

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- Sibri Jiryis, a Palestine Liberation Organization official, who planned to open a PLO information office in Washington, was ordered out of the country by the State Department November 23.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Israel Bonds launched a campaign in 425 communities in the United States and Canada November 23 to promote the collection of outstanding commitment to buy bonds.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- James Dean, 36, the First Secretary of the U.S. Embassy was killed and 11 other persons were injured when a bus carrying foreign diplomats and their families overturned November 24 on the Mitzpah Ramon-Beerseheba road.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Soviet Secret Police raided the homes of five Jewish scientists who are planning a cultural symposium in Moscow in December, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry and the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry reported.

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- A federal jury in Baltimore has convicted Dr. William R. Perl, founder of the Washington branch of the Jewish Defense League, of conspiracy to shoot into the windows of two Hyattsville, Md., apartments rented by Soviet Diplomats assigned to Washington.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The Israel Pound was devalued November 23 for the second time in a month.

BONN (WNS) -- A court in Gissen sentenced five ex-members of the Gestapo to prison for complicity in the murder of hundreds of Poles including Jews.

NEW YORK -- As Soviet Jews and Western academicians open a three day conference on Soviet Jewish culture in Moscow, December 19, American academicians at eight metropolitan universities will be holding companion conferences the same day.

NEW YORK (LNS) -- Tens of thousands of Jews in communities around the world will celebrate the '19th of Kislev' -- this year on Saturday, December 11, the 178th anniversary of the release of Rabbi Schneur Zalmen of Lfadi from Czariat prison. Festivities of the day will be highlighted at the Lubavitch world headquarters in Brooklyn, with a special public address by the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson.

PHILADELPHIA -- THE HANUKKAH ANTHOLOGY, a treasury of material drawn from traditional and modern sources, will be published December 3, in time to enhance the celebration of a joyous and significant Jewish occasion. Prepared by Philip Goodman, it is published by Jewish Publication Society, 1528 Walnut St., Suite 800, Phila., Pa. 19102.

NEW YORK -- John D. deButts, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of American Telephone & Telegraph Co. (AT&T) will be presented with the 12th Charles Evans Hughes Award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews at the opening dinner of the NCCJ's annual meeting on Sunday, December 5th in the New York Hilton Hotel.

NEW YORK -- The Moscow homes of six of the organizers of the planned unofficial December 21st Symposium on Jewish life in the USSR were searched by police agents and many books with Jewish contents removed, the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and Union of Councils for Soviet Jews have learned.

NEW YORK -- A year - long Executive Development Training Program, a pilot project to prepare professional leadership for executive positions in Jewish Community Centers, is being conducted by Jewish Welfare Board.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- The 29th World Zionist Congress should be postponed until January, 1978, in order to avoid conflicting with the election campaign in Israel next year, Leon Dulzin, Jewish Agency treasurer said.

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JERUSALEM (WNS) -- A report that efforts were made during the last year to arrange a meeting between top Jewish leaders and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was confirmed by Premier Yitzhak Rabin in a talk to the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League.

NEW YORK -- Simcha Dinitz, Israeli Ambassador to the United States and Chaim Herzog, Israeli Ambassador to the U.N., will be the guest speakers at American Friends of Hebrew University luncheon on December 5 at the Essex House in New York City.

NEW YORK -- Governor Hugh Carey has called for "strong Federal anti-boycott legislation," warning in a speech to the American Jewish Congress that "if we do not vigorously oppose the means of foreign nations to subvert our own democracy through the use of illegal boycotts or blackmail, we are ultimately announcing to the world that we are not willing to stand up for what we believe -- and thus open ourselves to further, more dangerous challenge."

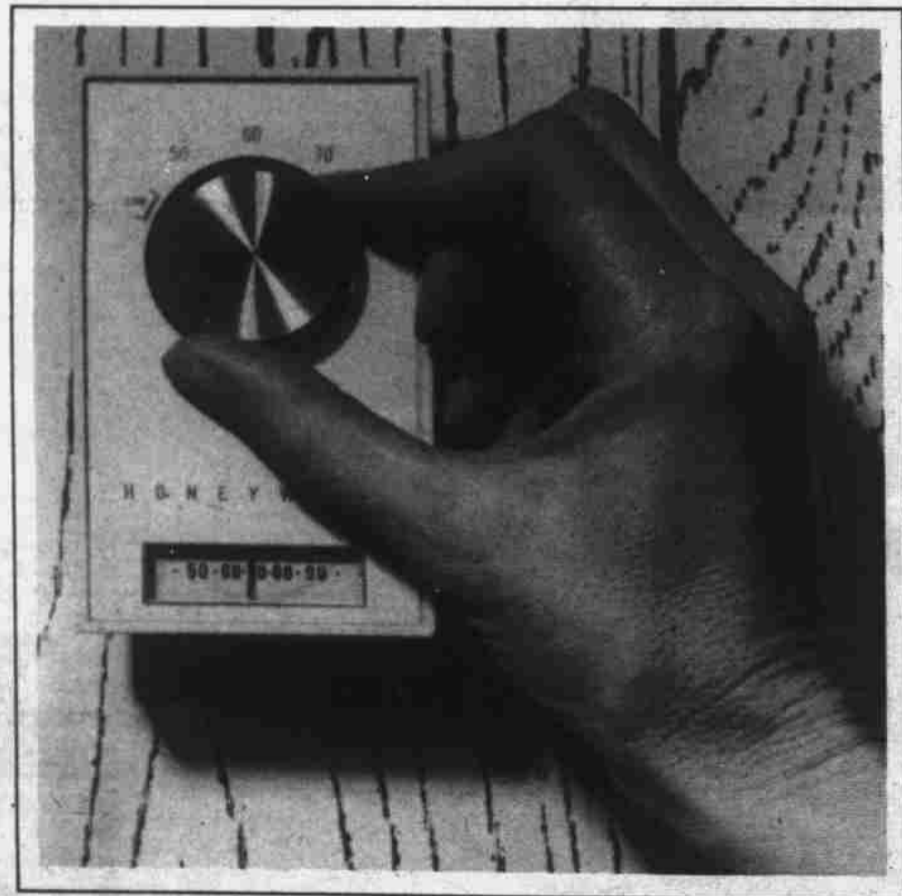
NEW YORK -- Dr. Max M. Kampelman, President of the American Friends of the Hebrew University, announced that a Special Scopus Award will be presented on December 5, to Julian B. Venezky, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the AFHU and Deputy Chairman of the Hebrew University's Board of Governors.

NEW YORK -- Noted Zionist leaders who have been named as officers for a two-year term in the American Zionist Federation, are Mrs. Faye Schenk as President, Rabbi Israel Miller as Honorary President, and Professor Leo Diesendruck as Chairman of the Executive Committee.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The Foreign Ministry hailed the majority vote of UNESCO's European Regional Group to admit Israel into the group.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The formation of a new political party called the "Democratic Movement" has been announced by Yigal Yadin, former chief of staff and a world renowned archaeologist.

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