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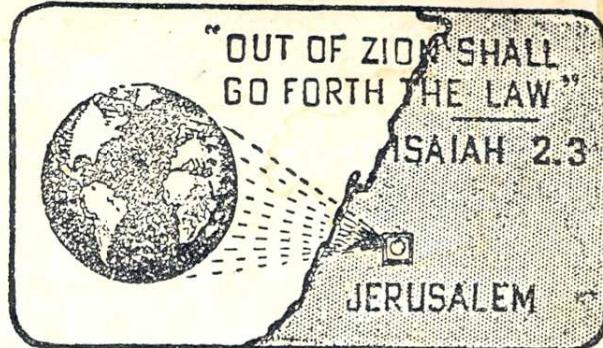
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The Called, The Chosen, The Faithful

by the late Elder A. N. Dugger

It is said of those who escaped the perils of the last days, and who stand redeemed and saved before Elohim, that "they are the called, the chosen and faithful". — Rev. 17:14.

We are living in the calling time. The time when universally the great invitation call is going forth throughout the entire world. While distress and perplexities are causing men's hearts to fail them for fear, the people are admonished by the Savior that when these things begin to come to pass, they are to lift up their heads and be glad.

Lift up your head, respondent pilgrim,
Give to the wind your needless fears,
He who has said redemption neareth,
Has promised to reign one thousand years."

We are called to the highest calling on earth. It is to a seat with Yahshua (Jesus), and with the redeemed of earth, and to reign in kingly or priestly authority for one thousand years. (See Rev. 20th chapter, also Rev. 5:9).

"Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him: for the marriage of the lamb is come, and His wife (the church) hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. And he said unto me: Write, blessed are they which

are called unto the marriage supper of the lamb." — Rev. 19:7-9.

The great message of the hour is a call: "Come out of her, My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." — Rev. 18:4.

This message of calling people out of Babylon is spoken of also in Revelation 14:9, 10, for it is the same voice speaking from heaven, following the one that heralds the message of the fall of Babylon. In the latter place it is a special warning against worshipping the beast, with the decree that those wrath of God (the seven last plagues: Rev. 15, 1, 7).

Babylon consists of the mother church, and her daughters. (See Rev. 17:4, 5).

It is the church that once ruled the world with the so-called Protestant churches that have branches off from her, who have fallen. They have become abiding places for every foul spirit and cages of every unclean and hateful bird. — Rev. 18:2, 3.

This is why the message calling the honest of heart out of Babylon is timely, and constitutes the great message of the times.

The churches of Christendom are not what they once were. It has only been a few years since prayer meetings were well attended in the church, and when people would ride for miles

to attend an old fashioned house to house prayer meeting in the country districts, but now pleasure and feasting have taken the place of prayer and fastings.

In order to get an attendance at the city churches, the world has been invited into the church. You will find the poolroom, the billiard table, the card rooms, and even the dancing halls in the basements of popular churches. No wonder the call to "come out of her, My people" is a timely message.

In order to attract people to prayer meetings, doughnuts are served, while coffee and sandwiches are served at other places. An oyster supper is given at another and so on. We are truly living at the time of feasting which Christ said would mark the closing period of this age, and the honest of heart, the real true Christians, are disgusted with the present state and practice in the modern churches. Therefore, the message is in order to "come out of her, My people". Many are responding as the invitation call to the marriage supper of the lamb goes forth. They are coming out of Babylon, and preparing to escape the seven last plagues.

In many city churches, if a poorly dressed man enters and seats himself, he will be invited to leave, and directed to services held for such as his class. If our Messiah would enter barefoot, and in the common clothing worn in his time and place, he would be refused entrance, or invited to leave.

Babylon has truly become the habitation of devils, the hold of every foul spirit, and the cage, of every unclean and hateful bird, as the Bible said it would be in the closing time. — Rev. 18:2.

The very cream of modern churches, men and women, who are praying to God for light and understanding, have awakened to prevailing sins in the church, and are seeking for a people who stand whole-heartedly for the truth and for His righteousness. It is this class who are responding to the call "come out of her, My people". — Rev. 18:4.

The Chosen

God is choosing such as have a contrite heart, and who yield to His pleading voice, following the "Lamb whithersoever he goeth". God says: "They shall walk with Me in white, for they are worthy." It is only by the power of the Almighty through the blessed Holy Spirit that men and women will escape from the corruption of the age, and the pollution from contact with worldly people.

The Lord gave warning by saying: "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees." So it is today: worldly company will affect anyone unless he prays, and thus becomes magnetized with a resistant power, and filled with divine virtue, that instead of being leavened by the worldly conversation, aspiration and desires of worldly people, he will have power with them and bring them back to God. The Lord is only choosing such to walk with Him in white.

It is only those who have a missionary zeal, who, by following the footsteps of the Master and a life of prayer, are able to overcome this present wicked world, and labor to save others.

The Savior says: "Many are called, but few are chosen." As the message of calling people from the confusion of Babylon goes forth, it will only be the portion of those responding to the call, who pray for the Holy Spirit, and who receive it, that will be saved. The fruits of the Spirit are "love, joy, peace", etc.



The love referred to means divine love. Everyone possesses natural human love, but the love that comes as a fruit of the Holy Spirit is the love our heavenly Father manifested when "He gave His only begotten Son" to save the lost and wayward men and women. It is that love that actuated Jesus when He gave His life and shed His blood to save the lost.

Let each reader examine his own heart, and decide if he possesses divine love, which prompts him to give that which is dearest and worth the most to him, in order to save the lost, and call the perishing ones out of Babylon, so they will escape the perils of the closing time, and the seven last plagues which are soon to fall.

The Faithful

The Lord says the redeemed and delivered ones from earth are the called, the chosen, and the faithful. Faithfulness means much, and Jesus says if we are faithful in that which is least we are faithful also in much, and that it is required of a steward to be faithful. We have been entrusted with certain talents. To one is given more than to another, but if we dig in the earth as it were, and hide the Lord's money, we are counted as a slothful servant. I fear that many are devoting the Lord's money to furnish bread to supply the physical needs of friends or loved ones, and are thus burying the Lord's money.

The portion of our lives that He requires, and which is plainly set forth in both the Old and New Testaments, is the tithe. He is testing men and women today as to their faithfulness. The tithe, "the first fruits", is expressly to go for the spiritual welfare, and not for the temporal needs of humanity. The difference is so vastly great between the physical and the spiritual, that no comparison can in reality be made. The

physical is only for a few years, while the spiritual is for all eternity. It reaches throughout the countless ages and cycles of time. Christendom must be faithful if they are to be among the chosen and escape the seven plagues and be received into the Kingdom of God.

It is not necessary to produce any argument relative to the duty of every Christian in giving themselves to save the lost. Neither is it in order to produce the many scriptures setting for the biblical teaching in both the Old and New Testaments on tithe paying. They are many, and it is a moral duty so firmly set forth that the Almighty called those who wilfully neglected or refused to pay the tithe, robbers, and brought great curses upon the land for this sin.

Let not one Christian be deceived by thinking

himself a Christian unless he possesses that divine love for saving the lost, that will prompt them to sacrifice in administering to their eternal needs. Even if times are hard and incomes cut down, the heavenly Father is expecting faithfulness on the part of every one of His children. He promises to so bless the remaining portion that the giver of the tithe will be more than repaid temporally. This must not be the motive in being a faithful steward of the Lord. His great love will so incarnate our very beings that it will be a joy to sacrifice, and give ourselves freely to carry the bread of life to earth's perishing millions. Then we will be blessed a hundred fold in this life, and be among the number of the called, the chosen, and the faithful, when our short race here is finished.

— by the Late A. N. Dugger

Power Plan Sees Lakes in the Negev

The construction of inland power stations and large lakes in the northern Negev may be feasible, according to a preliminary study carried out on behalf of the Environmental Protection Service (EPS).

The study indicated that cooling ponds — 10-square-kilometre sea-water lakes — could be created at certain northern Negev sites without endangering fresh water reserves in the underground water table. The pond water would be used to cool the station's condensers.

The need for huge amounts of water for cooling has dictated the placement of all Israel's power plants to date along the shore. A nuclear power plant has been proposed for the Nitzanim area between Ashkelon and Ashdod as the next major step in developing the country's power capacity.

The northern Negev study was ordered by the EPS in an effort to find ways of keeping the country's limited shoreline open for recreational and other uses. Location of nuclear plants inland would also remove them from population centres.

Under the proposal studied, water would be pumped from the Mediterranean through pipes to locations 30–50 kilometres inland. The lake that would be formed, about a third the size of the Kinneret, could be used for boating, swimming and fishing. An EPS official, Dr. Shlomo Brovender, said in an interview that such activities, together with hotels and other services that would be drawn to the area, could transform desolate sections of the northern Negev.

The study was carried out for the EPS by a Tel Aviv consulting firm, Tooshia. It showed that the cost of building a lake of the required size would be three to five per cent of the cost of building two 900-megawatt nuclear power

units which it would serve. Operating costs would be 2.3–4.3 per cent of the cost of the electricity produced.

By locating the salt-water lakes in areas where is no substantial underground water table, and through engineering measures, contamination of underground fresh water resources would be avoided, according to Dr. Brovender.

The environmentalist stressed that the study was only preliminary. A detailed study is to be carried out after the preliminary results are studied by all interested parties.

Among other options proposed for cooling inland power plants are cooling towers resembling large water tanks and linkage of the plants to the proposed Mediterranean-Dead Sea water conduit.

— *The Jerusalem Post*

"Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God." —

Isaiah 52:7-10.

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"And the Scripture foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying: In thee shall all nations be blessed. So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham." — Gal. 3:8, 9.

"For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit." — 1 Cor. 12:13.

The Druses in Israel

By SALMAN H. FALAH *

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Every year, on 24 April, thousands of Druses set forth from their hill-top villages in Galilee and on the Carmel range, on pilgrimage to the tomb of Jethro which overlooks Tiberias and Lake Kinneret. Jethro, or Nebi Shau'eb, father-in-law of Moses, is their foremost prophet, and the feast in his name is a red-letter day on the Druse calendar. This year, as last, the Israeli Druses were joined by a group of Lebanese sectarians who crossed the "Good Fence" along Israel's northern border for the occasion. The authorities in Damascus have hitherto denied permission for such a delegation to come from Syria. Before 1948, the white-domed shrine had been a meeting-point for Druses throughout the region.

Outwardly, the Druses share certain traits with their Jewish and Arab compatriots — they are fluent in Hebrew, and speak Arabic at home, their traditional dress is similar to the Arab, their complexion resembles the European. Yet, beneath these contingent likenesses, the community is distinct from the communities of the other, better-known monotheistic faiths — a distinction which won *de facto* recognition from the first Government of Israel in 1948; under Turkish rule, and during the British Mandate, it had been counted as part of the Moslem community. In 1956 came *de jure* recognition under the Religious Communities Ordinance and the establishment of autonomous religious courts which parallel those of Israel's Jews, Moslem and Christians and are central to Druse identity and spiritual life. The demographic changes in the community in the past few decades are extraordinary: in 1949 there were 13,000 members of it in Israel; today there are some 45,000, living in eighteen northern villages; 10,000 others live on the Golan Heights.

Who are the Druses? The faithful of this relatively young creed, which has not quite spanned a millennium, form a secret sect whose principles are known only to the 'uqqal, or sages, among them. It originated in Egypt at the beginning of the eleventh century during the reign of the sixth Fatimid Caliph, al-Hakim bi-Amr Allah (996–1021), whose dynasty ultimately embraced North Africa, Egypt, Palestine, Syria, and parts of the Arabian Peninsula. In 1017, the divinity of the Caliph was proclaimed by his disciples Hamza ibn Ali and Nashtakin al-Darazi; it is after al-Darazi that the new religion was named. Their call for proselytes reached as far as Turkey, India and the Far East, and their tenets were set forth in epistles in Arabic, Persian and Urdu. Those who responded pledged themselves by signing a covenant or *mithaq*, whereby they assumed the

obligations of a believer. They and their descendants alone have been Druses: from 1021 onward, the community has been "sealed" and neither conversion nor apostasy is allowed. Membership is thus wholly hereditary; this is related to a belief in metempsychosis, the transmigration of souls: the number of souls in the universe was fixed for ever at the time of the creation, and so, whenever a Druse dies, his soul enters the body of a new-born member of the sect. In this and other features — the material simplicity, the absence of a form of prayer — we see an affinity to religions of the Far East, which influenced the Persian founders of the faith considerably.

After the disappearance of al-Hakim in 1021, his son, unable to withstand Moslem hostility, was forced to abrogate the faith, and those who remained loyal to it were subjected to persecution — a recurrent anguish of Druse history which gave rise to the precept *taqiyya*. This encourages an inconspicuous religious deportment, imposes strict reticence on details of the faith, and permits its outward disavowal if duress threatens life. The feast of Nebi Sau'eb, for example, has a predominantly secular, "national" aspect: the ritual part is entrusted to an assembly of the 'uqqal in the seclusion of the shrine's interior nearby, in the open, the event is marked by colourful popular celebrations, Druse notables address the gathering and the Government representative conveys his greetings. *Taqiyya* explains the Druse adoption of some Moslem feasts, like the feast of the Sacrifice, and certain Moslem public prayers, such as those at wedding and funerals, although with modified interpretations; it also explains the relatively small number of feasts which, by their very nature, must disclose elements of the faith.

Preoccupation with the exigencies of defence has made the Druses a hill-dwelling people to this day: besides those on the Carmel range, the hills of Galilee and Mount Hermon, there are Druses on Djebel (Mount) Druse and Djebel A'ala in Syria, where the largest Druse concentration is to be found, and in the mountainous regions of Lebanon.

The first account of the Druses in non-Arab literature is in the Hebrew book of travels by Benjamin of Tudela, who toured Syria about 1167, and makes note of Druse dwellers about ten miles from Sidon. The Druses came to our parts in three waves of settlement. The first, at the birth of the faith, is thought to have been made up of Berbers of the Fatimid army who brought the teachings of the sect to the local inhabitants. In Crusader times, they seem to have dwelt in Wadi al-Taym, near Banias and Beaufort, at the northernmost tip of present-day Israel. At the end of the thirteenth century, we find them in Safad area of Galilee.

The second wave, between 1585 and 1636, came during the heyday of Fakhr al-Din al-Ma'ani II who succeeded his father as Amir of the Druses, a rank confirmed by the Ottoman conquerors. Fakhr al-Din expanded his territory southwards from Syria and Lebanon, and, wishing to protect it against incursions of



Pki' in — Druse Village in northern Israel

Turks, Beduin and others, brought in loyal Druses to occupy fourteen defensive villages along the frontier that ran east-west between Tiberias and Haifa. On his violent death and with the dissolution of the Druse leadership, these villages succumbed to enemy raids; the only two to survive, Ussfiya and Daliyat el-Carmel, flourish to this day in their lofty eyries. Daliyat el-Carmel, with a population of 8,000, is the largest Druse village in Israel; overlooking the Esdraelon Valley and Haifa, its main street becomingly flanked by displays of Druse handicraft, it attracts many tourists.

Migration from Syria and Lebanon over the last three centuries made up the third wave of settlement; the youngest village, Ain al-Asad, was established at the beginning of the twentieth.

Of the eighteen villages in Israel where Druses live today, half are inhabited exclusively by Druses; in the others, they co-exist harmoniously with Christians, Moslems and Jews. Each community is traditionally headed by the '*uqqal*', the sages, men and women who have been found worthy of admission to the secret theology and are distinguished by a garb of sombre robes and white turbans; they are accorded great respect and consulted on all matters of private and everyday life. The rest of the community are the *juhhal*, the "ignorant," who have not been initiated into the doctrinal arcana. The *khilwa*, a retreat for seclusion and prayer, figures in every village where Druses live, and is sited at a

small distance from it; this austere assembly-hall, bare of all embellishment, is the scene of weekly communal meetings, which are followed by the prayers and meditation of the '*uqqal*' alone.

The dogmas of the Druse faith are recorded in holy books which have been copied by scribes and in some cases go back to the days of al-Hakim, the Druse Messiah, and his early disciples; they are jealously preserved, their contents shrouded in mystery. Oral transmission of the creed has played a key role from the beginning. A belief in predestination and a commitment to solidarity between fellow-Druses are two characteristic features. The religion forbids its followers to eat pork, to smoke or imbibe alcohol; a man cannot divorce his wife without the consent of a court and a divorced couple cannot remarry or even meet on social terms — this as a deterrent to over-hasty domestic breaches.

With conferment of its separate status in 1956, the community could enjoy legal autonomy for the first time in this part of the world: its spiritual leader, Sheikh Amin Tarif, was appointed to preside over the religious Court of Appeal, a post which he still holds, with two *sheikh* members; the others serve as *qadis* on the Court of First Instance.

Since 1957, when the Druses asked that the law of compulsory military service be applied to themselves as it is to Jews, they have shared the civil and military obligations of their Jewish neighbours. Are their rights

commensurately equal? A feeling, in recent years, that this was not so set in motion considerable public debate on the issue. Hitherto, the community's affairs had been treated by the Arab Divisions on Ministries; a public committee headed by Professor Ben Dor of Haifa University and a Knesset (Parliament) committee under Abraham Schecherman recommended that the Druses be integrated instead into the mainstream of Government institutions and Israeli society. In 1975, a committee of Directors-General was formed for that purpose, with Amos Eran, of the Prime Minister's Office, as chairman, and the writer as coordinating director.

The new policy had proved satisfactory to Israel's Druses, and a number of welcomed innovations have stemmed from it. The budget for the development of Druse villages was multiplied eight-fold; at the Ministry of Education and Culture, which has sponsored Druse folklore in song and dance, a special curriculum is being prepared for Druse and other schools, in which the history, tradition and culture of the community will find due expression. A first phase in its realization is the new university preparatory course for young Druses who have completed their military service; it opened at the beginning of this year in the Galilean village of Yarka. As well as regular academic subjects, the thirty or so students, six girls among them, are taught the ethnic and credal traditions of the Druses; the final examinations will be recognized as qualifying for admission to the University of Haifa, under whose patronage the programme is conducted. The graduates will join the three hundred or so Druses currently enrolled in Israel's universities.

To grasp the full import of such developments, one must be mindful of the community's traditional practice: on account of the inhibiting principle of *taqiyya*, a child's only source of instruction in Druse religion and culture was his parents' teaching; if neither parent belonged to the '*uqqal*', that part of his education was simply overlooked. Today it is accessible to pupil, student and future parent.

Neither in this respect nor in any other is there a bias in men's favour. Indeed, equality of the sexes, the "cause" that has launched today's feminist crusade, was a founding precept of the Druse faith almost a thousand years ago. With no little revolutionary initiative, the new order outlawed the contemporary institutions of polygamy, slavery and harem, which had prescribed a wholly abject role for women and ordained, instead, absolute parity with men in matter of religion and legal status. It is interesting to note that today some ninety per cent of Druse women belong to the '*uqqal*', compared with only twenty per cent of the men. In the social sphere, the role of the Druse woman is still somewhat more circumscribed than that of her Western counterpart, but many Druse women are employed outside their homes in light industry, for the most part each in her own village.

The changes evolving in the community are reflected in its ever-growing literary output, in which poetry, written in either Arabic or Hebrew, is conspicuous. More directly informative on the social, cultural and political issues of interest to Druses is the bi-monthly newspaper *al-Huda*, which is published in Haifa. There can be no doubt that the last two years have been a veritable turning-point in local Druse annals, second only to the acquisition of separate legal status after the establish-

ment of Israel. The more effective representation in policy-making bodies, and the greater resources for carrying out new projects bode well for the dynamic and constructive part of the Druses in the State.

— Christian News from Israel

URGENT NEED FOR A NEW CAR

We have an urgent need for a new car for "The Mount Zion Reporter". We would like to purchase a van or mini-bus which could be used to take people to church, etc., as well as to take mail to the Post Office and do the many other hauling jobs which constantly need to be done. A special fund for this purpose has been started and as soon as it grows large enough, we will choose a suitable vehicle.

If you have been blessed by the Heavenly Father and are able to help with this need, your gift for this fund will be much appreciated and the car it helps purchase will serve to fill the everyday needs of the work of the Lord in Jerusalem. Pray about this and let the Lord lead.

Where Your Treasure Is There Your Heart Will Be Also

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth where the thieves break through and steal but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt and where thieves do not break through and steal, for where your treasure is there your heart will be also." (Matt. 6:19-21). How true! "Give and it shall be given unto you good measure pressed down and shaken together and running over, shall men give into your blossom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured unto you again." (Luke 6:38).

When people can get into the giving mood, whether it be food, clothing, money, knowledge of the Bible, backed up by texts of scripture, or just such as they have, the more joy they receive, and they can give cheerfully, for the "Lord loveth a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9:7).

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LIFE IN ISRAEL

by Effie Dugger

Shalom!

Greetings of love and peace to all "The Reporter" friends. We are thankful for all our helpers here, and also for all those all over the world who have a part with us in this work. We thank you all for your prayers and support, which make it possible to carry on this work begun by my husband so many years ago.

"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." This should be our prayer — that we will shine as the stars.

Brother Gordon just asked me to prepare my article. It seems that the days go by in a hurry. Just a few days ago we finished the last "Reporter" and now we are preparing the new one. Well, we should be thankful because it means that we are catching up a little bit (we are a little behind with the paper). There is always much to do, and we all keep very busy. We thank the Lord for sending us the workers we need to get all the jobs done. I just finished proofreading some of the pages of the new "Reporter". I am thankful for strength to help in whatever way I can.

This is the beginning of another beautiful sunny day in Jerusalem. The sun is really warming things up. Spring is coming and already the

almond trees are in bloom. In many parts of the world it is still bitter cold. It says in today's newspaper that there were heavy snowstorms in several states of America, and that at least 90 people died in snowstorms in Ohio, Mich., Ind., and Canada.

There is much in the news these days about the peace talks with Egypt. Israel wants peace and will do all it can to bring it. We need to pray that peace will be brought about in a good way and that the Heavenly Father will continue to lead this little land. "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces." — Psalms 122:6, 7.

"For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth. And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name. Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God." — Isa. 62:1-3.

We say Shalom again to all our friends around the world.

Effie Dugger

Here Is An Open Door

The Heavenly Father has provided here at Jerusalem an "Open Door" for all of those who wish to follow in the footsteps of the Master, and "Feed the Lambs and Sheep" over the world, in many languages, and also to send forth to Israel the "True Religion" of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, as preached by the apostle Peter on Pentecost. Hundreds of thousands of silent messengers (tracts and booklets) are being printed on our printing presses. That portion of your life represented in riches that the Heavenly Father has helped you to gather will be used in this way for His glory. As the funds flow in, the outgoing stream of tracts in 7 languages will flow out to Israel and to the world. Pray about this and the Holy Spirit will direct you.

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"When the Lord shall build up Zion he will appear in His glory." — Psalms 102:15.

GOOD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

"FOR WHY WILL YE DIE?"

"We squander Health
In search of Wealth,
We scheme and toil and save;
Then squander Wealth
In search of Health,
And all we get's a grave.
We live and boast of what we own —
We die and only get a stone."

How true that is of most people! They neglect the care of the body in the acquisition of wealth, and when they do acquire the pot of gold they find their bodies are too wrecked with disease to enjoy the glitter of the rainbow. They find that all the money in the world will not buy the joy of a healthy body.

And what is even more tragic, many people spend their entire life searching for the rainbow's end, and then never find the pot of gold at all!

Without health there is no enjoyment of life, with or without wealth. Any time or money spent on the improvement of the health of the body is time and money well spent, and repays the spender a thousandfold.

And health lies in following nature's law in regard to simple, natural foods, proper rest, sunshine and fresh air — the things which are the least expensive in life, and which are the heritage of all.

There is no royal way to radiant health. It cannot be obtained by pushing a button or by turning a switch. Nature is no respecter of wealth, and rich and poor alike are punished for disobedience.

Our Bodies

Few people realize how completely they are made of the food they consume and that sickness and disease are the result of improper diet. Within the last few years, however, this fact has been more generally accepted everywhere and is causing a veritable revolution in the treatment of disease.

Dr. Alexis Carrel, of the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research stated: "If the doctor of today does not become the dietitian of tomorrow, the dietitian of today will become the doctor of tomorrow." And this was not just a voice crying in the wilderness. A host of modern doctors and scientists now recognize how vitally important is the food we eat.

Man is what he eats, and only through proper diet can he maintain health, vigor and immunity to disease.

To understand this better, let us examine the human body. We find it is composed of billions of tiny cells. Then, when we analyze each cell, we find it is composed of some sixteen basic chemical elements.

The little cells of our bodies do not live forever, they wear out just like the parts of any machine wear out. And, as each cell wears out, it is discarded from the body and nature must have more material to build new cells to take the place of the old.

We can see the new cells of the fingernails pushing the old cells out of the body. We can also see the new cells of the hair pushing out the place of the old.

But the inner cells of the body are being replaced, too. The old cells are eliminated through the four organs of elimination (lungs, skin, kidneys and bowels) and new cells are constantly replacing the old cells. And how strong this new body structure is depends upon the materials with which nature has to build.

Each little cell is composed of some sixteen different minerals, so it can be readily seen that the most important point in the process of building a strong, healthy body is to take into the system those different elements which nature needs to build strong, healthy cells.

"Where shall we find these minerals? "

In the first place, we find them all in the earth, but they are in the form of inorganic minerals — forms which our bodies cannot assimilate. No one would think of picking up a bar of iron and trying to eat it, no matter how anemic he is, for he knows he cannot use that kind of iron. It is in the inorganic form and the body cannot digest it. How then, is man to get these minerals?

Nature has solved this problem and has given to the plants the power to take the inorganic minerals out of the soil and through the action of sunlight, to change them into organic, or living form, so animals (including man) can use them.

Certain organs of our bodies require more of a certain mineral than others; the teeth and bones need more calcium, the blood corpuscles more iron, and so on. Scientists have proved that if there is a lack of a certain mineral in the diet, there will be a corresponding weakness in a certain part of the body — the organ affected will not function properly and we have what is called "disease".

The name of the disease will depend upon the organ or organs affected; then more of those minerals which have been lacking should be taken into the system to build up the organs affected. And we find certain plants are higher in some minerals than others, so it is those plants which should form a permanent place in the diet.

It follows very definitely, therefore, that we should use a variety of natural plant food, to assure us the proper feeding of every organ. Hence good sound health. All food comes from

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Egypt Breaks Off Jerusalem Talks

President Sadat of Egypt once again stole the show by ordering Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamel, head of the Egyptian delegation, to break off the peace talks in Jerusalem — this on January 18, only the second day of the talks — which had just barely begun. By all accounts, the talks were going well when the "bombshell" hit, and progress was being made in at least getting down to the main issues involved. The Israeli and Egyptian negotiating teams were laying the groundwork for the points to be discussed, and an American team, headed by U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, was also present with proposals designed to bridge the gap between the two countries.

Then the talks ended.

President Sadat's decision to break off the peace talks was announced over Cairo radio, and the news of it quickly spread through the Hilton hotel (site of the Jerusalem peace talks) and created a stir among the journalists and diplomats present. Strangely enough, this public broadcast was the way Sadat informed Israel of his decision. The same was true of the Egyptian delegation, with the possible exception of its head, Foreign Minister Mohammed Kamel who, it is now believed,

knew of the coming break in advance.

President Sadat has shown himself to like dramatic gestures, and many see his move as being nothing more than another such, designed to place himself in a stronger position both with Israel and with the Arab countries. His accompanying threats to resign are seen in the same light. The main reaction of Israel's people to his move seems to be one of indignation, with the feeling often expressed that Sadat, in breaking off the talks before any progress was possible, is just toying with Israel, and is trying to bring about increased world pressure on her.

Subsequent events would show this to be the case. President Sadat has allowed himself to be (by America and others) "talked into" not taking any too drastic measures, and there is every indications that the talks will continue, although perhaps not in Jerusalem. The military talks in Cairo, which were to have resumed, have also been postponed until the situation is clearer, although talks on an informal level are continuing.

The following items from "The Jerusalem Post" give a picture of the various reactions, in Israel and abroad, to this latest event in Israel's struggle for peace with its Arab neighbors.

SADAT BLAMES ISRAEL 'EXPANSIONISM' FOR BREAKDOWN IN TALKS

CAIRO. — In a toughly-worded speech before the Egyptian People's Assembly last night, President Anwar Sadat blamed Israel's adherence to "its old policies of expansionism" for the breakdown in the Jerusalem talks last week — but stressed that "the door to peace is not closed."

The Egyptian leader revealed, for the first time, that Egypt had sought Israel withdrawal from the west bank and the Golan heights, as well as from Sinai, in the Jerusalem talks. He said that Israel's refusal to agree to this had sparked off his decision to break off the talks.

Sadat also said that his decision stemmed from "concrete evidence" that Israel had negotiated "with deceit" in Jerusalem, and was "playing for time and exploiting Egypt's agreement to the need for security for Israel."

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman had raised the issue of the settlements when he visited Sadat in Egypt a few days before the summit with Begin in Ismailiya, Sadat said:

"I told him: 'No, Weizman,' and he is listening to me now," Sadat said, "this is not serious talk. If you are serious about this, please tell Begin that I will not allow a single settlement or give up a square inch of my land even if this requires that I fight you to the ends of the earth."

The 360 lawmakers and top government officials broke out into sustained applause as Sadat finished this sentence.

Sadat lashed out with equal vigour at the "stupid" Soviet Union and the Arab states which have rejected his overtures to Israel. He said these states were carrying

out the Soviet Union's bidding — "and there is no truce with one or the other."

Among the messages for President Carter he had given U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance at their meeting in Egypt on Friday, Sadat revealed, was a request for Washington to balance its military aid to Israel with equal aid to Cairo.

"I asked Vance to ask Carter to supply us with the same weapons they are giving Israel," Sadat said.

"I do not want the arms to make war," Sadat said. But the flow of U.S. arms to Israel had emboldened Begin to behave "arrogantly" in Middle East peace negotiations, he said.

EGYPT CONFIRMS TALKS "FROZEN" NOT ENDED"

Egypt yesterday confirmed the Israel view that the peace talks have been "frozen but not terminated."

Cairo radio quoted "an authoritative source" as stressing that both the political and the military committees still exist and that their work could resume once current obstacles are overcome. The source noted that neither Egypt nor Israel has issued a statement terminating the initial Cairo peace conference which set up the two committees.

The source blamed Israel putting off the military talks, saying the postponement is part of Israel's "bargaining" strategy.

SADAT'S CONDITIONS LEAD TO DEAD END

If President Sadat really wants an Israel commitment to withdrawal from all territories occupied in '67 before negotiations begin, then the situation is a dead end,

Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan said in a T.V. interview with Ram Evron on Friday night.

During the Ismailiya talks and before them, Dayan said, Sadat never told the Israelis "I have nothing to say to you until you take down the settlements." But now, said Dayan, Sadat wants the same withdrawal principle to apply to the Golan Heights, Judea, Samaria, the Gaza strip and Jerusalem. "His logic says this: whatever the Arabs took by force in Jerusalem in '48, we (Israel) must return now because it was in Arab hands until June '67," Dayan said.

If Sadat wants prior commitment on the demands in the paper Egypt submitted to the Jerusalem talks — dismantling of settlements, forfeiting of military air bases, and withdrawal from the Golan and Jerusalem, Dayan said, "I assume that the Israeli government's answer will be negative."

MAN-IN-THE-STREET REACTS TO SADAT: "I HAD FEELING THE TALKS WOULDN'T LAST"

TEL AVIV. — The man-in-the-street was only briefly surprised by the abrupt recall from Jerusalem of the Egyptian political delegation. The news engendered disappointment, anxiety in others — but, on second thought, President Anwar Sadat's action wasn't really such a surprise.

Nissim Hai, a construction foreman from Pardess Katz, expressed the sentiments of many questioned yesterday at Tel Aviv's central bus terminal. "After Sadat started announcing his disappointment so often, I had a feeling the talks wouldn't last. I couldn't predict it would happen just the way it did, but I felt something was in the offing. The rest was just a show," he said.

Baruch Oved, on his way to a factory Job in Bnei Brak, declared that "the very convening of the political committee in Jerusalem was a farce, a joke at our expense. Sadat didn't give the talks a chance to last long enough to produce anything which could disappoint anyone."

Amir Berg, a soldier going to visit his parents in Ramat Gan, said: "The Jerusalem visit filled us with hope, but now it appears that the Egyptians never intended to talk seriously. They intended for us to capitulate, to accede to their demands on the first day and hand over everything they couldn't win any other way. Since this is not how we understand negotiations to be — especially as we are the ones who have to take all the risks — the Egyptians are now reverting to their old ways of building up American pressure on us."

Ahuva Leibowitz, a pensioner from Bat Yam, noted that "in all the negotiations I ever heard or read of, I never encountered anything like this. There was never even a chance of ups and downs and already we're accused of treachery. If this is what the beginning is like, what will happen if the really hard issues are ever tackled? The Egyptians remind me of spoiled children. Years ago, when my husband was teaching our son to play chess, the boy would not start a game until he had been assured he would be allowed to win."

Amos Hayun, a television repairman from Azur and a Likud supporter in the last elections, interrupted to say that Sadat "is too shrewd to be just a spoiled child. He trapped us with sweet-talk, like you use honey to trap flies. Having come here and crowned himself the

prince of peace, he can now say anything and we must say nothing lest we offend him. Begin makes a speech to answer his ultimatum and it's used as a pretext to break off the talks. If Sadat wanted to create a crisis, he would have found an excuse even without the speech."

Daphana Gilboa, a practical engineer from Rehovot, also sees Sadat's latest move as a "trick". She claimed: "This is all a ploy to invite an imposed settlement from the Americans."

SADAT'S MESSAGE: "DOOR'S STILL OPEN — BUT NO COMPROMISES"

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat said last night that he was leaving the door open for peace negotiations with Israel despite his decision to break off the Jerusalem talks last Wednesday. But he served notice that he expected Israel to accept his demands for total withdrawal to the pre-1967 war frontiers and the Palestinian right to self-determination before any concrete peace deliberations could continue.

In a toughly worded speech, Sadat made clear that he was ruling out the possibility of any compromises either on territories or the pledge to promote an independent entity in the west bank and Gaza strip. He did not mention Prime Minister Menahem Begin's offer to grant self-rule to the two territories, noting that he had agreed with Jordans' King Hussein that the west bank and Gaza be placed under U.N. supervision for no more than five years until the exercise of self-determination.

The Egyptian leader stressed that he would not yield one inch of land nor agree to the presence of a single Israeli settlement in Arab territory. The man who said "that he was prepared to go to the end of the world in search of peace" last November declared last night that he would "fight to the end of the world" rather than make any concession.

Sadat said Israel, and not Egypt, should reconsider positions on the territories and the Palestinians.

Sadat went out of his way to demonstrate both confidence and strength, noting that Egypt was not seeking peace at any price.

While pledging to keep his peace overtures alive, Sadat served a veiled threat that he was not abandoning the war option.

FRENCH CALL IT "PSYCHOLOGICAL MANOEUVRE"

PARIS. — Egypt's suspension of its political committee talks with Israel is regarded in France as a tactical ploy by President Anwar Sadat and a manoeuvre in the psychological war between the two Middle East powers.

Observers here said Sadat's abrupt recall of the Egyptian delegation from Jerusalem was directed principally at public opinion in his own country and in other Arab states which have criticized his overtures towards Israel.

CAIRO PRESS BLASTS BEGIN FOR SUSPENSION OF TALKS

CAIRO. — The press here launched a unified and bitter attack yesterday against Premier Menahem Begin.

The usually moderate "Akhbar el-Yom" said Begin was talking in tones reminiscent of the threats made by the Nazis after Hitler came to power in Germany.

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Extracts From Readers Letters

INDIA. —

Dear Sir,

I am pleased to write this letter to you expressing my gratitude to you for sending me "The Mount Zion Reporter" regularly, for which I am glad and I am much blessed with this magazine. Please send me continually so that we, the brethren in this area, will read it regularly.

Let us co-operate in prayer so that all things shall be done by God according to His will. May God bless you and your work.

Yours sincerely,
Pastor Y. A. (Baptist)

OHIO, U.S.A. —

Please, put me on your mailing list. I have seen your paper a few times and would like to receive it regularly. I appreciate your work in Israel. Our prayers are with you. May God richly bless you is our prayer.

Yours sincerely,
A. G.

GHANA. —

Dear Sir,

I had an opportunity to read through your magazine, and in fact it is the best I have ever come across. To this end I had the chance to copy the address, and I want you to add my name on your permanent list.

I hope this application will be given the necessary consideration.

Yours faithfully,
S. B. A.

NIGERIA. —

Dear Brethren,

Greetings to all our brothers and sisters there in Jerusalem. Your latest issue of the "Reporter" has been received with thanksgiving to our Lord and we praise Him for having successfully restored the publishing of this great magazine after the passing away of our late Editor and Founder, Brother A. N. Dugger. It has been my prayer always to our Lord to allow this magazine and other tracts to flow from the Holy City of Jerusalem, without ceasing for it is the source of my light, and the light to others here in my country. Mostly, because it is very difficult nowadays for people to come into the light of the truth, but those that are His and called by Him know the truth for they will not be left in darkness: "For the Word must go forth from Jerusalem."

Brother N. C.

ANTIGUA. —

Dear Brethren,

Holy greetings in Jesus' name. I was so glad to hear from you and to know the work there is going on good. We pray for you daily and the work there. May the Lord bless you all to keep

up the good work. Time is coming to a close and we all must press forward with the good work.

Yours truly in Christ,
Sister J. M.

KANSAS, U.S.A. —

Dear Sister Effie,

We were so glad to hear from you. We pray much for you, and for the "peace of Jerusalem". We've never forgot you all, and Brother Dugger from when you were in St. Joe. You're still fresh in our minds.

We think you all are doing a good job in doing the work and carrying on the work of dear Brother Dugger.

So may the Lord bless and keep you in his care.

As ever friends in Lord Jesus,
Brother and Sister G.

DOMINICA. —

Dear Sister Dugger,

Greetings to you in Yahshua's most wonderful name. I'm a new member in the faith of the Church of God in Dominica, of which our Headquarters is in Jerusalem, Israel, and of which Brother Dugger was the chief Elder.

As I was going along studying, I learned about the wonderful Bible Home Instructor (book), of which I would like to get two. And in reading "The Mount Zion Reporter", I found it very interesting. I would like to get it monthly.

I pray that Elohim bless you all with this wonderful work you all are doing.

Your Brother in the faith,
In Yahuah's Name, L. E.

MICOURD, ST. LUCIA. —

Dear Elder Fauth,

Holy greetings to you and all the loved ones in the Father's name. This is the first time I am writing to you, and I do hope it will not be the last. I received some "Reporters" a few months ago which I was very glad to read cover to cover.

Greet all the brethren for me please, and I ask you loved ones to pray for us here while we do the same for you.

Your Sisiter in Christ,
N. E.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

As we have had the policy for some time of acknowledging each amount sent in with a receipt, we will not send out a receipt for the whole year UNLESS requested. Therefore, if you need a receipt for the total amount you sent in during the year 1977, please let us know at once.

Questions And Answers

QUESTION. —

Does the Bible command us to pay tithe on our income? Where should it be payed?

ANSWER. —

Yes, we are commanded to pay tithe. One tenth of our earning belongs to the Lord and should be placed in His work. This tithe is holy unto the Lord (Lev. 27:30) and represents that part of our life that must be spent in His ministry doing His work. Every believer should diligently pay his or her tithe. It is not only right and commanded of us but is also wise and good business. In Malachi 3:10 we are promised that if we pay our tithes, the Lord will open the windows of Heaven and pour out such a blessing upon us that there shall not be room to receive it. The paying of tithes is an ancient commandment. In Genesis 14:20, we have mention of Abraham paying tithe, and in Genesis 28:22 we have the words of Jacob when he made a vow to the Lord, saying: "And of all that Thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto Thee." The tithes are to be used in doing the work of the Lord and to support the workers in His vineyard. — 1 Cor. 9:13, 14.

As to where you should pay your tithes, that is a matter for each individual to decide; according to his conscience and the leading of the Lord. It should be payed where it is needed, not forgetting the needs of your local church. It must be placed where it will be used diligently and will do the most good. If at present you have no place to pay your tithes to where you feel they would be used right, do not use this as a reason for not paying tithes; that would be robbing God, which is a very serious matter (see Malachi 3:8, 9). Instead, faithfully set your tithe aside and save it, and pray about it, and the Lord will lead you to know where it should be placed. You will be blessed for it.

If the Lord should lay it upon your heart to send your tithes or offerings here to be used in the Jerusalem work, they will be much appreciated and will be put to good use in your place, in His work, for His glory. In these closing days, there is not another field in all the world so needy or fertile as this one. "But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow into it. And many nations shall come, and say: 'Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob, and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem.'" — Micah 4:1-2.

QUESTION. —

What proof do you have that the "Jewish Calendar" is the one to follow at this time in calculating the time for the Passover, and other holidays of Israel? It is claimed by some that since the Jewish people did not accept their Messiah who came in fulfilment of more than 100 Old Testament scriptures, it is not prudent to follow their teaching relative to the time for the Passover.

ANSWER. —

It was the system of calculation authorized by the Jews that the apostle followed for calculating the day of the first Pentecost after the resurrection. (Acts 1st and 2nd chapters). In Acts 2:1 it says:

"When the days of Pentecost was fully come," the Holy Spirit fell. Here we have this calculation confirmed by the falling of the Holy Spirit. Then 24 years later Paul was following the Jewish system of calculation. — Acts 20:16, also see 1 Cor. 16:8.

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the earth. "Dust we are and to dust shall we return" is the decree. It is exercise that destroys the old cells of our body, and the more exercise the more of them are torn down, giving proper place to build new ones, and thus our bodies are made new with new cells. Without exercise the cells become old, and we might say rotten, forming suitable soil for cancer, etc. Walking is the best exercise, and we should walk at least an hour a day.

ISRAEL BIBLE CALENDAR Order Your Calendar Now

It is time again to order your calendar for the new year (1978). Our calendar begins the year according to the Bible (Exodus 12:2 and 13:4), and has the Sabbath and all Israel holidays in red. Also the Hebrew months and days, with the English. Each month is headed by a large picture of Israel scenery. This is a very important calendar and should be in every home. Order now for yourself and your friends.

— price each, still only \$1.00

BLOW THE TRUMPET IN ZION

"Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in My Holy Mountain. Let all the inhabitants tremble for the day of the Lord cometh. It is nigh at hand." — Joel 2:1.

NEWS DIRECT FROM ISRAEL

ALL ITEMS FROM "THE JERUSALEM POST"

CARTER: TOO EARLY TO JUDGE ISRAEL ON RESPONSE

WASHINGTON. — President Jimmy Carter said yesterday that "it is too early to say whether or not the Israeli response" to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's "bold and courageous" peace initiative has been adequate.

"The major bone of contention right now, of course, is the highly publicized Israeli position on settlements which we have always considered to be illegal," Carter said. "I just can't imagine Prime Minister Begin and the Israeli government having the basic peace negotiations broken down because of an argument about settlements."

FIRST EGYPTIAN TOURIST HERE

TEL AVIV. — Sayyed Abdul-Aziz Amara, the first Egyptian ever to come to Israel as a tourist, yesterday booked into the Dan Hotel here as a guest of the Dan hotels chain for the duration of his stay in the country.

Amara, 36, is the first Egyptian citizen to come here on an Egyptian passport. He arrived on Friday from Cyprus aboard the Italian ship Espresso Livorno.

Amara said that he decided to visit Israel on November 20 after Prime Minister Menahem Begin declared in his Knesset welcome to President Andwar Sadat that this country was open to Egyptian citizens. Amara said that, like millions of other Egyptians, he was watching Begin on TV.

HELP FOR SOUTH LEBANON FARMERS

HAIFA. — A Labour Ministry official who studied the situation in southern Lebanon this week has recommended more Israeli aid for the population there.

Yehoshua Haboushy, the Ministry's adviser on Arab affairs recommended that Israel help the villagers sell 1,000 tons of tobacco, left over from harvests of the past three years. Unless this help is given, up to 1,000 farmers would stop growing tobacco and would require work in Israel.

He also recommended a bus service to bring the workers to their jobs in Israel, and vocational training courses here in the building, carpentry and metal trades. Next week, a course for welders will be opened at Kiryat Shmona, for 15 Lebanese villagers. The Ministry will hire two Lebanese clerks to deal with work problems.

Haboushy said that the links between the southern and the northern parts of Lebanon had not yet been fully reestablished and that the villagers' dependence on Israel had grown.

FRANCE GOING AHEAD WITH POTENTIAL N-ARSENAL FOR IRAQ

WASHINGTON. — French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing has secretly decided to push ahead with the sale of controversial nuclear materials to Iraq — a move that could upset the delicate balance of power in the Middle East.

This was reported on Thursday by syndicated col-

umnist Jack Anderson in "The Washington Post". "The deal could result in a nuclear arsenal for Iraq within a few years," Anderson said, quoting "intelligence sources of the highest reliability."

France and Iraq signed an agreement in November 1975 calling for the French to build a nuclear reactor, to be used for research purposes and fuelled with enriched uranium. That reactor, called an "Osiris" reactor, is now under construction.

"The Iraqis also asked the French for a two-year supply — some say 70 to 80 kilograms — of uranium enriched to 93 per cent," Anderson said. "This is 'bomb-quality' uranium and can be used directly in the construction of nuclear weapons."

"The Iraqis want their uranium shipped to them, moreover, while the reactor is being built," Anderson added.

GOLAN DRUSE, JEWS CALL FOR ANNEXATION TO ISRAEL

KIRYAT SHMONA. — The heads of the five Druse villages on the Golan Heights yesterday joined leaders of the Golan's 26 Jewish settlements and of the towns and kibbutzim of Upper Galilee and the Hulla Valley in demanding that Israeli law be extended to the Golan.

Speaking for the Druse, Mas'ada Local Council chairman Muhssein Abu-Saleh told a press conference here that the villagers demand that Israel officially annex the Golan. He said the 13,000 Druse and Moslems on the heights see themselves as Israelis and want the good neighbourly relations they have enjoyed with the Jews of the Golan and of the Upper Galilee kibbutzim to grow still closer.

Kiryat Shmona Mayor Abraham Aloni, who organized the press conference to show the north's stand on possible changes on the Golan, said that after 10 years of Israeli presence there it was time to see the Golan as an integral part of Israel. The heights are the security belt for the entire Hula Valley and Upper Galilee, Aloni said, and not one of the 50,000 inhabitants of these areas would even entertain the possibility of Israel moving back on the Golan by so much as an inch.

BEDUIN WOMAN BACK WITH FAMILY AFTER 30 YEARS

ROSHPINNA. — A mother and her 30-year-old daughter fell into each other's arms at a tearful reunion early this week. They had been separated since the War of Independence, when the daughter was barely a year old.

Members of the Abu Eid family, Beduin who lived in the Hula Valley, fled during the hostilities in 1948, some to Lebanon and others to Syria. After the war they all managed to return to Israel, except one-year-old Fauziya who stayed with an aunt in Damascus.

Fauziya later refused to marry because she never gave up her hope to rejoin her parents in Israel. She feared that if she married a Syrian, she and her husband would never be allowed to go to Israel.

For many years the girl's attempts in Damascus and

the family's attempts in Israel to get permission for Fauziya to join her parents were unavailing. Then the military governor on the Golan Heights, Akiva Dan, and Labour Ministry adviser Yehoshua Haboushy took an interest in the family's lot.

Contacts through U.N. observers proved fruitful and this week Fauziya was reunited with her family in Kuneitra and then taken to her new home in Mghar as an Israel citizen.

SYRIA MAY GET SOVIET CREWS FOR MIG-25s

LONDON. — The Soviet Union has pledged to provide Syria with an air umbrella in the event of another war with Israel, and Soviet-crewed Mig-25 interceptors may soon be based in Syria, it was reported here yesterday.

According to the London-based magazine "Arabia and the Gulf", the Soviet Union is about to send its second consignment of weapons to Syria since the beginning of the year, including a squadron of Mig-23 fighter bombers, T-62 tanks and Sam-6 anti-aircraft missiles.

EXPORTS TO BRITAIN UP BY 29%

HAIFA. — Israel's exports to Britain went up by 29 per cent during the first 11 months of 1977, reaching a total of £165 m. (about IL5,000 m.) — British Ambassador John Mason told the Maritime and Economics Club here on Friday.

Mason considered this a "fantastic achievement" in the present state of world trade, "reflecting on the efficiency and competitiveness of your export industry."

During the same period British exports to Israel had gone up by 11 per cent to reach £245m. (about IL7,400 m.), and Britain had again been Israel's second largest supplier after the U.S.

EGYPTIANS TOUR TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV. — Twenty-seven Egyptian journalists toured Tel Aviv for the first time yesterday and declared themselves impressed with "the cleanliness and neatness of the city" and with "the organization evident everywhere" — much to the surprise of local residents who do not share that opinion.

BORDER PATROL UNDER FIRE IN NORTH

KIRYAT SHMONA. — A Border Police patrol was attacked yesterday after midnight by terrorists who opened bazooka and machinegun fire from across the border near Kibbutz Yiftah. The patrol, together with I.D.F. units, returned fire. There were no casualties or damage on the Israel side.

The terrorists seemed to be operating from the Muhibb area, on the south Lebanon highway, about two kilometres from the border. Border police said that the terrorists' fire had not been effective.

LEBANESE TO GET POWER GENERATORS FROM ISRAEL

METULLA. — The Israeli army is planning to give the Christian enclave north of Metulla two large electricity generators to ensure a 24-hour power supply to the beleaguered residents of the area.

The major centres of population in the enclave, Marjayoun and Klea, have been receiving their electric

power from the town of Nabatiya, which is in terrorist hands. The terrorists have not cut off all power supplies, because the lines that run through Klea also supply some of the villages held by their forces. But Sgan-Aluf Akiva Dan, the military governor of the Golan Heights who is in charge of civilian coordination with the residents of the Christian enclave, said that the terrorists have been cutting off power supplies as part of their "psychological warfare" against residents of the enclave. The lack of regular electricity supplies prompted the military authorities to give the Christians generators of their own.

21 PER CENT OF WORLD'S JEWS LIVE IN ISRAEL

The proportion of the world's Jews living in Israel at the end of 1975 was close to 21 per cent, according to the "Statistical Abstract of Israel" shortly to be published.

This represents the continuation of a steady rise in this figure. At the end of World War II the proportion of world Jewry living in this country was 5.1 per cent; in 1961 it was 15 per cent; and at the end of 1970 it was 18.5 per cent.

CLOSE CALL AT ENTEBBE

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The first Israeli to land at Entebbe airport since the 1976 hijack rescue operation returned here yesterday after a close call with Uganda authorities.

Zvi Lidar, a reporter for Israel Radio, was the only Israeli passenger on a scheduled Kenya Airways flight from Lusaka to Nairobi earlier this week, when the plane accidentally strayed into Uganda airspace.

The Ugandans ordered it to land at Entebbe airport, where Israeli commandos in July 1976 carried out a spectacular raid, rescuing all but two of the passengers of a hijacked Air France plane.

Lidar had heard that the Ugandan authorities ordered an Ethiopian jetliner to land and checked for Israeli passengers after the raid on Entebbe last year; so he tried to hide in a washroom when the Kenyan plane was searched.

But security men spotted him. So he went to the terminal along with the other passengers, where passport control officers and plainclothes police checked documents.

"I was really scared," Lidar told Israel Radio. "I knew the Ugandans were constantly on the lookout to arrest Israelis. But as soon as a few passengers whose passports were examined were allowed to move back to the plane, I nonchalantly joined them."

"The noise of the plane's engines starting up was the sweetest music I've ever heard in my life," he said.

30,000 SOVIET JEWS HAVE SETTLED IN AMERICA SINCE 1970

TEL AVIV. — Some 30,000 Soviet Jews have emigrated to the U.S. since 1970, the year the current wave of emigration from the U.S.S.R. began to gather momentum.

During the same period some 125,000 Soviet Jews settled in Israel. Most of these came during the early years of the decade. More recently about 50 per cent of those arriving to Vienna with Israeli visas have been "dropping out".

GO-AHEAD FOR 30 NEW SETTLEMENTS, SOME IN RAFIAH AREA

The construction of about 30 settlement in the Rafiah area — apparently on both sides of the Green Line — is to get under way shortly, Dr. Raanan Weitz indicated last night.

Weitz, head of the Settlement Department of the World Zionist Organization, said that he had agreed with Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon, after a tour of the Rafiah area on Friday on implementing the first stage of the proposed southern project "as quickly as possible." He said it would not be a hindrance to peace.

The southern project proposed by Weitz several years ago, calls for creating some 100 agricultural settlements between Beersheba and the Rafiah area, two-thirds of them within pre-1967 Israel. These settlements, each numbering 100 families, are to engage in highly sophisticated agriculture, using small amounts of water to grow high-yield crops for export. In addition, 15,000 persons would be absorbed in non-farming communities, including Yamit.

RABIN: BEGIN PLAN MEANS RETREAT TO 1967

Former Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin warned on Friday night that the government's peace plan carries the danger of a future Palestinian Arab state in Judea and Samaria — and of Israel being pushed back to the same narrow borders that endangered its security before the Six Day War.

BEGIN: SADAT WANTS TO CREATE TENSION

PARIS. — Premier Menahem Begin said in an interview published here yesterday that he would not yield to Egyptian efforts to create a mood of tension and invite pressure on Israel from the U.S. and Europe.

Begin told the left-wing French weekly "Le Nouvel Observateur" that Egyptian President Anwar Sadat had recalled his delegation from the Jerusalem peace talks to "dramatize the situation." He added: "They want to create a climate of tension."

The Premier said the suspension of the talks had occurred at a moment when "we were beginning to make progress for the first time since November. We had almost reached an initial agreement."

LATEST POLLS SHOWS: PUBLIC AGAINST RETURN TO '67 LINES; BACK BEGIN

TEL AVIV. — A sizable majority of Israelis oppose a return to the 1967 lines, even in exchange for peace agreements with the Arab states, according to the findings of a public opinion poll released here yesterday.

Any solution that would leave the Rafiah area settlements outside Israeli sovereignty has emerged as equally unpopular, and the establishment of a Palestinian state is overwhelmingly rejected.

The survey, carried out by the Israel Institute for Applied Social Research and the Communications Institute of the Hebrew University, was conducted prior to last Wednesday's abrupt recall of the Egyptian political committee delegation from Jerusalem.

Of a representative sample of the adult urban Jewish population, 71 per cent replied that, even in return for peace treaties with the neighbouring states, they would oppose withdrawal to the pre-Six Day War boundaries.

Twenty per cent of those polled said they "think such withdrawal should be considered," and only 9 per cent support it fully.

Similarly, 72 per cent of those polled are against any arrangement that would remove the Rafiah area settlements from Israeli sovereignty.

An overwhelming majority, 91 per cent, are opposed to the establishment of a Palestinian state, and 87 per cent reject Israeli negotiations with the P.L.O.

NEW TOMATO STRAIN DEVELOPED

A new variety of tomato, which yields 10 per cent more than other kinds grown here today, has been developed by scientists of the Hebrew University's Faculty of Agriculture in Rehovot.

The development of the new variety resulted from co-operation between researchers headed by Dr. Yehoshua Rudich, of the Department of Field and Vegetable Crop, advertisers of the Ministry of Agriculture, and the staff of the University of California at Davis, headed by Prof. Allan M. Stevens.

Last year 120,000 tons of tomatoes were processed for export. It is anticipated that the new variety will bring an additional boost to exports.

HEAVY CLASHES IN SOUTH LEBANON

METULLA. — Heavy clashes between Christians and terrorists took place around the Lebanese Christian enclave north of here yesterday. The terrorists opened fire on Christian strongholds around the town of Marjayoun and the Christian forces responded with tank fire.

\$1 B. DIAMOND EXPORTS

The diamond industry passed the billion dollar export mark in 1977.

Sales of polished gem diamonds reached \$1,002,450,000 for the year, according to figure released this week by the Diamond Division of the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism.

Diamond exports exceeded by 40.8 per cent the previous record total, last year, of \$712 m. Twenty five years ago, in 1952, the industry exported \$5 m. in polished gem stones.

The long-awaited billion dollar figure was achieved with sales of \$94,100,000 in December 1977, compared to \$72,450,000 the same month of 1976.

Polished gem diamonds are the country's major foreign trade, representing more than half of all industrial exports.

CHURCH: F-15s SOLD TO SAUDIS COULD BE USED AGAINST ISRAEL

WASHINGTON. — Sen. Frank Church, a key member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has urged the Carter administration to reconsider its support for the sale of 60 F-15 fighter bombers to Saudi Arabia.

In a letter to Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, the Idaho Democrat warned that such a sale would upset the delicate arms balance in the Middle East. He expressed fear that the planes might eventually be used against Israel.

The administration last week began advance consultations with congressional leaders on the controversial sale, valued at approximately \$1.5 m. There is already strong opposition to it.

Meanwhile, "The New York Times" reported yester-

day that U.S. Government officials are in the last stages of putting together the administration's proposal for the sale of F-5 fighters to Egypt. The report said that the number of planes in the sale has not been determined.

BEGIN WARNS: NO SINAI SETTLEMENTS, NO DEAL

TEL AVIV. — Premier Menahem Begin warned yesterday that Israel may rescind its peace proposal giving all of the Sinai peninsula back to Egypt if Cairo does not permit the Israeli settlements to remain there. In that case, Begin added, Israel could demand territorial changes in the 1967 borders.

Begin, addressing the central committee of his Herut party, said international law recognizes border changes following a defensive war, as in the case of the Six Day War of 1967.

Begin declared that the Israel Defence Forces would not evacuate Judea, Samaria and the Gaza strip under his autonomy plan. And Israel will not recognize Jordanian sovereignty over these areas, he assured his Herut colleagues.

Apparently referring to yesterday's Cabinet decision to strengthen Israeli settlements in the Gaza strip and northern Sinai with more land and settlers, Begin said: "We propose a security belt around the State of Israel, not just for this generation but for the coming generations."

The government peace proposal speaks of a transition period, the Premier said. But even after that transition period the Israeli settlements will remain and will be defended by Israeli forces. "We will not agree to have any other forces defend them," Begin noted.

The Prime Minister was applauded when he declared that "the only (legitimate) claim to sovereignty over Judea, Samaria and Gaza is that of the Jewish people."

2 M. TOURISTS A YEAR BY 1982

Israel expects to boost its record of one million tourists last year by 20 per cent in 1978 and is planning to bring in two million tourists a year within five years, Dr. Moshe Mandelbaum, director-general of the Industry, Commerce and Tourism Ministry said yesterday.

"ALMA II OIL COULD REPLACE AMERICAN AID"

Drilling at Alma II, near A-Tur, in Sinai, clearly indicates that the oil output there is potentially twice as great as Israel needs, informed foreign sources said yesterday.

This means that Israel could not only satisfy all her oil requirements but could also export enough oil to obviate the need for American economic aid, the source said.

The future of these wells is to be discussed with Egypt.

SECOND OIL STRIKE IN ALMA

A second major oil strike was reported from the Alma oilfield, in the Gulf of Suez yesterday.

The disclosure was made inadvertently by Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i during an Israel Radio live interview.

Moda'i said that the drill had hit "pay dirt" at approximately the same level as the earlier strike reported from Alma II (the new well carries serial number three) and that it would continue to dig further to explore a

second and even more promising layer believed to be located a few hundred metres below the top oil-bearing stratum.

The minister did not deny expert estimates that there was \$40 billion worth of oil off the eastern (Israel-held) side of the gulf. "But I'm not confirming this either," and he allowed that he would rate it in on the spot for half that amount "cash on the barrelhead".

NATURAL GAS STRUCK AT SADOT I TEST DRILLING

Gas in commercial quantities has been discovered at the Sadot drilling site in the Rafiah area, Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i said yesterday.

Speaking to the new council of the Energy Authority, Moda'i said that 2 m. cubic feet of gas were gushing from the well-head every day under constant pressure. The results of the experimental drilling had been sent to the U.S., he said, and justify another test drilling 1.1 kilometres northeast of Sadot I. The findings at the second drilling, it is hoped, would determine the value of the Sadot field.

A report submitted to the energy council's first meeting says that the greatest potential for commercial quantities of oil in Israel-held territory is in Sinai, mainly in the Gulf of Suez. This finding has increased importance these days, in view of the peace negotiations now going on which may result in a return of these areas to Egypt.

The report says that the recently found Alma I gusher at A-Tur may result in a daily shipment of 15,000 to 20,000 barrels of oil to Eilat. Oil exploration, the report says, is now going on all along the coast from the north of Israel to the cease-fire line with Egypt in the south.

Next year, according to the report, priority will be given to drillings in the Ashdod area, where good-quality oil has been found at a depth of 2,600 metres. Gas was discovered there at a depth of 400 metres, except slight signs of oil.

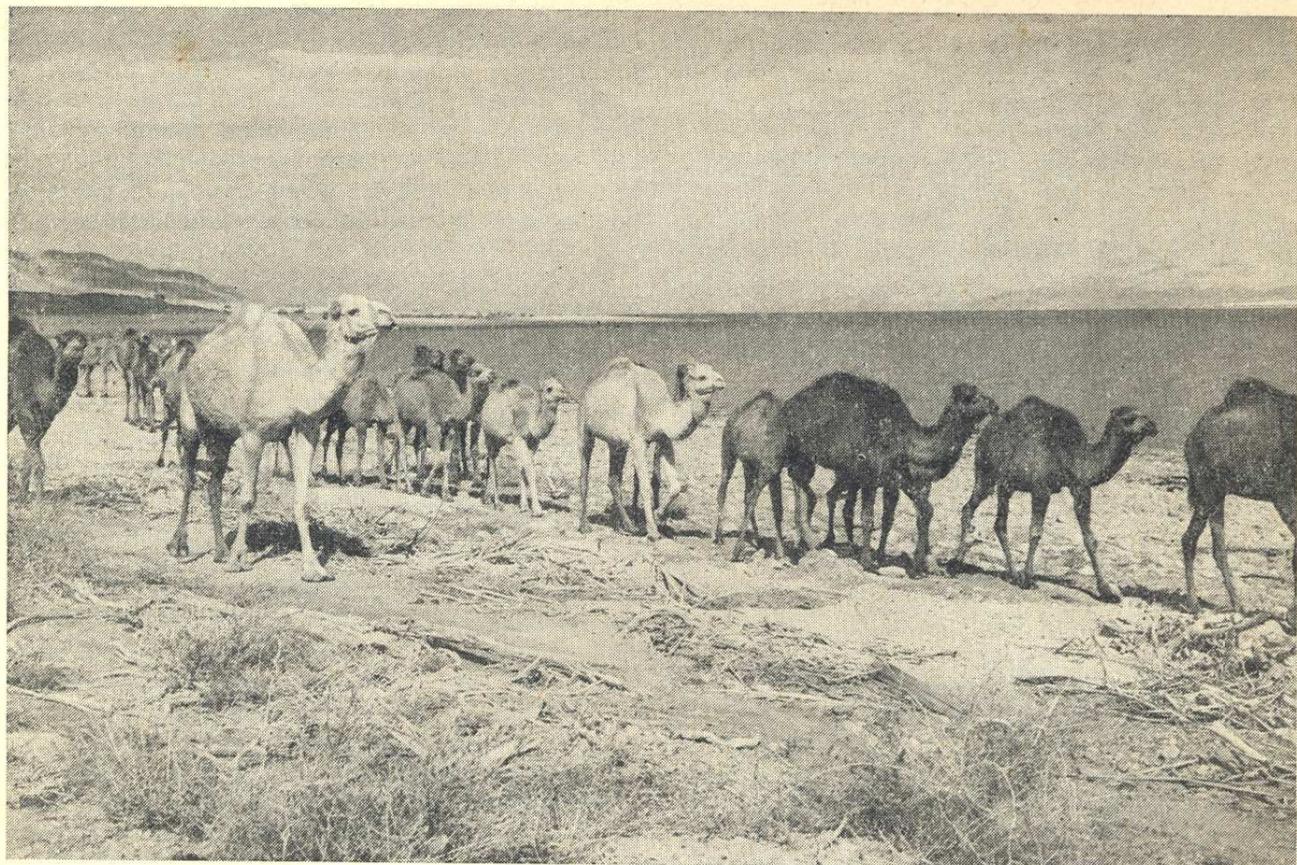
The report recommends further exploration in areas such as Western Galilee and the Beit She'an area, as well as near the Dead Sea.

SETTLEMENTS PLANNED FOR WEST BANK AS CRITICISM OF BEGIN PLAN MOUNTS

The government is planning large-scale Jewish settlement in Judea and Samaria, a senior government source said yesterday.

The report of the settlement plans follows severe criticism of Prime Minister Menahem Begin for proposing to withdraw Israeli forces from Sinai and introduce an autonomous Arab administration in Judea and Samaria. Members of the National Religious Party are putting pressure on their leaders to oppose these elements in Israel's peace plan. Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres criticized the Begin peace plan as being "worse than the Rogers Plan." And the Land of Israel Movement, in cooperation with Gush Emunim, is organizing a vociferous opposition.

"Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved." — Ps. 55:22.



Camel herd by the shores of the Dead Sea. — The Dead Sea, located in the region of ancient Sodom and Gomorrah, is 47 miles long by 10 miles wide and, at 1,273 feet below sea level, it is the lowest spot on earth. Its water is also the saltiest in the world, being 27 per cent solids. This is caused by the fact that, although the Dead Sea is fed by the Jordan River and other smaller streams, it has no outlet other than evaporation; and as the water evaporates it leaves behind a heavy concentration of minerals.

AS A THIEF IN THE NIGHT

SUDDENLY — WITHOUT WARNING —
UNEXPECTED

This is the way in which the title of this message may be summed up. Therefore it is most urgent, and what is more, the most important message you will ever receive, and its source a very ancient book inspired, not by mankind at all, but by God, in very fact the Bible itself. It is to inform you of an ever nearing world shaking such has never been known, in fact the collapse of human society and government totally.

The Messiah Christ Jesus is about to return suddenly, as a thief in the night, as a flash of lightning in the midst of a stormy black sky.

Now if you have any hope of better days, apart from His return, if you have any faith in Leagues of Nations, pacts, new deals, legislation of the human variety after man's blood-stained record of 6,000 years, then these words have no message for you.

If, however, you have dared to think at all deeply over the dreadful happenings of the last half century and the two world wars, not to mention the dreadful nuclear arms race and pile up of modern rocket weapons, make no mistake about it, shortly to be used in the third

world war of mass destruction. The Bible prophecy calls it "Armageddon", the war to end all wars that means. Yes, if you have reflected on the repressing and hopeless outlook that confronts this world today, then this message is for you, and will give you a sure hope and a certain future.

The great gospel news is that God has given this world over to the lion of Judah, King of kings, Messiah of Israel, Shiloh Emmanuel — that is no other than Jesus the Christ. He is to return to this earth in the very near future to set up His eternal rulership in Jerusalem — Israel, Jehovah's special land. He will then set up the long-awaited theocratic kingdom of God upon earth, and bestow life eternal upon His chosen subjects and they with Him will live and reign throughout eternity in joy and love. Just as the flood suddenly came upon the world in Noah's time, just as Sodom perished suddenly in days gone by, so this Gentile order is to come suddenly to a pre-determined end, Christ Jesus will suddenly appear in power and great glory. The Prince of Peace is my authority for

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BOOKS AND TRACTS

YOU SHOULD READ THESE TRACTS

The Greatest Miracle of the Age, the Rebirth of Israel — Bees Fight and Manna Falls Again. German, French, Hebrew or English. Price 10c.

Communion, Passover, or Lord's Supper. — As practiced by the New Testament Church, and foot washing. — Cost 5 cents.

Death in the Kitchen. — This shows the grave danger, even death from not following the "Law of the Clean and the Unclean Meats." Confusing New Testament texts cleared up. — Cost 10c.

Doctrine and History of the Primitive Church. — A condensed history from the 300-page book on: "The History of the True Church." Printed in English, Spanish, Hebrew, Greek, French and Telugu (16 pages). — Cost 15 cents.

Does the Bible Contradict? — A 4-page tract showing that there are no contradictions in the New Testament over the question of the Law. — Cost 5 cents.

Explaining Objectionable Scripture often Used Against the Sabbath and the Law. — Cost 10c.

Has Our Messiah Come? — This shows how fully 33 outstanding scriptures of the Old Testament were clearly fulfilled in the New Testament, proving the Child born in Bethlehem was and is our Messiah. — Hebrew or English (16 pages). — Cost 10 cents.

The Change of the Sabbath; Who Authorized It? — Cost 10 cents.

The Daughter of Jerusalem and the Daughter of Babylon. — This booklet identifies the Daughter of Babylon with "Babylon the Great," of Revelation 17. — Cost 15 cents.

The Kingdom Restored to Israel. — The restoring process of the Kingdom on earth. 1,000 years of peace. Who will remain? Who will perish? — Cost 15 cents.

From Sabbath to Sunday or Who Changed the Sabbath? — English and Hebrew. — Price 10c.

The Resurrection of Christ. — Matt. 12:40 explained concerning the resurrection of Christ (Yahshua). — Cost 5 cents.

The Law of the Spirit of Life. — 8 pages dealing with the way in which Heaven's virtue and power is generated by man, for greater service. In German, Hebrew or English. — Cost 5c.

Easter, Xmas and Sunday, Pagan Holidays. — Cost 10 cents.

Signs of the Coming Messiah. — Events and world conditions showing that the return of our Messiah (Yahshua) is extremely near. — 10c.

Was Man Created or Did He Evolve? — The false theory of evolution tested. Illustrated with a number of photos (10 pages). — 10 cents.

Why Is the Jew Indestructible? — Also includes testimony on brainwashing by Communists, who were struck dead. — Cost 5 cents.

Mount Sinai Speaks Once More. — 10 cents.

I Will Bless Them that Bless Thee. — Setting forth personal experiences where financial and spiritual blessings have followed those who love and bless the Jews. — Cost 5 cents.

Who Are the Messianic Jews in Israel? — 16 pages in English, Hebrew, and French. — Cost 10 cents.

Why Israel Is Here to Stay? — 16 pages showing time periods in Bible prophecy fulfilled in our days pertaining to Israel, her rise and fall again. — Cost 10 cents.

What Was Abolished? — Peter's testimony about Paul's writings. He says they are hard to be understood, which people wrest, to their own destruction. Question and answer form, on Paul's statements about the Law (15 pages). — Cost 10 cents.

Israel's God a Reality or a Myth? — Will there Be Another World Kingdom? — Hebrew and English. — Cost 15 cents.

World-wide Warning of Pending Beast Worship. — With flag and snow-flake, with mark and number of the beast (16 pages). — Hebrew and English. — Cost 15 cents.

How Gentiles Get In. — Showing that they are to be grafted into the family of Abraham and become Israel (Gal. 3:28-29). Also Jews inwardly (Rom. 2:25, 29). — Cost 10 cents.

Walking and Exercise. — For longevity and health. — Cost 10 cents.

What Started Us to Israel. — A testimony by Elder A. N. Dugger of the events leading to the move to Israel and the establishments of "The Mount Zion Reporter." — Cost 5 cents.

Seven Reasons why the Seven Last Plagues are Future, and Literal. — (Four pages). Cost 5c.

Prophetic Charts on Daniel and Revelation. — Heavy white paper. Includes booklet of 32 pages fully explaining the chart. — Cost one dollar.

Bible Lessons for Adults. A 16-page booklet with durable cover, containing a Bible Lesson for each Sabbath for three months. Lessons are in question form with Bible reference for answer. — Cost 25 cents each, or \$1.00 a year.

The Children's Friend. — Published monthly at Jerusalem, containing Sabbath Lessons for the younger children, for each Sabbath of the month, also Bible stories, poems, Bible quizzes, etc. — Cost 20 cents each, or \$2.00 a year.

The Bible Home Instructor. — English and Hebrew. — English over 500 pages and 200 pictures. Illustrating the subject. — Price \$5, one half price to salesmen. **Daniel and Revelation**, cloth bound stiff cover. English and Hebrew: \$2.50, one half price for order of six or more.

Public Discussion on the Sabbath, written in full as given by Elder Dugger and Elder Porter of the "Church of Christ." — Cost \$3.00.

*"If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning.
If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my
mouth, if I prefer not JERUSALEM above my chief joy."*

Psalms 137:5, 6.

Cairo Press Blasts Begin (continued from page 11)

Mustafa Amin, a veteran Egyptian commentator who on Wednesday likened Begin to Shylock, said he would not apologize for the comparison: "Indeed," he wrote yesterday morning: "Why should the man responsible for the Deir Yasin massacre be insulted when (he is) likened to Shylock?"

In general, the Egyptian press chose to make Begin the target of their attacks and blamed him personally for stalling the peace process. Several papers said the Prime Minister had been out of line when he used the occasion of a festive dinner to deal with issues the Egyptians had expected would be confined to the negotiating table. They said Sadat had recalled the Egyptian delegation from Jerusalem because he had been forced to react to Begin's intervention in a process which it had been decided to hold at the level of foreign ministers — not head of State.

Observers here note, however, that on Monday Sadat refused to let the Egyptian delegation leave Cairo on the grounds that he was not satisfied with the agenda. He agreed only after direct intervention from the Americans. The observers say he probably did so half-heartedly and was looking for an excuse to suspend the talks.

As a Thief in the Night (continued from page 18)

this statement of truth, in a world of apostacy, complacency and chaos.

Please read very carefully the following chapters of the Bible from which this message solely springs for whatever you have been told, read or believed, if it cannot match up to this message it is not of the truth, and only "the truth can make you free." — Jesus.

Luke 21:25-36; Isaiah 2; Luke 17:26; Matt. 24; Daniel 2, and 12; Isaiah 33, 34 and 35; Epistle of Jude.

Surely, dear reader of this message, you are interested. This message concerns your life, your greatest possession, do you seek to escape the nearing coming storm, which will sweep away man's folly for ever, and receive eternal life upon this earth throughout eternity.

— Ralph Harbage

NOTICE

During recent months, some "Reporter" magazines and other materials sent to America have been arriving very late and unregularly, due to a dock worker's strike which held up the

sea-mail. We hope this will not happen again in the future.

Jerusalem!

(Isaiah 62:1-7)

I will not rest nor hold my peace
Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
Until thy righteousness shines forth
With glory as a shining gem
For Zion's sake I will not rest,
Until salvation come to them,
A shining light, a burning lamp,
A crown, a royal diadem.

I will not rest till that new name
Which I shall name, be thine
And thou My crown of glory be
Jerusalem! — for thou art Mine!
Oh Christians pray! Cease not to pray
Though nights be dark and long the days,
Give Me no rest until I make
In earth, Jerusalem My praise.

I will not rest, Jerusalem
For whom the Messiah wept
Until I gather thee to Me
With every promise kept;
Till kings shall see thy glory and
Till wars and sorrows cease;
Till He returns whose crown thou art, —
I will not rest nor hold My Peace!

— by Phillis R. Foster

The Lord is my Shepherd

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still water.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

