

## JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

JERUSALEM (WNS)--Israel budget for fiscal year 1972-73 beginning April 1, will increase to \$3.78 billion from the current \$3.53 billion, with thirty-three percent of the new budget allocated for defense in the new fiscal year as compared to 39.8 percent currently.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Defense Minister Moshe Dayan told the Knesset that Libyan volunteers were active in Arab terrorists organizations operating in Israel.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi Isser Yehuda Unterman apologized to Chief Rabbi Bent Melchior of Denmark for not having received him while he was in Israel to discuss allegations that conversions performed in Denmark were not in accordance with halacha.

PARIS (WNS)--The Syrian government has no knowledge of the whereabouts of Albert Elias, Lebanese Jewish communal leader who was kidnapped from the streets of Beirut on Sept. 6, 1971 and is reported to be held in a Syrian military prison.

NEW YORK (WNS)--Amendment to the Economic Opportunity Act passed by the House will provide \$50 million for low-income groups, "with particular emphasis on the elderly," living outside of designated poverty areas Rep. James Scheuer (D., N.Y.) told leaders of the American Jewish Congress.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Foremen and longshoremen ended a week-long slowdown at the ports of Haifa and Ashdod which had caused a serious backlog at the peak of the citrus export season.

ROME (WNS)--New editions of the notorious anti-Semitic "Protocols of the Elders of Zion" are being circulated throughout Italy and are on sale in most newspaper stands in large cities.

NEW YORK (WNS)--The Zionist Organization of America has withdrawn from the American Zionist Federation.

LIMA (WNS)--Bolivian authorities have refused to permit Mrs. Beate Klarsfeld, German hunter of Nazi war criminals, and Mrs. Ita Halaunbrenner, a Jewish eye-witness to Klaus Barbie's crimes, to enter that country.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--An Israeli raiding force attacked Arab terrorist bases in southern Lebanon's "Fatahland" the morning of Feb. 24 while Air Force planes struck terrorist concentrations on the Lebanese side of the Lebanese-Syrian border in retaliation for the terrorist attack the night before on a pick-up truck three miles south of the Lebanese-Israeli border.

NEW YORK (WNS)--A new Yiddish language weekly, "Der Algemeiner Journal," published by former members of the Day Jewish Journal, has published its first 10-page issue of 20,000.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Some 2,500 students at the Orthodox sponsored Bar Ilan University began a strike demanding the cancellation of examinations for BA degrees, the lowering of passing grades from 60 to 51 and for student representation on the university's Senate and other academic institutions.

BALTIMORE (WNS)--Sidney Hollander, an industrialist and communal leader died here at the age of 90.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Two Israelis, Albert and Florence Malka of Zaryit, parents of three, were killed when terrorists fired a bazooka shell into their pickup truck at point blank range near Shomera settlement, as they were returning from a Bar Mitzvah celebration in Nahariya.

TEL AVIV (WNS)--Military sources here report sand ramparts on the Egyptian side of the Suez Canal have been built up to heights of sixty feet in some sectors.

BONN (WNS)--Germans share "part of the responsibility for the advancement and development of Israel" because of "what happened in World War II," Chancellor Willy Brandt said in an interview published in the monthly magazine "Tribune."

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