

French Aircraft Builder Dassault Denies Connection With Policy

PARIS, Jan. 23 — Marcel Dassault, the French aircraft builder whose Mirages may be tipping the balance of power in the Middle East, indicated that he had nothing to do with policy regarding the sale of French military planes.

He maintained that the sale of Mirage jets to Libya and the embargo preventing Israel from taking delivery of 50 Mirages she had already paid for were political matters. "It is the French Government that makes the policy of France," he added.

While never going so far as to disavow the embargo, which was imposed by Gen. Charles de Gaulle after the 1967 Arab-Israeli war, Mr. Dassault spoke of his friendship for Israel, which had been his best customer for military aircraft.

"The Marcel Dassault Aircraft Company, which has worked with Israel for 15 years, holds the courage of the Hebrew people and the ability of its pilots in the highest regard," he asserted in an hour-long interview.

Mr. Dassault, who converted from Judaism to Roman Catholicism in 1947, refused to make planes for the Germans during World War II and spent three years in the Buchenwald concentration camp.

Considered a genius among aircraft designers, he is now one of the richest men in France. Of slight build, he is young looking for his years — he is 78 — and remarkably sprightly.

He confirmed that the 50 Mirages embargoed by the French and remaining with units of the French Air Force "are flown often by Israeli pilots and maintained by Israeli mechanics."

Other sources disclosed that since the affair last Christmas in which five French-built gunboats mysteriously found their way to Israel from Cherbourg despite the embargo, the planes had been provided with only 20 minutes' fuel for flights by the Israeli pilots.

Excluding the 50, the Dassault company has sold Israel 70 Mirage III attack bombers and 80 other military aircraft.

While customers deal directly with the company, contracts for military planes require authorization from the Government, which finances construction of the prototypes.

Mr. Dassault said that his company had built and sold more than 1,100 Mirages in the 12 years since the supersonic fighter-bombers came off the assembly line.

Of these, he disclosed, a third were taken by the French Air Force and the rest were exported. He did not refer to the current transaction for 100 Mirages, including 20 trainers, for Libya.

The Mirage III, he said, represented the culmination of experience with earlier subsonic fighter-bombers such as the Ouragan in 1950 and the Mystere IV and the Super-Mystere B.

"Today we have succeeded with a swing-wing version of the Mirage with more than 250 hours of flight time," Mr. Dassault continued, adding that American and other pilots viewed the craft most favorably.

It was because of largescale sales of Mirage planes, he said, that Dassault could offer them at prices that are "very low compared with competing aircraft."

He did not disclose specific figures. French military writers have reported that the Mirages that Libya has ordered will cost something more than \$145-million, so the price per plane is relatively low.

Mr. Dassault also said that his company had sold 350 fan-jet Falcoins, a commercial plane that has found a market mainly

outside France. Pan American World Airways has ordered 250.

The company, which has no stock in the hands of the public and issues no financial reports, is run, Mr. Dassault said, in a way that is more economical than large American aircraft companies.

Mr. Dassault said that when he started the company after World War II it was in effect a one-man show — "that is to say, I was at once the chief technician, industrialist, salesman, financier, etc."

Since 1951, when he was elected to the National Assembly as a Gaullist Deputy, he has shared some of his powers.

Mr. Dassault remained in charge of designing. "I kept for myself the part of the job that was most agreeable since it was creative," he explained.



Dedication Of Mikvah Held On Monday, Jan. 26

The only Mikvah in Rhode Island was formally dedicated at the installation meeting of the Vaad Hakashruth of Rhode Island on Monday, Jan. 26.

The Mikvah, which is located in the Talmud Torah building of Congregation Shaare Zedek-Sons of Abraham, has been completely refurbished, and the technical difficulties which had held up its use have been resolved. There are 15 to 20 women of Rhode Island who use the ritual bath regularly, and, of course, it is also used in conversions.

The women had to go to Boston since the Mikvah at Candace Street had been closed. There had been one on Stamford Street in South Providence but this was taken over when the Urban Renewal organization stepped into the area.

The work on the Mikvah, which belongs to the

congregation, the installation of a heating unit, the painting and renovating was done by the Vaad Hakashruth with rabbinical advice. Jacob Mossberg, president of the Vaad Hakashruth said, "They (the Vaad) had a feeling it was their responsibility."

Installed at the meeting were Mr. Mossberg as president and Abraham Aron as vice president. Sheldon Sollosy was elected chairman of the Finance committee, and Nathan Rosenfeld was appointed as secretary by the board. Ben Rabinowitz was chairman of the meeting and served as installing officer.

According to Mr. Mossberg the Vaad this year will sponsor an educational campaign on Kashruth, providing speakers and printed materials.

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Religious Party Asks Passing Of New Law

JERUSALEM — The National Religious party has declared that it would resign from the Government coalition unless a law was introduced in Parliament reversing the High Court decision of last week on who is a Jew.

The religious party represents 12 of the coalition's 102 seats in the Knesset, or Parliament. Although their resignation would not bring down the Government, it would create a bitter domestic dispute.

The Israeli High Court, by a 5 to 4 vote, ruled that persons who were non-Jews under rabbinical law could be registered as Jews by nationality. It said, in effect, that Interior Ministry clerks must accept any applicants own definition of his Jewishness.

Religious leaders deplored the decision, saying that Jewish religion and nationality were inseparable.

Opinion in Israel has sharpened over the issue, which was raised when the court decided in favor of Lieut. Comdr.

Benjamin Shalit, whose wife is of Christian origin but who professes no religion. The Shalits wanted their children registered as Jews by nationality but with no religious affiliation.

The ultimatum by the National Religious party was accepted as no idle threat by Israelis, who recalled the party's resignation from the 1958 coalition after an administrative attempt had been made to widen the definition of Jewishness for the purposes of registration.

HOUSING FOR AGED

MONTREAL — The Quebec Provincial Government has authorized detailed planning for a senior citizens housing development to be erected on the grounds of the Malmoides Hospital and Home for the Aged here and has placed the project on its 1970-71 priority list. The housing project, which will provide accommodations for 160 elderly persons, will be operated by a non-profit corporation.

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Prof. Pollak Feels Emergency Conference Greatly Unified U.S. Jewish Leadership

The National Emergency Conference on Peace in the Mideast, convened by the Conference of Presidents of major American Jewish organizations, which met last weekend in Washington, D.C., was quite successful for several reasons feels Prof. Fred Pollak,

of the Brown University Physics Department, one of the Rhode Island delegates.

"It had the effect of greatly unifying the leadership of the Jewish communities of the United States," he said. There was great concern and a great outpouring of sentiment concerning the crisis in the Middle East. Through the conference the delegates learned about the problems which confronted them and how to approach them. Internally, Prof. Pollak felt, it was of great value.

Secondly, he felt that it "showed our unity" that we could muster a great many people." He feels that President Nixon recognized the significance of the conference. (The statement which he sent to the group is printed on Page 9).

Approximately 1,000 people attended the conference with representatives from 40 to 50 organizations from 35 states. Other Rhode Islanders who attended the conference were Lawrence Y. Goldberg, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bardach and Martin Goodman.

The Nixon administration war urged by the conference to withdraw the State Department's "specific proposals" for a Middle East settlement "so that the Arab-Israeli negotiations which President Nixon has called for will indeed be undertaken without pre-conditions."

A resolution was adopted

praising President Nixon's message to the conference. But the delegates were critical of attempts by the United States and other major powers to draft the framework for an Arab-Israeli settlement. Such efforts, their resolutions declared "have in fact impeded progress towards a genuine peace."

Another resolution condemned France's "anti-Israel and pro-Arab policy" and called on French President Georges Pompidou "to reverse (it) and lift the arms embargo against Israel." The resolution also sought to differentiate between the actions of the Pompidou regime and the "genuine sympathy and friendship extended by the French people to Israel in the past."

"Our job now," says Prof. Pollak, "is to muster public opinion, public sentiment. . . A long range campaign must be conducted pointing out what the facts are."

The delegates met, in small parties, with more than 200 Senators and Representatives. Prof. Pollak said he was pleased with the interviews with the congressmen. Many of them have made statements in behalf of Israel among them Senators Pastore and Pell, and Congressman St. Germain and Tiernan of Rhode Island.

Rabbi Herschel Schachter of (Continued on page 9)

U.S. Rejects Soviet Proposals For Arab-Israeli Negotiations

WASHINGTON — The United States has rejected Soviet suggestions for an Arab-Israeli peace formula and has warned that there was no point in continuing the two-power talks unless the Russians adopted a more flexible position.

A statement, putting the future of the Soviet-American talks in question, was made to the Soviet Ambassador, Anatoly F. Dobrynin, by Joseph J. Sisco, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South-Asian Affairs.

It was the first meeting of the two negotiators since Mr. Dobrynin's call at the State Department on Dec. 23 to present the Soviet response to American proposals.

The State Department spokesman, Robert J. McCloskey, said that Mr. Sisco "pointed out the shortcomings" of this Soviet statement, which was published in The New York Times on Jan. 13.

The Russians blamed "Israeli aggression" for the failure to reach a peace agreement, insisted that there could be no legal peace commitments until Israel had fully withdrawn from occupied Arab territories and said that all the countries of the area would have to reach complete agreement before any part of an accord would come into effect.

In general, the Russians appeared determined to pin down specific elements of a peace, which the United States prefers to leave open for negotiation between the Arabs and Israelis.

A qualified source said "the Russians will have to do better than they've done so far if the talks are to continue."

Presumably the four-power negotiations at the United Nations, involving Britain and France as well as the Soviet Union and the United States, will continue, but United States officials hold out little hope for any early progress.

The main American objection to the Soviet position, United States officials said, is Moscow's seeming withdrawal of its earlier support for negotiations between Israel and the Arab states according to the so-called Rhodes formula.

The United States continues to advocate this technique, which was first used in talks on the Greek island of Rhodes after the 1948 Palestine war. It involves the use of a mediator to straddle the distinction between the "direct" negotiations demanded by Israel and the "indirect" negotiations favored by the Arabs.

American officials said that both the Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei A. Gromyko, and the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Mahmoud Riad, had accepted the principle of the Rhodes formula at meetings with Secretary of State William P. Rogers at the United Nations last September.

United States officials have indicated that they intend to stand firm on their proposals and to press for reconsideration of an earlier rejection by both Israel and the Arab governments.

These proposals call basically for an Israeli withdrawal from the territories occupied in the June, 1967, war in return for a binding and secure peace accord, reached through negotiations, between Israel and the Arab states.

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LEAVE FOR ISRAEL: Part of the group which left for the Kennedy Airport in New York last Sunday to take part in the United Jewish Appeal's "Operation Israel 1970" are shown above. The 23-man delegation from Rhode Island is part of a 224 man nationwide mission to Israel led by Merrill L. Hassenfeld, honorary president of the General Jewish Committee of Rhode Island and a member of the national UJA Cabinet. Shown, left to right, in the front row, are Jack Sundel, Hyman Fishbein, Dr. Joseph Jay Fishbein, Robert A. Riesman, Benjamin M. Falk, Samuel C. Kagan, Manfred Weil, leader of the R. I. mission. In the back row, left to right, are Benton Rosen, Hyman Cokin, Sheldon S. Sollosy, Karl Foss, Harold Tregar, Henry W. Markoff, David Hassenfeld, Malcolm C. Bromberg and Dr. Morris L. Biderman. Participating in the mission, but not shown in the photograph, are Mr. Hassenfeld, William M. Kolb, William M. Kolb, Jr., and Harold Soloveitzik of Westerly.

Obituaries

CARL MICHAELSON

Funeral services for Carl Michaelson, 79, of 99 Hillside Avenue, who died on Monday, were held the following day at Congregation Sons of Zion. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The father of State Senator Julius C. Michaelson of Providence, he had lived in Providence for 47 years. The husband of the late Celia (Cooley) Michaelson, he had formerly lived on Pinehurst Avenue.

He was born in Lithuania, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Israel Michaelson. He was a self-employed dry goods salesman until he retired five years ago.

Mr. Michaelson was past president of Congregation Sons of Zion, past president of the Hebrew Free Loan Association, and was president of the Providence Working Men's Beneficial. He was a World War I army veteran.

Besides his son, he is survived by a brother, Samuel Michaelson of Providence, and two grandsons.

MRS. JACO B DAVIS

Funeral services for Mrs. Sadie Davis, 88, of 11 Baldwin Orchard Drive, Cranston, who died January 21 in New York, after a brief illness, were held Sunday at Temple Beth El. Burial was in Congregation Sons of Israel and David Cemetery.

The wife of the late Jacob Davis, she was born in Providence, a daughter of the late Isaac and Bertha Marks. She had been a resident of Providence for most of her life.

Mrs. David was a past president of Temple Beth El's

Asks Draft Exemption For Atheist Pacifists

WASHINGTON — The American Jewish Congress asked the Supreme Court Saturday to give atheistic pacifists the same right to be exempt from war duty as religious pacifists.

In a friend-of-court brief, the Jewish organization said that the First Amendment forbids preferential treatment of believers over nonbelievers.

The Court will hear argument on the issue in reviewing a decision by Federal District Judge Charles Wyzanski of Massachusetts, who ruled along the lines suggested by the Jewish group. The Government is appealing the decision.

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Sisterhood, and the New England region of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, and had served on the latter's board of directors. She also was a past president of both the Providence chapter and New England region of the National Council of Jewish Women, as well as a former member of the national board of directors.

Survivors include three sons, Rabbi Maurice Davis of White Plains, N.Y., whom she was visiting at the time of her death, Irving Kotler of Providence, and Albert Davis of Cranston; two daughters, Mrs. Coleman Zimmerman of Providence and Mrs. H. Jack Feibelman of Cranston, with whom she lived; three sisters, Mrs. Samuel Finegold and Miss Reka Marks, both of Providence, and Mrs. Anne Rubin of Miami, Florida; a brother, Maurice Marks, eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

MRS. SAMUEL D. ROSE

Funeral services for Mrs. Ethel S. Rose, 47, of 40 Red Cedar Drive, Cranston, who died Jan. 21, were held Jan. 23 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The wife of Samuel D. Rose, she was born in Providence, the daughter of Louis Shenkow and the late Ida (Latt) Shenkow, and had lived in Cranston for 20 years.

Mrs. Rose was a member of Temple Beth Torah and its sisterhood.

Besides her husband and father, she is survived by two sons, Capt. Stephen Rose with the Air Force in Los Angeles, and Barry Rose of Cranston; a daughter, Leslie Rose of Cranston, a student at the University of Connecticut, and three sisters, Mrs. Herbert White of Cranston, Mrs. Jerome Groten of Flushing, N.Y., and Sara Shenkow of Providence.

MRS. LOUIS LUBIN

Funeral services for Mrs. Pauline Lubin, 83, of 99 Hillside

Avenue, who died Jan. 21, were held Jan. 22 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The wife of the late Louis Lubin, she was born in Russia, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bunchark. She had been a resident of Providence for the last 60 years.

She is survived by a son, Leonard Lubin of Providence; two daughters, Mrs. Elissa Scollard of Providence and Mrs. May Andelman of Cranston; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

MRS. SAMUEL BANDER

Funeral services for Mrs. Sadie Bander, 66, of 60 Stephen Hopkins Court, who died Sunday in Charlotte, N.C., at the home of her son, William W. Bander, were held Tuesday at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The wife of Samuel Bander, she was born in Boston, Mass., a daughter of the late Woolf and Priscilla (Emanuel) Cohen. She had lived in Providence most of her adult life.

Besides her husband and her son, survivors are two brothers, Cy Cohen of Boston, and Morris Cohen of Miami, Fla., and two granddaughters.

JACOB WEISS

Funeral services for Jacob Weiss, 47, of 24 Elgin Street, an electrical engineer, who died Jan. 24, were held Monday at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

He was born in Poland, a son of the late Morris and Helen (Horovitz) Weiss. He had lived in Providence about 20 years.

Mr. Weiss had been employed by the Western Electric Company in New Jersey for a year before returning to Providence.

He was a 1948 graduate of Brown University and was a member of the Brown Engineering Society and the tennis and fencing clubs while at Brown.

He was a World War II Army veteran and served in both Europe and Asia.

Survivors are three brothers, Benjamin, Charles and James Weiss, all of Providence.

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University Students Form Actions Group

JERUSALEM — The Hebrew University's Students Union announced last week that it had formed an "actions committee" to pursue student demands for greater representation in university affairs. The Union said it would try to achieve its goals by "persuasion and peaceful means" but added that "more extreme action" was not precluded should other means fail.

The students have demanded representation on the University's governing Senate, on its faculty councils and on the academic committees that meet once a week and decide most day-to-day matters. The student demands were flatly rejected by the University's Rector, Prof. Jacob Katz, this week.

Speaking on national television, he said they couldn't be considered until this year's experiments with joint student-faculty committees are fully evaluated.

Prof. Katz accused the Students Union of incitement and what he called "open and disguised threats." He said "rumors" of disquiet on the campus were "grossly exaggerated and, in some cases, clearly biased."

He played down the importance of the issues mentioned as causing discontent.

Israeli Tanker Nivi Arrives At Eilat

TEL AVIV — The largest vessel ever to reach an Israeli port — the Israeli tanker Nivi, with a 125,000-ton displacement — arrived at Eilat last week. The Nivi was built in the Swedish Ericksberg docks.

Because of its size, the Nivi was docked out deeper at sea than the usual oily quay anchorage. However, officials said, the harbor is being enlarged to handle tankers even up to a 250,000-ton displacement. The fully automatic Nivi cost \$9.5 million.

Archaeologists Find Name Bar Katros On Weight In Ruins Dated From AD 70

JERUSALEM — Archeologists have discovered the name Bar Katros inscribed on a stone weight in the ruins of a house in Jerusalem destroyed by the Romans 1,900 years ago.

The house, in the Jewish quarter of the Old City, is the first discovered "intact" from the siege and fire that ended a Jewish revolt in A.D. 70. Israelis are showing great interest in it because it represents the first visual evidence of the event.

Prof. Nahman Avigad of Hebrew University, who is uncovering the ruins in the walled Old City, which came under Israeli control in the 1967 war, said the name Bar Katros appeared in the Talmud as a family of high priests.

Bar Katros is the family name. The first name is missing, being on a part of the weight that had been chipped off. There was no way of knowing if Bar Katros was the owner or tenant of the house, or both.

The Talmud, the body of Jewish law, compiled in the second century, also includes discussions and elaboration of the law, with many legends and stories. Professor Avigad said that it was in these legends and stories that the name Bar Katros appeared.

Professor Avigad has been excavating two rooms of a structure believed to be about 20 feet wide and deep. Two additional rooms have yet to be uncovered.

The house was in a favorable position, or "good neighborhood," as one archeologist put it, atop a hill overlooking the Temple Mount, a rise containing the Second Temple. The temple was also destroyed in 70 A.D.

This placement would be appropriate to a man of the



Mrs. Thomas E. Wiener

Miss Felice Gloria Goodwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman S. Goodwin of 61 Westford Road, was married Saturday, Jan. 24, to Thomas Eli Wiener of 700 7th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. Samson Wiener of 4408 Lorraine, Dallas, Texas. Rabbi William G. Braude officiated at the 6:30 p.m. candlelight ceremony which was held at Temple Beth-El. A reception followed at the temple.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a gown of ivory peau de sole and re-embroidered Alencon lace over English net, designed with a high beaded neckline, long sleeves with beading at the wrists, an empire waist, an A-line skirt and a cathedral length train. Her silk illusion veil fell from a matching headpiece. She carried a Victorian cascade

bouquet of Georgiana orchids and foliage.

Mrs. Carl P. Sherr, a cousin of the bride, served as the matron of honor. The bride's other attendants were Mrs. Jeffrey Buzen, Mrs. James Fine, Mrs. Steven Naubelm, Mrs. Leon Mellow, and Miss Margie Fine. The honor attendants wore Can-Can pink chiffon pants dresses, styled with modified empire waists, satin trimming and bishop sleeves. Each carried a single pink camellia.

John Novogrod was best man. Ushers were Allan M. Goodwin, brother of the bride, Jerome Sekula, Paul Auster, Steven Naubelm, and Leon Mello, brother-in-law of the bridegroom.

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priestly class, but the weights and measures found in one room and the indications of furniture or carpentry work in the other might not.

Bar Katros could have been the owner of the building, however, or he could have engaged artisans for some delicate work such as fashioning objects for the temple.

Artifacts of the period have been found before but never in the Pompeii-like circumstances that are providing experts with evidence for the fire that Josephus, a historian of the period, said killed 1,100,000.

Coins dating the find within two years also have been found, providing archeologists with a means of dating pottery more exactly than heretofore. This, in turn, will enable them to date other sites where similar pottery, but no coins, has been found.

KNOCK OUT CANAL
TEL AVIV — The American-funded Ghor Canal in Jordan was knocked out for the third time by Israeli air strikes against sabotage bases in the canal area in reprisal for growing guerrilla actions against Israeli settlements.

For And About Teenagers



THE WEEK'S LETTER: "Here is my problem. I am 14 years old and I like this kid at school a lot. He isn't going with anyone right now. My girlfriends say that they think I could get him because I'm cute. I'm scared that, if I am introduced to him, he won't like me. My brother knows him and could introduce us. What do you think I should do?"

OUR REPLY: The first thing you should do is to stop being afraid of things that might happen or might not happen. If you are cute, as your girlfriends say, there is no reason that a boy

should not like you—if you are a natural and pleasant person. The second thing you need to realize is that you will never know whether he likes you or not until he is given the opportunity to make a decision. Your own indecision and fearing the "worst" makes that difficult. Learn to think positive. Assume that he will like you—and remember that it isn't the end of the world if he doesn't like you as well as you think you like him.

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The Sao Paulo student headquarters will be located at the outset in the headquarters of B'nai B'rith, which will sponsor it. B'nai Brith sponsors the Hillel Foundation movement in the U.S. and other parts of the world.

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WJC To Reappraise Policy At Meeting

TEL AVIV — An official of the World Jewish Congress conceded last week that the organization's efforts to secure full minority rights for Soviet Jewry have failed so far. Dr. Gerhart Riegner, general secretary of the WJC, said the time had come for a "profound reappraisal of our policy toward the Soviet authorities."

Dr. Riegner said that would be one of the main topics at the meeting of the WJC executive which opened here. The Jewish communities in 65 countries were represented at the parley, including delegations from Rumania and Yugoslavia.

Dr. Riegner said another major topic will be the widening generation gap and how to cope with it. The WJC will also take up Arab propaganda activities which have assumed not only an anti-Israel but an anti-Jewish cast. Premier Golda Meir was expected to participate in the discussion of world Jewry and its relationship to Israel.

Previously, Dr. Nahum Goldman, president of the WJC, told Israeli editors that large-scale emigration of Russian Jews to Israel might be the most important and most desirable solution. But he said, of immediate importance were demands that Soviet Jews be given the right to freedom of religion, freedom of education and freedom to practice their own culture.

NAMED ACTING DIRECTOR
WALTHAM, Mass. — Dr. Harry Eagle, chairman of the division of biological sciences and the department of cell biology at Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, New York, has been named acting director of the Rosenstiel Basic Medical Science Center of Brandeis University. The 64-year-old physician is a former member of the faculty of the School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania. Among his awards is the Alvarenga prize of the College of Physicians in Philadelphia. The Rosenstiel Basic Medical Science Center is underwritten by a \$19 million gift from Lewis S. Rosenstiel of Miami Beach, founder and retired board chairman of Schenley Industries.

Only in America
By Harry Golden

More On The Arab Refugees

In his policy statement about Israel, Secretary of State William Rogers included the Arab refugees as a mandatory subject on a peace table agenda. Personally I thought this the most sensible of the most futile of the conditions Mr. Rogers suggested for a settlement of the Middle East crisis.

The man in the street in Israel reacted with varying degrees of outrage to what else the Secretary said but about the Arab refugees, the man in the street shrugged his shoulders.

The ordinary Israeli simply doesn't think about the refugees. This is a general statement but not all-inclusive.

A kibbutznik told me he thought Israel's one mistake in the last 20 years was not doing something about the refugee problem. And there are in Tel Aviv and Hebrew Universities Jewish teachers who specialize in Arab studies and who do a great deal of thinking about the refugees.

One of these is Shimon Shamir who is the department head of the Reuven Shiloah Research Center which specializes in Middle East and African history. Dr. Shamir initiated and conducted the research and interviews which became the report, "The Political Outlook of the Refugees." The report has been published in Hebrew and will soon be published in English by the Rand Corporation.

Dr. Shamir told me the refugee problem was conceived in panic and panic has always attended it in one way or another. After the United Nations decided on partition but before Israel declared its statehood, the rich and middle class Arabs left. The wealthy merchant with a castle in Acre now has one in Amman and the doctor with a going practice in Haifa now treats patients in Cairo.

After Ben-Gurion announced the formation of Israel and Arab armies moved against the frontier, the working class Arabs, illiterate and simple people, fled their homes. They had few leaders to advise them and they expected certainly to come back but in the beginning fear overtook them.

Similarly, the Israelis panicked. The mass exodus of Arabs made them wonder if the UN would revoke its decision. The government tried everything to keep the Arabs but to no avail. At one point, the military realized that refugees clogging the roads to the south and east might prove obstacles to Jordanian and Egyptian troop movement. There is a famous story of Moshe Dayan, then a battalion commander, touring Ramia with a loudspeaker telling the Arab population, now is your chance to get out while the getting is good.
The refugees 20 years later

are bitter and hopeless but they do not attribute all of their bitterness and hopelessness to Israel. Arab leaders promised them their pick of the neighborhood homes once Israel was defeated and today these refugees believe Israel is impregnable. They believe they have been used. And in this, they are right. This point of view is prevalent in the refugee camps but, as soon as it became articulate in the days before the Six-Day War, the Jordanians or the Egyptians erased the troublemaker. (Copyright (C), 1970, by Harry Golden) (Distributed by Bell-McClure Syndicate)

OVER AND OVER AGAIN
JERUSALEM, — Israel's public relations efforts at home and abroad were criticized at the ninth national conference of public relations officers here. The conference which was attended by Cabinet ministers, discussed proposals to establish an independent ministry of information.

Time To Spare
By GERALD ANDREWS - Retirement Adviser

The Second Hundred Years

The Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs of the Social Security Administration came up with an intriguing title for a recent article.

Writing in Harvest Years, Russell R. Jalbert discussed "The Second Hundred Years"... meaning, the number of Americans on the Social Security rolls who have passed the century mark.

Number — 3,200. Of course, that's a round number that fluctuates when you get to specifics. But it shows that reaching the ripe old age of one hundred is not quite as rare as one might think.

The interesting thing is that some of our centenarians remain active. For instance, John Newhard of Allentown, Pennsylvania, worked at a cemetery as its manager until he was one hundred and two years old.

Mr. Jalbert mentions the following interesting examples of longevity and hardihood.

"Thomas Anderson, one hundred and one, still does surveying in Greenwood County, S. C. Anderson has been a licensed surveyor for eighty years ...

"Charlie Smith, one hundred and twenty-seven, still sells soft drinks at his little store in Bartow, Fla." We are told by the Social Security official that Charlie Smith is "the oldest social security beneficiary."

How do centenarians feel about the way the world is going? What about the hippies, etc.?

"No generation is perfect," says Charlie Steuer of Tarrytown, N. Y., who is one hundred and one. "They're no worse than my generation ... The so-called bad ones get more publicity, that's all."

It would be ungallant to close this column without bringing in the ladies. Annie Risinger of Ringoes, N. J., is one hundred and two. She disapproves of slacks and minis. She smiles when she recalls the old days when skirts reached the ground.

Mrs. Anna Moten of Jackson, Tenn., one hundred and two years old, was active as a child, and remains active as a centenarian. "I used to saw trees, and not knowing which way they'd fall, I'd just outrun them."

A lively group, our centenarians. Maybe the first hundred years are the hardest.

SUCCESSFUL INVESTING

By Roger E. Spear



Woolco Prospects Favorable

Q: Will the new expansion program begun by Woolworth have the same impact as Kresge's K-Mart program had for them? — L.L.

A: In general, shares of retailers have been under pressure recently as investors assess the effects of tight credit and a sluggish economy. Woolworth, however, has withstood the selling rather well with shares giving up only 14% from earlier highs. Woolworth has recorded back-to-back sales gains since 1961. Unfortunately earnings have been static for four years.

Behind these figures is the erratic profit record of Woolworth's 52.7%-owned British subsidiary. This will probably continue to absorb some of the bounce expected from the company's aggressive expansion program.

Lester Burcham, president, predicted sales will reach \$3 billion by 1972 or thereabouts. Earnings estimates for 1969 of \$2.35-\$2.45 a share were called reasonable. Cited as factors in expected growth were the addition of 35 Woolco outlets annually and emphasis on larger stores offering higher-priced merchandise.

Q: Through my company's savings plan I have been buying shares of Massachusetts Investors Trust. Should I now switch and purchase my company's (Swift) shares or split the investment 50-50? — F.J.

A: A new look is definitely taking shape at this, the world's largest meat packing company. The closing of marginal plants resulted in losses equal to \$4.54 a share in fiscal 1968. By 1971 some 250 plants will have been shut down, paving the way for more aggressive expansion into other areas. Swift has recently announced the acquisition of an insurance and financial firm, bringing the number of such companies under its aegis to six. In the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, earnings of \$1.60 a share were reported on a record of \$3.1 billion in sales.

Mass. Investors Trust's performance record has been slightly below average within its growth-income category, both in the last 5 and 10 years. Dividend income, though, has been above average as has its stability record. I would favor letting this investment rest for the interim, while a position was built up in Swift & Co. shares.

Turnaround in Sight For Texaco Shares

Q: I have been keeping shares of Texaco as an investment for my old age. Am I wise to continue to hold in view of its poor action? — G.W.

A: Your shares should be retained in spite of the 6-month 35% drop in share value. Texaco's weak market action reflects the poor tone of the stock market in general and the oils in particular — haunted by threatened cuts in the depletion allowance, which now appears will be lowered to 22% from the present level of 27 1/2% by Senate-House conference, oils have dropped steadily.

Texaco will not be seriously affected by the depletion cut. In fact, based on a 22% level, 1968 earnings would have been 2.9% lower than the \$3.07 actually reported.

An additional blow was delivered by a Cabinet-level task force — a tentative agreement to replace import quotas with a tariff system. It now appears that the latter plan will be quietly shelved.

Getting down to specifics, Texaco, plagued by strikes and rising costs, has reported lower year-to-year earnings in each of the first three quarters.

However, a stable fourth quarter should result in net of about \$2.90 per share for the year. Texaco's generous yield, strong marketing and crude positions and aggressive expansive policies indicate gradual long-term growth.

Q: I have received an exchange offer from Vanguard International for my shares of California Life on a 1-for-3 basis. This means a considerable loss over my costs. Should the new shares be held, as I am interested in long-term growth? — R.C.

A: Until early in 1969 when it was reorganized, Vanguard operated primarily as an industrial, hospital and commercial laundry. How successful the company will be in wringing profits from its newly acquired banking, insurance and real-estate businesses is anyone's guess. The company's hospital linen business was disposed of this year. I would do the same with these shares.

Deficit-Ridden Reading Sales At Low Levels

Q: Reading Co. \$2 preferred sells at about 11. I don't understand this high dividend. What is wrong? — W.B.

A: A lot. For one thing, there have been no dividends paid on the \$2 First preferred since 1961 and the \$2 Second preferred since 1960. For another, the railroad has reported a deficit in each of the past 11 quarters. With ton miles off -8% in the past seven years as a result of declining coal shipments, Reading has had scant opportunity to capitalize on the tremendous leverage possible within this industry. A request to the ICC to be included in a proposed merger of Norfolk & Western and Chesapeake & Ohio is pending but objections to the terms have been filed by the principals.

Q: I would appreciate your comments on Great Lakes Chemical and Phillips Petroleum — L.A.

A: Great Lakes Chemical reported higher sales and earnings in the first nine months of 1969, extending their rising growth curve into a fourth year. Reported results included Cavedon Chemical but not Microseal, recently acquired firms. Sales were up 50% to \$8.7 million while earnings advanced 71% to 36 cents a share.

Great Lakes is the second largest manufacturer of bromine-based chemicals in the United States. Their products are used in the manufacture of dyes, soaps, synthetic lubricants, gasoline anti-knock additives and flame retardants. In this latter area Great Lakes has experienced the sharpest increase in demand. At about 22x projected 1969 earnings of 55 cents-60 cents, shares have discounted growth several years in advance.

Phillips, by comparison a giant, has had a very disappointing profit picture. A 10% drop in nine-months earnings to \$1.24 a share from \$1.40 in 1968 was reported in spite of a 4% rise in volume. Lower prices on LPG and fertilizers, decreased natural gas and domestic crude production and the expenses involved in the Alaskan natural gas project are all factors in the drop. Increased production and higher prices for natural gas liquids should upgrade Phillips' 1970 profit performance.

OPEN CHILD CENTERS

TEL AVIV — Ten new child care centers have been opened in Israel by the Pioneer Women, the Women's Labor Zionist Organization of America, to accommodate more than 600 children of working mothers in towns from the Negev to the Galilee. More than 7000 children between the ages of three and



ENGAGED: Mr. and Mrs. Saul Nulman of 214 Oakland Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Sharon Nulman, to Michael Yehuda Strassfeld, son of Rabbi and Mrs. Meyer Strassfeld of 3 Community Road, Marblehead, Mass.

Miss Nulman is a graduate of the Providence Hebrew Day School and Classical High School, and attended Stern College of Yeshiva University. She is now a junior at New York University.

Mr. Strassfeld, who was graduated from Maimonides Hebrew Day School in Brookline, Mass., attended Yeshiva University and is now a junior at Brandeis University.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Finkelstein of Providence are Miss Nulman's grandparents. Mr. Strassfeld's grandparents are Rabbi and Mrs. Abraham Strassfeld of Miami Beach, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Goldstein of Brooklyn, N. Y.

An August wedding is planned.

Society

FIRST SON BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fain of 47 Oak Hill Avenue, Pawtucket, announce the birth of their first child and son, David Andrew, on Dec. 29.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Max Lemelman of Washington, Pa. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Irving Fain of Providence.

STEINER-GREEN

Miss Bonnie Green, daughter of Mrs. Perry Scott of 10 Howie Avenue, Warwick, and Arnold Green of 3 Congress Road, Barrington, was married on Sunday, Jan. 25, to Barry Steiner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Steiner of 185 Gallatin Street. Rabbi William G. Braude officiated at the 1:30 p.m. ceremony at Temple Beth El. A reception followed at the home of the bride in Warwick.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white wool knit dress with a jacket. She carried a Colonial bouquet.

Stephanie Green, cousin of the bride, was maid of honor. Edward Steiner served as best man for his brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Steiner will live in Corpus Christi, Texas.

SON BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Brody of 14 Grassmere Street, Warwick, announce the birth of their son, Neil Alan, on Jan. 14. Mrs. Brody is the former Esther Geller.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Cy Geller of Lambert Street, Cranston. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brody of Tyndall Avenue.

MOVE TO FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cohen, formerly of Providence and Bangor, Maine, have moved to North Miami Beach, Fla.

GUARDS SENTENCED BONN — Two former guards at the Sachsenhausen concentration camp were sentenced to prison terms last week and a third was acquitted on charges of murdering a 14-year-old Jewish boy during World War II. Kasper Dexler, 69, was sentenced to eight and a half years in prison, and Kurt Iccarious, 64, got four years. Franz Etlinger, 57, was found not guilty and freed.

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Information Gap

Golda Meir moved with sense and resolution when she included a minister of information in her new cabinet. She chose her old friend and confidant, and veteran state building Israel Galili, 69, to be Minister of Information. He was previously minister without portfolio, handling domestic information. Now his information duties will extend beyond Israel's borders. Better late than never. There is an "information gap"—here and there, in Israel and in the U.S.A. Israel has a very serious problem in handling information.

She has an exceptionally fine record for accuracy in her communiques, while the Arabs have a reputation for telling public and official lies all over the lot in communiques full of verbose braggardism. So the contrast is obvious.

But in the information war outside the military field, the Arabs seem to score most of the points most of the time. This is understandable since they have more governments, money and manpower. But that's not the story by a long shot.

There are new and important responsibilities to be conferred on Minister Galili. First, there must be an information program directed to the Arab peoples, day and night, to cut through the wall of fakery and hate. Second, there must be an information program timed and tailored to the Soviet Iron Curtain world. Third, there must be an information program timed and tailored to the western free world. Fourth, there must be an information program for the African, Indian, Southeast Asian emerging free world.

Further, Israel has set an example for the U.S. Jewish community, which is in vital need of a central American Jewish Information Agency.

Israel cannot do our job for us; nor can fragmented, untrained, uncoordinated, unskilled agency press agents. Trained, skilled, action-centered information specialists are required in a fast moving, modern streamlined system—unburdened by bureaucracy.

Your Money's Worth

By Sylvia Porter



'Hot' Profits In Low-Cost Housing

There are unparalleled opportunities for profit awaiting you, the investor in low-cost housing in the 1970s — as a result of the meshing of the giant new housing and tax laws.

In fact, "some of the hottest real estate breaks" in history are opening up and "the tax law has re-established real estate as a top pay-off investment," says Eli Warach, a Prentice-Hall executive and nationally recognized authority on housing.

Washington is eager to see you take advantage of these breaks in order to stimulate the flow of private money into the construction and rehabilitation of low-cost housing — but it doesn't know how to publicize the incentives. At the same time, large numbers of you are surely just as eager to know about the breaks — but you need help in digging them out.

Here, therefore, is the story as spelled out for me by Warach and summarized in an analytical booklet now being circulated privately among Prentice-Hall subscribers.

The newly liberalized Section 236 of the National Housing Law is specifically designed to pull private enterprise (as opposed to the Federal Government) into low-cost housing. Thus, these sweeteners are in it:

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The new tax law will then move in to permit you to get extraordinarily attractive

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FROM FRIDAY TO FRIDAY

Lasting Gifts

By BERYL SEGAL

During our stay in Miami, Fla., we took part in the 50th anniversary of Harry and Anna (Shatkin) Chaet. While in Providence, the Chaets were identified with Labor Zionism; he in the Poale Zion group and she, a founder of the Pioneer Women. They were Zionists at a time when this ideal was not popular as it is today.

When the Chaets moved to Miami, they immediately joined their respective organizations. Harry and Anna picked up where they left off in Providence. It is the beauty of these organizations that wherever one goes, one finds a similar group, with similar ideas, and the same kind of work as in the place one came from. The Chaets were soon in the swim of things in Miami, just as they were in Providence.

It was not a surprise, therefore, to find a table for Providence people visiting Florida among the tables for the friends the Chaets had gained in Miami.

But the reason I am telling about this anniversary party is because it was devoted entirely to Israel, the ideal of Harry and Anna during their whole adult life. There was food and drinks and speeches, of course, but the most eloquent speech was the one in which it was announced that all gifts will go to the Child Rescue Fund in Israel.

I looked at the children's table in front of the hall. There, among other children, were the grandchildren of Harry and Anna Chaet. What an impression that made on the young! How they will tell their friends when they return home!

THEIR GRANDPARENTS WERE GIVEN NEITHER GOLD NOR SILVER NOR KNICKKNACKS ON THEIR ANNIVERSARY. THEY WERE GIVEN, INSTEAD, A GIFT OF A CHILD RESCUED FROM WANT IN SOME COUNTRY AND BROUGHT TO A LAND WHERE HE WAS WANTED.

I am sure that many more people do the same thing on their celebrations, instructing their friends to give to some fund instead of personal gifts. We buy our own gifts according to our needs, according to our tastes and according to our plans. No one really knows what we need and what will please us most. Isn't giving to a fund of your choice the best gift? It is pleasing to you and it sends aid where aid is needed.

This kind of gift is even more applicable to Bar and Bas Mitzvahs. It is good training. Let the boys and girls feel that on the days of their rejoicing an unknown child has been given a home, a youth has been helped to an education, or a tract of land has been reforested.

In the years to come the boys and girls will have forgotten about the gifts showered on their

heads by well meaning friends. But they will never forget the certificate of a gift to some fund in Israel, or an institution in this country.

Who knows? The youngster might some day go to Israel and find his or her name in the Golden Book of the National Fund. He or she may go to some project in Israel and find that the contributions made at the time of the Bar or Bas Mitzvah helped in this project.

When we were in Israel three years ago we came to an agricultural school and farm named Kanot. After observing the boys and the girls at work we

came to their dormitories. How surprised we were when we saw on the wall near the entrance to the rooms names of people of Providence. These were people, who instead of loving cups and silverware and serving trays, were given a gift of a contribution to this School of Agriculture at the time it was founded and built.

No gift can survive longer and can bring more satisfaction than contributions given in the name of the person honored to a fund.

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

The Lyons Den



By Leonard Lyons

New York — Some Nixon aides who advised cuts in cancer research funds are Christian Scientists...The White House reconsidered and decided that a full performance of "1776" is better than none. The hit musical will be performed in the Executive Mansion...The old Madison Square Garden site on Eighth Av. will become an entertainment complex, complete with theater and movie house.

Rep. Jonathan Bingham, D-N.Y., said at Arthur Schlesinger's the other night that he will not run for the gubernatorial or senatorial nomination...Vullard's huge "The Garden," owned by Nate Cummings and now in Sargent Shriver's embassy residence, will be part of the art treasures to be displayed at the National Gallery in Washington next spring...Howard Hughes is bidding for Paradise Island's casino.

Paul Newman and his wife, Joanne Woodward, were in the Plaza's Oak Room recently. He said of his current plans: "I just take Joanne's checks to the bank near our Westport home, where the teller says 'Thank you, Mr. Woodward. Our regards to Mrs. Woodward.'"

Bob Livingston, co-producer of "Transfers," will produce the film version of David Slavitt's "Rochelle" with Lee Guber...Livingston and Jerome Weidman have created a TV series, His Honor, the Mayor. I.P. Lazar is handling it... "Applause" had its first run-through the other night, before an S.R.O. audience. They marveled at Lauren Bacall...Pulitzer Prizewinner Bruce Catton sighs: "These are bad times for historians."

Rufino Tamayo and his wife returned from Europe and flew to their home in Mexico. In Paris Tamayo won the \$4,000 Gulbenkian prize. His wife spent the prize money buying four marked-down gowns. She said: "I'm careful about the money for his paintings. But with this unexpected money I felt I could indulge myself."

Lee J. Cobb will be seen but not heard in Ann Bancroft's Monsanto-TV special. He'll play her psychoanalyst, listening to her fantasies...Bonwit Teller's windows will exhibit Benay Venuta's new sculptures in plexiglass...Ingrid Bergman accompanied her husband Lars Schmidt to the Tokyo premiere of Harold Rome's musical version of "Gone With the Wind."

The most eloquent refutation of Vice President Agnew's attack on TV newscasting came from Dr. Frank Stanton, president of CBS. To Stanton's office last week came a form letter from Agnew, starting with, "Your support of the position I have taken" and ending with "It is

encouraging to know you share my views on this subject."

20th Century-Fox, preparing to fight David Merrick's proxy battle for control of the studio, sent "credit investigators" to the Herman Shumlin's, who assured them Merrick paid his bills promptly...Cy Feuer will produce the film version of "Cabaret" with Bob Fosse directing...The new owner of the Henry Hudson Hotel, Irving Schatz, conceived the plan of renting three complete floors to the over-crowded Roosevelt Hospital across the street.

After his recital with the Moscow Symphony Orchestra at Carnegie Hall, Van Cliburn went to the Russian Tea Room next door with his impresario, S. Hurok. A fan asked for Cliburn's autograph, and said she'd attended all his concerts here this season. Cliburn said: "I'm grateful." Hurok told her: "And I am doubly grateful."

Peter Fonda will follow his "Easy Rider" success with a Western film, "The Hired Hand"...The film on the Woodstock Rock Festival will devote the principal footage to two Englishmen, Alvin Lee of Ten Years After and the Grease Band's Joe Cocker...Anthony Quinn wants to hold the premiere of "Nobody Loves Flapping Eagle" in Alcatraz, where several Indians have been holding a sit-in to dramatize their plight.

Tennessee Williams moved from a W. 72d St. apartment-house to one of the city's landmark hotels. He told his former apartment-house neighbors that as soon as he saw those four-letter words scrawled on the elevator walls he knew he had to move.

Ralph Bunche is co-sponsoring the sculpture career of Daniel L. Johnson, who'll be accorded French & Co.'s first Sunday opening exhibit...At the Running Footman Joan Fontaine said she'll sue her Italian film producer for \$100,000, for impounding her bags when she left...Joan Rivers asked her Downstairs-at-the-Upstairs audience to excuse her frazzled hairdo. "Jackie Onassis and I use the same hairdresser. When she comes in he drops you..."

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SEEKS SUBSCRIPTIONS LONDON — "Folkstimme," the weekly Yiddish language organ of the Jewish Social and Cultural Association of Poland, has asked for subscriptions for the first quarter of 1970. This is seen as ominous by some observers because the publication generally invites annual subscriptions. "Folkstimme" is a weekly devoted to literature and the other arts.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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 7:00 p.m.—Cong. Mishkan Tzion, Talmud Class
 7:00 p.m.—Friends of Prov. Hebrew Day School, Meeting
 7:30 p.m.—GJC Young Executive Division, Meeting
 8:00 p.m.—Brandeis Univ. Nat'l. Women's Committee, Film Festival

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1970

ALL DAY—Hope Chapter B'nai B'rith Women, Rummage Sale
 1:00 p.m.—Sisterhood Temple Beth El, Regular Meeting
 1:30 p.m.—Lad. Aux. Prov. Hebrew Sheltering Society, Regular Meeting
 8:00 p.m.—Sisterhood Cong. Shalom Zedek-Sons of Abraham, Board Meeting
 8:00 p.m.—Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel, Regular Meeting
 8:00 p.m.—Providence Hebrew Day School, Education Committee Meeting
 8:00 p.m.—Gemiloth Chesed Ass'n. Pawt.—Control Falls, Board Meeting
 8:15 p.m.—Sisterhood Temple Sinai, Board Meeting
 8:30 p.m.—Lad. Aux. Sackin-Shedet #533 JWVA, Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1970

ALL DAY—Hope Chapter B'nai B'rith Women, Rummage Sale
 7:00 p.m.—Cong. Ohavah Shalom, Synagogue Youth Team-Agers
 8:00 p.m.—So. Prov. Hebrew Free Loan Ass'n., Board Meeting
 8:00 p.m.—Lad. Ass'n. Prov. Hebrew Day School, Board Meeting
 8:00 p.m.—Roger Williams Chapter B'nai B'rith Women, Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1970

1:00 p.m.—Lad. Ass'n. Jewish Home for the Aged, Regular Meeting
 6:30 p.m.—Henry Friedman Lodge, Regular Meeting
 8:00 p.m.—Cong. Ohavah Shalom, Adult Education Lecture Series
 8:15 p.m.—Sisterhood Temple Torah-Creation Jewish Center, Regular Meeting
 8:15 p.m.—Hope Chapter B'nai B'rith Women, Board Meeting

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1970

8:00 p.m.—Cong. Mishkan Tzion, Talmud Class

BRIDGE



By Robert E. Starr

Sometimes, to use a bit of vulgarity, when the opponents open their big mouths, they give information they wish they hadn't later on in the hand. That is provided the Declarer uses the knowledge donated to him. Unfortunately, so many players are either thoughtless or just plain don't think. Such was the case in today's hand when a few of the Declarers, not taking advantage of a change in the probability, guessed wrong.

North
 ♠ A 8 5
 ♥ J
 ♦ K 9 7 4 2
 ♣ K 8 6 3

West
 ♠ J 4
 ♥ K 10 9 7 5 4 3
 ♦ Void
 ♣ Q 10 7 2

East
 ♠ K 10 9 6 3
 ♥ 8 6 2
 ♦ Q 6 5
 ♣ 5 4

South
 ♠ Q 7 2
 ♥ A Q
 ♦ A J 10 8 3
 ♣ A J 9

Mrs. Irving Harriet and Mrs. David Lewinstein were North and South, East-West vulnerable, South Dealer. The bidding:

S W N E
 1NT 2♥ 3NT End

After West's overcall, North had a real dilemma. She had a singleton in that Heart suit and for all she knew, her partner might not have anything in Hearts either. One can open one No Trump with three worthless cards in a suit. After thinking it over she decided that if West had had solid Hearts he would be less likely to bid for he would be better off on lead against a Three No Trump contract where he would be able to cash all of his good Hearts. At any rate, the bidding went the same at most tables and all of the Norths were faced with the same problem. Almost all of them gambled on game in No Trump. They hate minor suit games.

Strangely enough, most Wests, on lead, did not lead a Heart. A Heart lead would give up a trick running right into Declarer's Ace-Queen and would also give timing to Declarer to "fool

around" with the hand. Some led the Spade Jack which Declarer allowed to come around to his Queen, East winning the trick and returning a Heart. Some led a Club right into the Declarer's tenace in that suit. Regardless, the same problem would have to be faced in the Diamond suit.

If Declarer were to guess the Diamond situation, as we have said so many times in this column, half the time one guesses wrong. The problem is does either opponent have all three outstanding Diamonds. If not there is no problem but if one does, to catch the Queen the right high honor must be played first so that the distribution of that suit will show up and the Queen still be caught. With the Spade lead and Heart return a misguess in Diamonds will even cause the hand to go down. How does one guess this correctly and is it really a guess?

With no information at all, then it is a guess but here we have almost a sure thing. West had made a vulnerable overcall at the two level after a strong One No Trump opening bid. Not only that he was missing the Ace, Queen and Jack. He must have an awful lot of Hearts. So if one of the opponents were to be out of Diamonds, which would be the one more likely? Obviously West. Granted that every few years a hand will come up that will find West with all of the Hearts and the three Diamonds, too but much more often the opposite will be true. If you followed this law of probability you would come out way ahead in the long run. Everyone who received the benefit of the Heart overcall should have played the Diamonds correctly. Some Declarers did not.

Moral: When you know either by the bidding or by the fall of the cards that one opponent has a very long suit, always figure the other opponent will be longer in the next suit to be attacked. Always take advantage of that probability and in the long run you will be far ahead of the game.



ENGAGED: Mr. and Mrs. Hans L. Heimann of 163 Lorimer Avenue announce the engagement of her daughter, Miss Riette Sue Kopel, to Arnold Brian Wasserman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wasserman of 150 Summit Drive, Cranston. Miss Kopel is the daughter of William Kopel of 46 Eaton Street.

Miss Kopel was graduated from Hope High School and the University of Rhode Island. She is presently working for the State of Rhode Island.

Mr. Wasserman is a graduate of Cranston High School East and Hanover College in Hanover, Ind., where he was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He is employed at the Day-O-Lite Manufacturing Company in Warwick.

Mrs. Louis Kopel of Eaton Street and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bromberg of Lorimer Street are Miss Kopel's grandparents.

Mr. Wasserman is the grandson of Mrs. Nathan Wasserman of Hillsdale Avenue.

A Sept. 6 wedding is planned.



ENGAGED: Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Gittleman of Concord Avenue, Cranston, and Bonnet Shores, Narragansett, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Donna Lee Gittleman, to Alec B. Sinel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sinel of Oak Hill Avenue, Pawtucket.

Miss Gittleman is a graduate of the University of Rhode Island where she was a member of Sigma Kappa sorority. She is now an elementary school teacher in the Warwick school system.

Mr. Sinel, who was graduated from the University of Rhode Island where he was a member of the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity, served with the U.S. Marine Corps. He is an accountant with Laventhol, Krekstein, Horwath and Horwath in Providence.

A June 28 wedding is planned.

"VERY AMUSING"
 WASHINGTON — Secretary of State William P. Rogers carefully followed the voyage of the five Israeli gunboats from Cherbourg to Haifa and reportedly found the episode "very amusing." He disclosed his interest in the incident in informal conversation at a year-end cocktail party given by the State Department Correspondents Association. A number of other State Department officials indicated that they, too, enjoyed following the unusual affair.

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12. Retain	2. Kind of number	21. Cattle brander	35. Vicinity
13. Abandon	3. Not you	22. Member of a quartet	37. Today
14. Quick to learn	4. Rock 'n' roll years	24. Kind of helmet	38. Under-take
15. Funnel shape	5. Church recess	25. Fabric for billiard tables	40. Close relative
16. Per unit: abbr.	6. Mince or humble	26. Proprietor	
17. Baltimore from Buffalo	7. Pursue	27. Chips partner	
18. Charged particles	8. Expected		
19. Came face to face	10. Water-course		
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24. Golfer's goal			
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 TEL AVIV — An Egyptian Jewish family living in Ashdod revealed that it had received an appeal for help from Jews in

Egypt. It said a message addressed to Defense Minister Moshe Dayan and "to God" was brought to its home by a foreign seaman who visited Ashdod after his ship had called at an Egyptian port. The message said 86 Jews are still held in the Toura prison in Egypt "under unbearable conditions." According to the seaman, one of the prisoners died a few weeks ago.

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Hello Again!

News of the Sports World by Warren Walden

NOT EVEN DOWN!—It has been said that the game of Boxing is dead, done, finished. It has also been said that the game is "down but not out," that it is struggling for existence. The crowds that attended the "computer" meeting between Rocky Marciano and Cassius Clay seem to contradict. The space devoted to the game in The New York Times seems to do the same thing. An overflow crowd in Fall River Armory last week also belies the demise of the ring game. And discussions concerning the coming championship duel between Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis on Feb. 16 indicate plenty of life and interest in the old game.

HEADLINED—Those who read the sports section in the New York Times (And there must be at least quite a few) couldn't miss stories on boxing. An eight-column line told of middleweights Paduano and Murphy meeting in the Garden. A whole column by Arthur Daley was devoted to George Foreman, football player turned boxer and Olympic champion who is being looked upon as a heavy-weight champion of the future. Another story, "boxed" and of three-column dimensions, told of Angeloe Dundee and Yank Durham who direct the ring activities of Ellis and Frazier, respectively. And another story told of something different, a dinner-boxing show in the International Ballroom of the Beverly-Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills. And there was more. SO-o-o - It doesn't appear that the game of boxing is dead, does it?

THERE WAS TALK—At one time, there was talk of a Boxing Czar who would rule over the game, whose reputation would be beyond reproach and who would command respect and awe such as surrounded Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis when a baseball scandal made the appointment of such a man a necessity. The late Rocky Marciano was mentioned as a possibility for such an assignment. Now Rocky is gone

Dayan Fractures ankle In Leap From Copter

JERUSALEM—Defense Minister Moshe Dayan fractured his right ankle last week when he leaped onto rocky ground from a helicopter that was about to land. The helicopter, carrying Mr. Dayan to his Tel Aviv office after a tour of border settlements, was responding to an emergency. The pilot and crew-men of an executive jet undergoing flight tests had parachuted nearby after their plane had gone out of control.

Two of the crewmen suffered minor injuries in hard falls near Kar Sirkin, a settlement only 10 miles from Tel Aviv, and the Dayan helicopter was going to their assistance.

Mr. Dayan's injury was reported at first as a sprain, then as a dislocation and finally as a minor fracture. His ankle was placed in a cast. The minister returned to work before the day ended.

To Examine Texts For Religious Bias

CHICAGO—A national textbook commission will examine textbooks used in Catholic elementary and high schools for racial, ethnic or religious bias, the National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice has announced here.

The first reports of the study will begin late this month. The NCCJ conceded that "anti-Semitism and racial bigotry exists in texts and other learning tools in Catholic classrooms," adding that "sporadic ad hoc vigilante groups are not always best qualified to do the evaluation."

and talk of such a high commissioner has almost gone too. There are those who seem anxious for the entire game of boxing to follow. Why? Is it because there are undesirables connected with the promotions? If that is so, does talk of the abolition of boxing come under the heading of 'surrender?' And would proper supervision solve most problems?

NO QUESTION—A championship boxing bout does attract interest at all levels. It could stress the importance of physical fitness because it has been established that a boxer must be in top condition. It could stress the fact that top physical condition is not reached with the use of cigarettes, marijuana or any of the other problem items. The game could be used for good, for inspiration, even for those who never intend to take part in it. The absolute necessity for physical fitness, for self-reliance, for knowing how to substitute when the other fellow does not follow an expected routine. These elements, so important in life itself, could be taught, illustrated, through boxing.

UPS AND DOWNS—Father Bernard Vaughn once said, "Boxing is an education - you learn self-control, to give and take, to punish and be punished, smiling all the time." Lord Byron had aspirations to become a pugilist. John C. Morrissey, an American Boxing Champion, was elected to Congress. The immortal James J. Corbett was a bank clerk turned boxer who exemplified the gentleman and who showed that the game could be interesting as a contest and not mainly as a fight. One of the earliest pugilists was Hercules of ancient Greek Mythology. And the first American heavyweight champion was Tom Molineaux, a Virginia slave who went to England to box Tom Crib whose ability has been a criterion for judging the merits of many. It is written that Molineaux should have won but was victimized by a referee who gave Crib time to recover when he was on the verge of defeat. Something like the famed "long count" in the second Dempsey-Tunney meeting.

IN THE MEANTIME—Let's see what happens when Frazier and Ellis meet on Feb. 16. Closed-circuit TV will bring that one around the world, including Providence at Loew's State Theatre. Interest is mounting and boxing is fighting its way back. Shows are held in Fall River, Taunton, Lowell and other places, too - the grass-roots of the game. They were little clubs that were out of business when boxing shows saturated the television beams. So, Manny Almeida, it's time for you to come out of retirement - and - CARRY ON!

Predicts Two 'Lean Years' For Israeli Economy

TEL AVIV—At least two "lean years" for the Israeli economy was predicted by Joseph Saphir, the new Trade and Industry Minister, in an address to the Israel Manufacturers Association.

He declared also that the decline in Israel's dollar reserves "cannot be arrested immediately" but he added that Israel must be alert that "they do not drop below the safety line. Our aim must be to restore reserves to the safe level by 1972."

He renewed a proposal which he had made frequently in previous years that the Government sell to private owners abroad some of its enterprises. He also indicated that the Treasury would give more long-term loans from the development budget to industry. In a related development, the Alignment committee on

Your Money's Worth

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depreciation treatment (for instance, double-declining balance if you build new housing units under Section 236 and special liberal treatment on recapture of depreciation; depreciation at 125 per cent and also liberal recapture treatment if you buy existing property and use it for Section 236 purposes.) And if you rehabilitate existing property (or 236 use, you can write off the full rehabilitation costs — up to a maximum of \$15,000 per dwelling unit — over five years.

"Watch the profits pile up," says Warach. Say you own a run-down 15-unit apartment house and you decide to rehabilitate it as a Section 236 project at a cost of \$10,000 a unit. You borrow \$150,000 on a 40-year mortgage at 8 1/2 per cent — the new high FHA interest rate — which FHA insures.

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You use these big deductions to offset your other highly taxed income.

"By using both the new housing and tax laws, people investing in real estate can come out significant winners," emphasizes Warach, and "this isn't all." Buried in the new tax law is a provision which permits you to defer paying any tax on profit you make from selling low-cost rental housing to tenants if you reinvest the proceeds in similar low-cost housing.

Again, to quote Warach: It's "the opportunity of a lifetime to pyramid a small investment into a real estate fortune."

Even as the government boasts about closing yesterday's tax loopholes, it is creating tomorrow's (tax "shelters" always start out as tax "incentives" for desirable purposes, such as low-cost housing.)

But the need for low-cost housing is undeniable; the desirability of private financing of it is also undeniable. The profit-loaded housing and tax laws could be of explosive economic-social importance in the 1970s.

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economics decided that wage policies for the coming year will be decided by a group to be named by the committee. Views on wage levels were reported to range from those of the Manufacturers Association whose members are willing to grant pay increases of around five percent to those of the leftist Mapam, which is demanding increases ranging from 10 to 15 percent.

Officials said the issues must be decided by Jan. 15 when the semi-annual consumers price index is published, which is the basis for cost of living allowance adjustments now added to all salaries in Israel. The issue of retaining the automatic linkage is one of the problems which will be considered, the officials added.

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Nixon Sends Message To Emergency Meeting

WASHINGTON — The following is the text of President Nixon's message presented on Sunday January 25 to the National Emergency Conference on Peace in the Middle East at the Statler Hilton Hotel. It was delivered by Max Fisher of Detroit (Mr. Fisher is chairman of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, chairman of the United Israel Appeal and former chairman of the United Jewish Appeal), and is a special consultant to the President.

I am aware of your deep concern that Israel may become increasingly isolated. This is not true as far as the United States is concerned.

The United States stands by its friends. Israel is one of its friends.

The United States is deeply engaged in trying to help the people of the Middle East find peace. In this effort, we are consulting fully with all those most concerned.

The United States believes that peace can be based only on agreement between the parties and that agreement can be achieved only through negotiations between them. We do not see any substitute for such negotiations if peace and security arrangements acceptable to the parties are to be worked out.

The United States does not intend to negotiate the terms of peace. It will not impose the terms of peace. We believe a durable peace agreement is one that is not one-sided and is one that all sides have a vested interest in maintaining. The United Nations resolution of November 1967 describes the principles of such a peace.

We are convinced that the prospects for peace are enhanced as the governments in the area are confident that their borders and their people are secure. The United States is prepared to supply military equipment necessary to support the efforts of friendly governments, like Israel's, to defend the safety of their people. We would prefer restraint in the shipment of arms to this area. But we are maintaining a careful watch on the relative strength of the forces there, and we will not hesitate to provide arms to friendly states as the need arises.

The United States has as its objective helping the people of the Middle East build a peaceful and productive future. I believe that all Americans can unite for that goal.



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HERALD PHOTO by ROD GEARY

New York, general chairman of the conference, said he was gratified by the President's "assurances on the need for Arab-Israeli negotiations." He warned, however, "that Israel must not be bound or limited in those negotiations by the State Department's proposals."

These must be withdrawn if the negotiations are to have any meaning and any chance of success," Rabbi Schachter said.

The conference also urged the United States to provide Israel with "sufficient economic and military strength to deter any Arab ruler from aggression."

"In light of the massive arms shipments to Arab states by the Soviet Union, France and other countries, it is imperative that the U.S. continue to support the security of Israel with the military equipment she so urgently requires," the resolution said.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE RITUALARIUM

The following is the resume of a talk given by Mrs. Eli M. Lazar, wife of Rabbi Lazar, principal of Moriah Yeshiva Academy in New Brunswick, N.J., and is the daughter-in-law of Rabbi Emanuel Lazar of Congregation Mishkon Tfiloh on Summit Avenue.

Our sages tell us that when a woman undergoes the pain of childbirth she prayerfully turns to the Almighty beseeching him to help her.

"Almighty G-d," she says "help me, for I have always been careful in lighting the Shabbos candles, in separating a small portion of the dough from my baking and in going to the Mikveh."

The three deeds that she refers to in her prayer are in fact the unique obligations that Judaism bestows upon the woman. But, they are much more — they symbolize the very foundations of our faith. When the woman lights candles she signifies that it is her role to bring Shabbos to the Jewish home; when she separates the Challah she underscores the fact that it is she who brings

Kashruth to the Jewish table; and when she immerses herself in the Mikveh she knows full well that it is her task to bring sanctity to the Jewish family.

Why do we consider these three the pillars of Judaism? Because they have one thing in common — Kedushah — holiness. What do we mean by that?

Contemporary society has demonstrated more than ever that man can be a slave to his appetites. Would there be a new million dollar industry of Weight Watchers if excessive eating did not plague us? Would we constantly be trying to shorten the work week if men were not slaves to their work? Would there be a whole literature condemning the new morality if we did not realize that society has lost control of its sexual appetites?

For over three thousand years Judaism has had an answer to these ills of society. That answer is Kedushah — the holiness that comes from one's self mastery of his eating, working, and sexuality. The first two pillars are perhaps better known. At this gathering in memory of my dear Mother-in-law I have come to

talk about the third pillar Taharas Hamispacha-Family Purity which she held so dearly and did so much to advance.

A Jewish marriage strives for holiness from its first moments. The marriage ceremony itself is called Kedushin-Holliness. When the bridegroom slips the ring into the finger of his bride he recites "Haray at mekudshes lee" — Behold thou are sanctified to me." What meaning would that initial Kedushin have in marriage if a woman's feelings were later ignored? The laws of Family Purity bring further Kedushin to the marriage. They require a husband and wife to refrain from any physical intimacies during the time of her menstrual period and for seven days after. Physiologically and psychologically we know that a woman during her menstrual period is at a low ebb. She desires privacy and not intimacy and this what the Torah provides. When this time span of twelve to fourteen days has elapsed the woman is anxious to be reunited in marital bonds. Then as almost a reenactment of her original Kedushin she goes to the Mikveh and again undergoes the

ceremony of Kedushin — this time covered not by a Chupah but by the pure waters of creation. Again as at her wedding a blessing is recited.

"Blessed are Thou King of the Universe who has sanctified us with His commandments and has commanded us concerning immersion."

It is no wonder that Rabbi Meir one of the greatest Talmudic sages has characterized the event as a reenactment of marriage, or to paraphrase the idea, as a new honeymoon each month.

As we understand in Judaism the need for sanctification by a marriage ceremony in order to bring a child into the world, so too, must we realize that the conception of that child must have the sanctification of ritual immersion. We must bequeath to the child the mark of holiness, and intangible and invisible though it may be, no Jewish parent wants to rob his child of it.

Women through the ages have sacrificed to keep this mitzvah of ritual immersion. Jewish women form far-flung settlements used to travel regularly days on end in order to reach a place which had a Mikveh. Today young women fly by airplane to a neighboring state in order to keep this Mitzvah. What we need now is a crusade. We must liberate Mikveh from the sneers of past decades in which it was never understood. We must realize that the mitzvah is kept by observant college educated and also by those who are possibly negligent in other areas. We must make our Mikveh as beautiful as those in other cities across the country and see to it that we use as well as support its facilities.

The word "Mikveh" not only means a place where natural waters are gathered but it is also the Hebrew word for hope. This is no more coincidence for we know that the hope for the continuation of the Jewish people depends upon our faithful performance of the laws of Mikveh — Family Purity.

Bronx Officials

NEW YORK — A fire that swept the interior of a Bronx synagogue last week and destroyed five Torah scrolls and other religious objects was called arson by the City Fire Marshal's office.

Mayor Lindsay immediately ordered the police to take extra measures to find and arrest the arsonists and prevent further incidents. At the Bathgate Avenue station, detectives said they were investigating, but they had made no arrests.

The fire broke out late at night and did extensive damage to the Congregation Ahvath Torah Synagogue at 170 East Mount Eden Avenue. Rabbi David Toiv of the Orthodox congregation said a funeral service and procession for the ceremonial burial of the Torah scrolls would be held.

Jewish custom calls for the burial of the destroyed Torahs in the same manner as for deceased persons, including the chanting of the mourners' prayer, Kaddish, at the graveside.

This was the latest in a series of fires of suspicious origin that have hit the city's synagogues and other places of worship since 1968. Mr. Lindsay has deplored such incidents and in his statement said:

"Attacks against houses of worship are among the most shocking and outrageous of crimes."

Fire Marshal Vincent Cauty said the fire apparently had started near the pulpit where the Torahs, valued at more than \$2,000 each, were stored. The flames spread throughout the ground floor of the two-story brick building.

The living quarters of Rabbi Toiv in an upstairs apartment were also damaged. The rabbi and several other persons who were in the building escaped unhurt.

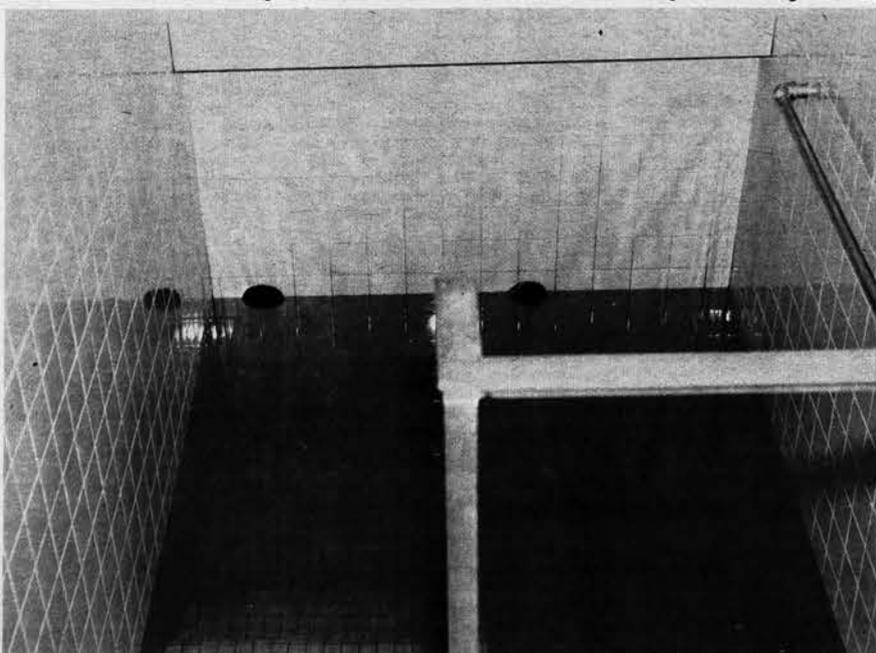
Neighbors told the police that they heard voices around the synagogue just about the time the fire started.

Rabbi Toiv said the congregation would seek to hold the burial in a cemetery not closed by the gravediggers' strike.

DECLINES TO EXPLAIN

WASHINGTON — A State Department spokesman declined to explain why the Department had not informed Foreign Minister Abba Eban of Israel during last week's meetings of the new United States proposals for a Jordanian-Israeli

settlement. Spokesman Robert McCloskey was asked why the Department had not taken up the new plans with Israel when Mr. Eban met Secretary of State William P. Rogers. He said, "I have nothing further to say about that."



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EPHRAIM KISHON, left rear, and Herbert Appleman, beside him, co-directors, observe Laura May Lewis, left, and Corinne Kason at rehearsal with Menachem Zur, the composer.

Author Discusses Play

NEW YORK — "Don't touch her, Jim. You shout at her, but don't touch. Remember, Oriental Jews abuse women but they don't touch them — that's disrespectful."

Ephraim Kishon, Israel's leading humorist, playwright and director, was coaching James Brochu in the role of "Sallah," one of the sketches that make up his musical revue "Unfair to Goliath." It opened last week at the Cherry Lane Theater in Greenwich Village and Mr. Kishon and Herbert Appleman, the co-director, were rehearsing the cast in a nearby studio.

Mr. Kishon, a medium-sized man of 47 with graying chestnut brown hair and glasses, addressed the actors from a rickety folding chair in the middle of the room, his voice almost down to a whisper:

"Now you take pity on the social worker. Your anger is gone. Speak softly, be fatherly, but still don't touch her, don't even look at her."

Mr. Brochu, a 300-pound graduate of St. Francis College in Brooklyn, nodded. Then he turned away slightly from Corinne Kason, a slender brunette who plays the social worker, and lowered his voice.

"Goodbye, Miss Eve," he said, averting his eyes. "Come whenever you want to see me. Our God is here, I am also here, you poor social worker."

The scene is a rewritten fragment from Mr. Kishon's movie "Sallah," about a wily Yemenite Jew who immigrates to Israel and tries to come to terms with the housing authorities, labor councilors and other members of Israeli bureaucracy. It depicts Sallah's encounter with a shy social worker who starts out trying to offer him psychiatric help and ends up receiving the old man's wisdom.

"There are easier things in life than converting a young Christian into an old Yemenite Jew," Mr. Kishon sighed after the rehearsal over a cup of hot tea and lemon.

"Even Topol, who is a Sabra and studied in my academy, took quite a while to learn the slow, ponderous movements of Sallah," he said, referring to the young Israeli actor who starred in the film and won international fame. "Jim Brochu has done very well. I'm very happy. He can come and settle in Israel now."

Mr. Kishon and Mr. Appleman auditioned almost 300 actors and actresses before they selected the cast of three men and two women and their understudies. Vocal quality also played a role since "Unfair to Goliath" includes several songs by Menachem Zur, a young Israeli composer.

"Fortunately only one actor

has to stammer through a short speech in Hebrew and, of course, he's not Jewish," Mr. Kishon said. "As for Yiddish, there are about two sentences."

It is characteristic of Mr. Kishon's deadpan humor that he uses Yiddish in the play to show how Israeli parents speak it when they don't want the children to understand them.

Conversely, he pokes fun at the linguistic difficulties of the older immigrants, having one of characters quip that Hebrew is "the only real mother language — a language which mothers learn from their sons."

Mr. Kishon's play and a book of satirical stories recently published here by Atheneum derive their name from a column he wrote shortly after the six-day war, which represented a French television commentator giving an "objective" appraisal of the Biblical story of David and Goliath. ("Without any warning, David began running furiously toward Goliath — a fact which

leaves little doubt as to who was the aggressor.")

Since 1951, a year after he emigrated to Israel from his native Hungary, Mr. Kishon has been writing a daily column for Maariv, Israel's largest newspaper. He had written 13 comedies and six books, including "Look Back, Mrs. Lot," and "So Sorry We Won." In addition, he started a drama school, a satirical cabaret and wrote, produced and directed three films, "Sallah," "Ervinke" (which opens here soon) and "The Big Dig."

Mr. Kishon says he prefers directing to writing — though he is not quite sure if he would like to direct plays written by someone else.

"Writing is an act of creation made uncomfortable by a cramped table and piles of paper," he said. "When I direct I have the feeling a miracle is happening. 'You wrote those little letters,' I tell myself, 'and now they move and speak.'"

U.S. Mid-East Proposals Scored At B'nai B'rith Annual Meeting

WASHINGTON — The B'nai B'rith Board of Governors, the policy-making body of the 500,000-member Jewish organization, charged this week that American prestige and credibility had been poorly served by the State Department's policy of proposing "concessions" while seeking a peace formula for the Middle East.

In a resolution, the organization said that the State Department's initiatives, proposed last Oct. 28 by the Secretary of State, William P. Rogers, were "at the expense of Israel's security and bargaining position."

The State Department, in talks with the Soviet Union, has proposed the restoration of Sinai to Egypt, the West Bank to Jordan, return of some Arab refugees to Israel, a "civic" role for Jordan in the administration of Jerusalem and the setting of boundaries among Jordan, Egypt and Israel. In return, the Arab states would, at least in effect, recognize Israel's existence as a state. The State Department has indicated that its proposals were intended to be, in effect, the basis for possible negotiations between the Arab states and Israel.

The B'nai B'rith Board of Governors, at the concluding session of its annual meeting, called on President Nixon "to reaffirm his sound and prudent policy for the Middle East." In this connection, the resolution recalled that President Nixon, in an address before the United

Nations, said that the "four powers cannot dictate a settlement in the Middle East."

Israel has insisted on direct negotiations with the Arab states to arrive at a peace settlement.

In deploring the State Department's policy on the Middle East, the B'nai B'rith resolution described as "ironic — but instructive — that the substantial concessions have been curtly rejected by the Arabs and the Soviet Union."

The resolution continued: "The mischievous effects of the concession will, however, persist despite the rejection. Even moderate leaders in the Arab world will find it necessary to demand more than the State Department has already proposed."

In recent weeks there has been mounting criticism by Jewish groups and by New York's Republican Senators Jacob K. Javits and Charles E. Goodell, and Mayor Lindsay, of the State Department's policy on the Middle East.

BOARD CHAIRMAN

NEW YORK — Albert Parker, a national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, has been elected chairman of the board of overseers of Bar-Ilan University at Ramat Gan. His election was announced here by Dr. Joseph Lookstein, chancellor of the university. The board is the American governing body of the university. Parker is active in a number of Jewish causes. He is a New York resident.

Temple Beth El Sisterhood Plan Interfaith Open House Program

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth El will hold their annual Interfaith Day on Monday, Feb. 2, at the temple.

Professor A. Roy Eckardt of the Department of Religion at Lehigh University will speak at 1:15 p.m. on the topic, "Israel Among the Nations: The Mating of Politics and Faith."

Professor Eckardt's latest book written with Anita L. Eckardt, his wife, is entitled "Encounter With Israel."

The public is invited to attend morning workshops, which will run from 10:30 to 12:30 p.m., as well as Professor Eckardt's talk. Workshops are being planned with discussion on the following topics: Jewish home observances and ritual, the Jewish way of worship, Jewish contribution to the arts and letters, Jewish attitude toward contemporary issues, what Jews believe, and Israel.

Registration will be held from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., and a refreshment hour will follow the workshops. Tours of the temple will be conducted during the refreshment hour and after the program.

Mrs. Marvin Pitterman is the chairman of the day. The members of her committee are Mrs. Leo Jacques, co-chairman; Mrs. Joseph L. Dressler, coordinator; Mrs. Abraham Grober, workshops co-chairman; Mrs. Albert Silverman,



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workshops registration; Mrs. Martin Zawatsky, workshops hospitality; Mrs. Irving Siperstein, workshops evaluation; Mrs. Hyman Goodwin, hospitality chairman; Mrs. Harvey Millman and Mrs. Samuel Pritzker, co-chairman; Mrs. Sidney Nulman, Mrs. Matthew Segool and Mrs. Sidney Weinstein, co-chairman of hostesses; Mrs. Richard Lorber, president of Eden Garden Club, decorations; Mrs. Lewis Tanner, publicity; Mrs. Kenneth Logowitz, temple tours; Mrs. Newton Cohn, ex-officio.



TO ADDRESS MEETING: "Jews in America - How Have We Changed" will be the subject for discussion at the next meeting of the General Jewish Committee Young Executives' Division. Rabbi Maurice Davis of the White Plains Jewish Center Congregation and a former resident of Providence will be the guest speaker at the meeting which will be held on Sunday evening, Feb. 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley I. Cohen.

Says Christian Groups Neglect Anti-Semitism

NEW YORK — The executive vice president of the Synagogue Council of America said this week the recent notion that Christians were interested in "all forms of interreligious contact with the Jewish community" was "a hoax."

In a speech here to the National Governing Council of the American Jewish Congress, Rabbi Henry Slegman said that virtually all initiative for contact had come from Jewish organizations.

"To this day there is not a single Protestant denominational agency or ecumenical agency, including the National Council of Churches, which has a single full-time person assigned to the problem of anti-Semitism or to the area of Christian-Jewish relations," Rabbi Slegman said.

Referring to the Mideast situation, Rabbi Slegman said Jews were disillusioned "at the Christian silence during and since the 'six-day war'" of June, 1967.

TO MOVE SYNAGOGUE
WASHINGTON — The former synagogue building of Congregation Adas Israel will be moved soon to a site three blocks away, so that it can be preserved as an historic site. The structure was purchased by the Jewish Historical Society of Washington from the Metropolitan Area Transit Authority which is building a subway. The society paid a token fee of \$10 for the 93-year-old building and the Department of Housing and Urban Development has agreed to pay half of the \$150,000 moving cost.

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Sunday, Feb. 1, at 7 p.m. Mr. DeNur is the author of "Phoenix Over Galilee" and Mrs. DeNur is a lecturer.

The DeNurs are benefactors of a program of scholarships for Arab refugee students in Israel and are engaged in establishing in Israel an Institute for the Promotion of Understanding and Cooperation between Arab and Israeli students.

The sherry hour is sponsored by Hillel and the UCM (University Christian Movement). The public is invited to attend.

TRI-SISTERHOOD MEETING
The Sisterhood of Temple Beth Torah will hold its annual Tri-Sisterhood meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. when they will be hosts to the Sisterhoods of Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth Israel.

Entertainment will be presented by Pat Chamard and Lucien Olivier.

Entertainment will be presented by Pat Chamard and Lucien Olivier, both members of the Cape-Tastics, a ginging group. William St. Laurent will be accompanist.

Members of the arrangements committee include Mesdames Jerome Delury, president, Temple Beth Torah Sisterhood; Samuel Berditch, president, Temple Beth Am Sisterhood; Harry Goldberg, president, Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood; Stanley Grebstein, Leonard Sholes, Eugene Troberman and Hayvis Woolf.

Egyptians Allegedly Give \$72,000 To Blow Up Plane

BRACKNELL, England — The adventures of a retired British Army Captain who allegedly received \$72,000 from an Egyptian agent to blow up an El Al airliner at London airport, were recited in a crowded court room here.

On trial is former Capt. Trevor Owne Williams, 40, who is accused of illegal possession of 11 1/2 ounces of gelignite, two detonators and a timing device. According to the prosecution, the material was given to him along with the cash by an Egyptian secret agent who used the code name "Omar Sharif."

The cloak-and-dagger tale unfolded was based on evidence given by Ronald Hannan, described by Prosecutor Peter Barnes as an "unwilling accomplice" of Williams. Hannan

went to the police before the alleged plot could be carried out.

According to the prosecution, Williams and Hannan contacted the military attache at the Egyptian Embassy in London and offered their services against Israel in return for payment. They were sent to Cairo where they reportedly discussed five sabotage projects with an official described as a "chief of staff." One involved blowing up an El Al Boeing 707 jetliner which arrives at London airport once a week.

The agreed price was \$72,000. The two mercenaries were then flown to Amman, Jordan, where they were met by "Omar Sharif." The latter instructed them in the fine points of blowing up planes and paid them, the prosecutor said.

DISCUSS MERGER
JERUSALEM — El Fatah and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, the two major Arab terrorist organizations, are reported to be discussing a merger, reports from Tripoli, Libya, indicated. The Libyan Revolutionary Council has offered increased financial support to the guerrillas if they achieve unity and thereby more efficiently fight Israel. Aby Ayad, El Fatah chief military strategist

and Dr. George Hasbash, leader of the left-wing PFLP, have been invited to Libya for negotiations.

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ORGANIZATION NEWS

CHAI PLANS DANCE

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APPOINT NEW DIRECTOR

Aaron Isaac Segal, a member of the faculty at the Providence Hebrew Day School and former program coordinator of Camp Tikvah, has been appointed as director of Camp Centerland, the summer day camp of the Jewish Community Center, for the 1970 summer season. It has been announced by Jason Cohen, chairman of the JCC Camp committee.

A graduate of Yeshiva University and Ner Israel Rabbinical College, Mr. Segal holds a Master's degree in Education from Loyola University.

The Center's summer day camps will open their eight-week, two-period season on Monday, July 6, with an expected enrollment of nearly 200 children between kindergarten age and 13.

Recruitment has opened for the summer camp staff which will include approximately 50 counselors, assistants and specialists.

WOMAN FOR VALOR AWARD

Mrs. Sumner L. Woolf, president of the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom, received the first Woman of Valor Award, at the annual Sisterhood Sabbath held on Jan. 23. In presenting the award, Rabbi Marc S. Jagoliner cited her deep devotion and commitment to Judaism as well as her tireless and unselfish efforts on behalf of the congregation.

Mrs. Woolf serves as chairman of the school committee and is active in other aspects of temple life as well. An Oneg Shabbat in honor of Mrs. Woolf and the Sisterhood followed services.

PELL TO SPEAK

U.S. Senator Claiborne Pell will be the guest speaker at the Hillel Brunch on Sunday, Feb. 1. He will discuss with the students a variety of matters of general interest. He will be introduced at 12 noon and the general public may attend at the time.

Students of all colleges may attend the brunch which will start at 11:15 a.m. at Hillel House.

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Israel Establishes Fourth Settlement

TEL AVIV — Israel last week established its fourth settlement in the occupied Jordan Valley.

The settlement at the foot of Mount Sartaba was named Messua, which means "beacon." It will be populated by members of Jewish religious youth movements serving in Nahal, an army corps that combines military service with agricultural settlement. The collective will raise vegetables on a 20-acre tract in the valley, which Israel seized from Jordan during the 1967 war.

WARNS LEBANON

JERUSALEM — Israel plans to warn the Lebanese Government through third parties that it will not tolerate the increased activities of terrorists who launch attacks from Lebanon against settlements in the northern part of Israel. The move to warn Beirut before taking stronger action followed a guerrilla attack against the town of Metullah in which two civilians were wounded and later died.

U.S. Orthodox Leaders Denounce Recent Decision Of Israeli Court

NEW YORK — Leaders of American Orthodox Judaism denounced the ruling of Israel's highest court that one may hold Jewish nationality despite a rejection of Judaism and a declaration of atheism.

Several Orthodox leaders here viewed the decision as a grave threat to the very core of Judaism and Jewish identity.

Leaders of Conservative and Reform Judaism, the other branches of American Judaism, were generally noncommittal on the decision in Israel, preferring to withhold comment pending study of the decision.

Sharp criticism of the decision came from Rabbi Norman Lamb, professor of Jewish philosophy at Yeshiva University, who said: "The Israeli court has answered the question 'Who is a Jew?' by saying 'Who isn't a Jew?'"

Rabbi Lamb, in an interview, added: "By so doing, it has sacrificed the unity of the Jewish people on the altar of a provincial liberalism, or less charitably, socio-political expedience."

For Rabbi Lamb, along with Rabbi Zev Siegel, president of the Rabbinical Council of America, the largest Orthodox rabbinic body in the United States and other Orthodox spiritual leaders such as Rabbi Benjamin Blech of Young Israel of Oceanide, L.L., the ruling was seen as a glaring violation of the Halacha — Jewish religious laws.

Rabbi Blech described the decision as an "action that will do nothing more than to create an

irreconcilable rift in Jewish communities." He added: "This decision has wantonly disregarded our ancient heritage, our divinely inspired Halacha."

The ruling by the Israeli court, rabbis agreed, could introduce a "tragic rupture into relations between Jews here and in Israel."

Orthodox demands a strict observance of Jewish religious laws governing daily religious and ethical conduct. For Orthodox Jews, the Torah, or the first five books of Moses, is an all-embracing document.

In stressing that Orthodox Jews are guided by the Halakah, which recognizes no distinction between nationality and "religion in Judaism," Rabbi Lamb, who is spiritual leader of the Jewish Center here, said that a "mother's religion determines the religious status of the child."

The Israeli court's decision, he said, "may be broad-minded but it is short-sighted." He said: "It may have scored a dubious point for civil liberties but it has put us in danger of losing the whole contest for Jewish continuity."

Rabbi Siegel warned that the decision "can create chaos not only in Israel but more so in Jewish communities the world over who dwell in societies that are predominantly non-Jewish. There Jewish nationality is vague or nonexistent."

He held that in these communities "only one's religious orientation, irrespective of the degree of one's observance, is the sole criterion of who is a Jew."

Rabbi Siegel called on Israel's Knesset to "acknowledge the deleterious implication of this ruling and to enact legislation that will prevent the dilution of the most basic requisite of Jewish identity, namely its religious essence."

Rabbi Wolfe Kelman, executive vice president of the Rabbinical Assembly, an important Conservative group,

said the decision "reflects the dilemma faced by a modern, democratic secular state which Israel has been from its very founding in 1948."

Rabbi Kelman said: "In any modern state, the mixture of religion and politics and governmental and ecclesiastical authority is bound to create problems which only the courts can resolve."

In Israel, Orthodoxy is the dominant religious force. The Chief Rabbinate's offices rule on all matters of marriage, divorce and family problems. In a broad sense, this is an inheritance from the time of the British Mandate, which in turn received its powers from the Turkish rulers over what was then Palestine."

Under this succession of authorities, all matters of "personal status" have been decided by religious officials. For example, under Turkish rule, religious leaders of Jewish, Moslem and Christian communities had the final decision on religious matters. This remained the situation under the British and then under Israeli rule.

In the United States, the Orthodox religious community has a Beth Din (court of law) which also rules on matters of marriage and divorce.

The Jewish population in the United States has been estimated at about 5,500,000. Each branch of Judaism claims more than one million congregants.

Conservative Judaism also adheres to religious laws but allows for flexibility in accordance with modern needs, with emphasis on ethical imperatives. Reform Judaism stresses ethical principles but believes that Judaism must keep abreast of the changes in everyday experience.

Previously, although it is less frequent now, leaders of Conservative and Reform Judaism in the United States have been critical of the dominance of Orthodoxy in Israel.

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Former Foreign Secretary Brown Returns To Londong From Israel

LONDON — The Wilson Government gave the cold-shoulder to George Brown last week following the former Foreign Secretary's return from a private trip to the Middle East that was marred by reports of ill-tempered remarks.

Mr. Brown, who has been widely criticized in London as well as in Israel for his behavior, appeared on British television on his return. He said that he had held a frank, friendly talk with Foreign Minister Abba Eban and other Israelis, but shrugged off reports of several outbursts as "greatly exaggerated."

Among the many remarks attributed to Mr. Brown, particular attention has been given to the report by Maariv, a Tel Aviv newspaper, that he had told Premier Golda Meir: "You are merely a Jewess from Russia who came to Israel via America."

Mr. Brown said he was not going to confirm or deny that he had told Maj. Gen. Chaim Herzog, the former Israeli intelligence chief, to "wipe that silly grin off your face" or any other comment attributed to him. However, he did deny that he had told the British Ambassador, John Barnes, to "shut up."

Mr. Brown said that he had "intimated to the Prime Minister and the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary that I am available to discuss with them important information of value to Britain, which I obtained during my tour of the Middle East."

Although Mr. Brown traveled privately, bearing only the unimportant title of Deputy Chairman of the Parliamentary Labor party, he is remembered as the author of the resolution adopted by the United Nations Security Council on Nov. 22, 1967, while he was Foreign

Secretary. The resolution was intended as a basis for settlement of the Middle Eastern conflict.

However, Prime Minister Wilson, speaking at a parliamentary press gallery luncheon, played down the importance of the trip by saying:

"George's visit was in fact undertaken on his own. It was not at the request of the Government. I have read accounts of it, and no doubt I shall be having a report from him on his conclusions in due course."

A few hours later, the Foreign Office let it be known that Foreign Secretary Michael Stewart was too busy preparing for his trip to the United States with Mr. Wilson to agree to Mr. Brown's request for a meeting.

RECORD BUDGET

NEW YORK — The New York Association for New Americans reported 1969 budget will total more than \$1 million and cited the increased number of refugees arriving from East Europe and Arab countries. A large number of immigrants are professional and skilled workers and college level English-language courses are required to enable them to continue in their profession. The Joint Distribution Committee aids the refugees overseas while the United Hias Service provides immigration and transportation aid.

CLASSES FOR PARENTS

HIGHLAND PARK — Plans for a lecture series on Jewish history for adults have been announced by the Jewish Federation of Raitan Valley in response to requests from parents of children attending Jewish schools. The requests were made in replies of such parents to a questionnaire sent out by the federation's education committee.

Study Says Basic Russian Texts Omit Jewish History And Culture

WASHINGTON — B'nai B'rith, in a documented analysis of textbooks used in Soviet schools, accused Moscow of "systematically excising history" in an attempt to make the Jew a "nonperson."

Findings of the study, made public at the annual meeting of B'nai B'rith's board of governors, said that Jews "are rarely mentioned and their culture ignored" in basic history textbooks used by the Soviet educational system.

The study, prepared by Dr. William Korey of the B'nai B'rith international council and Dr. Ina Schlesinger, a specialist in Russian history, concentrated on 15 current volumes, all published since 1966. They constitute, the study noted, the "sum total of required history textbooks in the Russian Republic" for primary and secondary schools.

The study's analysis of the textbooks included the following examples:

▲The sixth edition of "Recent History," published in 1967 as a ninth-grade teaching manual, makes no mention of "anti-Semitic persecutions" in recounting the history of the Nazi regime from 1933 to 1939. The same book, discussing Nazi death camps, says that "in 1933-34,

100,000 Communists were thrown into prison and into especially established concentration camps" but makes no mention that Jews were victims.

▲A chronology in a 10-grade textbook listing nations newly independent since World War II omits reference to Israel, although such countries as Algeria and the United Arab Republic are treated in separate sections.

▲Another secondary-school volume, "New History," covering world events of the 19th and early 20th centuries ignores the Jewish backgrounds of such personalities as Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli of Britain. A chapter on France omits any reference to the Dreyfus case.

▲A ninth-grade text describes Czarist Russia as a "prison house of nations" but makes no mention of pogroms or Czarist persecution of Jews.

Dr. William A. Wexler, president of the 500,000-member Jewish service organization, said in an interview that the study, the first such analysis of current Russian history texts, "documents the fact that the Soviet Union is, in fact, engaged in a conspiracy to erase Jewish identity."

He said it was "another form

of anti-Jewish suppression that confronts the Jew in the Soviet Union — and the conscience of the free world."

The survey analyzed each of the 15 volumes, as well as the main Soviet encyclopedia, a two-volume textbook for history students in state universities and a sampling of native-language history texts used in the Ukraine and in Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania.

In all, the survey said, Russian schoolbooks rarely mention Jews and ignore Jewish culture. Similarly, the role of anti-Semitism in Russian and world history, the Nazi persecutions, ancient Jewish history and the existence of Israel are scarcely noted.

The Great Soviet Encyclopedia has adopted the same tactic of exclusion, the study said.

It noted: "In contrast to the first (1932) edition, which dealt with Jewish history and culture in 117 pages, the second edition, published in 1952, has but two pages devoted to Jews. Virtually all Jewish history is deleted."

"The inevitable result of Soviet policy," the B'nai B'rith researchers declared, "is that the students are denied a positive image of the Jew."

In recent official statements, Moscow has charged that accusations by Israel of Soviet anti-Semitism were an attempt to "divert the attention of its own people and world public opinion from the aggression against Arab states."

The Soviet Defense ministry newspaper last fall quoted statistics from an Israeli Communist publication saying that 3.8 per cent of Jews in the Soviet Union were students, while the comparable figure in Israel was 1.2 per cent.

Later, Pravda, the Soviet party's paper, said: "Anti-Semitism, just as any other manifestation of humiliation of human dignity, is alien to the Soviet people. Any manifestation of anti-Semitism is punishable by Soviet law."

Asian Jewish Communities Form International Body

SYDNEY, Australia — The small but prosperous Jewish community in Asian and Pacific countries have formed an international body in Sydney to combat erosion of their identity and culture.

The Federation of Jewish Communities of Southeast Asia and the Far East, as the organization is called, links Jews of Australia, Hong Kong, India, Japan, New Zealand, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand. Its appearance is a new chapter in a long chronicle of Jewish migration eastward, going back it is said, to the time of Solomon.

Some Jews of India claim descent from Solomon's sailors, who had gone there for "ivory, apes and peacocks." Later arrivals in southern and eastern Asia were Sephardic Jews fleeing the Spanish Inquisition.

Others had come from Iraq and other Arab lands. In this century, Jews were driven to the east by Nazi, Soviet and other persecutions.

Jews arrived in Australia with the first settlers, a group of convicts sent from England, in 1788.

Among the descendants of these earlier movements of peoples are many internationally known families prominent in finance and industry, such as the Sassoons of prewar Shanghai, the Citrins of Tokyo, the Kadoories of Hong Kong and the Meyers of Singapore.

Notable Jews in Australia have included the first Australian-born Governor General, Sir Isaac Isaacs, and leading scholars, jurists and military men. A prominent representative of the community in New Zealand is Dove M. Robinson, the Mayor of Auckland.

However, among most of the Asian and Pacific Jews there has been a tendency, disturbing to traditionalists, toward loss of Jewish identity through assimilation into local populations.

"If so many hadn't married out of the Jewish community there would be two million Australian Jews today instead of about 70,000," Gerald Y. Falk, president of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry, declared recently.

The Australian organization is the nucleus of the new federation, which has an initial executive body consisting of three representatives from Australia, two each from India and New Zealand and one each from Hong Kong, Japan, the Philippines,

Singapore and Thailand.

"The aim of the federation shall be the survival and strengthening of Jewry, particularly in the region of Southeast Asia and the Far East," said a statement following the close of the organizing meeting here on Dec. 1.

The federation decided to seek affiliation with the World Jewish Congress, the lay organization of some 11 million Jews living outside Israel. Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the congress, and Dr. Gerhart Riegner, the secretary general, attended the federation's organization conference, at which Mr. Falk was chairman.

"We will start a regional office with a secretariat to assess the situation among Southeast Asian and Far Eastern Jewry," Mr. Falk said in an interview. "Then we will establish a network of informational and educational facilities. Activities will include cultural exchanges, a program of traveling rabbis and training of teachers for Jewish day schools."

Mr. Falk, the proprietor of a lighting fixtures store in Sydney, estimated the size of other Jewish communities in the region at 10,000 in India, a decrease from 40,000; 2,000 in Singapore, down from 4,000, and 8,000 in New Zealand, 600 in the Philippines, 400 each in Hong Kong and Tokyo, and lesser numbers in Taipei, Taiwan, and Bangkok, Thailand.

Mr. Falk feels that Australian Jews are well equipped to take the lead in revitalizing Asian Jewry because of the high degree of intellectual attainment in the community. "Seventy per cent of Jewish youth in Australia go to universities," he said.

"The strength of Australian Jewry, unlike that of the commercially oriented Jewish communities in nearby countries, is in the legal and academic professions," said Rabbi Pinchus Feldman, a New Yorker working in Sydney. He mentioned a number of Jews prominent in Australian politics, including Sydney Einfield, a leader of the Opposition in the state parliament of New South Wales.

Rabbi Feldman has gone to New York to recruit a rabbi to be director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation for some 1500 Jewish university students here.

"New York Jewry has a strong influence among Jews in Australia," said Rabbi Chaim Gutnick of Melbourne, Rabbi Feldman's father-in-law.



ENGAGED: Mr. and Mrs. Donald H. Cohen of Apple Gate Road, Cranston, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Susan Allene Cohen, to Ronald Howard Richter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Richter of Preston Drive, Cranston.

Miss Cohen is a senior at the University of Rhode Island where she is majoring in Child Development and Family Relations.

Mr. Sinel attended the University of Rhode Island where he was a member of Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity. He will be graduated from Roger Williams College in June.

A September wedding is planned.

MAKES HEADLINES
STOCKHOLM — Shimon Wincelberg, Hollywood playwright, flew here for the world premiere of his play, "The Cat in the Ghetto," but refused to attend the opening performance because it was a Friday night. The playwright's absence made headlines, the newspapers stressing his faithfulness to Judaism. The play itself was a hit.

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R.I. Philharmonic To Present Five All-Beethoven Programs

Young Israeli violinist Itzhak Perlman will perform the Beethoven Violin Concerto as soloist with the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra on Saturday evening, Feb. 7, at Veterans Memorial Auditorium. Francis Madra will conduct.

Now 24 years old, Mr. Perlman has won the praise of the world's critics and musicians as one of the most brilliant violinists of the time.

Born in Tel Aviv in 1945, Mr. Perlman began to play a toy fiddle as soon as he was able to hold it. At four and one-half, he was stricken with polio, but the illness and a year's convalescence left his ambitions unchanged.

By the time he was ten, he was an experienced performer. In 1958 Ed Sullivan came to Israel and brought Mr. Perlman back to appear on his television show. He remained in the United States to

study. He has appeared with the New York Philharmonic Symphony and with nearly every other major orchestra in the United States and abroad.

The Feb. 7 concert will open the Philharmonic's series of five all-Beethoven programs in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the composer's birth.

Other programs and soloists will be Raymond Jackson, pianist, on March 14, performing the Concerto No. 2 in B Flat Major, Overture to "Leonore" and Symphony No. 1; Malcolm Frager, pianist, on May 2, performing the Piano Concerto No. 4 in G Major, Six Contredanses and Symphony No. 3; Mischa Dichter, pianist, on Oct. 24, performing the Piano Concerto No. 5, Overture "Ruins of Athens" and Symphony No. 6, and the Western Community Chorus on Nov. 14 performing the Symphony No. 9.

ORGANIZATION NEWS

CENTER CLASSES OFFERED

A new 10-session series of Slimnastics classes for adult women is open for registration at the Jewish Community Center. Under the direction of Mrs. Sherie Borges, the classes will meet on Mondays at 10 a.m. starting Feb. 9.

A series of evening Slimnastics classes will be held on Tuesdays at 8 p.m. starting Feb. 17.

Social dance classes for adults will begin their second series on Sunday, Feb. 1, at 7 p.m. for beginners, and 8 p.m. for advanced students. Classes will be under the direction of Erne Garcia and Miss Ann Delmar.

Touch typing classes for junior and senior high school students will be held on Wednesday, from 7 to 9 p.m., beginning Feb. 11. Mrs. Ernest Fineman is instructor.

New programs in sewing, drivers' training and leadership training are now open for registration.

Sewing classes for teen-aged girls and adults will start on Wednesday, Feb. 18, for 8 sessions under the direction of Adele Jamnik.

Driver training classes, in cooperation with the Rhode Island Registry of Motor Vehicles, will start in February, with classes on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for seven weeks. Director is Albert Russo, and teen-agers of 15 and above may enroll.

Registration is now open for the JACS program, the Center's summer leadership training program for teen-agers, from 14 to 16.

For further information on classes, the Center office at 861-2674 may be called.

QUIZ BOWL WINNERS

Narragansett AZA has been named the winner of the annual CYC Quiz Bowl at the Jewish Community Center. Competing in

the finals against Alpha Lambda, two AZA teams defeated the runners-up 160-50.

Members of the winning group's #1 team were Richard Ruben, Neil Grabel, William Feldman and Stephen Gold. The #2 team was made up of Robert Kahn, Richard Factor, Carl Rosen and Alan Wasserman.

Alpha Lambda's #1 team included Arlene Stanman, Karen Baker, Henrietta Schnitzer and Ann Frank. Members of the #2 team were Karen Baker, Sherri Miles, Lily Hassid and Ann Frank. Contest officials were Steven Feinstein, moderator; Mrs. Marsha Goodman, judge; Arthur Rosen, scorekeeper, Charlotte Goldenberg, timekeeper; Neil Grabel, CYC chairman and Simon Well, co-chairman.

URGES ZOA JOIN

NEW YORK — The treasurer of the Jewish Agency for Israel "very strongly" urged the Zionist organization of America (ZOA) to join other American Zionist groups in forming the proposed American Zionist Federation. The call was issued by Leon Dulzin, on the eve of his departure for South America to meet with Latin American Jewish leadership in connection with a proposed reorganization of the Jewish Agency. The ZOA has declined to participate in negotiations leading to organization of an American federation which was mandated by the last World Zionist Congress. Jacques Torczyner, ZOA president, said recently that the organization's National Executive Committee felt participation would "inevitably impair, curtail and lead to the liquidation of the traditional functions and activities of the ZOA."

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Arab Nations Intensify Arms Buildup Against Israel, Says Monitor Article

BOSTON — Arab nations are intensifying their arms buildup against Israel, according to an article in the Christian Science Monitor by John K. Cooley.

Cooley, staff correspondent for the Monitor writing from Beirut, said Egypt's President Nasser announced in Khartoum, Sudan, last week that his nation will raise a million-man army this year.

Nasser's announcement, according to Cooley, "opened what may become a warlike 1970 for the Arab states." Even as Nasser made his declaration, Palestinian guerrilla warfare was intensified against Israel.

At the same time, Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan and Information Minister Israel Galili warned Lebanon that

continuing guerrilla warfare would bring about "consequences" similar to that suffered by villages of the Jordan River Valley and Egypt's Suez Canal towns.

Jordan's Ghor Irrigation Canal was knocked out by Israeli bombing last week, for the third time since last June. Egypt's anti-aircraft installations along the Suez Canal also were reported to be virtually destroyed in some sectors.

Cooley noted that Nasser's remarks in Khartoum were directed against the United States and that the thrust of his remarks was evidence of a new psychological warfare against both the U.S. and "reactionary" Arab regimes, mainly Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

Nasser declared that Egypt currently has 500,000 men "at the front and we are in the process of building a strong army of one million fighters to confront Israel and those behind Israel."

According to Cooley, Nasser's Khartoum speech also contained the warmest praise for the Soviet Union and France since the breakdown of the Arab summit conference in Rabat, Morocco, on Dec. 24.

Cooley also quoted Nasser as stating that recent U.S. proposals for Egyptian-Israeli and Jordanian-Israeli peace settlements as "suspicious schemes" in which the U.S. goal is to enable Israel to grasp the

throats of Arab states and keep control of Arab territory."

Meanwhile, reactions by Arab leaders and spokesmen differed widely over the recent flight of five embargoed French-made gunboats to Israel.

Nasser's silence about this incident, so far, confirms the view of some observers in Beirut that Cairo and most other Arab states do not plan to permit the gunboat incident to disturb French-Arab relations, according to Cooley.

The official radio in Tripoli, however, quoted Col. Muammar Al Qaddafi, the Libyan chief of state, as expressing "fear that the gunboat incident may affect relations between France and the Arabs" because of "concern felt by Arab public opinion."

Since the Rabat conference, Libya has indicated its intentions of aligning its arms purchases and defense policies with those of Egypt. The official aim, Cooley noted, is to build up large conventional forces in the Northeast corner of Africa "for an ultimate showdown with Israel."

ISRAEL FRIENDS ARRIVE

TEL AVIV — A 26-member delegation representing the British Labor Party's Friends of Israel arrived here for a 10-day visit as guests of Histadrut, Israel's Labor Federation. It is headed by Joan Lester, Under-Secretary of Education.

Twenty-Nine State Laws Adopted

NEW YORK — Twenty-nine state laws improving protection of civil rights were adopted in 1969, according to a nationwide survey conducted by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The number, a decrease of 13 from 1967 — the last year in which nearly all legislatures met for general business — was attributed to the fact that "most states in which one can realistically expect enactment of such laws have already taken action."

The findings of the survey, revealed last week in LAW, an ADL publication which reports regularly on legislation in the civil rights field, noted that a substantial majority of the laws adopted in 1969 strengthened existing legislation against discrimination.

It points out, however, that fair housing legislation still lags well behind existing enactments against other types of discrimination.

Five states — Delaware, Idaho, Nebraska, New Mexico and Washington — passed fair housing laws in 1969, bringing the total to 26 states with such laws on the books. This compares with 37 states with laws against discrimination in employment and 38 with laws against discrimination in places of public accommodation.

The publication declares that the fair housing title of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1968 helped stimulate the adoption of state laws where none had previously existed. Since this act tended to give precedence to state laws which met the standards established by Federal law, a number of states have begun to adopt such laws in order to obtain local, rather than Federal, control of their administration, it points out.

Prior to the passage of the Federal law, the ADL report says, "the approach of legislatures dealing with discrimination in housing was much more tentative than their approach had been to dealing with other forms of discrimination."

Dead Sea Scrolls Need Special Cases

JERUSALEM — Only two of the famous Dead Sea Scrolls are presently on display at the Israel Museum. The rest have been withdrawn until leak-proof helium-filled display cases can be manufactured, according to Dr. Magen Broshi, curator of the Shrine of the Book. The helium is required to preserve the ancient parchments.

Dr. Broshi said the cases had been manufactured by a firm in England which has gone out of business and the Museum is looking for a new manufacturer. Visitors to the Museum may see the Habakuk Commentary, which is in a helium-filled glass case, and the Manual of Discipline parchment, which is in good condition and does not presently require helium protection.

Richard Tucker

Won't Sing Forever, But Will Continue For Long Time

NEW YORK — The question of whether Richard Tucker, the Jewish tenor who is the glory of Italian opera, will go on singing forever was raised last week by no less an authority than Richard Tucker.

The decision, he said, had been made "many, many years ago" in consultation with no less an authority than his wife.

Mr. Tucker made it clear that he will not go on singing forever, but he certainly is prepared to go on singing at the Metropolitan Opera for a very long time.

His reply was given near the close of an elegant dinner-dance in his honor at the Plaza.

It imposed upon his future career a limitation that shrunk it from infinity, but gave little hint by how much.

It has been 25 years since Mr. Tucker bowed his head in the wings, said a brief prayer and then strode out onto the great stage for the first time in the role of Enzo of Puccini's "La Gioconda." The waves of applause that answered his first aria stopped the performance for five minutes.

Last Saturday afternoon he and Renata Tebaldi sang "La Boheme" in the nationally broadcast matinee, and Mr. Tucker's voice had what one fan called "the fine, firm quality of youth."

Saturday night, in flickering candlelight and under the muted glow of chandeliers in the grand ballroom, the man who calls himself "Bing's Bad Boy" (a reference to Rudolf Bing, the Met's general manager) informed 250 guests that he cared little for data like age and time elapsed. He is concerned only with the quality of his performance.

"As long as the good Lord will give me the health and strength to continue singing as I did today with my sweetheart, Renata Tebaldi, I shall strive only for the best that Richard Tucker can give," he said. "Until then I will not say adieu."

He had always regarded his voice "not so much as a gift, but as a loan," he said, and he did not know when the loan would come due.

Choosing to "forgo the usual gags and anecdotes," Mr. Tucker devoted his speech to thanking dozens of people by name for their part in advancing or guiding his career.

Earlier, during the reception,

Mr. Tucker had stood for nearly an hour in a corridor with golden walls, beaming, chatting animatedly and posing for nearly 200 pictures.

His bejeweled wife Sara stood beside him while dozens of guest were called over to have their pictures taken with the singer.

Mr. Tucker trilled his greetings. "You look terrrrrrrrific," he said to a young figure in a slithery gown.

Mimi Benzell, the soprano who formerly sang with Mr. Tucker, in "Rigoletto," "Boheme" and other productions, greeted him as did Zinka Milanov and Bidu Sayao, also retired sopranos.

"Doesn't she look like a bride?" Mr. Tucker said, turning to his wife. "She does, she does," guests chorused. Identifying, in order, Barry, Henry and David, Mr. Tucker spoke proudly of "my son the broker, my son the lawyer, my son the doctor," who were present.

Mr. Tucker was joined at the head of the reception line by Cardinal Cooke and Charles H. Silver, former chairman of the city's Board of Education.

Rabbi Bernard Mandelbaum, in the Ballroom invocation, called Mr. Tucker "a sweet singer of Israel" and prayed for "his continued vigor and voice."

Mr. Bing, noting that Mr. Tucker "with all his great artistry, always kept his sense of double-entry bookkeeping," recalled a dispute over pay with the singer.

"I think we were about \$50 apart," Mr. Bing said, referring to a day when \$50 was a sum of money sufficient to keep a star performer and his boss apart. "We couldn't get together. Let's flip a coin," I said, and he agreed, and I won."

The hosts of the evening were Michael Ries, Mr. Tucker's manager, and Sheldon Gold, both of Columbia Artists Management.

The manager narrated a review of Mr. Tucker's career, in the form of a series of slides flashed onto a pleated curtain that distorted the images. Afterward, Mr. Tucker praised the alchemy of makeup artists and costumers who can "transform a plump Brooklyn boy into a dashing duke or an amorous Egyptian general," and he affirmed that he was "a most fortunate and happy man."

French Defend Sale Of Arms, 100 Planes To Go To Libya

PARIS — The French deal for the sale of combat aircraft to Libya is twice as large as originally announced, Defense Minister Michel Debre has disclosed.

Over the next four years, he told the Defense Committee of the National Assembly, France will deliver to Libya 30 Mirage III-E interceptors and 20 trainer reconnaissance planes, in addition to the order of 50 Mirage V ground attack planes confirmed on Jan. 9.

In return, Mr. Debre said, the revolutionary Government of Libya has promised to end support to rebels in neighboring Chad and has given assurances regarding other neighboring countries — an apparent allusion chiefly to Tunisia.

(In Washington, Secretary of State William P. Rogers summoned the French Ambassador, Charles Lucet, to hear a sharp warning that the arms sale to Libya "could disturb the arms balance in the Middle East.")

According to the deputies in Paris who attended the closed meeting, the Gaullist minister made a scathing counterattack on the critics of the Libyan deal, who have argued that the aircraft may well end up on the Suez front against Israel.

Mr. Debre said that other countries, notably the United States and Britain, sold 100 times as much arms as France did in the Middle East, that the "Anglo-Saxons" had tried to sell planes to Libya but had failed, that arms trade was good business for France and that her critics were hypocrites.

"The Anglo-Saxons fear above all that France will take their 'economic markets,'" he was quoted as having said.

Mr. Debre is reported to have confirmed that French weapons and spare parts had been delivered to Israel throughout the year, 1970, either by official "selectivity" or because a democracy was unable to seal its border completely.

The only French weapons used on the Middle Eastern battlefield were used by Israel, he declared.

The minister indicated that the bulk of plane deliveries to Libya would come in 1972 and 1973. Meanwhile, he said, France was pushing her effort to achieve a settlement through an agreement among the big four members of the United Nations Security Council. This, he said, was "the only chance for peace."

Earlier, Premier Jacques Chaban-Delmas said at a Gaullist caucus of the Assembly that France had just submitted a new

peace proposal to the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union.

Analysis of available evidence indicated that France was seeking to smooth over remaining differences between American and Soviet plans. These differences are reported to have narrowed considerably in recent months, but progress appeared to have hit a snag several weeks ago.

It was only in response to a deputy's question that Mr. Debre made known the news that the Libyan deal covered 100 planes rather than 50.

The United States, Britain and the Soviet Union had all offered arms to Libya first, he said. "Why should it be more immoral to deal with France?" he demanded.

While denying that the Government had had any knowledge of the true destination of the five gunboats that sailed from Cherbourg to Israel last December, Mr. Debre did acknowledge that the "total embargo" reimposed by General Charles de Gaulle at the

beginning of 1969 had been less than total.

Among weapons delivered to Israel since then, he confirmed, were spare parts for Israel's existing fleet of Mirages, officially numbering 70.

This was apparently designed to meet complaints that the embargo on arms sales to the belligerents in the Middle East was in fact discriminatory against Israel. But it virtually destroyed what credibility the Government had retained on its embargo policy after the Cherbourg gunboat affair.

Many repeated statements by officials about the embargo, as about the Libyan arms deal, have now been shown to have been false. All that is presumed to have been directly affected by the embargo are the 50 Israeli Mirages, now said to be stored at French military airfields.

French officials now argue that the embargo was originally imposed in the hope that other countries would follow France's lead. Since they have not, it is held that France has a right to follow her own economic and strategic interests.

Rogers Warns French Ambassador That Arms Sale Upsets Balance

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State William P. Rogers summoned the French Ambassador, Charles Lucet, to hear a sharp warning that France's arms sales to Libya "could disturb the arms balance in the Middle East," the State Department has announced.

A curt State Department statement noted that the United States had not been consulted about the transaction announced last week in Paris.

The department spokesman, Robert J. McCloskey, added that this country was "not pleased" to hear of the sale, but he carefully declined to say exactly when, or when Secretary Rogers had called in the French Ambassador.

The tone of the statement was the first indication of American displeasure at the mounting evidence of an emerging French-Libyan military cooperation, which American officials clearly believe could turn against Israel.

It also hinted at the resentment, privately expressed by American diplomats, that the French seem to have been withholding information from the United States about their negotiations with the Libyan regime.

Just over a week ago, United States officials said, Foreign

Minister Maurice Schumann gave the American ambassador, Sargent Shriver, a detailed explanation of the arms transactions with the Libyans then pending.

Though France's proposed sale of modern jet aircraft was said at that time to be "open-ended," officials here said there was no indication that it would amount to as many as 100 aircraft, double the figure initially reported, which had itself been dismissed as "exaggerated" by both the State Department and French spokesmen.

The New York Times had reported on Dec. 19 that the French Defense Ministry had agreed to sell Libya 50 Mirage V jets and other military equipment. This report was promptly denied by French diplomats here and in Paris, until a few weeks later when the French Government finally confirmed the sale of the aircraft.

Military analysts here were also troubled at the additional sales announced, including 30 Mirage III-E aircraft, a far more advanced version of the attack plane than the Mirage V.

Since Libya does not have trained pilots capable of flying such an advanced aircraft, diplomats here expressed strong suspicion that the newly purchased Mirages would be flown by Egyptian crews, and most likely against Israel.

Shimon Peres Given Additional Duties

JERUSALEM — Shimon Peres, who is serving as caretaker Minister of Immigrant Absorption in the new coalition cabinet has been officially assigned additional responsibilities in connection with the occupied territories and Arab refugees.

Peres, a former deputy minister of defense, will coordinate plans and programs concerning refugees in the occupied territories. He will also coordinate the activities of a special committee on the territories. His special sphere will be new undertakings that involve links between Israel's economy and that of the occupied regions. He will be responsible directly to the Prime Minister.

Peres was named to the Cabinet as a Minister-Without-Portfolio and was assigned to head the Absorption Ministry on a temporary basis. That post is earmarked for the Mapam faction which is a member of the government but still refuses to join the coalition because of ideological differences.

Sen. Javits Seeks To Dispel Fear Of U.S. Selling Israel Short

JERUSALEM — Senator Jacob K. Javits said this week that Israeli leaders might be unduly concerned over what they believe to be misguided American policy in the Middle East.

The New York Republican, who has been speaking with Israeli leaders, has sought to dispel fears that the Nixon Administration is selling Israel short in drafting peace proposals.

Mr. Javits is visiting Israel on a round-the-world trip that will take him to Turkey, Iran, India, Thailand, South Vietnam and Japan. Although conferring with the Israelis in his own capacity, he has apparently sought to relay the views of leading officials.

In an interview, he seemed more disturbed over the consequences of continued erosion of American-Israeli relations than over what is viewed here as the erosion of Washington's support.

The Senator seemed especially concerned over the possible results of heightened pressure by American Jewish leaders. His attitude is that basic United States support for Israel remained undiminished. He indicated that the Administration was aware of the problem and that as an expression of good intentions it might soon grant some Israeli requests for military and economic assistance.

He suggested, with some misgivings, that the Administration might consider the move an expression of assurance if it did not link the aid with Israeli compliance on the diplomatic level. He said that this might not have the desired result, with Israeli leaders likely to be even more suspicious about American intentions in terms of the full program.

Israel is asking for more arms, including additional deliveries of Phantom jets, and for economic aid.

Senator Javits appeared to be seeking modifications of view on both sides of the Israeli-American argument. He disagreed with several aspects of Administration policy but termed some of the charges leveled against it exaggerated.

On one side, he said he thought the Administration was being a bit naive in believing that

Soviet officials would alter their position, as Washington was doing, in an effort to find a compromise peace proposal for the Middle East.

On the other side, he said he thought Israeli alarm over American intentions was disproportionate. Long-term American commitments to Israel are more firmly established than critics are prepared to recognize, he added.

Mr. Javits spoke sharply of the criticism by leaders of American Jewish organizations. The extension of that opposition, he said, might prompt the Administration to stiffen its policy.

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Israel To Look To U.S. Says Eban Yet Must Seek Self-Sufficiency

JERUSALEM — Israel appeared to have finally written off France as an arms supplier and to have decided to depend on the United States.

Foreign Minister Abba Eban, in a formal address in Parliament, said the nation also would seek to become self-sufficient in military equipment.

A decade of reliance on France as Israel's major supplier of weapons seemed to have ended as Mr. Eban recounted the events leading to the French arms deal with Libya, in which Libya will buy 50 Mirage jet fighters and probably other military equipment.

In his statement in the Knesset, Mr. Eban appeared to be saying that with France attempting to regain prestige in the Arab world, Israel had to look elsewhere for help.

"France has become, with the Soviet Union, the most active element in upsetting the balance of security and peace in the Middle East," Mr. Eban said.

He said that last October the French Foreign Minister, Maurice Schumann, told Israel's Ambassador in Paris, Walter Eytan, that if Israel withdrew her

claim to 50 embargoed Mirages, France would undertake not to sell them to Israel's enemies "near or far."

This was repeated last month by French diplomats in Israel, Mr. Eban said.

The Israeli Foreign Minister said Paris was motivated by "economics and the smell of oil," and was conspicuously lacking in international morality.

"The answer is to look to the United States for equipment and loans and to increase our self-sufficiency," Mr. Eban said. "The bitter example of Biafra teaches us to rely on ourselves for survival."

Although Israeli and French officials continue to cooperate at various levels, the decision by Paris to conclude the Mirage deal with Libya while maintaining the embargo against Israel apparently has ended the last hopes here of any reversal of French policy. The Israelis believe it is nearly certain that the French-built interceptors will be made available to Libya's ally, the United Arab Republic.

French officials have said a clause in the agreement forbade Libya to transfer the planes to a third party.

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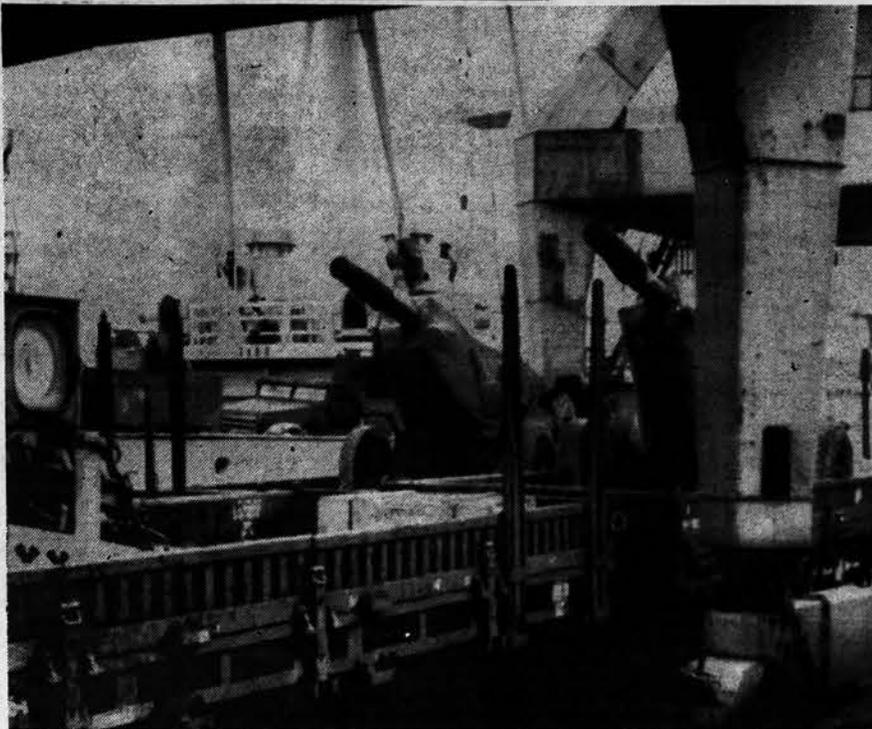
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OLD ARTILLERY pieces on a dock in the Belgian port of Zeebrugge last week, before being loaded on an Israeli freighter. Belgium is investigating reports Zeebrugge has become the port of embarkation for regular arms shipments to Israel.

Belgium Checks U.S. Arms

BRUSSELS — Belgium is investigating reports that United States weapons and military equipment are being shipped to Israel through the port of

Zeebrugge, the Foreign Ministry disclosed.

The Brussels newspaper *Het Laatste Nieuws* printed on its front page two pictures of equipment that it said had been shipped on the Israeli freighter *Tamar* last week. One picture showed five United States Army personnel carriers, possibly half-tracks, and the other showed two guns apparently of 105-mm calibre.

Both the Brussels newspaper and the Antwerp paper *Gazet Van Antwerpen* reported that regular shipments of "old" ammunition and weapons from United States depots in West Germany move through Zeebrugge. In the past the shipments have been

described as scrap to be sold in Italy. The *Tamar* was cleared for Naples.

The latest shipment arrived at Zeebrugge on cars of the German national railroad. The *Tamar* was not berthed in the normal area for ships loading munitions but in a remote section of the harbor.

The photographer who took the pictures of the trucks and guns was hailed by a crew member, who said the photographs must go to the police. The photographer substituted a roll of the Israeli sailor exposed the substitute roll to the light, but the roll bearing the pictures was in the photographer's car.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said Belgium did not embargo arms shipments to the Middle East although licenses for such shipments must be obtained.

Rule Rohan Mentally Ill

JERUSALEM — A Jerusalem district court decreed last week that the Australian shepherd, Michael Denis William Rohan, is not punishable under Israeli law for burning the El Aksa Mosque in West Jerusalem last Aug. 21 because he suffered from a mental illness.

The court ordered him committed to a mental hospital but did not specify where. Observers said that Rohan, who is in Israel on a visitor's visa, may be deported to Australia.

Defense Council Itzhak Tunik said he would not appeal the verdict, but prosecuting attorney Meir Shamgar said he might take it to the Israeli Supreme Court.

The president of the court which tried Rohan, Judge Henry Eli Baker, announced the verdict which took two hours to read. He said there is no doubt that the accused had committed the acts charged against him. But he suffered from a mental ailment that was diagnosed as paranoid schizophrenia which cause him "to live in a world of delusions."

According to the court, his illness was responsible for an "irresistible impulse" that was pathological and Rohan could not be said to have exercised volition in the accepted legal sense of the term. He could not therefore be held responsible for his action at the time.

The court said that Rohan's mental illness still existed and therefore he was ordered confined to a mental institution at the pleasure of the Minister of Justice.

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Rabbi Schwarzschild Resigns

NEW YORK — Rabbi Steven S. Schwarzschild, editor of the theological quarterly *Judaism* since 1962, has resigned because of alleged "constant interference" with his editorial freedom.

Dr. Robert Gordis, widely known Biblical scholar, author and theologian, has been appointed to succeed him. *Judaism* is an influential journal published here by the American Jewish Congress.

Rabbi Schwarzschild said in a telephone interview that he had become "damn sick and tired" of what he described as a series of attempts to dictate from New York what should and should not go into the magazine. After four months of "bitter in-fighting," he declared, "I quit."

Since 1955, Rabbi Schwarzschild has been a professor of philosophy and Judaic studies at Washington University in St. Louis.

A spokesman for the congress said that the rabbi was not "forced out," but left because of "administrative difficulties."

Judaism, a journal dedicated to religion, philosophy and ethics, has a circulation of only 3,000, but most of its subscribers are influential theologians of various religious persuasions.

In addition to his new editorial duties, Dr. Gordis will continue as professor of Bible at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America here and professor of religion at Temple University in Philadelphia.

He is rabbi emeritus of Temple Beth-El of Rockaway Park, where he served for more than 30 years. Dr. Gordis was a founder and first board chairman of the quarterly *Judaism*.

Rabbi Schwarzschild said that the straw that "finally broke my back" was an unsuccessful effort of the American Jewish Congress headquarters in New York to kill an article attacking what was called the Jewish Establishment.

The rabbi said the article was finally published only after he had threatened to resign. The article at issue was entitled "Jewish

New Leftism at Berkeley." It was written by Michael P. Lerner, assistant professor of philosophy at the University of Washington, Seattle, and formerly a graduate student at the University of California at Berkeley.

Mr. Lerner wrote that before the youth of today could be "effectively" reached by a message from Jewish "radicals," the synagogue as currently established "will have to be smashed."

Anyone who is familiar with the internal politics of the United Synagogue, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Synagogue Council of America, etc., knows that they are sewers which allow of no significant reform," he said in the article.

"The demands of the Jewish radical must be: 'Shut down the synagogues, so that Judaism may have a chance.'"

Later in his article, Mr. Lerner declared that the Jewish community was "racist, internally corrupt, and an apologist for the worst aspects of American capitalism and imperialism."

"While one can believe that Judaism has buried within it a saving remnant," he wrote, "the Jewish community institutions have no such element. When young people reek in disgust at being identified with Jewish communal life they reflect a correct understanding of its nature and prospects."

Richard Cohen, associate director of the American Jewish Congress, was warm in praise of Rabbi Schwarzschild. He said that during the rabbi's tenure as editor *Judaism* "strengthened even further its reputation as the most distinguished serious quarterly of Jewish thought published in this country."

"Rabbi Schwarzschild's resignation as editor," he said, "was occasioned by administrative difficulties, weariness and his own desire to free himself from the burden of the magazine in order to write a book he has been planning to do for some years."

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