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Detente and Soviet Jews

Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger was somewhat over-dramatic in opposing the Jackson before the Senate Finance Amendment He warned that if the Soviet Union Committee. was denied trade benefits because of its restrictions on Jewish emigration this would lead to the collapse of detente and the increased possibility of a nuclear holocaust.

We doubt there is a Jewish leader who does not support a policy of achieving a true detente with the Soviet Union. There is no argument with Kissinger's statement that we must have detente because both U.S. and the USSR "have the capability to destroy each other and most of the world in the process,"

But coexistence is a two-way street and there must be some sigh from the USSR that it is willing to give up something for peace So far there has been no such sign. They supported the Arabs wholeheartedly in the Yom Kippur War and only called in the spirit of detente when Syria and Egypt were seen to be close to defeat. One wonders if the Kremlin would have summoned Kissinger to Moscow if the Egyptian and Syrian armies were as close to Tel Aviv as the Israelis were to Damascus and Cairo.

Kissinger seems to be willing to overlook much. Not only the Soviet restriction on Jewish emigration but also the repression of applicants for emigration and Soviet dissidents and even its role in the Yom Kuppur War,

At the European Security Conference, the then British Foreign Secretary, Sir Alec Douglas-Home said the people of Europe want to see a free movement of people and ideas between East and West Europe. This is what the struggle for Soviet Jewry is about, the right for people to leave a country and go somewhere else.

Kissinger has argued that denying trade benefits would be "counterproductive" and might result in ending what little emigration there is now. David Rockefeller, chairman of the Chase Manhattan Bank, added his support re-cently by saying that the USSR is "very eager for detente and it would be too bad for economic relations to fall" over concern for Jewish emigration and human rights in the USSR.

But as Sen. Henry Jackson (D. Wash.) and other supporters of the amendment which carries his name have argued, this is the very time to press the Soviet Union to relax its restrictions. If the USSR really does need trade with the U.S. then it should be willing to grant what is after all nothing more than a fundamental human right.

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AZA is Fifty

by RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

AZA is turning fifty.

Breathes there a Jew with soul so atrophied that he doesn't remember some contact with AZA?

AZA, just in case you don't know, is the junior edition of B'nai B'rith,

AZA was the place where many a teenager got his first tast of belonging to a Jewish club.

I'll wager half of the leaders of UJA, Israel Bonds, B'nai B'rith, synagogue organizations cut their eye teeth as members and officers of the AZA chapters which cover this country.

AZA's history buzzes with the names of those three B's, Julius Bisno, Sam Beber and Dr. Max Baer (who to this day is the No. 1 professional of the AZA with offices in that beautiful B'nai B'rith headquarters, 1640 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., which you ought to visit the next time you're in the nation's capital).

Jack Spitzer, a conscientious Jewish leader from Seattle, heads the celebrational hierarchy for AZA's golden anniversary.

High point of the observance will be gala festivities May 3 to 6 in the Arlinton Park Towers, an eighth of a tankful outside of Chicago.

In the meantime, all through the country (and the rest of the world, for B'nai B'rith is global) there will be gatherings, replete with nostalgia and sentimentality, and downright wholesome resolutions to keep alive the flame of joyous Judaism. Your own synagogue will probably have an AZA Sabbath eve. Be sure to attend and help to salute one of the finest organizations ever created by the American Jewish community.

And if you want to know what the letters, AZA, stand or AZApik. stand for, talk to your neares rabbi

PARIS (WNS) -- France has officially invited Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban to visit Paris and confer with President Georges Pompidou and French aides.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- More than 2000 Jewish cemeteries in Eastern Europe, most of them in the Soviet Union, are scheduled to be confiscated and destroyed, according to Rabbi Moses Rubin, president of the World Conference of European Rabbis.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Thousands of Israelis came to the military cemetery on Mount Herzl for a memorial service for soldiers believed to have been killed in action but whose graves are unknown.



"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL

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It is this "strange" turnover of opinion by Greenspun, along with a turnover of \$10, 000,000 in cash between Hughes' arrival and departure, which keeps us interested in rethe facts and setting the record straight. The story to us and our readers is not Hughes, but Greenspun, and the strange and unusual circumstances of a daily newspaper being prostituted and its publisher sinning and erring. Unless and until that story is unearthed in its entirety, it will not be Hughes or Greenspun, who will be hurt the most. It may cost Hughes some money, and Greenspun may lose his reputation and perhaps his liberty, but the bulk of the damage will descend on the gambling state of Nevada and the Jewish Community of Las Vegas, of which Greenspun is an acknowledged leader.

Within the past two weeks a Pulitzer Prize reporter, formerly with the N. Y. Times, was in town to do a story on Greenspun. It was not the usual planted blurbs about the publisher. This reporter wanted the gut facts. He made several phone calls but we politely ducked meeting him. Our main concern was that this talented man might possibly bring discredit to the state and community we cherish. We just could not take the chance. There was too much at stake in our national reputation.

All of you are well aware of the association between Greenspun and syndicated columnist Jack Anderson, who is a stockholder in the Las Vegas Sun. If Greenspun has no regard for the welfare of our citizens by spreading across the nation, distortions of the disaster he created here for his own selfish gains, it will be on his own conscience, along with the untold millions in cash he wangled out of Hughes, via Maheu.

Greenspun, who is far more involved than Maheu, with Hughes, has adopted the military adage, the best defense is a strong offense. It appears that a strong offense is Greenspun's ONLY defense. Unfortunately, Greenspun's offense is most offensive to those who understand and know his motives.

For instance: Greenspun states that Hughes' departure from Las Vegas "started a fire that has caused trouble for many and may result in double trouble for himself, before it burns itself out."

We refute that with, it was not Hughes' departure that caused trouble. It was Maheu's refusal to be dismissed that caused the trouble. We truly feel sorry for him. Any man who blows a \$10,000 a week job deserves sympathy. Maybe it was the company Maheu kept?

At the request of Maheu's attorney, the \$50,000,000 suit in Las Vegas for alleged breach of employment is being kept in abeyance until the outcome of the current slander case in Los Angeles. Hughes' attorneys concede that Hughes' statement: "Maheu stole me blind," is legal slander and also that Hughes said it in a telephone conversation with newspapermen. The defense to that statement is proving its truth, which is before a California Federal Court right now.

Greenspun states it was Hughes' Tool Co. directors who kindled the fire. How? Why? All they were attempting to do, and succeeded, was to take control of \$300,000,000 of Hughes' properties as directed by their boss.

Greenspun maintains that: "it only takes a few witnesses to prove a case, and any more is for the purpose of confusing the issue," We do not know about that. This case involves \$17.3 million claimed and \$4.4 million counterclaimed. All competent witnesses are vital and necessary. Certainly witnesses involving destroyed records are important.

Greenspun states its: "The oldest legal trick in the book. If you can't convince a jury, confuse them." Greenspun may not have much faith in judges and lawyers as he contended on previous occasions. But we do. We believe U.S. Judge Harry Pragerson, who

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