

Senator Dodd Opposes More aid To Jordan

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they will then join the Mideast peace process. Congress should rather say to Jordan, 'Join the peace process first and then we'll talk about military aid'."

Dodd, who recently met with Israeli Prime Minister Shamir in Jerusalem, said that Congress is aware Israel has no interest in staying in Lebanon and wants only to secure its northern border. He advocated withdrawing the 1,500 marines from Lebanon within the next few weeks and maintaining a continuing U.S. naval presence offshore.

Proposals Offered For Future Of West Bank

JERUSALEM (WNS) — A Labor Party "think tank" has come up with far-reaching solutions to the problem of the future of the West Bank. The report, prepared by a team headed by Dr. Yair Hirschfeld, is intended to be the center of discussion on policy in the occupied territories by the Labor Party Central Committee. It would be the first comprehensive discussion of its kind by the Labor Party since 1972, if held which is by no means sure.

The proposal outlined by Hirschfeld at a press conference seems to be a combination of long-standing labor policy that would limit Israel's presence in the territory to areas vital to its security; autonomy for local Arabs as envisioned in the Camp

David accords; and President Reagan's September 1, 1982 peace initiative calling for an ultimate association of the West Bank Palestinians with Jordan.

Hirschfeld maintained that the time is ripe now to create a new political reality in the territories before American pressure begins, "probably after the Presidential elections, or perhaps even before." He is trying to convince the Labor Party Center of the need to discuss it.

According to Hirschfeld, there is considerable support among the population in the territories for some kind of political settlement. He said the group which prepared the report talked to dozens of Israelis responsible in the past, or at present, for ad-

88 Jews Exit USSR In January

NEW YORK — According to the Soviet Jewry Research Bureau of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry (NCSJ), eighty-eight Jews emigrated from the Soviet Union in January. The NCSJ's research arm reported that this continues the downward trend set in 1983.

The National Conference on Soviet Jewry is the central coordinating agency for policy and action in this country on behalf of more than two million Jews in the Soviet Union.

ministration in the territories and with Palestinian leaders in the West Bank and Gaza.

As a preliminary gesture toward the population, the report recommends abolition of the Israeli civil administration and a policy which would allow maximum economic development to stop the radicalization of the local population. "We are convinced that such steps could help make King Hussein of Jordan join the peace process," Hirschfeld said.

Army Captures Band Of 15 Terrorists

TEL AVIV (WNS) — The army has announced that it has captured a band of 15 terrorists responsible for the deaths of six Israeli soldiers and the wounding of many others in south Lebanon during the past six months. Most were identified as Shiite Moslem

followers of the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini of Iran.

According to the Army, the gang carried out at least 14 attacks on Israeli troops and installations. They were captured after an attack on an Israel Defense Force post on January 21. Pursuit of the at-

tackers led to a Moslem village where the terrorists were found hiding in a house and in a Mosque.

Five were taken into custody and their interrogation led to the apprehension of 10 others, including local religious leaders. The army claimed that large quantities of Soviet made arms and ammunition were found in their hide-outs.

U.S. Takes Action To Deport An Alleged Nazi War Criminal

WASH. (WNS) — The Justice Department said it will take legal action to deport an alleged Nazi war criminal who served in the Nazi controlled Ukrainian police force during World War II and persecuted unarmed Jewish civilians. The man, identified by the Department as George Theodorovich of Albany, N.Y., was strip-

ped of his U.S. citizenship for failing to comply with a court order requiring him to give a deposition to government investigators, but failed to appear at the Department on December 1 to hand in a sworn statement. On December 15, District Court Judge Charles Richey ordered Theodorovich to appear

for a deposition on December 28, but he failed to comply, according to the Justice Department. The Department filed suit against Theodorovich in August 1983, claiming he obtained his American citizenship illegally by con-

cealing from U.S. officials his Nazi connections.

For The First Time, A U.S. Marine Is Treated At An Israeli Hospital

TEL AVIV (WNS) — An American marine from the U.S. aircraft carrier Independence was flown to Rambam Hospital in Haifa for extensive tests and diagnosis of an undisclosed illness. He was subsequently taken by Ambulance to Ben Gurion Airport where he was flown to an American hospital in Europe. The Independence is with the Sixth Fleet off the Lebanese coast. The marine, who was not identified by name or rank, is the first U.S. military personnel from the American forces stationed in Beirut or offshore Lebanon to utilize hospital facilities in

Israel. The refusal of the American military to accept Israel's offer

of hospital facilities for the U.S. servicemen injured in the bomb attack on marine headquarters in Beirut last October created friction between the two countries and furor in Congress.

Two Soviet POC's Face More Problems

NEW YORK (WNS) — Former Soviet Jewish Prisoner of Conscience Grigory Goldstein, a physicist from Tbilisi, may face a new three to five years prison term, according to information obtained by the National Conference on Soviet Jewry (NCSJ). Accused of taking advantage of his position at the Central Bureau of Statistics, he was informed that his file was transferred to a local prosecutor. The NCSJ

reported that Goldstein protested the move with a detailed letter to the First Secretary of the Georgia Republic's Communist Party.

In another development, the NCSJ reported that Iosif Begun, the Hebrew teacher and Jewish activist who was sentenced last October to seven years imprisonment to be followed by five years of internal exile for "anti-Soviet" activities, has been transferred to a "corrective labor camp" in Perm, some 600 miles east of Vladimir where he was serving his prison sentence. No further information is available at this time.

Hoopsters

Appeal Rejected

JERUSALEM (WNS) — The Supreme Court has rejected an appeal by two American basketball players that they be recognized as Israeli citizens. The two, who are not Jewish, married Israeli women in wedding ceremonies in Cyprus.

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