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They disclosed that the immigrants arriving from Russia via Bucharest were mainly Jews from Bessarabia, a former Rumanian province annexed by the Soviet Union after World War II. The immigrants told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that about 500 Jews visit the ovir (visa office) in their province every day to try to get exit visas. They said Jews leaving Russia via Rumania must undergo very strict customs inspection before they cross the border.

NCLI LAUNCHES FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGNS

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Leon H. Keyserling, Washington economist and president of the National Committee for Labor Israel, told his organization's concluding convention session yesterday that fund raising for Israel by Jewish organizations must be accompanied by better understanding of the social purposes and human achievements of Israel. "Without this," he told the 1500 delegates, "mere fund raising would in time lose both its appeal and its ultimate moral justification."

Keyserling, who was re-elected president of the NCLI by the group's National Board of Directors, and who is former chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors under President Truman, also called for a shift in emphasis in the NCLI's educational and informational effort. "Without surrendering or downgrading the traditional appeal of Israel to Jews, we must increasingly stress the worth of the individual as practiced and upheld in Israel and in Histadrut," he said.

The convention adopted a resolution authorizing its fund raising arms, the Israel Histadrut Campaign whose executive director is Bernard B. Jacobson, and the Israel Histadrut Foundation, whose president is Dr. Sol Stein, to raise more money for the various health, educational and welfare programs of Histadrut in Israel.

The resolution called upon the Israel Histadrut Campaign to reach a goal of \$5 million in 1972-73. The NCLI pledged "all necessary help" to the Israel Histadrut Foundation to reach its new goal of \$6 million worth of deferred gifts in the form of wills, bequests and annuities to close the social-economic gap in Israeli life, and to help the continuing influx of immigrants from many lands, primarily from the Soviet Union.

Dr. Stein announced a new program for helping Histadrut to finance a \$25 million mortgage fund for low-cost housing for young couples and army veterans. He said young married couples "are now victims of Israel's housing shortage, the result of a generation of tragically necessary spending."

TENSE SITUATION CONTINUES ALONG SYRIAN BORDER

JERUSALEM, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Israel is maintaining open lines of communication with the principal powers with which it has diplomatic relations over the tense situation along the Syrian border, the Foreign Ministry disclosed today. The measure is seen as an indication of the seriousness with which Israel regards the situation on the northern frontier and its repercussions in the Arab world, particularly in Egypt. Israel has warned Cairo through United Nations channels not to become involved in Syrian provocations.

Syrian artillery shelled Israeli positions at Kfar Naffakh and El Kuneitra on the Golan Heights Saturday. The shelling was brief and no casualties or damage was reported. Israel did not react. But the incident prompted Israel's warning to Egypt.

The warning, sent by Maj. Gen. Elyahu Ze'ira, director of military intelligence, was dispatched Saturday through Col. Bunworth Shorty, deputy chief of the United Nations Truce Observers Corps in Jerusalem. The message stressed that the Syrian shelling earlier that day was absolutely unprovoked. Sources here said Gen. Ze'ira's message was "cautionary" and intended to show where responsibility rests should new trouble develop.

ARAFAT SAYS ISRAELIS ARE TERRORISTS

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 27 (JTA)--The Ambassador of the Democratic Republic of Yemen, acting "upon instructions from my government," has sent Secretary General Kurt Waldheim a letter from Yassir Arafat, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, and has asked Waldheim to circulate it among member United Nations states.

The extraordinary move asking that a letter by a terrorist leader be circulated was made by Ambassador Abdul Malek Ismail. The letter assailed Israel for "pursuing their colonizing objectives through the use of institutionalized terrorism." The letter, dated Nov. 22 and released today, was submitted in conjunction with the General Assembly's Sixth (Legal) Committee's ongoing discussion of ways to combat international terrorism.

Arafat declared that while Zionism had perpetrated a "record of aggression" against Palestinians and Arabs in Palestine and later in Israel, it was now seeking to thwart "acts of legitimate resistance." But, he added, "the vast majority of the world community have recognized the defensive nature of revolutionary violence as practiced by national liberation movements, in contradistinction to organized terror as employed by colonizing authorities." Arafat suggests that terror has been "built into the structure" of Israel as part of a policy of egocentricity and exclusiveness." Continuing, he said that "At this particular stage, terror becomes natural, necessary and desirable."

ISRAEL PRODUCING TRAINING VERSION OF AMERICAN HAWK MISSILE

TEL AVIV, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Israel is producing a training version of the American Hawk ground-to-air missile, it was disclosed today. According to a report published in the newspaper Yediot Achronot, the missile is produced in sufficient quantities to meet Israel's training needs and saves the large amounts of money that would have to be spent if regular Hawks, costing several hundred thousand dollars apiece, had to be fired in training. The report said the training version of the missile does not contain the sophisticated gear of the regular Hawk and is much cheaper to produce.

DISPUTE SIMMERS OVER VANDALIZED MACHPELA CAVE SYNAGOGUE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren has joined in a dispute with the Hebron police over whether the Machpela Cave synagogue was actually vandalized last week as claimed by the settlers of Kiryat Arba, the new Jewish quarter of Hebron. The police investigating the case have indicated serious doubts that the synagogue on the site of the Patriarchs Tomb was broken into and that a damaged Torah scroll and torn prayer books actually came from the synagogue.

Rabbi Goren who visited Hebron yesterday, claimed that "it was clear beyond a shadow of a doubt that the scroll had been deliberately desecrated." He demanded that the Military Governor instruct the town authorities to post Jewish guards around-the-clock at the synagogue.

Friction Between Jews, Moslems In Hebron

The Orthodox settlers brought a damaged Torah scroll and two torn copies of the Psalms to police, claiming they were found scattered outside the synagogue. Police said yesterday that the rip in the scroll, claimed to be deliberate, was similar to tears found in other parts of the scrolls believed to be accidental. Rabbi Goren insisted that the scroll was deliberately cut in five places with a pair of scissors.

Meanwhile, friction continued between the Moslem and Jewish residents of the West Bank town. The Moslem Religious Council is opposing plans by the Military Government to enlarge the Jewish area of worship at the Machpela Cave, a shrine sacred to Moslems as well as Jews. The Kiryat Arba settlers have written to Premier Golda Meir demanding that their quarter be enlarged into a full-size all-Jewish city of 100,000 "alongside the Arab city of 50,000 which includes many hostile residents."

KISSINGER CONTRIBUTES TO GROVE OF TREES IN MEMORY OF CHILDHOOD FRIEND

JERUSALEM, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Dr. Henry Kissinger, President Nixon's advisor on national security affairs, has contributed toward a grove of trees in the Judean hills in memory of a boyhood schoolmate, Kurt Fleischman, the Jewish National Fund announced yesterday. The grove is being planted by former residents of Furth, Germany, where Kissinger and Fleischman were born. Fleischman, who died in England a year ago, reportedly planned to settle in Israel. He escaped from Germany during the Nazi era, joined the British Army and was seriously wounded during World War II.

EL ARISH MAYOR INVITES JEWS AND ARABS TO SETTLE IN HIS TOWN

JERUSALEM, Nov. 27 (JTA)--The newly elected Mayor of El Arish in northern Sinai has invited both Jews and Arabs to settle in his town and sought to promote it as a tourist attraction. Mayor Mobih Youssef el-Bek said yesterday there was no unemployment, no security problems and a beach "at least as nice as" Miami's "and certainly less polluted."

The Mayor told newsmen that his town has a budget of IL 700,000 this year and that last year's IL 400,000 deficit has been reduced to IL 40,000. He also noted that the 250 refugee families resettled in El Arish from nearby camps have integrated well into the town's population.

Soviet Defense Minister Marshal Andre Gretchko arrived in Paris today for a six-day visit.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

NEW YORK (JTA)--Edward Ginsberg, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, has announced a \$5 million grant to Malben, the JDC program in Israel, for the establishment of a gerontological institute. The grant, which is expected to bring matching funds from local groups in Israel, will provide for a comprehensive program including a 100-bed nursing facility, an out-patient department, 50 apartments accommodating 100 aged, research into all aspects of aging and an endowment fund to help train professional and para-professional personnel to work with the aged. Ralph Goldman, associate director-general of JDC/Malben, will report on the Institute at the JDC annual meeting Dec. 6. Isaac Stern, the noted violinist, will be the principal speaker at the luncheon session of the day-long meeting.

BRUSSELS (JTA)--The Common Market Commission confirmed here this weekend that a "non-discrimination clause" will be included in the recent agreements made with Mediterranean countries. The clause forbids participating countries from any discriminatory acts in EEC activities and is directed particularly at Arab countries which might boycott firms active commercially with Israel. The clause is already included in EEC agreements with Egypt and Lebanon. It is also envisaged for the agreement with Algeria and will be added to those of Morocco and Tunisia when they come up for re-negotiation.

JERUSALEM (JTA)--Police broke up an unauthorized demonstration Sunday by members of SIAH near Nablus. Six of the 70 demonstrators were detained briefly and released in the Netanya area. The protest was held near the village of Akraba, part of whose lands have been included in a military reservation. This was apparently the reason for the protest. The police acted when the demonstrators refused to disperse and attempted to by-pass police barriers set up near the village.

TEL AVIV (JTA)--A cargo shipment destined for Algeria but erroneously sent to Haifa has been released by Israeli authorities and sent on its way to that Arab state. The cargo, including tractors and other machinery, arrived aboard an American ship. Two weeks ago, a shipment bound for Israel arrived by mistake in Egypt and was promptly confiscated as enemy property.

MEXICO CITY (JTA)--The government of Mexico has officially announced that it is ready to support and sign any international agreement against air piracy of planes to Arab states or Cuba. President Luis Echeverria Alvarez, Foreign Minister Emilio Rabasa and Minister of Interior Mario Moya Palencia and other government officials have expressed hope that the international community will finally reach an agreement against terrorism and skyjacking.

NEW YORK (JTA)--The 49th annual convention of the National Committee for Labor Israel reported that the Committee's 1971-72 campaign in the United States, Canada and Latin America raised \$4,306,903, compared with \$3,825,515 in 1970-71. Another \$4 million was obtained from net and de-

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PARIS (JTA)--A Lebanese diplomat was elected last Wednesday President of the UNESCO Executive Council for 1973. Fuad Sarruf, President of the Lebanese National Commission for UNESCO, was chosen over the Finnish delegate, Ilmo Heia, by a vote of 35-2. The 72-year-old diplomat received his higher education at the American University of Beirut and was its vice-president for 15 years. Sarruf has published more than 30 books written in Arabic and has collaborated with the Egyptian newspaper, Al Ahram.

LONDON (JTA)--A government spokesman said last week that he had no knowledge of reports that certain Arab Missions here were arming themselves because of an alleged inadequacy of police protection. Anthony Kershaw, Undersecretary of State, replying to Labor MP Greville Janner who asked if it was true that Mission members were carrying sub-machineguns, said: "Not to our knowledge, but if it were to come to our notice we would take a serious view of it."

LIMA, Peru (JTA)--The recent conference of Latin American Jewish communities organized by the Latin American Jewish Congress and the World Zionist Organization adopted the Jerusalem Program which stresses the centrality of Israel in the life of diaspora Jewry. According to observers here, the adoption of this program is a significant step toward stabilizing the Jewish communities in Latin America by providing them with an ideological focal point and central outlook.

PARIS (JTA)--The World Jewish Congress, holding a two-day conference, has decided to create an advisory committee for underdeveloped countries. According to WJC spokesman Marcus Eilfield, the decision was taken "to counteract Soviet and Arab propaganda and present a true picture of the Jewish people." Eilfield said too many leaders of the "Third World" know the Jewish people only by "stereotyped views often tainted with anti-Semitism."

JERUSALEM (JTA)--An Israeli scientist said Sunday that he may have solved the most serious problem of organ transplants--the body's natural rejection of foreign tissues. Prof. David Nelkin, head of the Hadassah-Hebrew University Hospital's department of immunohematology, announced that he has succeeded in isolating a human blood protein that would inhibit the rejection. He said injections of the protein into animals that had undergone kidney and skin grafts produced highly promising results.



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They disclosed that the immigrants arriving from Russia via Bucharest were mainly Jews from Bessarabia, a former Rumanian province annexed by the Soviet Union after World War II. The immigrants told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that about 500 Jews visit the ovir (visa office) in their province every day to try to get exit visas. They said Jews leaving Russia via Rumania must undergo very strict customs inspection before they cross the border.

NCLI LAUNCHES FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGNS

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Leon H. Keyserling, Washington economist and president of the National Committee for Labor Israel, told his organization's concluding convention session yesterday that fund raising for Israel by Jewish organizations must be accompanied by better understanding of the social purposes and human achievements of Israel. "Without this," he told the 1500 delegates, "mere fund raising would in time lose both its appeal and its ultimate moral justification."

Keyserling, who was re-elected president of the NCLI by the group's National Board of Directors, and who is former chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors under President Truman, also called for a shift in emphasis in the NCLI's educational and informational effort. "Without surrendering or downgrading the traditional appeal of Israel to Jews, we must increasingly stress the worth of the individual as practiced and upheld in Israel and in Histadrut," he said.

The convention adopted a resolution authorizing its fund raising arms, the Israel Histadrut Campaign whose executive director is Bernard B. Jacobson, and the Israel Histadrut Foundation, whose president is Dr. Sol Stein, to raise more money for the various health, educational and welfare programs of Histadrut in Israel.

The resolution called upon the Israel Histadrut Campaign to reach a goal of \$5 million in 1972-73. The NCLI pledged "all necessary help" to the Israel Histadrut Foundation to reach its new goal of \$6 million worth of deferred gifts in the form of wills, bequests and annuities to close the social-economic gap in Israeli life, and to help the continuing influx of immigrants from many lands, primarily from the Soviet Union.

Dr. Stein announced a new program for helping Histadrut to finance a \$25 million mortgage fund for low-cost housing for young couples and army veterans. He said young married couples "are now victims of Israel's housing shortage, the result of a generation of tragically necessary spending."

TENSE SITUATION CONTINUES ALONG SYRIAN BORDER

JERUSALEM, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Israel is maintaining open lines of communication with the principal powers with which it has diplomatic relations over the tense situation along the Syrian border, the Foreign Ministry disclosed today. The measure is seen as an indication of the seriousness with which Israel regards the situation on the northern frontier and its repercussions in the Arab world, particularly in Egypt. Israel has warned Cairo through United Nations channels not to become involved in Syrian provocations.

Syrian artillery shelled Israeli positions at Kfar Naffakh and El Kuneitra on the Golan Heights Saturday. The shelling was brief and no casualties or damage was reported. Israel did not react. But the incident prompted Israel's warning to Egypt.

The warning, sent by Maj. Gen. Elyahu Ze'ira, director of military intelligence, was dispatched Saturday through Col. Bunworth Shorty, deputy chief of the United Nations Truce Observers Corps in Jerusalem. The message stressed that the Syrian shelling earlier that day was absolutely unprovoked. Sources here said Gen. Ze'ira's message was "cautionary" and intended to show where responsibility rests should new trouble develop.

ARAFAT SAYS ISRAELIS ARE TERRORISTS

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 27 (JTA)--The Ambassador of the Democratic Republic of Yemen, acting "upon instructions from my government," has sent Secretary General Kurt Waldheim a letter from Yassir Arafat, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, and has asked Waldheim to circulate it among member United Nations states.

The extraordinary move asking that a letter by a terrorist leader be circulated was made by Ambassador Abdul Malek Ismail. The letter assailed Israel for "pursuing their colonizing objectives through the use of institutionalized terrorism." The letter, dated Nov. 22 and released today, was submitted in conjunction with the General Assembly's Sixth (Legal) Committee's ongoing discussion of ways to combat international terrorism.

Arafat declared that while Zionism had perpetrated a "record of aggression" against Palestinians and Arabs in Palestine and later in Israel, it was now seeking to thwart "acts of legitimate resistance." But, he added, "the vast majority of the world community have recognized the defensive nature of revolutionary violence as practiced by national liberation movements, in contradistinction to organized terror as employed by colonizing authorities." Arafat suggests that terror has been "built into the structure" of Israel as part of a policy of egocentricity and exclusiveness." Continuing, he said that "At this particular stage, terror becomes natural, necessary and desirable."

ISRAEL PRODUCING TRAINING VERSION OF AMERICAN HAWK MISSILE

TEL AVIV, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Israel is producing a training version of the American Hawk ground-to-air missile, it was disclosed today. According to a report published in the newspaper Yediot Achronot, the missile is produced in sufficient quantities to meet Israel's training needs and saves the large amounts of money that would have to be spent if regular Hawks, costing several hundred thousand dollars apiece, had to be fired in training. The report said the training version of the missile does not contain the sophisticated gear of the regular Hawk and is much cheaper to produce.

DISPUTE SIMMERS OVER VANDALIZED MACHPELA CAVE SYNAGOGUE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren has joined in a dispute with the Hebron police over whether the Machpela Cave synagogue was actually vandalized last week as claimed by the settlers of Kiryat Arba, the new Jewish quarter of Hebron. The police investigating the case have indicated serious doubts that the synagogue on the site of the Patriarchs Tomb was broken into and that a damaged Torah scroll and torn prayer books actually came from the synagogue.

Rabbi Goren who visited Hebron yesterday, claimed that "it was clear beyond a shadow of a doubt that the scroll had been deliberately desecrated." He demanded that the Military Governor instruct the town authorities to post Jewish guards around-the-clock at the synagogue.

Friction Between Jews, Moslems In Hebron

The Orthodox settlers brought a damaged Torah scroll and two torn copies of the Psalms to police, claiming they were found scattered outside the synagogue. Police said yesterday that the rip in the scroll, claimed to be deliberate, was similar to tears found in other parts of the scrolls believed to be accidental. Rabbi Goren insisted that the scroll was deliberately cut in five places with a pair of scissors.

Meanwhile, friction continued between the Moslem and Jewish residents of the West Bank town. The Moslem Religious Council is opposing plans by the Military Government to enlarge the Jewish area of worship at the Machpela Cave, a shrine sacred to Moslems as well as Jews. The Kiryat Arba settlers have written to Premier Golda Meir demanding that their quarter be enlarged into a full-size all-Jewish city of 100,000 "alongside the Arab city of 50,000 which includes many hostile residents."

KISSINGER CONTRIBUTES TO GROVE OF TREES IN MEMORY OF CHILDHOOD FRIEND

JERUSALEM, Nov. 27 (JTA)--Dr. Henry Kissinger, President Nixon's advisor on national security affairs, has contributed toward a grove of trees in the Judean hills in memory of a boyhood schoolmate, Kurt Fleischman, the Jewish National Fund announced yesterday. The grove is being planted by former residents of Furth, Germany, where Kissinger and Fleischman were born. Fleischman, who died in England a year ago, reportedly planned to settle in Israel. He escaped from Germany during the Nazi era, joined the British Army and was seriously wounded during World War II.

EL ARISH MAYOR INVITES JEWS AND ARABS TO SETTLE IN HIS TOWN

JERUSALEM, Nov. 27 (JTA)--The newly elected Mayor of El Arish in northern Sinai has invited both Jews and Arabs to settle in his town and sought to promote it as a tourist attraction. Mayor Mobih Youssef el-Bek said yesterday there was no unemployment, no security problems and a beach "at least as nice as" Miami's "and certainly less polluted."

The Mayor told newsmen that his town has a budget of IL 700,000 this year and that last year's IL 400,000 deficit has been reduced to IL 40,000. He also noted that the 250 refugee families resettled in El Arish from nearby camps have integrated well into the town's population.

Soviet Defense Minister Marshal Andre Gretchko arrived in Paris today for a six-day visit.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

NEW YORK (JTA)--Edward Ginsberg, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, has announced a \$5 million grant to Malben, the JDC program in Israel, for the establishment of a gerontological institute. The grant, which is expected to bring matching funds from local groups in Israel, will provide for a comprehensive program including a 100-bed nursing facility, an out-patient department, 50 apartments accommodating 100 aged, research into all aspects of aging and an endowment fund to help train professional and para-professional personnel to work with the aged. Ralph Goldman, associate director-general of JDC/Malben, will report on the Institute at the JDC annual meeting Dec. 6. Isaac Stern, the noted violinist, will be the principal speaker at the luncheon session of the day-long meeting.

BRUSSELS (JTA)--The Common Market Commission confirmed here this weekend that a "non-discrimination clause" will be included in the recent agreements made with Mediterranean countries. The clause forbids participating countries from any discriminatory acts in EEC activities and is directed particularly at Arab countries which might boycott firms active commercially with Israel. The clause is already included in EEC agreements with Egypt and Lebanon. It is also envisaged for the agreement with Algeria and will be added to those of Morocco and Tunisia when they come up for re-negotiation.

JERUSALEM (JTA)--Police broke up an unauthorized demonstration Sunday by members of SIAH near Nablus. Six of the 70 demonstrators were detained briefly and released in the Netanya area. The protest was held near the village of Akraba, part of whose lands have been included in a military reservation. This was apparently the reason for the protest. The police acted when the demonstrators refused to disperse and attempted to by-pass police barriers set up near the village.

TEL AVIV (JTA)--A cargo shipment destined for Algeria but erroneously sent to Haifa has been released by Israeli authorities and sent on its way to that Arab state. The cargo, including tractors and other machinery, arrived aboard an American ship. Two weeks ago, a shipment bound for Israel arrived by mistake in Egypt and was promptly confiscated as enemy property.

MEXICO CITY (JTA)--The government of Mexico has officially announced that it is ready to support and sign any international agreement against air piracy of planes to Arab states or Cuba. President Luis Echeverria Alvarez, Foreign Minister Emilio Rabasa and Minister of Interior Mario Moya Palencia and other government officials have expressed hope that the international community will finally reach an agreement against terrorism and skyjacking.

NEW YORK (JTA)--The 49th annual convention of the National Committee for Labor Israel reported that the Committee's 1971-72 campaign in the United States, Canada and Latin America raised \$4,306,903, compared with \$3,825,515 in 1970-71. Another \$4 million was obtained from net and de-

ferred contributions through the Israel Histadrut Foundation, a fund-raising arm of the NCLI, in the form of wills, bequests and annuities, with commitments up to \$1.288 million. A message from President Nixon to the 1500 delegates attending the three-day convention which ended Sunday, praised Histadrut programs for having "immeasurably advanced the progress and democratic ideals of the young nation of Israel, just as our own country's labor movement helped to realize these objectives for America."

PARIS (JTA)--A Lebanese diplomat was elected last Wednesday President of the UNESCO Executive Council for 1973. Fuad Sarruf, President of the Lebanese National Commission for UNESCO, was chosen over the Finnish delegate, Ilmo Heia, by a vote of 35-2. The 72-year-old diplomat received his higher education at the American University of Beirut and was its vice-president for 15 years. Sarruf has published more than 30 books written in Arabic and has collaborated with the Egyptian newspaper, Al Ahram.

LONDON (JTA)--A government spokesman said last week that he had no knowledge of reports that certain Arab Missions here were arming themselves because of an alleged inadequacy of police protection. Anthony Kershaw, Undersecretary of State, replying to Labor MP Greville Janner who asked if it was true that Mission members were carrying sub-machineguns, said: "Not to our knowledge, but if it were to come to our notice we would take a serious view of it."

LIMA, Peru (JTA)--The recent conference of Latin American Jewish communities organized by the Latin American Jewish Congress and the World Zionist Organization adopted the Jerusalem Program which stresses the centrality of Israel in the life of diaspora Jewry. According to observers here, the adoption of this program is a significant step toward stabilizing the Jewish communities in Latin America by providing them with an ideological focal point and central outlook.

PARIS (JTA)--The World Jewish Congress, holding a two-day conference, has decided to create an advisory committee for underdeveloped countries. According to WJC spokesman Marcus Eilfield, the decision was taken "to counteract Soviet and Arab propaganda and present a true picture of the Jewish people." Eilfield said too many leaders of the "Third World" know the Jewish people only by "stereotyped views often tainted with anti-Semitism."

JERUSALEM (JTA)--An Israeli scientist said Sunday that he may have solved the most serious problem of organ transplants--the body's natural rejection of foreign tissues. Prof. David Nelkin, head of the Hadassah-Hebrew University Hospital's department of immunohematology, announced that he has succeeded in isolating a human blood protein that would inhibit the rejection. He said injections of the protein into animals that had undergone kidney and skin grafts produced highly promising results.