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Arab Oil

Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir quipped at a recent state dinner for visiting West German Chancellor Willy Brandt that what Israelis have against Moses is that he brought them to the one place in the Middle East where there is no oil. The fact that the Arab states have oil and Israel doesn't has always been seen by some as a danger to continued United States support of Israel.

Even before the establishment of the State of Israel the so-called "Arab Lobby" in the State Department was warning that U.S. support for a Jewish State would endanger the continued supply of oil from the Middle East.

There are signs now that oil will again be used as a strong point by those who favor a more pro-Arab position for the United States. First we had Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman J. William Fulbright conduct a two-day hearing on the Foreign policy implications of the energy crisis in which witnesses said that the U.S. would be dependent on Middle East oil for the next five to ten years.

Shortly after this Libyan President Muammar Qaddafi announced he was nationalizing an American-owned oil company and gave as his reason continued American support for Israel. The company was a small one but the extreme Arab leader is expected to take similar action against three major American petroleum companies.

Some experts fear Qaddafi's action will cause other oil-producing countries to carry out their old threats. Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, are now conducting major arms supply deals with the U.S., have said they would not increase their oil production unless Washington changed its pro-Israel policy.

But the rich Arab oil countries have never been known for putting their support of their Arab brethren ahead of their economic interest. And as one Israeli official said recently what else can the Arabs do with their oil but sell it.

The danger is not that Arab oil supply will be cut off. The danger is that the threat of this happening will be used to weaken American support of Israel. The American Jewish community will have to be alert that this does not happen.

Here Come Censors

BY ROBERT E. SEGAL

Out on Long Island, the Committee For The Furtherance of Jewish Education reportedly has gone to court in its determination to have "Newsday" run an advertisement the committee has tried to place and pay for.

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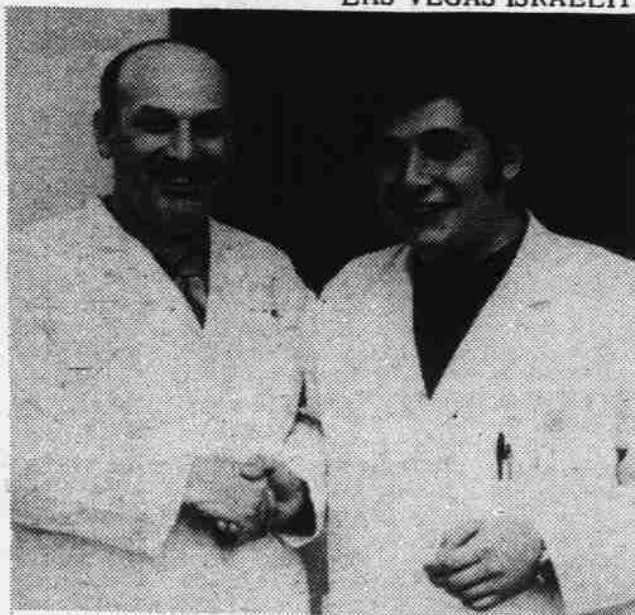
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EIN KAREM, JERUSALEM -- DR. MAURICE YERMISH, LEFT, RECENT IMMIGRANT DENTIST FROM PHILADELPHIA AT THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY - HADASSAH DENTAL SCHOOL HERE, DISCOVERED THAT DR. SIMON BARENSTEIN, NEW OLEH FROM MOSCOW, IS A COUSIN. THE YOUNGER MAN, WHO WITH SIX OTHER RUSSIANS WILL WORK UNDER DR. YERMISH AT THE HADASSAH STAFF DENTAL CLINIC, RECOGNIZED "YERMISH" AS HIS MATERNAL GRANDMOTHER'S NAME.

Not many miles away, the Columbia Broadcasting System at about the same time announced it was dropping the night time suds opera "Bridget Loves Bernie".

In both instances, one issue was intermarriage. Another issue -- at least to a degree -- was censorship. The Jewish complainants in the Long Island case wanted all readers of "Newsday" to know that they considered intermarriage "suicide, national and personal". The Jewish complainants in the CBS matter wanted the TV stations to know they considered an "Abie's Irish Rose" treatment of interfaith romance and eventual marriage as offensive and tasteless.

Strikes us that nobody will argue the point that opposition to the burgeoning phenomenon of Jewish-Christian intermarriage was a major thread running through both matters. But we might get an argument if we insisted as we do that censorship was involved as well.

"Newsday" spokesmen insisted they did not refuse to publish the Jewish Education group's ad; they just wanted to have the composers of the message change the content a bit. But the complainants said no, the court should take "Newsday's" preferential mailing rate privileges and pay \$20,000 in compensatory damages. Was censorship at issue, then, or wasn't it?

And how about those efforts to drive "Bridget Loves Bernie" off the air? If you insist, as one Jewish organization did, that the serial mocks the basic teachings of Judaism, or if you contend, as a second Jewish organization did, that the CBS portrayal was a "demeaning anachronism", are you trying to tell stations they can't run "Bridget"?

Few issues are stickier than censorship --- attempted, pushed, accomplished. For example, not far from where this bundle of opinion originates, a citizens' group descended on a bookstore they abhorred just a few days ago and demanded that the purveyors of pornographic books and magazines close up and get out. "This is our neighborhood," they cried in anger, "and you have no right to try to sell your books here."

How deep run the feelings! CBS decided to cancel "Sticks and Bones", David Rabe's television play about a blind American veteran of the war in Vietnam who found himself unable to abide his family's smugness upon his return. The drama was due to run at the height of Operation POWs Return. Didn't seem like peace with honor for "Sticks and Bones"; so out it went.

Again, over in Michigan, activists more or less under the banner of Women's Liberation, calling themselves Advocates For Medical Information, made a bonfire out of some medical textbooks they didn't care for. Yet it was even-tempered Dwight Eisenhower who pleaded with his countrymen not to join the bookburners.

Where is the power, who has the wisdom to keep the airways free, the libraries intact,

TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"



BY JACK TELL

(Continued from Page 1) in our most debonaire manner. Before she could answer the bartender cropped up from out of nowhere with: "Hi ya, Jack, how did you do Saturday at Sammy Cohen's?"

"Who's the little lady?" we asked nodding at the occupant of the other stool.

"She's here every afternoon," he informed. "Has a few sips while her four kids are splashing in the pool. She's married to the chief of security."

Next, we attempted to start a conversation with stunning gal window shopping. She smiled sweetly in a friendly sort of way, but before we got through introducing ourself, a man who could have been a tackle on the Green Bay Packers took her by the arm with: "Let's hurry dear or we will be late for the lounge show."

We did start a conversation with dream in white playing the nickle slots, and thought we had it made, until she told us she was a psychiatrist, who enjoyed analyzing people.

We realized we must be taking the wrong approach. The only way to get a true line on the prostitute situation was through our long time buddies, the hotel bell hops.

The head bell hop at a major hotel greeted us as we approached. We told him a friend was coming to town and we were wondering if he could line up some female companionship for him.

His quizzical eye supplemented his response. "Lemme know when he gets here, and if I can do any good, I'll phone Bea." That settled that.

We'll probably never know the truth about the prostitution problem in Las Vegas. It bothered us, because the likes of Paul Price goes off to Europe and comes back with actual photos of prostitutes in Rome. They were fat slobs, to be sure, but real, honest-to-goodness, hard-working prostitutes, the caption said.

So we are sorry to inform our readers that, as far as we know from first hand experience, as far as prostitutes are concerned, we have nothing to report.

There are X-rated movie houses, and massage parlors, and smut book stores. The only loose women in Nevada, we know of, are those operating in legal houses of prostitution in upstate counties.

Or maybe there's something wrong with us?

and the advertisements in the newspapers without indulging in censorship? Chances seem good that a part of the answer will come when the Federal Communications Commission succeeds in chasing the new, shocking sex talk shows off all channels and more hard decisions are made by the Supreme Court when that body handles some of the 200 cases before it, dealing with magazines, books, and movies regarded by some as pornographic. Our crowded society, now overwired for sight and sound, is in trouble trying to keep its virtue. But censorship is radical surgery -- perhaps fatal.

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