

## JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

**JOHANNESBURG (WNS) --** South African Premier John Vorster has informed representatives of the nation's Jewish community at a meeting that selecting April 22, Passover, as the day for national elections was due to an oversight and he was unable to change the date. He acknowledged that the date would present difficulties for the Jewish community and expressed regrets.

**JERUSALEM (WNS) --** Israel has told Switzerland that breach of security charges against the Israel military attache in Berne were "unwarranted" and expressed regret that the Swiss Government has declared Col. Zvi Allon persona non Grata.

**TEL AVIV (WNS) --** Israel has opened a magistrate's court in Kuneitra, the main town in the occupied Golan Heights in a move that substitutes Israeli law for the Syrian law that had been in effect in the area even under Israeli administration since the Six Day War.

**PARIS (WNS) --** The French Government reportedly has a ministerial committee studying ways to refund an estimated \$60 million to Israel for the 50 Mirage III supersonic jets Jerusalem paid for but which were never delivered because of an arms embargo imposed by former President Charles de Gaulle and kept in force by the Pompidou Administrator.

**NEW YORK --** Arthur B. Belfer, noted industrialist and communal leader, has been recipient of the American Jewish Committee's 1969 Appeal for Human Relations Award, it was announced by Andrew Goodman, Chairman of the Committee's nationwide Appeal for Human Relations. Presentation will take place at a dinner to be held on November 6.

**CHICAGO, ILL., --** Mrs. Milton S. Jacobson, of New York City, was elected national president of the Mizrahi Women's Organization of America at the close of the 44th annual national convention of the organization.

**NEW YORK: --** Representatives of 16 Boards of Rabbis assembled in conference at the headquarters of The New York Board of Rabbis, unanimously passed a resolution urging the United Nations to take immediate action to achieve the release of the two passengers on the TWA airliner held captive in Damascus, Syria. The Rabbis termed this hijacking and detention of innocent passengers "a scandal which cries aloud for condemnation and correction by the entire civilized world," and "a threat to all international travel and commerce and to the cultivation of peaceful and fraternal relations through nations."

**NEW YORK --** The Jewish people who have themselves suffered so greatly in the past are today seeking to alleviate the sufferings of others, a prominent rabbi said in describing Jewish efforts on behalf of Nigerian-Biafran relief. Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, director of the Interreligious Affairs Department of the American Jewish Committee, stated that "Out of the holocaust, the Jewish people have salvaged one permanent lesson. There must never gain by silence in the face of atrocities and human suffering."

**TEL AVIV --** The American Joint Distribution Committee (JDC), during its 20 years of operations through JDC/Malben in Israel, has assisted more than 250,000 aged, sick and handicapped persons at a cost of over \$170,000, -000 Mr. Louis Broide, JDC Chairman, reported at a press conference in Tel Aviv.

**MOSCOW (WNS) --** Rabbi Yehuda Leib Levin of Moscow's Choral Synagogue, made his second trip outside the Soviet Union by visiting Budapest to participate in services making the 25th anniversary of the Nazi killing of 600,000 Hungarian Jews.

**LONDON (WNS) --** The new Arab center planned for London will be used for culture and propaganda purposes and will be closed to Arab terrorist groups, its sponsor Mrs. Margaret McKay, a pro-Arab Labor Member of Parliament, said.

**JERUSALEM: --** Some 300 Jerusalemites, more than half of them Arabs from East Jerusalem and suburbs of the city, attended the festive opening of the 3rd year of the joint Arab-Jewish cultural and social project sponsored by the Adult Education Centre of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

**JERUSALEM: --** Close to 50 Canadian pharmacists and faculty members of pharmacy schools in Canada attended a cornerstone laying ceremony for the Canadian wing of the new Hebrew University School of Pharmacy which is to be built at the Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Centre in Ein Karem.

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## Israel's Deputy And Defense Ministers Differ On Future Of W. Bank

**JERUSALEM (WNS) ---** Two Israeli leaders have advanced their own differing ideas on the economic future of the West Bank occupied by Israel as a result of the Six Day War.

Deputy Premier Yigal Alon introduced the idea of "home rule" for the areas" Arabs during a meeting of the Foreign Press Association. He said the plan was his own concept, did not represent a Government view and conceded that it had drawn mixed reactions from Cabinet colleagues. But he said Arab leaders had made favorable comments.

The plan called for Arab leaders in occupied Judaea

and Samaria to function within the framework of military government but be responsible for all municipal affairs. The Arabs would also be responsible for education, religious affairs, commerce, international trade and local police while Israel retained decisive responsibility in security matters.

Defense Minister Moshe Dayan told a United Jewish Appeal TV mission that he saw the entire area from the Jordan River to the Mediterranean as a single economic unit and said that Israel could not maintain separate economic units for Israel, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip for an indefinite period while

they all remain under a single government.

He acknowledged that the idea was a minority view in the Cabinet but said it will be accepted "because there is no other way."

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