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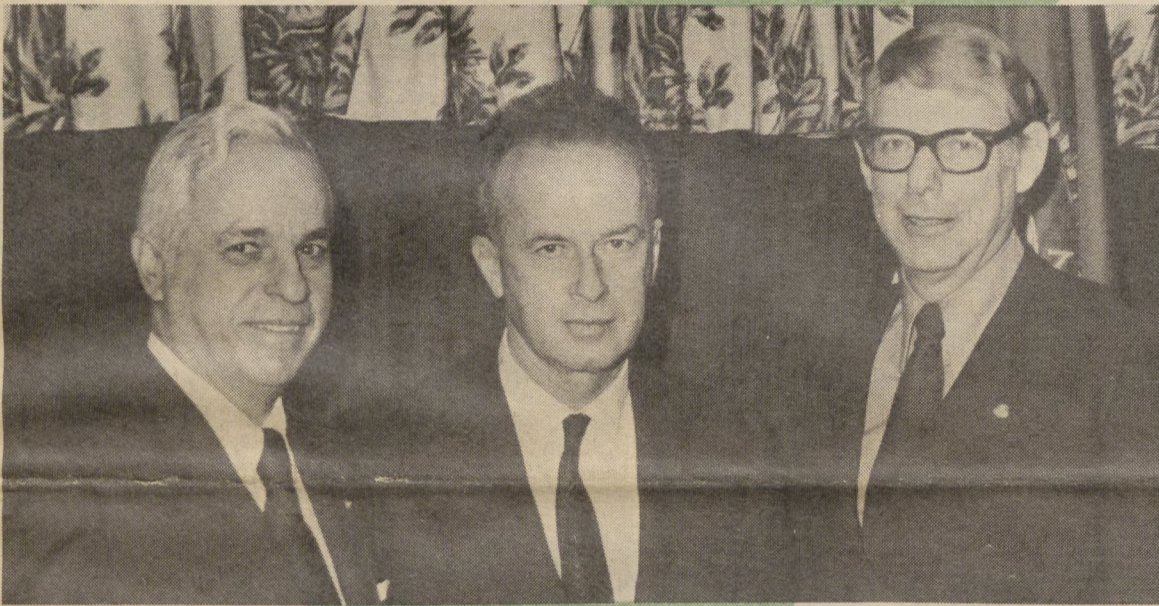


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## JWV Celebrates Anniversary With Dinner at Waldorf



**NATIONAL COMMANDER ATTENDS RECEPTION.** National Commander Albert Schlossberg recently attended a reception for Israeli Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin sponsored by the American Legion and hosted by American Legion National Commander Alfred P. Chamie. The Commander reiterated Legion support for the Israeli position in the Mideast as again resolved at the 52nd Annual National Convention. Shown are: National Commander Chamie, His Excellency Yitzhak Rabin and National Commander Schlossberg.

### "Vietnam Vets Getting Raw Deal": Commander

The National Commander has declared that the returning veteran of Vietnam is getting the "worst deal in the history of America."

According to Commander Schlossberg, "the indifference of the country to the job problem of the Vietnam veteran to his educational needs and to the establishing of priority benefits are compounded by mass unemployment, inflation and the exceedingly low regard that most Americans now have for this dirty war."

"It is no secret," Commander Schlossberg said, "that the vast majority of returning veterans were the basically unskilled and minimally educated who were plucked off the streets by a draft machinery that exempted college

students. They have also been exposed to violence in its most futile and unremitting form, not to mention their exposure to cheap strong Vietnam pot, which has proven a gateway to using other drugs, a problem that is of epic proportions."

"We've got to find the dollars to ease the way for these men," he urged. "This includes increased Federal aid for education and job training and development of a priority system on available jobs that reaches into Federal, State and local governments, as well as the private sector."

Commander Schlossberg stressed that the cost of these recommended programs would, "in the long run," save the coun-

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### Delegates Appeal To U. Thant

The Third International Conference of Jewish Veterans, representing seven countries, winding up their four-day conference held in New York and Washington, called upon Secretary General U Thant to intercede "to stop the growing obliteration of fundamental rights for Jews in the Soviet Union."

In a letter to the Secretary General, signed by the heads of the seven delegations, the group pleaded for U Thant, as the official spokesman for all people who support the U.N., to convey the appeal to the government of the Soviet Union.

The group also unanimously reaffirmed its position supporting Israel in its quest for a just peace. In a resolution, they urged the governments of their individual countries not to ex-

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### More than 400 Meet To Commemorate Founding

More than 400 Jewish war veterans attended the 75th Anniversary of JWV's founding on Saturday evening, March 13, at a dinner in the Starlight Roof of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City.

The dinner commemorated the founding meeting of veterans of the War Between the States which was held in the old Lexington Opera House March 15, 1896.

At that time, some 45 veterans of the Union Army met to organize a program to dispel the oft-repeated slander of Jewish "laggardness" in military service and accusations of a lack of Jewish patriotism.

Present at the dinner were dignitaries from the political and veterans world.

Toastmaster of the Event was Judge Lawrence Gubow and the principal speaker was Lt. Gen. John W. Vogt, Director of the Joint Staff of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. General Vogt outlined the entire history of the Vietnam war and stressed the need for the U.S. to validate its word by acts in order to keep together the alliances in the free world.

A highlight of the dinner was the film presentation of "Patriots For Peace," produced by Dr. Seymour Weisman and William Lieberman. The film was greeted enthusiastically and will be shown throughout the United States in the coming months.

The Invocation was given by Rabbi Abraham Avrech, President of the Association of Jewish Chaplains and the Benediction was given by Rabbi David Max Eichhorn, Past President of the Association of Jewish Chaplains.

Albert Schlossberg, National Commander, presented the greetings of the organization and talked of the crying need for helping Vietnam veterans.

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### Urge Vigilance To Fight Arab Boycott

The National Commander, in a release to Posts, has emphasized that "only stepped up vigilance and Jewish solidarity of effort will prevent American companies from yielding to Arab boycott demands."

Albert Schlossberg, National Commander of JWV, cited the recent Mobil Oil episode as an example of what can happen when the combined effort of the American Jewish community reacts to a situation where an international company accedes to Arab boycott demands.

Mobil Oil has since rescinded a directive issued out of its London office, which cited the Libyan government's intention to fine and blacklist vessels carrying "illegal" products and cited 15 so considered by the Arab country. The products listed included fruit juices and produce from Israel and also such items as Swedish matches and empty Brazil beer bottles, both of which carry six-pointed stars as trademarks, and Trinidad Orange Juice, which uses a six-pointed leaf on its wrapper. The six-pointed Star of David is the symbol used in Israel's flag.

New instructions have been sent to all Mobil suppliers and

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## Our Seventy-Fifth Year

