

## JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

**JERUSALEM (WNS)** -- The Ministry of Finance was reported Jan. 9 to be considering a five percent levy on the income tax as part of a plan to fight inflation.

**NEW YORK (WNS)** -- Police in Brooklyn have charged Assemblyman Samuel Hirsch (D. Brooklyn) with two counts of assault stemming from the clash between angry Orthodox Jews and the police in Borough Park.

**JERUSALEM (WNS)** -- Labor MK Aharon Yadlin has resigned his Knesset seat after 14 years and is returning to Kibbutz Hazerim in the Negev.

**JERUSALEM (WNS)** -- Leon Dulzin, chairman of the World Zionist Organization and Jewish Agency Executives, has called on the government to freeze all public construction, except for defense, and the building of luxury apartments so that construction efforts can be aimed at the needs of immigrants and poorly-housed Israelis.

**NEW YORK (WNS)** -- The Soviet Jewish Research Bureau of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry reports that 28,858 Jews left the USSR in 1978, the highest since 34,933 were permitted to emigrate in 1973. December's emigration figure of 4197 was the highest monthly since 1973.

**NEW YORK (WNS)** -- Stanley L. Sloane, national cash chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, reports that UJA achieved a cash total of \$277.5 million in 1978, the highest since the Yom Kippur War.

**TEL AVIV (WNS)** -- Haifa Technion scientists have successfully tested a method of extracting shale oil with the use of laser beams which would make the process now expensive, relatively inexpensive.

**TEL AVIV (WNS)** -- Prof. Benjamin Levich, the highest ranking Jewish scientist to leave the Soviet Union, has announced he is joining the faculty of Tel Aviv University as a professor of physio-chemical mechanics.

**BERKELEY, CAL.** An exhibition of 77 paintings and drawings done by Jewish artists during their internment in Nazi concentration camps and ghettos will be shown at the Magnes Museum, 2911 Russell Street, Berkeley, from January 28 - March 25.

**NEW YORK** -- Nearly 100,000 men, women and young people -- a record number -- were enrolled in vocational and other programs of ORT in 24 countries in 1978.

**WASHINGTON** -- B'nai B'rith International has labeled the comments of President Carter's brother, Billy, regarding Jews and the visit of a Libyan delegation as irresponsible, boorish, and despicable.

**WASHINGTON** -- Albert A. Spiegel, a Los Angeles attorney and long-time Jewish communal leader, has been elected chairman of the National B'nai B'rith Hillel Commission.

**BEVERLY HILLS, CAL.** -- Urgent problems facing Jews everywhere will be discussed when The Rabbinical Assembly, international Association of Conservative Rabbis, holds its annual convention here, the first on the West Coast in its 79 year history at the Century Plaza Hotel, January 28 through February 1. Efraim Evron, Israel's new ambassador to the United States, honoring a custom begun by his predecessors, will use The Rabbinical Assembly's forum to deliver his first major address in America since assuming his position in Washington.

**UNITED NATIONS (WUP)** -- Predicting that the year 1979 will be "a year of fire and brimstone" in the Middle East, PLO terrorist leader Yasir Arafat, in a speech delivered in Beirut last week and circulated here, announced that an alliance has been formed between his PLO terrorist group and Ayatollah R. Khomeini's Iranian Moslems who demand the abdication of the Shah.

**TEL AVIV (WNS)** -- Michael Barkai, the commander of the navy, is being forced to retire despite his acquittal by a special tribunal of charges of attempted rape.



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"Rainbow's End," a new public T.V. of 5 half-hour programs premieres Thursday, Jan. 11. Watch for the next program on Channel 10 as it is a pioneer effort to reach hearing impaired youngsters thru T.V. Its specific purpose is to enhance the self-image and improve the language skills of deaf hearing impaired children between ages 7 & 12. "Rainbow's End" is also directed at children with normal hearing ability, teachers of the deaf, parents of hearing impaired children and youngsters with other disabilities who use manual communications.

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**JERUSALEM** -- Dr. David Kaplan, of the Columbia University School of Dental Medicine and Oral Surgery, has spent three months at the Hebrew University - Hadassah School of Dental Medicine to help develop a long-range dental health plan for the country.

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