



MAJ. GEN. GAZIT
New Army
Intelligence Chief



MAJ. GEN. HOFI
acting Chief-of-Staff



GEN. DAVID ELAZAR
resigned as Chief-of-Staff



MAJ. GEN. GONEN
removed from duty



JUSTICE SHIMON AGRANAT
heads Commission
of Inquiry into War

MAJOR SHAKE-UP of Israeli high command followed Agranat Committee partial report on events before Yom Kippur War. Maj. Gen. Nitzhak Hafi was named acting chief-of-Staff of Israeli's armed forces, replacing Gen. David Elazar, who resigned. Hafi was head of Northern Command in the War. Appointed

chief of army intelligence replacing Gen. Eliahu Zeira who also resigned in report's wake. Maj. Gen. Shimon Gonen was coordinator of administered territories. Southern front commander who was disrupted, Maj. Gen. Shmuel Gonen was removed from duty pending investigation. See story below.

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ISRAEL BRIEFS

EXPECT GUNS REMOVAL

JERUSALEM—In conformance with disengagement accord, Egyptians are expected to shortly start removing unauthorized artillery from Suez Canal east bank, Defense Minister Moshe Dayan told Knesset.

AIR ATTACK ALERT

TEL AVIV—Based upon Army intelligence knowledge that Syria and Egypt possess Soviet-made "Scud" missiles capable of hitting Israel cities, officials alerted the public via news broadcasts of possibility of air attack, should war break out anew.

GUYANA BREAKS TIES

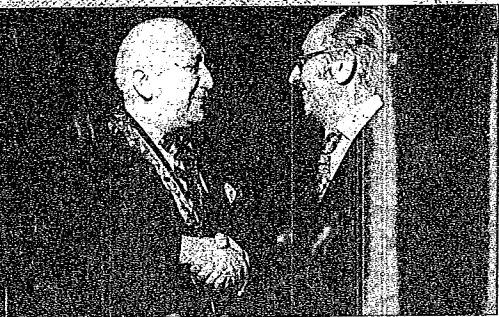
JERUSALEM—Guyana has severed diplomatic relations with Israel but the move is regarded as atypical of Latin American nations as Guyana has recently been under influence of Cuban leader Fidel Castro.

TRAPPER ARRIVES

TEL AVIV—Granted an exit visa by Polish authorities after a three-year struggle, one-time master spy Leopold Trapper arrived here to spend Passover and seek treatment for a chronic leg ailment.

Meir heads Conversions in Diaspora committee

JERUSALEM—Premier Golda Meir, will herself head the Ministerial committee set up under the coalition agreement to examine the issue of conversions in the diaspora. Other committee members are: Haim Zadok, Minister of Justice (Labor); Dr. Yosef Burg, Minister of Interior, and Itzhak Raphael, Minister of Religious Affairs (both of National Religious party); Victor Shentov, Minister of Health (Mapam); and Gideon Hausner, Minister without Portfolio (Independent Liberals). Another new committee, one of 20 permanent and ad hoc Ministerial groups, established by the new Government, will look into the law on post-mortems. It is headed by Mr. Shentov. JONS



BEN WOSK (right), industrial and communal leader, shakes hands with Max Margit of Harrison Hot Springs hotel following acquisition of the popular B.C. resort by Wosk's Ltd. On April 4, Mr. Wosk was named 1973 "Outstanding Businessman of the Year" by the Vancouver Junior Chamber of Commerce. See story page three.

CLAIM INVENTION SPURS WEAPONS

JERUSALEM—Menachem Levanon, a young Tel Aviv university physicist, has described as "exaggerated" and "somewhat sensational" a report in Science, an American journal, and the financial Times of London about a "new method of enriching uranium" developed by him and Itzhak Nibenzahl, a scientist with the Israeli Defence Ministry. Science, after describing the process, which involves the use of ions as an acronym for "light amplification by stimulated emission radiation," commented that the analysis of the process had sent chill up the collective spine of weapons establishment.

The reason, the journal asserted, was that the process could produce several grams of uranium-235 of 99 percent purity in 24 hours. Science then asked an expert as saying that a nuclear weapon would require just 50 kilograms of uranium-235 of this purity.

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Report topples key Israel army leaders

JERUSALEM—A stunned nation reacted with mixed emotions to the Agranat Committee's partial report blaming Chief of Staff Gen. David Elazar, Chief of Intelligence Maj. Gen. Eliahu Zeira and other high ranking officers for costly errors on the eve of the Yom Kippur War while absolving the nation's political leadership.

Predictably, many were calling the report a whitewash that made Elazar the scapegoat for misjudgements and miscalculations for which the political leaders were at least equally to blame. Others felt that no other conclusions could have been reached by the committee at this time in view of the tense and delicate political situation and ongoing military problems.

Elazar, in his letter of resignation to the Cabinet said the committee had done him an injustice. "I do not accept some of the main findings of the committee against me," he declared, ending a distinguished military career

of over 30 years. The 35-page report by the five-man panel, headed by Supreme Court Chief Justice Shimon Agranat covered only the period prior to the outbreak of the war last Oct. 6. Activities during the war itself are still under study by the committee.

But the committee's findings to date, based on the testimony of 58 witnesses taken during 140 sessions over the past four months, was an indictment of Israel's top military leadership, excluding Defense Minister Moshe Dayan.

In addition to Elazar, the committee recommended the removal of Maj. Gen. Zeira, the intelligence chief; his deputy, Brig. Gen. Arieh Shalev; Lt. Col. Yona Bendman and Lt. Col. David Gedalia.

It also proposed the suspension from active duty on Maj. Gen. Shmuel Gonen, commander on the Egyptian front when the war broke out, pending further investigation. Premier Golda Meir accepted Elazar's resignation with a heavy heart and assured the 48-year-old general that he would "remain in the annals of Israel's history as a great soldier and commander."

Elazar's most bitter critic, Res. Gen. Ariel Sharon, the Likud leader, would say only that he stood by what he had said in the past and expressed confidence that the army would weather "this crisis."

Sharon, whose public differences with the high command sparked a major controversy after the Yom Kippur War, was the first senior officer to call for Elazar's resignation.

Another Likud leader, Mena-

Talmud Torah names new school principal

Rabbi Sheldon B. Schwartz, a 31-time teacher at Vancouver Talmud Torah for the past two years, has been appointed principal of the school, effective July 1, 1974. The announcement is made by Talmud Torah Association president Isidor Wolfe. Rabbi Schwartz succeeds Pinus Bak, who is starting a new high school in New York. Rabbi Schwartz has also taught 11-time at Talmud Torah Night School, the Jewish Community School, and instructed the Yom Kippur division of North Shore Jewish School. During his stay in Vancouver, he has been very active in the National Conference of Synagogue Youth, leading many educational and social activities. Rabbi Schwartz entered Ner Israel Yeshiva College of Toronto in 1959, in a pioneer class, studying for four years under world famous Talmudic scholar, Rosh Yeshiva, Rav Yaakov Weinberg. He received his Bachelor of Laws from Ner Israel in 1963 and the following year was ordained into the Rabbinate there.



RABBI SHELDON B. SCHWARTZ
In 1960, Rabbi Schwartz received a Bachelor of Arts degree from University of Toronto. He (Continued on Page 4)
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Guest Editorial

By Marjorie Morris

Warsaw Ghetto evening - where do we stand?

ONCE AGAIN I am compelled by some strange and mystical reason, quite unknown to myself, to come to grips with the Warsaw Ghetto Memorial Evening, which is being held April 21 at the Jewish Community Centre.

I find this inescapable preoccupation with the horrors of the past, a constant source of surprise to me. True, I did write and direct the past two memorial evening programs, and in the doing, became aware of so much that heretofore had almost entirely escaped my notice.

Actually, none of my family was touched by the tragic events of the past. My parents and grandparents were living in Canada during that time, and there were no relatives in Europe when Hitler captured and slew six million of my unknown brothers and sisters.

So why am I so engrossed with the details; with the survivors, with almost anyone who will speak to me of those dreadful days? Is it conscience? Is it penance?

I cannot truthfully answer. All I know is that for the past three years there is very little else I have thought about in my more serious moments.

I AM FOREVER concerned with my identity, with the feeling that there is something more I must do, must write, must tell, and this compulsion has become a hard and demanding taskmaster, almost an obsession.

Are there others who feel as I do? I ask this particularly of those Jews who escaped the Holocaust. Do you, too, feel the murmurings of the past while carry-

ing on the mundane chores of your lives? Are you troubled, as I am, by the whispers inside you, reminding you of your good fortune to be here where it is safe, where you are free, and where there is food on the table, a roof over your head?

How do you accept the assurance that you can have your loved ones around you, without fear that they may be snatched from you in the night, never to be seen again?

These are the questions that haunt me, and perhaps this is the reason for my anxiety and concern.

I am grateful and thankful for my place in time, but deep-down I know that only through watchfulness, diligence, and attention to the past, can we feel assured of a serene future.

WHAT HAS Warsaw Ghetto Evening meant to me?

Never before have I been so aware of what I am. Never before have I realized the importance of memories, no matter how harsh, no matter how ugly, no matter how heart-breaking.

We must all, especially those of us who escaped, keep the past ever present in our minds.

There is a time for tears. Don't be ashamed to shed them. There is a time for anger. Don't be afraid to show it. Strength, through emotion can conquer enormous obstacles.

You, the untouched, you, the unscathed, come together and share in your heritage!

At least you owe that to the Six Million who died in your name.

Several Palestinian groups expected at Geneva-

HUSSEIN SEEKS PACT WITH PLO'S ARAFAT

BY ATALLAH MANSOUR

N.ZARETH — King Hussein has been assiduously cultivating the impression by means of what appear to be carefully planted reports in the Lebanese press and elsewhere that he is about to give up his "rights" to the West Bank and abandon any efforts to negotiate a compromise with Israel on its future.

Nevertheless, he has been busy consolidating and broadening his ties with the residents of the area.

This has taken concrete form during recent months — the resumption of salary payments by Jordan to civil servants on the West Bank, including municipal officials. Those who have refused to continue in their old jobs under Israeli administration receive double salaries.

The payments are not unconditional, however. Anyone wishing to receive his salary from Jordan must first present himself personally in Amman and it is clear that some kind of commitment of loyalty to the King's interest is being demanded.

Salary payments were stopped at the end of 1967, after the violent clashes between King Hussein's Army and terrorists in Jordan.

Against this background, reliable observers believe that talk of King Hussein giving up any interest in the future of the West Bank is unlikely to be anything more than a tactical manoeuvre.

The aim of such a manoeuvre is to secure a reconciliation between the Jordanian monarch and Yasir Arafat, the head of the Palestine Liberation Organization and its main constituent, El Fatah.

In this, the Jordanian monarch appear to have the backing of the U.S., Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

King Hussein's pursuit of a PLO which could result in a line taking over from Jordan the talks about the future of the West Bank at the Middle-East peace conference in Geneva (when it resumes) would certainly receive the blessing of the other Arab States.

If Arafat does negotiate a compromise on the West Bank, King Hussein would back it if it fitted in one form or another into the framework of the king's long advocated and still pursued policy of establishing a federal link between the Palestinian-dominated West Bank and the East Bank.

It is significant that the Communist paper published clandestinely on the West Bank, Al Watan, recently reported that El Fatah, El Saika (which is Syrian sponsored) and Naif Hawatme's Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine would all be going to Geneva.

The paper added that only Dr. George Habbash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and the Iraqi-backed Arab Liberation Front were opposed to the idea of attending the Geneva

talks. It looks as if what King Hussein is really aiming at is to bolster ostensibly independent representation of his supporters on the West Bank, who would then emerge as a group with which a compromise settlement could be negotiated by Israel.

However, a number of prominent West Bank residents told me privately recently that they feel it impossible at this stage to declare open support for the King.

Hemmed in by King Hussein, the Palestinian organizations and Israel's interests, the people of the West Bank continue to tread very warily in terms of plumping for any single option.

It is doubtful whether they would relish control by Arafat or the PLO, but it is clear that they are not interested in a new "modus vivendi" between King Hussein and the Palestinian organizations.

Meanwhile, if Arafat does indeed take over and talk on behalf of the Palestinians—and is able to come away with a compromise settlement—this will be a much better bet for King Hussein than himself trying to achieve a compromise.

At the same time, it is only too clear that while a process of reconciliation does appear to have got under way, it will not be short.

DAYENU BY HENRY LEONARD

When the Messiah Comes...



"What do I think of my grandchildren? Oh, they're just average."

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ARABS APPLAUD ISRAELI IN ITALY

ROME — Arabs and Israelis attended a Rotary congress together for the first time, recently and exchanged views in a friendly atmosphere. Israel was represented at the congress, which was held in Taormina, Sicily, by Judge Yaacov Bar-Zeev. Three Arab Rotarians attended — one from Morocco and two from Tunisia. The main theme of the congress

was "peace between Mediterranean nations; friendship and understanding between peoples."

In the course of his address, Judge Bar-Zeev said that the time had come for Arabs and Israelis to get to know each other "without waiting for Arab Embassies to be set up in Israel."

The Arabs joined in the applause at the end of his speech.

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Thought for the Week from the TALMUD

More beloved is a small school in Eretz Yisrael than a large Academy outside of it. Y. Nedarim, 63

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- Warsaw Ghetto Memorial Evening Apr. 21
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- B.I. Warsaw Ghetto Evening Apr. 21
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Shabbat Chol Hamoad Seventh day Pesach
Sabbath ends, Havdalah April 13, 7:40
Friday, April 19, 6:51
Sedre Shmini, Leviticus
Sabbath ends, Havdalah April 20, 7:51

JEWISH CALENDAR (LUACH) 1974

- Israel Independence Day Apr. 25
- Lag B'Omer May 10
- Shavuot May 27
- Tisha B'Av July 23
- Rosh Hashona Sept. 17
- Yom Kippur Sept. 26

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