

## Maybe. Just Maybe

Israel Foreign Minister Abba Eban said it: "The problem of curbing the terrorists is now our most urgent preoccupation."

Those were the words to the General Assembly of the UN.

Will the UN heed the warning? May be.

Look at what even Soviet Foreign Minister irei A, Gromyko had to say: "It is cer-Andrei A. Gromyko had to say: tainly impossible to condone the acts of terrorism committed by certain elements from among the Palestinian movement which have led, notably to the recent tragic events in Munich.

That from Gromyko, who even while denouncing terrorism was rushing arms to Syria. But the Soviet diplomat's strong condemnation of Arab terrorism is a step forward.

And so is, of course, our own U.S. Secre-tary of State William P. Rogers who in the Un itself called for collective action to deter and to punish international crimes of violence and to act without delay against terrorism. Secretary of State Rogers proposed strong collective action and specific proposals.

Yes, maybe, just maybe the UN will wake up and realize that it must come up with measures with teeth in them that will win in the struggle against international crimes committed by Arab terrorists. These Arab terrorist must be stopped and this may be the last chance the UN has to show it stands for something.

It would be a fitting memorial to the II Israeli athletes in Munich and to Ami Shechori, the Agricultural Attache in the London Israel Embassy who was killed by a letter bomb, if the UN itself took tough action to stop future terror.

Maybe it will.

# Platform Promises

#### BY ROBERT E. SEGAL

With the Presidential election just a few weeks off, we might sharpen the edge of our civic sensitivity a but if we took time to examine the Republican and Democratic platforms in final form.

Much chaff was sorted out before the wheat emerged. Scores of hearings were conducted. Serious students of politics and vigorous champions of a variety of economic, military, and social causes appeared before the platform drafters. America couldn't possibly have suffered by the experience. Indeed, it was a catharsis of merit.

Did you know that both Africa and Cuba are treated in Democratic and Republican platforms? Were you able to find reference to the draft law, which was so much in the news after the conventions were held? Did the sections on crime

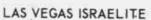
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in the streets and proposals for handling this issue --- so much on the minds of practically all Americans --- strike you as really reassuring and constructive?

Of great interest to every voter are the Republican and Democratic pronouncements on the war in Asia. For the GOP, it seems most important to declare that under no circumstances will the U.S. endure dishonor through Washington's actions with regard to Vietnam. Four months following the release of our prisoners of war, the President would withdraw U.S. armed forces. And the people of Southwest Asia are going to be assured the right to live in peace. The Democrats had quited a different approach: . .we pledge, as the first order of business, an immediate and complete withdrawal of all U.S. forces in Indo-China." And the survival of the South Vietnamese government is not necessarily the cpre of a political settlement.

When one turns to the platform sections on the Middle East, he is hard put to fault either party unless his sympathies are all with the Arabs. The Republicans declare they will "help in any way possible" to bring Israel and the Arab states to the conference table; they pledge to maintain that kind of military balance best calculated to keep the peace; they specify aircraft, training and modern sophisticated military equipment to Israel as well as economic aid. And the Democrats assert that the U.S. "must be eunequivocally committed to support Israel's right to exist within secure and defensible borders," pledging that the American commit-ment to the security and freedom of Israel will be "clear and consistent." Military aid is promised. Jerusalem must be made the capital of Israel, say the Democrats; and the U.S. Embassy should be moved there from Tel Aviv.

Both the Republican and Democratic platforms are firm in support of efforts to facilitate the departure of Soviet Jews.

Yes, the platforms have something for everybody.

And yet ---

This observer continues to search in the platforms and in conversations with friends for a deeply needed reassurance that the President in the four years ahead -- whether a Republican or a Democrat --- will so command the resources, order the priorities, and convince the Congress that our civil strife will decrease, our economy strengthen, our health and welfare needs be met, our peace restored. And with all a special prayer for the preservation of liberties, now not nearly so secure as in certain years in the past.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- The U.S. and Israel signed an agreement under which each would contribute \$30 million for a bi-national science foundation in Israel.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- The United Hias Service reported that 24 Jewish immigrants comprising 13 family units from the USSR, Hungary, Rumania and Poland arrived this week on separate flights. 12224

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the right of its citizens to emigrate.

The Senate effort is an amendment to an east west trade relations bill which would bar "most favored nation" trade status and participation in various U.S. credit programs to nations which deny their citizens the right to emigrate or im-pose prohibitive taxes on such emigration.

The action is aimed at the Soviet Union, which recently imposed an exit visa law demanding a tax of up to \$37,500 on would be emigrants as "Payment for Public Education."

It follows on the heels of a message Sen. Cannon sent to secretary of State William Rogers requesting the administration "To use whatever energies it has available to persuade the Soviet Union to rescind their restrictive policy immediately.

"This latest act is simply a continuation of a long standing policy of persecution of the Jewish people by the Soviet," he said.

Jews in Soviet Russia are deprived , are forced to endure all sorts of hardships because of their religious faith. "Jewish schools have been closed; only a few synagogues remain open and Jews who practice the faith of their fathers openly are subject to all sorts of implied and direct reprisals," Cannon charged. "With this latest "Tax" the Soviet Govern-

ment is willing to make an absolute mockery of one of the fundamental human rights, the right of a citizen of a country to emigrate in peace. This is all that the Soviet Jews ask.'

To which we add, AMEN.



By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

One of the sweetest and ablest Jewish leaders in this country is Dr. Herbert Drooz, originally of Albany, N.Y. and for many years rabbi of Temple Beth Emeth, Wilmington, De.

Like so many others, Rabbi Drooz wants the Israel Bonds effort to be a success. He has couched his appeal so lyrically that I want to share his words with you:

O children of the living God Comforted by His staff and rod, Give a hand to the Land.

Buy Israel Bonds Which, as magic wands, Make desert bloom And homes with room.

Lend your financial sinew That immigration continue: Hospitals and schools, Industry with its tools, Exports and highways, Deep harbors and skyways, Torah and bread,

And a place for a Jewish head.

History calls us, friends, to generous deed, This is the hour. Israel's in need.

As they gladly give their meager substance

And the courage of each son

To secure the Jewish future

For the peace that'll make all men one, Let us, to the Land that's holy

With the race's noblest hope

Bind ourselves with bonds of strength,

And deeds, not words, invoke.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The first public demonstration by Damascus Jews against their oppression by Syrian authorities was reported by Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohen.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- Western intelligence sources indicate that the new Soviet airlift to Syria includes the sophisticated ground-to-air missiles of the SAM-3 type which were installed earlier in the Suez Canal zone and to guard other vulnerable targets in Egypt.

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