

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

LAWRENCE, N.Y. -- The Israel International Information Council has just prepared a new cartoon booklet entitled "The Rise of Menachem Begin," which may be obtained free at Begin Cartoon History, Rabbi Rubin R. Dobin, POB 11, Lawrence, New York 11559. Send stamped, self-addressed envelope.

NEW YORK -- Bernard Cherrick, Vice President of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters from Northern Michigan University in Marquette.

NEW YORK -- Mayor Abraham D. Beame has sent an official expression of appreciation to the American Jewish Committee for its help in lending the city the services of Haskell L. Lazere, Director of AJC's New York chapter, following the recent blackout.

NEW YORK -- The American Jewish Congress hailed the action of Federal Judge John F. Dooling, Jr. in ordering the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to continue making Medicaid funds available to states that wanted to use them for elective abortions.

NEW YORK -- "Jews are a trans-national people with Israel as its focus," stated Rabbi Ludwig Nadelmann, Executive Vice President of the Jewish Reconstructionist Foundation, at the opening of a conference held in Israel from July 20th - August 2nd.

NEW YORK -- YAVNEY, the National Religious Jewish Students Association will hold its EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION this Labor Day Weekend, September 1-5, at Camp Moshava in Indian Orchard, Pennsylvania. For information, write YAVNEY, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010.

WASHINGTON -- The last remaining state law (Tennessee) that bars clergymen from holding public office is being challenged in the U.S. Supreme Court, and a friend-of-the-court brief was filed by 10 religious and civic organizations representing some 65 million Americans. The brief was submitted by Leo Pfeffer, special counsel to the American Jewish Congress, in the case of McDaniel v. Paty.

MEXICO CITY (WNS) -- A strong resolution condemning international terrorism as a crime against mankind was adopted here by delegates from 19 nations participating in the Third Assembly of Parliaments from Latin America and Western Europe.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Recent charges in the Sunday Times of London that Israeli security agents torture Arab political prisoners under interrogation was vehemently denied July 31 by State Attorney Gabriel Bach.

NEW YORK -- American Jewish military personnel in such far-flung locales as Germany, Greece, Turkey, Italy and the Far East will again observe the High Holy Days and attend special services this year, thanks to Jewish chaplains and JWB's Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy.

RAMAT-GAN, ISRAEL: The School of Social Work at Bar-Ilan University, celebrating 10 years, has grown from a first class of 45 to more than 300 students; from one program to a variety of programs which prepare Israelis and immigrants to make a professional contribution to meet the ever-growing needs for social workers in Israel.

NEW YORK -- According to figures released by the Government of Israel Investment Authority, the volume of foreign investment in Israel during the first half of 1977 totaled \$113,265,000, a seven-fold jump over the same period in 1976 when they totaled \$17,110,000.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- Two terrorists were killed and three captured by an Israeli unit in a brief gun battle August 4 in an olive grove near Kibbutz Ashdod Yaacov south of the Sea of Galilee.

TORONTO (WNS) -- Six Jews were among 62 Canadians listed in the honors released by the Canadian government for Officers of the Order.

NAZI WAR CRIMINAL TO BE DEPORTED AT LAST

NEW YORK -- The American Jewish Congress expressed "deep satisfaction" that the Immigration and Naturalization Service had canceled the stay of deportation against the pro-Nazi Croatian war criminal, Andrija Artukovic. "For nearly a quarter of a century, this stay has protected Andrija Artukovic from being made accountable for his war crimes," said Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, president of the Congress. He added:

"In 1953, Artukovic was found deportable because of fraud in his initial entry into this country. Ever since, he has been able to invoke and exploit our immigration laws to shield him against just prosecution for his crimes.

"As Minister of Interior Affairs in the Croatian puppet government during World War II, Artukovic was responsible for the establishment of concentration camps in which great numbers of Serbs, Jews and Gypsies were exterminated. Evidence at his deportation hearing included an issue of the official Croatian Gazette, which reprinted a speech by Artukovic delivered before the Croatian Parliament on February 24, 1942."

In that speech, Rabbi Hertzberg said, Artukovic argued that the Croatian nation "could not act otherwise but to clean its national body from such poisoned, dangerous creatures and voracious parasites: Jews, Communists, and Freemasons." In the same speech, Artukovic stated the Croatia had "solved, with an energetic and sound interference, the so-called Jewish question," Rabbi Hertzberg commented:

"Artukovic maintains his innocence. If he is deported, as he should be, he will have his day in court. It has been much too long delayed. The lessons of the Holocaust cannot be considered to have been truly learned as long as the murderers and criminals of the Hitler era are allowed to find sanctuary and safety by cynically exploiting immigration laws intended for the protection of the victims of persecution and not those who perpetrated it. "Artukovic's continued presence in this country has been scandalous. Let us hope that the reversal of the decision which has shielded him until now presages a new determination to insure that all those guilty of the brutalities and enormities of the Holocaust period, and who now walk the streets of America with impunity, will be made accountable for their crimes against humanity."

NEW YORK (WNS) -- The B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League had received a \$100,000 grant from the Bruner Foundation, Inc. of New York, to help the ADL establish a Holocaust Information Center.

NEW YORK -- A new line of Israeli men's clothing is being introduced on the American market by Lion of Israel, exclusive U.S. representatives for Bagir, Ltd.



RADIANT SMILES EXPRESS ENJOYMENT AT THE SALUTE TO ISRAEL PARADE HELD RECENTLY IN NEW YORK CITY. PICTURED ON THE OFFICIAL REVIEWING STAND ARE LEFT TO RIGHT: MRS. SHLOMO GOREN, WIFE OF THE CHIEF RABBI OF ISRAEL, MRS. CHAIM HERZOG, WIFE OF ISRAEL'S AMBASSADOR TO THE U.N., MRS. JOSEPH HAZEN AND MRS. NATHAN GOLDMAN, BOTH MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AMERICAN RED MAGEN DAVID FOR ISRAEL.

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