

Calabresi. They said he had arrived recently in Marseilles from Haifa. It was not immediately known how long he had been in Israel or what he was doing there.

(Israeli police, who received a description of the suspect from Interpol today identified him as a man travelling under the name of Massimo Maggari, born in Italy in 1932 and the holder of an Italian passport. They said he left Israel May 8 aboard the Israeli passenger vessel Dan which called at various Mediterranean ports.)

FRANCE, SAUDI ARABIA, AGREE ON CLOSE ECONOMIC, POLITICAL COOPERATION

PARIS, May 17 (JTA)--France and Saudi Arabia have decided upon a policy of close political and economic cooperation as a result of King Faisal's visit to France, French official circles said here today. This cooperation, the circles said, will include joint consultations in international affairs, French arms sales to the oil-rich kingdom and a multitude of public works to be undertaken by French companies. Elysee Palace spokesman Denis Baudeouin said that President Georges Pompidou "considers the King's trip to Paris an exceptional event, especially warm and friendly."

The King, who is due to leave tomorrow, has spent five days in France during which he held three political consultations with Pompidou. He also met with Premier Pierre Messmer and the Ministers of Defense and Foreign Affairs, Robert Galley and Michel Jobert. The two chiefs of state are due to release a joint communique tomorrow shortly before the King's departure.

Among the concrete decisions taken during Faisal's visit were the sale of French made Mirage jets, helicopters, missiles and tanks to the Saudi Arabian forces which are reportedly beefing up their hardware as a result of the Saudi-Iranian crisis. Galley is due to visit Saudi Arabia next fall to negotiate the actual sale contracts, while Saudi military missions are to visit France this summer to inspect and test the French arms. Diplomatic observers here believe that the Franco-Saudi agreement will affect France's overall relations with the Arab world.

JDC GETS \$500,000 GRANT FROM U.S. FOR CARE OF SOVIET EMIGRANTS

GENEVA, May 17 (JTA)--Under the terms of an agreement concluded here with the United States government last week, the Joint Distribution Committee will receive approximately \$500,000 for the care and maintenance of Jewish emigrants from the USSR while they are in transit through Europe en route to resettlement in the U.S. and other Western countries.

Signing on behalf of the United States was James L. Carlin, counselor of the U.S. Mission to International Organizations on Refugee, Migration and Red Cross Affairs, and signing in behalf of JDC was Louis D. Horwitz, director-general for Overseas Operations. Expressing JDC's appreciation of the assistance, Horwitz said that this was the first allocation made to the JDC out of the \$50 million fund appropriated by the U.S. Congress to aid in the resettlement of Soviet Jews.

Horwitz noted that since the overwhelming majority of the Jews leaving the USSR are going to Israel, most of the \$50 million fund will be used for their resettlement in that country. However, he added, the government has earmarked about \$950,000 to aid Soviet emigrants going to countries other than Israel. There are a number of transmigrants who come to Rome directly

from the USSR seeking resettlement in the U.S. on a "parole" basis, Horwitz said. Under this provision of the U.S. immigration laws it takes only a few weeks for the United Hias Service to complete arrangements for them to immigrate to the United States.

However, the period of waiting is much longer he said, for those who inform the Jewish Agency of their desire to join relatives in the U.S. either immediately on their arrival in Vienna or in subsequent months. The JDC has to maintain this much larger group, usually in Rome, for periods of up to six or seven months, at a cost of about \$125 per person per month.

Since transients are not allowed to work in Italy, Horwitz explained that the JDC must provide funds for their food, lodging, medical care and incidentals while the UHS deals with the technical aspects of their migration and resettlement.

GAZA DOCTOR SENTENCED TO 8 YEARS IN PRISON FOR HIDING TERRORISTS

TEL AVIV, May 17 (JTA)--A Gaza military court imposed a five-year prison sentence today on Dr. Rashed Mousmar, a Gaza physician who hid wanted terrorists in his home. The court added three years to the sentence--for a total of eight--by revoking a pardon won by Dr. Mousmar after a previous conviction. He was convicted four years ago of maintaining contact with terrorist organizations but served only two years of a five-year sentence.

Although at the time he was pardoned Dr. Mousmar signed a pledge that he would have nothing more to do with terrorists, he continued to shelter them in his Gaza villa. Three terrorists on the wanted list were found hiding there last year and were killed in a shoot-out with Israeli police. Mousmar claimed in court that he had been forced against his will to shelter the terrorists.

POOR JEWS TO BE AIDED IN EFFORT TO BUY FOOD STAMPS

NEW YORK, May 17 (JTA)--Thousands of poor Jews who have not understood how to qualify and apply for food stamps can now read about the food stamp program in Yiddish, due to the combined efforts of the American Jewish Committee, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Columbia University's Committee for the Implementation of the Standardized Yiddish Orthography.

The Department of Agriculture is about to issue a leaflet in Yiddish explaining who is eligible for food stamps and how to obtain them. This publication, the first ever printed in Yiddish by the U.S. government, will be available free from Food Stamp Division, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

At a later date it will be available in synagogues, community centers and other places where Jewish poor congregate. The AJ Committee sparked the idea for the publication, provided consultative service to the government agency and obtained the help of the Yiddish Orthography Committee to ensure that the language and printing were correct in all details.

Ann G. Wolfe, the AJ Committee's Social Welfare Consultant, who two years ago revealed that thousands of Jewish families had incomes below what the government described as the "poverty level," described the Yiddish leaflet as "a significant step, perhaps a small one, that recognizes the presence and the problems of poor Jews. It serves to shatter the myth that all Jews are affluent and that poverty does not exist in the Jewish community."

BEN NATAN, JOBERT, CONFER ON WAYS TO IMPROVE FRANCO-ISRAELI RELATIONS

PARIS, May 17 (JTA)--Israeli Ambassador Asher Ben Natan met here today with French Foreign Minister Michel Jobert. It was their first meeting since Jobert replaced Maurice Schumam as Foreign Minister. Israeli sources in Paris described the 50-minute meeting as a "courtesy call" and said "it was frank and cordial." They refused to say whether the ambassador raised the issue of the Libyan Mirage jets in Egypt.

French sources said, however, that most of the talk centered on Jobert's suggestions for improving Franco-Israeli relations. The minister, these sources said, suggested that the two countries "let bygones be bygones" and "strive to develop normal and balanced ties." The minister, these sources added, made no concrete suggestions on how to reach this aim.

Earlier in the day Jobert met with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's special emissary, Hafez Ismail. Diplomatic circles said Ismail mainly discussed France's attitude at the forthcoming session of the UN Security Council where the Middle East will be discussed.

The Egyptian diplomat also pressed France, sources said, to help mobilize West European diplomatic pressure in favor of a political solution to the Middle East conflict. Ismail, who arrived here Tuesday from Cairo, conferred yesterday with President Georges Pompidou. He said, as he was leaving the Elysee Palace, that his trip to Paris was only the first of a series of visits to Western capitals. He praised the French government for its continued firm attitude in the Arab-Israeli conflict.

1 MILLION TREES TO BE PLANTED IN HONOR OF PRINCE AND QUEEN OF ENGLAND

LONDON, May 17 (JTA)--Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, attended a dinner at Guildhall to mark the planting of the one million tree Royal Forest on the slopes of Mt. Deborah in Galilee, donated by British Jewry through the Jewish National Fund on the occasion of the Silver Wedding Anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II and the Duke. Prince Philip told the audience, "The Queen and I appreciate this token of affection and loyalty from the Jewish community of Great Britain."

Noting that the process of abolishing the deserts in the Middle East is "a matter of great rejoicing," Prince Philip stated: "We are deeply grateful to the JNF, and to the people who made contributions to it, for this token gift. We are also delighted that it should form part of an immensely important effort to repair the damage of the past. Israel registered great achievements in the reclamation of neglected soil, and her techniques are being copied by many other countries."

Rosser Chinn, president of the JNF in Great Britain, read a message from Australia stating that Australian Jewry will plant 100,000 trees in the Royal Forest as an expression of loyalty and affection for the Queen and Prince Philip. A message from Jacob Tsur, chairman of the JNF in Jerusalem, stated: "It is a source of pride to us that the tribute of British Jewry to the Queen and her husband has been entrusted to the JNF for implementation."

JDL STAGES SIT-IN AT CONSULATE GENERAL OF WEST GERMANY

NEW YORK, May 17 (JTA)--Twenty members

of the Jewish Defense League (JDL) staged a sit-in today at the Consulate General of West Germany in New York City, to demand that West German Chancellor Willy Brandt make a personal appeal to Soviet Communist Party General Secretary Leonid I. Brezhnev on behalf of Soviet Jewry. Brezhnev is due tomorrow in West Germany for a series of talks with Brandt. Dr. Philipp Schmidt-Schlegel, acting Consul General of the German Consulate here, consented to meet with two JDL representatives who subsequently presented him with a list of demands.

The JDL demanded that Brandt urge Brezhnev to allow mass emigration of not only Jews but of all people who wish to leave the USSR; make an urgent appeal on behalf of three specific Jewish "prisoners of conscience," Sylvia Zalmanson, Eduard Kuznetsov, and Isaac Shkolnik; and that Brandt use this opportunity "to eliminate the awful specter of anti-Semitism from the German people." Dr. Schmidt-Schlegel promised to transmit the JDL demands to Bonn immediately and to meet with the group in late May or early June to discuss the results of the Brandt-Brezhnev talks.

NEWS BRIEFS

The last two survivors of the Feb. 21 Libyan plane disaster will be discharged from Beer-sheba Hospital shortly according to the hospital's director. He said yesterday that Abdulla Almiri, a Jordanian, and Assad Azrini, a Libyan national, were sufficiently recovered from their injuries to leave. Almiri's wife who had been at his bedside returned home this week.

Frank Kellogg, the special assistant to the U.S. Secretary of State for refugees and immigration matters, arrived in Tel Aviv last night on a five-day visit to Israel as a guest of the Jewish Agency. He will study immigration and absorption procedures. Kellogg, who recommended the \$49 million grant recently given by the U.S. to help Israel resettle Jews from the Soviet Union, arrived aboard an El Al plane from Vienna which carried a large group of Soviet Jews. Kellogg said the trip was "an unforgettable experience" for him.

Cambodia's first Ambassador to Israel, Keo Kimsan, will be the first foreign envoy to present his credentials to Israel's new President, Prof. Ephraim Katzir, who takes office May 24. Cambodia established an embassy in Jerusalem last Sept. which has been headed by a charge d'affaires. Kimsan arrived in Jerusalem several days ago but decided to wait until the presidential change-over to present his credentials. Retiring President Zalman Shazar is busy packing.

Fifty-nine percent of Israelis prefer Moshe Dayan's views on the administered territories to Yigal Allon's, a public opinion poll in Jerusalem showed today. Seventeen percent preferred Allon's policies, 21.5 percent had no view and 2.5 percent preferred other policies. The poll sampled 1212 Israelis from all areas and walks of life. Among the more educated sectors Allon's standing rose while Dayan's fell.

Israeli political parties are intensifying their efforts to convince Arab residents of East Jerusalem to run as party members for municipal posts. The Labor Party, which holds 16 of the 31 seats in the Jerusalem City Council is especially eager to have a few popular Arab names on its list. There are close to 80,000 Arabs in East Jerusalem. Until now there were no reports of any Arab list running for the City Council.

COMPLEXITY OF CURRENT ISSUES**LEAVING JEWS WITH SENSE OF UNEASE**

NEW YORK, May 17 (JTA)—The executive head of the American Jewish Committee said here today that the increasing complexity of many current issues was leaving many Jews with a sense of unease.

Bertram H. Gold, executive vice-president of the AJCommittee, in remarks prepared for tomorrow's discussion on Jewish security at the organization's 67th annual meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, pointed out that issues such as increased trade with the Soviet Union and the restricted emigration of Jews from that country, the mounting energy crisis, and the profusion of group conflicts in the U.S. all presented new problems to the Jewish community. What may occur, he suggested, is that unpopular side effects of these questions may be used to foment anti-Jewish reactions.

Gold suggested that Jews in America have received a high degree of acceptance and that "overt anti-Semitism has become unfashionable." Furthermore, he noted, "classical anti-Semitism and organized bigotry as represented by these groups and movements whose essential purpose is to spread hatred of Jews is not an important factor in America today. These groups continue to atrophy. Diminished in numbers, shrinking in membership, barren of program, they have no significant impact on the American scene today."

Beyond A Concept Of Self-Interest

However, he continued, "since the Six-Day War Third World advocates, doctrinaire Marxist-Leninists, Black Pan-Africanists, and the amorphous amalgam known as the New Left, violently anti-American and passionately anti-Zionist, have maintained a steady and furious drumbeat of harsh anti-Israel propaganda. By accident or design, and the intent is really immaterial, theirs is the anti-Semitism of today."

The loss of support for Israel's cause that has become evident in some parts of the world has also made Jews uneasy, Gold continued. To strengthen Jewish self-confidence in view of these actual or potential dangers, he stated, there must be a "new search for self-definition and identity, and an attempt to enhance the quality of Jewish life."

"Jews must seek, he asserted, new ways of finding self-fulfillment, new and stronger cultural infrastructures, more adequate Jewish communal responses to Jewish needs, and new ways of relating to the non-Jewish community. But Jews must go beyond a concept of self-interest, Gold insisted. "The Jewish stance must end with the realization that Jewish interests are best served in a world which is stable and whole and which holds at least the potential of achieving equality for all."

SCA EXPRESSES TOTAL SUPPORT FOR JACKSON-MILLS-VANIK MEASURES

NEW YORK, May 17 (JTA)—The Synagogue Council of America expressed "unwavering support" today for the Jackson Amendment and the Mills-Vanik Bill as an "enterprise on behalf of human dignity!" In a policy statement adopted by the SCA's executive committee, the central coordinating agency for the major national synagogue and rabbinic organizations of Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Judaism also expressed "profound gratitude for President Nixon's expression

of concern for the plight of Soviet Jews" which he communicated in a meeting with Jewish community representatives on April 19.

The Council's statement expressed particular gratification that Nixon had received assurance from Soviet leadership that the education tax on would-be emigrants is no longer being applied. The religious leaders expressed their conviction that the Jackson Amendment and the Mills-Vanik Bill have served as a "major factor" in strengthening the President's hand on behalf of Soviet Jewry.

"While we are encouraged that the Soviet authorities are not presently enforcing the education tax, we are concerned that there have been abrupt reversals in liberalized Soviet emigration practices during the past year," the statement declared. "We are further concerned that the education tax is but one of a cluster of obstacles by which the Soviet Union presently limits the right and opportunity to emigrate."

The policy statement expressed support for Nixon's efforts to achieve detente between the great powers, but maintained that progress "will be neither real nor lasting if we acquiesce in the suppression of fundamental human rights."

RECOMMENDATIONS SUBMITTED TO PRIME MINISTER'S CONFERENCE IN JERUSALEM

NEW YORK, May 17 (JTA)—Dr. Mordecai Hacohen, acting chairman of the Economic Advisory Council of the American-Israel Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Inc. submitted today a summary of the Council's recommendations for consideration by the Prime Minister's Economic Conference to be held in Jerusalem at the end of this month.

The 16-page document which was drafted by Dr. Deon H. Keyserling reflects the consensus of 23 outstanding American and Israeli economists who gathered last month at a symposium in Washington to discuss American-Israel trade relations.

In submitting the report to Max Ratner, president of the American-Israel Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Dr. Hacohen stipulated that the report shall not be made public prior to its presentation at the Conference and stressed that the recommendations were designed solely to be of constructive assistance in the vital work of the Jerusalem meetings. Among the topics for intensive study and discussion are those dealing with the energy problem, ecology, productivity improvement, export enlargement, inflation and employment.

Dr. Hacohen also announced that Dr. Keyserling, former chairman of President Truman's Council of Economic Advisors, will be the officially designated representative of the Chamber's Economic Advisory Council to the Jerusalem conference.

The Economic Advisory Council of the Chamber and its first symposium were initiated by Dr. Hacohen, a political economist and assistant to the President of the American Bank & Trust Company in New York.

Israel's Consul General in Chicago, Shaul Ramati, was honored with a 30,000-tree forest in his name near Jerusalem. The forest was a gift of the Jewish National Fund and the Jewish community of Chicago. A JNF study mission from Chicago and Ramati were present at the ceremony last week.