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The Women's League for Israel next week celebrates its 40th Anniversary. It will mark the occasion with the launching of a campaign for a dormitory for 100 girls it will build on Mt. Scopus. Just as these women had the vision to build dormitories for women on Givat Ram for Hebrew University students, so, too, will they now be first on Mt. Scopus.

The Women's League for Israel was born in 1928 -- a period of relative quiet -- because a small group of zealous women knew that they must add their hands and hearts to the building of a Jewish State. Today, headed by Mrs. Jack Starr, the league can boast that the lives of more than 100,000 young people have been touched by its work and projects in Israel.

Starting with a hostel for girls in Haifa in 1930, the league now boasts of five homes in the major cities of Israel. These homes, to keep pace with Israel's needs, have had wings added, "the roof raised," and programs changed tailored to the needs of young people in Israel.

At present, besides providing living space and training for more than 1,400 girls at a time, the league is embarked on a work-training program for blind women - in Nathanya. Also in that city, it operates a Vocational Training School for girls -- many of them handicapped.

With the same vision that motivated its founders in 1928, the league realized that it must make up for the generations of trained minds wiped out by the Nazis. Thus its program was extended to the Hebrew University of Jerusalem through a teaching Chair in Sociology, and services to the students such as dormitories, the cafeteria and the Student Centre.

A congratulatory message from Prime Minister Levi Eshkol cited the league for its "bold and imaginative planning of a future that is filled with new needs and new opportunities."

We, too, wish the Women's League for Israel many more decades of success in their undertakings.

20 Down. Million to Go

By Ben G. Frank

They'll dance in the streets, They'll watch the military parades all over the country. They'll recall the hundreds who died in the wars. Many will be veterans of four wars: World War II, the Israel War of Independence, the Sinai Campaign of 1956 and the Six Day War of June, 1967. Others will be young boys and girls in their late teens who will have not known anything but an independent Israel.

There will be the stories of the early days. They'll remember those who have passed away, the cabinet members and presidents.

And all these happy and joyous Israelis will have one thing in common: like Jews all over the world, they will be celebrating the 20th anniversary of Israel.

As Israel celebrates these 20 years, one's attention immediately focuses in on what probably was the greatest battle and victory in Jewish History and it was achieved in this, the last year of the first 20 for the State of Israel.

For undoubtedly the Six-Day War proved in its simplest terms to Jews, Christians and one guesses even to the Arabs that Israel is here to stay; that it will continue to fight for its survival and that Israel's existence as a state is not debatable.

The military victory of those few short days in June not only changed Israel's security and international position but placed it as the most powerful fighting force in the Middle East and per man.

Twenty years after the signing of Israel's Declaration of Independence on May 15, 1948, in Tel Aviv, Israel exists as an economically viable and democratic nation. From a population of about 600,000 in 1948, it has gathered in the exiles: from Morocco and Iraq; from Algeria and Yemen; from Western and Eastern Europe and from North and South America, to a nation of more than two and a half million.

The growth of the last 20 years can be seen today from the early tent and tin hut cities known as Maabarot, to the new development towns with paved streets and concrete buildings and apartments and humming factories.

It's all there. Twenty years later there is the new port of Ashdod; the widened and new highways, an extensive merchant marine and a national airlines.

Certainly there is stable government. Despite the stresses and strains of inter and intra party rivalries, Israel's coalition government is the envy of many parliamentary democracies.

On this the 20th anniversary, the people of Israel live better than ever before, almost to the slogan of "a chicken in every pot." True, the so-called luxury items of America do not abound, but Israel's standard of living compares favorably with many Western European countries and it's getting better.

And yet, there is a long way to go economically. The building of too much housing and a high amount of import goods brought into the country created an economic recession which, in effect, will eventually put the country on a sound economic keel.

The drive for new industries, which will put more people to work, is in great need. But the greater need today is for marketing people and experts in selling and production, financial advisers and salesmen and especially American businessmen who are willing to go to Israel and become partners with Israelis. For in 20 years, Israel has turned upside down the image of the Jews. Today Israel is known for its soldiers and farmers -- and not for its businessmen.

Immigration, too, has tapered off and now, on its 20th birthday, Israel again pleads for Western aliya to take its place in a developing nation. In private, Israelis realize that with a million and a half Arabs now living in the occupied territories (and with a high Arab birthrate) the Jewish State needs new immigration. Because the USSR forbids emigration, the United States is the only hope.

But if the problems were only economic and even social, there might not be too much concern. The biggest task is still how to obtain peace in the Middle East. Unfortunately, there are few signs on the horizon that this will soon be achieved.

On this the 20th anniversary, Israelis know and realize that the whole area has become an East-West conformation. Soviet Arms are pouring into the Arab states at a rate that many experts believe the Arabs have recouped 80 to 90 per cent of their arms hardware lost in the Six Day War. But Israel's sources have not dried up, despite De Gaulle. The United States is an probably will continue to supply the Jewish State with needed arms.

Israelis go on living with "self-defense" as their motto. Young and middle aged men still get called up to the Reserve, and everyone goes into the Army at age 18, and girls too. But Israelis stand close to Cairo and the Egyptians are relatively far from Tel Aviv. There is free and innocent passage through the Gulf of Aqaba, but not the Suez Canal; the latter is still an unfinished item on the agenda.

But above all, Israel is the keeper over the City of David, Jerusalem. And when the historians write about the first 20 years, the one item that probably will stand out is that Jerusalem was reunited and a Jew can go and pray at the Western Wall.

Still, the peace is complicated by Arab hatred and Arab failure and the United Nations has not helped much, to say the least. The Arab refugees are a pawn. Despite Israel's readiness to make a contribution to a constructive solution and settlement, provided there is a general peace agreement and the Arabs sit down and negotiate, there is Arab refusal to reach agreement and to talk.

Certainly any comment on the first 20 years of Israel's statehood must note that throughout this period American Jewry stood behind Israel in a solidarity that grew with each passing year and reached the heights of support last June and still remains today. Besides financial and public support, American Jews visit Israel and they send their sons and daughters to study and visit there. Moreover, there are American Jews who have gone and will go to live in Israel. In the last analysis, the American Jew "walks taller" because of an independent State of Israel.

What will the next 20 years bring?

One can hope it will bring peace and more of what was written in that Declaration of Independence 20 years ago.

TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth
Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



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should pull out and forget about it. Any further appeasement of the trend towards Commy-takeover would get us more and more involved until we will be inextricably entwined.

The people of America must make up its mind right now and the small voice of the Israelite will scream until it is hoarse to awake all liberty-loving, free-thinking, peace-minded citizens to the course we are being led.

Israel is the ONLY friend we have in the Middle East. It is the only Democratic nation in a sector of the world, that is overwhelmed by allies of Russia. The determined, brave people of the tiny republic, who are carving medical, scientific, educational and economic progress out of barren wastelands of sand, deserve the total support of the United States, neither qualified, nor hindered in any respect. Anything less, would be a gross disservice to everything that America stands for and another feather in the cap of Communistic Russia.

The International Gold involvement was basically a method to show the world America is spending. It was the cost of the war in Vietnam Russia was driving at, and it all narrowed down to make us pull out of South Asia. Whatever course we take in Vietnam, whether you are hawk or dove, you certainly do not want that course dictated by Russia. Do you?

The Pueblo incident, which under any other circumstances would have resulted in nothing more than an exchange of protesting letters between our embassies concerning a non-armed vessel reportedly entering the territorial waters of another nation, became a cause celebre. Here again is one more Russian plot to embarrass us on another front. They are playing it to the hilt, milking every ounce of propaganda out of the incident, even to having innocent sailors write letters to governors asking a U. S. apology.

The invasion of Laos speaks for itself. The Commys are not going to let us off that easy in South Asia. Their only purpose at this time is to get more and more countries involved to keep the U. S. occupied. How about those simple minded persons who are protesting the bombing of North Vietnam, now turning their efforts against the North Vietnamese army for the cruel and unprovoked attack on innocent Laotians? It will never happen because those simple minded persons don't realize their honest sentiments are the dictates of a planned, Red-plotted course. By the same token, there is no mention of a U.N. resolution condemning North Vietnam for this unwarranted invasion.

A student protest in Poland leads to a purge of all Jewish parents in governmental employ. Russia called it a Zionist-provoked outbreak, but it is nothing more than another Red method of hitting Israel, a Democratic republic, and therefore a source of comfort and aid to the Red-supported Arab nations.

The retaliation into Jordan by Israeli forces was "imperative for the security of the Jewish state," according to a statement from Israel's Defense Minister, Moshe Dayan. The El Fatah and other Arab guerrilla organizations that have been terrorizing peace-minded Israeli citizens, killing innocent women and children and destroying property, was admittedly operating with the consent, encouragement and military aid of the Jordan king. There was no U.N. condemnation of the sneaky, underhanded, middle-of-the-night, cowardly tactics of the Arab saboteurs. The big victory claimed for the Western powers in the U. N. condemnation of Israel, was the insertion of a clause deploring all violent incidents in violation of the cease fire. Not a single mention of the acts committed by the Arabs, who are laughing at the U.N. resolution and who are continuing, without letup, their marauding attacks into Israel. The action of the U.N. was clearly and unequivocally a Russian victory.

A few more points pertinent to the matter. When Israeli forces entered Jordan territory, King Hussein pleaded for Egypt and Saudi Arabia to send troops in to help. The plea was ignored. The only reason Arab allies did not come to the assistance of Jordan was because the Russian timetable for the Arab war against Israeli was set for early April, as we reported in an earlier issue. The Reds were not going to allow the Arabs to enter into a war because of an incident with Jordan. The Communists were willing to let the U.N. handle that phase of it until they got good and ready to spring the all-out attack, as planned, against Israel, next month. Whether Israel's recent move upset the Russian timetable, only time will tell.

We'll finish off our outburst of indignation at the U.N. resolution by a quote from Goldberg: "If there is a lesson to be learned from the experience of years past, as well as the experience of recent days, the lesson is starkly simple: Violence breeds violence."

To Goldberg we say: "Who do you think you're kidding?"

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