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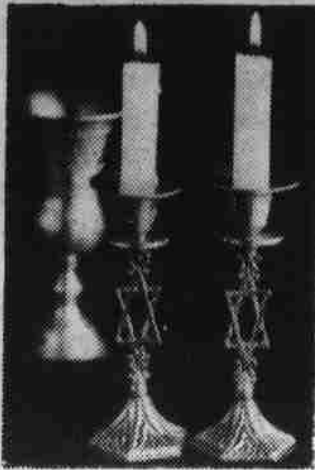
WEST POINT, N.Y. (WNS) — Twenty-two Jewish men and women are entering the United States Military Academy at West Point as members of the class of 1990. This is the largest number of Jewish cadets to enter a single class since WWII. The total number of Jewish cadets who have announced their affiliation with the Jewish community has reached a total of 58 cadets, also the highest level in decades. A special welcoming ceremony for the new Jewish cadets was held at the West Point Jewish Chapel.

NEW YORK (WNS) — The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith has called on the International Red Cross to rescind its policy of non recognition of Magen David Adom, the Israeli equivalent of the Red Cross, because it uses a red Star of David as its symbol instead of a cross. In a letter to the IRC, ADL's national chairman Burton S. Levinson said that the 25th Quadrennial International Red Cross Conference in Geneva in October "will be an opportunity to redress this festering injustice and accord the Magen David Adom its rightful place among the other representatives of the International League of Red Cross Societies."

TEL AVIV (WNS) — A large military exercise was held on the Golan Heights last week, with the participation of infantry, tanks, artillery and engineering units and the Israel Air Force. A significant amount of the exercise was devoted to simulated gas warfare, with infantry units donning gas masks as they carried out various assigned missions.

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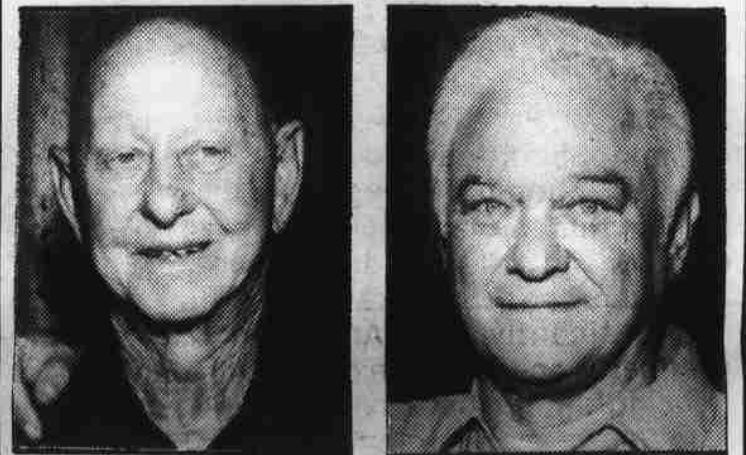
JERUSALEM (WNS) — Israel and Cameroon will soon resume diplomatic relations and Premier Shimon Peres will visit that country on the occasion, it was learned here recently. According to reports, Peres is to visit Cameroon at the beginning of September. Cameroon, in west-central Africa, severed diplomatic relations with Israel after the 1973 Yom Kippur War. In recent years, it has begun to move closer to Israel and has strengthened its economic ties with the Jewish State.

WASHINGTON (WNS) — Dr. Joseph Irlin, who has been seeking to emigrate from the Soviet Union since 1979, has begun a hunger strike in Moscow, according to the Union of Councils for Soviet Jews. The 52-year-old oncologist is conducting his strike which began August 14, in conjunction with the International Oncology Conference held in Budapest, Hungary, August 21-27. An internationally-known oncologist, Irlin was dismissed from his position as a senior scientist at the All-Union Cancer Research Center immediately after applying to emigrate. He also lost membership in other scientific organizations.

NEW YORK (WNS) — Jack Lemmon, the distinguished actor, has been named honorary president of the world's first International Peace Park, it was announced by the Jewish National Fund of Greater New York, sponsors of the project. The International Peace Park will be situated on the new Peace Road in the Israel-Egypt border area of Ezuz. It commemorates the Camp David Accord and honors the unprecedented achievements of Menachem Begin, Jimmy Carter and Anwar Sadat.

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Palestinian terrorism in Israel decreased significantly since Jordan closed the PLO offices in Jordan, Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin declared during a tour of the Jordan Valley.

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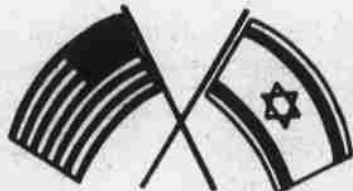
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