

**NOW JEWS CAN CONSERVE ENERGY**

In order that the United States could act in the Middle East and elsewhere without fear of oil blackmail, Harold M. Jacobs, President of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, called upon the American Jewish community and the orthodox synagogue to set up efforts to conserve energy, by implementing the five point program he introduced last winter:

1. All synagogue programs should be re-evaluated with an eye toward consolidation of schedules, e.g. running different meetings simultaneously or during Talmud Torah hours, to reduce the time that heating and lighting need be used. Where practical synagogue office hours should be reduced, and small meetings and functions should be held in private homes when the synagogue would otherwise be closed.
2. Suburban synagogue parking lots should be used as staging areas for car pools to and from central business and shopping districts. Synagogue daily prayer schedules can be coordinated accordingly.
3. Congregants should be urged to curtail their own private use of energy, particularly on the Sabbath, when the use of energy is severely restricted by Jewish law. Congregants should be encouraged to walk to the synagogue at every opportunity, instead of using their cars.
4. Synagogue thermostats should be reset to the minimum tolerable levels (start at 65 degrees and work up a degree at a time, if necessary). Lighting and heating should be turned off in all unused rooms and areas. Outdoor display and ornamental lighting should be turned off when not absolutely necessary. Air conditioning should be used sparingly, with the thermostat at the highest comfortable setting.
5. All synagogue building and re-modeling designs should be reviewed to insure maximum use of thermal insulation and existing light, so that the building would consume a minimum of energy when in operation. Heating and cooling systems should be chosen with an eye toward maximum fuel economy and flexibility.

**JDC SETS 1975 BUDGET AT \$29,935,000**

NEW YORK (WNS) -- More than 500 Jewish community leaders from the United States and Canada, attending the 60th anniversary meeting of the Joint Distribution Committee, adopted a budget of \$29,935,000 for the JDC in 1975. Jack D. Weiler, of New York, was elected chairman of the JDC, succeeding Edward Ginsberg, of Cleveland, who served in the post for three years. Judge Nochem S. Winnet, of Philadelphia, was elected to succeed Weiler as Chairman of the National Council and Marshall M. Weinberg, of New York, was elected Vice Chairman of the Council. More than one-third of the JDC budget will be used in Israel where the agency serves about 120,000 people, Weiler told the meeting. He said the JDC will be called upon to expend its health and welfare services there because of Israel's heavy defense burden in addition to providing for the security and well-

being of its people and for its ten of thousands of Soviet Jews expected to arrive in 1975. In Western Europe, Weiler said, the JDC will emphasize helping the French Jewish community to integrate large numbers of newcomers, mainly from North Africa, and the care and maintenance of transmigrants in Italy and Austria. He said these programs aiding close to 70,000 people would cost \$3,790,000. JDC will also allocate nearly 25 percent of its budget, more than \$7 million to aid some 155,000 people through JDC operations in Rumania and Yugoslavia and in relief-in-transit programs. Close to \$4 million has been allocated to the Arab and Moslem countries to aid about 35,000 needy Jews. Samuel L. Haber, JDC's executive vice-chairman, said that by the end of 1974, JDC will have aided some 400,000 persons at a cost of \$30,554,000. IF YOUR BUSINESS CANNOT AFFORD TO ADVERTISE THEN ADVERTISE IT FOR SALE IN THE LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE.

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