

Shcharansky's First Public Appearance

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Quiet diplomacy will never open the gates for Soviet Jews unless it is accompanied by "all forms of public protest," Anatoly Shcharansky told a rally of some 2,000 students here. The rally was sponsored by the World Union of Jewish Students and marked the first public ap-

pearance by the Soviet Jewish aliya activist since the press conference he held a day after his arrival in Israel last February 11.

Quiet diplomacy "has absolutely no chance of success if it

is not conducted against a background of very strong public activity," he said in reply to a question. He insisted that even if negotiations should open between Israel and the Soviet Union to renew diplomatic relations, it is "very important" that Israel does not agree to stop

activity in support of Russian Jews who wish to emigrate. "Without open doors for the Jews, Gorbachev must not be trusted," Shcharansky said.

Asked how he was adjusting to life in Israel, Shcharansky replied, "In the Soviet

Union I got accustomed to many years of living in a sea of hatred. Now I have to get accustomed to living in an ocean of

love." He acknowledged that people look upon him as a "symbol" of the struggle for Soviet Jews.

TEL AVIV (WNS) The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra has cancelled a concert tour of Poland next month because it conflicts with an earlier commitment to play here at the Artur Rubinstein International Piano Competition, the IPO's Musical Director, Zubin Mehta, told a press conference, recently.

IDF Planes Bomb Terrorist Bases In South Lebanon

TEL AVIV (WNS) — Israel Air Force planes

bombed terrorist targets in the Sidon area of south Lebanon and returned safely to their bases, a military spokesman announced. He said the targets were training bases and headquarters buildings of El Fatah, the terrorist arm of the PLO and of George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a group that broke away from the PLO years ago.

Beirut radio reported five sorties by the Israeli bombers on targets in the Miamia and Ein Hilwe refugee camps near Sidon. According to the report, ambulances were seen rushing to the scene. The radio reported five casualties.

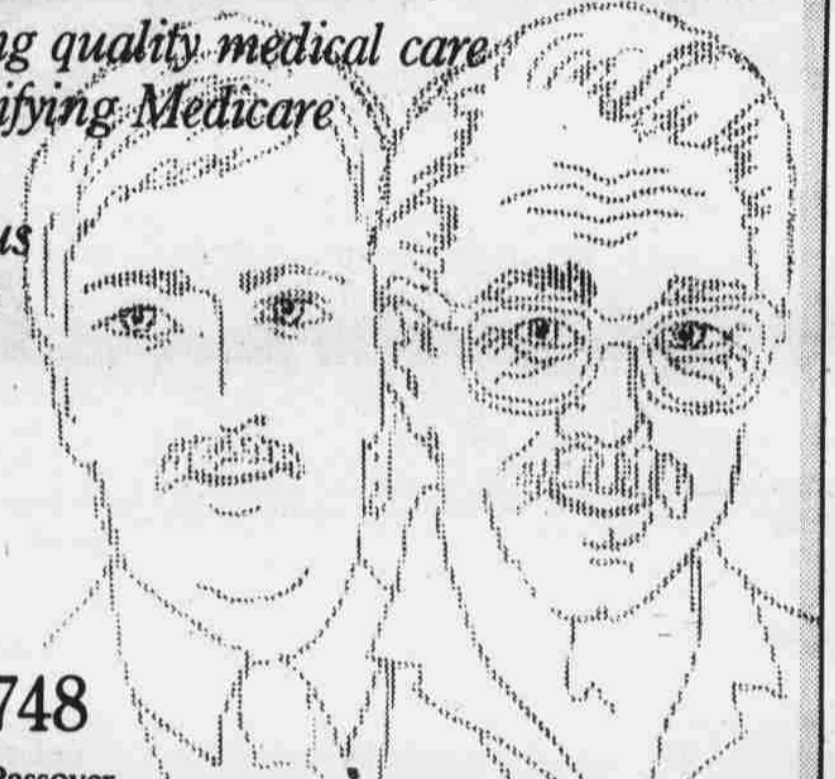
U.S. - Israel Relations Conference



WASHINGTON -- CIA Director William Casey is greeted by AIPAC executive director Thomas Dine as Casey arrives at AIPAC's Policy Conference. Casey's keynote address to the pro-Israel lobby was a rare public appearance for the CIA head.

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