

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

LONDON (WNS)--The World Union of Jewish Students' action committee on Syrian Jewry reported that the 350 Jews in Kamisheli on the Turkish-Syrian border were "virtually prisoners" of Syrian authorities.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Harry Zekelman of Windsor, Ont., a former colonel in the Soviet Army, pledged to buy \$1 million in Israel Bonds. An additional \$18 million was pledged by the other 149 Bond leaders from North and South America who were attending a three-day conference on Israel's economic needs.

NEW YORK (WNS)--New York University, which has a largely Jewish student body, after refusing for years, has finally agreed to cancel classes on the Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur holidays as they have been doing for Christmas, Easter and Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday.

TOULOUSE (WNS)--Jewish organizations have demanded an investigation into the circumstance that led to the death of 14-year-old Roger Allouche, whose parents claimed he had been beaten to death by his classmates at St. Nicholas School, a Jesuit institution.

NEW YORK (WNS)--A \$500 annual prize for distinguished reporting of Jewish communal affairs in local, national or international spheres has been established by the Smolar Award Committee of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

NEW YORK (WNS)--The City College Institute of Yiddish Lexicology has received grants of \$45,000 each from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Friends of The Hebrew University, compiling a "Great Dictionary of the Yiddish Language" which will consist of at least 10 volumes.

LOS ANGELES--Mrs. Ruth Dayan, managing director of Maskit, Ltd., has been named guest of honor for the opening of Israel Expo West, scheduled Feb. 27 through March 2 at Temple Beth Am in West Los Angeles.

NEW YORK--The leaders of four Jewish "action" oriented movements announced the formation of a Committee which will seek to persuade the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropies to institute more programs and reset priorities to better help New York's Jewish community.

NEW YORK--The Greek Line, 32 Pearl St., N.Y., announced "Kosher for Passover" Caribbean cruise, starting March 27.

NEW YORK--American Zionist Youth Foundation, 515 Park Ave., N.Y.C. 10022, is sending application forms to those interested in the Summer Kibbutz Program.

WASHINGTON, D.C.--A specialized contribution to the resource literature on Soviet Jewry has been published by B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations, 1640 R.I. Ave., N.W., Wash. D.C. 20036, a manual which provides models of innovative student programs on behalf of the Jews of Russia.

NEW YORK--Joseph Klausner, a ninth grade student of Ramaz School, was the winner of first prize in the International Essay Contest of the Torah Education Department of the World Zionist Organization, Rabbi Mallen Galinsky, director of the department in the U.S., announced. Second and third place were shared by two girls, Yael Bernstein of Toronto and Ethel Rush of Brazil.

NEW YORK--Rabbi Meir Felman, national chairman of the Committee on Girl Scouting, Synagogue Council of America, 432 Park Ave. So. N.Y.C. 10016, announced that applications now are being accepted to send 36 Jewish Girl Scouts and two young adults to the first Israel Seminar for Jewish Girl Scouts, to be held in Israel July 9 through August 13.

NEW YORK (WNS)--Two members of the Jewish Defense League were sentenced to three month jail terms and 14 others were fined from \$600 to \$800 each for damaging the offices of the New York Board of Rabbis last summer.



ISRAELI DEFENSE MINISTER MOSHE DAYAN AT HADASSAH-HEBREW UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER, WHERE HE WAS SANDAK AT THE BRIT MALA OF A SON BORN TO A MEMBER OF HIS STAFF.

PARIS (WNS)--The government has requested Bolivia to arrest naturalized Bolivian citizen Klaus Altmann, while the Bolivian Supreme Court determines if he is really Klaus Barbie "the butcher of Lyons" who as former Gestapo Chief in southern France was responsible for the deportation of thousands of Jews to the death camps and for the murder of Jean Moulin, the first leader of the anti-Nazi resistance movement. Barbie is also wanted for war crimes in Holland.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Two Army medical officers were killed when their car struck a mine in the Sinai near Kseiman near the former Israeli-Egyptian border.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Funeral services were held here for Berl Locker, one of the most prominent Labor Zionist leaders, who died after a lingering illness at the age of 84.

MADRID (WNS)--The walls of the Madrid Synagogue were desecrated by a swastika, hammer and sickle, and anti-Semitic slogans in red and black paint in the worst anti-Semitic outrages in Spain in decades.

BOSTON (WNS)--Increased police protection has been promised storekeepers in the City Point area of South Boston after an outbreak of swastika smearings, paint of anti-Semitic slogans and broken windows.

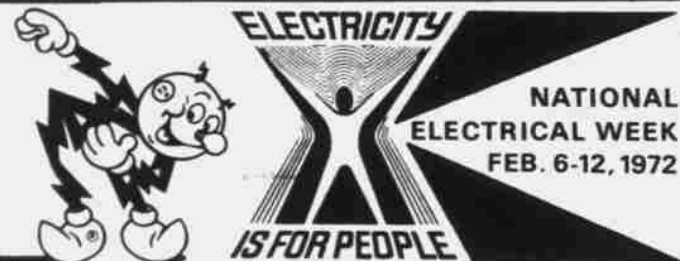
NEW YORK (WNS)--According to reports reaching here Esther and David Markish, son of the noted Yiddish poet Peretz Markish, who was killed on Stalin's orders in a purge of Jewish intellectuals, have again been refused permission to emigrate to Israel.

BONN (WNS)--Simon Wiesenthal, director of the Vienna Documentation Center, said the former Gestapo Chief of Prague, SS General Dr. Erich Weinmann, who at one time was believed to have been killed in action, has been known to be living in Cairo at least since 1967.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Edward Trepper, son of Leopold Trepper who headed the "Red Orchestra" during World War II, the most successful wartime intelligence gathering on record, has begun a hunger strike at the Western Wall in an effort to dramatize the plight of his parents, seeking to leave Poland since the 1967 War.

NEWARK (WNS)--The New Jersey Regional Advisory Board of the Anti-Defamation League has announced plans to have each of the State's 400,000 Jews and their non-Jewish friends mail on March 17 a one-pound box of matzoh to the Soviet Ambassador in Washington for distribution to Soviet Jews.

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Religious Affairs Minister Zerach Warhaftig told the Knesset that since 1948 Israel's Orthodox rabbinate has granted 802 Jews the right to take a second wife even though they were neither divorced nor widowed. Rabbi Warhaftig said permission had been granted in cases where the man's first wife was incurably insane; where she had refused to cohabit with him; where she could not conceive and would not accept a divorce.



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