

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

HAIFA (WNS) The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the agency heading up America's space programs, has provided a year-long research grant to the Haifa Institute of Technology to finance a study of the "Behavior of metals in low strain regions under slightly varying stresses." The project has practical application in the selection of materials for the American conquest of outer space. Another honor was accorded to the Institute when Tzvi Getzler, a senior lecturer at its civil engineering faculty, was awarded the Celemens Henschel Prize by the Boston Society of Civil Engineers.

NEW YORK (WNS) Funeral services were held here for Mrs. Rose Kirschenbaum-Margoshes, 80, wife of veteran Yiddish editor and writer Dr. Samuel Margoshes, and herself a Yiddish author.

NEW YORK (WNS) Edward R. Vajda, national field director of the United Jewish Appeal, has been appointed national executive director of the American Technion Society which provides financial support and technical guidance to the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology located in Haifa, Israel, with an enrollment of 5,000.

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (WNS) Whether or not an 18-year-old youth's confession that he had set the synagogue fire that killed 12 people was an act of conscience or "psychological coercion," was the issue that stirred the trial here of Thomas A. Ruppert of Yokers, who is being tried on 24 counts of murder and one count of arson on the charge that he was the arsonist responsible for the blaze that enveloped the Yonkers Jewish Community Center during a Chanukah celebration in 1965. Ten children and two adults were killed by smoke inhalation.

MONTREAL (WNS) The alleged prejudice of two members of the Quebec Province Cabinet, which drew sharp criticism last week, is continuing to have repercussions here with a protest lodged by the Canadian Jewish Congress against remarks in the Quebec Legislative Assembly by Gabriel Loubier, Minister of Tourism, and Jean Noel Tremblay, Minister of Cultural Affairs.

ATLANTIC CITY (WNS) Jewish educators of every ideological persuasion from all parts of the United States, Canada and Mexico will participate in a meeting of the National Council for Jewish Education to be held here beginning on May 25.

ST. PAUL, Minnesota (WNS) Religion is losing ground as a determining factor in the American voting pattern, it was disclosed here by the Catholic Digest in a report which said that 51% of the Protestants and 83% of the Catholics would now vote for a Jew as President.

BONN (WNS) Police officials have ordered an investigation of desecration of a monument in memory of the Jewish victims at the Dachau concentration camp, it was announced by Dr. Hans Schneider, head of the Bavarian State Criminal Police.

DUSSELDORF (WNS) The Central Council of Jews in Germany disclosed in a report that 26,143 Jews were registered as of January 1 of this year with organized Jewish communities in West German, and 48 synagogues were now functioning, serviced by fifteen rabbis and 38 cantors. There are also 39 Jewish libraries. The religious needs of the 1,024 children between the age brackets of six to thirteen and 656 children over that age are provided by 64 Jewish religious teachers.

NEW YORK (LNS) Mayor of New York, John V. Lindsay, visited the Lubavitch world headquarters, in Brooklyn, where he conferred with Rabbi M.A. Hodakov, head of the secretariat of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, and greeted a conference then being held by the Lubavitch Youth Organization, which included representatives from twelve countries.

JERUSALEM (WNS) More than fifty persons, among them twenty policemen, were injured here when 4,000 religious zealots demonstrated against autopsies in Israeli hospitals.

JERUSALEM (WNS) The one-year prison term that was imposed on two Israeli editors recently for publishing material allegedly harmful to the security of the state has been reduced to three months.

GENEVA (WNS) A plea for equal religious and cultural rights for Jews in all countries of the world was sounded here at a session of the United Nations Commission Human on Human Rights by Charles H. Silver, a member of the U.S. delegation, headed by Morris B. Abrams.

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osseum" of Caesars Palace, preceded by a cocktail hour outside in the "Garden of the Gods." Dancing will be to the tunes of a famous orchestra.

The only guest speaker of the evening will be His Excellency, who just a few days ago was appointed Ambassador of the State of Israel to the United Nations.

Ambassador Rafael has been associated with the work of the United Nations for twenty years. In 194, Moshe Sharett, then head of the Jewish Agency, appointed Rafael to the liaison mission with UNSCOP, the commission charged by the U.N. to find a solution for the Palestine problem. He later that same year was one of the Jewish officials who presented to the U.S. General Assembly the Jewish claim for independence and statehood, followed 2 months later by the U.N. resolution establishing a Jewish state. Since then Ambassador Ra-

fael has served the State of Israel in various capacities.

When the new state's foreign ministry was established on May 15, 1948 with Mr. Sharett as Minister, Mr. Rafael was one of the first 3 staff members. Later the same months he joined Mr. Abba Eban in the first Israeli mission to the U.N. He served with the delegation until 1953, when he returned to Jerusalem as the Foreign Ministry's Counsellor in charge of Middle East and United Nations affairs. In 1957 he was appointed Ambassador to Belgium and Luxembourg. In 1959, in addition to his post as Ambassador to those 2 countries, he was appointed Israel's first Representative to the European Economic Community and to the European Atomic Energy Commission. In 1960 he was recalled by Foreign Minister Golda Meir to take up the post of Deputy Director - General of the Ministry. During his tenure in that office until 1965, Mr. Rafael undertook a number of missions in

behalf of the Ministry to several countries of Africa, Latin America, Asia, Europe and North America.

In April 1966 he was again recalled to Jerusalem by Foreign Minister Abba Eban to take up the newly established post of Special Ambassador responsible directly to the Foreign Minister. In May of that year, he travelled with Eban to Warsaw, Poland and attended there the first meeting of Ambassadors of Israel in East European countries. Later that year, Rafael was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Israel Delegation to the Twenty-First Session of the U.N. General Assembly, and in February of this year, he became Israel's Permanent Representative to the United Nations.

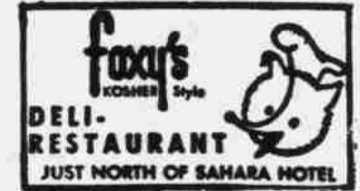
Rafael came to Israel 33 years ago from Germany, where he had studied law and economics at Berlin University. For the first 10 years he lived in a Kibbutz. During the years 1939-1945 he undertook missions in Europe for the

purpose of rescuing Jews from Nazi-occupied countries and he served in the Near East as an officer with the Jewish forces in the British Army. In 1945 he took part in the preparation of the Jewish case at the Nuremberg War Trials.

Rafael is 54 years old, married and has 2 children. TICKETS TO THE BALL ARE \$10 PER PERSON. RESERVATIONS MAY BE MADE BY CALLING THE C.J.A. AT 734-1203.

A committee of ladies has been working hard to assure a most wonderful Dinner and Dance. The committee is headed by Mrs. David Messing, with Mrs. Loyd Katz and Mrs. William Weinberger as co-chairmen.

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