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ISRAELI PREMIER GETS PLEDGE OF CONTINUING SUPPORT FROM FORD

PRESIDENT'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- President Ford in his first Rosh Hashana message to American Jewry said "On the occasion of the High Holy Days, it is my pleasure to send special greetings to my fellow Americans of the Jewish faith. Your inheritance of accumulated wisdom and moral precepts makes you strong guardians of the ideals of righteousness, justice and human dignity. This has given you a special sensitivity to the social needs of each generation. And this has also been the guiding force behind your impressive contributions to the vitality of our American democracy.

"These solemn days of worship which you celebrate have a message for all Americans. They exhort us to search our soul, to render an inner accounting, and a self-examination of the standards we profess and the actions we perform. They invite us to return to righteousness and truth and to a rebirth in the spirit of neighborliness and brotherhood. They remind us that we are in God's hands and that he has given us our lives in trust to use in his service.

"At a time which urgently tests our will as a people to put humanity's interest above self-interest, we can be greatly sustained and guided by the traditions of valor and resilience that mark the history of the Jewish people."

ARABS LOADED WITH ARMS, BUT ISRAEL IS "ABLE TO MANAGE"

NEW YORK (WNS) -- The mass of arms the Soviet Union has supplied the Arab states is "more than NATO possesses today," Israeli Defense Minister Shimon Peres told some 150 persons attending a dinner meeting of the Greater New York Israel Bond Campaign.

Peres said the Arabs have 2000 tanks and 1500 jet fighters more than Nato and their 24 divisions and more than the 23 which the U.S. has. But Peres said that in spite of the economic, military and political power of the Arabs, Israel was "able to manage in the past" and is "able to manage today" and in the future because "we possess inner strength and conviction."

Earlier in Montreal, Peres told a meeting of 140 Israeli students that Arabs are preparing for war because of the present campaign being waged by the terrorist organizations against Israel; the possible rejection by Syria of the extension of the mandate for the United Nations forces in the buffer zone between Israel and

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- President Ford, during a 7-hour meeting with Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin, reaffirmed the framework of the ongoing military relationship between the United States and Israel.

Israel is believed to be discussing the types of weapons it wants.

The White House said the meeting involved "a general discussion" of the Middle East but did not disclose details. However, a further meeting between the two leaders was scheduled.

Earlier, Ford, in welcoming Rabin to Washington at a glittering ceremony on the south lawn of the White House, Ford pledged continuing support to Israel. Rabin replied that he was confident of returning to Jerusalem assured of American cooperation for his country and advancement on the road to peace.

Ford praised Rabin as the "leader of a great country" noting that "the United States is proud of its association with Israel." When the President declared, "We shall continue to stand with the State of Israel," he was greeted with applause from the 1500 persons on the lawn. Rabin, in his response, indicated he will seek assurance of a continued strong Israel to ensure peace in the Middle East.

Alluding to Israel's economic, diplomatic and military problems, Rabin told Ford, "You can appreciate the weight on my shoulders." Rabin noted that since the creation of the Jewish State "Israel has received the support of the United States and it will be recorded forever in the annals of our country." He said despite the recent test of arms, "Israel is prepared to

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TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth
Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



An Explanation of Jewish High Holydays

(Because the LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE has a very high proportion of Gentile readers, and even to enlighten some of the Jewish Faith who may not be too familiar with the details, we submit this space to an article by one of our favorite columnists, Rabbi Sam Silver of Temple Sinai, Stamford, Conn., to tell us what the Jewish High Holidays are all about. J.T.)

By Rabbi Samuel M. Silver

Every autumn the Jewish people observe what are known as the High Holidays.

This is a period of ten days beginning with Rosh Hashana, which means New Year, and ending with Yom Kippur, the day of Atonement.

The Jewish New Year has nothing to do with the calendar year. Jews regard January the First as the beginning of the regular year, as everyone else does.

The term, new year, is used by the Jews at this time to mean the new effort which they make to correct mistakes they may have made in the past. It is a new year of conscience, not the calendar.

Actually, the time when we get going all over again on duties and tasks temporarily suspended in the autumn. That's when school starts again after the summer vacation; that's when organizations start their activities again. It's a more logical break in the year than January the First.

At that important time, when the summer is over and the brisk breezes of Fall begin to arouse us, that the Jewish people take time out to try to stir themselves to improve the quality of their deeds.

They do this at worship services in their synagogues. They recite prayers thanking God for giving men and women the power to tell right from wrong. They sit silently and think about the errors they may have committed. They sing hymns in which the idea of forgiving others is emphasized. They listen to the rabbi who reminds them that believing in God means trying to make use of the powers for goodness and mercy which are deposited in all of us, but which we sometimes neglect. They hearken to the Shofar, which is a ram's horn, with a rousing sound, designed to awaken the conscience that might be slumbering.

On the tenth day of this period of penitence, or repentance, there takes place the observance

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JEWISH MILITARY LAY LEADER ASSISTS CHAPLAIN AT ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES. THE NATIONAL JEWISH WELFARE BOARD, WHICH RECRUITS, ENDORSES AND SERVES JEWISH CHAPLAINS AND MILITARY LAY LEADERS, REPORTS THAT THERE ARE 58 FULL-TIME JEWISH CHAPLAINS, 235 PART-TIME JEWISH CHAPLAINS, 138 MORE IN THE RESERVES, AND 280 JEWISH MILITARY LAY LEADERS.

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