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## Abortion Amendment Heats Knesset Debate

JERUSALEM: A proposed amendment would substantially liberalize Israel's present abortion laws, and has the Knesset immersed in heated debate.

The amendment, introduced by Chaïke Grossman, of Mapam, was supported by most women MKs

and by the few men who participated in the debate. Only the Orthodox MKs railed against the measure, terming it degenerate and national suicide.

The amendment would make abortion legal if approved on either medical or social grounds by a committee of two professionals who may consist of a doctor, a gynecologist, a public health nurse or social worker. The criteria for permissible abortion would be danger to the life of the mother, which is grounds for abortion under existing laws; danger to the life of the fetus; and "danger of serious damage to mother or children because of family circumstances" meaning large families on the poverty level.

The amendment would permit abortions within the first three months of pregnancy and only in approved medical institutions. Abortions would also be justified in cases of pregnancy out of wedlock, rape, incestuous union or in cases where the mother is a minor.

Marcia Freedman, of the new Social Democratic Party, welcomed the amendment but said it did not go far enough. She said some 60,000 abortions are performed in Israel each year, only 15,000 of them legally. Akiva Nof, of Likud, one of the few men who joined the debate, said the issue was whether abortions would continue to be performed furtively under unsanitary conditions at extortionist prices, or safely by licensed medical personnel.

Ora Namir, of the Labor Party, said the amendment was especially important for women in the poorer levels of society who were not familiar or comfortable with birth control methods. Shulamit Aloni, of the Yaad faction, supported the amendment on grounds that women have the sole right to control their own bodies and should not be forced to bear unwanted children.

posed to the amendment was Geula Cohen, of Likud, who claimed the measure was too loosely drafted and therefore would have the effect of abolishing all restrictions of abortion. Predictably, the Orthodox factions, which include no women in the Knesset, were outraged. Kalman Kahane, of Poelie

that Secretary Kissinger negotiated between Egypt and Israel last August. They have been denounced by Congressional critics as a "hostage force" or "trip wire" that can be exploited by both sides, and praised by the supporters of the agreement as a tangible demonstration of the American commitment

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**SPECIAL AWARD** for outstanding humanitarian contributions from the National Jewish Hospital and Research Center will be presented to John Simmen, former chairman of the board of the Rhode Island Hospital, at a dinner Thursday, March 25 at the Marriott Inn in Providence. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit National Jewish Hospital's special program for children suffering from chronic asthma and other respiratory disorder, said Paul J. Choquette, Jr., right, chairman of the dinner committee. "It is highly appropriate," said John J. Cummings, Jr., a Trustee of NJH, "that John Simmen, who has devoted so much of his energy and resources to the needs of others, should be selected for this NJH award." Almost 8,000 days of patient care have been devoted to residents of Rhode Island without regard to race, religion or ability to pay, Mr. Choquette added. Treasurer for the dinner is Charles Samdperil, and reservations for the dinner may be made by writing to him at 915 Industrial National Bank Building, Providence 02903.



## Building Fund Campaign To Resume



**ON SCHEDULE:** With the foundation laid and the steel work going up rapidly, the Building Fund Campaign for the Jewish Home for the Aged is being resumed to raise one million dollars more to assure the comple-

tion of the project, which will affect the lives of all in the Jewish community. (Photo by Sandy Fishbein)

The Building Fund Campaign of the Jewish Home for the Aged will resume in full force during the spring months, it was announced this week by Max Alperin, President and General Chairman.

Mr. Alperin said, "An additional one million dollars is needed for the Home campaign in order to make a dream become a reality. I am sure that the thousands of people throughout Rhode Island who have

as yet not pledged to this vital campaign will want to participate. To reach our ultimate goal will take the complete cooperation of everyone in our community. This is the biggest single project that the Jewish Community has ever undertaken with an estimated cost of well over six million dollars, and we are sure that the entire Jewish community will support this undertaking to the maximum of its ability. The campaign Organization is

now being set up and plans are being made for the completion of the third, and we hope, the final phase of this all-important community undertaking."

Recently there was a meeting held to make plans for the area campaigns in Cranston, Warwick, East Greenwich, and South County. Committees were formed and plans were made to carry out a very active drive in these areas and, also

## Texas Hands Build Sinai Camp

**GIDI PASS, SINAI:** More than 100 construction workers, most of them Texans, are racing the clock to build a base camp for the American technicians who are scheduled to begin surveillance duties on February 22 between the Israeli and Egyptian lines. The barren hills overlooking the strategically vital ravine have been alive with the whine of buzz saws, the roar of bulldozers and the hard, flat twang of the Texas Panhandle.

Under the terms of the Sinai pact concluded last fall, the United States will operate three manned stations and four electronic sensor fields at the ends of the two main Sinai mountain passes. Their mis-

sion is to monitor the traffic in the passes and to detect and report any suspicious troop movements by either side.

The construction so far has been a monument to American cost-plus efficiency in the field. The work has proceeded at a pace that, in Middle Eastern terms, is nothing short of miraculous.

In 16 days, water, electricity and plumbing have been installed and seven plastic-sided buildings thrown up on the rocky and treeless terrain. Five more will be needed to house the 172 technicians and support personnel who will be based here by the end of the month.

The site is a hive of activity. Part-

ly because of the fast-approaching deadline and partly to ward off the stinging cold wind that was blowing across the 2,000-foot plateau on which the camp sits, the workers were racing from place to place, hurling the two-by-fours into stacks and swiftly laying plywood flooring. In the course of a morning, the largest of the seven buildings went up and work was begun on the eighth.

In the early afternoon, the newly installed communications network was plugged in and the first message came clacking in on a State Department printer.

"I am pre-empting this first official message to the Sinai Field Mission," it read, "To congratulate all concerned on the extraordinary speed with which you have brought the mission well within sight of meeting its Feb. 22 goal of operational capability. Good luck and Godspeed. Henry Kissinger."

To create a base camp in the middle of nowhere, seven flights of chartered Boeing 747 jumbo jets have brought in 500 tons of equipment and supplies directly from the States. The cargo has included everything from bulldozers to styrofoam cups and plastic plates for the dining hall. There is even a case of A-1 sauce on hand to flavor the workers' favorite dish, which one Texan described as "beans on beans."

Construction is also under way on the watch stations and sensor fields, all of which are expected to be in operation by the deadline.

The technicians who will operate them are one of the most controversial elements in the Sinai agreement

### Asks Cooperation

## Herald Announces Changed Deadlines

In order to ensure that the bulk of our subscribers receive their newspaper in the Friday mail, the Rhode Island Jewish Herald has changed its printing schedule. The change, we feel, will increase our efficiency in delivering the newspaper to you.

Deadlines for the newspaper, therefore, have also been changed. Individuals and organizations in the community should be aware that news items, photographs, publicity releases, and public service notices received later than Monday afternoon cannot be processed in time for publication in the Herald for that week. All such material must be received by noon on Monday in order to be included in that same week's edition.

If you send such material in the mail, please be sure to mail it early enough so that the Herald will receive it by Monday. The deadline for advertising has been changed to Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated, and if you have any further questions, please call 724-0200.

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- March 11-March 25**—Hartford Annual Tour to Israel (for first and second timers), led by Clara and Mickey Sowolsky
- March 13-March 21**—Second International Conference on Calcified Tissue (3 return dates).
- March 14-March 24**—Temple Emanuel of Lawrence, led by Rabbi Harry A. Roth.
- March 31-April 12**—Bi-National Conference on Applied Metallurgy (2 return dates).
- April 10-April 13**—First International Periodontic-Prosthodontic Conference
- April 22-May 3**—Second International Chest & Lung Conference No. 1.
- April 22-May 6**—Second International Chest & Lung Conference No. 2
- April 26-May 10**—Spring Tour to Eilat, led by Mr. Sid Heller.
- April 26-May 10**—Israel Anniversary Tour No. 1, led by Mr. A. Bernard Shurdut.
- April 26-May 17**—Israel Anniversary Tour No. 2, with Athens.
- April 27-May 12**—American Physicians Fellowship Tenth World Congress of Israel Medical Association, led by Dr. Manuel Glazier.
- May 4-May 21**—Temple Emanu-El, led by Rabbi and Mrs. Eli A. Bohnen
- May 6-May 20**—Congregation Brith Shalom, led by Mr. Jay Plotkin
- May 10-May 24**—Hillel Club of University of Vermont
- May 10-May 13**—8th International Congress of Psychopathology of Expression
- May 13-May 29**—Photographers' Tour to Israel, led by Mr. Ira Stanley
- May 13-June 3**—Jewish Community of Dover, N.H.
- May 17-June 7**—Jewish Community Center of Greenville, Maine, led by Mr. Max M. Landman
- May 18-May 20**—Third International Symposium on Geriatric Dentistry
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**Prison Landmark  
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TEL AVIV: An historic landmark of the late Mandatory period in Palestine and the early years of Israel's statehood will be preserved, due, primarily, to protests by school children.

The landmark is the old Atlit camp just south of Haifa, once a prison, later an internment center for "illegal" Jewish refugees and finally a temporary transit station for new immigrants.

While aliya down, the Jewish Agency, which owns the property, planned to tear it down and construct warehouses on the site. But the protests were overwhelming, many of them from children unborn when the many incidents involving Atlit in Israel's struggle for

independence occurred. Bowing to the pressure, the Jewish Agency authorities agreed to preserve the larger part of the camp as a center for Zionist studies.

The British used Atlit as a prison during the Mandate. After World War II they turned it into an internment camp for thousands of Jewish survivors of Nazism who came to Palestine without visas. One winter night in 1946, a unit of Palmach, the strike force of Hagana, raided Atlit and liberated the internees, who were dispersed to Jewish settlements all over Palestine. The unit was commanded by a young officer named Yitzhak Rabin.

When the State was established

the Jewish Agency turned Atlit into a temporary immigrant hostel. For many of the tens of thousands of olim who arrived every month during those early years of statehood, Atlit was their first home in Jewish soil.

**ANOTHER ANGOLA?**

**WASHINGTON (ZINS):** America's refusal to deal with the PLO is not predicated solely on a commitment to Israel, but is also supportive of Jordan's King Hussein. Jordan's interests will be ill served by the establishment of an independent state for the Palestinians under Arafat's leadership. Washington is keenly aware of this, and is also concerned lest an Arafat-led regime will quickly succumb to Soviet influence. The last thing the Administration in Washington wants to see is a new Angola in the Middle East.

had lived in Michigan, where he had had his practice, for 35 years.

He also leaves a stepdaughter, Mrs. Phyllis Bean of Michigan, and four grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Monday at Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Arrangements were made by the Sugarman Memorial Chapel.

**Sidney Spungin**

Sidney Spungin, 57, died Friday, February 13 at Wesson Memorial Hospital in Springfield, Mass. after a long illness. Born in Orange, Mass., he was the son of the late Harry and Rose (Blassberg) Spungin. Until his retirement he worked for American Bosch as a metallurgical engineer.

He is survived by one brother, Alfred Spungin of Wilbraham, Mass.; and two sisters, Mrs. Bernice Silverman of Valley Stream, New York, and Mrs. Gertrude Max of Pawtucket; and two nieces and four nephews.

Funeral services were held at the McCarthy Funeral Home in Greenfield, Mass. on Sunday, February 15, with burial at Greenfield Hebrew Cemetery.

**In Memoriam**

1955-1976

**LEBA ACKERMAN**

Mother dear, you are not forgotten,  
Though on this earth you are no more.

Still in spirit you are with me  
As you always were before.  
Even now come days of sadness,  
Tears in secret often flow,  
Your cherished memory never leaves me,  
Though you died twenty-one years ago.

LOVE, DAUGHTER THELMA

and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, February 15, at Sugarman Memorial Chapel, with burial in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

**Lillian Abramovitz**

Mrs. Lillian Abramovitz, 82, died Thursday, February 12 at Bannister House in Providence. She was the wife of Herman Abramovitz.

She was a member of Congregation Ahavas Achim of Newport and its women's auxiliary.

She was born in New York City, a daughter of the late Benjamin and Elizabeth Mandel, and had been a resident of Newport for 35 years before moving to Providence 20 years ago.

She also leaves three sons, Henry Abbey of Providence, Albert Abbey of Newton, Mass., and Louis Abbey of Windsor, Conn.; a brother, Morris Mandel, and a sister, Mrs. Mollie Frankel, both of New York City; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the Hoffman Chapel, in Newport, with burial in Beth Olam Cemetery, Middletown.

**Dr. Abe Brown**

Dr. Abe (Arthur) Brown, 81, died Friday, February 13 in Southfield Michigan. He was the husband of Sarah (Davis) Brown.

Born in Providence, Dr. Brown was a retired medical doctor. He

I would like to express my sincere appreciation in behalf of the family of my beloved father, HENRY PERLMAN, to the countless hundreds who came to visit during Shiva, attended Minyonim, sent cards, etc., and offered contributions to the various charities.

I am especially grateful to Bob Goldblatt and the entire staff of the Max Sugarman Funeral Home. At a most trying time, I felt comforted that my father was being treated with reverence and dignity. More I could not ask from anyone.

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**JONATHAN KAPLAN** of Providence meets with the Very Rev. Thomas R. Peterson, O.P., Providence College president, during a reception prior to departing for Europe. Kaplan is a junior at P.C. and is participating in the college's study-abroad program at the University of Fribourg, in Fribourg, Switzerland.

**Kaplan Studies in Switzerland**

Jonathan Kaplan of Ogden Street, Providence, a junior at Providence College, left last week to study during the second semester at the University of Fribourg in Fribourg, Switzerland. Under the college's Providence-In-Europe program, qualified students are offered the opportunity to attend a European institution of higher education where they may

enjoy the advantages of travel and firsthand contact with other cultures. A graduate of Classical High School, Kaplan is majoring in biology at the 57-year-old college. He is a staff member of *Veritas*, which is the college's yearbook. Although the study-abroad program is sponsored by Providence College, it is opened to

students attending any American Institution of higher education. Among the 14 students enrolled in the second-semester session, four attend institutions other than Providence College. Last fall, 37 students enrolled in the full-year Providence-In-Europe program. In addition of PC students, there were undergraduates from 10 other colleges and universities, ranging from Brandeis University to Miami of Ohio University. Established in 1889, the University of Fribourg is a bilingual institution offering courses taught in both French and German. The students reside in private homes in the City of Fribourg, which has a population of 40,000. A Providence College administrator serves as the European resident director in Fribourg.

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**SOVIET 'COVERUP'**  
NEW YORK: The Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry charged January 22 that the new Soviet regulations reportedly easing emigration procedures "are merely a smokescreen to cover the new and very real campaign of harassment and terror against Russian Jews seeking freedom." The SSSJ said that reduction in exit visa fees is "meaningless since most exit applicants are dismissed from work or reduced to menial jobs after asking to leave and have almost no money anyway." The SSSJ said that the other changes are "tokenism at best."

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**Temple Notes**

**Continuing Series**  
Rabbi Gerald Zelermyer will discuss the prophet Jeremiah in the continuation of the Rabbi Series on Great Jewish Personalities at Temple Beth Torah in Cranston on Sunday morning. The 10 a.m. discussion will be preceded by a 9 a.m. services and breakfast at 9:30. The program is sponsored by the Temple Men's Club.

**Talmud Class Postponed**  
The next Talmud Class, in Tractate Megillah page 9a at Congregation Mishkon Tfiloh, is scheduled for Sunday morning, February 22, at 9:30 a.m. All learners are invited to attend on time. The Bible class on Tuesday evenings, at 7:30 p.m. has been rescheduled for Wednesday evenings at 7:30.

**Supplies for Scopus**  
Aleph Group of Hadassah will hold a Supplies for Scopus Lunch on Monday, February 23 at 12 noon at Temple Beth El in Providence. The lunch will provide supplies for the newly reopened hospital and rehabilitation center at Mt. Scopus in Jerusalem. All linen will be purchased in Israel with donations. For reservations, call Esther Scoliard at 751-7807. Co-Chairwomen are Dorothy Lippman and Evelyn Bresnick, and Ethel Chinitz is Fund Raising Chairwoman. Evelyn Hendel is in charge of program, and Evelyn Blazer and Jeannette Saval are treasurers. Belle Tuck is in charge of publicity, and Sarah Kouffman will handle invitations. Lenka Rose is Ex-Officio, and hostesses are Mildred Tarlow, Esther Swartz, Doris McGarry, Esther Resnik, Roslyn Hirsh, Lottie Povar, Honey Seltzer, Blanche Revkin, and Helen Rosen.

**Rabbi Bohnen to Speak**  
Rabbi Eli A. Bohnen will be the guest speaker at the Friday evening

services at Temple Beth Sholom in Providence on February 20 at 8:15 p.m. He will speak on "Does Every Man have his Price." Services will be conducted by Robert A. Starr, and an Oneg Shabbat will follow in Rosenfield Hall. The public is invited to attend.

**Joint Meeting**  
The members of Ladies Aid and Sisterhood of Congregation Ohawe Sholom Synagogue in Pawtucket are invited to attend a Joint Meeting with the Sisterhood of Mishkon Tfiloh Synagogue, on Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. March 7, in the Vestry.

**Harpist to Perform**  
Friday night services at Temple Beth-El this week (February 20) will feature a performance by Mrs. Abraham Saltzman, principal harpist with the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra. She will perform "Service with a Harp." The service will begin at 8:15 p.m.

**Senior Guild Meeting**  
The next meeting of the Cranston Senior Guild will be held on Wednesday, March 3, at Temple Beth Torah in Cranston. Mrs. Al Levy will preside.

**Couples Square Dance**  
The Couples Club of Temple Emanu-El will hold a Square Dance on Sunday evening, February 29 at 7:30 p.m. The event is open to all young married couples in the community. For more information, call 726-2448.

**Sisterhood Meeting**  
The Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening, February 23. The speaker for the evening will be Rabbi Bernard Rotman. A question and answer period will follow. Members and their guests are welcome.

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# Arabs Portray Jews As the 'New Nazis'

NEW YORK: A philosophy professor told scholars last week that the Arabs and Soviets are deliberately trying to create an image of a role reversal by bringing about "the systematic theft of the Holocaust," claiming that Arabs today are the victims of persecution by Jews in much the same way Jews were the victims of the Nazis in World War II.

"You cannot make people forget about the Holocaust, but you can neutralize it," said Emil L. Fackenheim, professor of philosophy at the University of Toronto, as he addressed an all-day conference sponsored by the American Zionist Federation on the subject of Israel.

"The Israelis are the new Nazis; the Palestinian Arabs are the new Jews; the Palestine Liberation Organization is the French Freedom Fighters and Zionism is racism," he said.

"That means the slate is wiped clean."

### Israel as the Focus

Dr. Fackenheim was one of several speakers who deplored recent manifestations of anti-Semitism. The purpose of the conference, which was held at America-Israel Friendship House, 136 East 39th Street, was "to establish a tradition of looking to Israel as the central focus from which to begin any serious Christian-Jewish dialogue," according to Rabbi Shael E. Siegel, director of the Federation's Commission on Inter-Religious Affairs.

The point was made repeatedly during the day that until Christians understood the importance of Zionism to Jews there could be no significant discussion between the two groups.

"Nowadays it has come become

fashionable to say that Zionism is a national liberation," said Msgr. John Oesterreicher, director of the Institute of Judaean-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University. "This does not impress most Christians. I am not in favor of Zion because I feel it's a national liberation movement. It's my theology that makes me appreciate and love Zion."

### Position Explained

"Judaism and Christianity are missions of the impossible — the hope that the impossible is possible," Msgr. Oesterreicher said. "What draws me to Zionism is because I realize that Zion is divine folly — the idea that people dispersed for 2,000 years should be able to come together this way."

"To believe that God chose Israel is also to believe in divine folly and anti-Semitism derives from the fact that the various groups cannot stand that other people are the chosen people."

Several speakers pointed out that it was often difficult for Christians to hear Jews express the belief that "every decent person should be a Zionist" when there were so many Jews who were not.

"It's not terribly convincing when you all say that Zionism and Judaism are essentially one," Msgr. Oesterreicher said. "I think you must give up the idea that all Jews are Zionists."

One of the principal themes was expressed by Dr. Gerald Meister, Professor of Theology at Maryknoll Seminary, when he said, "We believe in Israel's return to Zion because it is part of an existing covenant with God. While God may have covenants with other people, he specifically included territory in his covenant with the patriarchs."

# Speakers Berate Moscow On Eve Of Conference

BRUSSELS: Soviet emigres and leaders of American Jewish groups have charged that anti-Semitism has grown sharply in Russia in the last two years and that intimidation of Jews seeking exit visas is on the rise.

The charges were made as 1,200 delegates from 32 nations gathered in Brussels, amid heavy police protection, for the start of an international conference dealing with the treatment of Soviet Jews.

Dr. Alexander Voronel, a Soviet physicist who emigrated to Israel last year, said that Soviet anti-Semitism had increased "sharply and alarmingly" since the 1973 Middle East war. He added: "There is now an open assault on Judaism in the Soviet Union, marked by officially tolerated acts of harassment and intimidation of all Jews who seek to assert their rights to publish Jewish materials and of dismissed Jewish scientists who seek to keep abreast of current developments."

Since the adoption by the United Nations General Assembly of a resolution equating Zionism with Racism, Dr. Voronel said, "the dissemination of anti-Semitic material has reached a new high," especially in the Ukraine and Byelorussia.

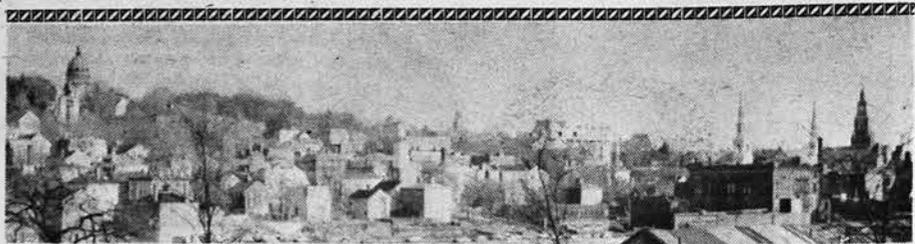
Another participant, Stanley Lowell of New York, chairman of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, noted that the first international conference on Soviet Jewry was held in Brussels in 1971, and that immediately thereafter the Soviet Union began to grant visas to Jews in increasing numbers.

In that year, 14,000 Jews were permitted to leave, he said. The number increased to 31,000 in 1972 and 35,000 in 1973. In the last years, Jewish emigration was cut back to 20,000 in 1974, and 13,000 in 1975, Mr. Lowell said.

What conference participants term "the Soviet failure to live up to the Helsinki agreement" is expected to serve as the dominant theme of the World Conference on Soviet Jewry, sponsored by eight Jewish organizations, Former Prime Minister Golda Meir of Israel and Senator Frank Church, Democrat of Idaho, a ranking member of the Foreign Relations Committee, will address the session.

### Carbines and Submachine Guns

Policemen gripping carbines and submachine guns are out in force in downtown Brussels and patrolling near such hotels as the Hilton, the Palace and Sheraton, which are crowded with delegates. Conference



# Providence Past and Present A Bicentennial Story

By Beryl Segal

### Where the Elders Dwell...

A Jewish family traditionally consisted of Grandfather and Grandmother, Father and Mother, and Grandchildren. All lived under the same roof or near one another. Only in extreme cases, such as childlessness or sickness or poverty were the elderly people sent to an Old Age Home, and that only in the bigger cities. In the small towns and villages of Eastern Europe no one has ever heard of a Moshav Zekeinim. It was a great tragedy, indeed, for an older person to live there.

The early immigrants to America clung to the tradition of honoring and respecting their elderly fathers and mothers. The elderly were considered wise and understanding because of their experience. Their council was being sought and listened to in all decisions. Grandchildren, especially, were enchanted by their grandparents, and the grandparents were treasuring every moment with their grandchildren.

The establishing of a Moshav Zekeinim was, therefore, so late in coming in Providence. The need for a Hospital or for Aid to the Poor came first. They stared in the faces of the women wherever they went and they were the first concern of the community. But no one ever thought of a Moshav Zekeinim in a society so young and vibrant as the immigrants who came to Providence in the 1880's.

And so Providence had to wait until 1910 for the founding of a Home for the Aged. Let us note here that the name Moshav Zekeinim as a Home for the Aged is not a happy one. The name is cruel and offensive, just as the name of "Inmates" is offensive. A much better name would be "Residence of the Hope for Elderly." Zekeinim in Hebrew does not necessarily mean Old in age, but older rather in wisdom and understanding. The Ziknei Yisroel, Elders of Israel, with whom Moses our Rabbi took council in the wilderness were not necessarily old in age.

As everything else in the community, the founding of the Moshav Zekeinim is credited to a woman's organization. The Ladies' Hebrew Union Aid Association and the Ladies' Hebrew Benevolent Association (Moses Montefiore) were engaged, each in its own way, in helping the poor sick. Both were

participants include half a dozen United States congressmen, Protestant and Roman Catholic religious leaders and a stantial group from New York, including two borough presidents, Percy E. Sutton and Robert Abrams of Manhattan and the Bronx, the Brooklyn district attorney, Eugene Gold, and the former Consumer Affairs Commissioner Bess Myerson.

By all accounts, the scale of the conference has upset Soviet officials here who had joined with Arab authorities to protest the meeting and urged the Belgian Government to cancel it. The Belgians refused.

The Russians called an elaborate news conference today at the International Press Center here, to deny allegations of anti-Semitism and to insist that authorities were not thwarting Jews who sought to leave the Soviet Union. Seven Soviet officials attended the news conference, which included printed statements by Jews in Russia saying that they were being treated fairly and without bias.

founded in the 1880's. The minutes of the Ladies' Hebrew Union Aid Association contain the following story, as recounted by Dr. Seebert J. Goldowsky in the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Notes:

A visiting committee of the Union Aid would go to visit the State Almshouse at Howard at regular periods of time. They would inquire whether some Jewish people were among the inmates and how the Union Aid could help. They brought to them food, spoke to them in Yiddish, and helped to find their relatives in another city. On one such visit the committee was told that a Jewish man died some days ago and was being kept in the morgue until the body was claimed by the nearest relative. The ladies of the committee were dismayed. According to Jewish law, a deceased person should be interred the same day unless the death occurred on Friday afternoon. The people of the community were shocked, too, and removed the body from the morgue. Had there been a Moshav Zekeinim, the women argued, that would never have happened.

That incident served as a spark to open a Moshav Zekeinim in Providence. They rented a house on Orms Street, in the North End, the center of Jewish activities at that time, and in 1912 they applied for a Charter from the State. The Charter, which is hanging in the office of the Director of the Home to this day, reads:

"The Home for the Aged, by the Ladies Hebrew Union Aid Association, for the purpose to provide and maintain a Home for the Aged and Infirm."

The first resident at the Home was an elderly Jew who was transferred from the State Almshouse. A little while later an elderly was found in the State Infirmary at Howard. She swelled the population of the Home to two. At the request of the Mayor of Pawtucket, an elderly man of 75 was released from the workhouse where he was kept for violating a city ordinance. He was taken into the Home.

Old as the house on Orms Street was it was a welcome haven for those three Jews. The women of the Union Aid collected furniture, and clothing for them. They cooked their meals and helped them keep Sabbaths and Holidays. And they spoke to them in Yiddish, the only

language they understood.

So successful were the women of the Union Aid in their new project that their membership increased to 300, and they were overwhelmed by the gifts that were flowing in to the treasury. The dues in the Association were forty cents a month, half of which was assigned to the Home. In a few years they bought a new home, also on Orms Street, where they could accommodate more residents and give them greater comforts.

The number of residents grew to 25 during the first 20 years of the existence of the Home. Everybody in the community responded to the appeals of the Union Aid for help and gave generously.

The Jacobi Medical Club of Providence and Pawtucket, named after a famous pediatrician in New York, offered to visit the Home at regular intervals and treat the residents free of charge. Some dentists also offered their services gratis for the Home. The Union Aid hired a caretaker and a nurse in constant attendance, and the visits by the members of the Union Aid made the Home an attractive place for the elderly. All the time the ladies spread the message of the Home among the business and professional men in the community.

It is interesting to note another attempt to found a Home in Providence and Pawtucket by another ladies' organization. The same year the Charter was applied for by the Providence Hebrew Union Aid Association we find an application by one more ladies group. On March 7, 1912, we find a Charter issued to the Jewish Ladies Home for the Aged, with the purpose of maintaining a Home for the Aged and Infirm. What became of that organization we cannot determine since the ladies signed on the charter have all gone to their reward. Seven of the signers of the charter were also among the names on the application for the Ladies Union Aid.

In 1932 the burden of providing for the Home became too great for the women alone. The men of the community were finally awakened to their responsibility.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### A SERVICE OF THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF RHODE ISLAND and the

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### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1976

- 10:30 p.m. South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association, Board Meeting
- 8:00 p.m. Vaad Hakashruth of Rhode Island, Board Meeting

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1976

### FIRST CASUALTY 1776

Francis Salvador, South Carolina planter, was ambushed and scalped by Indians on August 1. He was probably the first Jew to be killed in the American Revolution and certainly the first Jew to become a member of a state legislative body.

- 12:30 p.m. Aleph Group of Hadassah, Scopus Surprise Party
- 8:00 p.m. Pawtucket-Central Falls Chapter of Hadassah, Regular Meeting
- 8:15 p.m. Temple Beth Am Sisterhood, Regular Meeting
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1976
- 12:30 p.m. Temple Beth El Sisterhood, Open Board Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. Gemilath Chesed Hebrew Free Loan Association, Board Meeting
- Jerusalem Group of Hadassah, Games
- 8:00 p.m. Temple Beth Shalom Sisterhood, Regular Meeting
- Temple Habonim Sisterhood, Board Meeting
- 8:00 p.m. Hope Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, Executive Board Meeting
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1976
- 8:00 p.m. Jewish Home for the Aged, Board Meeting
- Providence Chapter, Women's American ORT, Regular Meeting
- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1976
- 2:30 p.m. Jewish Community Center, Children's Theatre Performance
- 8:00 p.m. Jewish Community Center Single Adults, Dance



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### Entertain Veterans

On Tuesday, February 24, the Sackin-Shocket Auxiliary will entertain the patients at the Davis Park Veterans Hospital. President Frances Carrazzo is chairman, and will be assisted by Greta Labush, Enid Ross, Mae Kahn, Rose Chernov, Sayra Weiner and Becky Wolod. The post and auxiliary will host a party at the Bristol Home for Veterans on Sunday, February 29. Harold Fink is in charge, and all post and auxiliary members are invited to assist. Volunteers may call Rose Chernov, 461-5989.

### Hadassah Meeting

A regular meeting of the Pawtucket-Central Falls Chapter of Hadassah will be held on Monday, February 23 at 8 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center. Mrs. Harold Schwartz, Program Chairman, will present Mrs. Abraham Percelay, Curator of the Temple Emanu-El Museum, who will speak on "What is the Meaning of Jewish Art?" Invitations for the meeting were designed by Mrs. Max Marks. Miss Ida Rubinstein and Mrs. David Goldberg are in charge of the coffee hour which will follow. Mrs. Mervin Bolusky, president, has announced that the Myrtle Wreath Luncheon honoring all Life Members and members of 25 years standing will be held on Sunday, March 14 at the Sheraton-Lincoln Inn in Worcester.

### Singles Dance

The Honorable Shimshon Inbal, Israel Consul General in Boston will be among those in attendance the Bnai Zion Dance and Cocktail Party for Jewish singles and formerly marrieds over 30, to be held on February 29 at 8 p.m. at Temple Emanuel in Newton, Mass. All proceeds are for a home for retarded children in Rosh Ha'ayin, Israel.

### Quit Smoking Clinic

The American Cancer Society's Kent County Unit, and the Rhode Island Interagency Council on Smoking will co-sponsor a six week Quit Smoking Clinic beginning February 24 at 7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church Hall in West Warwick. Anyone interested in attending should call 831-6970 or 728-4120.

### Single Adults Brunch

The Jewish Community Center's Single Adults Group (35 years and older) will hold a Brunch on Sunday, February 22 from 1:30 to 5 p.m. Bagels and lox, coffee and cake will be served, and Bill Rosenberg will present films and information about vacation plans for 1976.

### Physician to Speak

Robert Corwin, M.D., Pediatric Cardiologist, will speak on early prevention of heart disease on Wednesday, February 25 at 8 p.m. at St. Edward's Church Hall on Branch Avenue in Providence. The public is invited. He will discuss prevention of heart disease in children through diet, and high blood pressure. A question and answer session will follow.

### Singles Meeting

The Greater Boston Singles Unit of B'nai B'rith and B'nai B'rith Women will hold a General Membership Meeting on Thursday, February 26 at 8 p.m. at the Combined Jewish Philanthropies Building, 72 Franklin St., Boston. Avi Shai Amir, feature writer for Ma'ariv, the Israeli newspaper, will be the speaker.

### Little Miss Pageant

March 31 is the deadline for all entries in the 1976 annual "Little Miss Rhode Island Model Pageant." The pageant is open to girls between 5 and 9, and the pageant will be held May 1 at Cranston High School East. All inquiries should be sent to Connie Robynn, Executive Director, at "The Little Miss R.I. Model Pageant," P.O. Box 2728, Providence, R.I. 02907, or call 461-6856.

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**Texans**

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to the Sinai cease-fire.

Mr. Kissinger contended before Congress that the American involvement was necessary to overcome a deadlock that threatened to

wreck the negotiations.

The crisis arose when Israel insisted on retaining control of its underground listening post at the western end of the Gidi Pass. Egypt balked at the idea of Israelis remaining so deep inside the new buffer zone and suggested that American technicians take over the station.

A compromise was finally reached under which Israel would retain the station. Egypt would be permitted to build a similar one at the opposite end of the Gidi and United States technicians would monitor the people in both.

**Significance Is Political**

In addition, it was agreed that the Americans would supplement the two stations with their own surveillance and report any violations simultaneously to both sides and the United Nations.

Technologically, the Americans will merely duplicate with less-advanced equipment, what the Israelis and Egyptians will do for themselves in their own station. The patrolling of the buffer zone will remain the responsibility of the United Nations Emergency Force.

The significance of the American involvement, therefore, is political rather than technological or strategic. Nicholas G. W. Thorne,

the Foreign Service officer who is director of the field mission, conceded as much when he visited the site this week.

"Our presence here is more meaningful than the sensor fields or watch stations," he said over lunch in the camp dining hall. "It's the American involvement that counts, even if it is symbolic rather than practical."

The cost of this symbolic involvement will be high. A total of \$30 million has been allocated to build and operate the stations and base camp for the first nine months.

Much more will be required, however, to construct a permanent facility and then pay salaries on a continuing basis. The technicians, for example, will be making 20 to 40 percent more than in the United States, according to Eddie Pearcy, the project manager for E Systems Inc., the Dallas-based electronics company that won the initial contract. He declined to specify the salaries but said that reports of \$40,000 a year were "high."

In addition to the technicians and support staff there will also be a 28-member Government contingent consisting of 19 State Department employees and nine from the Agency for International Development attached to the mission. They will handle the communications with Washington and liaison with the two governments and the United Nations.

The costs seem certain to rise steeply when construction begins on the permanent base facility a few miles west of the temporary camp. This is scheduled to be complete by July and will include an administrative complex, housing, combination chapel and theater, recreation center and basketball, tennis and volleyball courts. Much of the building material will have to be flown in from abroad and all of it will have to be transported to one of the most isolated and desolate sites imaginable.

Although the Americans have more amenities than the Israelis or Egyptians in the passes, life in Sinai will be no picnic.

The landscape is barren and rugged, the climate harsh and unpredictable and the sense of emptiness total. Suffocating in the summer, freezing in the winter, Sinai has long been considered the worst possible assignment among Israeli reservists. There is a constant danger from long-forgotten land mines and a threat of disease or death from the flies, mosquitos, scorpions and poisonous snakes that inhabit the area.

Despite the hardships, more than 3,000 people, many of them women, applied for positions as technicians. Sixteen women are expected to be among the initial 172 people at the site, filling jobs ranging from sensor technicians to secretaries.

Plans are being worked out to evacuate the Americans rapidly in the event that either side starts shooting. According to Mr. Thorne, the mission will strip down to a skeleton staff of about 30 if tension rises. The remaining contingent could be lifted out on short notice if necessary, he said.

The technicians are expected to serve 12-to-18-month periods and the Government employees one to two years depending on whether they bring their families to the area.

**Abortion**

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Aguda, said the amendment would have Israel follow the course of other "degenerate" countries.

Other Orthodox MKs claimed abortion was national suicide at a time when aliya was down and Israel needed to increase its population.

**ARAB WINS CONTEST**

JERUSALEM: A 25-year-old Arab construction worker, Abou Nader, won a record \$322,000 in Israel's biggest ever soccer pool, predicting 13 winning teams. Announcement of the winner was delayed while officials tried to reach him. His Galilee village has only one telephone and it was out of service.

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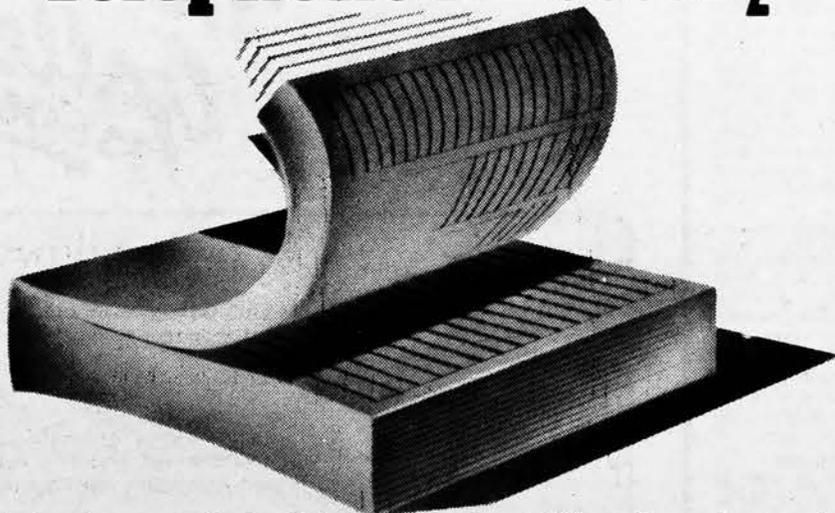


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# BRIDGE



By Robert E. Starr

Today's hand contains another defensive problem that can be easily solved if the one defender would enlist the aid of his partner to tell him something he needs to know. Most players tried to guess and were wrong. There should be no guess here. All the possibilities can be explored.

<b>North</b>		<b>East</b>	
♠ 7 2	♥ Q 9 8 5 4	♠ Q 9 8 5 4	♥ 7 3
♥ 9 8 2	♦ 9 5 3 2	♥ 7 3	♦ 9 5 3 2
♦ A J 8	♣ 7 4	♦ A J 8	♣ 7 4
♣ K J 9 5 2		♣ K J 9 5 2	
<b>West</b>		<b>South</b>	
♠ K 10 6 3	♥ A 6 5 4	♠ A J	♥ K Q J 10
♥ A 6 5 4	♦ Q 7	♥ K Q J 10	♦ K 10 6 4
♦ Q 7	♣ A 10 3	♦ K 10 6 4	♣ Q 8 6
♣ A 10 3		♣ Q 8 6	

West was Dealer, no one vulnerable with this bidding:

W	N	E	S
1♣	P	P	1NT
P	2NT	P	3NT

The bidding may not have gone exactly that way all the time but the first three bids were always the same and almost every pair did end in three No Trump. South did have somewhat of a problem when the bid was passed all the way around to him for he had a full one No Trump bid but was in what is called the balancing seat. For lack of anything better to do most decided to make that No Trump call. I think a Double and then a bid of No Trump might have been better.

After South did open North had a problem. Had South been the first to speak and bid No Trump North would have jumped right to game but now was South bidding some of North's cards. Often in the balancing seat they do. So North decided to hedge a bit and just raise to two. Now back to South who again had that same problem. Was North underbidding

because he wasn't sure South had a full No Trump bid. Anyhow, South decided to go all the way and bid game. There is a good way to handle this situation but most players would rather do a bit of guessing.

West's usual lead was a low Spade, East's Queen won by South's Ace. The play of a Queen following to a lead denies the Jack so now West knows South has that card. This will be important later. Now Declarer has work to do. He had loads of tricks available after he knocks out two Aces but he has no more Spade stoppers. He knows this but the Defenders are not sure. Some Declarers finessed a Diamond through the opening bidder and then turned their attention to the Clubs. Sooner or later West has to win that Ace and here is the key to the hand. Declarer can make his contract if the Defenders make one slip. Right now is when West must do the right thing.

If the Spades are not cashed the contract will be made. But West is reluctant to lead a Spade for East's play of the Queen at trick one denied the Jack, didn't it? A small Spade now would surely give up that trick whereas the King lead would also make that Jack good or would it? Not if it is alone and will drop. But even that won't

matter if West can get his partner in to lead a Spade through and that is what some of them tried fruitlessly to do. They were unsuccessful no matter how they tried but they could have found out.

I go along with their natural reluctance in leading that Spade King but you will find that it is going to be the last resort. West is aware by East's first pass that he has little and he has already played a Queen at trick one. The only possible entry he can have and that is doubtful is the Heart King. If he doesn't have that the hand is hopeless to set. West can find that out by simply playing his Ace and letting his partner tell him what to do next. A high Heart from East would encourage that continuation but no, East will play the 3 and the only card lower is right there in Dummy. So now West might just as well cash out,

there is no other trick available. But lo! and behold! what happens when he plays the King; the Jack drops, the remaining Spades are cashed and the hand set. Most Declarers made it.

Moral: Often you can get your partner to tell you what to do. All you have to do is give him the opportunity.

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**NO EXCESSIVE TRAVEL**  
 JERUSALEM: Yosef Almogi, newly elected chairman of the World Zionist Organization Executive, has promised that he intends to end excessive travel abroad by department heads and directors of the WZO and the Jewish Agency. He made it clear that he intends to institute internal changes in the WZO and Jewish Agency machinery. In the interests of greater efficiency, Almogi implied that he intends to become personally involved in areas that his predecessors usually left to subordinates. He is already scrutinizing two spheres of activity which have come under criticism-Zionist information and shlichim (emissaries)-and has indicated that changes would be instituted shortly.



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## Notices

### Hadassah Meeting

Jerusalem Group Hadassah will hold a Bingo on Wednesday, February 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Sinai in Cranston. Refreshments will be served, and tickets may be purchased at the door.

### Newman to Speak

Frank Newman, President of the University of Rhode Island, will discuss "The Future of Higher Education" at the annual meeting of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) on Saturday, February 21 at Salve Regina College. Milton Stanzler, a Providence attorney, will also address the group on "Retirement Age and Pensions."

### Mrs. Hochberg to Speak

Gertrude Meth Hochberg, Vice President for Public Affairs at Bryant College, will be the guest speaker at the Annual Meeting of the Rhode Island Traveler's Aid Society on February 26. Speaking before the Board and their guests, her topic will be "Traveler's Aid in a Bicentennial Year."

### Kennel Club Show

81 Siberian Huskies lead the entry of dogs to be exhibited at the 70th Providence County Kennel Club show to be held at the Providence Civic Center on Saturday, February 21. 61 Doberman Pinschers will attend, along with 1424 purebred dogs of all sizes and colors.

**WIDOWS SEEK REFORMS**  
**JERUSALEM:** The government has received a petition from a group of war widows demanding a change in the law which governs the payment of pensions to the wives of fallen soldiers. If a widow with children remarries, her pension is

reduced. In order to avoid this, many-war widows are living as married women but without benefit of clergy; and ask that the law be changed so that those widows who want to marry in accordance with law will not suffer reduced allowances.

## Nouveau Riche Capitalize On Egyptian Economics

**CAIRO:** A man who is the head of a small government-owned factory, who is renting his apartment to foreigners and whose wife has just opened a boutique for imported fashions, is well on his way to becoming one of a new class of Egyptians who have struck it rich during the last two years.

They are being called "fat cats" or "new pashas" and they have been denounced by the National Assembly and have become the subject of daily articles and cartoons in the press. One writer proposed to "slaughter" them all.

But the new class is a by-product of President Anwar el-Sadat's new liberal economic policy, which is supposed to attract foreign capitalists to Egypt. The regime clearly does not know how to cope with the abuses of this policy without being accused of reversing it and scaring off would-be investors.

### 500 Millionaires

There are now 500 millionaires in Egypt, according to the politicians and newspapers, and the actual number may be higher. Much of this wealth is recent.

The largest single group of newly rich in Cairo are real estate owners and speculators who buy and sell in quick succession. Many of them are not Egyptians but other Arabs from oil-producing countries. Anybody who owns a building site suitable for construction or who has a building — even an apartment — is potentially rich.

For example, one plot of land that was worth \$50 a square yard in 1973 changed hands recently for \$1,000 a square yard.

Then there are those who have hard currency and use it to import foreign goods that they sell for huge profits. A two-year-old law enables anybody to bring in goods worth up to \$12,000 without having to explain where he got the foreign currency to buy them.

The get-rich-quick prescription is simple. Everyone in Cairo knows it. But few have the means to carry it out, and this is causing envy.

### Rags-to-Riches Plan

A handyman who can spend only half a dollar a day on food for his family, said: "I have no education but I could do it easily. What I need is a trip to Tripoli or Kuwait. After I pay back the ticket and the cost of the goods I brought, I have some 500 pounds (\$1,250) left. This means I can make a second trip. After the third trip I have a bank account and start buying goods with my own money. After the fifth trip I bring back a car. And after a year I buy my first apartment. Then I'll be a fat cat."

The 45-year-old factory head mentioned earlier — let us call him Mr. Aziz though this is not his real name — stuck close to this prescription. He arranged his first break three years ago, soon after the Israeli war. Foreseeing the shape of things to come, he moved his family into a modest boarding house and sublet his apartment, furnished to a foreign diplomat for \$400 a month, \$362 above his own rent, unfurnished.

A year later, with more foreigners coming in, he doubled the rent. Now the apartment is rented to rich

Arabs from the Gulf for \$1,150.

With the proceeds Mr. Aziz bought a ground-floor room the size of a one-car garage in Zamalek, Cairo's smartest residential section. His wife, without previous experience, has opened a boutique selling some imported dresses for as much as \$500 each. A majority of her customers are visiting Arabs.

### Next Step a High-Rise

Now Mr. Aziz plans to buy an apartment in one of the new high-rise buildings on the Nile and soon the family will move out of the boarding house.

More than 30,000 furnished apartments are rented at exorbitant prices, to foreigners, mostly Arabs, specialists say.

The landlords pay the Government no taxes. Profits from the many new shops also are largely untaxed.

Mr. Aziz pays taxes on only his \$600-a-month salary as manager of a state-owned enterprise, a post he obtained about 10 years ago when Gamal Abdel Nasser was President.

Mr. Aziz may be a "fat cat" Sadat-style, but he is also a fairly typical upper-level bureaucrat Nasser-style. Many of the newly rich Egyptians got their positions under Nasser. Others just managed to hold onto enough private funds to be ready for the opportunities of Mr. Sadat's liberalization.

Tax evasion is made general and, some say, mandatory by a law from the Nasser days that puts a 95 percent tax on all income above the equivalent of \$25,000 a year.

"Of course I wouldn't declare my income if I had one. It would be suicide," said a journalist who, like all wage earners, has to pay tax on his \$400-a-month salary. He adds that only the wage earners whose tax is collected at the source are paying income tax.

The unrealistic tax law is now under review, but the authorities fear that the abolition of the 95 percent levy on high incomes would be misunderstood as just another measure favoring the rich.

The law permitting Egyptians to provide their own hard currency for imports also is being questioned in the National Assembly as an incitement to black marketing and profiteering.

But its supporters argue that luxury items apart, tens of millions of dollars of such sorely needed things as dyes, lacquer, spare parts, synthetic leather pipes, for shoes, sanitary equipment and steel-reinforcement rods have been imported by private entrepreneurs whose businesses would otherwise be stagnating.

Egypt has been cut off from many Western imports for 20 years or more.

A telling example is a dentist who until a year ago was operating with equipment that piece for piece — from the old-fashioned drill to the upright chair and the water basin — should have been sent to the Smithsonian Institution for an exhibit on the state of dentistry in the 1930's. Now, one by one, the drill, the chair and the basin are being replaced by the most modern equipment money can buy. The dentist is wealthy in Egyptian terms but not considered a "fat cat."

There is conspicuous consumption, as the new class flocks to the

restaurants and nightclubs of the luxury hotels where an evening may cost many times the monthly wage of an average office worker.

A middle-level civil servant earning the equivalent of \$400 a month recently threw a party that he said cost him \$2,000, including champagne and imported smoked salmon. The party was for a friend who wanted to "establish connections." Many of the guests were foreigners.

Any Egyptian who is able to set himself up as a consultant guiding foreigners in business through the labyrinth of Egyptian bureaucracy is a potential "fat cat."

### Real Estate Popular

Much of the new wealth goes back into real estate. Mr. Aziz has an option to buy another apartment — a really fancy one in an unfinished building — for his 15-year-old daughter.

Sometimes what is conspicuous consumption in Cairo would look precious elsewhere.

A 5-year-old boy struts down the street in custom made flared slacks, a leather overcoat and a muskrat Davy Crocket cap clasping a toy saxophone. His mother wears a fur-lined suede coat. Both had a carefully groomed look.

The most prestigious status symbol of course, is the gleaming new car — a Mercedes-Benz for the head of the family, perhaps another for his wife, while junior drives a fat-wheeled American sports car.

Economists estimate that 4,000 new private cars are being imported every month. Upkeep of a car costs about \$60 a month, which is what a university graduate usually earns on his first job.

Some of the wealth is hidden in the city's poorer quarters and belongs to men who wear traditional dress.

Among the richest men in Cairo are the hundred-odd wholesale butchers who buy sheep from the farms and fatten them before slaughtering them. Retail butchers also are frequently rich, to the point of being the butt of many cartoons.

Then there is the wholesale vegetable and fruit dealer who advances cash for fertilizer and other needs of thousands of farmers all the way to Upper Egypt, and then at harvest time collects their crops in his trucks and sells them to the retailers.

### An Old Tradition

Finally, there are the hiring bosses who provide gangs of day laborers for anybody who needs a job done — from a small builder to the Government. The boss — there may be 100 of them in Cairo — collects the wages and withholds his commission under a system that has been in force for generations.

"Egypt's rich have always been rapacious, there's nothing new in this," a young student says.

As if to bear him out, an elderly woman from a rich Alexandria family commented with Olympian detachment the other day on the fact that most people in Cairo spend several hours a day waiting in lines at groceries and bus stops:

"I never in all my life stood in line for anything," she said, "not even to buy a chicken or a movie ticket. I have always had people who brought me what I needed. There are those who stand in lines, and there are those who do not." "Don't you think that this is how it was meant to be?"

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## Vatican Rejects Arab Arguments

**ROME:** The Vatican last week formally rejected a condemnation of Zionism and calls for Arab control of Jerusalem, which were approved at a Christian-Moslem conference held in Tripoli, Libya recently.

An announcement said that after "competent Vatican authorities" had examined the Tripoli conference's declaration, "the Holy See has declared it cannot accept such points because its content does not correspond substantially to the

well-known Vatican position."

A 12-member delegation from the Vatican led by Sergio Cardinal Pignedoli, head of the Secretariat for Non-Christians, attended the five-day conference, which was sponsored by Muammar el-Qaddafi, the Libyan leader.

The two points rejected by the Vatican were:

On Zionism: "The two delegations distinguish between Judaism and Zionism, inasmuch as Zionism is a racist, enemy movement, alien to Palestine and the entire Middle East."

On Palestine: Commitment to law and justice and peace, to faith

## Miss Wolfe To Marry

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall G. Wolfe of Providence have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jane Allyn Wolfe, to Steven A. Silberberg, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Silberberg of Manchester, New Hampshire.

Miss Wolfe, a 1971 Brandeis University graduate, is currently an executive with Filene's of Boston. Her father is president of Philip Wolfe, Inc., of Providence. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gerstenzang of Hollywood, Fla., and of the late Samuel and Dr. Hattie (Greenblatt) Wolfe of Providence.

Mr. Silberberg, an alumnus of the Tilton School, graduated Boston University of Liberal Arts in 1970. He received a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of New Hampshire and the degree of Juris Doctor from Boston University. He is presently with the legal department at the Interamerican Development Bank in Washington, D.C. His father is president of Riddle Spring Farms, Bedford, New Hampshire. Mr. Silberberg is the grandson of Morris Silver and the late Mrs. Sadie Silver of Manchester and the late Mr. and Mrs. Jack (Francis) Silberberg of Bedford and Mrs. Jack (Ida) Silberberg of Miami Beach, Florida.

An April 3 wedding is planned.

privileged classes and the evils of the government, she said. Even today, she continued, "where we find discrimination against one group, we find it against the other."

As an example, she noted that "private clubs in the United States today often refuse to accept Jews because they say it will diminish the status of the club. And they give the same reason for refusing to take in women members." Ms. DeCrow, who has just returned from a two-week trip to the Soviet Union, where she was a guest of the government, cited that country as a prime example of one that discriminates against both Jews and women.

### ISRAEL HAS 'LANCE'

TEL AVIV: The American surface-to-surface short range missile "Lance" has been incorporated into Israel's artillery corps. This was learned when Defense Minister Shimon Peres and senior army officers visited an artillery corps base and watched soldiers training with the new weapon. Israeli soldiers also trained with the 100-kilometer range missile in the United States and won the top marks at the American training center. The Lance, which is mounted on a launcher, is the American answer to the Russian "Frog" missile which was used by the Syrians and Egyptians during the Yom Kippur War.

## 12 of 50 'Influential' U.S. Women are Jewish

NEW YORK: A survey of the 50 most influential women has revealed that 12 of them are Jewish, according to a selection made by a 29 member panel named by the

Newspaper Enterprise Association, a national syndicate.

The panel was asked to determine which women have made the greatest impact of U.S. society.

The Jewish women included Congresswoman Elizabeth Holtzman of Brooklyn; Congresswoman Bella Abzug of New York; Lillian Hellman, author, dramatist and screen writer; Barbara Walters, TV personality; Mrs. Dorothy Schiff, publisher of the New York Post; Ann Landers, columnist Sylvia Porter, financial columnist; Ayn Rand, novelist; Leonore Hershey; magazine editor; Jane Jacobs, city planner; and Betty Friedan; author and founder of women's lib movement.

Among the non-Jewish women selected were Gov. Ella Grasso of Connecticut; Mrs. Anne Morrow Lindbergh; Margaret Mead; Mrs. Gerald Ford; and Rose Kennedy, mother of the late President Kennedy.

Providence. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Laux of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

### Son for Kellers

Mr. and Mrs. Hymie Keller of University Heights, Ohio, have announced the birth of a son, David Herschel Keller on January 21. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Berman of Cole Avenue, Providence, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Keller of Cleveland, Ohio. Great grandmothers are Mrs. Esther Berman of North Kingstown and Mrs. Goldie Botvin of Providence.



Jane Allyn Wolfe

## NOW President Calls Prejudice A 'Joint Fight'

CHICAGO: The President of the National Organization of Women (NOW) declared recently that nations and groups that discriminate against Jews are those which also are prone to discriminate against women. She told the National Executive Council of the American Jewish Committee "In many ways, we have a joint fight on our hands."

She cited as an example the fact that the International Women's Year Conference in Mexico City last June, where the majority of delegates came from Arab and Third World countries, refused to endorse a statement condemning sexism but passed a resolution condemning Zionism.

"It was disgraceful," she said, "but it was also unfortunately part of a pattern. Even though the delegates to the conference were women, they couldn't endorse a statement condemning sexism because most of the nations of the world, which they represented, approved of sexism and practice it. On the other hand, they could endorse a statement condemning Zionism because, tragically, the same nations are anti-Semitic and practice anti-Semitism."

Ms. DeCrow recalled the scene at the Mexico City conference when the Arab and Third World delegates walked out of the meeting as Leah Rabin went to the podium

to speak. Mrs. Rabin, wife of Israel's Prime Minister, headed the Israeli delegation to the International Women's Year Conference.

"It was a humiliating experience, not only for Ms. Rabin but for all of us there who believed in sisterhood and justice," Ms. DeCrow said. "I have felt strongly since Mexico City that anti-Semitism is so alive and well that it is incumbent for everyone to do what she or he can in fighting it, and not push it under the rug. I call on everyone who believes in democracy and justice to help—to be concerned about it."

From earliest times, Ms. DeCrow asserted, both Jews and women have been "scapegoats for the dissatisfactions and unrest of society." During the middle Ages, she pointed out, Jews were killed in the Inquisition, while women were killed as witches. Both kinds of murder were means of diverting public action from the excesses of the

## Society

### Dean's List

Susan Lynn Plushner, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ruby Plushner, has been selected for the Dean's List at the University of Rhode Island.

### Second Child Born

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Laux of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, have announced the birth of their second child and first son, Adam Israel Laux, on February 1. Mrs. Laux is the former Linda Brody of Providence. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brody of

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**NAZI UNIFORMS**  
LONDON: Jack-booted whites wearing Nazi-style uniforms and displaying swastikas have formed a new Rhodesian political party, the Rhodesian White People's Party, according to reports from Salisbury. The principal aims of the party are resisting terrorism, combatting "liberalism," and opposing Zionism.

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nings, in contrast to an average 15X in the sixties. And on the basis of a generally anticipated 20% rise in corporate earnings this year, the P-E of a Dow "share" is around 10X. Clearly, you haven't yet missed the boat. You can still buy good stocks and profit.

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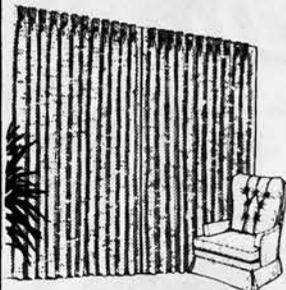
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## Catholics and Jews Have 'Common Cause'

WASHINGTON: "We are ready to acknowledge our common cause" with Christians, said Rabbi Joshua O. Haberman of Washington before a Christian-Jewish Festival of Psalms program at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception last week.

It was the first such Catholic-Jewish program held at the shrine:

"We face the same rampant ignorance," the rabbi said. "We can learn with and from each other in the study of our common biblical heritage."

"We are threatened by a similar decline and decay of family life. We must reverse this most tragic trend in our society."

"We deplore the cheapening and vulgarization of sexual standards. WE need to renew reverence for personality."

"We are horrified by rising violence and contempt for life. We must together protect the sanctity and security of life."  
"As Catholics and Jews we have often been victims of discrimination in this land. We, more than others, must stand up for justice, equality and fair play for all citizens of America."

The interfaith musical festival at the national Catholic shrine Feb. 1 was a sequel to a similar program in November at the Washington Hebrew Congregation, when Archbishop William W. Baum of Washington spoke of the need not only to correct past misunderstandings but also to work together in honoring God and fighting false idols such as hedonism, materialism and false nationalism.

In both services Rabbi Haberman and Archbishop Baum were present and the choirs of the

Washington Hebrew Congregation and the National Shrine alternated singing selected Psalms.

The two celebrations marked the 10th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council's Declaration on the Relationship of the Church with Non-Christian Religions, which began a new era in Catholic attitudes toward Jews.

Rabbi Haberman urged Catholics and Jews to work together when they could, to respect one another's differences, but not to let the differences block cooperation where it was possible.

"What we need to fear most, he said, "is not religious difference but religious indifference."

## AJC Satisfied, Will Resume Travel

The American Jewish Congress, the Union of American Hebrew Organizations and the National Council for Jewish Women today announced that they will resume travel programs to Mexico, effective at once, in response to Mexico's newly clarified position on Zionism.

The three organizations made the following statement:

"We note the recent finding by a Subcommittee of the Presidents Conference of Major Jewish Organizations that since the vote on the original UN Resolution there has been a 'decided reversal' in Mexico's attitude toward Zionism."

"In the light of these factors our organizations have determined that effective at once we are resuming our travel programs to Mexico."



**ENGAGED:** Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dicks of Rahway, New Jersey, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Fran Dicks, to Richard Lowenstein, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Lowenstein of North Valley Stream, New York. Miss Dicks was graduated from Rahway High School, and attends Northeastern University and Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene in Boston. She will receive an associate in science degree and a certificate from Forsyth in June. Mr. Lowenstein graduated from North High School, and will receive his bachelor of science degree in June from Northeastern University. A 1977 wedding is planned. Mrs. Lowenstein is the former Ethel Strelow, daughter of Peter Strelow and the late Mollie Strelow of Sixth Street in Providence.

## Critic of Rabin Joins Ministry

TEL AVIV: The appointment of Prof. Shlomo Avineri, a noted political scientist critical of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's policies on Palestinian Arabs, was approved February 15 by the Israeli Cabinet. He becomes director general of the Foreign Ministry, the highest post in the civil service.

The appointment, which was ratified by the Cabinet in Jerusalem, alarmed hard-liners. They expressed concern that it might be interpreted as a shift from the Government's policy of unequivocal refusal to negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organization and rejection of the establishment of a Palestinian state between Israel and Jordan.

The Minister of Welfare, Zevulun Hammer, opposed ratification in the Cabinet vote. Three abstained, including Defense Minister Shimon Peres.

In an unusual development after the meeting, the Cabinet made public a statement by Mr. Rabin saying that the appointment could in no way be taken to indicate the direction of policy, which would continue to be determined by the Cabinet.

Professor Avineri said that he had accepted the office to help Foreign Minister Yigal Allon make the ministry the focus of foreign-policy making. Mr. Avineri will step down as dean of the social sciences faculty at Hebrew University.

The ministry has been largely a channel for diplomacy while actual policies have been devised to a greater or lesser extent in the Prime Minister's office, the Defense Ministry or ministerial committees. Frustrated by his secondary role, Mr. Allon was understood to have recruited the eminent scholar to raise the stature of his ministry.

The professor stirred a political storm in December when opposition members in Parliament protested that the state radio had

broadcast a long interview in which he presented his views on the Palestine issue.

In the interview, Professor Avineri sharply criticized the Prime Minister and said that Israel should not reject out of hand a settlement with a meaningful group of Palestinians willing to settle for a Palestinian state in the West Bank

and the Gaza Strip with some link to Jordan, if the group was ready to live in peaceful co-existence and mutual understanding with Israel.

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## Your Money's Worth

By Sylvia Porter



### Going Camping This Summer? Plan Now.

Q. If you are among the tens of millions of Americans dreaming of a camping trip this spring or summer — by far the most popular type of vacation in the U.S., by far the least expensive, and potentially among the most rewarding — when is the best time to start serious preparations for your trip?

A. Right now, in February. In fact, you're even a bit tardy, for with the first signs of spring, your millions of co-dreamers also will start to plan and prices of camping gear will respond accordingly.

Camping in the U.S. has become big-time business in recent years — with hundreds of millions of dollars spent on camping equipment, billions of dollars invested in travel trailers, millions more spent on getting to and from camping grounds, on overnight fees, on other expenses.

But let's get back to the basic type of camping trip: the hike over a magnificent trail, with all your equipment in a rucksack on your own back. What are the top dollar-and-cent guides for this sort of vacation?

(1) The cheapest and certainly the best way to handle your trip — certainly if this is your first experience — is to rent as much of the essential equipment as you can and to hold your own investment to the minimum. Buy only what you must until you find out whether you have the physical endurance for this sort of vacation, whether you truly enjoy it and if so, what camping style you like most.

(2) The next cheapest way to manage is to make as much of your own equipment as you can. Buy the basic gear kits from one of the firms now in the industry and do-it-yourself. If you go this route, there are additional guides for you.

(3) Start doing-it-yourself with the easiest items — and work up to the more complicated and expensive gear. A young assistant who went

on a 400-mile hike along the Appalachian Trail this past summer started sewing our two sleeping bags, a complicated task. With setbacks and a lot of costly errors on the way, she completed the bags in about three weeks. She learned this rule the hard way.

(4) Since the materials in the kits come pre-cut, the possibility of errors is minimized, but sewing mistakes can ruin your job. Most kits come with the patterns pre-cut and the necessary thread, grommets, cording, instructions. If you have trouble with the finishing, the established firms have customer service departments created specifically to guide you.

(5) Find out at the start what kind of guarantee the manufacturer of your chosen kit offers. If you make major errors, does the manufacturer offer you any protection or compensation?

(6) The savings you can achieve by doing-your-own can range from 30 per cent to 50 per cent over ready-made items — but don't underestimate the fact that you're investing your time and labor too. Here are approximations of savings:

On a down sleeping bag, you can

## Questions Free Travel For Those With 'Pull'

JERUSALEM: Likud MK Gideon Patt raised the issue of free airline tickets for privileged persons as he questioned Transport Minister Gad Yaacobi about allegations that El Al gave out 5,000 free tickets annually to persons with "protektzia" — political pull. He demanded a list of all MK's government ministers and senior officials who have received free transportation.

"An El Al spokesman said that the 5,000 figure was "a gross exaggeration." A spokesman for the Transport Ministry

save about \$45 as compared with a comparable ready-made bag.

On a day pack, the ready-made would cost about \$16, your own made from a kit about \$10.

On an aluminum fram pack bag, the store-bought price would be around \$62, the kit price about \$43.

On a down parka, you can make one for about \$26 as against a store price of \$53.50.

And a ready-made mountain parka would cost about \$50 against your kit-parka's cost of \$23.

(7) If you have no special dream areas for hikes or back-packing trips, ask for guidance from the Sierra Club, oldest and one of the largest wilderness conservation clubs in the U.S. (1050 Mills Tower, 220 Bush St., San Francisco, Calif. 94104) or the Wilderness Society (Western Regional Office, 4260 Evans Ave., Denver, Colo. 80222).

(8) Look into any new national parks which may have recently been created on the very edges of our major cities.

(9) Most important, study the areas close to your own home with the utmost care. You may find a little gem of wilderness near you — to which and through which you can hike with a minimum spending of money and time.

acknowledged that El Al had issued free tickets to 3305 persons last year at the government's request, but denied that government employees were abusing their privilege of free air transportation.

The spokesman said the requests were recognized by the International Air Transport Association (IATA) and noted that all governments frequently made such requests of their national carriers. He said that unlike the situation in many other countries, all requests for free airline tickets in Israel were subject to scrutiny by the State Comptroller.

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## UN Commission Accepts Israel 'War Crimes' Claim

GENEVA: An Arab-inspired resolution accusing Israel of having committed "war crimes" in the occupied Arab territories passed the United Nations Commission on Human Rights on Friday, February 13. The vote was 23 to 1, with 8 abstentions.

The United States cast the sole negative vote, but it did not amount to a veto, since such powers exist only in the United Nations Security Council.

Leonard Garment, the American representative, had denounced the motion earlier as "inflammatory" and "one-sided" and had warned that since the commission lacked any power to enforce its decisions, it had to rely on the consent of the parties to its moral authority.

Five Western European nations — Britain, France, Italy, West Germany and Austria — joined Canada, Costa Rica and Uruguay in abstaining. The resolution declared that Israel's continued occupation of the Arab territories was in itself a "continuous violation of the Charter of the United Nations and of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights."

Those abstaining were critical of what Dietrich von Kyaw, the West German delegate, termed the "exaggerated and sometimes unjustified language" of the resolution. Pierre Juvigny of France said that the commission was not qualified to act as a "judicial body."

The abstainers did not vote against the solution because they

apparently could accept some parts of it.

While the resolution was inspired by the Arab members of the 32-nation commission, these countries left the formal sponsoring of the text to India, Cuba, Pakistan, Yugoslavia, Cyprus, Senegal and Upper Volta.

The seven sponsors were joined in voting for the resolution by the Soviet Union, Byelorussia, Bulgaria, Ecuador, Egypt, Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Panama, Peru, Rwanda, Sierra Laence, Tanzania, and Turkey.

The text they approved said the commission considered the "continued grave violations" of international law in the Arab territories by Israel to be "war crimes and an affront to humanity."

The vote followed the now well-established pattern in the commission itself and in other United Nations bodies on the Israel-Palestinian issue.

A year ago at its session here the commission approved by a vote of 21 to 6, with 5 abstentions, a resolution accusing Israel of "desecration of Moslem and Christian shrines" in the occupied Arab territories.

At the same session the commission approved a second resolution accusing Israel of further violations in these territories by a vote of 22 to 1, with 9 abstentions. The United States alone voted against both resolutions.

Before today's resolution was adopted, Britain and the United

States alone voted in favor of a proposal to delete a passage terming Israeli occupation of Abab lands a "grave threat to international peace and security." Offered by Britain, the proposal was defeated by a 24-2 vote, with 6 abstentions.

In one of its principal sections the resolution said that the commission "condemns in particular the following Israeli policies and practices:

- "(a) measure aiming at annexation of part of the occupied territories;
- "(b) the intensification of action aiming at the establishment of Israeli settlements therein and the transfer of an alien population thereto;
- "(c) the destruction and demolition of Arab houses;
- "(d) the confiscation and expropriation of Arab property in the occupied territories and all other transactions of the acquisition of land involving the Israeli authorities, institutions and nationals on the one hand, and the inhabitants and institutions of the occupied territories, on the other;
- "(e) the evacuation, deportation, expulsion, displacement and transfer of Arab inhabitants of the occupied territories and the denial of their rights to return.
- "(f) mass arrest, administrative detention and ill treatment of the Arab population;
- "(g) the purging of archeological and cultural property;
- "(h) the interference with religious freedoms and practices, as well as family rights and customs;
- "(i) the hindrance of the exercise by the population of the occupied territories of their right to national education and cultural life."

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## Administration May Cut Economic Aid to Israel

WASHINGTON: Administration enthusiasms for an additional \$556 million in military and economic aid for Israel has seemed to be tempered in the past week.

Two weeks ago, Senator Hubert H. Humphrey, the Minnesota Democrat told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee after a phone conversation with Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, supported a committee formula that would prorate the \$4.48 billion security aid bill for the period ending June 30 over the following three months the so-called transitional quarter before the new fiscal year begins on October 1.

That bill, if approved by the Senate when it returns from recess next week, would mean an additional authorization of more than \$1 billion this year.

It was promoted by supporters of Israel who know that the Administration was seeking to cut Israel's military aid in the next. Since Israel would receive nearly \$800 million in economic aid

in the current fiscal year, its total aid for the period ending June 30 would be \$2.3 billion. With the \$556 million prorated for the additional quarter, the total would exceed \$2.8 billion.

### Issue is 'Under Review'

Today, when asked whether the Ford Administration supported the prorated formula, which meant a 25 percent increase across the board, Robert L. Funseth, the State Department spokesman, aid only that the question of transitional-quarter funds was "under review" in the Administration.

This led to questions whether Mr. Kissinger had misspoken or whether the Administration had changed its position.

Mr. Humphrey insisted today that Mr. Kissinger had said he would support the committee action.

Later this afternoon, a department official said that a meeting had been held on the subject and that a policy had emerged that seemed to strike a balance

### A Subtle Difference

Under this policy, he said, the Administration will not seek additional funds for the transitional quarter, but if Congress insists on authorizing funds for the additional three months, the Administration will accept an increase of 25 percent in its original request, not in the total that emerged from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The distinction is subtle but would mean additional funds for Arab countries.

This is because the committee cut the Administrations's request for Egypt, Jordan and Syria much more severely than it did aid for Israel, which was virtually untouched.

What remains to be seen is whether the Administration will use its influence to support efforts, at least tacitly, by those in Congress against an increase in the aid allocations. Traditionally, the appropriations committees, which have yet to act on the foreign aid bill, are less willing to approve additional funds.  
 Debbie

## Baltimore Jews Ask Disciplinary Action Against Ilie Nastase

BALTIMORE: The Baltimore Jewish Council has accused Ilie Nastase, the Rumanian tennis star, of making an anti-Semitic remark during a tennis match, and has asked the United States Tennis Association to take "appropriate disciplinary action" against him.

Nastase was accused of saying "there are too many Jews here" when he became upset, during a game in the international indoor tennis championship in Catonsville, Md., by the strong vocal support from the audience for his opponent, Harold Solomon of Silver Spring, a Jew.

Mark D. Coplin, president of the Council, said the "anti-Semitic remarks and actions" at the contest were repugnant to all Americans. Coplin said the council had sent a letter to the tennis association asking for an investigation and dis-

ciplinary action. The Council said, in the letter, that Nastase took part

## Committee Hopes For Fair Play

JERUSALEM: Following recent incidents involving the two Arab players on National League teams, a public committee has been organized to promote a sense of fair play toward Arab soccer players.

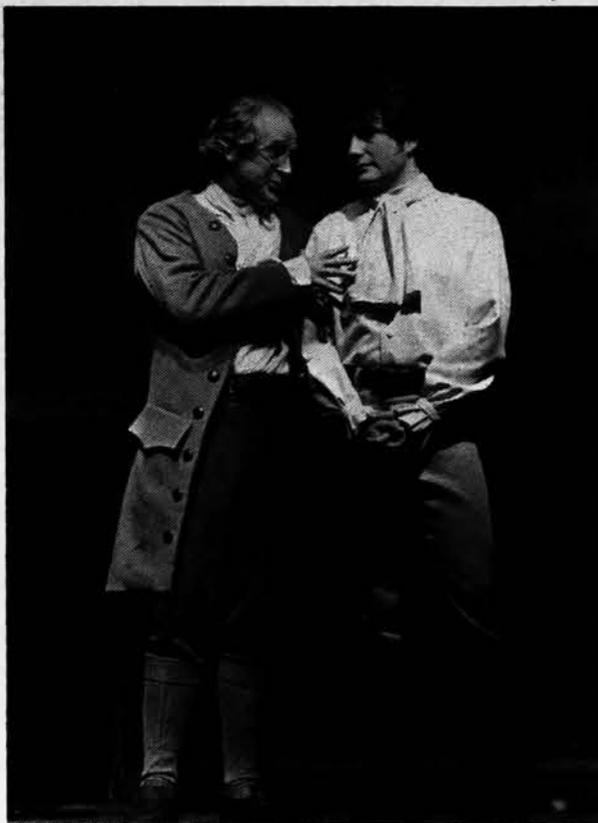
One, Rafat Tork, of the Tel Aviv Hapoel team, was the subject of ethnic abuse by members of the opposing Ramat Amidar Maccabi team when he scored a goal three weeks ago. Tork told an interviewer afterwards that he was prepared for such abuse from people in the crowd, but not from fellow players. The other Arab player, Ali Hussein

in the tourney, sponsored by the Junior League of Baltimore, "as a guest of the Baltimore community and under the auspices of the United States Tennis Association."

Nastase reportedly said he was "surprised" by the Council's complaint. He did not deny he had made the comment, but said he had made it "to myself, no one else."

Otman of the Jerusalem Hapoel team, accused a referee of being ethnically abusive last Saturday when he objected to a ruling.

A founding member of the public committee, Yehuda Leish, said its object was to launch an information campaign aimed at fans and players with the object of removing the explosive element of ethnic differences from the already heated atmosphere of the soccer match. Other members of the committee include former director general of the Finance Ministry Yaacov Arnon and writer Haim Guri.



**BEN FRANKUN** (William Cain) and his Tory son **William** (Robert Black) are the central characters in the Trinity Square Repertory Company's world premiere production of Richard Lee Marks' "Bastard Son," directed by Vincent Dowling at the Upstairs Lederer Theatre. Performances continue until March 14, Tuesdays through Sundays. "Film Festival 2" continues Thursdays through Sundays at 8 p.m. until March 7.

## At Trinity Square Recalling All Those Forgotten Fathers

"Bastard Son" an original play about Benjamin Franklin's Loyalist son and the American Revolution, is being presented by the Trinity Square Repertory Company in the upstairs Lederer Theater. Written by Richard Lee Marks and directed by Vincent Dowling, it will be thought of as a Bicentennial vehicle even though its author disclaims any such intention.

Rather than having a single focus, "Bastard Son" is about equally concerned with William Franklin's career and with an act of retribution ultimately attributable to Washington. The play begins with William proclaiming his bastardy and ends as he severs his last link with America by deeding his American property to his own bastard son. In between, William has married, governed New Jersey for the king and been jailed for about two years. He is commander of a body of Loyalists, and in a fit of anger has ordered the mur-

der of a revolutionary held by the British. After the killing one of Washington's officers demands an eye for an eye, a man for a man—and forces a situation in which lots are drawn to determine which British officer will be killed in exchange for the murder Franklin allowed. The lot falls on a very young man, Asgill, and a disproportionately large amount of time is devoted to lengthy discussions about whether he should or should not, will or will not, be killed.

The playwright intends, it would seem, to point up the forgotten people in every successful rebellion and civil war; those who side with the regnant power and lose everything when that power topples. But he also gives almost equal weight to pragmatic politics in the sweeping diversion of Asgill's life/death situation, which seems, except as an aside, to be apart from whatever he was trying to say about William Franklin and

## Squash, Racquetball Courts Now Open in Providence

The opening of a new six-court handball, racquetball and squash facility at the Providence Central YMCA is a major addition to the recreational and sports opportunities available to men and women of Greater Providence.

William M. Sloan, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Management of Central Y, and himself a squash player, says the new courts are probably the best in New England at this time. Designed by architect, David Presbrey, and constructed by A. F. Lusi Construction Inc., the four handball-racquetball, and

two squash court building attached structure now gives Central Y the most comprehensive sports facility of its kind in Rhode Island, of its kind in Rhode Island.

"We are particularly pleased with this new facility in that it offers greater opportunity for people to learn sports that may be played throughout their life span," said Don Booth, Central Y Executive Director. "We expect to see a rapid growth in the number of racquetball players in Providence. This sport, a sort of cross between handball and squash, the basics of which can be learned quickly; has gained

tremendous popularity in the past five years, particularly on the West Coast" Booth stated.

Cal Steere, Jr., Central Y Physical Director and a top ranked Rhode Island squash player, is presently scheduling clinics and exhibitions to introduce Central Y members to the three games. "Interestingly," stated Steere, "squash and racquetball are two sports that women have taken to lately and have played very well." Central Y members have enjoyed single wall handball play for many years, but now the addition of the new four wall courts offers a different challenge. "We expect many of our present single wall players will take to the new game quickly," said Steere.

the Loyalists. The Asgill portion of the play is necessary visually; it occurs in Act II, and the white pants and red coats of the British are vital to dress the stage, as in Act I William's wife in her blue dress gave grateful rest to the eyes roving that huge barn of a theater and finding mostly drab colors and costumes to light upon.

The set of course includes the whole theater, but the major playing area is a square with platforms, ramps and staircases, surrounded on three sides by unreserved audience seats. The nature of the play (declamatory) and of the theater (vast and sound-dispersing) meant that everyone had to shout to be heard, which is probably tiring to actors and is decidedly tiring to the audience. But the play itself was tiring, too. It seemed to go on and on without moving perceptibly. The cast includes some very good people and nobody was unsatisfactory, but the production lacked coherence, movement and pace. It should be added that with an original play there is likely to be continued growth and change at least until the official opening night: I saw it four nights before the official opening, and by now Trinity may have modulated the acoustics and therefore the shouting, modified the script, and done something about the internal movement of "Bastard Son."

Cast members are: William Franklin, Robert Black; Benjamin Franklin, William Cain; Temple Franklin, John Chase; General Clinton, George Martin; General Hazen, William Damkoehler; Captain Asgill, Derek Meader; and, each playing from two to seven roles, Ed Hall, Peter Gerety, Barbara Orson, Mina Manente, Brad Gottlin, Richard Jenkins, Daniel Von Barga, Margo Skinner, William Sadler, and Timothy Donohue. The scenery was designed by James Berton Harris; lighting by Mark Rippe; properties by Sandra Nathanson.

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## The Arts

### Concert Rescheduled

A recital planned by Israeli pianist, Rachel Feinstein, to celebrate Jewish Music Month by the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 21 at 8 p.m. at the Center. Miss Feinstein cancelled the February 14 concert because of illness. She holds a post graduate certificate from Tel Aviv Conservatory and the Academy of Music, where she also taught for 14 years. She has performed as piano soloist with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, in chamber music ensembles, and has played recitals in Israel and Cleveland, Ohio. She is presently teaching at Brown University and playing concerts in Providence and Boston. A reception to meet the artist will be held after the performance.

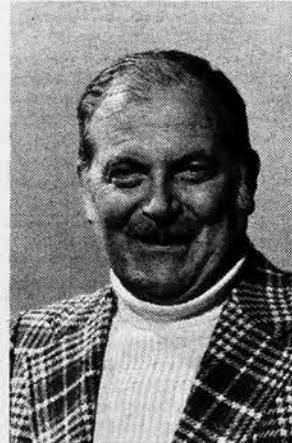
### Group Photo Show

The Providence Water Color Club will present a group photo show from February 22 through March 12 at the gallery at 6 Thomas

Street in Providence. The show will feature the work of John Andreozzi, John deMelim, and Bruce Mielke. An opening reception will be held on Sunday, February 22 from 2 to 5 p.m., and gallery hours otherwise are Tuesday through Saturday from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. and Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m.

### Dance Company to Perform

A performance by the 5 by 2 Dance Company on Saturday evening, February 28, will highlight a half-week residency by the company at Brown University. The performance will be held at Alumnae Hall at 8 p.m. The modern dance repertory company is composed of two dancers, Jane Kosminsky and Bruce Becker. Their repertoire includes works by choreographers Jose Limon, Paul Taylor, Helen Tamiris, James Waring, and Twyla Tharp. The residency will be sponsored by the Brown Modern Dance Club, in cooperation with several campus organizations and the Rhode Island Dance Repertory Company.



**CHARLES KUSHNER** of Belmont Road, Cranston, will appear in the role of Hubert Laurie in the Academy Players' production of the Emlyn Williams' mystery, "Night Must Fall". It will be presented Friday and Saturday at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday at 5 p.m. at the East Greenwich Civic Center on Pierce Street. Kushner has appeared in previous Academy productions of "Pirates of Penzance" and most recently "The Mikado," both operettas by Gilbert & Sullivan.

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**Publisher**

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memos from Howard Hughes to some of his underlings," disclosed Greenspun.

Hank has never published these notes, nor has he told how he got them.

Early in 1975, Greenspun was interviewed by Peter Lawford for ABC television, but his segment of the show was omitted, Hank claimed, because of financial pressures brought by Hughes sources.

"After the edited version came through, it amounted to nothing but praise for Hughes. Anything critical of Hughes was cut out because of the tremendous pressure from the Hughes people on Fox Studios and ABC."

Greenspun now is involved in litigation against Hughes to clear his title to land on the outskirts of Las Vegas. The publisher sold his Las Vegas television station and several other properties in Southern Nevada to Hughes in the late 1960s.

In Los Angeles, in 1974, Greenspun testified in a \$17.5 million libel suit against Hughes by a former Hughes executive, Robert Maheu, that he had sold his television station (KLAS-TV) to Hughes in 1968 because Howard wanted to watch television movies all night.

Hank told the court that Hughes' aides made repeated demands that the station operate through the early morning hours.

Finally, to get the station operated his way, Hughes bought it in March, 1968.

Besides the television station, Greenspun said, he sold Hughes the Paradise Valley Country Club for \$2.6 million.

In his column of June 13, 1973, Hank wrote, "The Sun is going to investigate the IRS."

Greenspun turned his staff loose on the IRS with a series of stories on its various "gestapo-like" actions.

As a result, the IRS made some reforms. An order from the director of IRS directed that all field offices submit to headquarters the names of all informants.

As a Jew, he joined the epic struggle to keep Israel from dying. It seemed destined to perish shortly after its birth May 15, 1948.

When it was under attack by Arabs, Hank embarked on an incredible odyssey, plundering a naval depot in Hawaii, seizing a pursuit yacht at gunpoint near Wilmington, Calif., posing as a Mexican and as a confidential agent for Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

The upshot of all this was that he filled a ship, at Tampico Bay, with 6,000 tons of contraband rifles, machine guns, howitzers and cannons, plus tons of ammunition, and took them to Israel.

In so doing, Greenspun violated the U.S. Neutrality Act. Twice in

the next two years, he was tried in federal court. At the second trial, he was convicted and stripped of his civil rights.

In October, 1961, 11 years after Greenspun's conviction, he was pardoned by President John F. Kennedy.

Although Greenspun has long warred with the rival *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, he has been unable to overtake it in either circulation or advertising.

The Sun is a lively, sassy paper, and Greenspun lards it with columns. In his sport section, Jimmy (The Greek) Snyder, a publicist for a casino, and Jerry Tarkanian, basketball coach at the University of Nevada, write columns.

On his section page, Paul Price writes a daily column, which runs two columns and a half, from top of the page to the bottom.

Hank first rolled into Las Vegas in September, 1946, when it was a small town with dirt sidewalks and roads.

Soon, he ran into his old St. John's law school buddy, Ralph Pearl, a journalist, and a reporter friend, James L. Fallon. Since all three were out of work, they decided to start a pocket-sized magazine on Las Vegas nightlife.

Fallon was named executive editor; Pearl the Hollywood correspondent, and Greenspun took over as publisher, reporter and columnist. Pearl today writes an entertainment column for the Sun.

Bugsy Siegel, the nation's top hoodlum rescued the dying magazine with full-page ads on his building Flamingo.

When the Flamingo finally opened, Hank became the publicity director. Next he bought into the Desert Inn and a radio station.

In 1950, he bought the Free-Press, founded by the International Typographical Union after the *Review-Journal* refused to negotiate with the printers.

Hank secured the thrice-a-week paper for \$104,000, the amount the I.T.U. had invested in equipment. At once, he went to a five-day schedule and changed the name to Sun.

Al Cahlan, the *Review-Journal's* managing director, began taking potshots at the new paper in his column, called "From Where I Sit."

So Hank started a front-page column, slugged, "Where I Stand," and struck back. Soon he was off after bigger game.

In 1952, at the height of his battle with the late Nevada Senator, Pat McCarran had the casinos cancel all their advertising with the Sun.

Later, Hank retrieved the advertising, unhorsed the snorting McCarran, exposed a gang of thieves and rancid office holders and probably saved gambling as a Nevada institution.

He was the first newspaper publisher to attack Joe McCarthy,

the Wisconsin Senator. McCarthy at once came to Las Vegas to make an address, in which he labeled Hank as a Communist. When he finished his speech, Greenspun raced to the mike to repudiate him. But the Senator then was departing. The Sun photographers got a shot of him as he rushed from the building, and it ran in papers all over the nation.

While vacationing in Switzerland, Hank received a call Nov. 20, 1963 from his executive editor, Ruthe Deskin, that his plant had burned down.

The next two editions were printed by the *Review-Journal*. But the paper wanted all the Sun's ads to run in the R&J.

So the Sun began using its storage plant while its new all-white building was going up.

Soon after, he decided to try his hand at the nation's basic industry: steel, about which he knew nothing. For two years he worked as a salesman, then formed a steel-jobbing company of his own. Soon he had 20 salesmen, and his brother, Dave, was his office manager.

Hank was tipped off that the Nagle Engine Works in Erie, Pa., was up for sale. Closed by the depression, it had an asking price of \$500,000, but was worth many times that.

Although Hank had saved only \$1,000, he secured an option to buy it. Then he went to the Maritime Commission in Washington, D.C. and secured a \$2,486,000 contract for reciprocating marine engines, to be installed in Liberty Ships.

Institutions and money-lenders all wanted 50 per cent of the action. So Greenspun returned to Washington and wangled a contract for \$12 million. He finally achieved financing from Edwin P. Roos, a Texas oil millionaire. He agreed to pay \$500,000 needed to pick up the option, to refurbish the Nagle works, and to put it into production.

Then, on a train trip to Erie, Greenspun came down with an appendicitis attack and had to have an immediate operation. When he recovered, he found a check for \$25,000, releasing him of all claims to the Nagle works. Hank sued at once for \$1,500,000 damages. Then he realized the case wouldn't be tried for months. So he joined the Army in 1941.

In January, 1943, the case came to trial. Walter Winchell reported the jury couldn't reach a decision. One woman held out for she didn't want to give a Jew a million and a half. Since Hank had to go overseas, he had his attorney settle out of court for a mere \$35,000. On Nov. 3, 1943, Hank married Barbara Richie of Belfast, Ireland. Then he was off to take part in the Normandy campaign.

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**Leader Says P. L. O. Will 'Never' Accept Israel**

BEIRUT: A prominent Palestinian guerrilla leader was quoted Monday as having vowed that under no circumstances would the Palestine Liberation Organization recognize the state of Israel.

"This is something we cannot bargain about," Salah Khalaf, better known as Abu Iyad, the second in command in the main guerrilla group Al Fatah, said in a speech published in Beirut newspapers.

Abu Iyad announced that Fatah, which is headed by Yasir Arafat, who is also chairman of the Palestine Liberation organization, the guerrilla umbrella group, was planning to close its ranks and establish closer cooperation with what he called progressive forces in the Arab world "for a decisive battle with Israel."

The speech followed rumors that Palestinian guerrillas were planning new raids against Israel. Such rumors have circulated, it was noted, since the Jan. 26 session of the United Nations Security Council at which the United States vetoed a resolution that would have affirmed the right of the Palestinians to "establish an independent state in Palestine."

**'High Price' Assailed**  
Abu Iyad said in his speech that Palestinians were being asked to pay the "high price" of recognizing Israel for being allowed to establish their own state in the occupied territories of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

"There is something the world must know," he declared. "Let us all die, let us all be killed, let us all be assassinated, but we will not recognize Israel."

The guerrilla leader accused the United States of seeking to reduce the Palestinian resistance movement in size and prestige to enable King Hussein of Jordan to fulfill his "united kingdom" plan of 1972.

The proposal — that the East and West banks of Jordan be joined in a federation after the West bank is recovered from Israel — was strongly rejected by the Palestinians and other Arab states.

In the fall of 1974 King Hussein joined other Arab governments in recognizing the P.L.O. as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people. He gave up his claim to the West Bank in favor of the Palestinians.

But guerrilla leaders early this month expressed suspicion that he was seeking to reassert his authority over the West Bank. They voiced this view after he had revived the

previously dissolved Jordanian Parliament for a single session to give the Government the right to postpone general elections indefinitely. The session was attended by representatives of the West Bank.

Articles in Palestinian guerrilla publications noted that the move coincided with reports from Washington that the Ford Administration wanted to get

negotiations started between Jordan and Israel on the future of the West Bank.

A second guerrilla leader, Zuheir Mohsin, the head of the P.L.O.'s military department said last week that the solution of the Lebanese crisis would enable the guerrillas to devote all of their energies to the struggle with Israel.

Abu Iyad served a warning on rightist elements here that the guerrilla movement would retaliate quickly and strongly to any attempt to preoccupy it again in factional fighting in Lebanon.

**Play Provokes Protests**

PARIS: "The Jew of Malta," Christopher Marlow's anti-Semitic play, opened here amid accusations and counter accusations. Written by one of Shakespeare's contemporaries, the play is being produced by a progressive company and is staged in one of the new "popular" theaters in a Paris working class suburb.

A spokesman for the company, Theatre de Genevilliers, said that the play had been chosen in order to show the ridicule of its anti-Semitic argument and thus "to fight racism." Preview and first night audiences in the suburb of Genevilliers, part of Paris' "red belt," reacted as the producers had hoped. Certain Jewish organizations, however, have lodged

protests with the company, charging it is fanning anti-Semitic sentiments.

Another French theater is staging a play dealing with the rights of the Palestinians and those of the Jews.

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