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UNITED NATIONS, May 4 (JTA)--A United Nations spokesman denied today reports that the UN's Middle East representative, Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring, planned to quit that job in frustration over the Mideast stalemate. "He has no intention at this time to resign," the spokesman insisted.

Dr. Jarring, who returned here Monday, was scheduled to depart today for Moscow, where he is Sweden's ambassador. The spokesman said: "He has had extensive talks with the Secretary General and has also met with the parties and others concerned with the Middle East question. As before he will remain in close touch with the Secretary General and with the Middle East situation with a view to continuing his mission." That mission will be four and a half years old May 23.

3 SOVIET JEWISH FAMILIES ARRIVE IN U.S.

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Three families from the Soviet Union, all benefitting from the US Attorney General's parole authority, arrived here this afternoon on a plane from Rome, it was reported by United HIAS Service.

The newcomers were: Marton Rozenboun and his two daughters, ages 20 and 24, who were sponsored by a cousin, Martin Willinger of Brooklyn; Peter Gltzis, 30, who is joining his mother, Riva Kloss, in the Bronx; and Jevgen and Eva Weiss and their 6-year-old daughter, Veronika, who will be joining their parents/grandparents, Heinrich Hauer and his wife in Linden, N.J. The new arrivals are from Olesniki, Czernovitz and Ushgorod, respectively.

Gaynor I. Jacobson, executive vice-president of United HIAS Service, explained that in each case admission and resultant family reunion would not have been possible under the existing immigration procedures. He cautioned, however, that regardless of the intended country of destination, a prerequisite for all Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union is a letter of invitation from a relative.

N.Y. SYNAGOGUE TO MARK 100TH ANNIVERSARY

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, founded in 1872 as an Orthodox Jewish congregation, will launch the celebration of its Centennial Year at a convocation of 1000 members on Sunday. Three generations of one rabbinic family have served in the ministry of the congregation throughout the past 66 years.

Rabbi Moses Z. Margolies served as Senior Rabbi for 31 years. He was followed by his assistant and grandson by marriage, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, the current Chancellor of Bar-Ilan University and vice-president of the Synagogue Council of America. The Associate Rabbi of the congregation is Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, the great-grandson of Rabbi Margolies. He serves also as the principal of the Ramaz School, the day school which is sponsored by Kehilath Jeshurun.

Netherlands Foreign Minister Norbert Schmelzer, will visit Israel June 10-14 and Egypt June 14-18, in accordance with the Dutch policy of maintaining good relations with Israel and Egypt.

ALLON LAUNCHES TWO-MONTH DRIVE FOR \$85 MILLION IN BOND CASH

WASHINGTON, May 4 (JTA)--Yigal Allon, Deputy Prime Minister of Israel, launched a special drive yesterday for the collection of \$85 million in cash in the Israel Bond drive during the months of May and June. The Israeli leader spoke at a meeting of key Israel Bond leaders which was held at the Israel Embassy where Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin was the host. Allon stressed that during the first four months of the year immigration from the Soviet Union had continued at a high rate. He said this situation required accelerated effort on the economic front to provide jobs for the new arrivals.

A cabled message from Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir urged the Israel Bond Organization to conduct the special cash effort in the months of May and June. In requesting that the sum of \$85 million be remitted in cash by the end of June, Sapir said that "our development program is falling dangerously behind schedule in spite of the growing demand for immediate job opportunities for Russian Jews who are now arriving in Israel at a peak rate."

The cable was addressed to Sam Rothberg, general chairman, and Leo Bernstein, executive vice-president of Israel Bonds. Rothberg, who presided, warned that "we must not allow the Jews from the Soviet Union nor Israel's citizens who are clamoring for better housing and living conditions to become an impossible burden on the people of Israel."

MAURICE SAMUEL, AUTHOR, ESSAYIST, TRANSLATOR, DIES AT AGE 77

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Maurice Samuel, prize-winning author, essayist and English translator of Yiddish classics, died here today at the age of 77. Funeral services will be held Sunday. Mr. Samuel, author of 25 books in addition to his translations, won the Saturday Review Prize for "The World of Sholom Aleichem" and the 1956 Stephen S. Wise award. On the day of his death, he was to have been awarded the Manger Prize in Yiddish Literature in Israel.

The Rumanian-born author spent four years in England before coming to the United States in 1914. He served with the US Expeditionary Force in France during the first World War and in 1919 served as an interpreter at the Versailles Peace Conference; for the Reparations Commission in Berlin and Vienna and for the Morgenthau Pogrom Investigating Commission in Poland.

Mr. Samuel lectured extensively throughout his career and appeared on radio in a Bible discussion program with Mark Van Doren. His books include "In Praise of Yiddish," "You Gentiles," "I, The Jew," "What Happened in Palestine," "On the Rim of the Wilderness," "Harvest in the Desert," "Prince of the Ghetto," "Certain People of the Book," and memoirs titled, "Little Did I Know." At the time of his death he had completed two chapters of his 26th book. They appeared in Feb. and March in Midstream magazine.

WIESEL SAYS IDEA THAT JEW CAN BE A JEW ONLY IN ISRAEL IS HARMFUL

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--"He who says a Jew in Israel is better than a Jew in Russia or America or Iraq does nothing but divide our people, and harms it more than some of our enemies." This contention will be expressed tonight by Elie Wiesel at the 66th annual dinner of the American Jewish Committee where he is to accept the organization's highest award, the American Liberties Medallion.

According to an advance summary of his address, the noted author rejects the idea that Jewish leaders from other countries ought to emigrate to

Israel. Referring to the heated controversy at the final session of the World Zionist Congress last Jan. when a resolution was adopted, and subsequently declared unconstitutional, calling for Jewish leaders to make aliya, Wiesel states: "A Jew can be Jewish everywhere, not only in Israel, providing he claims kinship with the totality of his people's experience."

Holocaust Survivors Can Aid Refugees

Discussing the situation in the Middle East, Wiesel is scheduled to urge the AJ Committee to establish "an international committee composed entirely of Holocaust survivors," declaring that these survivors, who had been uprooted from their homelands and forced to rebuild their lives, are uniquely qualified to comprehend and handle the problems caused by the uprooting of the Arab population in Israel.

At the same time, he stressed that he does not equate the Holocaust and its victims with any of today's upheavals and their concomitant population displacements. "Those who compare the Holocaust with any current situation anywhere--in Vietnam or Bangladesh or Harlem--are guilty of distortion bordering on obscenity," he states. "The Holocaust was a unique event defying all parallels...."

Referring to President Nixon's trip this month to the Soviet Union, Wiesel states that Nixon "should bring to the attention of the Soviet leaders the fact that no other issue today, except for the security of Israel, mobilizes the American Jewish community in its entirety as does the issue of Soviet Jewry." Continuing, he states that it is "only normal for us to hope that when he (Nixon) meets the leaders of Soviet Russia, he would become our messenger and plead with them" to allow all Soviet Jews to be reunited with their families in Israel and to free the Jewish prisoners.

PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE MARKS 90TH ANNIVERSARY

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--"L'David Mizmor," a Friday evening service by Cantor Charles Davidson, will be performed tomorrow at the (Conservative) Park Avenue Synagogue in honor of its 90th anniversary. The service is dedicated to and will be performed by Cantor David J. Putterman, aided by the synagogue choir. Putterman, Russian-born and 71, has been the synagogue's cantor since 1933. In 1917, at the age of 17, he became the first American cantor.

Tomorrow's program is also dedicated "to the enhancement of Jewish worship; to a wider diffusion and utilization of the resources of Jewish music, and to the encouragement of those who give of their lives and genius to its enrichment."

Composer Davidson, 43, is cantor of Congregation Adath Jeshurun, Elkins Park, Pa., and was editor of Jewish Musical Journal and of Jewish Music Notes. The conductor, Abraham Kaplan, is Israeli-born and the director of choral music at the Juilliard School of Music. He is also the founder-conductor of the Camerata Singers and the Camerata Symphony Orchestra, and recently led a command performance at the White House honoring Finnish President Urho Kekkonen.

Eighty high school students from eight states ended two days of appeals for Soviet Jews with visits to their Congressmen and Senators in Washington. They abstained from eating lunch and contributed their lunch money for a food parcel to be sent to Sylvia Zalmanson Kuznetsov.

AJCOMMITTEE AIDS HASIDIC BUSINESSMEN GET PREVIOUSLY UNAVAILABLE BANK LOANS

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Howard J. Samuels, former US Undersecretary of Commerce and Small Business Administrator, and now president of the Off Track Betting Corporation, is scheduled to announce tomorrow that the American Jewish Committee has launched a program to secure previously unavailable bank loans for Hasidic businessmen. The Committee efforts have already produced hundreds of thousands of dollars in loans by the eight large commercial banks in the city to hard-pressed Hasidic-owned businesses in Williamsburg. Samuels is slated to tell a news conference at the Americana Hotel where the American Jewish Committee is holding its 66th annual meeting.

Samuels, in a prepared statement released today, notes that the Committee's New York Chapter whose director is Haskell L. Lazere, concerned with the inability of the Orthodox Brooklyn merchants to secure commercial credit because of their unusual working schedules and large families, had intervened on their behalf. The project, undertaken with a Williamsburg Community Committee from the Council of Jewish Organizations, Samuels notes, "was designed to help Hasidic businessmen help themselves and their community by expanding businesses and providing more employment." The chairman of the Committee, Jed S. Rakoff, prepared a comprehensive plan to aid the Hasidic businessmen.

Solution To Poverty

Samuels notes some of the special problems the Hasidic Jews had encountered in securing bank loans: "Families of twelve and fourteen children are not uncommon. Ordinarily, if this information were on a loan application, and a man's income from his business was \$15,000, banks would regard him as a poor risk. An application does not convey the determination to succeed, to provide adequately for the family."

In addition, he points out, "Who will hire a strangely garbed bearded fellow with side-curls who barely speaks English, has little technical education, and must leave work at noon each Friday to prepare for the elaborate Hasidic Sabbath? It seems unlikely that large numbers of Hasidim will find adequate employment as workers in the outside economy, at least in the foreseeable future. A more likely solution to their poverty is their employment in Hasidic-owned-and-managed businesses." However, Samuels adds that on the whole, such businesses are too small and uneconomic to meet the community's need for gainful employment. "What are needed are somewhat larger businesses providing goods or services that could be sold to the outside economy. But who is to provide the capital to get such businesses going?" It was this situation, Samuels states, that led to the American Jewish Committee's Williamsburg project.

DR. JUDD L. TELLER, AUTHOR, SOCIAL HISTORIAN, LECTURER, DIES AT 59

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Dr. Judd L. Teller, director of the Institute for Policy Planning and Research of the Synagogue Council of America, died yesterday at the age of 59. Funeral services will be held tomorrow. A noted author, lecturer and social historian and an expert on Jewish communal affairs, Dr. Teller was born in Tarnopol, Austria, and came to this country in 1921. He received his undergraduate degree at City College, and his Masters and Doctorate degrees at Columbia University in psychology.

Dr. Teller had written extensively on Jewish affairs, here and abroad. His latest book was "Strangers and Natives, The Evolution of the American Jew from 1921 to the Present." His other books included "Scapegoat of Revolution," which deals with the effects of social revolution on Jews from the Reformation through the Communist revolution in Russia, "The Kremlin, the Jews and the Middle East," and "The Jews: Biography of a People."

He was Atran Lecturer at Yeshiva University and consultant on Soviet affairs to a Pentagon research project at American University. He held numerous professional posts in the Jewish community including political secretary of the World Zionist Organization, consultant to the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany and on Jewish Claims against Austria, and first secretary of the Presidents' Conference of Major American Jewish Organizations and of the Conference of Jewish Organizations.

Dr. Teller had traveled on governmental and foundation assignments in Europe, Asia, Africa, which provided him with an opportunity to study Jewish conditions first hand. He had contributed to leading journals and newspapers, among them Commentary, Midstream, Middle East Journal, The New York Herald Tribune Syndicate, The Christian Science Monitor, New Republic, The Nation, The Journal of Jewish Social Studies.

SCHOOLS TO CLOSE FOR PASSOVER 1973

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--The New York City Board of Education has approved a proposal to close city schools during the Passover holidays and Holy Week in 1973, the Association of Orthodox Jewish Teachers reported today. The proposal to modify the regular school calendar was submitted to the Board of Education by Dr. Seymour P. Lachman, vice-president of the Board of Education after consultations with officers of the association, according to Philip Kipust, president of the teachers group.

In regular school calendars previously, Kipust said, public schools were closed for the spring recess on Good Friday and the week that followed. In 1973, this would have meant closing on Friday, April 20, to Friday, April 27. The first two days of Passover in 1973 occur on April 17 and 18 and Holy Thursday falls on April 19.

Adherence to the standard school calendar would have meant that the schools would have remained technically open on those days, though attendance would have dropped steeply. Under the revised calendar, Kipust said, the 1973 spring recess will start on Monday, April 16 and continue through Tuesday, April 24, the last day of Passover, 1973. The teachers association, in a letter to Isaiah Robinson, education board president, expressed its gratitude to him and to the board for its action. The association said that the calendar revision was not only practical and good educational policy, but that it also demonstrated sensitivity to all the major religious groups.

HEBREW POET HONORED

MADRID, May 4 (JTA)--A statue in memory of Solomon Ibn Gabirol was unveiled in Malaga, his home town in southern Spain on the 950th anniversary of his birth. The statue was put up by the town council of Malaga. The ceremony was attended by several leaders of the Sephardim in various countries. Solomon Ibn Gabirol was one of the greatest Hebrew poets of the golden age of Hebrew letters in medieval Spain. He was also an important philosopher.



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UNITED NATIONS, May 4 (JTA)--A United Nations spokesman denied today reports that the UN's Middle East representative, Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring, planned to quit that job in frustration over the Mideast stalemate. "He has no intention at this time to resign," the spokesman insisted.

Dr. Jarring, who returned here Monday, was scheduled to depart today for Moscow, where he is Sweden's ambassador. The spokesman said: "He has had extensive talks with the Secretary General and has also met with the parties and others concerned with the Middle East question. As before he will remain in close touch with the Secretary General and with the Middle East situation with a view to continuing his mission." That mission will be four and a half years old May 23.

3 SOVIET JEWISH FAMILIES ARRIVE IN U.S.

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Three families from the Soviet Union, all benefitting from the US Attorney General's parole authority, arrived here this afternoon on a plane from Rome, it was reported by United HIAS Service.

The newcomers were: Marton Rozenboun and his two daughters, ages 20 and 24, who were sponsored by a cousin, Martin Willinger of Brooklyn; Peter Gltzis, 30, who is joining his mother, Riva Kloss, in the Bronx; and Jevgen and Eva Weiss and their 6-year-old daughter, Veronika, who will be joining their parents/grandparents, Heinrich Hauer and his wife in Linden, N.J. The new arrivals are from Olesniki, Czernovitz and Ushgorod, respectively.

Gaynor I. Jacobson, executive vice-president of United HIAS Service, explained that in each case admission and resultant family reunion would not have been possible under the existing immigration procedures. He cautioned, however, that regardless of the intended country of destination, a prerequisite for all Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union is a letter of invitation from a relative.

N.Y. SYNAGOGUE TO MARK 100TH ANNIVERSARY

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, founded in 1872 as an Orthodox Jewish congregation, will launch the celebration of its Centennial Year at a convocation of 1000 members on Sunday. Three generations of one rabbinic family have served in the ministry of the congregation throughout the past 66 years.

Rabbi Moses Z. Margolies served as Senior Rabbi for 31 years. He was followed by his assistant and grandson by marriage, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, the current Chancellor of Bar-Ilan University and vice-president of the Synagogue Council of America. The Associate Rabbi of the congregation is Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, the great-grandson of Rabbi Margolies. He serves also as the principal of the Ramaz School, the day school which is sponsored by Kehilath Jeshurun.

Netherlands Foreign Minister Norbert Schmelzer, will visit Israel June 10-14 and Egypt June 14-18, in accordance with the Dutch policy of maintaining good relations with Israel and Egypt.

ALLON LAUNCHES TWO-MONTH DRIVE FOR \$85 MILLION IN BOND CASH

WASHINGTON, May 4 (JTA)--Yigal Allon, Deputy Prime Minister of Israel, launched a special drive yesterday for the collection of \$85 million in cash in the Israel Bond drive during the months of May and June. The Israeli leader spoke at a meeting of key Israel Bond leaders which was held at the Israel Embassy where Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin was the host. Allon stressed that during the first four months of the year immigration from the Soviet Union had continued at a high rate. He said this situation required accelerated effort on the economic front to provide jobs for the new arrivals.

A cabled message from Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir urged the Israel Bond Organization to conduct the special cash effort in the months of May and June. In requesting that the sum of \$85 million be remitted in cash by the end of June, Sapir said that "our development program is falling dangerously behind schedule in spite of the growing demand for immediate job opportunities for Russian Jews who are now arriving in Israel at a peak rate."

The cable was addressed to Sam Rothberg, general chairman, and Leo Bernstein, executive vice-president of Israel Bonds. Rothberg, who presided, warned that "we must not allow the Jews from the Soviet Union nor Israel's citizens who are clamoring for better housing and living conditions to become an impossible burden on the people of Israel."

MAURICE SAMUEL, AUTHOR, ESSAYIST, TRANSLATOR, DIES AT AGE 77

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Maurice Samuel, prize-winning author, essayist and English translator of Yiddish classics, died here today at the age of 77. Funeral services will be held Sunday. Mr. Samuel, author of 25 books in addition to his translations, won the Saturday Review Prize for "The World of Sholom Aleichem" and the 1956 Stephen S. Wise award. On the day of his death, he was to have been awarded the Manger Prize in Yiddish Literature in Israel.

The Rumanian-born author spent four years in England before coming to the United States in 1914. He served with the US Expeditionary Force in France during the first World War and in 1919 served as an interpreter at the Versailles Peace Conference; for the Reparations Commission in Berlin and Vienna and for the Morgenthau Pogrom Investigating Commission in Poland.

Mr. Samuel lectured extensively throughout his career and appeared on radio in a Bible discussion program with Mark Van Doren. His books include "In Praise of Yiddish," "You Gentiles," "I, The Jew," "What Happened in Palestine," "On the Rim of the Wilderness," "Harvest in the Desert," "Prince of the Ghetto," "Certain People of the Book," and memoirs titled, "Little Did I Know." At the time of his death he had completed two chapters of his 26th book. They appeared in Feb. and March in Midstream magazine.

WIESEL SAYS IDEA THAT JEW CAN BE A JEW ONLY IN ISRAEL IS HARMFUL

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--"He who says a Jew in Israel is better than a Jew in Russia or America or Iraq does nothing but divide our people, and harms it more than some of our enemies." This contention will be expressed tonight by Elie Wiesel at the 66th annual dinner of the American Jewish Committee where he is to accept the organization's highest award, the American Liberties Medallion.

According to an advance summary of his address, the noted author rejects the idea that Jewish leaders from other countries ought to emigrate to

Israel. Referring to the heated controversy at the final session of the World Zionist Congress last Jan. when a resolution was adopted, and subsequently declared unconstitutional, calling for Jewish leaders to make aliya, Wiesel states: "A Jew can be Jewish everywhere, not only in Israel, providing he claims kinship with the totality of his people's experience."

Holocaust Survivors Can Aid Refugees

Discussing the situation in the Middle East, Wiesel is scheduled to urge the AJ Committee to establish "an international committee composed entirely of Holocaust survivors," declaring that these survivors, who had been uprooted from their homelands and forced to rebuild their lives, are uniquely qualified to comprehend and handle the problems caused by the uprooting of the Arab population in Israel.

At the same time, he stressed that he does not equate the Holocaust and its victims with any of today's upheavals and their concomitant population displacements. "Those who compare the Holocaust with any current situation anywhere--in Vietnam or Bangladesh or Harlem--are guilty of distortion bordering on obscenity," he states. "The Holocaust was a unique event defying all parallels...."

Referring to President Nixon's trip this month to the Soviet Union, Wiesel states that Nixon "should bring to the attention of the Soviet leaders the fact that no other issue today, except for the security of Israel, mobilizes the American Jewish community in its entirety as does the issue of Soviet Jewry." Continuing, he states that it is "only normal for us to hope that when he (Nixon) meets the leaders of Soviet Russia, he would become our messenger and plead with them" to allow all Soviet Jews to be reunited with their families in Israel and to free the Jewish prisoners.

PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE MARKS 90TH ANNIVERSARY

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--"L'David Mizmor," a Friday evening service by Cantor Charles Davidson, will be performed tomorrow at the (Conservative) Park Avenue Synagogue in honor of its 90th anniversary. The service is dedicated to and will be performed by Cantor David J. Putterman, aided by the synagogue choir. Putterman, Russian-born and 71, has been the synagogue's cantor since 1933. In 1917, at the age of 17, he became the first American cantor.

Tomorrow's program is also dedicated "to the enhancement of Jewish worship; to a wider diffusion and utilization of the resources of Jewish music, and to the encouragement of those who give of their lives and genius to its enrichment."

Composer Davidson, 43, is cantor of Congregation Adath Jeshurun, Elkins Park, Pa., and was editor of Jewish Musical Journal and of Jewish Music Notes. The conductor, Abraham Kaplan, is Israeli-born and the director of choral music at the Juilliard School of Music. He is also the founder-conductor of the Camerata Singers and the Camerata Symphony Orchestra, and recently led a command performance at the White House honoring Finnish President Urho Kekkonen.

Eighty high school students from eight states ended two days of appeals for Soviet Jews with visits to their Congressmen and Senators in Washington. They abstained from eating lunch and contributed their lunch money for a food parcel to be sent to Sylvia Zalmanson Kuznetsov.

AJCOMMITTEE AIDS HASIDIC BUSINESSMEN GET PREVIOUSLY UNAVAILABLE BANK LOANS

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Howard J. Samuels, former US Undersecretary of Commerce and Small Business Administrator, and now president of the Off Track Betting Corporation, is scheduled to announce tomorrow that the American Jewish Committee has launched a program to secure previously unavailable bank loans for Hasidic businessmen. The Committee efforts have already produced hundreds of thousands of dollars in loans by the eight large commercial banks in the city to hard-pressed Hasidic-owned businesses in Williamsburg. Samuels is slated to tell a news conference at the Americana Hotel where the American Jewish Committee is holding its 66th annual meeting.

Samuels, in a prepared statement released today, notes that the Committee's New York Chapter whose director is Haskell L. Lazere, concerned with the inability of the Orthodox Brooklyn merchants to secure commercial credit because of their unusual working schedules and large families, had intervened on their behalf. The project, undertaken with a Williamsburg Community Committee from the Council of Jewish Organizations, Samuels notes, "was designed to help Hasidic businessmen help themselves and their community by expanding businesses and providing more employment." The chairman of the Committee, Jed S. Rakoff, prepared a comprehensive plan to aid the Hasidic businessmen.

Solution To Poverty

Samuels notes some of the special problems the Hasidic Jews had encountered in securing bank loans: "Families of twelve and fourteen children are not uncommon. Ordinarily, if this information were on a loan application, and a man's income from his business was \$15,000, banks would regard him as a poor risk. An application does not convey the determination to succeed, to provide adequately for the family."

In addition, he points out, "Who will hire a strangely garbed bearded fellow with side-curls who barely speaks English, has little technical education, and must leave work at noon each Friday to prepare for the elaborate Hasidic Sabbath? It seems unlikely that large numbers of Hasidim will find adequate employment as workers in the outside economy, at least in the foreseeable future. A more likely solution to their poverty is their employment in Hasidic-owned-and-managed businesses." However, Samuels adds that on the whole, such businesses are too small and uneconomical to meet the community's need for gainful employment. "What are needed are somewhat larger businesses providing goods or services that could be sold to the outside economy. But who is to provide the capital to get such businesses going?" It was this situation, Samuels states, that led to the American Jewish Committee's Williamsburg project.

DR. JUDD L. TELLER, AUTHOR, SOCIAL HISTORIAN, LECTURER, DIES AT 59

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Dr. Judd L. Teller, director of the Institute for Policy Planning and Research of the Synagogue Council of America, died yesterday at the age of 59. Funeral services will be held tomorrow. A noted author, lecturer and social historian and an expert on Jewish communal affairs, Dr. Teller was born in Tarnopol, Austria, and came to this country in 1921. He received his undergraduate degree at City College, and his Masters and Doctorate degrees at Columbia University in psychology.

Dr. Teller had written extensively on Jewish affairs, here and abroad. His latest book was "Strangers and Natives, The Evolution of the American Jew from 1921 to the Present." His other books included "Scapegoat of Revolution," which deals with the effects of social revolution on Jews from the Reformation through the Communist revolution in Russia, "The Kremlin, the Jews and the Middle East," and "The Jews: Biography of a People."

He was Atran Lecturer at Yeshiva University and consultant on Soviet affairs to a Pentagon research project at American University. He held numerous professional posts in the Jewish community including political secretary of the World Zionist Organization, consultant to the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany and on Jewish Claims against Austria, and first secretary of the Presidents' Conference of Major American Jewish Organizations and of the Conference of Jewish Organizations.

Dr. Teller had traveled on governmental and foundation assignments in Europe, Asia, Africa, which provided him with an opportunity to study Jewish conditions first hand. He had contributed to leading journals and newspapers, among them Commentary, Midstream, Middle East Journal, The New York Herald Tribune Syndicate, The Christian Science Monitor, New Republic, The Nation, The Journal of Jewish Social Studies.

SCHOOLS TO CLOSE FOR PASSOVER 1973

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--The New York City Board of Education has approved a proposal to close city schools during the Passover holidays and Holy Week in 1973, the Association of Orthodox Jewish Teachers reported today. The proposal to modify the regular school calendar was submitted to the Board of Education by Dr. Seymour P. Lachman, vice-president of the Board of Education after consultations with officers of the association, according to Philip Kipust, president of the teachers group.

In regular school calendars previously, Kipust said, public schools were closed for the spring recess on Good Friday and the week that followed. In 1973, this would have meant closing on Friday, April 20, to Friday, April 27. The first two days of Passover in 1973 occur on April 17 and 18 and Holy Thursday falls on April 19.

Adherence to the standard school calendar would have meant that the schools would have remained technically open on those days, though attendance would have dropped steeply. Under the revised calendar, Kipust said, the 1973 spring recess will start on Monday, April 16 and continue through Tuesday, April 24, the last day of Passover, 1973. The teachers association, in a letter to Isaiah Robinson, education board president, expressed its gratitude to him and to the board for its action. The association said that the calendar revision was not only practical and good educational policy, but that it also demonstrated sensitivity to all the major religious groups.

HEBREW POET HONORED

MADRID, May 4 (JTA)--A statue in memory of Solomon Ibn Gabirol was unveiled in Malaga, his home town in southern Spain on the 950th anniversary of his birth. The statue was put up by the town council of Malaga. The ceremony was attended by several leaders of the Sephardim in various countries. Solomon Ibn Gabirol was one of the greatest Hebrew poets of the golden age of Hebrew letters in medieval Spain. He was also an important philosopher.