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CELEBRATE HANUKAH: Rabbi Jacob Handler of Temple Beth Israel officiated at a Hanukkah celebration held by the Tenants Association of the Joseph T. Carroll Tower Housing for the Elderly on Smith Street. He was assisted by Reverend Jude McGeough of Saint Patrick's Church in the interfaith observance which was held Monday evening. Pictured at the head table are Father McGeough, Rabbi and Mrs. Handler, Louis Wine, president of the association; Mary Mason, manager of the housing unit; Sister Mary Dominica, RSM, of the Holy Ghost parish, and Catherine Stokes, secretary of the association. Not pictured are Reverend and Mrs. Thomas Twitchell of the United Presbyterian Church and Sister Rose Alice of Saint Patrick's. Rabbi Handler instructed the group of approximately 100 on the history of Hanukkah and the meaning of the blessings. Minnie Feldman was chairman of the event.

US Defense Concerned Over Foreign Investors; Fears Takeover Or Sabotage Might Result

WASHINGTON: The Administration, concerned that some oil-rich countries might try to take over financial control of critical defense industries, has begun a study into whether improved safeguards are needed to keep track of foreign investments, according to a New York Times article by John W. Finney.

At present, the safeguards rest primarily on the Defense Department's industrial security program, which was originally established to keep foreign agents out of classified defense work but has been adapted to screen foreign investments in American defense contractors.

The underlying premise of the new Administration study is that, from the standpoint of national security, defense industries should not be permitted to fall under foreign control or influence. The principal question being asked is whether present procedures are adequate to detect and prevent foreign financial infiltration of defense contractors.

Secretary of State Kissinger said at a news conference Saturday that the Administration wanted to study "the implications of substantial investments" by oil-producing countries in the United States, "how we can keep track of them" and the identification of the "dangers against which we should guard."

Take-Overs Feared

The behind-the-scenes dispute also set off a Pentagon review into whether Defense Department policies and regulations were adequate to prevent foreign takeover of concerns that have long been regarded as the arsenals of the Armed Forces.

The Defense Department's conclusion was that indirectly, through its industrial security program, it had reasonably good protection but that procedural improvements were needed in keeping track of foreign investment in American companies.

The Defense Department's confidence, however, is not completely shared by Arthur F. Burns, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board. Dr. Burns told a Congressional committee that the government "must give more attention" to whether "legal defenses" should be created against investment by oil-producing countries in "strategic industries or enterprises."

"Strategic Question"

Mr. Burns said that investment in the Quaker Oats Company or the Coca-Cola Company "would really not bother me, but it would really concern me" if the oil producing countries began investing in "strategic industries," which he did not define.

Policy Problems

Thus far the Administration has been able to head off any restrictive legislation by promising a major new study of foreign investments.

FREEDOM RALLY: The Cranston-Warwick campaign committees of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island will hold a Freedom Rally on Wednesday, December 18, at 8 p.m. at Temple Sinai to kickoff this year's drive in the suburbs.

Sol White and Oscar Davidson, chairmen of the day, have announced that the rally will be addressed by Zvi Kolitz, above, United Jewish Appeal speaker. Mr. Kolitz is an author, journalist, and motion picture and theatrical producer.



TO HEAD CAMPAIGN: Norman Tilles, chairman of the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts and national vice chairman of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, has been appointed as campaign chairman for the 1974-75 Pawtucket campaign of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, it has been announced by Samuel Shlevis, area vice president of the JFRI Pawtucket division, and Edwin S. Soforenko, general campaign chairman. Mr. Tilles is immediate past national commander of the Jewish War Veterans of the USA and has participated in top level briefings both in Israel and in Washington. The Pawtucket campaign will start with a campaign workers' meeting to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Horvitz of 9 Dorset Road, Pawtucket, on Monday, December 30, at 8 p.m. Mr. Tilles is shown above, left, in conversation with Simcha Dinitz, Israel's Ambassador to the United States.

Intellectuals Band Together Against UNESCO Decision

NEW YORK: Sixty-two intellectuals and leading figures in the arts, including 19 Nobel Laureates, have declared that they will not cooperate with UNESCO as long as that agency persists in its decisions to withhold aid to Israel and to exclude Israel from membership in any of UNESCO's regional groupings.

The group, comprised of Christians as well as Jews, and including such nationally known figures as Paddy Chayefsky Harry Gideonse, David Halberstam, the Rev. Donald Harrington, Dwight McDonald, James Michener, Gregory Piatigorsky, Isaac Stern, William Styron, Edward Teller and Kurt Vonnegut, Jr., made its position known in an advertisement published in the New York Times.

The 62 noted signatories endorsed a statement issued recently in Paris by a group of French intellectuals

who had declared their refusal "to collaborate in this body (UNESCO) so long as it does not prove, as regards Israel, its faithfulness to its own goals."

The French statement declared that the "spiritual abolition of Israel" was comparable to the "extermination process perfected by the totalitarian systems of the Twentieth Century." It also maintained that the UNESCO action represented "a perversion, a reversal, of its role," which it defined as the "responsibility to protect education, science and culture."

The 38 signers of the French statement included Jean-Louis Barrault, Simone de Beauvoir, Eugene Ionesco, Arthur Rubinstein and Jean-Paul Sartre.

Both the French and American statements were in response to two resolutions adopted at the general conference of UNESCO in Paris. One resolution withholds all UNESCO aid to Israel on the grounds that it has altered the historical features of Jerusalem "by undertaking excavations which constitute a danger to its monuments." The other resolution excludes Israel from membership in any of the regional groupings into which UNESCO is divided — specifically from its European regional group, to which Israel has belonged in the past.

Each of the resolutions received affirmative votes from less than a majority of the nations entitled to vote, but passed because of large numbers of abstentions or absences.

NO ONE SUFFERS HUNGER JERUSALEM

According to an official study, even the poorest Israeli families are able to provide the basic necessities of life. There is no malnutrition and no hunger. The diets of the poorer classes lack variety and consist mainly of simple foods, but they do contain the necessary calories, vitamins, and minerals to sustain normal energy levels. The more affluent families are able to purchase luxury items, many of which have very little real food value.

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ORGANIZATION NEWS**IN-SET PARTY**

The In-Set, the Jewish Community Center group for single adults from 18 to 35, will hold a wine and cheese tasting evening on Sunday, December 15, from 8 to 11 p.m. Entertainment will be presented by Mike Barry.

QUIZ BOWL

The In-Set of the Jewish Community Center for single adults from 18 to 35 will hold a Quiz Bowl '74 on Sunday, December 22, from 8 to 10:30 p.m. at the Center.

ANTI-SEMITISM

Simon Scheff, an attorney, will speak on "The Raging Anti-Semitism," at a meeting arranged by the coordinating committee of B'nai B'rith and B'nai B'rith Women. The meeting will be held at Hillel House on Brown Street on Sunday, December 15, at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. Scheff is past president of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Boston and past chairman of the New England Regional Board of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. Active with the ADL, he served as vice chairman of the board and chairman of its Civil Rights Commission. In this capacity, he played a role in establishing ADL policy. He is a member of the Jewish-Catholic Committee of the Arch-

Diocesan Ecumenical Commission of Boston.

This event is open to the public.

ELECT OFFICERS

David Rubin was elected president of the Knightsville Manor Tenants Association at their annual meeting held last week.

Other officers are Mrs. Walter Land, vice president; Mrs. David Rubin, secretary; Miss Edna Davis, financial secretary, and Michael Squizero, treasurer.

Three trustees who were named are Rudolph Kraemer, Walter Lang and George Bailey.

TO HOLD SEMINAR

The Providence Chapter of Women's American ORT, will hold an educational leadership seminar for its board members on Thursday, December 19, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Alvin Kurzer of 320 Summit Drive, Cranston.

LUNCH 'N FILMS

The Pawtucket Public Library has announced a program of Lunch 'n Films will be open to the public and shown every day at the library from 12:05 to 12:55 p.m. On Saturdays, the film will be shown at 3 p.m. unless a special event has been scheduled.

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Obituaries**NATHAN MARCUS**

Funeral services for Nathan Marcus, 87, of 182 Captain Road, Longmeadow, Massachusetts, who died Tuesday in Springfield, Massachusetts, were held the following day at the Harold R. Ascher & Son Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Kodimoh Cemetery in West Springfield, Massachusetts.

The husband of the late Esther Marcus, he was born in Russia, a son of the late Joseph and Freida (Rosen) Marcus. He moved to Longmeadow about 30 years ago, after an equal period in Webster, Massachusetts.

Mr. Marcus was a retired tailor and at one time had his own business. He was a member of Kadimoh Synagogue.

Survivors include two sons, Morris Marcus of Providence and Harry Marcus of Springfield; two daughters, Yedda Lipson of Longmeadow and Nettie Lasky of Worcester, Massachusetts; a brother, David Marcus of New York City; two sisters, Miriam Burwich of Webster and Sadie Weinstock of New York City; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

ROSE ABRAMS

Funeral services for Rose Abrams, 78, a former Providence resident, who died Monday in Miami Beach, Florida, were held Thursday at Fisher Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

A Providence resident for many years, she last lived on Radcliffe Avenue. She moved to Florida in the 1940s. She was born on August 4, 1896 in Russia, a daughter of the late Jacob and Rachael Rosenberg.

Mrs. Abrams is survived by a son, Charles Abrams of Cranston, a granddaughter and a great-granddaughter.

NATHAN BARMAK

Funeral services for Nathan Barmak, 68, of 157 Lowden Street, Pawtucket, who died Tuesday, were held the following day at the Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The husband of Ida (Litvack) Barmak, he was born on December 25, 1905 in Russia, a son of the late Morris Edward and Libbie (Weisberg) Barmak.

Bieler, he was born in Austria, a son of the late Issac and Frieda (Checkers) Bieler. He had been a Fall River resident for 60 years and was a member of the Union Street Synagogue and the Hebrew Sick Benefits Society.

He is survived by three sons, Morris Bieler of Wellesley, Massachusetts, Edward Bieler of Waterbury, Connecticut and Irving Bieler of Somerset, Massachusetts; five daughters, Mrs. Ephraim Horvitz of Somerset, Mrs. Jerome Glassman of New York City, Mrs. Sidney Lansky of Matapoisett, Massachusetts, Mrs. Anthony Matias of Carlisle, Massachusetts, and Mrs. Ralph Perlberg of Andover, Massachusetts; a brother, Joseph Bieler of Chelsea, Massachusetts; a sister, Rose Nulman of Fall River, and 16 grandchildren. ***

CHARLES ZATLOFF

Funeral services for Charles Zatloff, 81, of 37 Sessions Street, who died Sunday in Fall River, Massachusetts, were held Monday at the Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The husband of Celia (Granovsky) Zatloff, he was born in Russia, a son of the late Morris and Shendel Zatloff. He had lived in Providence for more than 50 years.

Mr. Zatloff was a self-employed drygoods dealer in the Providence area for more than 40 years before his retirement 10 years ago.

He was a member of Temple Emanu-El, the First Beneficial Association, the Providence Hebrew Day School, the Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association and the Jewish Home for the Aged of Rhode Island.

Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, Morris Zatloff of Providence and Irving Zatloff of Warwick, and six grandchildren.

Cards of Thanks

The family of the late MARY HAZMAN CHARIFSON wishes to thank their many relatives and friends for the expressions of sympathy and donations which they received in her name during their recent bereavement.

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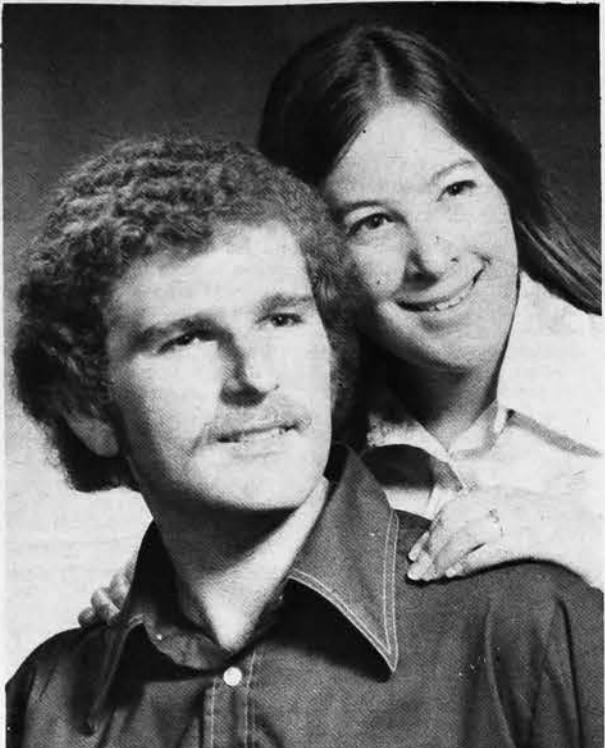
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ENGAGED: Martin Tolchinsky of 32 Glen View Drive, Cranston, and Ruth Tolchinsky of 26 Cedar Pond Drive, Warwick, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Janice P. Tolchinsky of 32 Glen View Drive, to Howard M. Shapiro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shapiro of 133 Dellwood Road, Cranston. Miss Tolchinsky is a graduate of Hope High School and Roger Williams College. Mr. Shapiro was graduated from Cranston High School East and Providence College. A May 18 wedding is planned.

ORGANIZATION NEWS

TO HOLD EXHIBIT

An exhibit of symbols of the December holidays as celebrated in other countries around the world will be on display at the Pawtucket Public Library, 13 Summer Street in Pawtucket, from December 10 through Monday, December 30. Library hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 2 to 5 p.m.

Some of the objects on exhibit are miniature kites from Japan, a drum doll from Korea, paper decorations from Poland, a menorah from Israel, a miniature piñata from Mexico, paper tree portraits from England and hand made decorations typical of early America.

MALAHAH MALKAH

A Hanukkah Malahah Malkah will be held at Congregation Shaare Zedek-Sons of Abraham on Saturday, December 14, at 7 p.m.

Judith Sobel of Succasunna, New Jersey, will entertain with Hebrew and Jewish songs, will tell anecdotes and play the accordion. She has performed in synagogues,

community centers and homes for the aged in the New York and New Jersey area.

In charge of the Malahah Malkah are Louis Sacarowitz, chairman; Izak Berger, ex-officio, and Miss Nellie Silverman of the Sisterhood, ex-officio.

HANUKAH SERVICE

The annual new member dinner will be held this year at Temple Sinai in conjunction with the Hanukkah family service and dinner on Friday, December 13, at 6 p.m.

The music during the service and dinner will be presented by the members of the Youth Choir under the direction of Stanley Freedman, choir director. The new families who have become affiliated with the congregation will be welcomed during the service.

BOOK FAIR

Temple Sinai will hold a Book Fair in honor of Jewish Book Month on Sunday, December 15, at the temple. Books will be on display on Friday evening, December 13, and Saturday, December 14.

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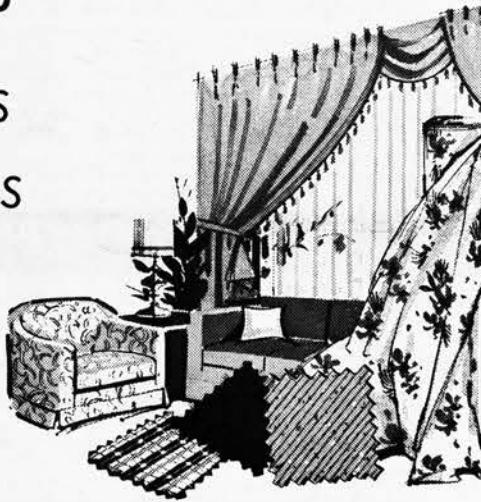
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FROM FRIDAY TO FRIDAY

A Mid-Term Report

By BERYL SEGAL

"Shomer mah milie." You watcher of the night, what is new in your realm? I asked the Director of the Bureau. And Mr. Elliot Schwartz replied in these or similar words:

"Last year was a period of adjustment. I had to adjust myself to the community and the community had to find out 'Mah Tivi?' What can I accomplish in this most difficult task? This year, the second, since I came to the community, we will strengthen the work of last year."

Mr. Elliot Schwartz is, as you probably know, the Director of the Bureau of Jewish Education for Greater Providence. He is the "Shomer," the Guardian of the area in matters we call Jewish Education. His task is to sell education to Jews who are indifferent, and in some cases, even hostile to anything that relates to the Jew.

So where do we stand now at mid-term.

Let us begin with teachers. There was a time when the supply of teachers was greater than the demand. During the great wave of immigration, between the two World Wars, many Jewish teachers came to our shores. Some were teachers of Hebrew and all that is implied in this term: Jewish nationalism, love of Israel, students of Hebrew literature. Some were teachers of Yiddish and the world outlook of this labor-oriented group. They were dreamers, of continuing Yiddish on American soil. Others were imbued with a burning desire to perpetuate Torah on this barren continent: founders of Yeshivos, toiling to plant the delicate sapling of Torah Yiddishkeit here as it was in the lands they had left. All of them were dreamers of dreams.

Every shipload that touched these shores had among its passengers Jews who were "learned Jews." The demand, however, for their learning was small. The

schools existing at that time were not sufficient to make use of their scholarship.

Now we face a different problem: Where can we find teachers for our schools? Where are the reservoirs of men and women who are capable of teaching and are idealistic enough and knowledgeable enough to lead our children through the vast fields and deep oceans of Jewish learning?

We must have good teachers in order to have good schools, and good teachers are in short supply.

So the Bureau has established in Providence, as did the Bureaus of other cities, Teachers' Training Courses. These courses, if successful, will be the answer to the teachers' short supply. There are, according to Mr. Schwartz, 25 students in this program. We wish them luck. If only one good teacher emerges from these courses, that will be worthwhile.

There are over 100 students enrolled in the High School conducted by the Bureau and in the Jewish Heritage program given in the Public High Schools. It is a great gain. These students are studying Jewishness, not merely preparing for Bar Mitzvah.

Rabbi William G. Braude has just finished his lecture series for adults. The subject matter for these lectures was the Midrash Pe-sikta de-Rav Kahana. This is a part of an Adult Education program which is still going on in the Cranston-Warwick section every Thursday evening. There the program is quite extensive, Rabbi Jerome S. Gurland of Temple Sinai surveys American Jewish life in the 20th century and how it is reflected in the writings of such authors as Saul Bellow, Bernard Melamud, Philip Roth and others. Rabbi Bernard Rotman of Temple Beth Am teaches a course in Basic Judaism touching on matters that a Jew must do every day of his life.

And there are courses in Hebrew and in Yiddish, as well as a course in Psychology of Prayers, given by Rabbi Benjamin Marcus, director of Hillel at the University of Rhode Island.

But the main purpose of the Bureau is to raise the standard of the Elementary Schools where pupils spend one, two and three days a week. It is a constant struggle between parents and teachers in these schools. The parents are satisfied with what the children get out of their schools, and the teachers want more: more days in the week, more hours each day, more homework, and above all, better methods of teaching the children.

And all these problems are the never ending concern of the Bureau of Jewish Education and the Director.

I. They are expected to persuade the parents of the need of Jewish Education for their children, a real education in the ways of Jewishness, and not merely a

passport to "become a Jew" for a day, on Bar Mitzvah day.

2. They are expected to convince the teachers and principals of the schools of the benefits to be derived by self-education by attending lectures, by reading books and journals relating to education, by striving to enlarge their own education, to make the schools worthy of the trust the community has in them.

The order is a large one, but the Bureau has to make a start and have the patience to wait for good results.

3. They have to provide a common interest among the various schools in the community, such as the Hanukkah party of last week, in which all the schools participated; the Bible Contest for which all the schools can prepare themselves, and many other occasions for meeting at a common place for a common purpose.

Can the Bureau accomplish all of this?

Mr. Elliot Schwartz believes that it can be done with the good will of the parents, the cooperation of the teachers, and by the realization of the entire community that our future as Jews depends on the education our children are given while they are young.

(*Mr. Segal's opinions are his own and not necessarily those of this newspaper.*)

Editor's Mailbox

Objects To News Stories On Mailmen

Just what are you implying on the front page of the *Rhode Island Herald* of the December 6th issue where in dark bold-faced type boxed in to give even more attention to the simple headline — "And You Wonder What Happens to the Herald?"

Why was this insignificant news item put on the front page in the first place? Was this national item of such importance to demand front page prominence when your paper caters mostly to local news which is one of the main reasons your readers subscribe to this paper?

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Your Money's Worth

By Sylvia Porter



Slumpflation Is Its Name

Slumpflation is the name of the nightmare "game" we're enduring as 1974 ends — a wretched combination of deepening business decline side by side with relentlessly galloping inflation.

You don't need any outside expert to tell you that your cost of living is still soaring at an intolerably rapid rate. To document it, though, the rise in the consumer price index at latest reporting date was at a murderous annual rate of 14 per cent, and in September the price level was 12 per cent above a year earlier, the biggest year to year jump since 1947. Electricity rates of the nation's 50 largest utilities rose an average of 55.4 per cent in the first half of '74 alone. It now costs \$1.51 to buy the marketbasket of goods and services that one dollar bought as recently as 1967.

At current rates of increase, the price level in the U.S. would double in merely five to six years — making any sort of sound planning an impossibility. Despite any pay hikes, your real earnings — your pay after deductions for Social Security taxes and federal income taxes and adjusted for inflation — is down 5 per cent from a year ago. The longer the squeeze lasts, the harder it is to take. As a result, you are buying fewer luxuries, concentrating more and more on essentials; trading

down in many of your purchases; trying to cut your own budget as much as you can.

And now the business retreat has gone far beyond a "sideways waffling," "spasm," "stagnation" or other terms the politicians prefer to use.

* The "feel" as well as the fact of recession are now all around us. This is much worse than the slowdown that began in 1973 as an inevitable backing away from the unsustainable boom artificially created in 1972 to help insure the reelection of Nixon. It's only a matter of weeks before the prestigious National Bureau of Economic Research finally officially tags it "recession."

* In duration, this business decline seems destined to be the longest of the entire post World War II generation. Assuming its beginning is dated in November 1973, the recession is now 12 months old, already longer than the post-war average of 11 months. If a real recovery doesn't start until mid 1975 — as expected by many authorities — the recession will have lasted twice as long as most of the setbacks of the 1950s and 1960s.

* In depth, this decline also is likely to be among the most severe of the past 28 years. Unemployment has risen from a low of 4.2 per cent last autumn to more than 6 per cent right now (the latest published figure did not include many layoffs) and the rate is clearly heading toward 7 per cent and more. The number of unemployed has hit 5,500,000, the highest total since the Labor Department began computing these figures in 1948. The previous recession high for joblessness in the post-World War II period was 7.5 per cent.

* The government's key barometer of leading business indicators — yardsticks chosen out of thousands by the NBER that usually telegraph in advance that a business decline is on the way — plunged 2.5 per cent in September, latest reporting date, the sharpest break for any month in more than 23 years.

* On the surface, profits seem to be the best ever, with the spectacular exceptions of autos and housing. But the gains are mostly phony, reflecting windfalls on inventories bought earlier at much lower profits. With inventory profits eliminated, before tax earnings generally are not up, but actually down.

* After a 45 month boom, machine tool orders are slipping, and while business continues to spend huge amounts for new plants and equipment, these outlays are becoming increasingly vulnerable to cutbacks.

* Some industries are outright disasters — housing, autos, new appliances (and Wall Street). And the business decline is having its usual multiplies effect as it spreads out and feeds on itself. A slump in one industry hurts hundreds of thousands of other industries and millions of other workers. For instance, a house that isn't built doesn't use lumber or glass or need bathtubs or appliances or furniture, drapes, etc.

Our total output of goods and services is again likely to show a decline at the end of this quarter — four quarters in a row and qualifying for a "recession" label by any acceptable definition. And never forget, this decline was born in our runaway inflation. But why the runaway inflation?

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1974
9:45 a.m.
Temple Emanu-El Men's Club, Regular Meeting
2:00 p.m.
Business & Professional Chapter of Hadassah, Hanukkah Celebration

2:30 p.m.
Jewish Community Center, Children's Theatre
8:00 p.m.
Jewish Community Center, Choices for '76, Film and Discussion

South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association, Memorial for Louis Straus

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1974
1:00 p.m.
Pioneers Women of Providence, Club #1, Regular Meeting
8:00 p.m.
Kesher Williams Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, Regular Meeting
Jewish Family & Children's Service, Board Meeting
Congregation Ohavot Shalom Ladies' Aid and Sisterhood, Regular Meeting
Congregation Shaare Zedek Sons of Abraham Sisterhood, Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1974
12:30 p.m.
Touro Synagogue Ladies' Auxiliary, Regular Meeting

7:30 p.m.
Jewish Home for the Aged of Rhode Island, Admissions Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1974
12:30 p.m.
Jewish Home for the Aged Ladies' Association, Board Meeting
1:30 p.m.
Brandeis University Women's Committee, Providence Chapter, Study Group
8:00 p.m.
Temple Beth Shalom Sisterhood, Regular Meeting
Congregation Mishkan Tiferet Sisterhood, Board Meeting

8:15 p.m.
Hope Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, Open Board Meeting
Temple Beth Torah Sisterhood, Board Meeting

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1974
9:30 a.m.
Shade Island-Southern Massachusetts Region, Women's American ORT, Board Meeting
8:00 p.m.
Bureau of Jewish Education, Board Meeting

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1974

RESIGNS

JERUSALEM: Shulamit Aloni, whose supporters considered her a force for change in a government too often hog-tied by political allegiances and concepts of the past, has returned to the back benches of the Knesset to lead her small three-member faction, the Civil Rights Party. The outspoken Ms. Aloni, who a year ago announced dramatically that she would run for the Knesset — never believing she would make it — resigned from Premier Yitzhak Rabin's Cabinet recently. Staunchly secular her departure was precipitated by the entry of the National Religious Party into the Cabinet.

RESERVES RISE

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Maternal grandfather is Joseph Sholovitz of Providence, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cort, also of Providence.

Paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. David Golden of Providence.

FIRST CHILD BORN

Dr. and Mrs. Mitchell Steinberg of Stony Brook, New York, announce the birth of their first child and daughter, Phyllis Helen, on November 13.

Maternal grandfather is Joseph Sholovitz of Providence. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Murray Steinberg of Wantagh, New York.

Paternal great-grandparents are Jennie Koenig of Wantagh, and Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Steinberg of Brooklyn, New York.

BAS MITZVAH

Susan Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Price, will become Bas Mitzvah on Saturday, December 14, at services at 11:15 a.m. at Temple Sinai.

PRICE COMES DOWN

TEL AVIV: The price tags on Israeli dwellings, expressed in U.S. currency, have come down as a result of the latest devaluation of the Israel currency, according to a spokesman for the building industry. Buyers can find "bargains" in a studio apartment at \$24,000, which previously sold for \$34,000. A luxury apartment on one floor of a high rise building, which previously sold for \$480,000, can now be obtained for a mere \$364,000. Business circles believe that the present "bargains" in real estate will continue as long as there is no rise in the price of building materials or plots. However, should there be price hikes in these areas, the price tags on dwellings will also rise proportionately.

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ORGANIZATION NEWS

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association (Gemileth Chesed) will hold a memorial service to honor the late Louis Strauss on Sunday, December 15, at 8 p.m. at Temple Beth Israel. Rabbi Jacob Handler and Cantor Karl S. Kritz will conduct the service.

Mr. Strauss died at the age of 94 after devoting most of his life to serving his fellow man and the community.

Representatives will attend from the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, the Jewish Home for the Aged and other community organizations. The public is invited to attend.

Members of the committee arranging for the memorial are Joseph Margolis, president, South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association; Ira Stone, chairman of the Memorial Committee; Samuel Buckler, Abraham Charifson, William Bolks, Samuel Jamnick, Samuel Kaufman and Louis Sacarovitz.

MAJESTIC SENIOR GUILD

A meeting of the Majestic Senior Guild will be held on Tuesday, December 17 at Temple Beth Torah. A Hanukah party will be held at which members will exchange gifts. There will be a musical program and refreshments will be served.

MAKES DEBUT

A new young conductor will make his debut when the Young Peoples Symphony of Rhode Island will present its Holiday Concert at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence on Sunday, December 15, at 4 p.m. He is Joseph R. Conte, son of Dr. Joseph Conte, YPSORI musical director. Featured will be the music of Beethoven, Brahms, Tchaikovsky and Mozart.

TO HEAR BOHNEN

Temple Emanu-El Men's Club will hold their breakfast meeting on Sunday, December 15, at 9:45 a.m. Morning services at 9 a.m. will precede the breakfast.

Rabbi Eli A. Bohnen will speak on his 40 years in the rabbinate in "Is This a Profession for a Nice Jewish Boy?"

'LIFE IN RUSSIA'

Mrs. Alex Mirra, a native of Russia, who has lived in Rhode Island for 15 months, will speak on "life in Russia" at the meeting of the Hadassah Business and Professional Group on Sunday, December 15, at 2 p.m. at the home of Miss Evelyn Greenstein.

A Hanukah program will follow and holiday refreshments will be served.

TO SPEAK AT SERVICE

Howard I. Lipsey, chairman of the Jewish Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island will speak during

Friday evening services which start at 8:15 on December 13, at Temple Beth Am. An Oneg Shabbat will follow the services.

BETH AM HANUKAH PARTY

The Men's Club of Temple Beth Am will sponsor a Hanukah party for all children 13 years old and under on Sunday, December 15 at 12 noon.

There will be refreshments, movies and clowns. The children of the school will present a playlet, "The Flying Latke."

DVORAH DAYAN CLUB

The next meeting of the Dvorah Dayan Chapter of Pioneer Women will be held on Monday, December 16, at 8:15 p.m. at 84 Deerfield Road in Cranston.

Oscar and Barbara Davidson will present slides from Israel and Seymour and Cecile Krieger will give reports on Israel.

Courts Give Up On Lansky Decision

NEW YORK: The Federal Government has quietly given up its long fight to put Meyer Lansky, reputed to have served as a financial wizard for the underworld, behind bars.

Douglas McMillian, the Federal prosecutor, confirmed in Miami that the Justice Department would not appeal a decision by the Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit that threw out the only conviction the Government ever obtained against Mr. Lansky.

The ailing Mr. Lansky had been given a year and a day in prison, in June, 1973, for failing to comply with a grand jury subpoena served on him in Israel, his home before he was expelled. The recent reversal was Mr. Lansky's third major victory over the courts, and it meant that the Government has run out of charges with which to prosecute him. He is now living in Miami.

Rabbi Korff Charges Nixon Mail Detained

WASHINGTON: Former President Richard M. Nixon has been unable to obtain "thousands of letters" sent to him at the White House in response to a public appeal from a committee backing him, Rabbi Baruch Korff, chairman of the group, charged.

In the waning days of the Nixon Presidency, Rabbi Korff formed a group that is now trustee of the President Nixon Justice Fund, set up to help pay Mr. Nixon's legal and medical expenses.

"We urged our followers to write Nixon," Rabbi Korff said "and obviously thousands and thousands of letters of support arrived after the ninth of August," when Mr. Nixon resigned. A White House spokesman had no immediate comment on the charge.

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By Robert E. Starr

Just recently I mentioned that probably the only fallacy in Duplicate Bridge is that one might not be penalized for playing a hand incorrectly. This could happen when the cards lie favorably when they could just as easily not have. Today's hand is a perfect example of just the opposite. The Declarers who failed to see their danger and flaunted this did have to pay by going down. True, the finesse they took had just as good a chance of working as did another finesse but if this one lost they would lose a "cold" contract. Too high a price to pay for what might be one extra trick.

North
♦A Q 10 7
♦6 2
♦10 6 4
♦K Q 9 2

West
♦9 6 2
♦K Q 8 5 3
♦K 5
♦10 6 3

East
♦K 4 3
♦J 10 7
♦9 8 3
♦8 7 5 4

South
♦J 8 5
♦A 9 4
♦A Q J 7 2
♦A J

North-South were vulnerable. East Dealer with this bidding:

E	S	W	N
P	INT	P	2♦
P	2♦	P	3NT

Presumably that is the way the bidding should have gone at every table. After South's opening bid in No Trump North knew there was a game either in No Trump or Spades depending on whether his partner had four in that suit. To find out he sued the Stayman Convention. Two Clubs. South's reply showed no majors so with his eleven points North simply jumped right to game in No Trump where the contract was played each time.

Every West led a Heart, either third or fourth best depending on their understanding with their partner. It made no difference for sooner or later South's Ace would have to be played. Most Souths ducked for two rounds, winning the third. There should be a reason for ducking, it being to try to

insure one of the opponents being out of that suit when they have to be allowed in. I watched as various Declarers did duck and then went out of their way to let the opponent marked with that first suit in.

This is what they did and how apparently they thought. To make the hand they had to take either the Spade finesse or the Diamond finesse. Both had an equal chance of working but if the Diamond worked they could take one extra trick for the Diamond suit was one card longer than the Spade suit. So they decided to go all out by cashing their two Clubs to unblock, then went over to the Spade Ace and led the Diamond ten for the finesse. When that lost the remaining Hearts were cashed and the hand set. They all felt they were unfortunate and even felt better when they saw that the Spade finesse would lose, too.

What they didn't realize is that had they taken the Spade finesse they would have made the hand even though it lost for when East does win his King he has no Heart to return to his partner. If he returns a Diamond, the finesse should be refused and the contract guaranteed. Of course, again the Clubs should be unblocked first. Why else would one duck the Hearts if he didn't intend to finesse into East. There would be no reason if he were going after Diamonds for the finesse goes right into the Heart holder.

Moral: If you can control a hand by keeping either Defender off lead, always do just that, keep him out.

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TEL AVIV: The city of Tel Aviv will suffer a drastic reduction in public services due to the heavy burden of increased prices caused by the new economic policy. Mayor Shlomo Lahat told the ZOA Dinner Club in Tel Aviv. The mayor said that financing alone is now costing more than 40 per cent annually of the city's giant debt, and he envisions an immediate sharp cut in all municipal services.

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Miss Goldstein is a graduate of Warwick Veterans Memorial High School, and is now attending Washington University in St. Louis.

Mr. Campbell was graduated from the University of Missouri with a BS in civil engineering. He works for Ryckman, Edgerley, Tomlinson and Associates.

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National Unity Government Wanted; Rabin May Have No Other Choice

JERUSALEM: Pressure on Premier Yitzhak Rabin to form a national unity government is mounting both from within and outside his coalition. It has reached a point, many observers believe, where the Premier will have no choice but to acquiesce.

Information Minister Aharon Yariv publicly declared himself in favor of such a move, in a radio interview. Tourism Minister Moshe Kol reportedly has requested a formal meeting between the leadership of his Independent Liberal Party and the Labor Party leadership on the issue. The ILP, Rabin's original coalition partner, voted 57-30 in favor of a national unity government at a meeting of its Central Committee in Tel Aviv.

The renewed pressure for a government that will embrace all factions, including the militant Likud opposition, also seems to enjoy growing popular support. It stems from recent developments; the Rabat summit meeting and subsequent "legitimization" of the Palestine Liberation Organization by the UN; the severe new economic measures instituted by the government; and the disclosure of major scandals involving government-owned or controlled corporations. The bleak political outlook for Israel and the economic debacle have shaken confidence in the Labor Party's ability to govern alone.

Ministers divided. Labor Party Cabinet ministers appear to be evenly divided on the issue. In addition to Yariv, Defense Minister Shimon Peres and Transport Minister Gad Yaacobi, both of the former Rafi faction, and Police Minister Shlomo Hillel strongly favor a wall-to-wall coalition. Housing Minister Avraham Ofer and Justice Minister Haim Zadok are opposed. The views of Israel Galili, Minister-

Without-Portfolio, who was a power behind the scenes in the government of former Premier Golda Meir, are not yet clear.

It is not known whether Galili exerts as much influence on Rabin as he did on his predecessor. The strongest opposition to a government embracing Likud comes from Mapam and from Labor MK Yossi Sarid, who is a close associate of former Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir. Sapir, who resigned from the government to become chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executives, is still regarded the political "strong man" within the Labor Party leadership.

Rabin himself has taken no stand one way or another on a unity government. On several occasions he has expressed his "non-opposition" to such a regime. But he is aware of the obstacles. He does not want to precipitate a Mapam defection, especially because he needs Mapam influence in Histadrut to support the government's unpopular economic measures.

Many observers believe Likud may safely be brought into the government now that the potentially decisive issue of negotiations with Jordan on the future of the West Bank is in abeyance. The emergence of the PLO has rendered such negotiations more remote than ever. Moreover, the observers note, the Rabin government is pledged in any event to call new elections to ratify any settlement that may eventually come up over the West Bank.

An additional argument for creating a unity government is the increased likelihood of a Middle East war and the need for a united front of all political factions in such an event. Israel's last unity

government was established by the late Premier Levi Eshkol on the eve of the 1967 Six-Day War. It founded in 1970 when Israel agreed to a standstill cease-fire in the Suez Canal zone to end the war of attrition with Egypt.

Proponents of a unity government also say that it would strengthen Israel's hand against international pressure for territorial and political concessions. Opponents claim, on the other hand, that a government which included Likud would paralyze Israel at the negotiating table, increase its political isolation and irritate Israel's relations with U.S.

ASKS CURTAILMENT
JERUSALEM: Education Minister Aharon Yadlin has recommended that youth exchange programs be curtailed for a year because of the current economic situation. Writing to Knesset Adi Amorai, chairman of the Public

Council for Youth Exchanges, Yadlin suggested that the Council revise its plans and hold most of its youth meetings between Israeli and foreign youth here in Israel. Only really exceptional programs should continue as planned, Yadlin proposed.

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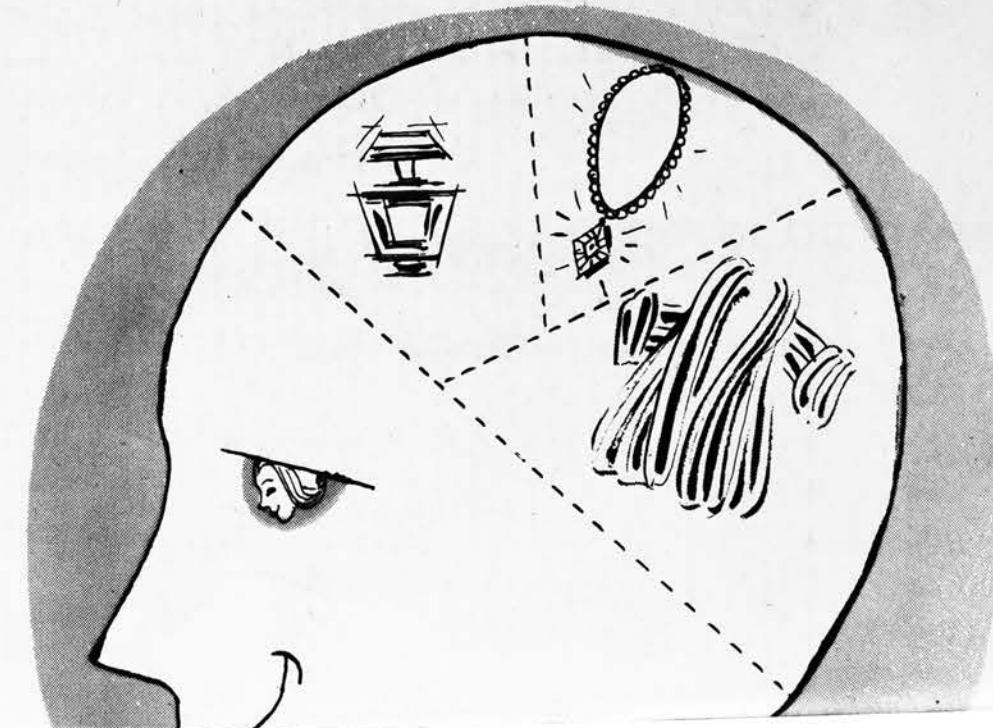
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NEW YORK: Nearly 3,000 New York City policemen are learning about Jews, Jewish observance and Jewish neighborhoods through "A Guide to the Jewish Community of New York," prepared by the American Jewish Congress.

Already distributed to police officers assigned to precincts in neighborhoods with large Jewish populations, the pamphlet will get additional readership in January

shippers, including young children. As crowds of Hassidim surrounded the automobile, which was being driven by a neighborhood physician, several police cars converged on the area. When the officers apprehended three Hassidic youths and attempted to place them in the patrol cars for the ride to the police precinct, near-riot ensued because of the proscription against riding in a car on the Sabbath.

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According to John Hall, chairman of the Social Science Department at the Academy, the American Jewish Congress Guide will be used as a training vehicle "to help increase ethnic awareness" among potential police officers.

The guide was prepared because "certain frictions and some unfortunate incidents have taken place between the Jewish community and the police—particularly in several ultra-Orthodox neighborhoods,"—according to Jack Elkin, chairman of the Congress' New York Metropolitan Council. Council.

"We believe future incidents can be avoided by greater understanding on the part of police officers of Jewish custom and behavior."

In addition to basic information on Jewish holidays and practices and the major "special concerns and sensitivities" of the Jewish community, the guide contains information specifically designed to lessen the possibility of an incident.

For example, in describing the ultra-Orthodox Hassidic community, the guide reveals that "the tendency of Hassidim is to crowd together even though they may be in an area with ample space."

"When a police incident occurs, the Hassidim will tend to crowd the police in an attempt to learn what has transpired, thereby posing an apparent threat to the police officer unfamiliar with their habits."

Similarly, the guide notes that "the Orthodox and Hassidic Jews do not carry anything on the Sabbath (and therefore cannot have any identification in their pockets)." It adds:

"Since the observant Jew is prohibited from using a mechanical or electrical device on the Sabbath (except in extreme 'life or death' situations) a veritable communications blackout is imposed upon the observant."

Mr. Elkin noted that if police officers in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn had had information on the Sabbath requirements of Orthodox Jews, a major incident could have been averted last year.

When the Police Don't Know Jewish Customs

On June 2, 1973 a crowd of Hassidic Jews outside the headquarters of the world Lubavitcher movement at 770 Eastern Parkway, stopped an automobile from traversing an area that had been barricaded to protect an overflow crowd of Sabbath wor-

shippers. The crowd distributed to violators Orthodox religious conviction would have prompted the arresting officers to accept assurances offered by rabbis on the scene that the Jewish youths would appear, on foot, at the precinct," Mr. Elkin said, adding:

"A major incident, in which a number of people were hurt, could have been averted." Mr. Elkin said the incident was part of a series that prompted publication of the guide.

The American Jewish Congress pamphlet tells police officers that stores in Jewish neighborhoods are likely to be closed between sundown on Fridays and nightfall on Saturday, the Sabbath period, and on Jewish holy days. Such information would be useful to police foot and car patrols alert to burglary and vandalism attempts.

The guide observes that "distinctively Jewish neighborhoods generally include a large number of elderly, European-born Jews who speak Yiddish" and who may not understand instructions or requests in English.

Such Jews—and others from different backgrounds—"are extremely sensitive to any manifestation of anti-Semitism," the pamphlet warns, observing in an under-stated manner that "the Jewish people have a long history of persecution."

Holidays Described

In describing various Jewish holidays and the types of celebration traditional to them, the American Jewish Congress guide indicates that "the gathering of large crowds to observe and participate in the festivities" is typical of the "Simchas Torah" ("Rejoicing of the Torah") holiday that usually falls in October.

"Synagogue services on the eve and during the day of Simchas Torah include great festivity, much singing and dancing," the pamphlet tells police officers.

The guide observes that Jews form "one of New York's major minority groups" whose "distinct religious belief and practices, cultural forms and demographic patterns should be understood by the police office interested in positive intergroup relations."

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TEL AVIV: Despite the galloping inflation which has swept the country, businesses are finding it increasingly difficult to stay liquid. Government regulations limit credits available from commercial banks and compel would-be borrowers to seek private sources. These private lenders, however, demand interest rates as high as 33% per annum, together with a bank guarantee for repayment of the principal.

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News of the Sports World by Warren Walden

FEATHERS WILL FLY: Can an eagle defeat a fighting cock? Good question, good subject for discussion, eh? And what about superstition? The RI Reds return to action on home ice at Providence Civic Center tonight (Friday, the 13th). And those fighting Roosters will find themselves entangled with some Eagles, the Eagles of Syracuse, in an American Hockey League game. "The feathers should fly!" exclaims Roy Mlakar, director of public relations and promotions for the Providence Hockey Club.

FIGHT INFLATION: Mr. Mlakar was brimming with slogans and exclamations 't'other day, including that one — "Fight Inflation!" He was referring to "Family Night" at the Civic Center on Sunday night when the defending Calder Cup Champion Hershey Bears will skate against the Roosters. "Pop can buy a full-priced ticket and Mom and the 'kids' will be able to sit right next to him at only \$2 each." "Tell them to bring their skates," Mlakar said. "We're going to have an old fashioned skating party after the game." Some fun, eh.

SOME COMPLIMENT! "The most dedicated football player I know." So commented Coach Denny O'Brien of St. Raphael's and he was referring to Brian McNamee, an outstanding Saint's tackle. And Brian tossed the bouquet right back. "Coach O'Brien is one of the most humane coaches," says Brian. "He is very considerate about his players." Denny, it seems, exemplifies sportsmanship and how the game is played which is so important in teaching, not only football, but the game of life itself. Brian McNamee and Robert Healy, who with Barry Toole is a St. Raphael movie photographer, have been inseparable since taking their first steps together as little fellows. When their families moved from one section to another, they continued their close acquaintance. Now Bob is inscribing the deeds of his football idol on film in the pictures he takes of the St. Raphael action. Brian McNamee is the son of Dr. Augustine M. McNamee and the grandson of a former outstanding gridiron and baseball star, the late Gus McNamee. Bob Healy's father, Elmer, was quite an athlete, too.

TRAGEDY: Ironically Anthony Maggiacomo was fatally stricken while attending a game he loved. Cranston East was playing Rogers for the State Championship at McCoy Stadium last Saturday and Anthony, a former star at Cranston, was in the stands. He had gone on to play football at Brown and then to success in the educational as well as business fields in the more grim game of life. Being the son of former coach Antonio "Jock" Maggiacomo, who assisted the immortal Ed Stebbins at Cranston, Anthony had been reared in an athletic atmosphere. The hands of fate deal in such strange ways and one moved young Mr. Maggiacomo from a high school game right into the biggest superleague of all where every run is for a touchdown, and although there is sadness in his former surroundings, there must be cheering somewhere up there where the all-stars are playing.

THE GAME GOES ON: High School Basketball officially starts on December 17 and that powerhouse of powerhouses, Central, appears headed for its 7th State Title. Coach Don Pastine is optimistic. The Central basketshooters

Baltimore. Paul Porier, the undefeated New Bedford schoolboy with a string of 22 wins, will be tested in a bout with Vinnie Curto, who has done most of his boxing out of New York. USA and NE Junior Welterweight Champion Tony Petronelli of Bridgewater, will put both titles on the line when he meets Jose Carabella of Hartford. Three 10's and two eight rounders are listed as features on the program. Mr. Silverman and Mr. Valenti say it's one of the best cards in some time. — CARRY ON!

PLAN NEW HOUSING

JERUSALEM: Israel is pushing ahead with plans for new housing to meet the needs of the expected wave of immigration from the Soviet Union as well as people living in the country now. Pinhas Sapir, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, told newsmen, that immediate plans call for the construction of more than 23,000 housing units for immigrants by April 1976. Housing Minister Avraham Ofek submitted a five-year housing development plan to the Cabinet that calls for construction of 310,000 dwelling units of which one-third is for new immigrants and the rest for the relocation of slum dwellers and for newly married couples who have a difficult time finding homes.

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Oil And The Economy

Q: Do you agree that there is a connection between the oil situation and the mess our economy is in? G.B.

A: Yes. The high price of oil poses problems for the importing nations that are novel and complex. In view of oil's importance in world trade, its high price has three broad effects, the most obvious being worldwide inflation. Certainly, some portion of the recent upward surges in U.S. price indices reflects, directly or indirectly, the fourfold increase in crude oil prices in the past year. Unless OPEC, a cartel of oil producing nations, raises the price of crude again, it would appear that the inflationary impact has been absorbed into the price structure for all goods.

The second effect is that oil importing nations are running large balance of payments deficits. An estimated \$2 billion is flowing to oil producing nations each and every week. Obviously OPEC member nations cannot import foreign goods and services in sufficient quantity to absorb this amount of capital. Therefore, it must be "recycled", i.e. invested in earning assets of the oil importing nations. Recycling has begun on a sizeable scale but much of the money has gone to short term investments, whereas to be effective it would have to be a continuous and permanent process. Lesser developed and/or less creditworthy nations are hardest hit by increased oil prices and also the least likely to benefit from the recycling. The risk of a nation defaulting on loans is a potential problem that has raised the spectre of a world financial crisis.

The third effect is the deflationary impact of increased payments nations must make for imported oil. Since these constitute leakages from domestic economies, without rapid and equal recycling economic activity would slow down, creating unemployment rather than any drop in prices generally. Thus there is a strong "cause and effect" relationship between high oil prices and inflation, stability of financial institutions and a slowdown in economic activity.

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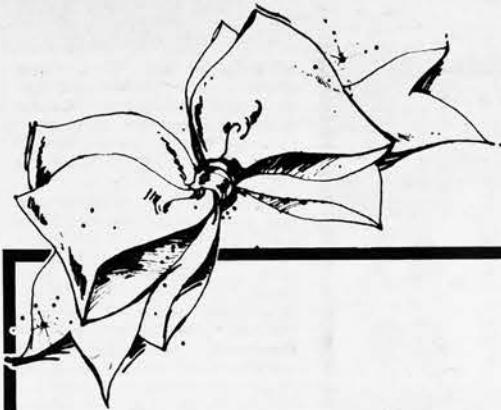
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Mr. Bilar has served for the past two years as vice consul at the Consulate General of Israel in Boston, Massachusetts, which represents the State of Israel in Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont. Mr. Bilar immigrated to Israel in 1964 where he studied political science at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He is currently a PhD candidate in political science at Brown University.

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What Is The Reason?

BY RABBI YAACOV UVSITZKY

(Rabbi Uvsitzky has requested the following space to present the Orthodox viewpoint on certain Jewish customs and procedures.)

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GROWING PAINS

TEL AVIV: Muhammed Mahgab, director of the Arab League's Boycott Committee Against Israel, told newsmen here that the US "Ring Corporation" has supplied Israel with atomic know how which is being used in Israel's two atomic reactors at Dimona and Nahal Shurak. The spokesman declared that in the past few years these reactors have produced sufficient plutonium for the production of 10 atomic bombs with an explosive force of 25 kilotons. Mahgab further stated that he has reliable information to the effect that in furtherance of an agreement between Israel and Brazil to work together in the field of atomic energy, two Israeli experts are now working in Brazil's experimental atomic institute at San Jose. Among those named was the renowned nuclear physicist, Bernard Gross. Mahgab declared that the Arab boycott committee will take the necessary measures against this danger.

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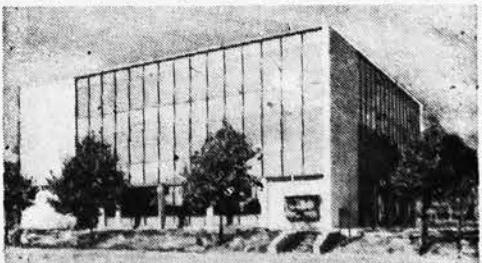
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TEL AVIV: The left wing party, Mapam, is proud that it was able to integrate a great number of Arabs in its ranks with whom it has a harmonious relationship. A symposium held at the kibbutz, Givat Chavivah, attracted 300 Arab members of the party who were supposed to be a symbol of Israeli-Arab existence and socialist fraternity. However, during an address by Dov Zakin, member of the Knesset from the Mapam fac-

tion, the Arab delegation interrupted with heckling and shouts such as, "We want the return of our homeland, Palestine"; "We are for Yasir Arafat"; "We want the return of our homeland, Jaffa, Lod, Ramle and to our Galil." According to the Hebrew afternoon daily, Ma'ariv, the well informed Arab members of the proletarian Mapam want to liquidate the Jew-

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Golda Remains Forceful Living As A Private Citizen

RAMAT AVIV, Israel: A security guard is posted on the sidewalk and a sturdy fence surrounds the yard, but otherwise the two-story beige bungalow looks like any other in this comfortable suburb a few minutes north of Tel Aviv. A ring of the doorbell brings a familiar face, a firm handshake and that same slightly skeptical smile that appeared in news photographs from Israel for two generations.

Golda Meir, private citizen, answers the door herself these days. She ushers her visitors into a carpeted, booklined living room and steps into the kitchen to put on water for coffee.

Before it boils the phone rings twice. One call is from the doctor in the nearby public-health clinic who wants to change their appointment. The second is a wrong number — the plague of the Israeli telephone system.

Mrs. Meir takes them both herself, lifting her eyes heavenward with impatience. During her five years as Premier, from 1969 to 1974, someone else answered the phone.

"I haven't had no day entirely to myself," she said. "Last week I was in Jerusalem three days. Soon I'm leaving for a speaking tour of England and the United States. I'm far from bored."

Mrs. Meir will arrive in the United States on Tuesday, Dec. 3.

Six months out of office, Mrs. Meir remains nearly as active as she was as Premier. With several speaking engagements a week, visits around the country and meetings with visiting dignitaries, she is more in the limelight than out of it.

Politically she is active only within the internal councils of the Labor party. She has scrupulously avoided public criticism or discussion of the policies of her successor, Yitzhak Rabin, and has shied away from the rending national debate over security issues.

Potentially Formidable

Mrs. Meir remains a force, at least in a negative sense. No Israeli politician, Mr. Rabin included, would be well-advised to buck her policies or purge her appointees. Not yet, anyway. If she decided to, she could still be a formidable opponent.

The appurtenances of a former Premier are modest. There is none of the imperial luxury or privacy of San Clemente.

Mrs. Meir lives alone in half of a two-family house that she shares with her cellist son, Menachem, and his family. She has owned her part for 20 years. There are no servants, only a woman who comes in to clean a few days a week. Mrs. Meir, who will be 76 years old next May, does the rest herself.

She is entitled to secret service protection, a car and driver, an

office and secretary, a pension and, she added with a smile "free newspapers."

Her only duty, she said still smiling, "is to keep my mouth shut."

Having declined the free office for a time, she has now decided to open one in Tel Aviv after all.

I'm Being Swamped'

"I pooh-poohed the office at first," she explained. "I said, it's crazy — what do I need an office for? I'm going out of an office. But I get between 25 and 30 letters a day, and that's in addition to the telephones. I'm being swamped."

The former Premier also receives a steady stream of visitors from abroad, including Secretary of State Kissinger, who has come to see her in the last six months. "He telephoned the last two times but couldn't make it," she related. "Not to discuss policies, just to say hello. The last time Nancy was with him."

Mrs. Meir is also dictating her memoirs, for which she reportedly received an advance of \$250,000 from Weidenfeld and Nicolson of London. It is not a task she relishes: "I hate it. I can't become excited talking about myself and what I did. It's a bore."

"I don't have illusions about many things," she said. "One of the illusions I don't have is about the important place that I have filled in Israeli history. Nonsense!"

A conversation with Golda Meir, even out of office, tends to the specific and practical rather than the philosophical. It is full of reminiscence but thin on theory. She has dealt with specific day-to-day problems all her life, and retirement has not changed her perspective.

Nor has it altered her firmly held convictions about issues such as Palestinian self-determination, the United Nations, the requirements of peace and Israel's future. Never riddled with self-doubts as a Premier, she is even less so as a private citizen.

The conversation took place in her living room, over coffee, and through a smoky haze from an unbroken chain of unfiltered Chesterfields. Mrs. Meir appeared well despite her years and said she felt well. As is often the case, she began talking slowly and distractedly in a soft voice that gradually grew firmer and more vigorous as she warmed to her subject.

She spoke in easy, idiomatic English that reflected her childhood years in Milwaukee, where she grew up and taught school before immigrating to Palestine in 1921.

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DEFUSES SITUATION

DAMASCUS, Syria: Soviet Communist Party Chief Leonid I. Brezhnev helped defuse the tense situation in the Middle East by interceding with the Presidents of Egypt and Syria, diplomatic sources said here. Brezhnev sent messages to the Arab leaders, Hafez Assad of Syria and Anwar Sadat of Egypt, appealing for restraint and asking them not to provoke renewed hostilities with Israel, the sources said. The sources declined to be identified. They said Sadat and Assad assured Brezhnev they would not start a war with Israel.

Plight Of Soviet Jews Likened To Pre-Civil War Acts

NEW YORK: The plight of Jews in the Soviet Union was likened to pre-Civil War practices in the United States by a New York City official who recently returned from a visit to the Soviet Union. Benjamin J. Malcolm, New York City Corrections Commissioner, told a press conference that just as slave owners sold Black family members to different parts of the South, Soviet authorities "have broken up families, permitting parents to emigrate and

withholding permission for children, or have allowed children and loved ones to depart while refusing visas to parents." Eugene Gold, Kings County District Attorney, and chairman of the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry, took part in the news conference.

Levin and Malcolm met with Soviet officials in charge of correctional institutions and visited with Jewish activists in Moscow, Lvov, Kiev and Leningrad during their two-week visit Oct. 28 to Nov. 11. Malcolm said that if the new U.S.-Soviet trade agreement, which links trade concessions to the USSR with an increase in the number of Soviet emigrants and an end to harassment of exit visa applicants, is to have any meaning, it must provide for the restoration of communications, so that "refuseniks" throughout Russia can tell the West their stories of intimidation and harassment. Without "continued publicity in and pressure from the West," no change will be made in Soviet policy, they said.

They reported that they found their rooms search, their activities monitored and the KGB secret police outside the apartments of several of the "refuseniks" they visited.

In a related development, the Greater New York Conference reported that it had received "new and shocking evidence" that the Soviet Union is determined to destroy the Jewish people in Russia. Conference officials said they had received an appeal from R. Brizinov for his brother-in-law, Albert Koltunov of Chernovitz. Koltunov was arrested last March 13 after he and his wife applied for visas to rejoin their families in Israel.

Koltunov was accused of "spending millions of rubles" and witnesses were employed to provide false statements against him. Two anonymous letters, written in 1972 and 1973, were submitted by the prosecution in Koltunov's trial and witnesses testified he had received bribes from them to influence lottery winnings. Koltunov was a senior auditor in the Vinnitsa department of the Chernovitz sports lottery office.

Brizinov said Koltunov had no reason to accept bribes because there was no way he could influence lottery winnings and that the anonymous letters "were obviously fabricated" for the purpose of intimidating Soviet Jews wanting to go to Israel. The trial began last June with defense witnesses barred from the courtroom and a new attorney appointed to defend Koltunov on the trial's opening day. He was sentenced to five years in a strict regime camp for "economic crimes" and his property was confiscated. Seeking an appeal, his wife hired several lawyers who were all denied access to the evidence.

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