

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The World Zionist Organization has launched a worldwide campaign to emphasize Israel's achievements in face of its many difficulties.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Rabbi Arthur Schneier, president of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, has reported that Soviet authorities have given assurance that there will be no repetition of the incident in which police drove out Sabbath-Passover worshippers from Moscow's central synagogue.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- Egypt is using the intense Israeli desire to recover the bodies of Israeli soldiers killed during the Yom Kippur War to force Israel to release Egyptian terrorists. Israel has returned to Egypt 92 imprisoned terrorists, though not those convicted of murder charges, and 50 of their relatives, in exchange for Egyptian promises to return the bodies of Israeli war dead.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- If American military aid was to be cut back, Israel was prepared to produce 50 percent of its weapons, Defense Minister Shimon Peres said in interviews here.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- The Israeli Writers Association ended its biannual convention with an appeal to Jewish writers throughout the world to rally around and support Israel.

ARAD, the Negev, (WUP) -- Large shale deposits near this town in the Negev Judean mountains may offer an economically feasible source of energy, according to a preliminary study by Prof. Yehoshia Schachter of Bar-Ilan University.

NEW YORK (WUP) -- Congressman Edward I. Koch will appear as the principal speaker on Sunday morning, April 13, at the cornerstone sealing ceremonies for the new \$1,000,000 Sutton Place Synagogue - Jewish Center for the United Nations held in the temporary headquarters, 224 East 52nd Street, close by the world organization.

NEW YORK (WUP) -- A 115-year old building which, just prior to the Civil War, was used as a refuge for Southern Blacks smuggled north by the underground railway, was dedicated April 6 as the new and permanent sanctuary of The Brotherhood Synagogue on West 13th Street.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- Congress will continue to provide American aid to Israel, Rep. Thomas O'Neill, (D. Mass.), the Democratic majority whip in the House, said here.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Speakers at a ceremony marking the 32nd anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising and commemorating the six million Jews killed by the Nazis urged that the Holocaust be remembered and warned that it could happen again.

NEW YORK -- The thirtieth anniversary of the liberation of the Mauthausen, the largest concentration camp in Austria, May 5, will be marked by the laying of a cornerstone for a monument to the thousands of Jews who died there.

NEW YORK -- Shifra Kutner Early Breast Cancer Detection Clinic in Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Hospital has just completed 3 years of service. It has taken on the challenge of educating Israeli women to the need for regular cancer check-ups and speedy treatment.

NEW YORK -- Six outstanding Bible students, first and second prize winners of last year's National Bible Contest, which was held in New York, left for Israel April 6 to take part in the International Bible Contest held annually in Jerusalem as part of the Yom Ha'atzmaut -- Independence Day -- celebrations.

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- While declaring that President Ford is a "great friend of Israel," Likud opposition leader Menachem Begin declared that blaming Israel for Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger's failure to achieve an agreement between Israel and Egypt was an "absolutely unfair judgement" and a "gross injustice."

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Humor and Irony

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A people's status, especially in a time of danger, a country's reactions to calamities, is inexplicably expressed in humor.

Jewry had many weapons in most critical times always including a sense of humor. Because the Jew was able to laugh at himself, to satirize even when in danger, he was able to find succor in misery.

After every conflict in Israel, there were humorous stories, poking fun, retaining faith in an inevitable emergence of an indestructible power.

As in earlier crises, Israel is not in panic today but in the main it is humorless. There is a measure of galgenhumor, the joke of the gallows, especially among the youth who have become fatalists. There is concern, great anxiety, and this shows an increase with the lack of a lighter vein.

Israel's new developments are marked, however, by an unrelenting irony expressed by cartoonists. No one is immune from their barbs. The public official is not spared.

A typical example is the cartoon that showed Yigal Allon with a sling, searching for a stone to fight the Phillistines. Suddenly his gaze fell on an Even -- Hebrew for stone, and the image Allon saw being that of Abba Eban. It was a commentary on Eban being called back into action to do battle with Israel's enemies in the Diaspora.

One who searched for galgenhumor will find it in another cartoon, that speculated on Henry A. Kissinger, Kissinger's shuttle diplomacy. Caricatured are Israelis speculating on the type of message Kissinger sought from Israel for Sadat and it winds up with the anticipation that it could be "a suicide note."

This is not poking fun expressing agony, yet it expresses unavoidable and expectant resentment.

Will there be genuine humor in the months ahead? When it emerges it will prove more total normality in Israel's existence.

NEW YORK -- The Masada-of-ZOA youths, collected 40 cartons of toys and shipped them to Israel Passover week.



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NEW YORK -- Bernice Stander has been named Regional Director of the New York - New Jersey area of the American Zionist Federation.

NEW YORK -- A recommendation that Arabian American Oil Company be required to register as a foreign agent because of its activities in trying to change American policy in the Middle East at the specific order of Saudi Arabia was made by PERSPECTIVE, a Washington newsletter, in its first number.

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Edward Sanders the immediate past President of the Jewish Federation-Council of Los Angeles, is the new President of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee.

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