

JEW'S MOVING TO SUN BELT

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Jews are moving from the Northeast to the Sun Belt in the same proportions as other Americans.

This is revealed in the latest population figures contained in the 1979 American Jewish Yearbook published by the American Jewish Committee and the Jewish Publication Society of America. In an analysis of the population figures, Alvin Chenkin and Maynard Miran,

research consultant and associate, respectively, of the Council of Jewish Federations, estimate that this year's Jewish population in the United States is 5,781,000, very little changed from the 1977 estimate of 5,776,000. They point out that the number of Jews in the Northeast and North Central states dropped about two percent while it increased by the same percentage in the South and West.

The greatest increase was in Florida and California, they said. U.S. Jews make up about 2.7 percent of the total population. Among the Jewish population figures in the U.S. listed in the Year Book are: Greater New York, 1,998,000; Los Angeles, 455,000; Philadelphia, 295,000; Chicago, 253,000; Miami, 225,000; Boston 170,000; Washington, 160,000; Bergen County (NJ), 100,000; Essex County (NJ), 95,000; Baltimore, 92,000; Cleveland and Detroit, 80,000 each; San Francisco, 75,000; Montgomery County (MD), 70,000 and St. Louis, 60,000.

The Year Book estimates world Jewish population at 14,286,000. Countries with significantly large numbers of Jews are: Israel, 3,076,000; Soviet Union, 2,678,000; France, 650,000; Great Britain, 410,000; Canada, 305,000; Argentina, 300,000; Brazil, 150,000; and South Africa, 180,000. Forty-seven percent of the Jews in the world are in North, Central and South America; 29 percent in Europe, 22 percent in Asia, 1.5 percent in Africa, and 0.5 percent in Australia and New Zealand.

LAWRENCE, N.Y. -- It was announced that a new "Jews for Jews" Newsletter will be published which will contain accurate, up-to-date information on how to fight the determined efforts of various missionary groups who seek converts from among the Jewish community. The Newsletter will be distributed free by Rabbi Rubin R. Dobin, Newsletter, POB 11, Lawrence, New York 11559. All requests must be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

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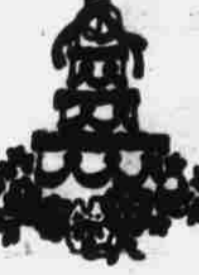
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ORTHODOX, SECULAR JEWS AT ODDS

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Efforts are being made to control a dispute between Orthodox and Secular Jews in the northern Jerusalem area of Sanhedria, heavily populated by Orthodox Jews, have become almost weekly Shabat occurrences as secular Jews from the outlying neighborhoods of Ramot encounter a barrage of stones when they drive their cars on the Shabat along the new road that passes through Sanhedria. The latest trouble erupted Jan. 12 when masses of Orthodox Jews from Meah Shearim and other Orthodox areas as well as Sanhedria hurled stones at cars. The Ramot Residents Council organized a group of some 250 men in cars to break the roadblock. The Orthodox protesters fled, but not before the police arrested a half dozen rock throwers. In addition, there was a fight in Meah Shearim between the Orthodox and police after the main thoroughfare was blocked to protest the events in Sanhedria. Police moved in to clear the road for buses and other traf-

fic and were reportedly assaulted by Orthodox youths. Three policemen were injured and 10 youths were arrested.

SENATE MAY RATIFY GENOCIDE TREATY

WASHINGTON, D.C. (WUP) -- Senator Jacob K. Javits has expressed the hope that at long last the U.S. Senate will ratify the Genocide Treaty which has already been ratified by the major nations of the world.

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