

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

PHILADELPHIA -- The flowering of Jewish life during the so-called "Golden Age" is strikingly presented in THE JEWS OF MOSLEM SPAIN by Eliyahu Ashtor (Volume I), recently issued by The Jewish Publication Society of America. Volume 2 is scheduled to appear next year.

CHICAGO -- Meeting during a week when the Palestine Liberation Movement and Assir Arafat held the podium at the United Nations, a drastic devaluation of Israel's currency underscored the most severe fiscal problems in its history, and when a domestic incident momentarily raised dormant questions of anti-Semitism, 2,200 delegates attending the CJF's four day 43 General Assembly in a series of resolutions pledged their "maximum aid" in behalf of Israel's unprecedented needs, support of urgent local and national service programs and their "determination to upgrade the quality of Jewish life" for the Jewish communities of North America.

NEW YORK -- In the face of heightened border tension in the Middle East, Dr. Joseph P. Sternstein, president of the Zionist Organization of America told his National Executive Committee that "the U.S. must see as its obligation to keep Israel militarily strong and able to repulse the threats of the Communist-Arab Axis."

TEL AVIV -- Israel's largest textile combine has been created by Clal (Israel) Ltd. from the recent merger of three major cotton producing mills.

TEL AVIV -- The devaluation of Israel's currency is resulting in a heavy demand for condominium apartments in Israel by overseas residents who now obtain significantly more for their dollar or other foreign exchange.

KIAMESHA LAKE, NEW YORK -- The 2000 delegates participating in the Convention of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism, voted to allow women, in effect, to be counted in the Minyan (the quorum required for synagogue or group prayer) and to be called up to make the blessing at the Reading of the Torah.

TEL AVIV (MDA) -- During the terrorist attack at Beit-Shean, delegates participating in the B'nai B'rith Triennial Convention in Israel, donated blood at the Magen David Adom Central Blood Bank in Jaffa to help the innocent victims and to express their bond and commitment to Israel and its people.

CHICAGO -- The Rabbinical Advisory Council of the United Jewish Appeal approved a resolution calling upon the American rabbinate "to lead the American Jewish community in recognizing that the needs for the survival of the people of Israel and their human needs constitute our first priority now."

The 100th anniversary of the birth of Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, founder of the American Jewish Congress and World Jewish Congress, will be marked at a dinner Sunday evening, December 1, in the Waldorf-Astoria.

NEW YORK -- Dr. Mervyn Gotsman, an associate of Dr. Christian Barnard, who worked with him in South Africa on the first heart transplants, has been appointed Head of the Cardiology Department of the Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center.

TEL AVIV - David M. Blumberg of Knoxville, Tennessee, was re-elected President of B'nai B'rith, the International Jewish Service Organization.

NEW YORK CITY -- Children throughout the N. Y. Metropolitan area will be learning some of the messages and history of Hanukkah in a special way once again this year, by dialing the telephone. (212) 999-2929.

NEW YORK -- A unique afternoon Hebrew school designed to accommodate Jewish public school children has been established by the Jewish Education Program of Zeirei Agudath Israel, as a pilot project for another front in JEP's battle to win uncommitted youngsters to Torah Judaism.

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