers from the Scouts and other youth organizations who bring children to and from the park. "At the same time, we also need to educate the parents of our handicapped children who, accustomed to having their children taken to and from school, are unaware of the active role they, too, must play." "With added funds and more parental awareness we could easily accommodate 5 to 10 times the number of children we now serve. Even in the mornings, we are not reaching all the schools for handicapped children." Brenner would also like to increase the use of Gan Hayeled's Clubhouse by providing afternoon circles in art, drama and crafts.

Michal Brenner is not satisfied, however, with the success she and the Society have achieved. Ultimately, she would like to see

small adventure playgrounds for the handicapped in every neighborhood. "The playground experience is necessary for all children, but especially for the handicapped, most of whom are bussed out to special schools and, thus, cut off from their environment, have no contact with the children of their own area."

Promoting Integration

In the long run the playground and clubhouse will also be open to normal children for, as Brenner notes, "integration, i.e. controlled and balanced contact between normal and handicapped children, is the ultimate aim of all programs for the handicapped." Partial integration is already evolving, simply because the siblings bring some of the children to the park and remain to play.

This coming year Gan Hayeled will be the subject of a scientific study, conducted by psychology students from Haifa University. This can help clarify what effect the adventure playground experience has on both the child and his family. One student can follow one child, observing the changes in his behavior at school and at home.

Other communities in Israel are already considering the establishment of similar adventure playgrounds for their handicapped. In Jerusalem, for example, a group of parents of severely damaged CP (Cerebral Palsy) children have taken the initiative in promoting such a playground.

Iranians Said to Infiltrate Lebanon

JERUSALEM (JTA) — A Christian radio station on the Lebanese border claimed that Iranian volunteers have crossed into south Lebanon from Syria and are stationed in Nabatiya, a village under the control of Palestinian terrorists. There was no official confirmation here but Israeli sources said that it was possible that a few of the Iranians who landed in Syria last week may have infiltrated into south Lebanon, but not in any substantial numbers.

The report was broadcast by "The Voice of Hope," a small radio station north of Metullah which is operated by American volunteers who support Maj. Saad Haddad's Christian militia in south Lebanon. Immediately after the broadcast, Haddad's forces began shelling Nabatiya. Haddad reportedly met with officers of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) to warn them that he would shell any village that harbored volunteers from Iran.

Haddad also urged President Elias Sarkis of Lebanon to unify all "true" Lebanese forces for the sake of the country. The Christian militia commander, who is supported by Israel, is not recognized by the government in Beirut and has been branded a "renegade." Meanwhile, Radio Monte Carlo reported that Syrian authorities said that they would not allow the Iranians to enter Lebanon unless the Lebanese government agreed.



ISRAELI TEENAGE DESIGNERS: Just three from a collection designed by sixteen and seventeen-year-old students in the vocational high schools maintained in Israel by Pioneer Women/Na'amat. For entertaining at home (left) a sheer duffon, gold-embossed blouse tops all black satin pants. Rhinestones edge the bedouin-inspired wedding gown (center) and hold the veil in place. Dolman sleeves are tightly gathered and fastened at the wrists with diamond-like buttons. The skirt is long and slender. Shown at the right, the halter-top emerald-green silk shantung frock wraps around in a full skirt.

Pioneer Women, in cooperation with its sister organization, Na'amat supports fifteen vocation high schools where young women are prepared for careers, including those in fashion design. Some of the young women who created the collection are from Arab villages; others, from families who have immigrated from Morocco, Iran, Iraq, India and Russia. After graduating, they are qualified for positions in Israel's fashion industry.

Normalization Clouded by Autonomy Linkage

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Some Cabinet members appeared restive over Egypt's apparent coolness toward the normalization of relations with Israel, a process that will culminate with the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries next month and the exchange of ambassadors in February. Suspicions were voiced at a Cabinet meeting that the Egyptians may once again be attempting to establish a linkage between normalization and progress in the autonomy negotiations.

These followed a briefing by Interior Minister Yosef Burg, head of the Israeli negotiating team, and Yosef Ciechanover, Director General of the Foreign Ministry, on the talks held in Cairo. Burg said there were still differences of opinion over two issues — the size of the projected administrative (autonomy) council on the West Bank and Gaza Strip and its powers and responsibilities. The Egyptians want a large body, somewhat in the form of a parliament while Israel insists on a Cabinet-style council with about 11 members and limited power.

Burg said that he trusted the sincere inten-

tions of the Egyptians to effect normalization in accordance with the timetable established in the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty. "Obviously there is a psychological link between the matters (normalization and autonomy) but just like we fulfilled the provisions of the peace agreement, we have no reason to believe that the Egyptians will not do the same," he told reporters after the Cabinet meeting.

On his return from Cairo, Eliahu Ben-Eliassur, Israel's unofficial Ambassador designate to Egypt, told reporters that Egypt's Foreign Minister, Butros Ghali, did indeed seem to be lacking in enthusiasm over the speedy application of normalization. However, he noted, the Egyptians could not be faulted for contravening any specific provisions of the peace treaty and its annexes. He stressed the very warm rapport he has established with top officials of President Anwar Sadat's Office and the cordial welcome he had received in Cairo.

But skeptics in the Cabinet expressed concern over Egypt's proposal that it be permitted to open liaison offices on the West Bank and in Gaza during the autonomy period.

They raised the possibility that such offices would be utilized to further the establishment of a Palestinian state. Egypt's official Middle East News Agency reported that the liaison offices were intended to be the nucleus of future Egyptian embassies in an eventual Palestinian "entity."

Begin assured his colleagues that the Foreign Ministry would convey to Cairo Israel's opposition to the liaison offices idea. He said that Israel would insist on the fulfillment of the letter and spirit of the peace treaty.

The Cabinet rejected a proposal by Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda' that it adopt resolutions on the normalization process before the Begin-Sadat meeting on January 7. Defense Minister Ezer Weizman argued that such resolutions would unnecessarily bind Begin's hands. It was announced meanwhile that the Israeli and Egyptian "working groups" on autonomy would meet twice "for lengthy sessions" before the next ministerial level meeting at the end of January with U.S. Special Ambassador Sol Linowitz in attendance.

Flap Over Trifa Broadcast Continues

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Ramifications of Radio Free Europe's (RFE) interview with alleged Nazi war criminal Archbishop Valerian Trifa that it broadcast last May have mushroomed into formal requests for five separate federal and Congressional investigations. The requests by Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D.N.Y.) followed RFE's notices of dismissal to two of its employees in Munich, Germany, and White House silence on developments enveloping a National Security Council (NSC) specialist, Paul Henze.

In letters calling for the investigation, Holtzman declared RFE is dismissing two of its Rumanian broadcast division employees, Edgar Rafael and Jacob Popper, for publicly protesting the Trifa interview. She also asked tightening of federal supervision over tax-supported RFE and Radio Liberty (RL) that broadcast to Eastern Europe and to the Soviet Union.

Setting forth specific charges against RFE, Holtzman, who heads the House Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and International Law, urged inquiries in addressing Rep. Dante B. Fascell (D.Fla.), chairman of the House Subcommittee on International Operations; Elmer B. Staats, U.S. Controller General; Dr. John Gronouski, chairman of the U.S. Board for International Broadcasting that oversees RFE and RL; Dr. Glenn Ferguson, RFE/RL, president, with offices in Munich; and U.S. Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti.

Concede 'Mistake in Judgement'

Authorities of both the board and RFE have acknowledged that RFE's interview and its broadcast constituted a "mistake in judgement" since it did not mention that Trifa was facing trial in Detroit related to his alleged role in the massacre of some 400 Jews in Rumania in World War II. Trifa, now head of the Rumanian Orthodox Church, faces revocation of his naturalized U.S. citizenship should the trial find him guilty of having withheld information from U.S. authorities about his past.

In addition to requesting the inquiries, Holtzman has sharply criticized the White House for not responding to her second letter. "President Carter's call for disciplinary action against Henze, who represents the NSC at the Board for International Broadcasting. According to the board's records, Henze told a meeting last August, following protests against the Trifa interview, that "concern" about it is "silly" and that it "certainly isn't serious from the point of view of the White House."

Holtzman's first letter to Carter was answered by a NSC staff secretary which Holtzman described as "inappropriate, inadequate and inaccurate" and "suggests that the White House attaches little importance" to the issue.

With more than a week having passed since her second letter, Holtzman told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the White House by its silence and by not dissociating itself from the Henze remarks, indirectly means that NSC chairman Zbigniew Brzezinski "does not think Henze did anything wrong." She said that "if they (the White House) do not dissociate themselves specifically, their silence constitutes approval and acceptance of his (Henze's) remarks."

Response By RFE/RL Official

Asked by JTA to comment on her letters, RFE/RL senior vice president William Buell in Washington, said that "the whole episode has been 'very painful' and he is 'very unhappy about the publicity the story is getting.' Saying that "the interview as broadcast was a mistake in judgement," Buell added, "my boss" — Ferguson — "has accepted responsibility for it as a mistake."

"The concept of interviewing this man (Trifa) at all was a question of judgement," Buell said. Noting RFE/RL has a Rumanian service and that it was marking the 50th anniversary of the Rumanian Orthodox Church, Buell added, "I was poor journalism in interviewing him without putting the man in context." Buell then referred to the "charges outstanding against him" for the program in Rumania.

However, Buell supported RFE's notices to fire Rafael and Popper but pointed out that they have not been dismissed. The works council of selected RFE/RL employees in Munich will review the notices, a requirement under West German law, Buell said. Both the works council and management must agree before dismissals can be made.

Buell volunteered that Rafael and Popper, both Jewish, are naturalized U.S. citizens, and that the director of the Rumanian service, Noel Bernard, is also Jewish. "The reason for the personnel action," Buell stated, is that Rafael and Popper "made slanderous accusations against Bernard and management as a whole that were quite unfounded."

He added that Rafael and Popper made the accusations "to the press, Congress and Jewish organizations — all kinds of charges of anti-Semitism against Bernard which were ridiculous on their face." Of about 50 employees in the Rumanian service, Buell said, "12 are of Jewish background and 11 were hired by Bernard."

Requests by Holtzman

Having discussed the issues with Buell, Holtzman wrote Fascell that the Trifa broadcast "was not simply just an inadvertent judgemental error but represented a conscious management decision made over staff objections that was part of a pattern of such questionable decisions with respect to both substance and personnel made over the past several years." She also said that "employees have been harassed and threatened for attempting publicly to expose what they consider to be the facts of this case."

To Ferguson, Holtzman observed that Bernard, "who admittedly was responsible for reviewing and broadcasting the Trifa interview, has not even been formally reprimanded," while Rafael and Popper "who raised public concerns about RFE's handling of the matter, have been fired." She wrote Ferguson "the clear implication is that you are protecting the wrongdoer and firing the whistle-blowers." She also wrote Ferguson she found it "almost impossible to believe that Mr. Bernard was unaware of the charges pending against Trifa at the time he conceived of and broadcast the interview."

In this connection, she noted that "in addition to feature stories which RFE ran on Trifa on Oct. 28 and Nov. 21, 1976, nine news stories on his case have been edited by the central newsroom in Munich and distributed to the 21 language services for broadcast during 1976 and 1977."

To Gronouski, she observed that "since the RFE/RL officials have chosen to totally disregard your entreaties, I am concerned that the board does not have sufficient legislative authority to properly carry out its oversight functions." Gronouski, who is former Postmaster General, had strongly criticized the interview.

Holtzman asked Staats, who heads the General Accounting Office, to investigate whether the board's role with RFE/RL "needs to be more precisely defined," and "what sanctions are at the board's disposal if RFE/RL management chooses to disregard the advice of its board or chairman."

Holtzman's letter to Civiletti was not immediately made public.

Increase in Immigration

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Some 2817 immigrants arrived in Israel last month, Yehuda Dominitz, director general of the Jewish Agency immigration and absorption department, told the Agency Executive. Most of the immigrants are Russian, but the dropout rate last month was still 65.3 per cent, he said.

Some 34,500 immigrants arrived so far this year. By the end of the year, Dominitz predicted, the number will increase of 50 percent compared to last year. There was a slight rise last month in the number of immigrants from France and Great Britain, compared to a drop in the number of immigrants from South Africa. Yehuda Dominitz reported. Some 17,000 immigrants are now in the absorption centers of the Jewish Agency, an increase of 1000 compared to October, he said.



A 30 FOOT NATIONAL MENORAH, sponsored and erected by the American Friends of Lubavitch across the street from the White House, was lit in ceremony attended by President Jimmy Carter, members of the Cabinet, headed by Chief Domestic Advisor Stuart Eizenstat and Secretary of Commerce — designate Philip Klutznick as well as other dignitaries and spectators. Shown at the ceremony are, left to right, Rabbi Abraham Shemtov of Philadelphia, Director of American Friends of Lubavitch, Mrs. Stuart Eizenstat, President Jimmy Carter, Leonard Goldfine Chairman Philadelphia Friends of Lubavitch and National Chairman State of Israel Bonds, tenor Jan Pearce, Philip Klutznick Secretary of Commerce — designate and Stuart Eizenstat Chief Domestic Council and his son, Jay.

Cleveland Activists Demand Trial Date for Ex-Nazi

CLEVELAND (JTA) — About 40 demonstrators representing the Cleveland Jewish Activists Coalition marched to the Federal Courthouse to demand that a trial date be set in the case of John Demjanjuk who is accused of having obtained his American citizenship by concealing his Nazi past.

The Ukrainian-born Demjanjuk, 59, was officially charged by the U.S. government in August, 1977 with having participated in atrocities while he was a guard at the notorious Treblinka extermination camp during World War II. An employee of the Ford Motor Co., he has lived in the Cleveland area since 1952 and presently resides in a spacious ranch-style home in Seven Hills, a suburb heavily populated by people of Ukrainian and Polish descent.

The demonstrators representing three local groups — The Ethnic, Chavurah and Betar — carried signs reading "Justice Cannot Wait" and "Nazis Must Be Brought to Trial." A spokesman for the Chavurah group, noting that charges were brought against Demjanjuk more than two years ago without a trial date being set, accused the U.S. government of "showing great insensitivity in this matter." Another demonstrator said, "We want this trial to take place while the witnesses (many of them death camp survivors residing in Israel) are still alive and capable of testifying."

APPOINTED COORDINATOR

Mrs. Joyce Abrams has been appointed coordinator for a program for the "Talented Children" in West Warwick by the West Warwick School Committee. Mrs. Abrams has been employed by the West Warwick School Department since 1970 where she served as an elementary classroom teacher for five years, and as the remedial math teacher at the John F. Horgan Elementary School for the last five years.

As the coordinator for this new program, Mrs. Abrams will be responsible for eight staff members to research and design the program, as well as the selection of students for the program who are exceptional in the academic areas.

Mrs. Abrams received her B.A. degree from the University of Rhode Island in 1969 and her master's degree in education from Rhode Island College in 1974.

Klutznick Confirmed

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Philip Klutznick has been unanimously confirmed by the Senate as Secretary of Commerce. He is expected to be sworn into office January 7, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was informed. The confirmation vote was 74-0.

It followed quickly after the Senate Commerce Committee approved President Carter's appointment of Klutznick without dissent. Klutznick took a leave of absence as president of the World Jewish Congress after his appointment last month. At age 72 he will be the oldest member of the Carter Cabinet.

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Weizman Welcomes Increased U.S. Influence in Mideast

NEW YORK (JTA) — Israel Defense Minister Ezer Weizman expressed the hope today that the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty would be the beginning of an "American chain" against Soviet influence in the Middle East.

Answering questions in Washington on CBS-TV's "Face the Nation," Weizman said he welcomed increased American influence in the Mideast. He said he knew this meant more American arms for Saudi Arabia and Egypt but felt it was better to see American equipment rather than Russian "in the area. However, he added that "I hope it will be well-balanced by what we have."

Weizman, who had come to the United States with Israel's request for \$3.4 billion in military and economic aid in the 1981 fiscal year, nearly double the \$1.8 billion it is receiving in the current year, said he did not expect to get the full amount. But he said reports that the Carter Administration has proposed a \$2.2 billion appropriation are untrue.

He said that President Carter, with whom he met for lunch at the White House last Friday, listened attentively and promised to consider Israel's request. "I have not been told any figure at all," Weizman said. The official U.S. reply will probably be given to Israel Ambassador Ephraim Evron in Washington tomorrow.

The Israel Defense Minister, who also met with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, Defense Secretary Harold Brown and Special Ambassador Sol Linowitz last week, stressed today that Israel was not seeking more aid because it has increased its military budget. "We have cut down" the military budget since the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty was signed.

But he said the problem was Israel's economic problems, some of it due to Israel's own mistakes and some to the peace treaty. As an example, he said with the return of the Sinai oilfields to Egypt, Israel will have to spend \$2 billion for oil next year.

Much of the questioning centered around the difficulties in recent developments in Israel and Afghanistan. When asked what Israel would have done if it was its embassy that had been seized in the manner that the U.S. Embassy was taken in Teheran, he stressed that Israel was not a world power and did not have the responsibilities that the U.S. did.

"At first he hinted that Israel might have "quietly" tried to get the hostages out but then quickly added that the Israeli request of hostages at Entebbe Airport in Uganda in 1976 was a "piense" in comparison to what it would take to rescue the American hostages

in the Embassy in the center of Teheran. Weizman continuously pointed out that the Soviet influence in the Mideast was not new. He said the overt Soviet support of the coup in Afghanistan last week was similar to what the USSR did in Hungary in 1956 and Czechoslovakia in 1968 and was part of the Soviet desire to put a belt of friendly nations around its borders.

He noted that Israel had to face the Soviet Union in the Mideast for the last 25 years. "We have had the Soviets on our back and breathing down our necks for 25 years," Weizman said, during which time, he added, Israel destroyed 1000 Soviet planes and 2000 Soviet tanks. He said now, for the first time, the U.S. is directly involved by the situation in Afghanistan.

Asked about a report that Egyptian President Anwar Sadat had offered the U.S. bases if needed, Weizman called Sadat "courageous" and said he would welcome the move. When pressed on whether Israel had made a similar offer, he said it did not need to. He said the U.S. knew Israel was a close friend and would give it anything it asked for to help its security interests in the area.

In other matters, Weizman said that the Jewish settlements in the West Bank should not harm peace efforts. He said the Israel Cabinet has accepted his view that settlements should be concentrated in four or five areas rather than spread throughout the area.

Further Hearings on Abortion Bill Defeated

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The coalition majority in the Knesset's Social Welfare Committee defeated opposition attempts to hold further hearings on the controversial abortion law amendment that passed its first reading in the Knesset. The measure is expected to come before the Knesset for its second and third readings and is considered certain to be adopted.

Menachem Porush of the Aguda Israel, who is chairman of the committee, ruled against calling expert witnesses — doctors and social workers — to discuss protests by the Labor opposition. He insisted on and got a committee vote in favor of the restrictive measure which the Aguda has demanded as its price for remaining within Premier Menachem Begin's coalition.

The amendment passed its first reading by a vote of 58-53 with nine abstentions after Begin defused strong opposition within Likud's Liberal Party wing by declaring the issue a vote of confidence in his government.

Cabinet May Shut Down El Al

By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Cabinet is seriously considering closing down El Al, Israel's national airline, which lost \$50 million this year and is expected to lose double that amount next year. The company's management, headed since last month by millionaire industrialist Avraham Shavit, attributes the huge deficits to "inflated" wages paid to air crews. The El Al Board of Directors will meet this Saturday night to discuss the situation after efforts to convince employees to accept a 50 percent wage cut proved fruitless.

El Al flight crews receive part of their salaries in foreign currency and the company pays part of their income tax. Pilots and flight engineers are paid between IL 40,000 (\$1180) and IL 200,000 (\$6000) a month after taxes. This amounts, in some cases where the higher wage prevails, to a gross income of about IL 420,000 or \$12,350 a month. The management wants to end these special privileges and reduce salaries by half in order for the air carrier to survive.

Shavit, who is president of the Israel

Manufacturers' Association, expressed doubt that the employees are aware of the gravity of the situation. "It seems they have not yet grasped it," he said. "I will appeal to them to meet our demands. If that doesn't help, there will be no alternative but to close down the company." El Al is a subsidized government-owned carrier and the Cabinet is empowered to order it shut down.

Police have begun preparing for disorders should this come about. One El Al employee expressed fear of "riots if thousands of workers suddenly find themselves jobless." A great deal of El Al's financial difficulties have been attributed to labor strife, particularly wildcat strikes, work stoppages and slow-downs by ground maintenance personnel which have caused a regular occurrence in recent years causing many flights to be cancelled with attendant losses of revenue.

Closure of the air line which links Israel with most major cities in North America, Europe and Africa, would cost the government between \$200-\$250 million, mainly in compensation to employees. El Al sources said.

Seventeen Older Women Become Bas Mitzvah

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Fifteen months ago most of the 17 women yearning to celebrate their Bas Mitzvah didn't know "aleph" from "bet" and the others were almost equally illiterate in Hebrew. On a recent Saturday morning, however, they read all the Hal Torah and the Torah portion of the week in fluent Hebrew and achieved the distinction of being the youngest ever. 33-year-old Rabbi Stephen Listfield at the 110-year-old Adas Israel Congregation in mid-town Washington.

The women who avidly sought a Jewish education that they did not receive as youngsters ranged in age from 23-year-old Abigail Friedman, a Harvard graduate studying law at Georgetown University, to Mrs. Sarah Bassin, 69, a retired downtown restaurateur. The class, formed after Carol Ross, a trade specialist at the U.S. Department of Commerce, suggested the idea to Listfield and helped him organize it.

The class members, who included Janet Waxman, wife of the California Congressman Herman Waxman, studied Jewish history, law and philosophy with Listfield and liturgy and Hebrew with Cantor Abe Golinkin. For most of the study period, the women alternated each week between two hours of lectures by Listfield and instruction from Golinkin. The momentum was maintained by home work.

"The whole experience was remarkable," Listfield, who is from Highland Park, N.J., said. "It was really great. These women studied hard because they wanted to learn."

"Their efforts recalled to me the example set by Rabbi Akiba," he said. He explained to the class early in its work that Rabbi Akiba, a shepherd in Jerusalem in the first century, was about 40 years old when he began studying the Aleph Bet intensely when his son went to school and, ultimately, he became the foremost scholar of his time.

Why did the women join the class? "My children got a fine Jewish education and I said, 'why should they know more than I?'" was the response of Estelle Jacobs, one of the

students. Pointing out "it's not just another class," Sylvia Fogelman, a part-time receptionist and bookkeeper, said she joined it partly because it was a challenge but also because she wanted to participate in synagogue services.

Ross said she wanted to know more about Judaism to help keep her family members informed about their heritage. Her husband is a U.S. Foreign Service officer and the family, being transferred frequently from one country to another, finds it difficult to obtain opportunities for Jewish studies.

Listfield said almost all the women will continue their studies and that another class ready to start will include at least one man who did not have a Bar Mitzvah.

10 Terrorists Jailed

TEL AVIV (JTA) — A military tribunal in Lod has imposed stiff sentences on 10 terrorists captured in an attempted sea-borne attack on Eilat last September. The leader of the group, Abdallah Daud Jaroud, and his second in command, were each sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment.

The other received sentences of 10 to 15 years. Eight of the men were crew members of a Panamanian-flag vessel that sailed from the Syrian port of Latakia where senior Syrian army officers installed Katyusha rocket launchers on the deck. The mission was to fire the rockets into Eilat and then beach the vessel which was loaded with 40 tons of high explosives, set to detonate as soon as the terrorists escaped. The blast would have levelled the town, Israeli authorities said. The ship sailed at Lebanon port where the terrorist leaders boarded. After another call at Cyprus, it passed through the Suez Canal and approached Eilat on Sept. 30. There it was intercepted by an alerted Israeli patrol and its entire complement was captured. The sentences were handed down by the military tribunal last Monday.

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The Torah and the Surrender of West Bank

By Rabbi J. Immanuel Shochet
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Canada.

The public media recently published an Associated Press story on the Halachic issue of surrendering Judea, Samaria and other territories to the Arabs. It was a rather sensational article because of the controversial debates within certain rabbinic circles.

Attempts by non-experts to convey technical matters in popular parlance are fraught with confusion. This is true in our case as well, especially since some of the statements of the rabbis themselves were curiously misleading or confusing.

The rabbis quoted (Ovadya Yossef, Shlomo Goren, and Eliezer Schach) dealt with the Biblical law of "Lo Techanem" (Deuteronomy 7:2), the prohibition to grant non-Jews a settlement in the Holy Land by transferring to them ownership (by gift or sale etc.) of real estate.

Rabbi Goren objects to surrendering any territories of the Holy Land because of this text. Rabbi Schach, and seemingly also Rabbi Yossef, argue that the fundamental principle of "Pikuaeh Nefesh" (saving lives) is overriding. If the surrender of territories will bring peace and thus save lives, there is a legal obligation to do so. And they assume that surrender will automatically bring about such a peace and state of affairs.

No doubt that the argument of "Pikuaeh Nefesh" is correct. For the Torah rules that saving human life generally supersedes all other precepts, except for the prohibitions of idolatry, adultery and murder.

However, the contrast of "Pikuaeh Nefesh" against "Lo Techanem" is oversimplistic, by ignoring the most crucial issue of all. A surrender of territories for the sake of saving lives is legitimate if and only if there is an absolute assurance to that effect. In other words, one can hardly object to such a surrender if (a) peace is possible only by surrendering the territories, and (b) this surrender will definitely preclude further bloodshed.

The problem, however, is whether anyone can give such an iron-clad guarantee. The answer is obviously and decisively negative. Neither the assurances of the Arabs or the UN, nor those of the U.S., are worth more than the words or paper through which they are articulated. The recent flood of revelations in the media proved time and again that the spirit of Munich 1938 still prevails.

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The argument is not simply one of

"Pikuaeh Nefesh" versus "Lo Techanem." It is rather, where is the greater threat of bloodshed, of "Pikuaeh Nefesh" with or without the surrender of the territories? The real issue is: dare we gamble with a surrender?

The odds are obvious. A surrender of the territories means (a) a surrender of the already assured life-line to oil (in Sinai); (b) practically defenseless borders for Israel by reducing its already narrow territory to the shape of an hour-glass which can very easily be cut apart; and (c) exposing the major population-center to unprecedented dangers of modern, conventional armor.

It would leave the state of Israel exposed to a continuous threat of unpredictable powers, living forever at the mercy of neighbors and allied friends whose leaderships and ideologies may change along with the weather.

Opposed to this we may gain, at the very best, the dubious possibility of a tenuous peace with warm, emotional enemies whose quarrels will run much deeper than mere territoriality.

For the possibility of a dubious peace, Israel risks the concrete reality of complete self-exposure than mere defensiveness.

Halachah postulates that in cases of "Pikuaeh Nefesh" we must first of all consult the relevant experts. In the case of illness it is the medical specialist — and not the family, friends or spiritual advisers of the patient — who determines the Halachically required action. Likewise in the case of national security, it is the authorities and specialists on security and defense-matters — and not the fickle diplomats and politicians, nor chavannistic ideologists of various political parties, nor the well-intentioned dreamers of peace who are quite rightly sick and tired of three decades of war and instability.

In this case, then Halacha rules that all further actions are to be based on the judgment of the military.

The experts on security and defense have to determine the risks. And in this context, Shulchan Aruch, final authority on Jewish law, states explicitly: If there is but the slightest chance that Jewish life may be threatened, one must designate going out to prevent it. Moreover, if unfriendly hands seek to enter cities or towns near a frontier, even if they do not seem to have any intention of taking lives but come merely to plunder or steal or subvert, "we must ally ourselves against them with weapons and forsake the Sabbath (and other laws) on their account!" For the enemy may conquer the frontier-towns, which then constitutes a strategic danger to the rest of the country. (Orach Chayim, 329).

One can hardly imagine a situation resembling this context more closely than an exposure of the land, as suggested by the surrender of the territories in question, without absolute and iron-clad guarantees! The overriding principle of "Pikuaeh Nefesh" bends over backwards to save and protect life, and not to expose an endangerer. It to gamble with human life is counter to every principle of Halacha; it is the antonym of our tradition, and a reckless and ruthless epitome of immorality. This is no longer just a question of nationalism or religious ideology.

Camp Leadership Training

Registration for the Fourth Annual Counselor in Training Program, (CIT), sponsored by Camp Naomi, is now officially completed for the 1980 season, according to Howard J. Rome, of Leominster, Mass., president of the Jewish Community Centers Camps of New England. This program of Jewish teenage leadership training and development known as "CIT - Israel" has been planned to enable the participants to both see and learn about the uniqueness of Israel, its importance for Jewish survival, as well as its significance to Jewish youth and the American Jewish Community. This program is both sponsored and subsidized by Camp Naomi in cooperation with the National Jewish Welfare Board.

Mr. Rome reports, "Camp Naomi is currently the only Jewish Camp in the United States offering this special program of Leadership Training combined with the Israeli experience. Their itinerary while in Israel will include visits to Jerusalem, Haifa, West Bank, Tel Aviv, Galilee, and Golan Heights, as well as the Field School at Sde Boker. Camp Naomi, now in its 46th year, has recently expanded its population and facilities and offers a



HOWARD J. ROME

full, varied, and exciting program of camp activities for both boys and girls 8-15 years. It serves as the official resident camp of Jewish Community Centers throughout New England.

Schmidt Invited to Israel

BONN (JTA) — Erik Blumenfeld, a member of the Bundestag who is president of the German-Israel Association, has called on Chancellor Helmut Schmidt to make his long postponed visit to Israel as a demonstration of the Bonn government's rejection of oil blackmail and its support of a negotiated solution of the Middle East conflict. He also urged all Western governments and political figures to stop pressuring Israel to negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Schmidt was invited to Israel in 1975 by then Premier Yitzhak Rabin. The invitation was renewed by Premier Menachem Begin's government in 1977. But the Chancellor has held back, saying he would go to Israel at a time when such a visit would be most appropriate to the peace efforts in the area.

Blumenfeld, who is also a member of the Parliament of Europe, said that 1980 will be a year of "special significance" for German-Israeli relations and called on the Federal Government to support Israel at every stage of the difficult peace process with Egypt.

He also urged that Israel and Egypt receive massive economic and financial support in a European framework. In that context, he proposed legislation that would make it impossible to apply the Arab boycott to trade between Israeli and European firms. "The Federal Republic should do everything it can in order to promote visits of trade missions from West Europe and at the same time encourage German firms to invest in Israel," he said.

Blumenfeld was critical of the media in both Germany and Israel. He said inaccurate and one-sided reports were largely responsible for the deterioration of relations between the two countries. Finally, he said the Federal Republic should strongly support the preservation of Jerusalem as a united city, noting that Berlin is an example of the difficulties encountered in a divided city.

Meanwhile, different viewpoints on the Middle East were expressed by two members of a German delegation that just returned from Beirut where they met with PLO chief Yasser Arafat. Dieter Schindel, a Social Democrat member of the Bundestag and the European Parliament, called on the Common Market countries to recognize the

PLO as the official representative of the Palestinian people, to support the establishment of a Palestinian state, to condemn Israel's settlement policy in the occupied territories and "to put on diplomatic pressure in order to create the basis for peace talks."

Another member of the delegation, Lenelotte von Bothmer, also a Social Democrat, claimed to have gotten the impression that Arafat "recognizes Israel's right to exist." But none of the delegation members was able to quote Arafat directly in a way that could be interpreted as a deviation from the PLO covenant's demand for the liquidation of the Jewish State.

The German delegation was originally announced as a Bundestag delegation with participants from all three parties in Parliament. In the end, however, it was composed only of Social Democrats.

Arafat to Visit Italy

by Lisa Palmieri-Billing

ROME (JTA) — The representative of the Arab League in Rome announced here at a press conference that Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat will "almost certainly" come to Rome in the beginning of 1980.

Chesli Klubi, the Arab League's secretary general, is expected on an official visit to Italy in January, at which time the League plans to take a "series of initiatives" to persuade the Italian government to extend official recognition of the PLO and thereby "paving the way" for other European Economic Community nations to do the same, it was announced at the press conference.

"There are no longer any obstacles to Arafat's visit," the League representative said, "with the exception of certain internal resistances within the Italian government and some problems of coordination between Italy and the European community."

The left wing of the majority Christian Democratic Party, and the Socialist and Communist parties are among the major supporters of Arafat's visit. Their standing on this issue has been enhanced since they organized the PLO international conference in Rome last September.

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Israelis Hit by Sharp Price Hikes

By David Landau and Gil Sedan
JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israelis were hit with sharp hikes in the price of gasoline, home heating oil and industrial fuel and higher rates for electricity and water are imminent. The fuel prices went up by an average of 30 percent, effective at midnight Tuesday. The increase was ordered by Finance Minister Yigal Hurwitz's "economic cabinet" which met Tuesday evening.

Israeli motorists are now paying IL 113 for a gallon of gasoline, a 26 percent increase. More than a third of the price is tax. Heating oil went up by 30 percent and industrial fuel by 35 percent.

At the same time, the Knesset's Finance Committee agreed on a 32 percent increase in the price of electricity for both private and commercial consumers. Water rates are expected to jump by 16.8 percent to cover higher pumping costs. These increases will be followed inevitably by an increase in bus and taxi fares, according to economic experts.

Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i went on the radio at midnight Tuesday to announce the bad news on fuel and to justify the Knesset's action. He said that the government was required to cover the increased prices for crude oil announced by some of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) members in advance of a summit's pre-setting meeting in Beirut, Lebanon. He said the increases were also

necessitated by the decline of the Pound to the dollar since the last fuel price rises two months ago.

Modai offered some consolation. He told the hurried consumers that in some European countries — which he did not name — motorists pay even more for gasoline. Economists said that the latest increases will raise the cost-of-living index by some five percent at a time when inflation is running at an annual rate of about 150 percent.

Electric Workers Shocked
Meanwhile, a major labor relations problem arose today when the National Electric Corp. board of directors announced a decision to limit the free supply of electricity to its 7000 employees. Up to now, electricity company employees paid no electric bill no matter how much electricity they used in their homes.

That privilege amounted to hundreds of pounds per month per household. Now, however, their free consumption will be limited to 400 kilowatts per hour which is still double the average private consumption. The employees will be billed on a sliding scale for the power they consume in excess of that amount.

The electric workers reacted angrily. They denounced "unilateral decisions" affecting their wages. A spokesman for the workers said they were ready to negotiate and "do our bit to help the national economy." But they will not tolerate any one-sided violation of the work agreement. ■

Kabbala and the Messianic Era

This is the first part of a two part essay.

By Dr. Jay N. Fishbein

The history and development of Yiddish is quite unique. After centuries of wandering across the face of Europe, acquiring and losing many languages adopted on its long sojourn, the Jews finally found a common means of communication that provided them with the privacy that an oppressed minority required. The history of Yiddish goes back to the thirteenth century and it particularly fulfilled the special needs of women in the shetl.

For them it served as a necessary means of expression. It was deemed unseemly for a woman to study Talmudic law, and in this male chauvinistic world. Of course there were always some intelligent girls whose curiosity prompted them to experiment with what was forbidden. These were usually found in the shtetl homes where servants relieved them of the ordinary household chores. Being exposed to the Torah and Talmud they thus acquired some understanding of its meaning and significance, but any serious study had to be carried out surreptitiously.

It was not intended that women be learned. Her duty was to help support the family, and free her husband for the study of Torah. Jewish women enjoyed many privileges and advantages over their gentile neighbors, who usually were totally illiterate, and often ill treated by their husbands. Although Jewish wives were greatly respected, the Torah was considered too sacred to be shared with them. Traditionally, Hebrew was the language of study, of Scripture, reserved for the synagogue, and therefore the male prerogative.

Yiddish was deemed adequate for common usage, for reading, speaking and entertainment, and this was true not only in the shetl of eastern Europe, but in Jewish communities throughout Europe. The learned Jews it was the language of the *prose*, of the lower classes, but not suitable for the learned. It was referred to as *mamaleshen*, meaning the tongue of the mothers.

The invention of printing had a tremendous effect on the Jews, particularly women, as it opened a new and exciting world to them. Biblical stories, the Bible itself, and even various commentaries on the Bible, as well as the Psalms, found their way into Yiddish literature for the use of women. There were even Yiddish translations from the Book of Esther, the Pentateuch, and the Prophets, which were widely read.

Just one think that books covered only religious subjects, there were also romantic stories, with tales of the various sages, of Maimonides and Rashi. The most important of these Yiddish books was one

written by Jacob Ashkenazi in 1590, called *Zeneh u-Re'eh* which was widely read by women on the Sabbath, all over Europe, when they enjoyed leisure time.

Yiddish not only served women but was generally used for business transactions, or for general means of communication locally, or with brethren abroad. However, for the synagogue, for serious study, only Hebrew was permissible, both in the written and spoken form.

Yiddish was regarded as a linguistic stepchild, adequate for ordinary use, apart from religion. It required several centuries, actually until the middle of the eighteenth century, for Yiddish to come into its own, for serious discussions as well as for general use.

Early in the twelfth century an event transpired that brought great tragedy to Europe's Jews — the quest to recover the Holy Land from the Muslims. History records this cataclysmic period as the crusades.

The crusades had a shattering effect on the Jews of Europe, particularly in Germany. Prior to this time there had been occasional pogroms, when Jews were beaten, raped and robbed, while the Jew meekly bowed his head and waited submissively for the storm to subside. To raise a hand in self defense only angered the usually drunken peasant and provoked him to greater acts of bestiality.

With the crusades the Jew entered a time of great danger. The mobs were now aroused to a state of religious frenzy to kill the infidel and to begin with the Christ-killers, the Jews in their midst. They slaked their lust in rape and murder. Since many knights were financed on the crusade by the Jews, their debts were thus conveniently cancelled.

Many churches and cathedrals had been constructed with Jewish loans, and these debts were now also wiped out. Entire Jewish communities were annihilated. Bishops urged Jews to come to their castles with their valuables for protection, but usually the gates were forced or opened to the blood-thirsty mobs. Parents sold their families, and themselves to avoid falling into their hands.

During this period the church militant emerged as a malevolent instrument bent on their conversion or destruction. It was the beginning of a period of intensified pogroms against Jewish communities where ever friars and monks preached the crusades.

The Fourth Lateran Council of 1215 considered the Jew an undesirable alien, and strict rules were promulgated that governed his mode of living. A distinctive dress was required, usually designed to humiliate. Ghetto life was more rigidly enforced. Gates were locked at night, and no Jew permitted to leave until sunrise.

Washington U Denies Role In Giving Qaddafi Award

SEATTLE (JTA) — Officials of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith here said they were satisfied that Washington State University had "no official role" in a visit to Libya three months ago by a faculty member and graduate students who were part of a group that presented the Martin Luther King Jr. Award to Libya's leader Muammar Qaddafi. Jerome Anches, ADL advisory board chairman, said this assurance was received from Dr. Glen Terrell, president of the State University in Pullman, Wash., in response to a query last October by the ADL regional office in Los Angeles.

Anches and David F. Stahl, Pacific Northwest regional director, acknowledged Terrell's recent response and stated that "it was most gratifying to learn that no state funds were used for this travel and that WSU was not involved in the planning or implementing of this trip."

The matter arose when the ADL learned from information released by the Metro Atlanta Chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) that the Black studies department at Washington State University had invited 15 Black Americans to Libya to meet with Qaddafi and present him with the award.

Anches said that "Dr. Terrell's response to our inquiry reassured us in the League that our state was not even indirectly involved in the unpardonable awarding of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Award to Col. Qaddafi, the mastermind of the recent outrageous takeover of our nation's embassy in Tripoli." It pleased that Dr. Terrell clarified the facts concerning this trip, and clearly indicated that Washington State

During this period a policy of forced expulsion of Jews from Germany took place. As had happened so many times before when Jews were banished from one country, there was usually another willing to accept them, for Jews were a valuable property. They were warmly welcomed in Poland by King Boleslaw who was anxious to have the Jews industrialize the country, and build up commerce and trade. Equal rights were extended to the Jews, and they were even permitted to rent viable villages and towns, and thus the shetl was born.

While these Jewish communities were originally voluntary, for convenience and safety, it was later to be proved upon them in Poland, as well as in the USSR, that Jews residing in Russia. Conditions gradually deteriorated until the time came when Jews all over Europe were reduced to an existence of poverty and misery in their isolated communities.

During these troubled times the orthodox rabbinic adhered even more strongly to the discipline of Talmudic rule, with its rigid inflexible interpretations. The rabbinic held, with some justification, that strict adherence was necessary for community preservation. Secular study was strictly forbidden. The Talmud had provided the Jews with sufficient knowledge to conduct industry and to relate to the outside world, now to offer the Jews a means of survival.

Yiddish had become the daily means of communication. It consisted of about 80% German vocabulary and a mixture of Hebrew words, Slavic, and words picked up on their constant movement across the continent, were also incorporated. It was based on the Hebrew alphabet and written in the cursive Hebrew script. From right to left Yiddish took on all the nuances of the ghetto, but was regarded as an inferior tongue, good enough for everyday use, but not suitable for intellectual stimulation.

During a period of acute misery with its constant struggle for survival, a ray of hope appeared in that body of literature, a form of Jewish mysticism that came to be known as Kabbalah. The first book was the *Zohar* or *The Book of Splendor*. Jews delved into Kabbalah in an avid search for some hidden meaning — a magical formula in search of God. Time was even taken from the study of Scripture, and the search for some sign that could possibly shed light on the meaning of life, or hopefully bring about the coming of the Messiah, in this period of stark misery. It did serve to bring the masses closer to God.

The Renaissance and Reformation period seemed to offer a ray of hope for a brief period. Martin Luther sought the friendship of the Jews, but when they realized that

University in no way participated or sponsored the actions of those individuals who traveled to Libya in September of this year. ■

★ Egyptian Embassy

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The problematic issue of Jerusalem — the voting rights of Arab Jerusalemites in the national elections — is still a major obstacle to concluding arrangements for the elections. And on the complex of issues labeled "peace and responsibilities" of the projected "self-governing authority (Administrative Council)," the gaps seemed as wide as ever.

The plenary instructed the "working group" to prepare for the drafting of an autonomy scheme, but many observers here feel this is a way of virtually marking time — or inching forward without coming to grief — pending the top-level summit next month where the two national leaders would have to grapple with the really difficult problems.

★ Ordination of Women

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Seminary, "as presently constituted," is "not the proper forum for deciding fundamental Seminary policy." The agency also declared: "We will not continue to participate in debating or voting on the question of the ordination of women unless a majority body is constituted to deal with this question."

Sequence of Events

The sequence of events that ended last week in a rebuff to the substantial opinion in the movement favoring ordination of women began when the rabbinate at the 1977 convention of the RA approved a resolution to admit women to the JTS as rabbinical candidates but withdrew it when Cohen promised to name a commission, comprised of 14 members representing the entire spectrum of Conservative opinion, with himself as chairman, to study the issue and make recommendations.

Cohen promised the 1977 convention delegates that he would commit himself to bringing the commission findings to the JTS Senate to act on the commission's finding earlier in 1979. But last April, Cohen said he had agreed to a request by JTS faculty members to defer until 1980 action on the commission report, which favored ordination of women.

Last January, the commission, in its final report, submitted a recommendation to the 1979 RA convention, declaring it found nothing in Jewish tradition to prohibit the rabbinate and recommending that "qualified women be ordained as rabbis." Cohen was forced to schedule a vote this month instead of in January by the mounting pressure from the JTS faculty members.

★ Blum Raps UN

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75-33 with 33 abstentions.

Feeling of Despair

The Israeli envoy claimed that there is a general feeling of "despair" among the West European countries regarding the turn of events in the UN and that the attitude of the Western countries is influenced by the belief that they cannot succeed in the Middle East. Blum said that the turn of events in the UN and that the attitude of the Western countries is influenced by the belief that they cannot succeed in the Middle East.

Observing that the 34th Assembly was dominated by the Cambodian and Iranian crises, Blum said the Arabs and the PLO "were forced to lower their profile" especially after the eruption of the Iranian crisis in early November. Palestine Week, and Palestine Day on Nov. 29, were therefore ignored by the media and were not given the attention they would have otherwise received.

The Arabs and the PLO succeeded, however, in passing a series of resolutions enhancing the standing of the PLO in the UN. Blum said, underscoring the fact that the Assembly chamber of the Palestine Unit in the Secretariat to the Palestine Division and allocated a budget of \$2 million to the division, an increase of about \$1.5 million. In addition, the Secretariat was ordered to plan a series of commemorative stamps depicting the "plight of the Palestinian people."

The "hypocrisy" of the UN, Blum charged, was evidenced by the fact that the Assembly approved resolutions condemning directly and indirectly the peace agreement between Egypt and Israel. "Instead of uniting for peace, the UN is uniting against peace," he said.

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An Interview With the Mayor of Beersheba



ELIAHU NAVI

By Mayer Charniak

Eliahu Navi is one of Israel's most influential, forceful and imaginative political leaders. He is the Mayor of Beersheba, Israel's fourth largest city, a growing, expanding community of 125,000 people. Beersheba is the heartland of the Negev region, and Mayor Navi has etched in his country every line of the blueprint of the city's future during the next two decades.

Recently, Mayor Navi toured the United States and Canada in behalf of the Israel Bond Organization, and reported to his audiences his vision of Beersheba and the role of the Negev in Israel's social and economic development. He stressed that Israel Bond capital is of vital importance to the upbuilding of the Negev and other un-

developed areas in the country. Mayor Navi visited New York City, St. Paul, Dayton, Chicago, Nashville, Bayonne, Sacramento, San Diego and Toronto.

Everywhere, Mayor Navi spoke with passion and authority, drawing on his experience as Mayor of Beersheba since 1963. At that time the city's population was about 75,000 and already had been transformed from a sleepy Bedouin village to a thriving, modern city. Today, Beersheba boasts a population that will shortly exceed the current 125,000.

The Mayor spoke animatedly to this reporter of his mission to the United States and Canada and his efforts to impress the Jews of this continent of the importance of the Israel Bond program and the \$1 billion Economic Development for Peace Loan Issue.

"A billion dollars," he said, is a frightening figure. How many of us can conceive of such a sum? But when you consider what it is for, the amount isn't that frightening. It is clear that the United States will not cover the costs of withdrawal from the Sinai. And this billion dollars will have a strong impact on our future."

Reflecting on the Negev and its potentialities, Mayor Navi said, "The Negev, let us remember, is the land preserve for Israel and it must be developed wisely and usefully." He asked, "Where can a second international airport be built, except in the Negev? Where else in Israel can you find 10,000 or 12,000 acres, where you don't have to remove mountains, or evacuate cities, or destroy orchards? Where else can you establish and expand a chemical industry?" He concluded, "Only near Beersheba, only in the Negev."

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Youthful and vigorous, Eliahu Navi was born in Iraq fifty-nine years ago, and was brought to Israel when he was five. Educated at Teachers College in Jerusalem and the Tel Aviv School of Law, Mayor Navi has been an attorney and a judge and served as a Mayor in the Israel Defense Forces in 1954. With some nostalgia, he remembers, "In 1936 I first carried a rifle on my shoulder. I still carry one. It is a good example to the citizens of Beersheba that their Mayor is familiar with weapons." His fluency in Arabic, his close relationship with Arab officials in Israel, his deep knowledge of Arab affairs have made him a valued and significant commentator on Israel-Arab relations.

Mayor Navi - sitting quietly and confidently in a New York hotel room - gave evidence of his wide interests and his willingness to discuss an impressive range of subjects, from the cultural to the social, from the economic to the military. It is clear that Mayor Navi is a man command of himself and his responsibilities as Mayor of a very important city in a growing Israel.

He paid tribute to the late Finance Minister of Israel Pinhas Sapir for encouraging the building-up of Beersheba. "Without Sapir," he said, "we would not have had such a city as we have today. Definitely." Yet he added that he himself had opposed the creation of a megalopolis in Beersheba. "Sapir visualized a city of a half million. I opposed that. I wanted a city of 150,000. We compromised and, as a result, the blueprint now calls for a city of 250,000."

When I asked the Mayor why he wanted to limit Beersheba's expansion, he declared simply, "We want a pleasant city, with all the necessary amenities but without tensions and social problems." He ticked off Beersheba's attractions: "We have a University, and an orchestra, and a theater, and an art school. We have a great deal of cultural activity." He added, "We don't want sewage problems, too many traffic lights or delinquency."

Can Beersheba avoid social problems by limiting its growth? he was asked. And he was reminded that such tensions and problems are not unknown in smaller communities, be they urban or rural. "No," he responded, "we probably cannot avoid them completely, but they are easier to cope with when a city is not too large, when it is not a jungle."

Mayor Navi identifies himself completely with the Government's peace effort because: "Peace has meaning for every Jew on earth." Moreover he is convinced that President Sadat of Egypt is sincere in his efforts to achieve peace in the Middle East. He recalled that recently President Izbak Nafon of Israel and President Sadat and himself met and talked at some length about the peace process. The three men spoke in Arabic. With relish, he said, "President Sadat noticed that mine was a Syrian-Palestinian Arabic, while President Nafon's Arabic was closer to the Egyptian Arabic." Mayor Navi also reminded his listener that

President Navon and he were raised in the same neighborhood in Jerusalem and attended the same schools and have been lifelong friends.

In discussing Sadat, Mayor Navi insisted that "he must be taken." Rising from his seat, he walked toward his desk and lifted the Bible that he obviously carries from city to city and from land to land. He turned to Genesis 32, and began to read from verse eleven onward, emphasizing the passages where Jacob said, "Deliver me, I pray Thee from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau," in which it is pointed out that "Jacob was not a coward. He faced the realities of his fate. He paid what he had to to his brother Esau, but he also prayed and prepared for war." Mayor Navi smiled, "This," he said, "is what Israel must do at the present time. Pray and prepare for war."

Mayor Navi had another appointment. Already he had talked longer than he had planned. But he wanted to leave this writer with a final thought. "We have to be strong enough to meet the challenge of the future," he said, as he prepared to leave. "There are four thousand years of Jewish roots in Israel, in our Holy Land. I am convinced that we shall endure."

With these words, Mayor Eliahu Navi left for another meeting, to meet another group of Jews prepared to help Israel in the days and months ahead.

Terrorists

Armed - 30

TEL AVIV (JTA) — 30 terrorist suspects on the West Bank, mainly from Nablus and Ramallah, were apprehended with large quantities of firearms some of it American-made and apparently smuggled from Jordan.

According to security sources, members of the gang were responsible for the assassinations of at least three Arabs for allegedly collaborating with Israelis. They are also accused of having fired on Israeli military vehicles on West Bank roads and with attempting to draw Israeli forces into direct combat. The gang, described as one of the most dangerous terrorist groups to be uncovered in recent months, is also believed to have been trying to set up new El Fatah cells in the West Bank.

Meanwhile, three Arab women and one man, all students at Bir Zeit University on the West Bank, were charged in a Tel Aviv district court with responsibility for terrorist bombings at Jerusalem and Tiberies earlier this year that killed six persons and injured 16. A file defendant was arrested in Chicago and is being held for extradition at the Israeli government's request.

Khomeini's Book Reveals Anti-Semitism

NEW YORK (JTA) — A paperback English translation of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's "Islamic Government," which has just been published, clearly shows the Iranian ruler to be anti-Semitic as well as anti-Christian.

The book is based on a series of lectures Khomeini gave in 1969 on what an Islamic government should be. It was translated by the Central Intelligence Agency and was declassified just two weeks before the Ayatollah returned to Tehran last Feb. 1. It is published by the Manor Press in New York which calls it "Ayatollah Khomeini's Mein Kampf."

Khomeini's anti-Jewish attitude is displayed in the opening paragraphs of the foreword to the book. "Since its inception, the Islamic government was afflicted with the Jews when they started their counter-activity by distorting the reputation of Islam, by assaulting it and by slandering," he wrote. "This has continued to our present day."

Khomeini then goes on to attack his next villains, the "colonialists" who, he said, "can be considered more evil than the devil and his troops." He is apparently referring to the West European countries and the United States and their activities in the Middle East.

When the Ayatollah was questioned about his anti-Semitism while he was still in exile in France last January, reporters cited his reference to Jewish "counter-activity."

He reportedly denied to Western journalists that he was anti-Semitic. While stressing that all ties to Israel would be cut, he said Jews would "enjoy all rights and full religious freedom" in an Islamic republic.

Attacks Jews and Christians

But in his book he frequently attacks both Jews and Christians. "Christian, Jewish and Baha'i missionary centers are spread in Tehran to deceive people and to lead them away from the teachings and principles of religion," he wrote at one point. "Isn't it a duty to destroy these centers?" He goes on to call on the young people to help save Islam. "Here they (Christians and Jews) are killing Islam in the name of religion and in the name of the prophets."

At one point Khomeini attacks the Shah for helping to restore the Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem which was set ablaze by a deranged non-Jewish Australian. "The Shah opens a subscription in banks to repair the Al Aqsa Mosque," Khomeini wrote. "In this manner he fills his pockets and confers and increases his assets. After the Mosque is repaired, he will have covered all traces of the Zionist crimes." At another point, in urging the rule of Islam, he exhorts: "We must try to liberate the lands of the Moslems in Palestine and other places."

Khomeini's anti-Zionism is also linked with his anti-Westernism, particularly anti-U.S. feelings. Denouncing Iranians who

seek to separate religion from government, he declares: "We must first advise such people to abandon their erroneous way, must draw their attention to the danger surrounding Islam and the Moslems and must open their eyes wide to the Zionist danger and to the Anglo-American (colonialism) that supplies the Israeli entity with the mainstays of life."

The Ayatollah's fanaticism is demonstrated throughout the book. "If we attain power, we should not be content with improving the economy and ruling justly among the people but must make these traitors taste the worst torture for what they have done," he wrote.

In an analysis at the end of the translation of "Islamic Government," George Carpozi Jr., a reporter for the New York Post, said that Khomeini has been motivated by revenge since the death of his son which he blames on the Shah. His fanaticism and his overwhelming desire for revenge may explain why Khomeini has refused to release the American hostages held illegally at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran despite the condemnation of the international community.

New Housing Units to be Built in Administered Areas

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Some 6200 housing units will be built in the administered territories within the year, the Ministerial Settlement Committee decided yesterday. The decision is subject to budgetary approval by the Treasury which is expected in a meeting between Finance Minister Yigal Hurwitz, Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon and Construction and Housing Minister David Levy.

Only Raanan Weitz, co-chairman of the Jewish Agency Settlement Department, and Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir voted against the plan. Weitz argued that very little preparatory work was done regarding

the financial aspects.

About IL 1.6 billion has been allocated in the current fiscal year to settlements beyond the "Green Line." The Treasury has instructed the Jewish Agency and other settlement bodies to commit themselves for a similar figure to be used in construction of housing.

Most of the new buildings — about 4000 housing units — will be in the Judea and Samaria regions and the Jordan Valley. About 300-500 apartments will be built in each of the following settlements: Kiryat Arba, Maale Adumin, Karnei Shomron and Ariel. About 850 housing units will be built on the Golan Heights, 500 of them in the regional town of Katzrin.

Sharon, who is also chairman of the Ministerial Settlement Committee, said that the Housing Ministry was fully prepared to handle the task of building in the settlements, "as fast as possible."

Linowitz Confirmed by Senate

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Sol Linowitz was confirmed by the Senate as President Carter's special representative to the Israeli-Egyptian negotiations with the rank of Ambassador. The vote was 80-13. All the negative votes were cast by Republicans opposed to Linowitz's role in negotiating the Panama Canal treaties. Linowitz, who recently returned from Jerusalem and Cairo where he had talks with Egyptian and Israeli leaders, was selected by Carter to replace Robert Strauss, who is heading the President's re-election campaign.

BONN (JTA) — A court in Hamburg sentenced former SS official and police major Viktor Arajs, 69, to life imprisonment for responsibility in the murder of 13,000 Jews. The court found that Arajs participated in the evacuation of the Riga ghetto on Dec. 8, 1941, after which he took part in mass shootings in the woods of Rumbula outside Riga.

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