

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Some 6000 Jewish leaders in 150 American cities and Toronto, Canada, heard a live appeal from Premier Yitzhak Rabin over radio for accelerating completion of the 1976 United Jewish Appeal campaign.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- Israel's image is that of a nation without strong leadership because it has postponed dealing with basic problems such as the Palestinians, according to Rabbi Alexander Schindler, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- The Ford Administration has concluded that after two-and-a-half years of step-by-step diplomacy in the Middle East, "an overall settlement must be pursued sooner rather than later." Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger told a State Department luncheon honoring visiting King Hussein of Jordan.

GROSSINGER, N.Y. (WNS) -- The present time is "one of the most dynamic periods in Jewish history," Rabbi Wolfe Kelman, executive vice-president of the Rabbinical Assembly told the 1000-member association's 76th annual convention here.

NEW ORLEANS (WNS) -- Aharon Yadlin, Israel's Minister of Culture and Education, has called for the strengthening of educational and other ties between Jewish centers throughout the world.

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- President Ford has gone on record as opposing the nearly \$800 million increase in the 1976 foreign aid package to cover the transitional period from the end of the current fiscal year on June 30 to the start of the new one on October 1.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Former President Nixon was obsessed with a fear that there was a "Jewish cabal" out to "get" him, according to "The Final Days," a new book by Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein, the Washington Post reporters who cracked the Watergate scandal.

GROSSINGERS, N.Y. (WNS) -- Rabbi Mordechai Waxman, outgoing president of the Rabbinical Assembly, has called for the creation of a central, democratic, deliberative, national Jewish organization that can make definitive policy for all American Jewry.

BEERSHEVA (WNS) -- The government and the Jewish Agency were urged by the Association of American and Canadians to improve housing and other measures for young single and elderly retired immigrants.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Supreme Court Justice Moshe Etzioni has ordered Attorney General Aharon Barak to investigate why two West Bank Arabs were deported to Lebanon 15 minutes before the High Court judge was scheduled to hear their appeal against the deportation order.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Eating a breakfast of stale bread and sardine scraps to symbolize the meal of a Soviet Jewish "Prisoner of Conscience," Presidential candidates Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D. Wash.) and Rep. Morris K. Udall (D. Ariz.) joined in a program to launch "Solidarity Sunday for Soviet Jewry" which will be held May 2.

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- A peace settlement in the Middle East is possible even without the participation of the Soviet Union, Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger told the Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee on foreign aid.

PRINCETON, N.J. (WNS) -- Philip M. Klutznick, chairman of the World Jewish Congress' Governing Council, has urged the American Jewish community to study ways for revising its community structures to meet current issues.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Shmuel Zalmanson, brother of former "Prisoner of Conscience" Silva Zalmanson has been arrested in Riga and told he would be informed of the charges against him in 15 days.

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