

SUBJECT No. 1: "THE MISSION"

DATE: 9.2.79 JOURNAL: "HATSOFEH" (HEBREW A.M. N.R.P.) NEWS ITEM
 HEADING: "RABBI SHER YASHUV COHEN APPEALS TO HAIFA MAYOR TO PREVENT SALE OF KORNGOLD HOUSE TO THE MISSION"

QUOTE : The Chief Rabbi of Haifa, Sher-Yashuv Cohen, has appealed in a telegram to the Mayor of Haifa and his deputies and members of the municipal management, expressing shock at the purchase of the Korngold House in central Carmel by the missionary woman Emma Berger. In his telegram the Chief Rabbi of Haifa states that everything must be done in order to prevent such a reproach from falling upon the city. The Rabbi advises that the organization "Ariel"--a centre for Torah and Judaism operating under his leadership--was willing to cooperate with other sources in order to save the House from the claws of the Mission. As is known, Agudat Ariel is active in Haifa in the dissemination of Judaism in wide sections of the city. A copy of the telegram was forwarded by the Rabbi to the Ministers of Interior and Religious Affairs as well. It has been made known that municipal elements are planning to take urgent action in the matter in order to prevent the materialization of the business deal. END

DATE: 18.2.79 JOURNAL: "SHEARIM" (HEB A.M. "POALEI AGUDAT YISRAEL") EXPOSÉ ARTICLE
 HEADING: "DANGEROUS MISSIONARY ACTIVITY AMONG NEW IMMIGRANTS"

BYLINE : Arye Albert

QUOTE : The missionaries are not letting go of the multitudes of the House of Israel. By means of various stratagems they continue to trap innocent souls in the net of Christianity. Recently, they have been especially active among new immigrants. In the wake of the absorption pangs which beset the new immigrants, the missionaries hope that it will be easier for them to shake their faith and to entice them into conversion to the religion of "love and grace", whose promulgators are responsible for the slaughter of millions of Jews in all generations--and also in the fearful holocaust of our generation.

They are using all kinds of illegitimate ways in order to mislead upright and innocent Jews away from the faith of their fathers. As a first step, they confuse them, trying to "blend" the books of the Gospel of the Christians with the holy books of the Tenakh (Old Testament). They offer the multitudes of the House of Israel in one volume the holy Tenakh with their literature of defilement. By this means they desire to "compare" among the innocent the relationship between them, as a first step, and the rest will follow, Heaven forbid--in due course.

Indeed, this is a satanic and very dangerous method which must be completely uprooted among the multitudes of the House of Israel, among whom we must implant the great religious recognition of that ancient blessing: "...who makes a distinction between the holy and the profane, between light and darkness, between Israel and the nations, between the seventh day and the six days of labour." It must be shown to every Jew that only we have the light, and "with them" is the darkness, and that these dangerous missionaries wish to darken the eyes of Israel and to destroy, Heaven forbid, the national existence of Israel in the Land of Israel and in all the places of their habitations.

A partition must be erected between the multitudes of the House of Israel and the seducers and misleaders so that all contact with them be eliminated. They must know that these missionaries are the troublers of Israel, as simple as that.

A warning about the machinations of the missionaries among new immigrants is contained in the letter that MK Dov Shilanski has sent to the Minister of Absorption, David Levy, and this is its content: "Mr. David Kirschtat, the Deputy Mayor of Kiryat Gat, known to me as former Prisoner of Zion who wasted away many years in prisons throughout the USSR for his grievous "sin" of devotion and love for the people of Israel, for the religion of Israel, and for the Land of Israel, has conveyed to me the following letter:

"The very Reverend Rabbi of Kretschnev, Rabbi Rosenbaum, has forwarded to me a Tenach with the New Testament (enclosed herewith), which K. Syvanto, P.O.B. 204, Teverya, distributes among the new immigrants in the Absorption Centre of Kiryat Gat. It is reasonable to assume that this Bible is also distributed among other Absorption Centres in Israel. It is incredible to relate that such things are done in our country. I hope that you will bring this matter to the attention of all parties concerned in order to lead to the cessation of distribution of the New Testament."

"I am confident that you feel as he does and as I do, and I would therefore thank you for your attention to this matter. I trust that you will accept with understanding the fact that copies of this letter have been transmitted to additional Members of the Knesset who to the best of my knowledge would identify with the esteemed writer."

MK Rabbi Kalman Cahana (May he be given many and good days of life) responded to MK Dov Shilansky with a strong letter of solidarity, and this is its content:

"Thank you for a copy of your letter of 5th Shevat 5739 to Cabinet Minister David Levy. I do most certainly identify with your position in this matter, and I do ache for some time at the distribution of "the New Testament" among the new immigrants. It will certainly interest you to note the remarks quoted from the Knesset under date of 19th Adar 5736 (28.3.78), Knesset Protocol 24, Session No. 99:

" MK KALMAN CAHANA: Likewise, I propose the addition of one-half million Israeli pounds to the budget of the Ministry of Religious Affairs, in Paragraph 0314, under the heading of New Immigrants and Proselytes. I refer to the addition of this amount for the purpose of supplying books of the Tenach (O.T.) to new immigrants, including students of elementary and secondary schools. A visitor to the schools of new immigrants will be astonished to find in the hands of many of them books distributed by the societies of the Mission, which include the Hebrew Scriptures with their books of the Gospel. Some of these new immigrants cannot make any distinction or discernment of the difference between the wheat and the chaff, and are caused to stumble badly. This affliction must be purged from the Jewish school in Israel, and a way must be found to end such activity. On the other hand, every new immigrant should be supplied at least with a Tenach upon his making aliya to Israel."

"To these remarks the Chairman of the Finance Committee, MK Shlomo Larincz, replied: "Concerning your proposal to budget IL 500,000 for new immigrants in order that every one may be given a Tenach, and in order that they should not require a New Testament--I am prepared to promise you, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, that this will be done."

It is to be hoped that everything will be done to purge this malignant affliction from the House of Israel--and on the other hand, to draw near the hearts of the children of Israel to their father who is in heaven.

DATE: 18.2.79 JOURNAL: "SHEARIM" (HEB AM "POALEI AGUDAT YISRAEL") NEWS ARTICLE
 HEADING: "JEWS FOR JESUS AGAIN ACTIVE AMONG STUDENTS IN THE U.S.A."
 QUOTE : "A significant percentage of the 12,000 students in the New York University are Jews, but to our sorrow there has been an outbreak of a plague of joining with the sect 'Jews for Jesus', the reason for which is the superficial and inadequate linkage of their education to the true sources of Judaism which they have received." These remarks were made by Rabbi Samuel Butman, the Director of the Youth Division of Habad (an Hassidic organization) in the U.S.A. upon the completion of a brief visit to Israel.

The activists of the sect "Jews for Jesus" who have at their disposal unlimited means, take possession of luxurious buildings on the campuses costing hundreds of thousands of dollars, and convert them to centres of activity. All means are considered legitimate to them, and among other things they even dare to appear in original Jewish costumes with beards, sidecurls, fringes ("tsiissit") in order to assert their "Jewishness", which does not, as it were, interfere with their belief, and thus to ensnare young Jews in their net.

Rabbi Samuel Butman who is a dynamic and energetic person told us that the organization which he directs have set up in this place a ^{modern} "Habad House" which, like other Habad Houses on campuses throughout America also serves as a base for ^{intensive} educational and informational activity for a deepening of the awareness of Jewish students of the sources of Jewishness and for drawing them nearer to the Torah and the commandments. END

DATE: 19.2.79 JOURNAL: "HATSOFEH" (AM HEB NRP) NEWS ARTICLE
 HEADING: "RABBI S. BUTMAN, DIRECTOR OF HABAD YOUTH IN U.S.A.: JEWISH STUDENTS HAVE JOINED THE SECT 'JEWS FOR JESUS'"

QUOTE : "A significant percentage of the 12,000 students in New York University... (as above first two paragraphs, and concludes:) "Only a fundamental education rooted in true Judaism can serve as a remedy for the spiritual plagues spreading among Jewish youth, and can act as a deterrent to assimilation," Rabbi Butman says, and points to the achievements in this area of the Habad Youth through their many variegated activities in this field. Thus, as an example, in Habad House there are intensive circles for the study of Jewish sources, lectures, personal conversations over a cup of tea, and positive activities to enable the performance of commandments. In the same place there is a trained staff of Hassidic youth with a warm and hearty approach to youth and being equipped with a solid foundation of Torah and Jewish content to an extent which promises good success and the creation of solidarity with the Jewish sources. From time to time they are reinforced by activists from the Habad world centre in Brooklyn for intensifying their activities."

Rabbi Butman, who visited in Israel for several days, met with the leaders of Habad in Israel to discuss the intensification of activities of Habad hassidim in Israel. END

DATE: 19.2.79 JOURNAL: "HAARETZ" (HEB AM INDEPENDENT) NEWS ITEM
 HEADING: "RABBI BUTMAN: MANY JEWISH STUDENTS HAVE JOINED SECT. JEWS FOR JESUS IN U.S.A."
 QUOTE : A significant percentage of the 12,000 students in New York University..."
 (as previously, the item quotes briefly the opening remarks of a statement made by the subject.)

SUBJECT TWO: CHRISTENDOM

DATE: 9.2.79 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST (ENGL AM IND) FEATURE ARTICLE: CHRISTIAN COMMENT
 HEADING: "PAINFUL PATH TOWARDS UNITY"
 BYLINE: Oikoumenikos

EXCERPTS: "Forgive us for our rejection of our brothers and sisters, Lord, and heal our divisions..." Thus prayed a group of Christians from many different backgrounds during the recent Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Jerusalem. Many sensitive Christians are deeply pained by the long and tragic history of relations between their various traditions that has led so often to bloodshed and mutual excommunication. This special Week of Prayer gave opportunity for many to join in acts of repentance and seek new levels of understanding and appreciation.

The Week began with a musical programme at Schmidt Girl's College near Damascus Gate. Despite the cold, rainy weather, about 500 Christians gathered to hear choirs, soloists and instrumentalists present selections with both a Christian and ethnic flavour. Languages included Arabic, French, English, Armenian, German and Italian—a small window into the diversity of the Christian communities in Jerusalem. One group of singers was from the Mary Lovell Home for the Blind in Beit Hanita. At the close, bishops, priests, pastors, brothers and sisters and lay people all joined hands and sang an encore from the College des Frères Choir's programme: "We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord...they'll know we are Christians by our love." The latter phrase became a prayer for many, and was re-echoed in song during the week at another gathering in the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer.

Most of the meetings during the week were held in various parishes where participants had the opportunity to pray in many languages with Christians of other traditions...The late afternoon vesper services were held in churches in the Old City, in the Ethiopian Orthodox Church off Prophets Street, in the Cenacle or "Upper Room" on what is today called Mt. Zion, and in St. George's Cathedral. The service in the Cenacle...Hebrew, English, Arabic, Greek, Armenian and French were used in the service. The theme of reconciliation was highlighted, worshippers offered each other bread and salt as a symbol of this in the ancient Biblical tradition...The climax of the service was the annual visit to the adjoining Chapel of the Holy Spirit led by Fr. Bergil Pixner.

The Week of Prayer was meant to encourage local Christians to recognize and affirm those who have expressed their faith in a common Lord....Some Christians found themselves worshipping for the first time with those of an Armenian, Ethiopian, Anglican, Lutheran, Greek Orthodox or Latin tradition. They discovered common ground in the reading of Scriptures that all hold dear, and in the common prayer (The Lord's Prayer...which Jesus taught), heard in many settings and in many languages during the week....

What kind of unity is really sought? Most Jerusalem Christians are not interested in some kind of super-church under one organizational roof...Some Arab Christians believe that there is a special kind of unity which is already being created by the work of the Holy Spirit, which transcends the man-made divisions of past centuries. This unity is expressed in prayer groups where people gather in homes or in small meeting halls to sing praise to God, to pray for one another and particular needs, and to support each other with concern and acts of kindness. One such group in Bethlehem includes Christians from Greek Orthodox, Syrian Orthodox, Greek and Latin Catholic and Lutheran traditions. "This is the real avenue for unity," asserted one Arab leader this week. "We have found each other as brothers and sisters in the Lord. We are united in praise to God and in love for each other."

There are other prayer groups in Jerusalem and Bethlehem in which the dominant language may be Hebrew, English or French. The participants come from various churches... What attracts them to these prayer groups? ~~Why~~ reply: The freedom to praise God in contemporary melody, the evidence of the presence and power of God's Spirit, and the spontaneous prayer for specific situations of need....One of the best known English-speaking groups in Jerusalem meets weekly at the Sisters of Zion on the Via Dolorosa....Theological differences do exist, of course, and these should not be masked or lightly dismissed...and the search for a common ground is often a long and painful one.

An encouraging report on what is happening through the World Council of Churches' Faith & Order Commission was presented by Fr. F. Bouwen, P.B. Three specific areas in which theological consultation has been taking place over the past 12 years are: Baptism, the Eucharist (or Communion, Mass, the Lord's Supper), and Ministry....the search for common ground (in the celebration of the Eucharist or Communion) is of crucial importance. The document on baptism issued from the commission's meeting in Bangalore, India, last August is now being studied by members of the Ecumenical Circle of Friends in Jerusalem. The degree of mutual acceptance in the group already gives promise of wider benefits for relations between Christians in Jerusalem.

One place where theological research and a common life of prayer continue on an ongoing basis is the Ecumenical Institute at Tantur, Jerusalem. Here Catholics and Protestants (this year from eleven denominations) live in community, share the fruit of their theological and Biblical research, and participate in daily praise and worship...

No one is minimizing the tragedy of past Christian differences and even hostilities. However, there are hopeful signs, as shown by the hundreds who shared in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, by dynamic prayer groups, and by continuing research. And some are committed, in the words of John 23rd, "to pray, to work, and to suffer for the unity of the Church." END ARTICLE.

DATE: 13.2.79 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST (ENGL AM IND) NEWS ARTICLE
HEADING: "LEGAL TROUBLES PLAGUE WEALTHY FUNDAMENTALIST CHURCH: 'SATAN'S MASTER STROKE'"
BYLINE: Wm. Scobie, Observer Foreign News Service PHOTO INSET: "Disciple Bobby Fischer donated at least \$95,000 to the World of God Church"

EXCERPTS: LOS ANGELES.- For almost 50 years California's "Worldwide Church of God" has been warning that "the end times" are near. Now, it appears, "the end" might indeed be approaching--at least for the wealthy fundamentalist Worldwide Church of God and its feuding leaders. California's Attorney General, siding with dissident WCG ministers, has charged that founder-patriarch Herbert W. Armstrong, 86, and his chief aide, Stanley Rader, 48, had siphoned off millions of dollars in church assets annually "for their personal use." Pending a trial, a court-appointed receiver took "control and possession" of the sect's multi-million dollar holdings and its records....

While the receiver, a retired judge, examines church records under a special security guard, rebels battle on with the WCG establishment at their Pasadena headquarters. Some 2,000 of the faithful assembled in the church's new \$24m. auditorium, watched aghast as one meeting erupted into a shouting, shoving, punching melee.... Dissension is not new to the WCG. Last June, Armstrong formally banished his son and heir apparent, Garner Ted Armstrong, who had complained about the six-figure salaries being paid to leading WCG officials. Garner Ted has now started his own TV church in Texas. He says his father is "ailing and mentally weakened by old age," that he has fallen under the influence of "evil men, right-wing reactionaries."....

Tithing is the basic source of WCG's remarkable income. With only 96,000 hardcore members, the sect has become one of America's most prosperous...Every WCG member is expected to hand over a minimum of ten percent of his gross income, and up to 20 percent is sought from wealthy adherents, of whom there are thousands. Chess champion Bobby Fischer is one disciple. He is known to have given at least \$95,000 to WCG...and he still lives under the sect's protective wing in Pasadena. Other large sums came in from Garner Ted's regular radio and TV preachings, which the church claimed reached an audience of 130m. through 500 stations around the world. This money, of course, is now lost to WCG. What will happen to the Worldwide Church? Rader says it will survive and thrive. "The charges of pilfering are wild allegations, all untrue." But WCG's chief attorney said in court that the sect was already on the brink of ruin. The scandal had made members "unwilling to tithe." Banks were calling in notes: "Millions of dollars in cheques are bouncing," he said....When the church recently sent out a special plea for funds, the state ordered that the entire mailing--60,000 letters--be seized. "Satan," said Herbert Armstrong, "has struck his master blow." END ARTICLE.

DATE: 16.2.79 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST BOOK REVIEW
HEADING: "TRIAL RUN" BOOK TITLE: "THE URCHIN: AN ARMENIAN'S ESCAPE" BY KEROP BEDOUKIAN,
London, John Murray, 184 pp. \$4.95. REVIEWER: Martin Sieff

EXCERPTS .: The Turkish butchery of 1½ million Armenians during World War I was the prototypical genocide of the 20th Century. To a startling degree it was a trial run for Hitler's murder of the Jewish people....Kerop Bedoukian was an 8-year old when it started... When the war ended, Kerop's family greeted the armed forces of the British Empire as

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literal saviours. But in 1919 he Aleppo orphanage where Kerop had found temporary safety was destroyed by a Moslem mob...and Kerop's own Odyssey only ended on Oct. 10, 1926, when he walked into the sunshine of Quebec City, at last the holder of a valid Canadian immigration visa. A sympathetic official gave him a book. "I realized it was a Bible, and my first reaction was one of fear. In Turkey to possess a Bible, or any Armenian book, was grounds for persecution."...This memoir of his formative years is written with the clarity and unaffected simplicity of a good and decent man who walked through hell as a child without fully realizing it at the time. He has now produced his own modest record of the time his people were broken on their cross. END ARTICLE

DATE: 20.2.79 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST NEWS ARTICLE
 HEADING: "UNITED JERUSALEM DELIGHTS CHURCH LEADER"
 BYLINE: Josh Gressel (Special to "POST") PHOTO INSET: Rt. Rev. Peter Brodie
 QUOTE: "I'm happy to see that Jerusalem is one. New Jerusalem is a most lovely place," said the Rt. Rev. Peter Brodie, Moderator of the Gen. Assembly of the (Presbyterian) Church of Scotland yesterday on his first visit to Israel/for fourteen years. "There've been wonderful changes. I didn't know I was in the same place," he told the POST while relaxing between appointments at St. Andrew's Scottish Church.

"I suppose I have the feeling that Jerusalem is a more Jewish city. But this is due to our upbringing," Brodie said. "With the Presbyterian Church's emphasis on Hebrew and the Old Testament, we have a kind of kinship with the Jews."

Israel's excavations in Jerusalem have often been criticized...but Rev. Brodie says: "One has to excavate for the truth. Archaeology cannot be dictated by theology...I have no objections to the excavations." Nor does the religious leader of 3 million Scots have any objection to the present arrangement for Jerusalem's holy sites..."as long as they keep the places open to all religions."

Rev. Brodie, who is making a 6-day visit in Israel, said he had heard good things from the Scottish Christian community concerning their relations with the Israeli Govt: "We've been treated very well by the Jews here," he said. "No complaints have been made--the opposite. We've got to play it safe in Israel. It can be much worse than it is. We're privileged to be getting what we want and are proud to have a presence in Jerusalem."

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

DATE: 15.2.79 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST LETTER TO EDITOR
 HEADING: "GOD'S LAND" BY: Kevin Gyllenberg, Kibbutz Ein Shemer
 QUOTE: As a Christian, I am deeply concerned about the future of this country and the safety of her people. Last week I was at Kibbutz Negba to hear a speech by Shimon Peres. He believes that Pres. Sadat truly desires peace with Israel. I cannot see any basis for this wishful thinking. Because of the totally uncompromising attitude of Sadat, and the price he wants Israel to pay for a promise of peace, I cannot believe that he has abandoned his wish to see the destruction of this nation, and now he seems to have the American Govt on his side. The God of Abraham will not let the Jewish people give away the eternal inheritance which He has given them. The nation of Israel must stand firm on her biblical rights against the U.S. and any other pressures upon her. If Israel stands on her biblical promises, it will honour God and challenge millions of American Christians to demand that their govt defend instead of undermine Israel's complete right to the territory God so miraculously restored to her in the 1967 victory over Egyptian and Arab aggression. END LETTER

DATE: 18.2.79 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST NEWS ITEM
 HEADING: "TREE PLANTING STOPPED AT BIR'IM"
 QUOTE: More than 1,000 persons (including both Jews and former Arab residents) yesterday were prevented from holding a tree-planting ceremony in the abandoned village of Bir'im. The IDF closed an area around the village, which along with Ikrit in the Upper Galilee, was evacuated by the IDF 30 years ago. Police set up a barricade at an area road, searching everyone and turning back those who headed for the village....Three Shai Knesset members have registered an urgent Knesset debate, declaring that Israel should draw closer to the Christian communities at a time when Moslem fanaticism is on the rise in the Mideast. END NEWS ITEM

DATE: 16.2.79 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST FEATURE ARTICLE ("CONTEXT")
 HEADING: "12,000 VIEWS OF THE BIBLE"
 BYLINE: Judy Siegel PHOTOS: Nachman Urieli, a director of Keter, discusses entries with competition judges Dvora Hachohen and Ofira Navon, wife of the Pres. (2) A sample and not a winner for the "CHILDREN OF THE WORLD ILLUSTRATE THE BIBLE" COMPETITION.

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QUOTE: "Children in Sefton, England; Kanloops, Canada; Arcadia, California; Upsala, Sweden; Quito, Ecuador; Arhus, Denmark; Wellington, New Zealand; and Kiryat Ata, have something in common. Using the universal language of drawing, they (and youngsters from more than 60 other cities in 26 countries around the globe) have taken part in the contest: CHILDREN OF THE WORLD ILLUSTRATE THE BIBLE." "Works by four winners...and dozens of other talented young Rembrandts will be exhibited at the 9th Jerusalem International Book Fair between April 19 and 25. The idea to...the contest and exhibition a highlight of the fair came from Keter Publishing, which last year published a highly successful album of children's drawings of Jerusalem. Over 80,000 copies of the book in English, German, Dutch and Hebrew were sold...." Says Nachman Urieli, director of Keter, "we decided to suggest the idea of a nother drawing contest to the Jerusalem Municipality." Mayor Kollek and Ronnie Feinstein, city manager who serves as board chairman of the Book Fair, enthusiastically approved.

Kollek wrote to 100 other mayors around the world, inviting them to initiate drawing competitions among their city's children aged 8 through 14...a total of 274 biblical topics were listed...and over 12,000 entries were received, an amount that overwhelmed Kollek. "I never thought there would be so many," he says.

The organizers called the contest "Children of the World Illustrate the Old Testament" merely to limit the scope of entries and to make the contest more manageable, Urieli says. "We plan to run our own contest at some later date of New Testament drawings, and to publish a book containing the best ones," he explains....

A panel of judges chaired by Ofira Navon, the wife of the President, and comprising two artists, two representatives of the Christian community in Jerusalem, and other experts were appointed... The process of selecting the best from among 12,000 entries has been dizzying and involved lengthy "negotiations" among the judges.... Mrs. Navon was amazed at the talent of the Viennese children.... "The art teachers in that city must be excellent." Aside from the obvious advantages to holding a Bible drawing competition, Mrs. Navon sees an additional boon to Israel. "Many people will realize that the Bible isn't the forgotten treasure of a people who disappeared, but the valued guidebook of a people who continue to live on--and in a land that was promised to them in the Bible as their homeland. It highlights the link between the Jewish people and the Bible, and their rights to the Promised Land." END ARTICLE

DATE: 19.2.79 JOURNAL: JERUSALEM POST FEATURE ARTICLE

HEADING: "BORN-AGAIN ZIONISM: BEGIN HAS DONE NOTHING TO REVIVE BEN GURION'S VISION OF A PIONEERING FRONT OF NATIVE ISRAELI YOUTH...THE COUNTRY IS MOVING IN THE DIRECTION OF CONSERVATIVE REACTION WITH A STRONG RELIGIOUS CONTENT."

BYLINE: Allen E. Shapiro, (Author has taught political science and law at Telaviv & Haifa Universities.

EXCERPTS: "The springtime of political movements, like April in T.S. Eliot's "The Waste-land," mixes memory and desire. The dynamics of politics involve an image, real or imaginary, of where we came from and where we are going. The Likud, well into a clear autumnal decline, has seen its future, and it does not work. The time has come for a re-assessment of the past." (There follows a lengthy political analysis of the Israeli situation internally.) "Begin's political mystique is largely lost on his followers. The tradition he represents is irrelevant to the great mass of his supporters who did not grow up in the blood and fire of Revisionist history...In short, Revisionism has played itself out, as has Zionist Socialism...We may be at the beginning of a discontinuity in politics, a fissure, a leap out of the Eastern European diaspora tradition that nurtured both major political camps into a BORN AGAIN ZIONISM, nativist in origin and direction. Future political outlooks will be increasingly influenced by the fact that for the majority of the population of today's Israel, the political traditions of the pre-State period are both foreign and irrelevant....The new mass electorate, the tutelage of the pre-State political tradition outgrown, is likely to move in the direction of conservative reaction with a strong religious content. Within obvious limits, the Iranian example has a certain pertinence. There will be a new emphasis on Jewishness as the basic unifying concept and on the Jewish character of the state, its laws and institutions. Proposed legislation making the Jewish heritage a valid norm for judicial decision-making points in this direction. Greater clerical involvement in politics can be safely predicted, particularly with the improved bargaining position of the religious parties....The computerized data bank of rabbinical responsa at Bar Ilan University represents a tooling up for tomorrow. Combining traditional concerns with advanced technology, it is a symbol of the memory and the desire of the BORN AGAIN Zionism, as these seasons change. END ARTICLE EXCERPTS.