World

Lebanese terrorists strike in Tel Aviv From 2010 to 30 Israeli civilians were killed during a series of attacks. About 70 persons in the vicinity of a school were killed, and about 300 persons in the vicinity of a hospital.

Leftists gain slight edge in French elections Preliminary returns in the first round of general elections being held in France show that the Communist, Socialist, and other left parties are supported by a very slight majority of the French public. It is impossible, though, to predict the final outcome in this stage. The first round in the French election process serves as a kind of "primary" which narrows down the multitude of eligi-ble candidates. The right-wing coalition now is in power but has no majority given up hope, especially since returns are as yet very incomplete.

Nation

American Nazis form central organization Groups of self-proclaimed Nazis from all over the nation held a convention which ended Sunday, having officially formed the National Socialist Party of America. The new party is headed by Frank Collin of Chicago.

Science

Cosmologists are making rapid advances It is generally agreed among cosmologists and cosmologists today that a "bump" in our knowledge of the universe should occur in the near future. According to some, the existence of the universe is beginning to be answered in more and more depth. Scientists who have written about two schools of thought are the "constant" and the "expanding" universes. The "constant" universe contains less than one atom per 188 gallons of space on the average. This leads to the conclusion that there is not enough matter for gravitational efforts to pull the expanding universe back together, and that it will continue to disperse forever. This remains that the universe must have had one definite, "final" beginning. The other school holds that there is in fact enough matter for gravitational efforts to pull the expanding universe back together, and that it will continue to disperse forever. This would imply a continual repetition of cosmological history - a "big bang" explosion, development, slowing down, retraction, collapse, then another big bang, etc. This theory rules out the possibility of a definite time of "birth" of the universe.

- Lawrence Daughtry

Speeches given on Soviet Jews

(Continued from page 1) According to Amariak, the Soviet Union's officialdom is satisfied with American science and technology in its military efforts and for its extensive (industrial) complex. Both Amariak and Yankovitch maintained that contact between American and Soviet scientists should be contingent upon Soviet compliance with human rights demands.

Besides the monitoring of human rights abuses, the US government can exert pressure directly on the USSR. For example, New York Senators Javits and Momejshian have led a special effort on behalf of Shcharansky by threatening the Soviet Union with a trade embargo. It was mentioned that Americans can play an important part with threat of an "embargo" on important scientific exchanges with the USSR.

Yankovitch stated that while a common attitude of scientists is that "science is supreme," morals and science can coincide if American scientists demand an exchange with only the leading scientists of the Soviet Union and refuse to welcome those of only mediocre ability. This inferior scientists, according to Yankovitch, are allowed to visit the US because of their "moral and ideological convictions" that is, their ability to utter "pseudo-Marxian" statements. An exchange with a truly intelligent elite of the USSR would hopefully pave the road to honest reforms efforts such as those of Sakharov.

The final speaker, Martha Gitterman, a physicist at Bar Ilan University in Israel, mentioned the important role that both MIT and the National Academy of Sciences can play in exerting pressure on US-USSR scientific exchanges. As a leading organizer of Israeli efforts on behalf of Soviet Jewry, Gitterman spoke of the "catastrophically large" rate of Jewish assimilation in the US in recent years. He also discussed the seriously increasing difficulties Russian Jews have encountered in trying to get a university education.

During a question and answer period, the issue of the recent sharp growth of Soviet anti-Semitic propaganda was brought up. Mrs. Shcharansky informed the audience of one of the immediates results of this campaign: last year Jews making their yearly pilgrimage to the Babi Yar monument in Kiev (commemorating Ukrainian Jews massacred by the Nazis in 1941) were taunted, beaten, and dispersed.

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