

### CONSERVATIVE GROUP PUSHES REAGAN

ARLINGTON, VA. (WNS) -- President-elect Ronald Reagan has been urged by three ultra-conservative organizations which supported his election to implement his pro-Israel position through his "appointments in the foreign affairs and defense fields."

A mailgram message was sent to Reagan's Washington, D.C. office signed by Jerry Falwell, president of the Moral Majority; Edward McAteer, president of the Religious Roundtable based in Arlington, and Paul Weyrich, president of the Committee for the Survival of a Free Congress. "The importance of increased understanding and action among Bible-believing Christians and Jews for a return to morality and enlightened national policies in America" was stressed by the message. "From our religious, moral and

strategic perspective, Israel supremely represents our values and hopes for security and peace in the Middle East."

The ultra-conservative leaders reminded Reagan that he has "on many occasions publicly recognized the importance of Israel to our national security." But they expressed concern "Unfortunately, many of those vying for . . . positions (in foreign affairs and defense) hold views which are incompatible with your policy perspective on Israel. Nevertheless, we have full confidence and trust that you will exercise good judgment regarding such critical appointments." The Moral Majority and other rightwing groups are known to be upset that Reagan is considering several prominent Republicans who served in the Nixon and Ford Administrations for key positions.

### JEW ELECTED LT. GOVERNOR

ST. LOUIS (WNS) -- Kenneth Rothman, a 45-year-old St. Louis lawyer, has become the first Jew to be elected Lieutenant Governor of Missouri. Rothman, a Democrat and Speaker of the Missouri House of Representatives, defeated Republican Roy Blunt by a vote of 1,050,000-792,000.

"Only in a democracy such as the United States could someone of my social, economic and ethnic background rise to a position of such stature," Rothman said. The grandson of Jewish immigrants, Rothman was born in St. Louis and educated at local schools and at Washington University where he received his law degree.

He was first elected to the State House of Representatives in 1962 at the age of 26 and became Speaker in 1977.

### NEW YORK BUSINESSMAN GETS HONORARY DOCTORATE



MORRIS L. LEVINSON,

NEW YORK, N.Y.-- An honorary doctorate of philosophy was conferred upon Morris L. Levinson, New York industrialist and philanthropic leader at the academic convocation, held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Weizman Institute of Science's interna-

tional Board of Governors in Rehobot, Israel, last week.

The degree was awarded to Mr. Levinson in recognition of his "lifelong and distinguished service to the welfare of the Jewish people and to the State of Israel," and as a tribute to his decisive contribution to the growth and development of the Weizmann Institute in his capacity "as a ranking leader of American Jewry, as the vigorous Board Chairman of the Institute's American Committee and as a devoted Institute Governor."

The doctorate, honoris causa, of the Weizmann Institute, Israel's primary scientific research center, has at previous convocations been received by such

notables as West German Chancellor Willy Brandt, Arthur Rubinstein, Marc Chagall, Simone Weil currently President of the European Parliament, former Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger, Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin, and President Jimmy Carter.

Mr. Levinson is a director of American Schools of Oriental Research, Cambridge, Mass.' director of the Albright Institute of Archaeology, Jerusalem, Israel, fellow, Brandeis

Born in Newburgh, N.Y., Mr. Levinson received a B. S. degree (Economics) from the University of Pennsylvania and an LL.B. from Yale Law School.

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