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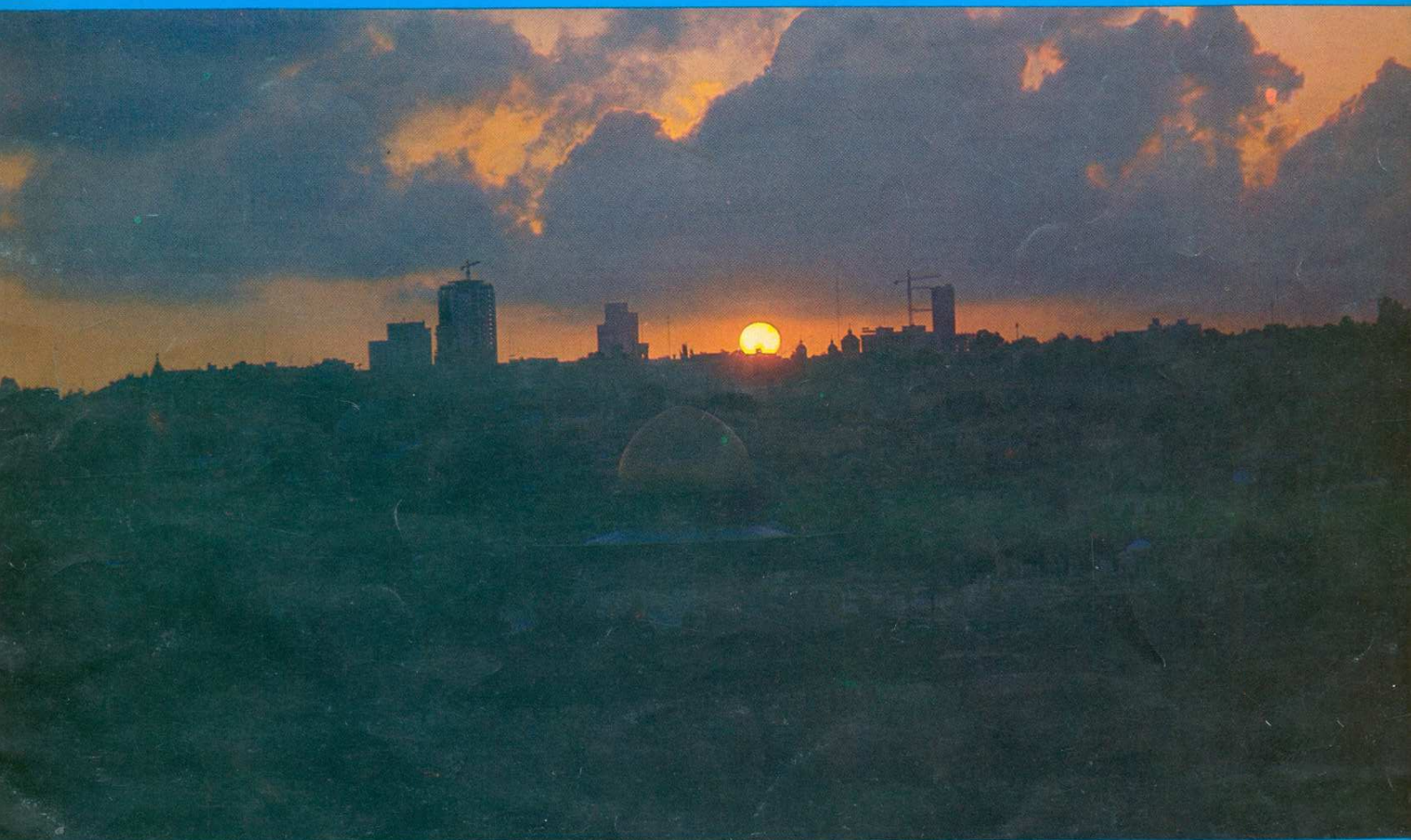
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Jerusalem at Sunset, viewed from the Mt. of Olives – In the foreground, within the walls of the Old City, can be seen the Dome of the Rock, a Moslem mosque which today stands on the site of the ancient Jewish Temple. In the background can be seen the tall buildings of the New City.

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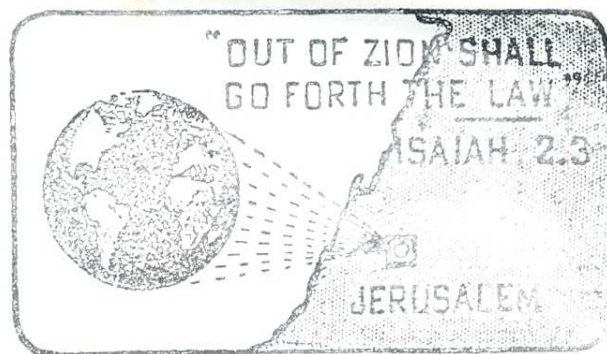
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1:2, also 10:32, chap. 11:16, 22, and 15:9; 2 Cor. 1:1; Gal.
1:13; 1 Thess. 2:14, and 2 Thess. 2:4; also 1 Tim. 3:5, 15,
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Storm Clouds Over The Middle East

by Gordon M. Fauth

Recent months have seen much unrest in this part of the world. The Iraqi-Iranian war drags on with no end yet in sight — a war that could conceivably endanger much of the Western world's oil supply, particularly if it manages to involve other Arab countries.

This has almost happened at times. Just a few months ago, it looked as if Jordan and Syria were on the brink of hostilities. Never close friends, the situation between these two neighbors is even more tense than usual, and numerous recent incidents — including an abortive Syrian assassination plot aimed at Jordan's top officials — have served to fuel the feud. Both these countries back different sides in the Gulf war. Syria backs Iran, and Jordan favors Iraq. Recently there have been reports that Syrian pilots have been flying combat missions for Iran.

Most of the other Arab nations also seem to have lined up on one side or the other, although so far their involvement is generally low key. Even Egypt has taken a part in this war. Just lately, President Sadat admitted that Egypt has been supplying Iraq with large quantities of war materials for use in its struggle with Iran.

Of course, the Gulf war does not involve Israel, and won't, unless there are unexpected developments. Both parties to the war have gone on record as saying they would rather be fighting Israel, but they are bitterly fighting each other, and, as the war seems to

have reached more or less of a stalemate, probably will have their attentions occupied for some time. While the situation in the Persian Gulf region has to be considered explosive as long as the war between Iran and Iraq continues, nothing serious has happened yet to jeopardize the world's oil supply, and quite likely the war will end in a settlement of some kind before this happens.

LEBANON

A more serious situation — from Israel's point of view — has recently developed in Lebanon.

After years of doing little more than consolidate its position in Lebanon, Syria now seems to have embarked on a campaign to crush the remaining Lebanese Christian resistance to its presence.

Instead of just hitting at the Christian forces from the ground — where the Christian militiamen seem able to put up a strong defense, especially in their mountain strongholds — Syria has been using air strikes, against the Christian forces and also against the Christian villages which support them.

Israel has always viewed the Syrian involvement in Lebanon with alarm, and has repeatedly warned that it will not stand by and watch the Lebanese Christians be exterminated. Major Hadad's forces, in the southern

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All Part of the Family of God

By Gordon M. Fauth

The one family in heaven and earth, of which the Creator is the Father, is composed of "Born Again" creatures, whose bodies are possessors of the holy virtue from heaven called "The Holy Spirit," which is a part of God Himself. "By their fruits ye shall know them." Matt. 7:20.

Our acquaintance with many in this vast family is so limited that their qualities — both good and bad — are hidden to us. We probably do have a few personal acquaintances who we know well, and the fruits of whose lives are well known to us. Even here, we should try to speak only of their good fruits, because the Saviour has commanded us not to judge or condemn. Luke 6:37.

This is also good sense. Few people like having their shortcomings pointed out, particularly in a spiteful manner, and to do so will generally cause a negative attitude as well as ill will. On the other hand, a little encouragement and a few friendly words will often work wonders. "A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger." Prov. 15: 1.

There are times when blunt words are called for, times when we should speak out. But we should always be careful and think twice, choose our words and actions carefully, and never do anything spitefully.

We are warned to be careful in what we speak. Few things cause more trouble than thoughtless words. "Every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned." Matt. 12:36, 37.

If we try only to find fault in others, we will have no difficulty in finding plenty of faults. That's the way it works. But we will also be ignoring a weakness, and a possibly worse fault, in ourselves. Not one of us is perfect, and this fact is something that each one of us should remember. When we strive only to find and spread abroad the faults of another person, we bring unnecessary reproach upon both of us, without doing either of us any good.

Most of us — perhaps all of us — are inclined to be a little too critical of what we do not understand or approve of in others. This is a common human failing and we need to recognize it as such; and then to control it and overcome it.

Some people may have more faults than others, but no one has anything to boast about. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Rom. 3:23. No one has earned salvation, rather it is a freely given gift to those who accept it and who believe in Jesus and the sacrifice He made. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." Eph. 2:8.

Christ, our loving Saviour, alone represents perfection. He is our perfect example (1 Pet. 2:21) and

it is our goal to become more like Him. If we think of a great circle, then Christ is at the center of it, and it is this center we are striving to reach.

We are not all at the same place in this circle. Some may now be near the center in strength and understanding: some are half way there: some are still further from the center of perfection: and some have just stepped over the line, been baptized, and started their lives anew. As we gain strength, often we stumble and rise again, just as a child learning to walk, but we still keep struggling along to gain the victory.

Our goal is perfection, but none of us has yet attained this goal. It is a glorious battle to be fought and won. To guide us, we have a perfect example in Christ Jesus, the instructions given in the Holy Scriptures, and the guiding power of the Holy Spirit. As we pass through this life, we should do the best we can, growing in "grace and knowledge" (2 Pet. 3:18) and helping each other along.

We are all Brothers and Sisters in God's family. We may not all have exactly the same creed, and we do not always share exactly the same line of thought, but our eyes are centered on the goal of victory and we are all waging a common battle to reach that center of perfection.

Let's all remember this, and do what we can to make things easier for each other. We are all pretty much alike and share the same human faults and weaknesses. We are all fighting that great fight, and through His Grace there is a glorious victory for us to win! □

HOW TO PRAY

"The proper way for a man to pray,"

Said Deacon Lemuel Keys,

"The only proper attitude

Is down upon your knees."

"No. I should say, the way to pray,"

Said Reverend Doctor Wise,

"Is standing straight with outstretched arms

And rapturous upturned eyes."

"It seems to me his hands should be

Devoutly clasped in front,

With both thumbs pointing t'ward the ground,"

Said Reverend Doctor Blunt.

"Last year I fell in Hodkins' well

Head first," said Cyrus Brown.

"With both my heels a stickin' up,

My head a pointin' down."

"And I made prayer right then and there -

Best prayer I ever said.

The prayenest prayer I ever prayed

Was standin' on my head."



Let's Be Honest About The Holy Spirit!

By Roy Henderson

In the past ten years while serving God in several areas, I have had the opportunity to meet many wonderful and many different people in and from various churches. Some of these people seem to be in agreement on some things, but none are in agreement about all things. Therefore, as I begin this article, I realize that not everyone will agree with what I write. I don't ask anyone to agree, but only be **totally honest** about what they think and feel — honest with themselves, with God, and with others.

Of all the topics that I have heard discussed or preached upon or read about, it seems the one that is the most controversial, and misunderstood, is the Holy Spirit. I find many people on one side or the other when this subject is mentioned. Many are even hesitant to talk about it. This article in no way will attempt to cover the many different areas that deal with the Holy Spirit, but it will attempt to point out some basic principles that need to be remembered when we think about the Spirit of God.

I realize that I will, perhaps, leave myself open to criticism, suggestions, comments or questions, but I am now in a position (pastor) in which I feel I can no longer remain silent or maintain neutrality on this issue.

If you feel that I am in gross error, I would encourage you to pray for me!

I am going to assume that everyone wants to have the Holy Spirit in his life, guiding, helping, strengthening, working, etc. So, we will begin from that assumption.

What Is Your Reason?

Why? Why do you want the Holy Spirit? What is your reason for wanting it? For what purpose? Now, don't give a generalized answer to this question. Give yourself an honest and specific answer!

Here are some reasons that I have been given by some people:

1. Because I know someone else who has the Holy Spirit and they're neat!
2. Because I was told that I need to have the Holy Spirit in operation in my life.
3. Because it gives me a good feeling.
4. Because I will be happy and excited about life.
5. So I will be accepted by others that have this Spirit.
6. So I will be able to witness, to heal.
7. So I will be able to know more.
8. So I will be able to improve my life.
9. So I will be able to worship God better.
10. To have power demonstrated in my life.

Are any of these your reasons? Or is yours completely different? It is important to realize the purpose for the Holy Spirit in the lives of people, so let's see why God gave His Spirit to others.

Why God Gave It

In Acts 2 we find the vivid and real account of God's

Spirit moving upon and in the lives of people. In this account we read that people of many different countries were in Jerusalem for the Day of Pentecost. Now when these people from Galilee began to speak in the languages of these foreign countries, the multitude was amazed! (A point here is that the Galileans weren't accused of being drunk because of their actions but because of their speech.) If we continue on in this chapter, we'll come to the reason why all of this took place. In Acts 2:41-47 we can read that the family of God, the Church, gained many more new members, and God continued to add to it!

We are told in 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 by Paul in his letter to the Corinthians that he "came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom," and his preaching "was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power."

One of the reasons listed earlier in this article as given for wanting to receive or have the Spirit was to have power and to have it demonstrated in our lives. I have heard over and over again that each church needs to have the gifts of the Holy Spirit in operation in its midst. I agree 100% with both of these ideas — 100%! However, I don't agree with what I see in some areas as coming from the Holy Spirit, being told that it is the manifestation, or the demonstration, or the power of the Holy Spirit!

In the passage just mentioned, Paul's ministry was being shown to the people so they would have faith in the power of God, not in the wisdom of men (verse 5). In Romans 15:16-19 Paul writes that the things that Christ did through him (Paul), were "to make the Gentiles obedient." In Acts 5:12-16 many signs and wonders were done "by the hands of the apostles." I am not implying here that only the apostles, or those of the early church, were to have the demonstration of the Holy Spirit in their lives. I do, however, want us to realize that these demonstrations, these "signs and wonders", were for a definite purpose, which we already have noticed in Acts 2.

"Apostles" are special messengers of God, or those sent on a special mission — being used of God to bring souls to God! If we look closely at all the instances of God's Holy Spirit at work, we'll see that every time there are specific purposes for it. I don't believe that God gives us His Holy Spirit just for a good feeling (although I do believe that the Holy Spirit can and does do that)!

The Other Side

So many times I've been to services, especially it seems, campmeetings, and heard so much emphasis put upon receiving the power to do things for God, to be mighty in word and deed, as those we read about in God's Word. Yet, seldom do I hear about the problems, the frustrations, the anxiety, even the despair that these mighty men of God had to face, just as you and I have to face today!

We are given the highlights and the glory of others' lives, when God was really using them, and we are given the false impression that we should be just like them — all the time! Now don't get me wrong! I believe very definitely in a victorious and overcoming life, but I also believe in being honest about life. Honest about the many unexpected and not so pleasant things that come into everyone's life!

I know what it's like to feel tremendously elated by the Spirit of God! It's better than anything else I've ever experienced! I also know what it feels like to be depressed and to see everything through the eyes of hopelessness. This is why I become upset with false impressions given by some who claim to be ministers of God.

We are taught, intentionally or unintentionally, that the Holy Spirit is moving when the minister is speaking in a loud voice and being demonstrative, or when the music and the pleading of the preacher or M.C. brings the people flocking to the altar and the service is loud and long. I feel that these can be false impressions!

What is Your Purpose?

Going back for a moment to the apostles, I've written that we sometimes overlook their problems. We sometimes also overlook their purpose. They were sending the word of God to all people, and the demonstration of the Holy Spirit was given to confirm that word and build faith in God (Mark 16:20). People seek this same power of demonstration, and yet they are not seeking the same purpose. A person may claim to be seeking the Spirit to witness, and yet shun every opportunity to witness to others! Sometimes I feel we are wanting the excitement and joy we read about, or see in others, and at the same time forget about the daily life that the victorious, overcoming Christian must, and will be led to live when he receives God's Holy Spirit!

We allow ourselves to be caught up in an emotional atmosphere and claim to have received something from God, and yet forget that the first "fruit of the Spirit" mentioned in Galatians 5:22,23 is love! Love is patient and kind, isn't jealous or envious, doesn't boast and doesn't behave itself inappropriately (1 Corinthians 13:4,5). We then turn from that emotional atmosphere and live the same kind of life that we did before, only now claiming to have the Holy Spirit of God. That's not being honest.

Not the Way the Spirit Works

When I see a minister (who is heard by all, preaching about being led and directed by the Holy Spirit, and telling others to seek this spirit) stand on top of the pulpit (the actual speaker's stand) during the altar service, I feel an injustice has been done to the Holy Spirit! Can you honestly see Peter or Paul or Stephen, or any of the other men of God, going to great lengths to get people to the altar and then saying that God is really moving on the people? I can't! If the Spirit of God is really moving in, or through, a person, they won't have to beg people to come to the altar, they won't have to throw someone on the floor, proclaiming to have cast out a demon!

Peter's shadow healed the sick, and unclean spirits were cast out of people in Acts 5:12-16. Paul cast a "spirit" out of a woman, by commanding it to leave, evidently without so much as touching her, in Acts 16:16-18. In Acts 19:11-20 we read that from Paul, handkerchiefs were taken to the sick, and unclean spirits and diseases departed from them!

I bring this to our attention, because I feel it's im-

portant to realize that when God's power is given through the Holy Spirit it is given! There was no need for any of these workers for Christ to wrestle someone to the ground to cast out an unclean spirit! Yet, today this very thing is being done!

Why? Why are people trying to prove, or show, that God is moving through them? If He is, others will know for certain! The so-called "demonstrations of the Holy Spirit" that I have seen lead me to think just the opposite — that the Spirit of God is not moving through certain individuals because of the lack of power shown and the lack of dedicated, consecrated lives afterward!



Quick to Judge

There is also a dangerous assumption from this influence — that anyone who is rebellious, hesitant, or troubled, is automatically being attacked by Satan, or that an evil spirit has invaded that person. When I read the accounts of evil, or unclean, spirits being cast out by Jesus or His disciples, I read about people who were really possessed by one, not a Christian, or even a non-Christian, who is wrestling a spiritual battle with himself. Look for yourself at the symptoms of those with unclean spirits (both physical and mental) in 1 Corinthians 10:19-20; 1 Timothy 4:1; King Saul's life (1 Samuel 15:31); Matthew 8:28-32; 9:32-33; 12:22; 17:14-18; Mark 1:23-26; and the cross references to these verses. We find idolatry, Satan worship, attempted murder, seeking witches, violence of super-human form, inability to see and/or speak, a vocal denouncing of Jesus, etc.

Again, I'm not implying that only these actions, or symptoms, mean that a person is possessed by an unclean spirit. However, I feel that a person's actions will be very severe and pronounced, from what we see in scripture. Otherwise, everytime anyone of us has a spiritual battle to fight, (and we will — Ephesians 6:10-16), or suffer from a sickness brought about by physical negligence or mental strain, we will be accused of "having a demon." Did Jesus "have a demon" in Matthew 26:37-39, or Mark 14:33,34, or Luke 22:44? NO! But He was very troubled, depressed, and despairing, so much that He felt close to death!! WOW! Isn't that a sign that He must have been under Satanic attack? Let's be honest!

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Christian, this is Your world!

A. E. Stilwell

It was contrary to natural law for Peter to walk on the sea as he did. The density of the human body being greater than that of water assures that man could more easily walk on the sea bed than on its surface.

Jonah would have experienced this more fully if the whales belly had not interrupted his descent. Jonah 1:17.

Yet here at the invitation of Jesus in the one word "Come" Peter stepped out of the tossing boat and walked on the water, to the amazement of his fear filled brothers huddled in the boat. Matt. 14:29.

How did it happen? How was this natural law of gravity set aside by an 'ignorant fisherman'? Acts 4:13.

It was the Lord of creation himself, John 1:3, who gave the invitation to him and as he obeyed His word, the Spirit Force of Christ, who was walking on the sea, was transmitted to Peter and he walked as his Master did.

To live a Christian life from day to day requires a similar daily miracle.

When Jesus gives a command or an invitation, He also gives power to perform, when there is the obedience of faith, not one minute before it. Peter had to step over the side of the boat trusting. . .

All the Lord's miracles are performed in obedience to this law of faith. Faith hears and obeys regardless of inward feelings or outward 'evidences' and the Spirit Power of Christ is immediately set in motion in response.

"According to your faith be it unto you" Matt. 9:29. This is God's invitation to His redeemed, Spirit filled, obedient people to reign throughout the universe in the Spirit realm. This will be further proved.

It is an amazing truth that the Creator of the heavens and the earth, who ordained all the laws that keep creation functioning, has put these laws in subjection to men and women of faith, children of His Heavenly Kingdom.

A person who lives in the power of the Spirit Kingdom of God, is never necessarily bound by the natural physical laws of creation.

Peter proved this when he walked on the sea. When he failed and began to sink, it was an object lesson to all mankind that when faith's eyes are turned from Jesus' face, the Divine current of power is cut short and natural laws assert themselves, even the natural law of sin and death. Romans 7.

Because Peter's heart's desire was right although his faith was weak, Jesus rescued him from a watery grave. He turns no sincere seeker away.

If only sin stricken men and women would hear that Voice and act on it, as Peter did, what wonderful deliverances would be witnessed.

When we read Bible history we can see ordinary people like you and I, bringing God's power into display in the over ruling -temporarily- of almost every

natural physical law know to man.

Even in Peter's later life he again saw natural laws being set aside when prison doors opened without human touch to release him, while shackling chains fell mysteriously from his half awake body. Acts 12.

And again with two words of faith he raised a woman from the dead. No heart transplant was needed, just a infusion of Christ's Resurrection Life, that Life that brought Lazarus from his tomb. Acts 9:40; John 11:44.

"All things are possible to him that believeth" Mark 9:23. Jesus spoke these words of encouragement to a heart broken father whose son was demon possessed. The same words are given to every victim of Satanic enslavement today.

We Christians, for all our head knowledge, have not yet grasped the practical significance of being in the Spirit Kingdom of God nor do we know how to appropriate and apply the Kingdom authority and power given to us as King Priests raised and seated with Christ. Rev. 1:6; Eph. 2, also see 'body' power and authority in 1Cor. 12:8,10.

Moving in the line of God's will, men and women of faith are commanded to act in God's stead, as Moses did when with a few words and an out stretched shepherd's rod, he called God's judgement down on Egypt. Exodus 7.

Natural laws were set aside again and again at his word, even to the waters of the Red Sea standing as walls on either side of the fleeing Israelites, and then closing in on the presumptuous Egyptians who tried to follow them.

But then Moses was of the spiritual seed of Abraham, who, with his wife Sarah caused natural laws in their bodies to be over ruled when they fathered and mothered a son when they were both past age. Heb. 11; 11,12.

Do we Christians not submit too readily to the natural laws in our bodies instead of claiming the higher spiritual law of life in Christ, even physical life according to His promise in Romans 8:11.

This is an 'Egyptian bondage' we need to be delivered from.

Elijah expected a few natural laws to be set aside that day when he called fire down from heaven to consume a water soaked sacrifice, plus the stone of the altar, plus the flood of water round the altar base. 1 Kings 18:38.

Joshua, Moses' successor, was even more bold in faith, for he stopped in the battle and commanded the sun and the moon to stand still over the valley of Ajalon and they obeyed him. Joshua 10:12,13.

Only believers who have experienced the enduement with power from on high (Luke 24:49; Acts 1:8) and



Ruins of an ancient third century synagogue, at Bet She'arim. This ancient city, situated on the southern slopes of Galilee was first mentioned at the end of the Second Temple period, when it was a center of the estates of Berenice (daughter of Agrippa I and sister of Agrippa II) in the Plain of Esdraelon. The city of Bet She'arim became important and prosperous in the late second century A.D. when it became the seat of the Sanhedrin. From the beginning of the next century it also became a central burial place of the Jews of Palestine and the Diaspora. The city was destroyed by Gallus during the crushing of the Jewish revolt in 352 A.D. A small settlement continued to exist here during the Byzantine and early Arab periods.

the holy boldness it inspires, will say amen in their hearts to such deeds. The natural man will never receive them.

What amazing mercy and grace is given to blood washed sinners that such spiritual authority and dignity should be given them.

When we consider Daniel standing among those lions whose natural instincts were subdued by the Spirit, and his companions walking unharmed in the midst of Nebuchadnezzar's fiery furnace, our hearts are thrilled at the impotence of our enemies when we are walking in the will of God. Daniel 3 and 6.

God may permit natural laws to take their course, as at Stephen's stoning (Acts 7) but He can overrule these laws and cause Paul to survive stoning, to rise up unharmed and go on his God-appointed way, Acts 14:20.

"Who is he that will harm you if ye be followers of that which is good?" How thrilling to realise that we live, like the holy angels, in a spiritual realm, where we are neither bond nor limited by natural physical laws.

Truly this evil world and its Godless rulers have more to fear from Spirit filled believers than we have to fear their power.

The elders and people of Bethlehem trembled when Samuel, the man of God, came to their city. So this

world and its rulers would tremble before God if the church would lay hold on its spiritual authority and power in Christ. 1 Samuel 16.

When a poisonous viper fastened on Paul's hand, he did not sit down and submit to its death bite, but in faith shook it off into the fire, Acts 28.

If you compare what we would do today in such circumstances, you will realise how little we claim of our spiritual inheritance in union with Christ.

Read the scriptures and you find that almost every natural physical law has been set aside, temporarily, by men and women of faith. Still the mountain has yet to be commanded to be cast into the sea and the tree to be uprooted as promised in Mark 11:23. Perhaps that is your job.

"Nothing shall be impossible to you" is God's promise. Do you believe that?

"Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion" Isaiah 52. □

"Not the hearers of the Law are just before God, but the doers of the Law shall be justified." — Rom. 2:13:



GOOD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

HONEY

"My son eat thou honey, because it is good" Pro.24:13.

Honey is good to strengthen a weak heart and it is also good for the stomach, mind, and as a treatment for malnutrition. Honey is said to be more stimulating than alcohol. It is also used for the relief of asthma. In fact, according to research, there is no body organ that does not respond favourably to honey.

Bee's fly as far as three miles (sometimes more) to find the right blossoms in their search for honey. It is estimated that it takes 400 miles of travel in order to produce one pound of honey.

Something most people do not know about honey is that it improves with age. In Egypt a jar of honey was found in an old tomb, known as the tomb of the parents of Queen Tyils. The honey was placed there 3300 years before, but had still retained its good aroma and was as tasty and good to eat as any new honey would be.

Honey has been called the secret of old age. It can help in the healing of kidneys and is a good source of vitality.

In early history we find an interesting story about the people of Britain. When Plutarch landed on the Islands, it was reported that the natives only began to get old at 120 years. And it was recorded that they consumed a honey drink in large quantities. Even if this report was exaggerated somewhat, it still makes an interesting note.

Nearly all of the 200 people recently found in the U.S.S.R., reported to be between the ages of 110-150 years, had been bee keepers and ate large amounts of honey.

Honey is considered by doctors to be one of the best foods for the heart. It gives quick energy and is good for fatigue. It is easily assimilated and digested.

A glass of honey in water or lemon is considered good for night-time energy and recommended by doctors for people in a weak condition or that have heart trouble. It is good at bed time for added nourishment in the night, and also to take when awakened in the night.

Just a tablespoon of honey daily is enough to increase vitality and to improve the blood count and general condition of the body. □

HIKERS HONEY SQUARES

Beat two eggs gradually, add $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of thin honey (heat a little if necessary). Then add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of flour (whole wheat flour is good to use). Add sunflower seeds with oats or use cracker crumbs or granola chopped fine. Add a little salt. Add one cup of dried fruit and one cup of chopped nuts. Pour into square cake pan and bake around 45 minutes in moderate oven. Cut with damp knife into squares while still warm. Cool.

When finished, you have a highly nutritious and good wholesome food. A delight to children, and grown-ups as well, and a quick energy source.

HONEY INSTEAD OF SUGAR

In recipes when using honey instead of sugar, substitute half the amount of honey for the amount of sugar called for. Sometimes in pies or puddings, a little more thickening is needed when using honey, than is when using sugar. The same goes for fresh fruit, and as some fruit is juicier than others, the amount of thickening varies.

As for fruit cream pies: If the fruit is naturally sweet, no extra sweetening is basically needed, although a little honey may be added if desired. This is true also with home made ice-cream.

PUZZLING BEHAVIOUR

THE REPORT previously denied, officially and twice in a row, is now officially confirmed: Egypt has in fact been supplying arms and ammunition to Iraq in its war with Iran. This must have been done on direct orders of President Sadat, and apparently without the knowledge of even some of his closest political aides.

Confirmation of the original report comes from Mr. Sadat himself. Talking to Egyptian newsmen on Journalists Day, the president insisted he was still opposed to the war among Moslems in the Persian Gulf area. But, said Mr. Sadat, Egypt owed a debt of gratitude to Iraq for the air support it had extended during the 1973 October War — and later, when the Soviets imposed an embargo on the supply of their Kuna ground-to-ground missiles.

This is an interesting explanation for a somewhat puzzling behaviour, but it opens up some fresh puzzles that cry even more urgently for explanation. For example, was Egypt's benevolent gesture motivated by any perceived Iraqi turn away from outright rejectionism, or was it wholly unrelated to any such aspect of peace politics in the region?

Or, should Israel expect Egypt to be labouring, in a similar situation perhaps involving Israel, under a similar debt of gratitude towards Syria for the far greater help which that citadel of rejectionism gave its one-time Egyptian ally in what Israelis still call the Yom Kipper War?

The seriousness with which Jerusalem is apt to view this now admitted shift in Cairo's policy will be compounded by the evident warming up in relations between Washington and Baghdad, as shown in the fact that some members of Secretary of State Haig's traveling party in the area next week will be going to Iraq. In principle, of course, Israel can hardly object to such a move towards normalization of ties that were disrupted — by the Iraqis themselves, to be sure — back in 1967.

But Israel does certainly have the right to query whether the intended thaw will result in blunting or in sharpening the cutting edge of Iraqi rejectionism.

One thing is pretty clear as it is. The vaunted strategic coordination in opposing Soviet aggression and subversion in the Middle East is going to be a much more complicated proposition than some people have assumed.

— *The Jerusalem Post*

Extracts From Readers' Letters

SWEDEN. —

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

I thank you for your letter. May God bless you and keep you so you can carry on in His precious work.

I am praying for you and Israel. Please remember me in your prayers.

Your Sister in Christ,
K.L.

MISSOURI, U.S.A. —

Brother Fauth,

We surely were blessed by "The Zion Son Beams" when they were in, Kansas City, last year. Their music truly glorifies God!

Thank you for continuing the good articles in the "Reporter".

The Holy Spirit is certainly leading in the work there. Our prayers are with you.

God keep you and yours, through the perilous times soon to come.

In His love,
R. & N. I.

NIGERIA, W.A. —

Dear Brothers in Christ,

This is to notify you that I was very pleased to receive your parcel of the Holy Bible, which you sent to me.

I am quite sure that it will be very helpful to me in fully understanding the Gospel of God.

I am very grateful for the special gift which you gave me. I sincerely convey my warmest thanks for your kindness.

May God continue to bless you and God's work which you are doing in Jerusalem.

O.U.U.

AUSTRALIA. —

Dear Brother and Sister Fauth,

Greetings from your Sister in Christ Jesus.

Thank you for your wonderful "Judah's", also letters.

I do love this ministry and His word. Revelations 5 is a beautiful chapter, also Revelation 3:8. Yes, the doors are still open in many places, one wonders for how long!

I do pray daily for Jerusalem and you dear ones. God bless you all.

Love in Him,
T.M.

ZAMBIA, AFRICA. —

Dear Brother Gordon M. Fauth,

Your letter found me safe under the protecting hand of the Almighty. I have enjoyed reading it, especially sending my order which I am expecting eagerly that when it arrives I shall be the richest man in the world to possess a book of its kind since it contains the word of God which is a lamp to lead my way and to protect my path. Your enthusiastic words about the Far East and the activities on the world wide Gospel have made my mind feel more sensitive to a more sure word of

God which is being preached all over the world.

I am exceedingly joyful to come in direct link with you. I have appreciated your prayers and God has blessed me to meet you that although we are separated in flesh but in spirit we are always together.

Your co-worker in the service of the Master,

A.K.K.

MICHIGAN, U.S.A. —

In my travels in Nigeria I noticed your magazine in the house of a Nigerian Christian. Would you please send a subscription to my address given above in the U.S.A. For I find the content very interesting since I have closely followed the development of the Jewish State.

Thank you,
R.S.

TANZANIA, AFRICA. —

Dear Editor,

I came across one of your Mount Zion Reporter's, which was an old copy, when I was visiting a friend. When I perused I found myself getting interested in the Reporter. Is it possible for me to get a copy every month?

May God bless all your efforts together with your co-workers.

Yours in Christ,
E.M.

KENYA, EAST AFRICA. —

Our dearly beloved Brother Gordon,

Precious greetings in the name of our soon coming King.

May grace, peace and mercy from our Heavenly Father and from Jesus Christ be with you and all the Reporter staff.

I thank our Heavenly Father Elohim for His continual care and blessings that He showers upon you and all that love Jerusalem.

Your good magazine reached me safely. I received two Mount Zion Reporter's and one Calendar. I want to thank you for sending your magazine, this makes us rejoice.

Greet all our brethren and sisters. Pray for us as we do also for you.

Yours in His service,
J.A.M.

GHANA. —

Dear Sir,

I have come across your magazine with a friend of mine in my country Ghana here. In fact when I glanced through it, I felt very interested in the magazine and wanted to be a subscriber.

I have wanted to post money orders but because of Foreign Exchange, I find it difficult to remit you the amount. I should be grateful if you would send me sample copies of your magazine.

Yours faithfully,
N.B.

Talking To Terrorists

"When you get to the bottom line," Secretary of State Alexander Haig bluntly told a congressional committee on March 18, "it is the Soviet Union which bears a major responsibility today for the proliferation and hemorrhaging, if you will, of international terrorism as we have come to know it."

That accusation, which represents a consensus view among new Reagan administration appointees, received a major boost with the recent publication of Claire Sterling's *The Terror Network*.

The respected American journalist, who has reported from Italy for 30 years, documents how the Soviets are up to their ears in providing training and arms for all sorts of international terrorist groups, particularly the PLO.

Indeed, she charges that a high-level Palestinian leader is actually an operative of KGB intelligence.

Carter administration officials were considerably more cautious in blaming Moscow for the spread of terrorism: "I have a feeling there is a lot of loose talk going around with very little support," former UN ambassador Donald McHenry told *The Washington Post* the other day. "It has the pungent smell of politics."

But McHenry's views are clearly on the way out in the U.S. They probably have even less appeal after the telecast on April 2 of ABC News' long-awaited, one-hour documentary on Palestinian terrorism.

Correspondent Geraldo Rivera and producer Barbara Newman have been investigating the subject for eight months for ABC's popular news magazine *Programme 20/20*.

In recent weeks, they visited Israel, where the government gave them extensive access to sensitive security areas never before filmed by foreign television, and Lebanon, where Sheikh Bashir Gemayel, commanding general of the Christian forces in the north, for the first time permitted PLO and Syrian Army prisoners to submit to outside questioning.

Their report goes to great lengths to understand the motivations of Palestinian terrorists. The PLO's UN representative, Zedhi Terzi, acknowledges the Soviet connection, but defends it by noting that PLO "freedom fighters" do not have the political luxury of choosing their supporters.

Terzi defends certain terrorist incidents — while regretting injury to innocent women and children — by noting that the means are not as important as the ends: in this case, the liberation of the 'Palestinian homeland.'

But during filmed interviews with Rivera, several captured Palestinian terrorists in Israeli jails did not speak with Terzi's diplomatic polish. They candidly spoke of their training in the Soviet Union and their desire to destroy Israel, even if that meant killing every Jew in the country.

Thus, Adnan Jaber, the 32-year-old Palestinian convicted of killing six Jewish worshippers and wounding 16 others as they returned home from Sabbath services in Hebron last May, described his training six years earlier in the Soviet Union. Another terrorist held in Ashkelon Prison told why he had planted a bomb in a refrigerator in Jerusalem's crowded Zion Square, killing 15 passersby and injuring 87. The following is the question and answer exchange:

Q: So you killed Israelis?

A: Oh yes, because they took my land.

Q: Women, children?

A: Women, children, I don't care.

Q: But the Israeli women and children, they were your enemy?

A: Everyone who lives in my home is my enemy.

Q: And you will kill them?

A: Oh yes.

Q: Even the children?

A: Even...anybody. Those children, after 10 or 15 years, is becoming a man, and he is a soldier, and the Israelis make him a soldier. Right or not?

Q: So you are proud of the fact that you killed all those people?

A: Oh sure, oh sure.

Q: And your conscious is clear?

A: Oh yes, this in my own business.

In Northern Lebanon, Rivera interviewed a Syrian soldier, captured by Gemayel's Christian forces. The Syrian confessed to being part of a special torture squad and of having personally tortured 20 people. One of his victims was a well-known journalist, Salim Al-Lozi, the Lebanese Moslem editor of *Events* a London-based magazine.

Al-Lozi had been kidnapped a year ago by Syrian forces in Lebanon. He was then tortured to death, according to the Syrian soldier, because he had been writing articles critical of the Syrian occupation of Lebanon.

Just months before his death, Al-Lozi had written: "If tomorrow Syrian military intelligence succeeds in executing my death sentence, my wife and daughters will take comfort in the fact that I have loved my country and remained loyal to my profession."



In addition to permitting the ABC crew extensive access to terrorists inside Israeli jails, Israeli authorities also allowed them to film security checkpoints at the Jordan River's Allenby Bridge and elsewhere.

In addition, the Israeli Government approved ABC's request to film various military and police training exercises designed to counter terrorism. The point, according to the programme, is that the Israeli experience can, and does, provide valuable lessons for other countries in learning to cope with terror.

Israel's experience has been extensive. Over the past 15 years, according to the Rand Corporation, a U.S. think tank, Israel has suffered over 3,300 recorded acts of terrorism, during which 300 Israeli civilians have been killed, including 35 small children and more than 1,600 others have been injured.

For years, U.S. military and police agencies have called upon this Israeli expertise to hone up their own counter-terrorist skills. There are crash courses throughout the U.S. today. Traditionally, there has been widespread U.S.-Israeli cooperation. Israeli officials have always sensed that they were in the front line against Soviet-sponsored terrorism, that it may have started in Israel, but it has since spread around the world — now even to the U.S.

— from *The Jerusalem Post*

The Night Cometh

by Marjorie Hidley

"I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: THE NIGHT COMETH, WHEN NO MAN CAN WORK" (John 9:4).

That we are living in the time of the end, many are aware. The return of Jesus is not far off. This is now the midnight hour. For many years the cry has been sounding, *"Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet Him"* (Matt. 25:6). In this same chapter we read of the activity of the wise and the foolish virgins. It was midnight. The cry had been made. All the virgins awoke, and this fateful hour found the foolish unprepared. As they went to buy oil, *"they that were ready went in with Him to the marriage: AND THE DOOR WAS SHUT"* (Matt. 25:10).



In Luke the thirteenth chapter, verses 23-27, Jesus was asked the question, *"Lord, are there few that be saved? And He said unto them, Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. When once the Master of the house is risen up, and hath SHUT TO THE DOOR - - -"* there will be those standing without, and knocking, calling to the Lord to open. But He knows them not, and calls them *"workers of iniquity."*

There is a time coming, not too far off, when the door of salvation will be shut. No more will men be given opportunity to settle the question of their own eternal destiny. The door of mercy will have closed, and the time will be present when *"he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still."* Every man will be judged *"according as his work shall be"* (Rev. 22:11,12).

BLESSED ARE THEY THAT DO HIS COMMANDMENTS (Rev. 22:14). The doers of the Father's will, Jesus told us, are the ones who enter the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 7:21). Christian friends, what are we doing with the words of Jesus? He left them with us as the guiding light which will bring us home to glory.

Are we doing all He has asked us to do? What kind of a light do our lives display to others? Do our lives bear the fruit of His Spirit? Is our testimony above reproach?

We must **STIR** ourselves, must awaken! There isn't much time left to work for God! Time is running out! Do we have a consuming burden for others? Can we face our King with little concern for the souls of men? □
— *"The Marturion"*

THE RETURN

John Brockis

When God called Moses up into Mount Siani, he could no longer be seen. He had disappeared into the cloud. He had gone away to bring back the Divine law for the people that they might be prepared for the Promise Land. The people could not wait, however, and said: *"... as for this man Moses... we wot not what is become of him"* (Exodus 32:1).

For the people, Moses and the God whom he represented were finished. The people clamoured and Aaron responded to their clamour and together, priest and people made their own God and formed a new religion. *"These be thy gods O Israel"* shouted the people. Having made their own God they could now live as they pleased. They sang and danced and rose up to play. *"And Moses saw that the people were naked... For Aaron had made them naked to their shame"* (vv. 21-25,30).

We can understand in these days why Paul admonishes that we who live in the end time should consider the examples of the happenings of Israel in the wilderness. He reminds us that these records are for our admonition!

The parallel is striking. Our leader has ascended into the clouds from the Mount of Olives. Many religious people cannot wait for His return. They no longer believe in His coming back. But like Moses He will come again out of the clouds bringing with Him the law of God. What will He find on the earth when He returns? *"Shall He find faith in the earth?"* (Luke 18:8; Daniel 7:13; Acts 1:9-11; Revelation 1:7). □

— from *"New Jerusalem Fellowship"*

IN MEMORY

We are sorry to announce the passing on of a dear Sister in the Lord, Cora A. Harp of Sand Springs, Okla.

She was born August 11, 1896, and passed away August 17, 1980, six days after her 84th birthday.

We wish to convey our sincere sympathy to her daughter Mrs. L. D. Siens, and to all her other loved ones left behind who are looking ever forward to that glorious reunion, when the last trumpet shall sound and we will again be united with all our loved ones who've gone on before.

Questions And Answers

QUESTION. —

What do italics signify in the Bible?

ANSWER. —

Italics indicate words which do not appear in the original, but are required to make smooth reading in English.

QUESTION. —

What is the origin, meaning, and significance of the word "Hallelujah"?

ANSWER. —

The word "Hallelujah", pronounced "Halleluyah", is the most ancient of all words of praise. It is used both on earth and in Heaven to worship the Almighty. Revelation 19:1-6.

It is a pure Hebrew word and yet is found in almost every language under the sun.

The first part of the word "Hallelu", means "Praise" or "Praise ye". The last part "Yah" (God), is the name of the one being praised. Psalms 68:4.

QUESTION. —

What is the Apocrypha?

ANSWER. —

Some eleven books recognized by Catholics as inspired, but rejected by Protestants.

They generally appear only in Catholic editions of the Scriptures and are quite inferior to the accepted Books of the Bible.

QUESTION. —

Is it true that centuries ago the calendar we use today was changed, with the result that the 7th Day Sabbath of the Bible really falls on Sunday, the 1st day of our week?

ANSWER. —

The Roman calendar in use today was revised and corrected at different points in history, but the weekly order of days always remained unchanged. The weekly cycle of seven days remains the same today as it was at the beginning, and the Seventh Day of the week falls on Saturday, not Sunday. All the facts we have support this conclusion. It is interesting to note that the Jewish people have observed the Seventh Day Sabbath in an unbroken line going back thousands of years. They kept the Sabbath during the two thousand years of their exile, scattered around the world, often in isolated groups, yet they have come back to Israel without a single difference as to which day the Sabbath should be kept. The Jewish calendar — which predates the Roman one — is also in agreement on this score.

"Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, to observe the Sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant. It is a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day He rested." Ex. 31:16, 17.

Let's Be Honest About The Holy Spirit (continued from page 5)

So We May Be Useful

So to summarize these "basics" that I feel are too often overlooked, let's realize that God's Holy Spirit will move, work, and manifest itself in our lives and in our churches if we are truly seeking it for the reasons that God wants to give it! Some of the reasons are to add to His Church, to confirm His word, to give special skills or special ministries, for special purposes (Exodus 31:2,3; Acts 1:8; 9:17), for leadership purposes (Numbers 11:16,17,25-29 "bearing burdens"), to prepare for a position (1Samuel 10:6,7) — in essence to be useful for God!

If we claim to have received His Spirit, or to have been "baptized in His Spirit", let's be careful that we're not just filled or baptized while we're in church services or around other Christians, but that we are walking and living by that Spirit daily (Galatians 5:16, 25), knowing His will (Ephesians 3:14-19 and Col. 1:9).

Let's also realize the qualities of the Holy Spirit, some of which are found in, Isaiah 11:2-5; Ephesians 5:9; Luke 1:15; Ephesians 5:18-21; and Hosea 10:12. Remember God will withhold "no good thing from them that walk uprightly" (Psalm 84:11).

Incidentally, why don't you look up the definition of the word "uprightly" in a concordance, and "upright" in Webster's dictionary. Be honest now! □

SHARE YOUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS IN ISRAEL

We are sending a steady flow of Bibles, Testaments, gospel tracts and literature of all kinds to almost every part of the world. This ministry is important for these last days we are living in, and it is bearing good fruit for the Lord. Many precious people are being shown the way to salvation and life eternal. "And this gospel of this kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." — Matt. 24:14.

You can and should have a part in the ministry of The Mount Zion Reporter. Our expenses are high and rising all the time, and your financial support is needed and would be most welcome. Not everyone can go to the far corners of the world as a missionary for Christ, but everyone can have a part in this same work by supporting with their prayers, tithes and offerings the ministry being carried on from Jerusalem. Your help is needed, and whether your donations are large or small they will be gratefully received and will be put to good use in the work of the Heavenly Father, here in your place. Please pray about it. You can help us save souls! Take this opportunity to share in His work; the Lord will bless you for it!

NEWS DIRECT FROM ISRAEL

All Items from "The Jerusalem Post"

SYRIAN MIGS FLY MISSIONS FOR IRAN

LONDON. — Syrian MiG-23 fighters are flying on combat missions with Iranian fighter-bombers against targets in Iraq under an agreement reached during a top-secret visit to Damascus by Iranian Defence Minister Javad Fakuri, the *Daily Mail* reported.

The paper's diplomatic correspondent, John Dickie, said that under the agreement Syria pledged to provide "operational assistance" to Iranian warplanes, including fighter cover and allowing them to use Syrian air bases.

Dickie said the agreement "could significantly change the pattern" of the eight-month-old Gulf war that has bogged down with neither side able to break the deadlock.

Use of Syrian bases would give the Iranian air force a major strategic edge because it would be able to launch attacks on Iraqi targets from two fronts. Syria lies west of Iraq, while Iran borders it on the east.

Dickie gave no sources for his report and diplomatic sources in London were not able to confirm it.

Dickie said the Syrians took part in their first joint mission several days ago when four MiGs flew cover for eight Iranian F-4 Phantoms attacking civilian targets on the outskirts of Iraq's Kirkuk oilfields.

SADAT: EGYPT REPAID 'DEBT' BY SENDING ARMS TO IRAQ

CAIRO. — President Sadat yesterday confirmed reports that Egypt has supplied Iraq with arms and ammunition in the ongoing Iran-Iraq War.

In an address to journalists gathered in celebration of Journalists' Day, Sadat justified the arms shipment saying, "Iraq, and let the whole Arab world know this, sent us a squadron that fought for 10 days during the October War.

"Iraq did something else. The day the Soviet Union imposed a complete arms embargo on Luna ground-to-ground missiles, Iraq sent them to me at no cost."

Sadat continued: "Iraq needed ammunition that we produce here. They came to Cairo. They picked what they needed badly. We signed the agreement and started transporting.

"I said to them: 'I wish we could give this to you gratis, but we can't. You helped us during the Soviet embargo, so take what you need.'"

But he went on to insist that by giving arms, he did not condone Iraq's invasion of Iran. "One Islamic country should not fight another," he said.

Sadat's speech, delivered in commemoration of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Egyptian Press Syndicate, had been promoted as one that would "reveal Egypt's position towards a country which played a role in the October War."

SYRIA STEPS UP ANTI-ISRAEL BROADCASTS

KIRYAT SHMONA. — Settlements in the Galilee panhandle and Golan Heights yesterday began to receive television and radio broadcasts from new Syrian broadcasting facilities.

Syria's information minister Ahmed Iskandar Ahmed inaugurated a new relay station for Syrian television in Ouweyda, in south west Syria, officials in Damascus said.

The new station is 1,700 metres above sea level and its tower is 150 metres high.

Members of the Druse community claimed broadcasts from the new relay station are being directed at them in an effort to weaken their support for Israel.

As part of its normal fare of anti-Israel propaganda, the Syrian television network recently featured a four-hour speech by President Hafez Assad, in which he condemned Zionism and what he termed Israel's "annexation" of the Golan Heights.

GAZA STRIP LEADERS VISIT ASHKELON MAYOR

ASHKELON. — More than 50 heads of local councils, mayors, mukhtars and prominent citizens from the Gaza Strip visited Ashkelon yesterday, at the invitation of Mayor Eli Dayan.

Dayan told the visitors, headed by district commander Tat-Aluf Yitzhak Segev, that peace with Egypt will open new horizons for the development of the area.

Khan Yunis Mayor Suleiman el-Astal stressed the widespread yearning for peace and said that "invitations of this type strengthen the relations which will lead to peace between Palestinians and Israelis."

EXPLOSION AT JERUSALEM HITCH-HIKING POST

A terrorist bomb exploded at a soldiers' hitch-hiking post in Talpiyot, but caused no injuries and only slight damage to roadside shrubbery.

The bomb went off when the post was crowded with soldiers waiting for morning rides to bases in the South.

ERSKINE APOLOGIZES FOR MUTILATION STORY

IDF Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan earlier this week received a letter from former UNIFIL commander Maj. Gen. Emmanuel Erskine apologizing for an accusation by UNIFIL last December that the IDF mutilated the bodies of five terrorists.

"I would like to take this opportunity to express... my personal sincere regrets for UNIFIL's report of December 25, 1980, which was proved to be inaccurate," the Ghanaian general wrote.

BRITAIN KEPT JORDAN FROM MAKING PEACE WITH ISRAEL IN 1949

Britain "restrained" Jordan from reaching an agreement with Israel in the first year after the Jewish state was born. This thought-provoking piece of information emerges from a recently-declassified British Foreign Office minute dated July 21, 1949.

The minister to Amman, Sir A. Kirkbride, is quoted as telling Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin and his top aides "that King Abdullah was personally anxious to come to agreement with Israel and in fact it was our restraining influence which had so far prevented him from doing so."

Bevin had summoned his Middle East envoys to London to consider, *inter alia*, an American question "whether in our opinion the Arab states were prepared to conclude agreements with Israel, and if so whether they would formal or otherwise, and whether they would wish to do so as a body or as individual states."

The British diplomats all agreed that "Arab states generally were inclined, with the exception of Iraq and

Saudi Arabia, to come to terms with Israel." At the same time, however, "there was no question of the formal recognition of Israel by any of the Arab states at this stage. . ."

The ambassador to Cairo, Sir R. Campbell, "thought that the Egyptians had no intention of renewing the quarrel and would probably agree to a *modus vivendi*, although they were not yet prepared to accept a formal agreement. The Egyptians would prefer a settlement to which other Arab states agreed or in which they at least acquiesced."

The minister to Damascus, Mr. P.M. Broadmead "said that Marshal Zaim wished to reach a settlement, but he doubted whether the marshal could carry his cabinet with him. It was probable that he would follow an Egyptian lead. . ."

Sir John Troutbeck, head of the British Middle East Office in Cyprus and a foremost expert on the region, told the meeting "that in their hearts certain Arab governments wished to conclude peace with Israel, but all were afraid of breaking the Arab front."

Troutbeck touched upon some of the reasons for Britain's reluctance to see an Israel-Jordan agreement: ". . . There was a danger of our incurring general Arab resentment if we encouraged any one state to act independently. It was Israeli policy to dominate the Arab world. We were in a position to control the Arab governments, but not Israel. He foresaw that the Israelis might drag the Arab states into a neutral bloc and might even attempt to turn us out of Egypt."

To this, the minister to Israel, Sir Knox Helm, replied "that the danger could be offset by British and American influence."

Helm stated repeatedly that in his view "Israel did not have aggressive intentions if only for the reason that she could not afford it." He "referred to the fact that immigration was diminishing. He added, however, that the delay in the incorporation of Arab Palestine into Jordan was an invitation to Israel to expand."

Air Marshal Dickson, the Royal Air Force's commander-in-chief in the Middle East, "suggested that propaganda on the lines that the longer a settlement with Israel was deferred, the greater the danger of Israel becoming a focus of communism, might influence the Arab states."

ISRAEL TO SHOW BLOOMING DESERT TO SCIENTISTS

TEL-AVIV. — Israel could reclaim greater areas of the desert, but vast sums of money would be required, Prof. Yoel Dan of the Agricultural Research Organization told a press conference here yesterday.

Dan said that during the past few years, about 1,000 dunams of desert in the Arava have been turned into agricultural land, by covering the barren soil with a thin layer of sand, through which water and nutrients are filtered. He added that there are still large areas of the eastern and western Negev where the desert can be reclaimed.

ISRAEL TO PAY LESS FOR OIL FROM EGYPT

Faced with falling prices on the world market, Egypt has agreed to reduce the price of the oil it sells Israel by up to \$3 a barrel. The reduction in the price of Egyptian light crude, the main category of oil purchased by Israel, from \$40.50 to \$37.50. will save the economy about \$2.5m. a month in foreign currency.

Last week Israel succeeded in persuading its other

main contract oil supplier, Mexico, to lower the price of its heavy oil from \$34 to \$32. But no reduction was made in the more expensive light oil.

According to the contract between Egypt and Israel, which may be reviewed every three months, Israel is to buy 14½ million barrels of Egyptian oil this year. This amounts to about one-quarter of Israel's total annual fuel consumption.

In the last three months, world prices for light oil have fallen steadily from between \$41 and \$42 to between \$36 and \$38.5 a barrel due to the high level of stocks in importing nations following a warm winter in Europe. Heavy oil prices have fallen by \$2 to between \$30 and \$32. This has allowed Israel to buy oil on the Rotterdam spot market more cheaply than its contract oil.

In the negotiations, Israel invoked the clause in the peace treaty with Egypt obliging the two countries to fix oil prices with reference to world prices. Energy Ministry said last night that if Egypt had not agreed to a price reduction, Israel would have cut back its purchases and made up the shortfall in the spot market. They expressed disappointment that the reduction conceded by Egypt was not greater.

JEWS, CHRISTIANS CONVERGE ON JERUSALEM'S HOLY SITES

Jews and Christians packed the narrow alleyways of the Old City of Jerusalem yesterday as thousands of both faiths streamed to their respective holy places for Pessah and Easter week celebrations.

An estimated 100,000 Jews gathered in the plaza beneath the Western Wall during the Pessah weekend, while throughout the Old City the sounds of marching brass bands following Latin masses could be heard.

Some 2,000 Protestant and Catholic pilgrims crowded into the Church of the Holy Sepulchre (the Latin church traditional site of Jesus' tomb) yesterday morning, as various denominations celebrating Easter Week coordinated their schedules so that none would overlap in the multi-chapeled building.

North of Damascus Gate at the Garden Tomb, thousands of Protestants celebrated Easter Sunday at the site that some Protestants believe to be the original Calvary where Jesus was crucified.

Police and army units patrolled the warren-like streets of the Old City. Perched on rooftops and along the walls, they stood watch in case of terror activity.

ISRAEL AT CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURAL FAIR

TEL-AVIV. — In a move that could be likened to selling refrigerators to the Eskimos, Israel is now in the midst of a big sales campaign for agricultural equipment in the U.S.

The U.S. market is not only the largest in the world, but the Americans manufacture the majority of the equipment in this field in the world.

Raphael Ramon, the head of the agricultural mechanization division of the Ministry of Agriculture recently returned optimistic from a tour of the U.S.

Israeli manufacturers participated in the Tulare (California) fair of agriculture equipment and implements, last month. The exhibit was organized by Rafi Yitzhaki, Israel's economic counsellor in Los Angeles.

Ramon told *The Post* that Israel has good chances of selling in the U.S. because it is not competing with the Americans but complementing them in a number of items. "Some of our equipment is more sophisticated than theirs and we are capable of competing in price too."

ISRAELI RACQUETS FIRST TO PLAY IN EGYPT

TEL-AVIV. — Tennis players Haim Arlosoroff, Sahi Puni and Zohar Ben-Rey over the weekend became the first Israeli sportsmen ever to compete in Egypt when they took part in the qualifying tournament in Cairo for the \$75,000 Volvo Grand Prix meet.

The three went to Egypt on Thursday not knowing if their entries would be accepted, after the Egyptian Tennis Association failed to acknowledge their entry forms sent to Cairo in mid-January.

Arlosoroff won both his qualifying matches to enter the Grand Prix main draw. Puni — who was the first of the three players on court — lost his second round encounter, after starting off by defeating a Egyptian opponent, but he may still go through to the tournament-proper as a "lucky loser." Ben-Rey was beaten in his opening match.

ELDERLY

Dozens of high school students in Upper Nazareth whitewashed and cleaned apartments of the towns elderly as part of an officially-sponsored programme to help the aged on the eve of the Pessah festival.

100,000 WELCOME MACCABI

TEL-AVIV. — Over 100,000 cheering, flag-waving and dancing fans turned out to greet the European Basketball Cup winners Tel-Aviv Maccabi last night at a wild celebration in Kikar Malchai Yisrael.

"Winning the European Cup was the celebration of my life," Earl Williams said as five skyrockets lit the night. "You all did it for us. Without the support of the people we wouldn't have won the championship."

The roar of the crowd reached an ear-shattering pitch as team captain Jim Boatwright, holding the European Cup aloft, led his victorious squad onto the awards platform to receive a medallion and a bouquet of flowers.

NOW FOR THE WORLD CUP

TEL-AVIV. — Tel-Aviv Maccabi, the new European Cup basketball champions, have been invited to play for the World Cup in Sao Paulo, Brazil, in June. The 10 top squads in the world are expected to play in the FIBA sponsored competition.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SIGNS COOPERATION PACT WITH ISRAEL

An agreement to enhance agro-technological cooperation between Israel and the Dominican Republic was signed yesterday by Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Dominican Foreign Minister Manuel Tavaréz during a 90-minute working session.

Israel is already involved in helping the Caribbean country set up a large dairy farm. Under the new agreement, Israel will help organize agricultural cooperatives and agro-technological training programmes.

SMOKE GETS INTO YOUR EYES — BUT HOPEFULLY NOT TOMORROW

TEL-AVIV. — The right of innocent bystanders to breathe air not tainted by tobacco smoke is the objective of the Israel Cancer Society's appeal to all smokers to stop smoking tomorrow for at least 24 hours — and forever if possible.

"Two-thirds of all Israelis don't smoke and there is no reason why the remaining one-third should inflict on them — in halls, buses, elevators, stores, etc. — watery

eyes, headaches, and allergic reactions, such as spasms of coughing," said Dr. Tuvia Lehrer, advisor to the society, at a press conference here yesterday.

According to Miriam Klein, director-general of the Cancer Society, some 1,500 Israelis "took the non-smoking pledge" in 1980, and 70 per cent of them managed to kick the habit for good. Tomorrow, the society will set up stands in the major cities at which free anti-smoking literature will be distributed. Smokers will be asked to "take the pledge."

ISRAEL WATCHING FOR SYRIANS IN SOUTH LEBANON

METULLA. — Israel is carefully following the developments surrounding the arrival of Lebanese soldiers in South Lebanon, security sources in the north said yesterday — particularly since Syrian soldiers may try to infiltrate the area in the guise of regular Lebanese troops.

A company of soldiers that took up positions over the past few days in the western sector, yesterday moved east and encamped near the Shi'a village of Kantara. Other soldiers have taken up positions facing south along the Lebanese coast.

IDF FORCES KILL ISRAEL'S 'MOST WANTED TERRORIST'

TEL-AVIV. — Rafik Silmi, a terrorist said to have been responsible for much of the terrorist activity in the Gaza strip during the past year, was killed recently by security forces, an IDF spokesman announced Friday.

It was learned that the terrorist, who was armed, tried to attack the soldiers who came to arrest him. He was killed during exchange of fire.

Silmi, a resident of the Shati refugee camp in the Gaza Strip, infiltrated from Egypt in the beginning of 1980.

Among others, the security forces blame Silmi for the murder of the deputy chairman of the Jabaliya local council, Mahmoud Abu-Warda, throwing grenades at IDF vehicles, and killing two Israeli citizens. *The Jerusalem Post* has learned that Silmi was on the top of the security forces' wanted list. They considered him one of the most dangerous terrorists active in the southern area during the past year.

Silmi was said to be directly responsible for about a third of the terrorist acts in Gaza during the past year. Although he usually acted alone, he managed to get the help of a few Gaza Strip residents.

The number of terrorist acts in Israel doubled in 1980 compared to the previous year, but the security forces have managed to capture most of the persons responsible.

EGYPT AND JORDAN COMPLAIN TO UN OVER MED-DEAD CANAL

Jordan and Egypt over the weekend protested separately over Israel's plans to build a canal linking the Mediterranean with the Dead Sea, saying the scheme showed Jerusalem's intention to annex at least those areas through which the canal would pass in the Gaza Strip.

Jordan claimed that the plan was designed to damage its economy, part of which is based on Dead Sea projects.

The Israeli plans for the canal, approved recently by the cabinet, call for digging a channel and underground pipeline to take water from the Mediterranean coast on

the southern part of the Gaza Strip to the hills over the Dead Sea, where hydroelectric power would be produced before the water flows into the lake below.

In a letter to UN secretary-general Kurt Waldheim, Egyptian ambassador to the UN Ahmed Esmat Abdel Meguid said the decision to construct the canal through the Gaza Strip was "bound to pre-determine unilaterally the final status" of the strip, denying the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination and sovereignty over their natural resources.

He said the canal would entail "grave regional economic damages, since it will empty into the Dead Sea with certain detrimental effects on the sea, its chemical balance and resources."

The ambassador also referred to Egypt's "historical responsibilities vis-a-vis the Gaza Strip as recognised by the UN."

JORDAN WOULD TALK WITH PEACE NOW

Jordan sees no difference between Likud and Labour Party policies, according to King Hussein's brother, Crown Prince Hassan, but it considers Peace Now a worthy partner for dialogue.

After addressing a conference of the European-Atlantic group in London on Monday night, Hassan replied to a question from the floor on prospects of negotiation with a Labour Party government, posed by a correspondent from *Yediot Aharonot*.

"Who understands the Labour position?" the prince reportedly asked. "We have no common language with it. In Israel, the government and opposition have no difference over the need to withdraw from the occupied territories, including Jerusalem, he said.

But bringing up the subject of Peace Now on his own initiative, Hassan said he had been impressed by the appearance of one of its representatives on British television. He was apparently referring to writer Amos Oz.

Asked about the "Jordanian option," the heir to the Hashemite kingdom accused its Israeli proponents of "simply wanting to bypass the need to negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organization."

OIL DISCOVERED AT KIBBUTZ GA'ASH

Geologists yesterday reported striking as yet undetermined quantities of oil at Kibbutz Ga'ash, 13 kilometres north of Tel-Aviv, but warned it was too early to say whether the find was economically viable.

The television news said quantities of the light-weight oil were found after 220 days of drilling.

DOLPHINS TO LEARN FOREIGN TRICKS

TEL-AVIV. — Two tourists, smeared with lanolin and lying on stretchers, were due from Austria last night to begin a teaching assignment in Israel.

The visitors — two dolphins — will help train five others at the Tel-Aviv Dolphinarium, according to spokeswoman Myrna Issacson.

"The foreign dolphins will pass on their tricks to the local ones," Issacson said. "When one dolphin demonstrates something, the others follow."

Five dolphins, one in the "false killer whale category," were recently captured by Dolphinarium teams in the Red Sea. They will be brought north in a temperature-controlled truck next week, accompanied by experienced animal handlers, she said.

The imported pair — who perform in a Dolphinarium in Austria — will be returned to Europe in a few months, Issacson added.

EXPORTS OF KIBBUTZ INDUSTRIES UP 30%

TEL-AVIV. — Industrial exports of the kibbutz industries increased by 30 per cent in 1980, to stand at \$212m. This is about the same rate of increase of all industrial exports last year.

About 26 per cent of kibbutz industries exports were in the field of metal products; processed foods were 24 per cent; wood products and furniture, 10 per cent; electrical and electronic items, 4.5 per cent. The main growth sectors were plastics, up 46 per cent over the previous year, and wood and furniture, up 34 per cent.

About half of all exports went to the European Common Market; 19 per cent went to North and Central America; 12 per cent to European countries not in the Common Market; 10 per cent to the Far East; 6 per cent to Africa. and 3 per cent to South America.

Some 212 of the more than 300 plants in kibbutzim were exporters last year, and of these 50 shipped out goods valued at more than \$1m. each.

Industrial exports from kibbutzim account for 6.5 per cent of all industrial exports. About a quarter of the exports were handled by Koor-Trade.

UNIFIL ON ALERT

METULLA. — UNIFIL soldiers in Southern Lebanon have been placed on alert following two attempts by terrorist to infiltrate Israel's border yesterday, the UN spokesman in Southern Lebanon said.

In the first attempt, Nigerian troops fired warning shots at five terrorists west of Yakhmur.

A UNIFIL company of Dutch troops later stopped another group of five terrorists by firing smoke grenades at them as they attempted to infiltrate near Haref in Southern Lebanon. The Dutch position came under heavy and light machinegun fire 45 minutes later, UNIFIL said.

IRAN WANTS TECHNION VIEW OF REVOLUTION

HAIFA. — The University of Isfahan in Iran has asked Israeli academics to take part in an international essay competition to commemorate the "second anniversary of the Islamic Revolution and political emancipation in Iran."

In a letter to the president of the Technion, addressed to "Technion — Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel," which was received yesterday, the Iranian university said the competition is open to "well-known writers, politicians, college professors and students throughout the world." Similar letters have been received by other Israeli institutions, including the Writers Union.

RIGHTEOUS GENTILES TO BE HONOURED

Four individuals and one family will be honoured for risking their lives to save Jews from the Nazis during World War II. A tree-planting ceremony tomorrow at 11 a.m. in the Avenue of the Righteous Gentiles at Yad Vashem will honour:

- Marie Louise Couttet of France, who sheltered three members of the Fremont family in her home from December 1942 until the end of the war.
- Lidia Lapinska and her children, Jerzy, Mikolaj, Sergiusz and Lidia, who used their home opposite the walls of the Warsaw Ghetto to supply Jews in the ghetto with food and medicines, and to help Jews escape to the countryside. The three boys were cap-

tured and died at Auschwitz, while Lidia and her daughter suffered lasting injuries in concentration camps before moving to France.

- Jeanette Roth of France, a nurse who saved the lives of Regina Foyer and her aunt by obtaining false papers for them.
- Eugenie Brunel, who hid Betty Prins Hyatt and her family from 1941 until the liberation of France.
- Antoine-Paul Grimaldi, who in his capacity as clerk in Marseille arranged a false work permit for David Levy, preventing his deportation to a forced labour camp in Germany.

TERRORISTS SHELL KIBBUTZ FROM JORDAN SHELLING IN LEBANON FOLLOWS IDF RAID

Terrorists launched a heavy rocket attack on two villages in the Christian enclave of South Lebanon yesterday evening. The attack followed heavy exchanges of fire between the terrorists and the Christian militia and an Israeli commando raid Monday night on a terrorist base north of Tyre.

Late Monday night, a number of rockets fired from Jordan fell in the vicinity of Kibbutz Maoz Haim, near Beit Shean. No damage was caused and there were no casualties.

Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan said yesterday that the attack on Moaz Haim was a "highly irregular" occurrence that should be regarded "with severity."

News agencies in Sidon reported that seven people were killed and 12 wounded when IDF commandos came ashore in eight rubber dinghies and attacked a terrorist base.

Several houses and two armoured vehicles were also destroyed in the raid, carried out under cover of an artillery barrage from two Israel naval vessels off the coast.

Eyewitnesses said the naval shelling was directed at the Palestinian refugee camp of Rashidiya near Tyre and toward neighboring hills.

UN forces in South Lebanon reported that the terrorists responded with artillery and heavy machine-gun fire, a UN spokesman said in Beirut. The battle lasted for an hour and a half, according to eyewitnesses.

A communique issued by the PLO in Beirut claimed that their forces repulsed the landing, after heavy fighting.

UN sources quoted by news agencies in Beirut said that the Christian militia of Major Sa'ad Haddad shelled Tyre and the refugee camps of Bourj e-Shemali and Rashidiya several hours after the commando raid.

The UN sources added that artillery exchanges between terrorists and the militia continued until yesterday morning, with 545 rounds fired by both sides. Several shells landed on the Good Fence near Metulla.

Yesterday afternoon 30 Katyusha rockets fired by terrorists in Tyre landed on the villages of Alma Sha'ab and Yarin in the western sector of the Christian enclave. Haddad's forces returned fire.

By last night the exchanges between Haddad's forces and the terrorists, reportedly tapered off.

Hirsh Goodman adds:

Military sources here are convinced that the terrorists in Lebanon are exploiting the fact that Israel and Haddad have been maneuvered into a delicate political position by UNIFIL's insistence that Haddad allow Lebanese troops to impose Lebanese sovereignty in the South. The terrorists apparently feel that Israel and Haddad will be reluctant to respond forcefully to their attacks, especially in areas under direct UNIFIL control.

The escalation in tension with UNIFIL began when three Nigerian soldiers were killed during an artillery barrage by Haddad on Kantara 10 days ago. However, both Haddad and Israel have in general refrained from tough responses to terrorist attacks.

Military sources do not feel that the attack on Moaz Haim indicates a change in Jordan's policy of preventing terrorist strikes on Israel from its territory. It appears to have been an effective penetration of Jordanian defences by the terrorists who have infiltrated from Syria.

IDA NUDEL'S SPIRIT HIGH DESPITE EXILE

A newly arrived Soviet immigrant who flew halfway across the USSR last year to repair the cabin of exiled refusednik Ida Nudel says that she is "physically tired but her spirit is mighty."

Zalman Kunik, a 54-year-old mechanic from Leninograd, travelled to the village of Krivoshaeno between Novosibirsk and Tomsk last summer. He went with refusednik Lev Furman and other friends of the 50-year-old exiled economist. The journey took 12 hours by ship and plane, and was paid for by Kunik and other aliya activists. They spent 10 days repairing the roof and floor of the dilapidated, one-room wooden house where Nudel has lived for more than three years.

"She never dreams of asking for help," says Kunik, who came on aliya last week with photos of Nudel in his luggage, and is living in Jerusalem's Gilo absorption centre. "She has problems with her heart, her liver and her gall bladder, but she is always busy — trying to answer some of her many letters of encouragement that arrive from supporters all over the world."

She also has a tape recorder that she uses to tape messages to friends abroad. The rest of her time is spent cooking, working (as a night watchman) and carrying water, from a well 300 metres from her house, which must stand for some time until it is potable. Nudel has a collie for protection, but is no longer threatened by male criminals — with whom she was confined at the beginning of her exile.

Kunik said her term of exile — in punishment for "hooliganism" for hanging a sign on her balcony demanding to be allowed to emigrate to Israel — is due to end next March. But he has no idea what the Soviet authorities will do to her then.

"I never saw her cry," he said.

"She's optimistic and very strong spiritually."

(Nudel's 50th birthday will be marked at a gathering in Tel Aviv's Diplomat Hotel on Monday at 6 p.m. Aliza Begin, wife of the premier and Nudel's sister, Ilana Friedman, will be among those attending.)

Kunik, who was refused an exit visa for over two years along with his wife Esther, called Nudel at the post office in the village to inform her, finally, that he was going to Israel. "She asked me to send regards to all the Jewish people," he recalls.

Kunik said he had never thought of living anywhere besides Israel, and will soon start ulpan classes to improve his Hebrew. He hopes his age will not make it difficult to find a job and says he is ready to live "anywhere" in Israel.

MKS DEFER ACTION ON ANTI-PORK LEGISLATION

The National Religious Party's Pinhas Scheinman said yesterday that "people who eat swines flesh become stupid."

Scheinman, a deputy Knesset speaker, said this in the Knesset Law Committee's debate on a private member's bill by Rabbi Yehuda Meir Abramovitz

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"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.

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part of Lebanon, bordering Israel, have worked closely with the Israeli army in trying to keep the PLO terrorists away from the border region. So far, Syria has stayed out of South Lebanon, and has avoided any major confrontation with Israel, but if recent developments are any indication, this may be changing.

Ten days ago, as I write this, Israeli planes engaged and shot down two Syrian helicopter gunships which were attacking Lebanese Christians in the mountains near the town of Zahle. The Syrians have been trying to seize control of the strategic hilltops surrounding the Bekaa Valley, which, according to Israeli Chief of Staff Eitan, are "the very backbone of the Christian position in Lebanon."

The Syrians responded almost immediately by moving three SAM-6 anti-aircraft missile batteries into Lebanon, each armed with 12 missiles. They are now stationed south of Zahle. They also moved additional missile batteries along the Syria-Lebanon border. In moving its missile batteries into Lebanon, Syria broke a de-facto understanding it had with Israel that no missiles would be stationed in that country.

Israel rightly considers this move to be a serious development, one which poses a clear threat to its security, and has warned that unless the missiles are removed it will be compelled to take military action to remove them. Intense diplomatic pressure has been brought to bear in an effort to persuade Syria to remove the missiles, but so far without avail.

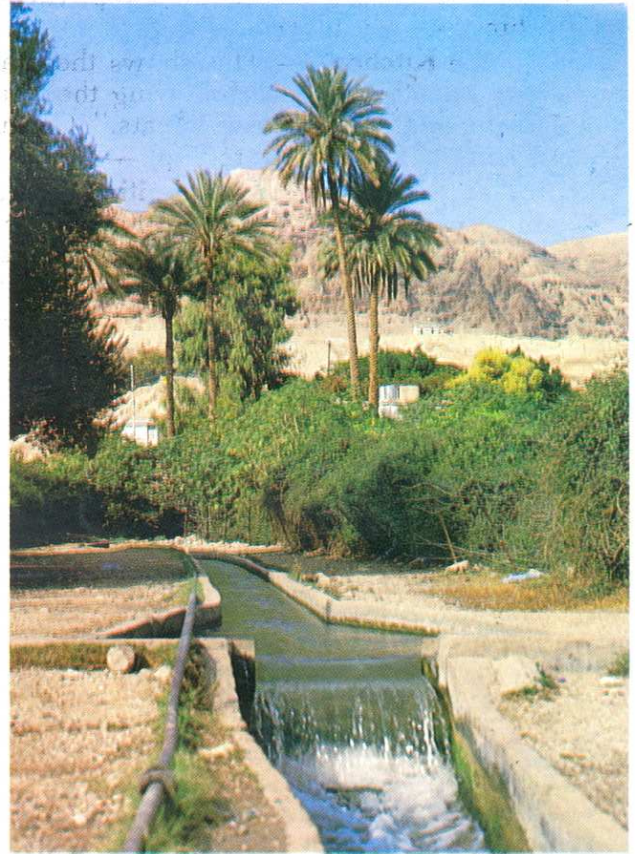
Indeed, it almost seems as if Syria wants to provoke a confrontation with Israel, and this could very well be the case. Syria has its own internal problems, such as the fanatical opposition of the outlawed Moslem Brotherhood party, and may feel that a confrontation with Israel in Lebanon will help to draw its people together.

The situation is serious. A similar mood prevailed before the Six Day War of 1967. Quite likely things will go one way or another in the next few days, well before you read this.

Indications are that another major war between Israel and the surrounding Arab countries is not too far away. When it will come is not clear — it may be soon, or it may take a while yet. The news that the U.S. may sell Saudi Arabia advanced AWAC intelligence gathering aircraft, as well as the already approved supply of F-15 fighter-bomber planes to that country raise the likelihood that in any future Mid-East war Saudi Arabia will be directly involved. The implications of this are far-reaching.

Whatever the future may hold, we will just have to watch and wait. We know that things in this world are shaping up according to a great plan, and the end of it will be as the Lord wills. Israel is going through a period of turbulence — it has just celebrated its 33rd anniversary, will have its general elections in about a month, and also has to deal with the threat posed by Syria's ambitions in Lebanon — but we have faith that it will all work out well. Please join with us in praying for the peace of Jerusalem. □

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Elisha's Fountain, at Jericho — This spring, still existing and in use today, is said to be the spring into which the prophet Elisha cast a handful of salt to sweeten the water (II Kings 2:19). The spring still bears the name "Elisha's fountain" and still supplies excellent water. The hill in the background is by tradition known as the Mount of Temptation, where Christ was tempted by Satan, and from whose top He was shown the kingdoms of the world.

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(Aguda) to ban the marketing of pork.

At present the laws only impose restrictions on the breeding of pigs. The Abramovitz law would impose restriction on its marketing as well.

However, Abramovitz did not call for a vote in the committee when he saw that a majority of those present was against his bill, in its present form at least.

The Liberals present, Moshe Meron and Menahem Savidor, said every effort should be made not to upset Christian citizens and residents. All towns with a mixed population should be exempt from the new restrictions if the Abramovitz bill were passed, Meron urged.

Meron and Savidor said the committee could only handle the subject seriously if a "map of pig consumption in Israel" were drawn up.