

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

(DURING THE NEXT FEW WEEKS THE ISRAELITE WILL PUBLISH EXTRA COLUMNS OF IMPORTANT NEWS BRIEFS WHICH ARE ACCUMULATING. HOPE YOU LIKE.)

WASHINGTON, D.C.--The American Jewish Congress and the Synagogue Council of America asked the U.S. Supreme Court to uphold the right of Amish parents to refuse compulsory education for their children beyond elementary school and the age of 14, when it is prohibited by their religious convictions.

LONDON (WNS)--Reports reaching here state that large numbers of young Jews gathered outside synagogues in Moscow, Leningrad, Riga, Kiev and Vilna during Rosh Hashanah services, not to pray but to identify themselves with the Jewish people and Israel. In New York it was reported that some 200 Jews demonstrated on Rosh Hashanah in Moscow, in one action they forced police to release three Jews who had been arrested outside Moscow's Choral Synagogue. The American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry reported 75 Jews signed a letter demanding to see officials of the Central Committee of the Communist Party and 110 visited the Committee's office where officials admitted there were "individual cases" of Soviet Jews who had been denied receipt of affidavits sent them by relatives in Israel. Without such documents, exit visas cannot be secured.

NEW YORK (WNS)--Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, spiritual leader of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun in Manhattan, who is also chancellor of Bar-Ilan University, announced a four-men selection committee has been set-up to find a new president. The university has been without a president for several years.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir has denied that many cases of malnutrition exist in Israel.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Electric power station workers in Eilat, who were ordered back to work by the government after they went on strike this summer announced a new tactic to force the Electric Co. to add more men to each shift. They announced they would stay at work after their regular shifts thereby becoming so exhausted they will not be able to continue working.

TORONTO (WNS)--Twenty Jewish families from Chile who saw no future for themselves in that country under the leftist regime of President Allende, have settled in Toronto. The emigrants said there was no religious or political repression in Chile and no signs of anti-Semitism.

TORONTO (WNS)--The Telegram, Canada's third largest daily, will cease publishing shortly because of financial difficulties.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Professor Michael Sela, dean of the biology faculty at the Weizmann Institute will serve as chairman of the opening session in Moscow of a World Health Organization seminar on the structure of antibodies it was announced here. The conference will be held Oct. 4-16.

TUCSON (WNS)--Charges by the Tucson Jewish Community Council that the Tucson Country Club discriminates against Jewish applicants have been denied by the club's president who said the club has never refused to admit anyone on the grounds of religion.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--The new Shaare Zedek Community Medical Center announced it has been pledged \$5 million by the Yad Avi Hayishu (Rothschild Foundation of Great Britain).

PARIS (WNS)--A record 100,000 French Jews in the Paris area attended Rosh Hashanah services.

GREAT NECK, N.Y. (WNS)--A bomb, discovered in the synagogue's lavatory, disrupted Rosh Hashanah services for 2,700 worshippers for an hour Monday at Temple Israel here.

BROOKLYN (WNS)--Some 1,200 persons attended an "Exodus Rally for Soviet Jews" at the steps of Boro Hall.

MORE ABUSE TO SOVIET JEWS

LONDON (WNS) -- Reports reaching here say Boris Azernikov, 28, a dentist from Leningrad and the only Jew to be arrested solely for applying to emigrate to Israel, will go on trial in October. It was also reported that Silva Zalmanson Kuznetsov, sentenced to 10 years in prison in the first Leningrad trial, was suffering from progressive deafness which cannot be treated in the Potma prison where she is jailed. Edvard Kuznetsov was reported in solitary confinement in the same prison.

New York Yiddish writer S. L. Shneiderman, visiting here after attending a PEN Congress in Dublin, said that Nikolai Federenko, editor of the Soviet literary publication "Foreign Literature," had assured him he would intervene with Soviet authorities to allow Mrs. Esther Markish, widow of the murdered poet Peretz Markish, and her son, David, to emigrate to Israel.

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STANLEY LOEB, LEFT, AND DR. MAURICE PEARLMAN, RIGHT, OFFICERS OF THE NATE MACK LAS VEGAS B'NAI B'RITH LODGE, EXAMINE SOME OF THE BOOKS ON JUDAIC LITERATURE WHICH HAVE BEEN PURCHASED WITH A RECENT \$500 GIFT FROM THE LODGE TO THE LIBRARY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS. LIBRARIAN HAROLD ERICKSON, CENTER, ASSISTED THE GROUP IN THE SELECTION OF BOOKS ALONG WITH RABBI AARON S. GOLD OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM.

The Nate Mack Las Vegas B'nai B'rith Lodge has presented \$500 to the Dickinson Library at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas as a beginning installment towards an endowment for the library's sections of Judaic literature.

Chapter President Stanley Loeb led a delegation of lodge officers in making the presentation this week to Librarian Harold Erickson.

Books purchased by the endowment were selected by the library's staff, aided by Rabbi Aaron S. Gold of Temple Beth Shalom.

They are inscribed with book plates bearing the lodge's name and the names of B'nai B'rith members who made individual supplementary donations, Michael Feinberg, Herman Greenberg, Leo Goldberg, Mort Kirsch, Jerome Mack, Dr. Maurice Pearlman, Sheldon Sbarra and Sigmund Stein.

The project was an outgrowth of the lodge's adult education committee program.

Dr. Pearlman, committee chairman, said that B'nai B'rith plans to renew the donation annually.

"This commitment,"

he said, "coincides with one of B'nai B'rith's prime objectives to foster knowledge of Jewish history, culture and learning amongst all who seek it. It is a contribution we make proudly on behalf of the Jewish community."

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