

## JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

NEW YORK -- Most Israelis are strongly opposed to Israel's returning to its pre-1967 boundaries, according to recent public opinion polls reported by the American Jewish Committee.

NEW YORK -- The new Syrian regime of President Hafez al-Assad may be willing to improve conditions slightly for its 4500 Jews living in the country, according to Jacob Stein, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

HAIFA -- Scientists at the Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, have succeeded in doubling the wheat yield in the Hula region of northern Israel - providing farmers there with their first profitable crop in 15 years.

NEW YORK -- The American Jewish Committee called on President Nixon to express to the Soviet Union the "outrage of the American people" at the recent actions of the Soviet government in "seeking to extort high sums of money from Jews with academic or professional training who desire to emigrate to any country, including the U. S."

NEW YORK -- An official delegation of the Synagogue Council of America arrived in Wilkes Barre this morning, to meet with rabbis and community lay leaders and to tour the stricken area to inspect damage to synagogues and Jewish community institutions.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- David Markish said Kaddish at a Moscow crematorium, where Solomon Michaels is buried.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- In a television interview, Defense Minister Moshe Dayan stated his belief that the ouster of Soviet military personnel had increased the chances of an interim Egypt-Israel agreement and that the chance of reaching an agreement with Egypt was better than the chances of reaching a settlement with Jordan.

ATLANTA (WNS) -- Racist John B. Stoner, an avowed anti-Semite and Negro bather, received 30,000 votes in the Democratic primary for U.S. Senator Aug. 8, finishing last.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The Bureau of Statistics reported a record 2,100 injuries in 1,422 road accidents in the month of July.

WASHINGTON -- B'nai Brith condemned as "an incredible form of extortion" the reported action of the Soviet Union imposing "exit fees" on educated Soviet Jews seeking to emigrate.

WASHINGTON -- B'nai Brith today initiated a \$500,000 disaster relief campaign to assist victims of Hurricane Agnes.

NEW YORK -- Seventy-five American youngsters between the ages of 15 and 17 left for Israel this month to take a year of high school study in Israel as participants in the America-Israel Secondary School Program of the Department of Education and Culture of the World Zionist Organization, it was announced by Dr. Abraham P. Gannes, Director of the Department of Education and Culture of the World Zionist Organization American Section, Inc.

NEW YORK -- One of the featured speakers at the 13th Annual Yavneh National Convention at Camp Massad Aleph, Tannersville, Pa, Aug. 31, will be Rabbi David Silver, rabbi of Keshet Israel Synagogue in Harrisburg, Penna.

WASHINGTON -- McGovern campaign headquarters announced the appointment of Richard Cohen as staff director of a special unit to deal with issues of concern to the Jewish community. Cohen is on leave of absence from his post as associate executive director of the American Jewish Congress.

WASHINGTON -- Senator George McGovern called on the Soviet Union to reverse a sentence of three years at hard labor imposed on Jewish engineer Vladimir Markman of Sverdlovsk who was sentenced on charges of "slandering the Soviet system."

### CAB DRIVERS

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cab drivers: "would be most effective in probably settling the strike within days."

Henrikson said he would meet with Dr. James Jones, chairman of the authority, any hour of the day or night to point out why his claim was ethical and justifiable.

Dr. Jones, recently appointed by Gov. Mike O'Callaghan, replied that it would be illegal to meet with Henrikson, but it may be possible to call a special session to air all sides. Jones said it was a matter for the legislature, not his Taxicab Authority.

Henrikson retaliated that the authority controls many other facets of the cabbies, like attire, number of cabs, conditions of vehicles, number of passengers, and even keeps close watch on the speed of the cabs. The authority holds bearings to levy fines of days - off against offenders. If it does all that, reasons Henrikson, why can't it also control the hours to be worked

to give each man equal time on the job?

The union is in favor of this control by the authority and the five unionized companies would benefit, according to Henrikson, who added, "after all, the authority is supported by the cab drivers who are assessed five cents for each trip made, two and a half cents comes from the driver's pay."

The LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE strongly urges the Taxicab Authority to consider this move as quickly as possible, mainly to restore income for 700 families and equally as important, to avert possible serious consequences if the situation should get out of control.

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