

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

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JERUSALEM (WNS)--Yitzhak Rafael, MK, a leader of the National Religious Party, told the convention of the Religious Zionists of America that the Gaza Strip must be encircled by Jewish settlements if "peace and tranquility" is to come to that area.

WASHINGTON (WNS)--Maryland's Republican Sen. Charles McMathias, has introduced a bill to repeal the 1957 resolution on the Middle East which approved economic and military aid to Mideast countries and authorized U.S. armed forces if necessary to "preserve the independence and integrity" of the states in the area.

LOS ANGELES (WNS)--The California Students for Soviet Jews and the Southern California Council for Soviet Jews have called for a "sophisticated campaign" to bring attention to the plight of Raiza Palatnik, the Odessa librarian who was sentenced to a two-year prison term for alleged anti-Soviet activities.

WASHINGTON (WNS)--Rep. Edward I. Koch, Democrat of New York, has charged that State Department "policy" is preventing Voice of America Yiddish language broadcasts to the Jews of the Soviet Union.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Rabbi Yitzhak Meir Levin, president of the Agudath Israel Movement in Israel, and a member of the Knesset since its beginning, was buried on the Mount of Olives after his death at Shaarei Tzedek Hospital at the age of 77.

BOSTON (WNS)--Moses I. Feuerstein, a former president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, reported that Silva Zalmanson Kuznetsov, sentenced in Leningrad December, 1970 to 10 years for an alleged skyjacking attempt, had become "almost totally deaf" in one ear and is "deteriorating physically and mentally."

NEW YORK (WNS)--The 1970 Quaker report, "Search for Peace in the Middle East" was "blatantly biased" and offered "recommendations detrimental to the cause of peace in the Middle East," a joint study by the American Jewish Congress and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith charged. The study called the Quaker report "anti-Israel" and charged the Quakers had accepted with out question, Arab propoganda regarding the Middle East problem.

NEW YORK (WNS)--The American Jewish Congress has added its voice to those groups seeking Voice of America Yiddish language broadcasts to Soviet Jews.

RIO DE JANEIRO (WNS)--At a special session of the House of Deputies marking the transfer of the Israel Embassy from this city to the nation's capital, Brasilia, six Deputies called upon the Vatican to establish diplomatic ties with Israel and called for the internationalization of the Holy Places in Jerusalem.

NYC POOR JEWS PASSED

NEW YORK (WNS)--A federal investigation of New York City is federally financed anti-poverty programs has substantiated charges that New York City's poor Jews are being discriminated against. S. Elly Rosen, executive director of the Association of Jewish Anti-Poverty Workers, reported, Rosen's original charges of discrimination led to a series of hearings before a House Subcommittee on Manpower and Poverty which in turn led to the six-weeks-long investigation of the city's programs by the Office of Economic Opportunity, the federal anti-poverty agency; the General Accounting Office, the federal government's highest investigating agency; and the Human Resources Administration, the city's super-agency which directs anti-

poverty programs. A formal report will be released after Sept. 1.

In a letter to Jule Sugarman, HRA administrator, Rosen warned that Jews would no longer tolerate discrimination and tokenism. "We aim to get our share," Rosen said that New York City's "officialdom could not care less" about the "horrible contempt and disregard for the poor Jews who still reside in the poverty areas of our city." He noted that the Jewish poor comprised the third largest poverty group in the city after the blacks and Puerto Ricans.

Rosen said that while 15 of the 26 poverty areas contain large groups of poor Jewish residents, only five of the community poverty agencies have Jewish representation. Of those five, three of them have only one Jew on their board."

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi Isser Yehuda Unterman, appealed to both sides in the Sabbath bus dispute to moderate their positions because violence would cause a breakdown in the religious-secular dialogue.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Angered doctors and power station workers returned to their jobs after Premier Golda Meir signed a back-to-work emergency bill.

SAN FRANCISCO (WNS)--Harold B. Light, vice chairman of the National Union of Councils for Soviet Jews, with chapters in 13 cities, has urged Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, Massachusetts Democrat, to endorse the Senate bill for 30,000 emergency visas for Soviet Jews.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Pinhas Sapir, Minister of Finance, speaking at the Labor Party Center, said that Israel was planning to double the number of students in Israel during the next 10 years, and increase the number of Sephardi students to 25 percent.

UNITED NATIONS (WNS)--In a letter to the President of the Security Council, Israel's Acting Ambassador to the UN, Jacob Doron, stated that Israel would not tolerate attacks from Lebanon and will take "appropriate measures of self defense."

NEW YORK (WNS)--The Workmen's Circle will sponsor a Yiddish Folk Fest in Washington Square Park in Greenwich Village.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Rumors that the Soviet Union was interested in renewing Israeli ties were revived when a member of Histadrut's Foreign Relations Department returned from a conference of the International Transport Workers Union in Vienna.

NEW FORMULA FOR MIDEAST PEACE

WASHINGTON (WNS)-- State Department spokesman Robert J. McCloskey denied that the U.S. has proposed a Big Four Indo-China type conference on the Middle East with Egypt and Israel participating.

At the same time reports circulated both here and in Israel that the U.S. was preparing a new formula for a partial settlement between Israel and Egypt that could lead to a reopening of the Suez Canal. The renewed U.S. effort was believed to be an attempt to head off a call next month in the General Assembly to revive Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring's

Mideast mission. It was believed here the U.S. would oppose the imposition of sanctions against Israel and any attempt to alter the language of Security Council Resolution 242.

Meanwhile, in Tel Aviv, Foreign Minister Abba Eban said that if Egypt was serious about making peace with Israel she must waive her demand that Egyptian troops be allowed to cross the Suez Canal. He added that borders cannot be set as part of an interim settlement for reopening the canal, but must be dealt with in negotiations for a final settlement.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Six terrorists were killed and one Israeli soldier wounded in three clashes in the Gaza Strip.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Some 2,100 former Egyptian Jews, who were forced to flee Egypt and leave their property behind, are seeking reparations for their property, their loss of freedom and their need to resettle elsewhere.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Premier Golda Meir, addressing the convention of the religious Zionists of America, made a strong plea for coexistence between the religious and secular sectors of Israeli life.

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