

### Israel Would Welcome A Visit By Hussein, Peres Tells Rome News Conference

ROME (WNS) — Premier Shimon Peres of Israel ended his two-day visit by telling a news conference that Israel would welcome a visit by King Hussein of Jordan. He also offered to go to Jordan for peace talks.

"I am sure Israel would like to see King Hussein, would like him to come to Jerusalem, to announce whatever he has on his mind," just as President Anwar Sadat

of Egypt did when he came to Jerusalem in 1978 and addressed the Knesset, Peres said.

The Israeli Premier, who appeared at the news conference with Premier Bettino Craxi of Italy, rejected the idea that the Soviet Union could play a positive role in helping to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict, and downplayed the importance of the U.S.-Soviet talks on the Mideast which took place in

Vienna. "Why would we negotiate an Israeli problem with a country that does not recognize Israel itself?" Peres said. He also reiterated Israel's rejection of an international conference, which would include the USSR, on the Mideast. "We are not looking for a show. We are looking for a dialogue."

Regarding the Palestinians, Peres said, "There is a need to find a solution to the Palestinian problem by diplomatic means and not by military means." He said the situation

was more complicated "than it appears just by the slogans or the headlines."

During his visit to Rome, Peres met with Pope John Paul II, becoming the second Israeli Premier to meet with a Pontiff. Premier Golda Meir met with Pope Paul VI in 1973. Peres said February 20 that Israel would welcome diplomatic relations with the Vatican. He said this would "contribute to the betterment of relations between the Christian and the Jewish communities."

NEW YORK (WNS) — The American Library Association has rescinded a resolution passed in June, 1984, which charged Israel with alleged violations of human rights on the West Bank. The announcement that the resolution has been rescinded was made in the February issue of "American Libraries," the publication of the American Library Association.

### Cork Proctor At The MerriMINT Theatre

"Enter at your own risk" should be the precaution to anyone arriving at the MerriMINT Theater of Del Webb's Mint Casino/Hotel for one of Cork Proctor's twice nightly shows. This comedic madman shows no mercy when it comes to his audiences, as they become very willing victims of his hilarious jabs.

There's no script or lines to rehearse, since Proctor's spontaneous approach to comedy is what the crowds want. Relying on current events, his personal experiences and the unsuspecting members of the audiences, Proctor's talent comes to life on stage nightly except Mondays at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. A special Saturday 1 a.m. show is presented, and Proctor also appears in the Saturday 2 a.m. performance of "Highsteppin'". The unforgettable comedy revue features veteran

comedian Jackie Gayle, popular illusionist Brandon Scott, and the lively "Highsteppin'" Nannette Barbera Dancers.

The MerriMINT Theatre appearance marks a coming home for the Nevada favorite, who's booked up nearly 20 weeks of the year performing aboard Royal Caribbean Cruise Ships, in addition to entertaining convention groups, roasts, trade shows and private parties.

Proctor's limited engagement runs through March 12 in the MerriMINT Theatre, alternating with the 9 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. "Highsteppin'" except Mondays. Sandy Hackett's Talent Showcase takes to the stage at the Mint each Monday at 8 p.m.



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