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Asked if their truce would be affected if Sudan were to join with Egypt, Syria and Libya in the federation they formed last year, the rebel leader said such a move would lead to a complete revision of the south Sudan's stand, the Israeli reporter said.

#### LIPSKY TO RETURN TO FRANCE

TEL AVIV, March 20 (JTA)--Claude Lipsky, the central figure in a major financial scandal in France, has abandoned his fight against extradition and will return to France of his own free will. Lipsky, who sought refuge in Israel last Oct., is expected to return to France within the next 48 hours accompanied by a French police official who is coming here to escort him.

Lipsky announced his decision yesterday through his Israeli lawyer, Chaim Shenhav, and has informed his two French attorneys, Johannes Ambre and George Herisse that he will face French justice. In a statement issued through Shenhav today, Lipsky said he reached his decision after careful consideration of his situation which convinced him that he will be cleared of the charges he faces in France.

#### 14 ARMY RESERVISTS REFUSE TO TAKE BACK THEIR CARDS; WILL SERVE IF CALLED UPON

JERUSALEM, March 20 (JTA)--A group of 14 Jerusalem men who turned in their Army reserve cards in protest against their economic plight, refused to take their cards back last night but said they would serve if called to duty. Eleven of the group turned up for a meeting with Maj. Gen. Shlomo Lahat, Chief of the Army's manpower branch, who had invited all of the protestors for a talk at General Staff headquarters.

The General informed the reservists that they had broken Army regulations by turning in their cards. They told him they would report for duty if called but meanwhile they wanted their protest to be widely heard. The 14 protestors are all past the age for active military service and several are married.

They are not likely to be called for duty unless an emergency occurred. They claim that their economic situation has reached a point where they can no longer support themselves and their families. One of the group, Saleh Mizrahi, was asked by reporters what point there was in returning his card. He replied, "What else can I return to the government? This is all I got from it."

### CONGRESSMAN SAYS NIXON FAILED TO RALLY PUBLIC OPINION ON BEHALF OF SOVIET JEWS Evers Calls For Black-Jewish Unity

CHICAGO, March 20 (JTA)--Rep. Robert F. Drinan (D., Mass.), a 51-year-old Jesuit priest who has been in Congress since 1970, asserted in a speech scheduled for delivery tonight that President Nixon had failed to rally public opinion on behalf of relief of the situation of Soviet Jews.

Speaking to the second-day dinner meeting of the National Interreligious Consultation on Soviet Jewry at the University of Chicago's Center for Continuing Education, Drinan declared that in 1970 and 1971 the Nixon administration "appeared to default on its pre-election promise...to create world opinion, as well as document all the facts, in order that, through diplomatic and other channels, the concern of the American people for the cultural and religious freedom of Soviet Jews may be firmly communicated on many levels to the leaders of the Soviet government."

Drinan disclosed that he will visit Israel in late May on behalf of the Interreligious Consultation and will report to the delegates on his findings in regard to immigration. "I have the hope that American Christians will be aroused at the injustices being inflicted on persons of the Jewish faith in Russia. I hope also that Christians in America will recognize, as never before, and act upon the acute and profound problems which confront Israel because, by its nature, it is an ongoing ingathering of exiles and refugees."

### Recalls Jewish Participation

Addressing the Consultation last night, Mayor Charles Evers of Fayette, Miss., declared that "it will be a disgrace to American Jews if President Nixon on his forthcoming visit to the Soviet Union does not tell the Russian authorities to 'let our people go.'" Evers, the brother of murdered civil rights leader Medgar Evers, stated: "I am here, all of you are here, because we care. I am proud to be a part of ending this oppression. I am also here because as one who remembers the Jewish participation in the Mississippi civil rights struggle I do not forget those who helped me."

Asserting that "our Jewish friends in the United States should join hands with us so that Blacks and Jews can be linked together in the struggle for human rights," Evers concluded: "Blacks and Jews have been the victims of the worst racism in the world. Tonight we are talking about ending racism." The Consultation is being attended by 165 Protestant, Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox and Jewish leaders from across the country.

### EXPERIMENTS CONFIRMING EINSTEIN'S THEORY OF GRAVITY SHARED BY TEL AVIV U. AND WEIZMANN INSTITUTE

TEL AVIV, March 20 (JTA)--Tel Aviv University and the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot agreed today to share credit for a series of scientific experiments which purportedly confirm Einstein's theory that gravity acts in waves. The agreement followed a conciliatory meeting between the heads of the two institutions. The Weizmann Institute had objected to Tel Aviv University taking sole credit for the discovery.

The experiments were successfully conducted by Prof. Dror Sadeh of Tel Aviv University's department of physics and astronomy. Prof. Sadeh used the Weizmann Institute's geophysics observatory near Eilat, headed by Prof. Ari Ben Menahem. Tel Aviv U. announced the results on March 17, crediting Prof. Sadeh. Today, however, both institutions acknowledged that Prof. Sadeh and Prof. Ben

Menahem were partners in the discovery.

Albert Einstein predicted in 1917 that gravity acts in waves. The prediction was part of his General Theory of Relativity. But it could not be confirmed experimentally because the waves are extremely weak. The experiments conducted by Profs. Sadeh and Ben Menahem made use of the 1967 discovery of pulsars, a type of pulsating star assumed to have very high density and very rapid rotation. According to Einstein's theory, such bodies must emit gravity waves.

Prof. Sadeh's innovation was to use the earth as a detector, but because the effects of the waves is very small, a sophisticated electronic system had to be built by the university and the advanced equipment at the Weizmann Institute facility had to be employed.

According to the announcement the experiment proved the existence of gravitational waves which up to now were merely an assumption; that pulsars are neutron stars having high density and a high rate of rotation; and that a seismograph on earth can serve as an astronomical telescope which measures the movements of stars.

### POPE GRATIFIED BY CATHOLIC-JEWISH COOPERATION

ROME, March 20 (JTA)--Pope Paul VI told B'nai B'rith leaders he was gratified by cooperative relationships that have developed between Catholics and Jews. The mutuality in understanding, he added, "must continue." The Pope conveyed his view to David M. Blumberg of Knoxville, Tenn., international president of B'nai B'rith, and four other officials of the Jewish service organization, whom the Pontiff warmly greeted during an audience at the Vatican last Wednesday.

Blumberg presented the Pope with a 3500-year-old clay bowl from the era of the Biblical Patriarchs which the B'nai B'rith group had brought from Israel as "a symbol of the common spiritual heritage and ancestry" of Catholics and Jews. The B'nai B'rith leader told the Pope that the antiquity from the Holy Land expressed "the deep sense of spiritual affinity that the Jews of the world have with the land and the people of Israel."

In his response, the Pope said the spiritual meaning of the gift was "important" to him because it conveyed the tradition common to both faiths. He also recalled Vatican efforts to rescue Jews during the Hitler era. When Blumberg cited the development of closer Catholic-Jewish relationships in the United States and elsewhere, the Pope replied that such efforts must continue.

Others in the B'nai B'rith delegation were Rabbi Benjamin M. Kahn, its executive vice-president; Herman Edelsberg, director of international affairs, and Bernard Simon, director of public relations; all of Washington, D.C. They were accompanied at the Papal audience by Dr. Joseph Lichten, B'nai B'rith's representative in Rome.

### AMMUNITION, MINES, FOUND IN RAFFAH AREA

TEL AVIV, March 20 (JTA)--Large quantities of arms, ammunition and mines were discovered in the Raffah area--in the southern Gaza Strip and northern Sinai--in the course of transferring some Bedouins from the area to other locations in the Strip as part of a plan for Jewish settlements there, it was reported. The area, known as "Smuggler's Road," has been the scene of much terrorist activity; seven Israelis have been killed and 25 injured there in the past 18 months. Since Jan. 30, three terrorists have been captured there.

## WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

PARIS (JTA)--The Swiss section of the International League Against Racism and Anti-Semitism (LICRA) has asked Poland's President Edward Gierak to permit Leopold Trepper and his wife "to leave Poland and join their children in Israel." The LICRA message signed by its president, Willy Donze, added: "Because of the couple's age and the state of their health and the services they rendered in the fight against Hitler Germany, we hope you will let them spend their last years close to their children." Trepper, 68, was the former head of Soviet intelligence in Europe during World War II. LICRA also sent a telegram to Soviet Premier Aleksai N. Kosygin asking the Soviet Union to allow Vladimir Slepak, Sylva Zalmanson Kuznetsov, Raiza Palatnik and Ilia Glezer to emigrate to Israel.

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NEW YORK (JTA)--The third international Israeli youth festival will be held from July 10 to Aug. 21 in Belt Berl near Tel Aviv. According to Harold Zinman of Lynn, Mass., the festival's US chairman, about 500 teenagers from five continents will participate. He noted that the festival will seek to bring Jewish youth closer to the State of Israel; acquaint Jewish youth with the historical, religious and battle sites of Israel; study and understand Israel's problems; allow for extensive sports activities and competitions; and acquaint Jewish youth with the kibbutzim, moshavim and Nahal border settlements.

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LONDON (JTA)--There is little doubt that Klaus Altmann who is residing in Bolivia is the wanted Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie, according to a BBC-TV survey of the case. It is also unlikely that he will ever be returned to France to face trial for the murder of a French resistance leader and the deportation of thousands of French Jews during World War II when he was Gestapo chief in Lyons, the BBC stated. It also credited Mrs. Beate Klarsfeld, an anti-Nazi German married to a French Jew, with compelling evidence that Altmann is Barbie. "She has made a contribution by proving that the children of Klaus Barbie and the children of Klaus Altmann have the same names and were born on the same dates which could hardly be possible unless Barbie and Altmann are the same man," the BBC report stated.

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TORONTO (JTA)--The Canadian Foundation for Jewish Culture has announced scholarships, grants-in-aid and graduate fellowships to 17 Canadian scholars for 1972. The grants range from \$400 to \$2000 and have been made possible by private contributions to the Foundation and a community grant from the Calgary Jewish Community Council. Rabbi Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg, Foundation president, stated that the "number of applications exceeded our expectations. They bear witness to the increasing interest of scholars in research and study in Judaism, history, literature, talmudic studies and anthropology." He noted that the greatest number of applications were received from students in doctoral programs, "a very heartening development in view of the development of programs in Jewish studies at the University of Toronto, McGill University, Sir George Williams University and the University of Manitoba."

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JERUSALEM (JTA)--Ground was broken Sunday on the Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus for a student residence center named for Brazil. The ceremony, the first event at the university's annual

board of governors' conference, was attended by Brazil's Ambassador Luiz de Almeida Nogueira Porto; Dr. Bernardo Ackerman, president of the Sao Paulo chapter of the Brazilian Friends of the Hebrew University; Mrs. Sara Abramovitz, vice-president of the Sao Paulo chapter of Brazilian Settlers in Israel; and Sam Rothberg of Peoria, Ill., chairman of the university's Board of Governors. The Casa do Brasil will house 72 students including married couples.

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TOKYO (JTA)--The government has announced plans to end its ban on imports of Israeli grapefruits and oranges, it was announced here several days ago. The Agriculture-Forestry Ministry will hold a public hearing in mid-April on ending the ban. The ban had been placed on the import of Israeli citrus fruits because of fears that it could lead to the introduction here of a plant disease peculiar to Israel. However, Ministry officials who conducted an on-the-spot inspection in Israel late last year, found the disease had been eradicated. The Ministry's decision to end the import ban was taken after Israeli Vice-Minister of Agriculture Avraham Brum met with Vice-Minister Osamu Morimoto and other Agriculture-Forestry Ministry officials and asked for an end to the ban.

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NEW YORK (JTA)--Rudolf G. Sonneborn, the man who mobilized massive behind-the-scenes financial support which made possible the post-World War II immigration to Israel and the effort which enabled the fledgling state to defend itself during its 1948 War of Independence, will be presented with the S.Y. Agnon Gold Medal on May 8 at the Hotel Americana. The medal represents the highest national honor of the American Friends of the Hebrew University. The announcement of the event was made by Prof. Milton Handler, honorary chairman of the Friends' Board of Directors and national chairman of Legacies and Request Program, who is serving as dinner chairman.

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PARIS (JTA)--West German manufacturers of a doll that was sold in France under the name of "The Jew," had been selling this doll for several years in Germany under the name "Voodoo Joe," informed sources said here Sunday. The manufacturers, Heinze and Co. did not name the doll "The Jew." This name was given to the doll by the director of the French distribution company, Verrier-Patrick of Villeurbanne in the Rhone region. He told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he changed the name of the doll because he believed it would have a higher commercial value.

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TEL AVIV (JTA)--Francoise Mitterand, the French Socialist Party leader, left Israel Sunday morning after a four-day visit. He praised the "Allon plan" for a peace settlement between Israel and Jordan and said he regarded the plan as a solution that can be accepted by both sides. The plan, attributed to Deputy Premier and Minister of Education Yigal Allon, calls for a continued Israeli military presence along the Jordan River but no annexation by Israel of the West Bank. Mitterand said he was now convinced that the pre-June 1967 borders of Israel were not defensible.





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The leader's name was unintelligible due to poor atmospheric conditions which interfered with the broadcast. However, according to the Israeli newsmen, the south Sudanese do not want to become involved in events far from their borders nor do they accept Khartoum's contention that a formal state of war exists between the Sudan and Israel even though Sudanese units have fought with the Egyptian Army against Israel in the three Middle East wars since 1948.

Asked if their truce would be affected if Sudan were to join with Egypt, Syria and Libya in the federation they formed last year, the rebel leader said such a move would lead to a complete revision of the south Sudan's stand, the Israeli reporter said.

#### LIPSKY TO RETURN TO FRANCE

TEL AVIV, March 20 (JTA)--Claude Lipsky, the central figure in a major financial scandal in France, has abandoned his fight against extradition and will return to France of his own free will. Lipsky, who sought refuge in Israel last Oct., is expected to return to France within the next 48 hours accompanied by a French police official who is coming here to escort him.

Lipsky announced his decision yesterday through his Israeli lawyer, Chaim Shenhav, and has informed his two French attorneys, Johannes Ambre and George Herisse that he will face French justice. In a statement issued through Shenhav today, Lipsky said he reached his decision after careful consideration of his situation which convinced him that he will be cleared of the charges he faces in France.

#### 14 ARMY RESERVISTS REFUSE TO TAKE BACK THEIR CARDS; WILL SERVE IF CALLED UPON

JERUSALEM, March 20 (JTA)--A group of 14 Jerusalem men who turned in their Army reserve cards in protest against their economic plight, refused to take their cards back last night but said they would serve if called to duty. Eleven of the group turned up for a meeting with Maj. Gen. Shlomo Lahat, Chief of the Army's manpower branch, who had invited all of the protestors for a talk at General Staff headquarters.

The General informed the reservists that they had broken Army regulations by turning in their cards. They told him they would report for duty if called but meanwhile they wanted their protest to be widely heard. The 14 protestors are all past the age for active military service and several are married.

They are not likely to be called for duty unless an emergency occurred. They claim that their economic situation has reached a point where they can no longer support themselves and their families. One of the group, Saleh Mizrahi, was asked by reporters what point there was in returning his card. He replied, "What else can I return to the government? This is all I got from it."

### CONGRESSMAN SAYS NIXON FAILED TO RALLY PUBLIC OPINION ON BEHALF OF SOVIET JEWS Evers Calls For Black-Jewish Unity

CHICAGO, March 20 (JTA)--Rep. Robert F. Drinan (D., Mass.), a 51-year-old Jesuit priest who has been in Congress since 1970, asserted in a speech scheduled for delivery tonight that President Nixon had failed to rally public opinion on behalf of relief of the situation of Soviet Jews.

Speaking to the second-day dinner meeting of the National Interreligious Consultation on Soviet Jewry at the University of Chicago's Center for Continuing Education, Drinan declared that in 1970 and 1971 the Nixon administration "appeared to default on its pre-election promise...to create world opinion, as well as document all the facts, in order that, through diplomatic and other channels, the concern of the American people for the cultural and religious freedom of Soviet Jews may be firmly communicated on many levels to the leaders of the Soviet government."

Drinan disclosed that he will visit Israel in late May on behalf of the Interreligious Consultation and will report to the delegates on his findings in regard to immigration. "I have the hope that American Christians will be aroused at the injustices being inflicted on persons of the Jewish faith in Russia. I hope also that Christians in America will recognize, as never before, and act upon the acute and profound problems which confront Israel because, by its nature, it is an ongoing ingathering of exiles and refugees."

### Recalls Jewish Participation

Addressing the Consultation last night, Mayor Charles Evers of Fayette, Miss., declared that "it will be a disgrace to American Jews if President Nixon on his forthcoming visit to the Soviet Union does not tell the Russian authorities to 'let our people go.'" Evers, the brother of murdered civil rights leader Medgar Evers, stated: "I am here, all of you are here, because we care. I am proud to be a part of ending this oppression. I am also here because as one who remembers the Jewish participation in the Mississippi civil rights struggle I do not forget those who helped me."

Asserting that "our Jewish friends in the United States should join hands with us so that Blacks and Jews can be linked together in the struggle for human rights," Evers concluded: "Blacks and Jews have been the victims of the worst racism in the world. Tonight we are talking about ending racism." The Consultation is being attended by 165 Protestant, Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox and Jewish leaders from across the country.

### EXPERIMENTS CONFIRMING EINSTEIN'S THEORY OF GRAVITY SHARED BY TEL AVIV U. AND WEIZMANN INSTITUTE

TEL AVIV, March 20 (JTA)--Tel Aviv University and the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovoth agreed today to share credit for a series of scientific experiments which purportedly confirm Einstein's theory that gravity acts in waves. The agreement followed a conciliatory meeting between the heads of the two institutions. The Weizmann Institute had objected to Tel Aviv University taking sole credit for the discovery.

The experiments were successfully conducted by Prof. Dror Sadeh of Tel Aviv University's department of physics and astronomy. Prof. Sadeh used the Weizmann Institute's geophysics observatory near Eilat, headed by Prof. Ari Ben Menahem. Tel Aviv U. announced the results on March 17, crediting Prof. Sadeh. Today, however, both institutions acknowledged that Prof. Sadeh and Prof. Ben

Menahem were partners in the discovery.

Albert Einstein predicted in 1917 that gravity acts in waves. The prediction was part of his General Theory of Relativity. But it could not be confirmed experimentally because the waves are extremely weak. The experiments conducted by Profs. Sadeh and Ben Menahem made use of the 1967 discovery of pulsars, a type of pulsating star assumed to have very high density and very rapid rotation. According to Einstein's theory, such bodies must emit gravity waves.

Prof. Sadeh's innovation was to use the earth as a detector, but because the effects of the waves is very small, a sophisticated electronic system had to be built by the university and the advanced equipment at the Weizmann Institute facility had to be employed.

According to the announcement the experiment proved the existence of gravitational waves which up to now were merely an assumption; that pulsars are neutron stars having high density and a high rate of rotation; and that a seismograph on earth can serve as an astronomical telescope which measures the movements of stars.

### POPE GRATIFIED BY CATHOLIC-JEWISH COOPERATION

ROME, March 20 (JTA)--Pope Paul VI told B'nai B'rith leaders he was gratified by cooperative relationships that have developed between Catholics and Jews. The mutuality in understanding, he added, "must continue." The Pope conveyed his view to David M. Blumberg of Knoxville, Tenn., international president of B'nai B'rith, and four other officials of the Jewish service organization, whom the Pontiff warmly greeted during an audience at the Vatican last Wednesday.

Blumberg presented the Pope with a 3500-year-old clay bowl from the era of the Biblical Patriarchs which the B'nai B'rith group had brought from Israel as "a symbol of the common spiritual heritage and ancestry" of Catholics and Jews. The B'nai B'rith leader told the Pope that the antiquity from the Holy Land expressed "the deep sense of spiritual affinity that the Jews of the world have with the land and the people of Israel."

In his response, the Pope said the spiritual meaning of the gift was "important" to him because it conveyed the tradition common to both faiths. He also recalled Vatican efforts to rescue Jews during the Hitler era. When Blumberg cited the development of closer Catholic-Jewish relationships in the United States and elsewhere, the Pope replied that such efforts must continue.

Others in the B'nai B'rith delegation were Rabbi Benjamin M. Kahn, its executive vice-president; Herman Edelsberg, director of international affairs, and Bernard Simon, director of public relations; all of Washington, D.C. They were accompanied at the Papal audience by Dr. Joseph Lichten, B'nai B'rith's representative in Rome.

### AMMUNITION, MINES, FOUND IN RAFFAH AREA

TEL AVIV, March 20 (JTA)--Large quantities of arms, ammunition and mines were discovered in the Raffah area--in the southern Gaza Strip and northern Sinai--in the course of transferring some Bedouins from the area to other locations in the Strip as part of a plan for Jewish settlements there, it was reported. The area, known as "Smuggler's Road," has been the scene of much terrorist activity; seven Israelis have been killed and 25 injured there in the past 18 months. Since Jan. 30, three terrorists have been captured there.

## WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

PARIS (JTA)--The Swiss section of the International League Against Racism and Anti-Semitism (LICRA) has asked Poland's President Edward Gierak to permit Leopold Trepper and his wife "to leave Poland and join their children in Israel." The LICRA message signed by its president, Willy Donze, added: "Because of the couple's age and the state of their health and the services they rendered in the fight against Hitler Germany, we hope you will let them spend their last years close to their children." Trepper, 68, was the former head of Soviet intelligence in Europe during World War II. LICRA also sent a telegram to Soviet Premier Aleksai N. Kosygin asking the Soviet Union to allow Vladimir Slepak, Sylva Zalmanson Kuznetsov, Raiza Palatnik and Ilia Glezer to emigrate to Israel.

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NEW YORK (JTA)--The third international Israeli youth festival will be held from July 10 to Aug. 21 in Belt Berl near Tel Aviv. According to Harold Zinman of Lynn, Mass., the festival's US chairman, about 500 teenagers from five continents will participate. He noted that the festival will seek to bring Jewish youth closer to the State of Israel; acquaint Jewish youth with the historical, religious and battle sites of Israel; study and understand Israel's problems; allow for extensive sports activities and competitions; and acquaint Jewish youth with the kibbutzim, moshavim and Nahal border settlements.

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LONDON (JTA)--There is little doubt that Klaus Altmann who is residing in Bolivia is the wanted Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie, according to a BBC-TV survey of the case. It is also unlikely that he will ever be returned to France to face trial for the murder of a French resistance leader and the deportation of thousands of French Jews during World War II when he was Gestapo chief in Lyons, the BBC stated. It also credited Mrs. Beate Klarsfeld, an anti-Nazi German married to a French Jew, with compiling evidence that Altmann is Barbie. "She has made a contribution by proving that the children of Klaus Barbie and the children of Klaus Altmann have the same names and were born on the same dates which could hardly be possible unless Barbie and Altmann are the same man," the BBC report stated.

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TORONTO (JTA)--The Canadian Foundation for Jewish Culture has announced scholarships, grants-in-aid and graduate fellowships to 17 Canadian scholars for 1972. The grants range from \$400 to \$2000 and have been made possible by private contributions to the Foundation and a community grant from the Calgary Jewish Community Council. Rabbi Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg, Foundation president, stated that the "number of applications exceeded our expectations. They bear witness to the increasing interest of scholars in research and study in Judaism, history, literature, talmudic studies and anthropology." He noted that the greatest number of applications were received from students in doctoral programs, "a very heartening development in view of the development of programs in Jewish studies at the University of Toronto, McGill University, Sir George Williams University and the University of Manitoba."

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JERUSALEM (JTA)--Ground was broken Sunday on the Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus for a student residence center named for Brazil. The ceremony, the first event at the university's annual

board of governors' conference, was attended by Brazil's Ambassador Luiz de Almeida Nogueira Porto; Dr. Bernardo Ackerman, president of the Sao Paulo chapter of the Brazilian Friends of the Hebrew University; Mrs. Sara Abramovitz, vice-president of the Sao Paulo chapter of Brazilian Settlers in Israel; and Sam Rothberg of Peoria, Ill., chairman of the university's Board of Governors. The Casa do Brasil will house 72 students including married couples.

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TOKYO (JTA)--The government has announced plans to end its ban on imports of Israeli grapefruits and oranges, it was announced here several days ago. The Agriculture-Forestry Ministry will hold a public hearing in mid-April on ending the ban. The ban had been placed on the import of Israeli citrus fruits because of fears that it could lead to the introduction here of a plant disease peculiar to Israel. However, Ministry officials who conducted an on-the-spot inspection in Israel late last year, found the disease had been eradicated. The Ministry's decision to end the import ban was taken after Israeli Vice-Minister of Agriculture Avraham Brum met with Vice-Minister Osamu Morimoto and other Agriculture-Forestry Ministry officials and asked for an end to the ban.

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NEW YORK (JTA)--Rudolf G. Sonneborn, the man who mobilized massive behind-the-scenes financial support which made possible the post-World War II immigration to Israel and the effort which enabled the fledgling state to defend itself during its 1948 War of Independence, will be presented with the S.Y. Agnon Gold Medal on May 8 at the Hotel Americana. The medal represents the highest national honor of the American Friends of the Hebrew University. The announcement of the event was made by Prof. Milton Handler, honorary chairman of the Friends' Board of Directors and national chairman of Legacies and Request Program, who is serving as dinner chairman.

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PARIS (JTA)--West German manufacturers of a doll that was sold in France under the name of "The Jew," had been selling this doll for several years in Germany under the name "Voodoo Joe," informed sources said here Sunday. The manufacturers, Heinze and Co. did not name the doll "The Jew." This name was given to the doll by the director of the French distribution company, Verrier-Patrick of Villeurbanne in the Rhone region. He told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he changed the name of the doll because he believed it would have a higher commercial value.

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TEL AVIV (JTA)--Francoise Mitterand, the French Socialist Party leader, left Israel Sunday morning after a four-day visit. He praised the "Allon plan" for a peace settlement between Israel and Jordan and said he regarded the plan as a solution that can be accepted by both sides. The plan, attributed to Deputy Premier and Minister of Education Yigal Allon, calls for a continued Israeli military presence along the Jordan River but no annexation by Israel of the West Bank. Mitterand said he was now convinced that the pre-June 1967 borders of Israel were not defensible.