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Silence on Lebanon

The tragedy of Lebanon should shatter the illusion of those "objective" individuals and countries that have seen some merit in the Palestine Liberation Organization's call for a democratic, secular state in what is now Israel. With the help of the PLO, the only democratic and secular state in the Arab world is being destroyed.

Yet the charade in the Security Council went on with denunciations of Israel, and not a word about Lebanon. The PLO was given observer status at the Council while its Palestine Liberation Army was invading Lebanon. Israeli Ambassador Chaim Herzog and others have suggested that the Council debate which was requested by Syria was really a smokescreen for the increased fighting in Lebanon. Many have suggested that the PLO is being used by Syria for its own objectives. Syria which does

have suggested that the PLO is being used by Syria for its own objectives. Syria which does not have diplomatic relations with Lebanon has long claimed that territory for its own.

The Western world has remained strangely silent about the Lebanese situation. As Herzog has pointed out, a community of one million Christians is in jeopardy and the only voice that has spoken out in its defense at the United Nations is that of Israel. Even the Pope has remained silent despite the fact that most Lebanese Christians are Catholics.

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Israelis who know how Jews have come in aid to their brethren are understandably shocked that Christians in the West have not sought to help their fellow Christians in Lebanon. But West has long put the need for oil above ing lives. The future of Lebanon is uncersaving lives. tain but the West must bear the responsibility for what happens through the sin of omission.

Behind The Scenes At The United Nations

By DAVID HOROWITZ A World-Union Press Feat

Syria, Most Dangerous Spot UNITED NATIONS (WUP) -- Judging by

the vehement anti - Israeli posture the in-transigent Damascus regime had taken during the heeric pro-PLO Security Council debate here and in the light of its meddling in the mur-derous Lebanese crisis, one can well agree with Leo Cherne -- one of the world's leading

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ABBA EBAN, CENTER, FORMER FOREIGN ABBA EBAN, CENTER, FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER OF ISRAEL, IS FLANKED BY BERT RABINOWITZ, LEFT, UJA NATIONAL CAMPAIGN CABINET CHAIRMAN, AND BILLY B. GOLDBERG, NCC REGION VII CHAIRMAN, AT THE SOUTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE IN DALLAS, TEXAS. EBAN TOLD 500 CAMPAIGN LEADERS, "THERE WILL NEVER BE A MIDDLE EAST WITHOUT A SOVEREIGN ISRAEL AT THE CENTER OF ITS LIFE."

political analysts — when earlier this month he predicted that Syria, "with the Soviet's provacative prodding," would become "the most dangerous spot in the world" this year.

Mr. Cherne, a member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, made this prediction at his much – anticipated 36th annual address delivered before an overflow luncheon audience sponsored by the Sales Executives Club of New York at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel ballof New York at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel ballroom.

Each January, Leo Charne -- the Executive Director of the noted Club -- presents a detailed 'preview' of what he foresees will overtake the United States and the world economically and politically, during the ensuing year. To the amazement of his distinguished audiences, he usually proves uncannily accurate -- some 80 per cent of his forecasts fulfill themselves. They did in 1975.

Mr. Cherne expressed the belief that, as far as the United States is concerned, "the entire year would be one of economic recovery' and that the "real output in every quarter o 1976 would show growth over the preceding

However, he called upon the American people and Government to "develop some sense of a renewed revolutionary purpose during this Bi-

centennial Year."
As for the 'detente' with the USSR, Cherne warned that the "hardliners are stronger in Moscow than for years. The Politburo sees the West in economic and political chaos. For the first time, Marx's thesis that 'the capitalist system will self - destruct' seems possible to the Kremlin,

"The big change which is occurring," Cherne warns, "is that the Soviet Union now sees itself as prevailing while she sees us in decline. This explains the revolutionary, even cline. This explains the revolutionary, even adventurous, course the Soviet is now taking in Syria and Angola." Serving notice to Washington, he cited one of the world's leading Naval authorities as having declared that "the Soviet navy has become the most potent in fire-power of any fleet that ever existed."

Here lies the great danger for the United States which he finds "is clearly in a retreat states which he finds is clearly in a retreat from its peak as a world power. This is not by accident," Cherne explains, "but the deliberate choice of our people. We're disenchanted of trying to mold the world in any form. Vietnam, the CIA and FBI investigations, Watergate, the recession, have taken a heavy toll. You couldn't get a dozen recruits for any 'freedom crusade' today. 'Containing Communism' has lost its power to mobilize Americans, yet no other goal

has taken the same grip on the public mind,"
On the issue of energy, Cherne predicted that costs will continue to rise moderately during the next 12 months, but "the rise" he notes, "will not be sufficient to abort the recovery."

Declaring that "last year we spent 27 billion dollars for imported oil," he reveals that U.S.

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Constitutes A Majority

BY JACK TELL

(Continued from Page 1) hospital insurance coverage, the rebate could be a tidy, and welcome, sum during recuperation after release from the hospital.

The 5.25 percent rebate figure was arrived at because it was estimated an additional 400 patients would endeavor to check in on a Friday or Saturday. It is the practice, in reverse, utilized by the resort hotels charging less for rooms during the week and more on weekends.

This is not a charity giveaway. It is pure, sound economics, stressed Brandsness. By redistributing the patients, the cost of sophisti-cated equipment and staff can be equalized,

Nate Adelson, president of Sunrise Hospital, informed us the facility opened in December, 1958 with 62 beds. It now has more than 500, He claimed Sunrise has the best intensive care facility of any hospital in the country and its rates were the lowest of anygeneral hospital in Vegas.

With the rebate the cost is down an additional

5.25 percent.

When the word gets around competitive hospitals will have to follow suit and it could be the beginning of the end to illness or accident bank-

Provided, of course, you check in on a Friday or Saturday.

Letter to Jamaica

B. Rabbi Samuel Silver

We've read much about whether Jewish tourists ought to go to Mexico. Now here is a letter written to the New York

consul of the little land of Jamaica.

I clipped it from the Bulletin of the Jewish Center, that Orthodox spiritual stronghold led by two intellectual giants, Rabbis Leo Jung and Norman Lamm. The signer of the letter is not given, but the text is well worth reproduc-

ing. It goes thus:
"I think it only fair to inform you that I had
"I think it only fair to spend my planned, quite some months ago, to spend my Winter vacation in Jamaica together with some of my friends.

I had done so in the past, and found your country simply delightful. Jamaica is, for me, one of the most relaxing and beautiful spots on earth.

Regretfully, I have changed my plans and will now spend my Winter vacation elsewhere in the Caribbean. My reasoning is quite simple:
I do not go where I am not wanted. And obviously I am not wanted in Jamaica.
The reason for this is the vote of your govern-

ment in the United Nations abstaining from the resolution equating Zionism with racism. You see, I am a Zionist. I can be little else but a see, I am a Zionist. I can be little else but a Zionist, in view of the fact that my grandparents were born in Eastern Europe and that the great majority of their family was destroyed. majority of their family was destroyed by the I love Israel, and I identify with her national aspirations.

Now, however, the United Nations has con-demned me as a racist -- which I know very well, I am not. Nevertheless, those who have officially branded me as such have no choice but to consider me, personally, a racist. Since your delegation at the United Nations abstained in this resolution, that means that you entertain serious doubts about my humanitarianism, and quite conceivably suspect that I am a racist.

I -- and a large number of my friends --

have therefore decided that we must abstain from spending our vacation in Jamaica. We certainly do not want to foist the presence of racists upon your lovely island.

I am truly sorry about this, but I have never wanted to be an unwelcome guest."

NEW YORK -- High school students wishing spend seven weeks in Israel contributing directly to the people and the land and not just as tourists, may do so by participating in the summer work program of the ORT Youth Fellowship (OYF). Applications and information for this summer's trip can be obtained from the ORT Youth Fellowship, 1250 Broadway, N.Y. 10001.