

Israel rekindles debate on opening files of U.N. War Crimes Commission

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Two large safes in a building 16 blocks north of United Nations headquarters hold 8,000 sealed files containing a wealth of detail on Nazi war criminals and their crimes.

The 146 gray cardboard boxes holding the files have become a focus of controversy over whether they should be opened to Israel and to Holocaust scholars.

The sealed U.N. War Crimes Commission files had been all but forgotten for 40 years. They list the names of 36,000 Nazi war criminals, suspects and witnesses and background on the workings of the Nazi extermination machinery used against the Jews during World War II.

The Nazi war crimes list in the files is closed. Access to the files is permitted to U.N. member governments only, who request the names of specific suspects about whom they seek information.

The names listed make up a veritable "Who's Who in Nazi Germany," including Nazi leader Adolf Hitler, his henchmen Heinrich Himmler and Adolf Eichmann, who directed the deportation of European Jews to death camps and who was hanged by Israel in 1962. Hitler and Himmler committed suicide in 1945.

The name that sparked the current controversy was an obscure ex-first lieutenant in Hitler's Wehrmacht — Kurt Waldheim. In postwar years, he rose to become Austrian foreign minister, U.N. secretary-general and, ultimately, president of Austria.

Waldheim's name is the 724th on the commission's 79th master "List of War Criminals, Suspects and Material Witnesses (Germans, Italians, Bulgarians and Hungarians)."

According to a photocopy of the confidential list obtained by reporters, Waldheim stood ac-

cused by Yugoslavia of "murder, putting to death of hostages" during his unit's merciless campaign against Yugoslav partisans between April 1944 and May 1945.

Waldheim's wartime role did not come to light until last year's heated election for Austria's presidency. Waldheim denied the charges, but allegations that he falsified his Nazi-era past were key issues in the campaign.

Following the disclosures on Waldheim, Israel demanded that the secret U.N. War Crimes Commission files be opened.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar turned down the request after polling the 17 wartime allies who were represented on the commission between 1943 and 1948. With the exception of Australia, the former commission members favored continuation of the present closed system.

Pastor: TV ministries should report on finances

WASHINGTON (AP) — Give unto their ministries, the nation's television evangelists urge their flocks. And people do, with donations adding up to multimillion-dollar religious empires.

Give unto the public a financial accounting of these evangelical empires, some now suggest after a scandal involving adultery, drug dependency and accusations of blackmail and hostile takeovers.

"They have a responsibility to their followers and the country itself to operate in the sunshine," said the Rev. John Buchanan, a Baptist minister and former congressman who heads People for the American Way, a group which champions the separation of church and state.

Accountability for the likes of

Oral Roberts and his \$500 million ministry, Jimmy Swaggart, who runs a \$100 million-a-year satellite communications network, or Jim Bakker, who resigned as head of the PTL ministry in the wake of the scandal, has been virtually non-existent. The electronic ministries, like churches, operate under protection of the First Amendment.

They enjoy tax-exempt status and are not required to file returns with the Internal Revenue Service, spokesman Wilson Fadely said.

"If they are a church or integrated auxiliary of the church, there is no requirement tax-wise," he said.

The only accountability comes when the IRS learns of a possible violation of the status, whether through the public or the media,

and there is "sufficient attention to warrant it," Fadely said.

"But with a potential violation, we can't pull the file like an individual return," he said. "There's a whole set of rules for examining churches."

Under a 1984 law, the IRS can begin an investigation of a church's taxes only if the regional commissioner or higher IRS authority reasonably believes the church may not qualify for tax exemption or may be carrying on an unrelated business.

Before an inquiry, the IRS must notify the church in writing.

And before actually starting an examination of a church's books, the IRS must give at least 15 days notice, including a description of the documents to be examined.

At any time before the examination, the church may demand a meeting to discuss problems and try to resolve them without an audit.

The only time a church must file a tax return is for unrelated business income, such as the profits from an amusement park. But copies of those returns are not available under the Freedom of Information Act.

Congressional officials expressed concern about regulating broadcasting for fear of impinging on First Amendment rights.

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Department of Oceanography's Geochemical and Environmental Research Group.

The Schubot Center for Avian Health is to focus its studies on new viral diseases in birds, but is targeted to eventually add programs in avian reproduction, captive breeding and ecological studies of endangered species.

• The Planning and Building Committee suggested the Board

award several contracts for campus construction projects.

The committee recommended the coveted contract for the campus parking garage be awarded to Fulshar Corp. of Houston. The \$8.1 million contract will be handed out pending Board approval.

Ed Peel, vice chancellor for facilities planning and construction, said Fulshar's bid was more than \$3 million below what was budgeted for the project.

"The bidding on this project was incredible," Peel said.

In a ceremony following the committee meetings, the three regents appointed to the Board by Gov. Bill Clements on March 9 were formally sworn into office.

McKenzie, a Dallas attorney, is starting his second six-year term. Douglas R. DeCluitt of Waco — whose interests lie in oil, gas and real estate — replaces Amarillo oilman Joe C. Richardson Jr. And Wayne Showers, president of a fruit and vegetable production company in McAllen, replaces San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros.

U.S. officials: Cuba trying to avoid notices in emigration trickle

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cuba has allowed 20 former long-term political prisoners to emigrate to the United States in the past 10 weeks, sending them at the rate of two a week in an apparent attempt to avoid publicity, according to U.S. officials.

The officials said the piecemeal approach appeared aimed at eliminating the tumultuous receptions that have accompanied large-scale prisoner releases in the past and have received extensive media attention.

All 20 Cubans were released from prison last May following a personal appeal to President Fidel Castro by French undersea explorer Jacques Cousteau, who visited Cuba in late 1985.

The last two of the 20 arrived Wednesday aboard a weekly charter flight that operates between Miami and Havana. The other 18 had arrived on earlier charter flights.

The officials, who asked not to be identified, said an additional 59 former prisoners have been authorized by the United States to emigrate and are now awaiting permission from their government to leave along with close relatives. Cuban authorities have in-

dicated that the group will be allowed to emigrate.

In the past, mass arrivals in Miami of former Cuban prisoners have generated widespread attention. When a group of 75 showed up there last September, thousands gathered at the airport for the occasion, including city officials and Assistant Secretary of State Elliott Abrams.

The State Department had expected the 20 Cubans and their family members to emigrate in December, but Cuban authorities postponed their departure on the new year without explanation.

Several weeks ago, the United States tried to persuade the nation U.N. Human Rights Commission in Geneva to address the Cuba question, but a motion to kill the U.S. proposal was approved 19 to 18 with 6 abstentions.

The U.S. contends there are large numbers of political prisoners in that country.

A report last year by Amnesty Watch, a New York-based human rights group, said Cuba has the most long-term political prisoners of any country in the world. In 1985 interview, President Castro said there are fewer than 200.

Fire

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as being "out of control," for public intoxication.

"Just a few minutes after police had arrived at the dorm for the second time, we received calls of the fire," Wiatt said.

Keith Kenebrew, head resident for Crocker, said he and other staff members evacuated the dorm at around 4:30 a.m. when newspapers in front of a first floor dormitory located near the hall's exit door were discovered on fire. He said he and his staff extinguished the newspapers and other newspapers outside the dorm that were discovered to be on fire.

Kenebrew said he doesn't know

how the fire got started. However, he said he doesn't think the public intoxication arrest was related to the fire.

He said that the resident who was arrested was disturbing other residents in the dorm when the police were called the first time.

"I was not there at the time, but it's my understanding that police turned him over to his friends," Kenebrew said.

He said the resident was either on the third floor with friends who were trying to calm him down or with University Police at the time of the fire.

Todd Partridge, a freshman resident, was one of the first to discover the fire. He said he had no idea how

the fire had started. Partridge said some friends had filled his room with newspapers as a joke. He and about five friends were throwing the newspapers out the window and out his dorm room when one of them noticed flames coming in through the window. He said they quickly extinguished the flames in the window, but later noticed other newspapers outside the dorm on fire.

Partridge said the fire did not cause any damage to his room.

Wiatt said if the fire was intentionally set, the person or persons involved would be charged with a second-degree felony punishable two to 20 years in prison with a minimum fine of \$10,000.



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INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS

At University Drive
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At Manor East Mall



IM GAMEPLAN

ENTRIES OPEN:

BASEBALL HITTING AND HOMERUN DERBY: ENTRIES OPEN: Monday, April 6. ENTRIES CLOSE: Tuesday, April 14. CONTEST DATE: Thursday, April 16 at 3:30 PM on Olsen Baseball Field. ELIGIBILITY: All TAMU students, staff, faculty and spouses are eligible if they meet the requirements in the intramural calendar. EQUIPMENT: Will be provided. Personal bats will be inspected. Copies of the rules may be picked up at the Intramural-Recreational Sports Office, Room 159 Read Bldg. **ARCHERY DOUBLES:** ENTRIES OPEN: Monday, April 6. ENTRIES CLOSE: Tuesday, April 21. CONTEST DATE: Tuesday, April 28, beginning at 6 PM in Room 304 Read Bldg. ELIGIBILITY: All TAMU students, faculty, staff and spouses are eligible if they meet eligibility requirements in the intramural calendar. DIVISIONS: Men's, Women's, and Co-Rec. Individuals entered in men's or women's AND CoRec will shoot only once and count the same score for both divisions. EQUIPMENT: Participants should provide their own equipment. Rules and restrictions on equipment are available in the Intramural-Recreational Sports Office, Room 159 Read.

GOLF DRIVING RANGE

The Golf Driving Range is now open for business from 4 pm until dark on Sun-Thurs, 1 pm-6 pm on Fri and 12 pm-5 pm on Sat. The Driving Range is located at the Intramural Sports Center. A small bucket of balls for students with ID and faculty-staff with recreation ID is \$1.50. For community members and anyone without ID, the charge for a small bucket of balls is \$2.00. Large bucket with ID is \$3.00 and without ID is \$4.00. Club rental is also available.

SOFTBALL PLAYOFFS BEGIN TONIGHT!!!

ALL-UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to the All-University Champions in Basketball, Wallyball and Team Bowling. All participants in intramurals are considered champions in our book!!

BASKETBALL ALL-UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONS

Class A:	CoRec - Happy Foot Men - Bouncers Women - Dream Team 2
Class B:	CoRec-Bouncers Men-Livingstones Women-Clem Cuties
Class C:	CoRec-Marooners Men-Phi Cantis Jump

TEAM BOWLING ALL-UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONS

Class A:	CoRec - Bombers Men - Engineers Women - Mosher Maniac
Class B:	CoRec - Kuers Wolves Men - Mammoth Women - Laners (Leggett)
Class C:	CoRec - Bowlin's Buds Men - Gutter Guys

WALLYBALL ALL-UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONS

Class A:	CoRec - Badgers Men - Wallbrakers Women - Clements Cuties
Class B:	CoRec - ACE Men - Folliombro Women - Spence Death
Class C:	Men - Wallbangers



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