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**Editorial**

**War and Peace**

by Nathan Ziprin

Israel has won the war against unbelievable odds. But it is still to win the peace.

Humiliated by defeat, the Arab world is in deep confusion. But it has powerful friends in the Soviet Union and its satellites who are overtly and covertly committed to the old Caarist policy of securing a foothold in the Middle East. While it is doubtful that Moscow would go to the extent of joining military hands with the Arabs, who at the very moment of defeat are making threatening gestures against Israel's security, it appears a certainty that the men at the Kremlin are determined to extricate the Arabs from the pit of their own making.

At the moment, Moscow's chief strategy is to make the United Nations an ally to its design to condemn Israel and to force it back to the armistice line of 1949. Having failed in its purpose at the Security Council, Moscow now is turning to the United Nations General Assembly in the dubious hope that it could achieve there what it failed to accomplish in the Security Council. It now emerges that the Soviet aim is not so much to condemn Israel as to expel it from the United Nations, even though such a development might well signal the end of the international society.

It has from time immemorial been a cardinal axiom of warfare that the spoils of war, or certainly some of the gains, belong to the victor. For a nation to be forced into war and then be forced to relinquish all of the fruit of victory is an incredible thesis. It is most untenable in the case of Israel, which did not seek Arab land, but acquired it in resisting a concerted Arab effort to undo nineteen agonizing years of history and a momentous United Nations decision that had the concurrence of the very power-the Soviet Union--that would now liquidate Israel.

In view of Moscow's posture, it is clear that Israel may yet face some painful trials. Not only has Moscow promised to arm the Arabs to the teeth, but is utilizing the forum of the United Nations as a instrument for creating a political climate inimical to the welfare, peace and security of Israel. This was quite evident in the recent spate of Security Council sessions, where Moscow's spokesman sank to the pit of indecency by equating Israel with Nazi Germany while conveniently forgetting - what the rest of the world will remember into eternity--that is was the Kremlin that made the notorious pact with Hitler, cynically declaring in the process that fascism was a matter of taste. The principle of guilt by association is a loathsome one. But by having associated itself with Hitler when he threatened engulfment of Europe and its civilization, the Soviet Union committed a crime from which it will never redeem itself and for which history will never absolve it.

In Israel meanwhile all indications point to the fact that there will be no reversion to the pre-war boundaries under any circumstances. This is the unanimous view of the government and the populace. Moreover, it is obvious that any government that would even entertain the idea of compromise on that issue would not long survive. Israel has won a lot of Arab territory, and that is its strongest bargaining point. Moreover, that must be accomplished at a peace table where the Arab countries will recognize Israel's reality and right to long-range security. Under direct negotiations, Israel most likely would be prepared to discuss the territorial problem, with the exception of course of those areas that are part of its lifeline.

Although a victor, the ear for Israel was a traumatic experience. What the future holds is beyond prediction. This much however is certain -- Israel is facing years of reconstruction and political challenges of utmost gravity.

**PAT'S TEA ON WAY-ENJOY**

**Israel Will Prevail**

by Jack Tell

After reading and re-reading Abba Eban's statement to the U.N. (full text appeared in Las Vegas Israelite last week), commentaries by amateur historians re-hashing misgivings of the past along with denunciations of the U.N. and U.S. government, are not only weak by comparison and dull by redundancy, but also insulting to the intelligence of the American Jewish community. They serve only an adverse purpose at this time.

The citizens of this country are the most informed of all time and the American Jew is fully aware of events of the past two decades along with precise knowledge of happenings in the past few weeks. The information we seek most now from our leaders are theories, suggestions, policies that may be valuable for the future.

Perhaps from a thousand minds may emerge a few succulent threads of logical procedure, mere germs of thought, which, although unlikely, might possibly have been overlooked by the respected brains of those presenting Israel's case to the United Nations. It has been said that winning the peace would prove far more time-consuming than winning the war. This is evident.

This writer has no uncertainty about Foreign Minister Aban's or U.N. Ambassador Gideon Rafael's ability to cope with whatever comes up in weeks or months to come and we are equally without trepidation concerning the position that will be taken by the U.S. and other world democracies. The most neophyte student of international politics can easily assay the sentiments of President Johnson and consequently the views of his Secretary of State Dean Rusk and his U. N. Ambassador Arthur Goldberg.

To further reassure the Jewish community of Nevada, we remind all the members of our Faith of the letters of endorsement and support for Israel that appeared in the Israelite from our two senators and congressman.

All these respected officials on the national level are totally and unequivocally apprised of the necessary terms of settlement for Israel. These fine gentlemen are cognizant also of the resolutions by Clergy of ALL Faiths and the desires and hopes and prayers of every member of the Jewish community. Therefore we suggest that any and all money, no matter how minute, expended in this direction be donated to Israel's Emergency Fund.

Jews, since time immemorial, have been understanding. Jews, Shakespeare's Skylock notwithstanding, do not demand their pound of flesh. Jews are compassionate, compromising, and are not prone to gloating or boasting. Witness the victorious Israeli soldiers praying at the Wailing Wall at the height of their most glorious triumph, the recapture of Jerusalem.

The simple claims of Israel are nothing more than to retain the positions that are absolutely necessary for future security and sanctity as a nation: the Jordan River natural border, international shipping through the Suez Canal, Israeli freedom of passage past Aqaba, the Gaza strip and control of Jerusalem to allow approach and worship by all Faiths to their Shrines.

In order to retain what she must have, and insure amicable, peaceful future relations, Israel must come forward with solutions to the problems now facing the Arabs. There must be some method of coping respectfully and decently with the Arab refugee condition. Israel must assume the position, not only to propose the full and adequate relief, but also to see that the accepted proposals are promptly and earnestly put into practice. Not that Israel is responsible for the condition, but mainly because our Faith is traditionally interested in the welfare of our neighbors.

Another serious item of contention is the land-locked position of Syria. We hope that the brilliant political minds of our Israeli representatives can devise a practical means of suggesting a corridor, perhaps between Lebanon and Israel, whereby Syria has free and uninterrupted access to the Mediterranean. Syria, appreciating this consideration, will prosper and viscious elements disappear.

We do not know what compromise will be effective for Egypt and Saudi Arabia, but Eban and Rafael must have some thoughts in this direction. Israel must and will find the practical solution to the problems of human conduct and relationship facing all her neighbors, not as appeasement, but because Jews are free from vindictive temperament and ardently desire lasting peace and harmony. Arabs, no doubt, realize by now that Holy Wars are as obsolete as the Crusades, and since Jews respect all Faiths, the religious issue will not be a factor in the future.

With the full might of the Russian propaganda machine working overtime to discredit Israel and keep animosities blazing between the Jews and the Arabs, the democracies of the world have their work cut out for them. The Communists will go to every extreme to keep the factions apart in order to salvage whatever they can from the multi-billions owed them by the Arabs. The U.S. will champion the cause of a just and everlasting settlement which will bring peace and harmony to the Middle East. Charges of conquest and imperialism and oil interests and nationalism will fly back and forth but none will play the important part in finding the eternal solution. Jews and Arabs alone, will find the answer.

**TELL TALES**

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



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 editor may have the initial purpose of a delightful competitive business maneuver to discredit his rival daily, but the effect of the outrage is far, far greater than belting an antagonist.

Here is a direct slur against all the respected members of the Clergy of all denominations who have instantaneously, proudly and bravely indicated their support of Israel with word and deed.

The Las Vegas Israelite calls upon our three members of Congress, whose letters of support were printed in these pages, to demand an immediate apology and use whatever means at their disposal for removal of this editor who is either inefficient or anti-Semitic. We call upon Gov. Laxalt and Mayor Gragson, who have given their presence and money at the rally supporting Israel, to investigate the incidious motive of the person responsible.

We realize that the Review Journal is a private business venture and not subject to official censure, but there are licenses to be approved and violations that may have been overlooked. There also are public notices that add up to a lucrative amount of income from these governmental agencies to the private venture that is the cause of unwarranted disruption in our community.

We call upon the county commissioners and state senators and assemblymen to rise up in protest against this gross violation of decency. We ask the support of Supreme Court and District judges, city commissioners, in fact, every elected official who sought the Jewish vote in their campaigns, to register their distain for the Review's tactics.

In the name of respectable and honest journalism, we look forward to some manifestations of disapproval from our good and respected friends Forrest Duke and Don Digilio, and Murray Herst, and all the others in our profession at the paper.

Finally, we point out the right and duty of every member of the Jewish community, who may be a reader of, or advertiser in, or a supporter of those who advertise in the Review Journal, to let publisher Don Reynolds know the abortial use to which his property is being put.

Mind you, we are not concerned with censuring the press, nor are we going to dignify the contents of the "letter" by refuting the ghastly subtleties. Neither, is it the intent of this little David to destroy the giant Goliath.

But we serve notice that this is but the opening round, and the Las Vegas Israelite will never cease in its efforts to bring responsible parties to responsible positions in the community we live and love.

**BBYO and THEN SOME**

by Lorrie Shapiro

The last two weeks have been extremely busy ones for the Las Vegas B'nai B'rith Girls.

First of all, they helped the B'nai B'rith Women serve luncheon for the senior citizens at the Archie C. Grant Park. A large sense of fulfillment was derived through our participation. Its great to know that you may have helped brighten someone's day with a smile and a hello.

Last Thursday we invited the USY to a discussion on the Middle-East Crisis. Our speakers were the Rabbi, Cantor, and Chaim Yehros, a military captain in the crisis of '56. The evening proved to be very informative and it instilled in us a true feeling and desire to help the state of Israel any way we could.

That Friday night at services, we all showed up, willing to help in anyway possible. The following Sunday we painted posters depicting our cause for the rally to follow on Monday night. At that rally, we paraded in proudly, displaying our signs. To the melody of Hava Nagilah, we did the well known Israeli folk dance, the Hora, in front of the rally and through the aisles. Never before have the B'nai B'rith Girls felt the bonds of Israel and our heritage so strongly. Never before have we worked so hard and so willingly for a cause. We are very proud.

Last Saturday was our annual AZA-BBG picnic at Tule Springs. The fally festivities began with a three-legged race. Won the fab pair of Darryl "Snake" Clayman and Jill Ross. The next event, the sack race, was won by Marc Wolfson. Then we all went in for a game of football, water balloon fighting and just plain getting to know each other. After dinner, we all went on a hayride. There was laughing and singing, and hay fighting and just about everything else. Thus ended a truly great day for the BBYO.

In the very near future, we will be having a guest speaker from the Lenz Model Agency give us some tips on beauty. Also, we will begin working on "Project Headstart".

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