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ISRAEL WILL NOT NEGOTIATE WITH PLO, AND US WILL NOT PRESSURE

24 JEWS IN CONGRESS, 2 GOVS.

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- Voters on November 5th election elected two Jewish governors, three United States Senators and at least 21 members of the House of Representatives, nine more than the present 12.

The two governors were both incumbent Democrats, Milton Shapp in Pennsylvania and Marvin Mandell in Maryland. But in Michigan the Jewish candidate on the Democratic ticket, State Senator Sander Levin, narrowly lost to Republican incumbent Governor William G. Milliken, who was helped by on-the-scene campaigning by President Ford.

In the Senate, New York Republican Jacob K. Javits was returned to his fourth six-year term and Connecticut Democrat Abraham Ribicoff was re-elected to his third term. Florida elected a Jew to the Senate for the first time, Richard B. Stone, a Democrat, winning a tight race. A fourth Jewish Senatorial candidate, John Marshall, editor and publisher of the Scottsdale "Daily Progress," lost in Arizona to Republican Barry Goldwater who was re-

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ISRAEL DEVALUES POUND, PRICES SOAR

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The government devalued the Pound this weekend and instituted a series of economic emergency measures that included an IL 1 billion cut in the national budget.

The Israeli currency, which is based on the U.S. dollar, is now worth IL 6 to a dollar instead of 4.20. Viewed another way, the Pound is now worth 16-1/2 cents instead of the previous 42 cents.

The immediate consequence of the devaluation was a steep hike in the prices of consumer goods, and protests, including a riot, by the workers. The prices for some consumer goods, such as sugar, were increased three-fold. Many items, such as bread, and home heating fuel almost doubled. The price of chicken increased by 22 percent. Electricity rates are scheduled to increase by 70 percent, and bus and taxi fares are slated to jump 40 percent.

Several hundred Tel Aviv slum dwellers in the Hatikvah section rioted against the soaring prices. Crowds smashed their way into shops and supermarkets shouting "We want sugar." The rioters also attacked buses.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Premier Yitzhak Rabin told the Knesset Israel will not negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organization but is determined to negotiate a West Bank settlement with Jordan.

Rabin said the Arab summit in Rabat had strengthened Israel's determination not to deal with the PLO because if Israel talked with the terrorist organizations it would give "legitimization" to both its methods and aim. "Israel will not recognize those who plot against its very existence," the premier said.

He said Israel will be watching Jordan closely to see if she will surrender to terrorist dictates. Rabin also stressed that Israel will watch Egypt to see if President Anwar Sadat agrees to the demands of other Arab states not to agree to further separate Israeli-Egyptian talks. Rabin warned Arab leaders that neither threats nor acts of violence, nor full scale war, could solve the Palestinian problem.

Dr. Elimelech Rimalt, an MK and Likud leader, said the Rabat conference should cause the government to change its policy since Rabat proved the failure of American policy in the Middle East.

Meanwhile Ambassador Simcha Dinitz arrived from Washington saying that the American government is aware of Israel's position not to negotiate with the PLO. He said there is no indication that the U.S. is pressing or suggesting that Israel change its position.

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ORT SABBATH AT TEMPLE FRIDAY



PREPARING FOR ORT SABBATH, NOVEMBER 15 AT TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM, ARE FROM LEFT, SARALYN ZUCKER, CO-CHAIRMAN; RABBI PHILIP SHNAIRSON; SHIRLEY SUTTER, CHAIRMAN; AND JANET SOBEL, ORT SABBATH GUEST SPEAKER.

Tribute to the global (Organization for vocational education Rehabilitation through program of ORT (Continued on Page 7)

TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth
Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



The Kiss of Death

Here's our version of the Nevada elections, and as usual, the Las Vegas Sun, its publisher Hank Greenspun and columnist Paul Price played vital, negative roles in determining the outcome of some key races.

The brilliant political career of Lieut. Gov. Harry Reid was snuffed out by the continuous barrage of front page Sun editorials blasting the background of former Gov. Paul Laxalt, with little or no reference to the issues. It was the Kiss of Death for Reid who lost by a scant 616 votes, making Paul the only Republican senator to fill a Democrat's seat in the nation. It is too bad Harry completely ignored the readers of the LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE, while Paul appealed to them with stories and ads. In a race that close it could have been the determining factor.

In the Tom O'Donnell-Jerry Kaufman contest for District Judge, Paul Price, a friend of O'Donnell's, started ripping into Kaufman away back during the primary when the office wasn't even involved. We remarked that the surest way to defeat incumbent O'Donnell was for Price to keep cutting up Kaufman. Paul, evidently took our advice and switched his poisonous barbs to attacking Jim Brennan seeking to unseat Judge William Compton. The net result was a victory for O'Donnell and a defeat for Compton by 452 votes. There's a lesson in here somewhere for future candidates, who may have the false impression that Price rapping an opponent is an asset. It doesn't work in Nevada.

In the governor's race, with Mike O'Callaghan being declared the winner to retain his post, even before the polls closed, according to CBS, Hank Greenspun pulled the stinkiest, dirtiest, yellow journalism stunt of the year. On the Monday before Tuesday's election, the entire front page of the Sun was occupied by an expose of Independent American candidate James Ray Houston. It was a good story, if true, pointing out the fallacy of Houston's silver business. Our only objection was the timing of the piece, especially after the Sun had cautioned voters not to be swayed by last minute charges against candidates, who would not have time to answer before the election.

It was a typical Greenspun stunt, which apparently drew the disgust of a great many Nevada citizens because four days after the election the Sun ran a front page editorial, lamely defending the despicable act. As in the case of Spiro Agnew and Watergate, the

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YAHRTZEITS TONIGHT AT BETH SHOLOM

(Friday, Nov. 15, 1974)

Jacob Seideman
Dr. Joseph Josephson
Bert Elias
Rabbi C. Hoffenberg
Abe Rosenblum
Isaac Goldstein
Kalman Rabinowitz
Isaac Geisinger
Abraham Paul
H. B. Davis

Anna Harmell
Sara Gital Hollick
Anna Blatt
Bessie Suranowitz
Janice J. Epstein
Anna Leppo
Jenny Marcus
Rebecca Toscher
Rose Margolis
Mildred W. Nussman
Goldy Rose Horwitz
Yetta Vodovoz
Rebecca Schonberg
Thelma Banks Rae
Sarah Flashman
Ella Celia Zumar
Anna Stendig