

## JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

NEW YORK--500 to 600 young Americans and Canadians, ages 18 to 30, are expected to participate in the kibbutz and college graduate year programs of Sherut La'am in Israel during 1971, an increase of at least one hundred per cent over 1970, it was announced by Yehoshua Leor, National Coordinator for Sherut La'am.

NEW YORK--Citing reports that the Soviet Union was about to stage a series of political trials against 31 Soviet Jews, Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum of American Jewish Committee, has called for widespread protests "against the denial of the human rights of Russian Jews."

NEW YORK--The recent defeat of the neo-Nazi National Democratic Party ended that party's hope of gaining power through the West German electorate, and extreme right-wing groups are moving in new directions in their drive for influence, according to the Paris Office of the American Jewish Committee.

NEW YORK--New program ideas being tried and tested at summer camps under Jewish auspices will be reviewed and discussed at the third national conference on Jewish camping, January 4 to 7, 1971, at Grossinger's, under co-sponsorship of the National Jewish Welfare Board the American Association for Jewish Education, and the Full-Time Executives of Jewish Communal Camps.

NEW YORK--The new 1970-1971 Catalog was published by the National Jewish Welfare Board with 400 publications covering virtually all aspects of American Jewish life, Israel, and social issues.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Officials have refused to confirm or deny press reports that Israeli tankers carrying 100,000 barrels a day, have been sailing down the Gulf of Suez, within rifle shot of the Egyptian shore, from the Sinai oil fields to Eilat.

LONDON (WNS)--Louis A. Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, told Anglo-Jewish leaders, the "intrusion of the Soviet Union in the Middle East has caused Israel to spend hundreds of millions of pounds for her security."

BONN (WNS)--The West German government announced that 4,501 men and women have participated in the Student Exchange Program between West Germany and Israel.

TORONTO (WNS)--Dr. Ralph Abernathy, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and the successor to the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., told a capacity crowd at the Holy Blossom Temple that the American Jew was "still in danger" from prejudice and hate. The civil rights leader said "Blacks should not forget that Jews are our closest allies."

TEL AVIV (WNS)--The Health Ministry announced that 43 of the 100 suspected cholera cases in the Gaza strip had been confirmed. At the same time it announced that another 20 suspected cases have been reported.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Israel has flown by El-Al transport plane a shipment of food and drugs to Columbia. The shipment will be used for that country's children who are victims of the recent floods which devastated the country.

LONDON (WNS)--Seven Soviet scientists from the Vavilov Optics Institute in Leningrad, some of them believed to be Jews, have attacked Israel in a signed statement which was published in the Moscow newspaper Izvestia. The statement, similar to those issued last spring during the government's anti-Zionist campaign, denied there was a Soviet Jewish problem.

NEW YORK (WNS)--Israeli Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin was the principal speaker at the 47th annual convention of the National Committee for Labor Israel which was attended by more than 2,000 delegates representing trade unions, Labor Zionists, Workmen's Circle, fraternal and social organizations, women's groups, and business and professional affiliates.

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