

ISRAELI POWs MURDERED
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the Israelis when he relayed this message. Meanwhile pressure continued in the U.S. to force Syria to release the names of POWs and to allow the Red Cross to visit them. In New York a large tent surrounded by pictures of Israeli POWs and Soviet Jewish prisoners of conscience was set up in Times Square by the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry and the American Zionist Federation. The mothers of two Israelis now being held in Syria were joined by students from Tours and Stern colleges in a noontime ceremony that included the symbolic lighting of a Chanukah menorah. William Hugget, author of the novel, "Body Count," and an authority on the treatment of American POWs in Vietnam, who just returned from Israel, called Syrian brutalities the worst he has ever seen.

At the same time the mother, wife and father of three Israeli soldiers captured by the Syrians are continuing their appeal for American support in getting Syria to publish the POW list. The three met with United Nations Assistant Secretary General Roberto Guyer who assured them that he viewed the POW issue with "utmost concern" and was cooperating with the International Red Cross in this matter. The trio urged UN action. They said they found understanding and sympathy among Congressmen whom they met in Washington and among religious and community leaders with whom they discussed the plight of the POWs. The two parents said their sons were identified in photographs taken on Oct. 15 by German and Dutch cameramen as among a group of 32 POWs publicly exhibited by the Syrians. At a press conference by the Israeli consulate in New York at which the three Israelis appeared, Israel's Consul General David Rivlin, said that Syria's attitude is "a flagrant violation of any decent behavior."

In Philadelphia, booths in five key locations in the city's center featured during Chanukah, pictures of Syrian atrocities against Israeli POWs and persons staffing the booths are gathering signatures on a petition to be sent to UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim. In Paris, the well-known French author and philosopher, Simone de Beauvoir, condemned the Syrian refusal to release the names of the POWs as "inhuman behavior" and said that if Damascus continues to flout the Geneva Conventions it deserves to be called "barbaric."

**STORMY DEBATE
ENDORSES PEACE PARLEY**

JERUSALEM (WNS)- After a stormy debate the Knesset endorsed the government's participation in the Geneva peace conference by a 50-19 vote. The vote split along party lines with the Labor Alignment, the Independent Liberals and some left-wing opposition factions backing the government and the Likud opposition against.

**KISSINGER BORDER
STATEMENT DENIED**

JERUSALEM (WNS) - A newspaper report that Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger told a group of American Jewish intellectuals and academics in Washington that Israel would have to withdraw to its pre-1967 borders was denied by a top ranking Israeli official. The report in Maariv was by its correspondent Yuval Elizur, who is also the Israeli correspondent for the Washington Post. Elizur said Kissinger met with the group which included four Harvard professor and Norman Podhoretz, editor of Commentary, in the hope they would use their influence on Israel.

Podhoretz said in New



AMERICAN STUDENTS, WHO ARE STUDYING AT THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM, HAVE TAKEN UPON THEMSELVES THE TASK OF BOOSTING THE MORALE OF SOLDIERS WOUNDED IN HOSPITALS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, HERE (L-R)--- HELENE GOLDEN OF FAIR LAWN, N.J., REBECCA CHRONIS OF LAS VEGAS, NEV.; LIYA STERN OF BALTIMORE, MD.; AND NAT ROTHMAN OF MILFORD, CONN. ENTERTAIN WOUNDED AT THE HADASSAH UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL IN JERUSALEM.

York that Kissinger had and the U.S. for missing tactical victory but not discussed borders "golden opportunities" suffered a strategic defeat in the Yom Kippur War. Elizur said that Kissinger blamed both Israel and said Israel won a War.

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