

NEW YORK --Edward Ginsberg, prominent Cleveland attorney and Jewish community leader was unanimously re-elected General Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for 1971 at the UJA's annual conference in New York City.

NEW YORK, N.Y.--Herbert Brody, vice chairman of the board of Pathmark and chairman of the American Food Committee of the Council for Israel's Economic Development, has announced that over 50 leading executives of the United States food industry will attend Israel Food Week, to be held from January 17-24, 1971, at the Tel Aviv Hilton.

### Shul Statistics

By Rabbi Samuel Silver  
Once a rabbi was fired from his job because in his bulletin he kept a score of those members of the board of trustees who attended services on Friday night.

But no one can fault the rabbi of Beth Tzedec Congregation in Toronto for some statistics he ran in his bulletin.

Let me remind you, if you don't already know, that Beth Tzedec is one of the most beautiful Jewish sanctuaries on the continent. It is on famed Bathurst Street which, like Baltimore's Park Heights Avenue, has so many synagogues it's called Rue de la Payess.

And let me remind, if you don't already know, that the rabbi of this enormous synagogue is Dr. Stuart Rosenberg, one of the most eloquent and erudite Conservative spiritual leaders of our time.

In his bulletin Rabbi Rosenberg reprinted a report he received from William Crocker, a trustee, giving some data about synagogue attendance. The chart reads as follows:

October, 210; November, 315; December, 105; January, 140; February, 325; March, 340; April, 250; May, 420.

Pretty good figures, eh? But wait, they are the numbers of Christians who came to see what a Jewish service is like.

It has been said that if Jewish curiosity about Judaism matched Christian curiosity, we'd have a very vibrant Jewish community these days.

Indeed, a rabbi in a midwestern city, fled the pulpit some years ago because his Christian visitors at worship consistently outnumbered his own parishioners.

Perhaps we ought to urge our Christian friends to adopt a slogan: "Take a Jew to Shabbos service with you next time you go!"

NEW YORK--Mrs. Jacob Malik, wife of the U.S.S.R.'s Permanent Representative to the United Nations, was asked by the American Jewish Congress National Women's Division to help obtain the release of Soviet Jews brought to trial this week in Leningrad and of others still imprisoned there and in Riga.

NEW YORK--The mediation of religious leaders has led to the possibility of collective bargaining between California lettuce growers and farm workers. Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, national director of the Interreligious Affairs Department of the American Jewish Committee, said. "The farm workers, who are mainly Mexican Americans, have found an effective voice for their labor grievances in the United Farm Workers Organization, headed by Cesar Chavez, the charismatic labor organizer. Rabbi Tanenbaum added: "Dr. Howard Spragg of the United Church of Christ led a group of some fifteen Catholic, Protestant and Jewish representatives, this commentator among them, who went to the offices of Bud-Antel, one of the major vegetable growers in Salinas Valley, to probe the possibilities of reconciliation between all the parties involved."

NEW YORK (WNS)--Menachem Bergin, leader of Israel's opposition Gahal faction, the second largest party grouping in the Knesset, told Zionist Organization Israel "recognizes all the rights of the Arab people" but not "their right" to deprive us of our country and independence.



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