

# WORLD BEAT

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## Bar Ilan University Battling Cancer

NEW YORK (JTA) — Two new weapons that may mark a giant breakthrough in the treatment and detection of cancer are being developed at Bar Ilan University's Health Sciences Research Center in Ramat Gan, Israel.

One is a drug designed to strengthen the body's immunological defenses against cancer, and the other is a machine which can help in the early diagnosis of the disease. The progress of these exciting developments are being closely followed by the people of Israel and by foreign medical institutes and drug firms.

## Lack of Funds Keeps Ben Gurion U. Closed

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Ben Gurion University of the Negev in Beersheba remained closed as of October, the only institute of higher learning in Israel not to have begun the new academic year.

The Technion in Haifa reopened after the summer recess, and all other universities started classes.

The universities are demanding that the government continue to provide the minimum finances required, failing which Israel would find itself without the needed supply of university graduates required to provide trained manpower.

## No Butts About It

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Israeli smokers, many of them are said to be among the heaviest smokers in the world, will soon be gasping for a cigarette. The Dubek cigarette factories, which have a monopoly in the production of domestic smokes, has closed down following the refusal of cigarette wholesalers to handle locally-made cigarettes. They claim their profit margin is too small to warrant the business. Some 800 Dubek workers were sent on compulsory leave and temporary workers were dismissed.

Many tobacconists and

kiosks were reported to have run out of domestic cigarettes the first weekend. The price of imported smokes rose almost immediately, with a pack of the cheaper American brands selling for over \$4.

The cigarette shortage has led the Israel cancer and anti-smoking societies to announce a special anti-smoking campaign, offering free advice on how to cut down and overcome withdrawal symptoms.

The army is cooperating in the campaign, as a recent survey found that some 50 percent of new recruits smoke, while the figure rises to more than 70 percent of soldiers after leaving the army. A school survey last year showed that nearly 15 percent of youngsters aged 14-15 smoked and about 33 percent of those in the 17-18 age bracket did likewise.

## Wage-Price-Tax Freeze Agreement Signed

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The final text of the three-month wage-price-tax freeze package agreement was signed in the Prime Minister's Office after a last minute delay arising from differences between Histadrut and the Employers Association.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry meanwhile published a list of several hundred basic consumer items and the maximum prices allowed during the three month freeze. There will be severe penalties for violaters.

## First Rabbi Promoted To Brigadier General

NEW YORK (JTA) — For the first time in United States military history a rabbi has been promoted to the rank of Brigadier General, it was announced by the West Point Jewish Chapel Fund.

Rabbi Israel Drazin, 48, a practicing attorney serving in the U.S. Army reserves as Colonel in the Army Chaplaincy, was nominated for his new rank by President Reagan. The U.S. Senate confirmed the nomination. Army officials then waived the usual waiting

period for a vacancy and immediately promoted Drazin to Brigadier General.

Drazin is the Army's Assistant Chief of Chaplains in charge of the mobilization of Army chaplains in the event of war. There are 1,500 chaplains in the Army on active duty, 24 of whom are Jewish.

The Army has assigned a Jewish chaplain to West Point, the site of the new Jewish chapel.

## Rally Held To Help Synagogue After Its Desecration

MANALAPAN TOWNSHIP, N.J. (JTA) — Some 1,000 people, including Governor Thomas Kean, participated in an interfaith rally and demonstration of solidarity that concluded with clean up operations at Beth Shalom Synagogue.

The synagogue had been open for about one month when three youths, who have been arrested, allegedly desecrated the exterior walls with swastikas and other anti-Semitic graffiti and drove a tractor used for landscaping the synagogue grounds through a side of the structure, leaving a gaping hole.

## Toronto Libraries Will Not Remove Uris's Book

TORONTO (JTA) — The Public Libraries of Greater Toronto have refused a request by the Canadian Arab Federation to remove from their shelves "The Haj," a best-selling novel by Leon Uris about the Arab-Jewish conflict in Palestine before and after the State of Israel was established.

The Arab Federation has asked Attorney General Roy McMurty to classify the book as hate literature, paving the way for a legal ban.

There are 200 people on the waiting list for the book in his district.

## Israel To Ship Food, Medicine To Africa

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— Israel announced that it has prepared a shipment of "protein food-stuffs and medicine to be sent at once to famine-stricken areas in Africa."

The Ambassador said that Israel is willing to share its experience in food production with any country in the world. The solution to the crisis could be found in greater food production through improved farming methods. A study prepared by the Israel Ministry of Agriculture shows that "even with a very modest improvement of farming methods" enough food will be produced to feed twice the world's population.

## Arabs Expelled From Sweden Flocking To West Berlin

BONN (JTA) — A spokesman for the West Berlin municipality has expressed grave concern over the recent influx from East Berlin of Palestinian and Lebanese Arabs expelled from Sweden. He said West Berlin could not tolerate a situation in which persons who do not qualify for the status of political refugees nevertheless enter the city and settle there.

## Tid-Bits

AMSTERDAM (JTA) — The Austrian government, bowing to protests from Dutch resistance groups, has revoked its decision to honor Dutch-born opera singer Johan Heester who was a Nazi sympathizer before and during World War II. Heester, now 80, moved to Vienna in the 1930s and became an admirer of Nazism. He gave performances for top Nazis, in-

cluding Hitler, Himmler and Reinhardt Heydrich. He also performed for the SS staff officers at Dachau. He remained in Vienna after the war.

BONN (JTA) — Some 50,000 Marks (\$17,000) will be made available next year to mark various former Jewish cultural sites in the Lower Francony District in the federal state of Bavaria.

Most of the work will involve putting commemoration markers on buildings of former synagogues which had either been destroyed or are being used for non-religious purposes. The project, which will be carried out in cooperation with the district's Jewish community, was approved by 130 small towns and villages in the district.

BONN (JTA) — The West German television station ZDF is preparing two half-hour films on tourism in Israel. The films will deal with Jerusalem, Eilat, the Dead Sea, the Negev, life in a kibbutz and archaeological excavations in Jericho. Israeli writer Ephraim Kishon, who is extremely popular in West Germany, even more so than in Israel, will narrate the first film.

NEW YORK (JTA) — Several hundred public officials, Israeli dignitaries, civic and religious leaders joined in dedication ceremonies here of Golda Meir Square in the heart of the garment center with the unveiling of a twice life-size bronze sculpture of the former Israeli Premier.

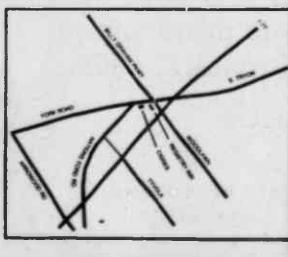


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