

JEWES SHOULD HAVE MORE CHILDREN

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Israel President Yitzhak Navon has called on Jews throughout the world to have more children. Speaking at the opening session of the seventh plenary assembly of the World Jewish Congress, Navon warned that Jewry was endangered by a low birth rate and assimilation. Unless there was an increase in the birthrate there would be scarcely 8 million Jews left in the free world by the end of the century, Navon said. He noted that even in Israel the birth rate was down although it was better than the diaspora. He said Israel made up 23 percent of world Jewry but 40 percent of it is children. The President also urged the World Jewish Congress to "establish a

dialogue" with Islam. The plenary session, the WJC's first for six years, brings together some 500 Jewish leaders from 60 countries for a week of deliberations in Jerusalem. In a keynote address at the opening session, acting President Edgar Bronfman of New York said that Jews influence on government policymaking in Western states was becoming "less effective." In the U.S., he said, while Americans continued to admire and respect Israel as a lone democracy in hostile surroundings the new Reagan Administration "will no doubt strive to maintain Israel's strength and security; but it will probably view Israel as only one important factor in the global East - West struggle."



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JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The consumer Price Index arose by six percent in December, the lowest figure for several months. The total increase for 1980 was 133 percent as compared for 111 percent in 1979.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Alexander Magidovich, a longtime refusenik, was sentenced to two - and - a - half years in a labor camp in Tula Jan. 2 it was reported here by the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry.

HEBREW AND ENGLISH WALL CALENDAR AVAILABLE

NEW YORK CITY, N.Y. -- The Orthodox Union has published a Hebrew and English Wall Calendar, providing a daily schedule for the study of classic texts in Talmud and Jewish Law. The Mishna Yomit and Halacha Yomit schedule for the year 5740 is being promoted by the Orthodox Union and its member synagogues throughout North America, as part of the programming of its Limud Torah Commission. According to Julius Berman, President of the Orthodox Union, and Sander Kolitch, Chairman of the Limud Torah Commission, the calendar is dedicated in memory of Rabbi Charles M. Batt, "who dedicated much of his life towards promoting this concept of daily Torah

study by each and every Jew." The Wall Calendar provides the Daily Learning Schedule according to the Hebrew calendar for study in sequence, of two units of Mishna (one of the major components of the Talmud) and three paragraphs of Shulchan Aruch (Code of Jewish Law). The Wall Calendar is part of the overall goal of the Orthodox Union, to encourage Jews in all walks of life to adopt a personal program of daily Jewish Study, in accordance with the precepts of Jewish Law. The Calendar is being distributed to synagogues throughout the country, and is available at a cost of 50¢ each from the Orthodox Union, 116 East 27th Street, New York, N.Y. 10016.

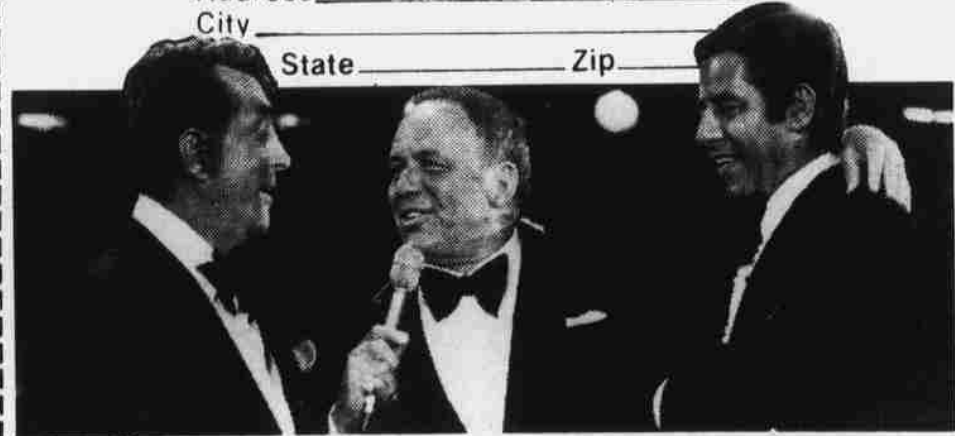
UNITED NATIONS (WNS) -- An Israeli spokesman here said that Israel will cooperate with a three - member military board named by UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim to investigate charges that Israeli troops mutilated the bodies of five Palestinian terrorists who were killed in south Lebanon Dec. 25. A spokesman for Waldheim said the Secretary General decided to name the board for the sake of "maximum objectivity" in clarifying the controversy between Israel and the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL).



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