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Austria's Shameful Deed

Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky is apparently sticking to his shameful capitulation to Arab terrorism by deciding to close down the transit center for Soviet Jews at Schoenau Castle near Vienna. This despite the outrage voiced by Jews and non-Jews throughout the world. Even a personal visit by Israeli Premier Golda Meir, not only a fellow Jew but also a fellow member of the Socialist International, failed to move him.

Dr. Kreisky claims that his decision was made to save lives -- and true it did succeed in freeing the four hostages held 14 hours by Arab terrorists. But what explanation can he offer for a sovereign nation shifting its policy in response to gangsterism? As Pre-sident Nixon said: no nation, large or small, can give in to blackmail.

The Austrian Chancellor did not mitigate his deed by revealing that his government has been considering for some time closing the transit center. Nor can we be placated or reassured by his promise that individual Soviet Jews will be still allowed to come through Austria.

Austria has allowed 70,000 Soviet Jews to transit through Vienna on their way to Israel. Because of its geographical position it has served as the exit point for thousands of Jews and non-Jews fleeing the USSR and Eastern Europe. All this has earned it deserved praise for its humanitarian policy. So why change now?

Was it because of Arab or Soviet pressure? Dr. Kreisky's revelation that it was he who suggested to the terrorists that the center be closed only points to the suspicion that he was looking for an opportunity to change Vienna's policy. There is some indication that the move was in response to pressure from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries which recently set up its marketing organization in Vienna and is contemplating banking facilities there which would be a boon to the Austrian economy.

Regardless of the reasons, Austria has handed Arab terrorists their greatest political victory. A victory so great that Arab countries are openly praising the terrorist action. The fear now is that this capitulation may encourage even worse deeds.

Togetherness

by RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

In an age of abrasive disputatiousness it's good to note instances of friendly harmony. For example, the Reform temple in

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Tarrytown, N. Y., where the rabbi is Paul Siegel houses an Orthodox Congregation.

So does the Reform temple in Manhattan where the tabbi is the president of the Asso-ciation of form Rabbis of the area, Robert Lehman.

In Olean, N. Y., there's a synagogue, which contains both traditionalist and liberal groups, worshipping at different hours under the same roof.

In various parts of the country, Conservative and Reform synagogues are merging.

In other communities, the various synagogues are working together for the benefit of

Hebrew education or youth group guidance. The most recent and most heart-warming example of what might be called Jewish ecumenism occurred in Akron, Ohio,

The Orthodox shul was forced to sell its building and was left without a place to worship for the holy days.

To their rescue came Temple Israel, the Reform congregation, which gathers for the holidays in a theatre in order to accomodate the entire membership at one time.

Temple Israel offered its sister-synagogue, known as Anshe Sefarad its building gratis. There, the Orthodox services took place,

with men and women sitting separately. Spearheading this example of Jewish togetherness was Temple Israel's rabbi, Dr. Morton

Applebaum, a native of Toronto who has long exemplified the ecumenical spirit in Jewish life.

Rhapsodizing about their lucky break, the Orthodox Akronites, in their bulletin, wrote: "We are most grateful to Temple Israel, to its distinguished rabbi, to its Board of Trust-ees, for this noble act of loving kindness." The noble act offsets some of the bitterness abroad.

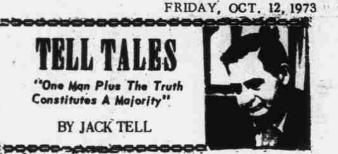
NEW YORK, -- A seventeen-year old Californian. Garv Blair, has been named as the new President of the National Federation of Temple Youth, the teen-age affiliate of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

NEW YORK -- Prof. Y. H. Ritchie, of LA. California, has been appointed Medical Director of the Laniado Hospital, in Kiryat Sanz, Natanya, Israel, it was announced by Sidney Greenwald, Chairman of the Executive Committee.

BRUSSELS (WNS) -- Dr. Jacques Zylberberg, a Belgian Jewish professor who taught sociology at the University of Concepcion in Chile while the government of Dr. Allende Gossens was in power, has been arralvador ested and imprisoned.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3 -- 150,000 members of B'nai B'rith Women expressed their "shock and disbelief" at the Austrian Government's decision to close Schoenau Castle in Vienna, in a strongly worded telegram to Arno Halusa, the Austrian Ambassador to the United States.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Jewish day-schools in New York State will receive \$500,000 worth of textbooks as a result of a state aid to education bill signed by Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller,



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of the war.

The quickest way to end the war is to send as much money as possible to Israel for arms, munitions, planes and supplies. The more in equipment Israel receives as quickly as possible, the better it will be for each and every one of us and all the nations of the world.

Can't you see, for Israel to lose would mean complete annihilation, which is an impossibility. The only salvation for the entire human race, before other nations are drawn into this combat, immediate aid to Israel, who cannot lose,

Perhaps, after this war, the Jews and Arabs will negotiate a lasting peace. We hope so.

(WE'ARE GRATEFULL TO THOSE WHO CALLED ASKING WHERE TO PURCHASE THEIR ISRAEL BONDS. WE REFER THEM, AND FUTURE CALLERS TO OFFICE OF COM-BINED JEWISH APPEAL - ISRAEL EMER-GENCY FUND, AT 846 E. SAHARA, PHONE ASK FOR SHIRLEY KRAVITZ.) 734-1203.

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WASHINGTON (WNS) to get most favored na--By a voice vote, the tion status for the So-House Ways and Means Committee has adopted the Mills-Vanik Amendment requiring that the ier warned at a press Soviet Union relax emigration restrictions on sult of the House comm-Jews and others before ittee's action "the most it can be granted most favored nation trade be - uld have to be raised, nefits the U.S. by

M. Jackson, is pending in the Senate where it mises. has over-whelming support.

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pressure the Soviet Union to make internal changes without risking damages to improved tration would try hard relations with Moscow.

NEW YORK! The Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry is making available to schools, communities and organizations video tape copies of its weekly New York television program, "The Plight of Soviet Jewry." A two-week tape rent-al is free, with a nominal \$5 pre-paid charge for postage and insurance. The Student Struggle is at 200 West 72nd Street; suites 30-31; New York, N.Y. 10023.

NEW YORK Hadassah members spending at least three months in Florida will now be fully integrated into local Hadassah activities at no additional expense, Rose Goldman, national membership chairman has announced.

NEW YORK -- A three week confrontation between the residents of Migdal Ha-emek, Israel and the managers of the local Beged Or factory has been ended and Sabbath work permits will no longer be issued to Beged Or, thereby insuring its remaining closed on the Sabbath.

LOS ANGELES -- Prof. Jagdish Mehra, world renowned authority on the history of physics, is serving as symposia director for the Tel Aviv University Decennial Assembly which will be held in Los Angeles on Sunday, October 14.

NEW YORK -- A new service--an information retrieval system called the "Creative-Innovative Program Bank" - has been developed by the National Jewish Welfare Board for its affiliated Jewish Community Centers.