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New Year Message

Exec. Dir., United Synagogue of America

Yom Kippur is a day of reconciliation between man and God, and between man and man. One of our chief concerns on this Yom Kippur is the widespread rebellion against society on the part of our young people.

It would be an oversimplification of the facts to attribute this rebellion to "leftist influence" and to let it go at that. We are obviously confronted with a chasm of misunderstanding which has grown up between ourselves and our young people and which is shaking the very foundations of our society.

On Yom Kippur we are reminded of our relationship to God as His Children, and we turn to Him for compassion "as a father who hath compassion upon his children." A great measure of compassion is also called for in our times on the part of all of us towards our children.

As parents, we must assume at least some of the blame for the "generation gap" which is afflicting us. In rearing our children we have failed to prepare them emotionally and spiritually for the scientific and technological revolution to which our world has been thrust.

The rebellion of our children is the result of a serious breakdown of communication between us and them. They have been asking some very difficult and complex questions, which we have ignored.

Yom Kippur summons us to seek reconciliation with our children and to renew their faith in us and in our world. We must first and foremost, have compassion upon them. We must also listen to them and we must seek above all else, restore their faith in their elders, and together, as a united family, recreate our world under the Kingdom of God.

NEW YEAR MESSAGE

By Louis Brodlo

Chairman, Joint Distribution Committee

On this Rosh Hashana 5729 the Joint Distribution Committee has been asked to convey to the American Jewish community the greetings and thanks of the hundreds of men, women and children who have suddenly become "refugees" during the past weeks. As we prepare to observe the High Holy Days, we do so with gladness in our hearts that these have passed through a period of great anxiety and doubt to a safe haven.

But as we rejoice over the tens of thousands -- once needy, homeless and harassed -- who may now celebrate this holy season with the Jews of the free world, let us remember also those thousands who may not celebrate, but can only pray.

Many thousands of the harassed and the homeless have been aided to achieve independence and dignity -- in Israel, in France, in the United States and elsewhere -- but there still remain those other nameless thousands, in physical or spiritual want, fearful of an uncertain future.

This Rosh Hashana is therefore both a time of thanksgiving -- for those who have already found their future; as well as a time for earnest prayer -- for those who have not yet found theirs. And a time for rededication -- to those still dependent upon the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Jewish Appeal for succor and survival.

NEW YEAR MESSAGE

By Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld
Pres., American Jewish Congress

The New Year period must be especially welcome this year. In a time in which our hopes for peace and justice have been frustrated, our religion offers us mementos of quid and sanity, so that we may rebuild our strength. In a time of confusion and uncertainty, Rosh Hashana offers us the direction of eternal values.

We look not only within ourselves but also at the world about us. We see poverty and racial conflict in our cities, war in Vietnam, terrorism on the streets of Israel, repression of Jewish life in the Communist world, the renaissance of anti-Semitism on the left, and tribalism and the starvation of children in Africa.

We do not despair. For lessons in courage, we look at the struggle of the black man in Africa and America to be free; the efforts of our fellow-Jews in Warsaw, Prague and Moscow to practice their faith and hold to their identity as Jews; the determination of Israel's people to build a nation in which Arab and Jew alike will have security and liberty.

What is wrong with the world is a challenge to our conscience as Americans and as Jews. As we renew our commitment to that human dignity which is central in Judaism's concern, we still confidently proclaim that "the just will see and exult and the righteous will be glad when iniquity will be silenced and the government of evil and arrogance will have ended."

This New Year marks the American Jewish Congress' 50th anniversary. As we pray for our people, our fellows and ourselves, we take inspiration and encouragement from the vision of our founders and we rededicate ourselves to the tasks of strengthening Jewish life, advancing human rights and building a world of justice and peace.

TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth
Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



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all others, is Peace. All the pounding of the fists in the speeches by both candidates on other topics, and the polls notwithstanding, is just a lot of baloney to cloud the main issue of Peace. Like Lincoln said about not being able to fool all the people all the time, the current phase of the campaign is just that, a lot of baloney.

Republican candidate Richard Nixon is not kidding anyone when he tells the world his first act, if elected, will be to fire the attorney general. Who wants to hear that nonsense, when everyone knows that Ramsey Clark's resignation would be on Nixon's desk pronto, just as the others from the present cabinet members.

What the preponderance of voters want to know is how our country is going to get out of the horrendous situation in Viet Nam. Naturally, we do not know the answer, now does the present administration, or for that matter anyone else. But we can analyze the proposals advanced by all groups, public spirited citizens, elected officials and aspirants to Presidential nominations, including Flag-bearers Nixon and Wallace, and see where it all adds to.

Every plan to end the conflict by a responsible person of National prominence calls for Peace "WITH HONOR." Each of the proposals states concessions on our part, like de/escalation of the bombing or withdrawal of troops, and then a negotiation with Hanoi. We believe each proposal was made in full sincerity and with deep determination to carry it out, if possible, except Nixon's promise of "Peace with Honor" (without explaining how) that bamboozled the New Hampshire primary voters. In fairness, Nixon has since stated his plan, which is no different from all the others. What does all this mean?

The American public knows the score and is fast becoming aware of the pros and cons of all the proposals. We, the people, know full well the position of President Johnson. All, but the few whose minds are warped by emotional stress, believe our President is sincere and deeply dedicated in the quest for peace. He has attempted everything humanely possible under the circumstances (with two extreme exceptions) to end the war, from stepping down from office, to stopping the bombing, to setting up the Peace Parley in Paris. All, so far have been to no avail.

(The extreme exceptions alluded to above, if you haven't guessed, are: 1) total, all-out warfare, including nuclear weapons and not 500,000 men committed but seven million, or 2) complete withdrawal and admission of utter defeat, leaving South Viet Nam at the mercy of the Communists.)

So far neither of these two extremes have been advanced by anyone, not even Wallace, whose proposal is to attempt political negotiation with conventional weapons if unsuccessful, to be followed by "going in and end the conflict."

The public remembers keenly the bleeding hearts of the doves as recently as six months ago who screamed to end the bombings that "were killing innocent women and children" near Hanoi. The argument stopped when stories came out of the North Vietnamese slaughtering whole villages of non-combatants. There are some still naive enough to think the cessation of bombing actually saved American lives, but Pres. Johnson and all the U. S. generals claim it only served to give the Communists opportunity to bring up men and material to prolong hostilities and cause more American deaths.

Which brings us back to contemplation of Humphrey's chances in the Nov. 5 elections.

In recent years, America has been experiencing a metamorphosis in accepting the changing scene, and it has been changing as rapidly and as often as each controversial issue comes to the fore. Thus when we have a situation creating widespread indignation, it takes but a period of a few weeks before the backlash sets in, anti-pathetic to the original circumstance. It is the equalizer at work in this country of ours, balancing the scales and bringing us back to status quo.

It may be an ironic twist, but the very happenstance of events developing from our unfortunate entwinement in Viet Nam, which so discredited the administration to cause our President to eliminate himself from further contention, could be the very reason for an upcoming surge of popularity to sweep Humphrey into the White House. This paradox of sentiment will break out shortly when the American public gets to realize that the best, and only course of action in Viet Nam, is the one we are pursuing for the moment.

We end our soliloquy with a ray of hope, that Red Russia, who is really calling the shots in North Viet Nam, will, for whatever reason, allow peace to come soon to Southeast Asia.

New Year Message

By Levi Eshkol
Prime Minister of Israel

Clearly, the eve of a new year is a time for looking boldly and resolutely into the future. We must also look back for a moment and see how we have fared in the year now drawing to a close.

This year we have celebrated the twentieth anniversary of the State of Israel. The hearts of the Jewish people, both here and all over the world, were beating with the united and eternal Capital - Jerusalem. The noises of building all over the city and the voices of prayer at the Walling Wall have reflected this heart-beat.

On balance, it has been a good year, a year of solid gains in a number of fields, a year in which the promise and the resolution of last New Year's eve have been at least partially realized. Last year we were still under the awesome impact of Israel's narrow escape from ruthless destruction at the hands of its enemies. We now maintain the cease-fire lines of June 1967. The world at large should now understand that, in the light of experience in the Middle East in the last twenty years, there is no better guarantee of stability in this region - short of a regional peace settlement. We are still far from stable and formal peace agreement with the neighbouring States; but we have grounds for hope that the contacts that have been made and are continuing to be made here, on the human level, the social and the economic level, may produce the foundation for what, in the course of time, could grow into the peace which all of us - Jew and Arab alike - really need and, in our heart or hearts, yearn for.

In my New Year's Message of last year, I issued a call for increased aliya, and emphasized the nation's vital need for aliya, now more than ever before. This year we can say that, to some extent, our call has been heeded. The rate of aliya from Western countries has, thus far this year, somewhat increased. I certainly hope and trust that this wholesome trend will continue and grow in the coming year, and we should intensify our efforts and persist in our appeal for aliya, for big aliya, for aliya now. The urgent needs both of the country, its economic and physical strength, as well as the needs of the Jewish people as a whole, are crying out for it.

The two are indivisible; the one is an essential condition for the other. And the Jewish people all over the world should imprint this truth on its collective mind. Like in the days of Ezra and Nehemiah, the call is addressed to the Jewish people as a whole, and to each Jew individually: not a moment is to be lost.

And let us all join in hope and action, that those parts of the Jewish people, notably in the USSR, which are for the time being cruelly severed from our national body, should once more be allowed to play the major part that is their birthright in our renaissance in the country of our fathers.

May the year that is about to begin - the year 5729 - bring us both strength and peace! May it bring the blessings of peace and prosperity, health and enlightenment, to Israel and the Jewish people everywhere, and to the entire family of nations!

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