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### Soviet Jews Overdrawn?

Richard T. Davies, U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary for European Affairs, stated at a hearing of the House Foreign Affairs Committee European subcommittee, "claims that Soviet Jews are living in a state of terror seem to be overdrawn." He was backed by Sol Polansky, a Foreign Service Officer on the "state of terror" but who also said that "Jews do feel they are being discriminated against."

The subcommittee, chaired by Democratic Representative Benjamin Rosenthal of Brooklyn, is considering pending legislation expressing concern of the USSR's treatment of its Jewish citizens.

The Jewish community has become quite exercised over these statements, and also one by Polansky that he was "not at all persuaded" that enough Jews spoke Yiddish to make Yiddish broadcasting over the Voice of America "worthwhile." According to Pravda, there are 300,000 Yiddish speaking Jews in the Soviet Union, which may or may not make it worthwhile. Recently, the Soviet Union released a series of figures showing the position of Jews in jobs and professions. Also, they have begun allowing limited emigration.

However, Congressman Rosenthal summed up the problem in saying, "we must view these (deprivations) not as citizens on one country viewing the abhorred behavior of another government, but as the denial of human rights, (which) must be condemned whenever and wherever it occurs."

### Still No Secure Borders

BY ROBERT E. SEGAL

At this season when the news columns are overflowing with plans for President Nixon's projected trips to Peking and Moscow, with the shock of Taiwan's ouster from the United Nations, and with the aftermath of the Senate revolt on American foreign aid, hopes for gaining even a few halting steps towards peace in the Middle East are dim.

Both China and the USSR want the Arab states as their clients and trade partners. For China this is a peripheral matter, but for Russia, the desire to win Arab favor with the hope of moving on into Africa's awakening lands has long been on public view. Accordingly, President Nixon's conversations with Chinese and Russian leaders may well turn out to be strong lobbying efforts against Israel at certain points of the agenda.

Israel's vote to push Taiwan out of the UN may please China; but Middle East watchers shouldn't forget that State Secretary Rogers, in the course of trying to line up support for

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Taiwan, is reported to have hinted to Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban that if Taiwan were to be ousted, the same fate might befall other smaller principalities. Secretary Rogers said at the time he could think of ten nations "that would be on the list in the future."

And the dramatic Senate rebellion against continuing certain forms of foreign aid may well be reflected in at least two Middle East considerations: first, the UN is said to be running out of money for Arab refugees now estimated at 1,500,000; secondly, the foreign aid package unsettled by the Senate rebellion included nearly \$300,000,000 in military assistance credits for Israel.

In light of these developments, Egypt Vice President Hussein Shafai's recent declaration that 800,000 Egyptian troops are ready to cross the Suez Canal for a showdown with Israel contributes little to prospects for peace.

Butressed by Moscow shipments to Egypt of a large number of fighting planes capable of fantastic speed, together with technicians skilled in their destructive use, Shafai, President Sadat, and other Egyptian leaders grow more confident daily of their ability to destroy Israel.

Yet when 78 of the 100 U.S. Senators and more than two hundred Representatives press a Congressional resolution calling on the Administration "to take immediate affirmative action on Israel's request for Phantom jets," Israel's foes both in this country and elsewhere raise anew the cry of Israeli imperialism.

Israel's need to obtain secure and defensive borders is the imperative for her survival. Why, then, is she bullied, blocked, threatened, in each of her moves towards that end? And why do those who wish her ill persist in assigning her the role of devils' spoils vis-a-vis Jerusalem while continuing to forget Jordan's destructive record while master of East Jerusalem beginning in 1949.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Political sources here state Gen. Yitzhak Rabin, Israel's Ambassador to the U.S., and retiring Chief of Staff Gen. Haim Bar-Lev will be appointed to the Cabinet in late 1972 or early 1973.

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## TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



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All this was printed in the Las Vegas Sun. What the Sun failed to print was that young Maheu's description of Hughes was based on information from his father, Robert. Also what the Sun deliberately omitted was that NEITHER FATHER OR SON MAHEU HAD SEEN HUGHES DURING HIS 4-YEARS AT THE DESERT INN.

Can you imagine a Grand Jury taking testimony under oath intimately describing a person never even seen by the witness? How do you like that?

Then there was a lengthy front page Sun story quoting the December issue of Playboy, written by Jim Phelan, described as a reporter covering Hughes for the past fifteen years. Phelan quotes a Hughes aide, now 83, stating, two men in the empire suggested a guardian be appointed for the billionaire. No, it wasn't yesterday or recently. It was 14 years ago.

Now this quote: "A few Las Vegas familiar with the Hughes operation believe that recent behavior by the head of Hughes' personal staff confirms the disability and/or deterioration of the billionaire." Then Phelan describes in detail the Montreal stock deal by a Hughes secretary, quoting Greenspun, this, "is virtual proof Howard Hughes is no longer in control of his empire." Greenspun is described as ebullient and the man who helped influence Hughes to come to Las Vegas in 1966.

Phelan, a good reporter, apparently not taken in by Greenspun's phoney suppositions, states bluntly, "the theory that Hughes has been inoperative is admittedly based on CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE."

What the Sun story purposely omits is that it was Greenspun who summoned Phelan to Nevada to do the story on Hughes. This, of course is an old Greenspun tactic. First he plants the story and then the Sun reports the story as coming from an outside source. Greenspun has pulled this same gimmick many times before. And, of course, we've exposed the sneaky maneuver on every occasion.

We got suspicious when Phelan quoted Hank in discrediting Hughes, so often but never once touched on the millions Greenspun snared from the man he claims is incapacitated. Phelan never reported the sale of debt-ridden properties from Greenspun to Hughes via Maheu. The Playboy writer gave intimate details of Gov. O'Callaghan's actions under the influence of Greenspun, but the Sun never would quote them at this late stage knowing the citizens of Nevada are fully aware of the corrupt influence in the past.

Phelan never mentioned the \$4,000,000 loan that Greenspun gleaned from Hughes when Maheu was in charge of the Nevada operations. It was drawn on Sept. 20, 1967, with parcels of land in Paradise Valley and two corporations as collateral. The only reason the trust deed was recorded recently in the Clark County Recorder's office a "late filing" is because it involves 2,070 acres through which a right of way was granted to the City of Henderson to enhance a sale of government land to Greenspun at a bargain price.

So far the public is aware of about \$10,000,000 of Hughes money snared by Greenspun. How many more millions, not yet disclosed, were pocketed by the Sun publisher? When the time comes we will elucidate.

On another recent occasion the Sun publisher saw fit to accuse District Judge Howard Babcock of being prejudiced in favor of Hughes. Greenspun wrote "Galane (Maheu's lawyer) never won a decision even though the evidence, law and justice was on his side, but he was continually reprimanded by Babcock for raising his voice."

Then Greenspun wrote: "What Babcock failed to realize is that it can be awfully frustrating to appear before a court knowing in advance that you don't have a chance."

How do you like that? This is not a panic-stricken layman, who is a client in a suit, talking. This is the publisher of a daily newspaper, who happens to be a lawyer. He's

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