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Guerillas Pour Back Into Lebanon

BEIRUT: Palestinian guerrillas are returning in substantial numbers to areas of south Lebanon evacuated by the Israeli army. UN peace-keeping forces, under-strength, under-equipped, and demoralized by unclear orders from New York, are unable and unwilling to stop them.

The main area of infiltration is the coastal plain south of Tyre. Its sub-tropical undergrowth, with orange and lemon groves, provides excellent cover. French and Senegalese troops are attempting to patrol it, the French on the outskirts of Tyre, the Senegalese between them and the northernmost Israeli lines.

Yasser Arafat met the UNIFIL commander, General Erskine, last week, and no doubt reiterated that, in the PLO view, there is nothing in UN resolution 425 which prohibits the guerrillas from returning to their old positions. At the same time, however, angered by the clashes, he is anxious — for the sake of his reputation both in the world at large and among the war-weary inhabitants of the south — to achieve this with a minimum of bloodshed.

The original order to UN troops was to stop all infiltration. This was how Dr. Waldheim interpreted his mandate. But in practice — and with reluctant acquiescence from above — the troops are bowing to faits accomplis which, if unchecked, will ultimately make nonsense of that order.

It is a classical case of the international community rushing in to solve a problem without furnishing the coherent political will or the physical muscle to do it.

A company of 40 or 50 guerrillas were taking their siesta in the undergrowth a mere 300 or 400 yards from a Senegalese road block. They had apparently filtered through the French lines in ones and twos. They had brought their small arms with them.

They had then regrouped in such strength that the thinly spread UN troops could not, without suicidal risk, order them to withdraw.

When a Senegalese officer spoke to them, they claimed that they had been hiding out there throughout the Israeli invasion.

Seeking instructions from headquarters, the Senegalese were told to leave them alone. In due course, many of them will doubtless move further south. The pattern is apparently being repeated — due allowance made for differences in terrain and the depth of Israeli withdrawal — along much of the front.

Although the guerrillas generally seek to bypass UN checkpoints altogether, if they do approach them, on foot or in vehicles, it appears that often they will be let through provided they carry no arms.

The clashes with Palestinian "rejectionists" dealt a serious blow to the morale of UNIFIL forces, especially the French.

Chafee For, Pell Against Mideast Arms Sale

The Senate voted Monday, by a 10 vote margin, to let President Carter sell \$4.8 billion worth of warplanes to Saudi Arabia, Egypt, and Israel in a new foreign policy victory for the administration.

The decision now allows the President to go ahead with the arms sale, since it takes a concurrent resolution of disapproval by both House and Senate to block a major arms sale.

Senator John H. Chafee was among those legislators voting for the controversial sale. Senator Claiborne Pell voted against it, arguing in a statement prepared for yesterday's debate that pumping \$4.8 billion worth of sophisticated arms into the Middle East would complicate peace negotiations and would threaten Israel's security.

Pell, who voted in the Foreign Relations Committee last week for the resolution opposing the sale, said, "Now is the worst possible time to be shipping arms to the Middle East. The Israeli-Egyptian peace talks are stalled and I do not see how in-

creasing the level of arms held by Egypt and Saudi Arabia can possibly further the cause of peace."

Chafee said he voted for the plane package because selling jets to all three nations would not undermine Israel's security and would enhance the prospects for peace.

Chafee, who had been undecided for some time, said his decision was the most "agonizing" one he had to make since becoming a senator and one of the most difficult of his public life.

He contended that peace negotiations would be hampered unless the Saudis and Egyptians maintained their confidence in the United States. This confidence would best be maintained by approving the sale, he said. He further concluded that the sale would not jeopardize Israel's military security since the Saudis need U.S. technical know-how to make use of the jets. If the U.S. didn't offer the Saudi's jets, they might look elsewhere, and the U.S. would lose leverage over the situation, he added.

Zoning Board Elects Shlevin President

Samuel Shlevin of Pawtucket, chairman of the Pawtucket Zoning Board and Appeals Board, was installed as president of the Rhode Island Association of Zoning Boards of Review by the Honorable Anthony A. Giannini, Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Superior Court.

Mr. Shlevin, long active in community activities is the treasurer for District No. 1, B'nai B'rith and National Commissioner of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. He serves as area vice president, Blackstone Valley, for the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, president emeritus of Henry Friedman Lodge of B'nai B'rith and honorary member of the Board of the Pawtucket Central Falls Hebrew Free Loan Association and the Ahavath Sholom Synagogue.

FIVE YEAR WAIT

NEW YORK (JTA): Alexander Roisman, a leading refusnik from Novosibirsk, has received permission to emigrate to Israel, the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and the Union of Councils for Soviet Jews reported. The 50-year-old mechanical engineer had been campaigning for five years to leave the USSR.



SAMUEL SHLEVIN

JCC Elects At Meeting

The Jewish Community Center of R.I. held its 53rd annual meeting May 10 at the Center.

The chairman of the evening, Donald Horowitz, spoke about the Center's antecedents dating back to the 1880's as a YM and YWHA followed by its incorporation in 1914 as the Hebrew Educational Institute on Benefit Street. The Center has had the use of its present modern facility since 1971.

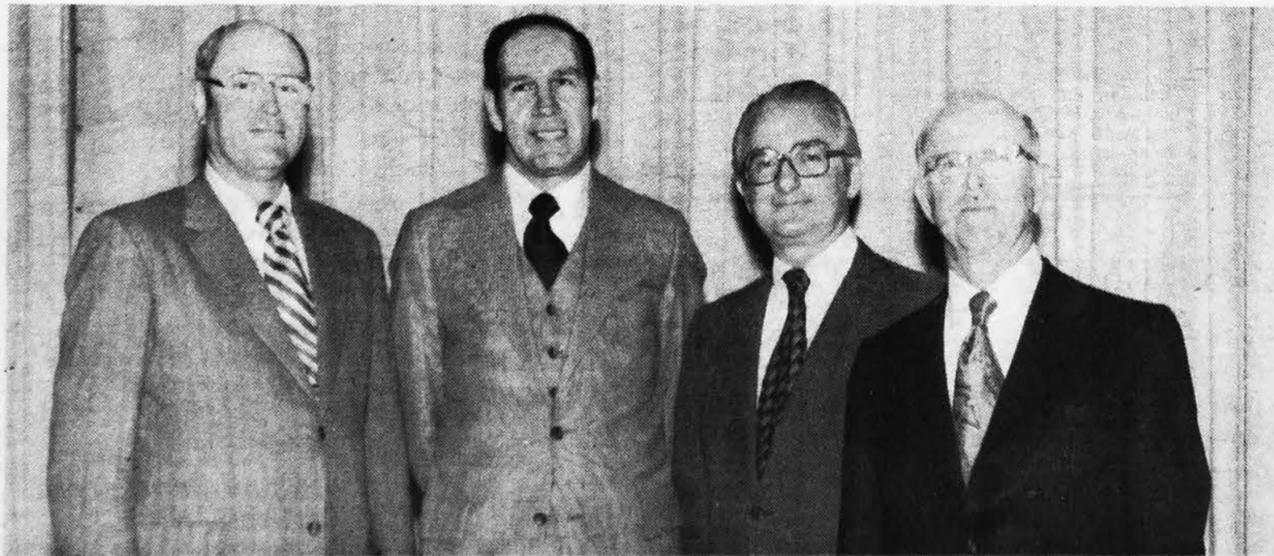
Executive director Ramon Berger, shared the accomplishments of the past year in the 6-program area: pre-school, children, youth, adult, senior adult and health & physical education departments. He projected new program ideas for these departments in order to better serve the community with quality programs.

The Center plans to include greater participation in intramural programs for youth, more cultural and educational programs for adults and senior adults. Creative and performing arts programming will be highlighted along with additional

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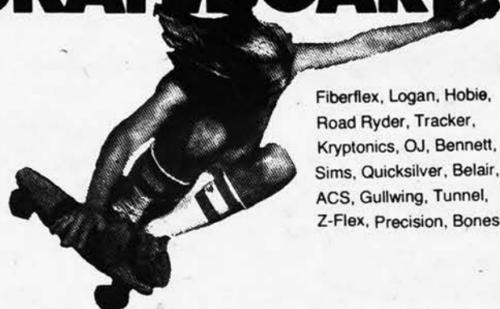


NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS of Temple Beth-El will be installed at services to be held on Friday evening, May 19 at 8:15 p.m. Seated from left to right are Bertram Katzanek, vice president; Lewis M. Tanner, treasurer; Mrs. Newton B. Cohn, president; Rabbi Leslie Y. Gutterman. Standing left to right are Lawrence S. Gates, secretary; and Edward S. Goldin, vice president. Carl H. Feldman, vice president was not present for the photo.



STANDING, left to right, are David McCahan, Jr., president of the United Way of Southeastern New England; Don Horowitz, chairman of the 53rd Jewish Community Center Annual Meeting; Ramon Berger, executive director, Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island and Norman Robinson, president, Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island.

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ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER MENACHEM BEGIN was awarded the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree by Yeshiva University at a special convocation held before some 4,000 persons at the University's Main Center in Manhattan's Washington Heights. In an emotional address, he said he accepted the degree for "all his generation and for the people of Israel." Begin is shown flanked by (right) Dr. Norman Lamm, president, Yeshiva University, and Dr. Israel Miller, vice president for student affairs.

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Obituaries

ANNA RENC

Funeral services for Anna (Schechter) Renc of Flushing, New York, formerly of Providence, who died May 13, were held the following day in New York.

The widow of the late Albert Renc, she had worked as a jewelry designer in New York for 25 years under the name of Miss Ann.

She leaves a sister, Ruth Peskin of East Providence.

CLARA HAYMAN

Graveside services for Clara Hayman, 66, of 14 Barrington Court, East Providence, who died May 10, were held May 12 at Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The widow of Louis Hayman, she was born in Austria. Mrs. Hayman is survived by three sons, Walter and Maurice Hayman of East Providence and Ernest Hayman of California, and two grandchildren.

RUTH ROSENBAUM

Funeral services for Mrs. Ruth Rosenbaum, of 77 Pitman Street, who died Friday, were held on Sunday at Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The widow of Louis Rosenbaum, she was born in Poland, a daughter of the late Lazar and Hannah Kohn. She lived in Providence for more than 65 years.

Mrs. Rosenbaum was a member of the Providence Hadassah, the Providence Fraternal Association, the Pioneer Women's Association, the Jewish Home for the Aged and the Miriam Hospital Women's Association.

She leaves three sons, Robert E. Rosen-

baum of New Haven, Lloyd Rosenbaum of Providence and Elwin M. Rosenbaum of Cranston; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren

LUCY SEMONOFF

Funeral services for Mrs. Lucy Semonoff, 82, of 290 Grotto Avenue, who died Tuesday, May 9, were held on Wednesday, May 11 at the Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The widow of Judah C. Semonoff, she was born on January 10, 1896, a daughter of the late Morris and Esther (Ticotsky) Perlow.

Mrs. Semonoff was a lifelong resident of Providence. She was a graduate of the University of Rhode Island, Class of 1919, a founder of the Brandeis Women's Association, and a member of the Providence Jewish Community Center.

She is survived by a son, Ralph P. Semonoff of Pawtucket; a brother, Nathan Perlow of Pawtucket, and six grandchildren.

JOHN HOOD

A private funeral service for John Hood, 79, of 60 Broadway, who died Wednesday, May 10, was held at the Sugarman Memorial Chapel the following day. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The husband of Besse (Berman) Hood, he was born in Poland, a son of the late John and Katheryn Hood. He had lived in Providence for more than 60 years.

Mr. Hood was a founder, owner and operator of the former Big Bear Market, one of the first supermarkets in Rhode Island, from 1932 to 1962. He was a member of Temple Beth-El and the Jewish Home for the Aged.

His wife is his only immediate survivor.

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Plans Abandoned
AMSTERDAM (JTA): Plans to publish a tourist guide to Holland in Arabic that would have omitted places of Jewish interests, such as the Anne Frank House, have been abandoned by the would-be publisher, Ibrahim Farouk. A flood of protests greeted his announcement, in an interview

in the daily Het Parool, that Jewish sites would not be listed because they would offend the wealthy Arab visitors for whom the guide was intended. Farouk, who heads the "Arabesk" publishing firm, said he was no longer interested in the project and would advise prospective Arab tourists not to visit Holland.

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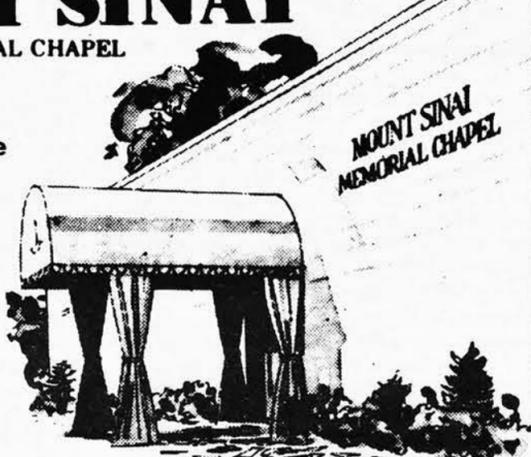


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NEW OFFICERS
 The installation meeting of the Cranston chapter of Hadassah was held on May 10 at the Hearthstone Inn Restaurant.

Lottie Povar was the installing officer. The slate of officers for 1978-1979 are: Ruth Levin, president; Evelyn Snow, vice president-ways and means; Irma Silverman, vice president-program; Miriam Bosler, vice president, membership; and May-Ronni Sock, vice president, education.

Also, Marie Ball, recording secretary; Esta Lipson, corresponding secretary; Golda Elbein, financial secretary; and Florence Margolis, treasurer.

CABARET NITE
 The Cranston chapter of Hadassah will hold a Cabaret Nite featuring the Festival Players of Roger Williams College on May 20, 9:00 p.m. at Temple Beth Torah in Cranston.

OFFICERS INSTALLATION
 Touro will install its officers on Wednesday, May 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn in Seekonk, Massachusetts.

HADASSAH TO MEET
 Providence Hadassah will hold a board meeting at the Jewish Community Center on Monday, May 22 at 12:30 p.m. Esther Resnick, chairperson of the nominating committee will present the new slate of officers for 1978-1979.

OPEN MEETING
 The Providence chapter of the American Mizrahi Women will hold an open meeting in honor of Israel's 30th anniversary on Sunday, May 21 at 2:00 p.m. at the Mishkon Tfiloh Synagogue in Providence. Jeanette E. Resnik, a prominent lecturer, translator and poet, will be the guest speaker. A musical program will be given by Maxine Fishbein, an English and Jewish Studies major at Brandeis University.

KAPLAN RE-ELECTED
 The Garden City Merchants Association elected Gerald Kaplan to his fourth term as president for fiscal year 1978-1979

at its annual dinner meeting held on April 19.

Mr. Kaplan operates James Kaplan Jewelers in the Garden City Shopping Center.

ALIYAH CONFERENCE
 A Southern New England Aliyah Conference for working, professional and business people, 50 years and older, who wish to work or retire in Israel, will be held at Temple Beth Shalom, 1809 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut, on Sunday, May 21 from 2 to 5 p.m.

The conference, which reflects a growing interest in aliyah after the age of 50, is sponsored by the New Haven and the Hartford Chug Aliyah with the cooperation and assistance of the Boston Chug Aliyah.

A panel will present current information on health and volunteer services, housing, employment, financial affairs and retirement planning.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Sinow at (203) 239-0656 or the New Haven Chug Aliyah co-chairpersons, Mr. and Mrs. George Yudkin, (203) 734-2612, and Mr. and Mrs. Barney Kroznick, (203) 248-6253.

FLEA MARKET
 A flea market will be sponsored by Temple Chayai Shalom on Sunday, May 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Fernandes Supermarket in Easton, Massachusetts.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE
 "Jewish Ritual Art: Celebrating and Sanctifying Life," is the title of an illustrated lecture Ann Zaiman will present on Sunday, May 21 at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Habonim in Barrington.

Mrs. Zaiman, the wife of Rabbi Joel Zaiman of Temple Emanu-El, is a 1959 graduate of Brandeis University, where she majored in Hebrew Literature and Art. She also holds an M.A. from Columbia Teachers College.

MEETING SLATED
 The Miriam Hospital will hold its annual meeting on Monday evening, May 22 at 8 o'clock.

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Editorial

Israel's 30th Anniversary

Israel's anniversary is being solemnly and festively observed this week by supporters of the 30 year old state throughout the world. The bells tolling for the 9000 martyrs and, later, the dancing of the Hora tell two facets of the same impressive story.

What other nation has ever developed so rapidly? What other struggle has been followed worldwide so avidly? Every achievement, every new inch of geographical territory, every development in the arts and sciences, in medicine, in government has been witnessed and felt by the entire civilized world. The name of every statesman, from Ben Gurion to Menachem Begin, has become a household word.

Internal strife, so characteristic of developing nations, has been transcended by the constant necessity to protect the Homeland against neighboring states. This solid unity within, imposed by the wolf at the door, has contributed to a unified people. The Israeli capacity to override differences in religious practice, to put aside selfish goals in order to labor for the common good, and the courage to face an uncertain future with the single minded determination to persevere, have etched these 30 years into the hearts of good-willed people everywhere.

We proudly salute this first generation of modern Israelis.

Editor's Mailbox

Concern Expressed On U.S. Policies

I am writing to express my concern about what appears to be a major shift in U.S. policy toward the Middle East, and to try to clear up misconceptions about Israel's position on current peace talks.

Our administration's policy, beginning with its courting of Syria and the PLO last summer, and continuing with its emphasis on a comprehensive peace settlement has changed from our traditional posture of facilitator and honest broker for peace to that of active participant in the negotiation process. Egypt's President Sadat recently welcomed the U.S. as a "partner," and this obvious indication of the change in American policy can lead to pressures on Israel for concessions which will affect her security.

The sale of F-15 and F-5E fighter planes to Egypt and Saudi Arabia represent a clear risk of tipping the delicate military balance in the area. Israel has traditionally looked to America for support of her democratic principals and her right to survive. A shift away from support of

Israel cannot help America's worldwide policy of alliances, and will put the U.S. firmly in the Arab camp in the region.

Finally, much of the American media, following the government's lead, has painted a picture suggesting that Israel is the obstacle to peace in the Mideast. It is precisely the opposite which is true. Prime Minister Begin, speaking for Israel, has proposed a 26-point plan for peace which the administration itself called "a good basis for negotiation." Israel has maintained, time and time again, that it is willing to negotiate all questions in pursuit of peace, except the right of Israel's survival.

President Sadat, despite his dramatic trip to Jerusalem, has repeated the inflexible Arab demand that as a prerequisite to negotiations, Israel must withdraw to her insecure pre-1967 borders, and recognize the terrorist PLO demand for a state next to Israel's borders. It is this obstinate and unyielding position which remains the stumbling block to substantive peace talks in the region.

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Sisterhood, Temple Beth Am — Rummage Sale
10:00 a.m.
Women's American ORT, Narragansett Chapter — Board Meeting, Planning Conf.
8:00 p.m.
Bureau of Jewish Education — Board Meeting
SATURDAY, MAY 20
8:30 p.m.
Jewish Community Center — Israeli Cafe
8:30 p.m.
Temple Beth Am — Temple Play
SUNDAY, MAY 21
12:00 noon
Men's Club, Temple Emanu El — Temple Picnic
All Day
Parents & Friends of Prov. Hebrew Day School
2:00 p.m.
Madassah, Business & Professional Group — Regular Meeting, Installation of Officers
2:00 p.m.
American Mizrahi Women, Prov. Chapter — Open Meeting
2:30 p.m.
RI Jewish Historical Society Annual Meeting at Jewish Community Center
6:00 p.m.
Temple Beth El — State of Israel Bonds
MONDAY, MAY 22
12:30 p.m.
Madassah, Prov. Chapter — Board Meeting
6:00 p.m.
Pioneer Women, Shalom Club — Dinner
7:00 p.m.
Sisterhood, Temple Beth Am — Supperette & Sisterhood Meeting
7:45 p.m.-9:35 p.m.
Temple Beth Torah, Bet Talmud — The Academy for Jewish Living & Learning
8:00 p.m.
Madassah, Pawt. & Central Falls — Installation Meeting
TUESDAY, MAY 23
9:45 a.m.
Women's Division, Jewish Federation of RI — Annual Meeting & Installation Followed by Brunch — Marriott Inn
12:00 noon
Sisterhoods Temple Emanu El, Beth El — Bowling League Annual Luncheon
8:00 p.m.
Temple Emanu El — Institute of Jewish Studies Graduation
WEDNESDAY, MAY 24
10:00 a.m.
Sisterhood, Temple Emanu El — Board Meeting
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Q: I'm a novice investor at the tender age of 55. Like many women, I don't know much about the world of finance. But I have raised my children myself, and now that the youngest has gotten a job, I should be able to save some money and invest. I earn about \$19,000 per year, and have \$20,000 equity in my home. M.J. California

A: It's certainly not too late for you to begin investing. It sounds as though you've managed your own finances very well; you probably know a lot more about the basics of financial management than you realize. For general background, you might pick up Louis Engel's *How To Buy Stocks*, available in paperback. Assuming that you will continue working for another ten years or so, the most feasible investment vehicle for you is probably quality growth stocks with above-average capital appreciation and dividend growth potential. Georgia-Pacific and American Express, both on the Big Board, would be suitable choices now.

Georgia-Pacific, an integrated forest products company, has had an excellent earnings record. This year, by gaining ground on the competition, the company could become the largest factor in the industry. In the first quarter of this year, share net advanced 13% on a 14% increase in sales. Future results should be bolstered by the growing home remodeling market. A \$2 billion expansion program is currently



FROM FRIDAY TO FRIDAY Providence At The Turn Of The Century By BERYL SEGAL

In the early days of the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association, we agreed that we would write only about organizations and events that took place before the turn of the century, since anything that transpired after 1900 was not considered history as yet.

We published the names of those Jews naturalized since their coming into this country. We followed the fortunes of the early settlers in Rhode Island, their occupations, and their struggle for a livelihood. We described the earliest organizations and their striving for mutual aid. That led us to the founding of the Miriam Hospital, the free loan associations, the Shulen and the Temples in the North End and South Providence, as well as the communities of Westerly, Bristol, Pawtucket and Woonsocket.

When we thought we had exhausted every source dealing with important Jewish institutions, we came across the *Historical Notes*, which was published in 1977.

The leading article in the *Notes* is by Eleanor R. Horovitz on "Jews and the Boy Scout Movement in Rhode Island." Dr. Max B. Gomberg, a popular physician who was also co-editor of the *Organ* (published by the Congregation Sons of Israel and David) formed a scout troop in 1910. The doctor recruited Walter Adler, a respected lawyer in the community today, and Herman Galkin, a man active in every Jewish endeavor. I have no doubt that there were others in that pioneer Boy Scout group, and I wish they would make themselves known, since every bit of information is important to the story of Judaism in Rhode Island. Scouting seems to have been an important factor in forming the lives of Jewish children.

Have you ever heard of the Order of Ezra? Did you ever see the monthly journal of that order? The Order never appears in any state record, but the organization existed in Providence in 1911. The journal circulated among Providence Jews and was sold in Bakst's Drug Stores. None of the monthly journals was known to us, until Rabbi William G. Braude, co-founder of the Rhode Island Historical Association discovered the Ezra journal in the New York Public Library and made a photocopy of the only issue that exists to our knowledge. The content of that journal indicates that at that early date there were

people who were dissatisfied with the way Jewish synagogues, lodges, and philanthropic institutions had "lost their Jewish radiance."

The most interesting issue that Ezra raises is the possibility of opening a "single institution in which our children will receive both Jewish and secular training." Such a school, the Journal maintains, "must not be shackled by different congregations. It must belong to the people, must be maintained by the people, and the sole authority is to be the people . . ."

A plan for a Jewish Day School in 1911! Who were the people of the Order of Ezra? How were they forgotten so soon? Does anybody know of them? The article says they were "the best elements" in the community.

A third item which appears in the journal is a translation of the minutes of the Congregation Avas Sholom, with remarks and comments of Rebecca Tversky. That congregation also had a Talmud Torah, a Hebrew school. The worshipers came from communities clustered around Arctic and Phenix, Rhode Island. It must have been a lively synagogue in its day. Now all that remains is a Shul and a Minyan that gathers for the High Holidays.

I came upon this shul while walking through the villages in that neighborhood. I could only go around it and observe the interior through the windows. Mrs. Tversky supplied us with beautiful photographs taken by Max Margilis, President of the congregation, and Professor Harold Sternbach, son of the only surviving member of the seven who founded the congregation, Abraham Sternbach.

In my article on the Congregation Sons of Zion, I wrote that the first cantor, shohet, and mohel was Rev. Eliezer Liphitz, who assumed his duties in 1883. I found this information in a little booklet published by the congregation. Martha B. Katz-Hyman directed me to a letter in the possession of the American Jewish Historical Society in Waltham, Massachusetts which indicated that I was misled. The first cantor, shohet and mohel in Providence was Rabbi Moses Ziskind Finesilver who came to the city in 1878. He was also a butcher and Matzoh baker.

It's refreshing to know that somebody is watching over the accuracy of Jewish records and calls attention to those inaccuracies.

The R.I. Jewish Historical Association will hold its 24th annual meeting on Sunday afternoon, May 21 at the Jewish Community Center. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting and learn about the Association's role in the community. Dr. Edward N. Baiser of Brown University will discuss "Jews and Liberals."

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

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Mr. and Mrs. Morton K. Hamer of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Beth, to Saul Kaplan, son of Mrs. Mona Kaplan of Springfield, Massachusetts, and the late Norman Kaplan.

Miss Hamer will graduate in May from the University of Rhode Island with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Speech Pathology and Audiology. She was elected to Phi Kappa Phi honor society, and is a member of Delta Delta, Delta Sorority. She will attend the University of Rhode Island Graduate School of Speech Pathology in September. Mr. Kaplan will graduate in May, 1979, from the University of Rhode Island with a Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy. He was elected to Rho Chi honor society, and is President of Lauda Chi Fraternity.

Miss Hamer's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hamer of Pawtucket and the late Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Dressler. Mr. Kaplan's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Irving Adler of Florida, and Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Kaplan of Springfield, Massachusetts.

A June, 1979, wedding is planned.



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JCC Elects Officers

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Carolyn Roseman, a member of the nominating committee, brought the slate of officers and proposed directors to the floor. The following persons were elected officers of the Board for the following year: President, Norman Robinson; Vice Presidents, David Hirsch and Noah Temkin; Treasurer, Howard Schachter; Secretary, Nancy Shuster. The following directors were also elected: Honorary Director, Harold L. Cohen; Director continuing until 1980, Herta Hoffman; Directors continuing until 1981, Richard Licht, Charles Meyers, Joel Roseman, Esther Share, Mathew Shuster; new Directors until 1981, Sheila Alexander, Marcel Dutwin, Toby Fain, Jeffrey Goldberg, Mark Mandell, Charles Swartz, Charles Samdperil and Elizabeth Samuels. Serving on the Nominating Committee were Marvin Grabel, Carl Feldman, Barbara Feldstein, Lawrence Gates, Sheldon Green, Arthur Novsam and Carolyn Roseman.

The chairman of the membership campaign, Bertram L. Bernhardt, announced the continuation of the campaign, and encouraged all Center members to enlist the support of their friends to become Center

members. The Center serves as a common meeting ground for all Jews, providing for the total needs of the individual, his interests and capacities for growth and his needs for meaningful Jewish living in particular.

Mrs. Isador S. Low presented the I.S. Low Award to Bruce Temkin, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Temkin, and a senior at Classical High School. He received a special citation and a savings bond, for his outstanding service to the Center.

Citations of recognition for the excellent volunteer work done with children and work in Center-wide activities were awarded to the following counsellors-in-training: Janet Alexander, Jennie Aschkenasy, Jaben Bilker, Adam Danger, Amy Fishbein, Helene Hirsch, Robert Gessman, Irina Margolin, David Ruttenberg, Maria Zilberberg, and Wendy Klein, their CIT supervisor.

The keynote speaker, David McCahan, Jr., President of the United Way of Southeastern New England, Inc., spoke on, "The United Way and Agency Relations in 1978". He described the Program Emphasis Project, and mentioned some of the prime goals of the United Way long range planning, strengthening the United Way fiscal position, increasing the recruitment of volunteers - and solidifying community work by working more closely with agencies such as the Council of Community Services of Rhode Island.

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Theatre-by-the-Sea Producer Tommy Brent has announced staff appointments for the theater's 45th season, which opens June 16th with "The Fantasticks."

Jim Wood, new General Manager was on the administrative staff at the Hartford Stage Company in Connecticut. He worked in Florida for The Studio Theatre and "The Cross and Sword" in St. Augustine and also taught theatre at Florida State University.

Ray Steehler, assistant manager, has worked on the administrative staffs of the Mary Anthony Dance Theater in New York and the San Francisco Dance Theater. Mr. Steehler also worked in the public relations department for NBC's "Today" show.

Publicity Director Cynthia Horden worked in New York City as a news writer for Red book, Women Sports, and as a free-lance publicist for theatrical productions.

Others on the administrative staff include J. Todd Hunt and Julie Dalgleish.

Robert Foreman is returning for his second year as Production Stage Manager, with Thomas Spencer assisting.

Assistant Musical Directors will be Fred Barton and Lila Futernick.

Costumer designers Marianne Powell-Parker and Rose Jung are returning for their third year.

A specialist in theatre craft design, Joseph Bigelow has been signed for the musical, "Pippin." He has worked on "The Wiz," "Timbuktu," and "Hellzapoppin" as well as been associated with the San Diego Opera Company, Metropolitan Opera Company, New York City Opera, Wolf Trap, American Ballet Theatre, San Francisco Ballet Company, Alvin Ailey Dance Company and did the craft work for the national touring company of "Pippin."

Returning once again as scenic designers for Theatre-by-the-Sea are Gary Prianti and Jeffrey Modereger. Mr. Prianti is an instructor in theatre in New Paltz, New York. Mr. Modereger worked with Joe Mielziner in New York and designed two shows this past winter in Memphis, Tennessee. Sarah Oliphant will assist the designers.

Technical director Brett Thomas will return for a second season this year, after

Women's Division Installs Officers

Mrs. Victor Baxt and Mrs. Ellis Flink are co-chairmen for the annual meeting of the Women's Division of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island which will be held at the Marriott Hotel on Tuesday, May 23 at 10:00 a.m. A brunch will follow the meeting.

Rabbi Leslie Gutterman, of Temple Beth-El, will be the installing officer and guest speaker.

Mrs. Manfred Weil will present the slate. The following officers will be installed:

Mrs. Maurice J. Shore, president; Mrs. Sol Resnik, Mrs. Michael Marks, Mrs.

James Winoker, and Mrs. Arthur Fixler, vice presidents.



MRS. VICTOR BAXT



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spending the winter with the North Carolina School of the Arts. The technical staff includes Laurie Harris, James Kabel, Michael Weldon, David Arnold, Marianne Bimbe, Denise Merat and Lori Steinberg. Jill Knowles will handle property.

Beverly Lund, box officer manager, will return for her 12th year in that position. Other box office personnel include Mary Beth Williams, Wende Kamnitzer and Susan Schmedinghoff.

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COCKTAIL PARTY

A cocktail party and dance will be held by the Single Adult Club of the Jewish Community Center on Sunday, May 21 from 8 to 11 p.m.

Entertainment will be provided by Nick Cerra and the Pastels. There will be refreshments and an open bar.

The Single Adult Club is the Center's singles group for developing original programs and parties for the 35 and above community. For further information regarding the Single Adult Club contact Bobbie Carichner at 861-8800.

SUPPERETTE TO BE HELD

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am, in conjunction with Slop & Shop Supermarkets, will sponsor a Supperette for the benefit of the Torah Fund on Monday, May 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Temple in Warwick. Chairperson for the event is Marilyn Lerner. Reservations may be made by contacting Mrs. Lerner or Mrs. Harry Katzman. A special discount for senior citizens will be offered.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Jerusalem Chapter of Hadassah will hold a rummage sale on Thursday, May 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the store next to the Star Market located at 550 Pontiac Avenue in Cranston. The set up for workers will be on Wednesday, May 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

LODGE INSTALLS

Roger Williams Lodge No. 1184 B'nai B'rith will hold its annual installation of officers for 1978-1979 on Sunday evening, May 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Brown University Hillel House.

"Carol and Sandy" will provide a gala evening of entertainment following the installation.

The following officers will be installed: Lewis J. Bosler, president; Joseph M. Finkle, honorary president; Murray Pallas, Stephen Gerstenblatt, Henry Katz and Rory Billig, vice presidents; Dr. Richard Reuter, corresponding secretary; Herman Feinstein, financial secretary; Alan Gerstein, assistant financial secretary; Dr. Harvey Rappoport, recording secretary; Ronald Reuter, treasurer; Marvin W. Lax, chaplain; Bernard Cohen, Bruno Hoffman, Stephen Kasdan, Charles Swartz, and Raymond Eichenbaum, trustees; Edward Gordon, guardian and Arnold Feldman, warden.

PRINT SALE

Rhode Island School of Design will hold a spring print sale on Friday, May 19 from 12 - 5 p.m. at Frazier Terrace on Benefit Street, Saturday, May 20 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday, May 21 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the second floor of Memorial Hall on Benefit Street. The sale will include etchings, lithographs and silkscreens.



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MEETING SCHEDULED

A regular meeting of Hope Chapter B'nai B'rith Women will be held on Wednesday, May 24 at 8:00 p.m. at the Auburn Library on Rolfe Street in Cranston.

Faye Goldman, president, will conduct the business meeting. Guest speaker will be Mr. Raymond Richenbaum, who will speak on "A personal account of the Holocaust." Refreshments will be served. The meeting is open to the public.

TENNIS CHAMPIONS

Allan Gittleman and Eileen Brodsky, both of Warwick, won the 1977-1978 West Bay Mixed Doubles Tennis Championship held May 6 and 7 at the Tennis RI facility in Warwick.

The winning team overcame a 3-6 first set reverse by taking the final two sets 7-5, 6-3 from the runner-up team of Dr. Bill Hancur of West Greenwich and Marsha D'Angelo of Massachusetts.

SERVICES SCHEDULED

The Jewish War Veterans Department of Rhode Island will hold their annual memorial services on Sunday, May 21. The three services will be held at the following locations, according to memorial fund chairman, Philip Simon: a 10:00 a.m. service at Beth-El Cemetery in Providence; a 10:30 a.m. service at Sinai Cemetery in Warwick, and an 11:30 a.m. service at Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick.

HADASSAH HOLDS MEETING

The Pawtucket-Central Falls chapter of Hadassah will hold its installation meeting on May 22 at 8 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center.

Geraldine Foster, installing officer, will speak on Israel's 30th anniversary and install the new slate of officers. The incoming president will be Mrs. Jacob Cokin. President protem is Mrs. Robert Shaffer. Refreshments will be served.

COUNCIL INSTALLATION

The Central New England Council of B'nai B'rith Women and B'nai B'rith, will hold its annual installation on Sunday, May 21 at Franklin Manor, West Boylston, Massachusetts. Business will begin at 10:00 a.m.; luncheon at 12:30 and installation of officers at 1:30 p.m.

Those officers being installed are: Lee Fuhram, president; Arlene Chorney, ranking officer; Ann Davis, Marvin Lax, Gertrude Rogers, Yale Cohen, vice presidents; Lester Katz, treasurer; Clara Needleman, secretary; Harriet Priest, counselor and Jack Wilkes, chaplain.

Keynote speaker and installing officer of the men will be Seymour Reich, vice president and president-elect of District One, B'nai B'rith. Elaine Linsky, vice president of District One, B'nai B'rith Women, will install the women. Jack Wilkes will be the presiding officer.

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Mr. Barry Swartz gave his sister away in marriage. The bride wore a quiana jersey styled with empire bodice. Alencon lace accented the portrait neckline and long bishop sleeves. The A-line skirt fell into a chapel length train. The waltz length mantilla was edged with matching lace.

Matron of honor was Denise Hannouch. Bridesmaids were Nancy Mittleman, Elizabeth Kane and Beverly Huff.

Steven Benharris served as best man for his brother. Ushers were Louis Long, Thomas Furtado and Ben Stadnick.

The bride is a registered nurse on the staff of Roger Williams General Hospital. The bridegroom is an assistant manager at Kennedy's, Inc. and will graduate from Bryant College in 1980 with a Master's degree in Business Administration.

The couple resides in North Providence.

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4500.00	4785.12	398.76	5058.72	210.78	5342.04	148.39	5688.00	118.50
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	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)
\$1000.00	\$1080.24	\$ 90.02	\$1118.70	\$ 62.15	\$1157.76	\$ 48.24	\$1239.12	\$34.42
1500.00	1620.36	135.03	1677.96	93.22	1736.88	72.37	1858.68	51.63
2000.00	2160.48	180.04	2237.22	124.29	2315.76	96.49	2478.24	68.84
2500.00	2700.60	225.05	2796.66	155.37	2894.88	120.62	3097.80	86.05

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	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)
\$2500.00	\$2838.24	\$118.26	\$3010.68	\$ 83.63						
4000.00	4541.28	189.22	4817.16	133.81	\$5103.36	\$106.32	\$5399.40	\$ 89.99		
5500.00	6244.52	260.18	6623.28	183.98	7017.12	146.19	7423.20	123.72	\$7844.40	\$108.95
7000.00	7947.36	331.14	8429.76	234.16	8930.88	186.06	9448.80	157.48	9984.24	138.67

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	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)	Total of Payments (including interest)	Monthly payment (including interest)
\$ 3000.00	\$3664.80	\$101.80	\$4141.20	\$ 69.02				
5000.00	6108.12	169.67	6902.40	115.04	\$ 7754.88	\$ 92.32		
7000.00			9663.00	161.05	10857.00	129.25	\$12790.80	\$106.59
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ROIFF BAT MITZVAH

Laura Roiff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roiff, will become a Bat Mitzvah at Temple Sinai on the 20th of May at Temple Sinai's Sabbath morning service.

FIRST SON BORN

Dr. and Mrs. Lee Sheldon of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, announce the birth of their first son, Daniel Hyman, on April 16.

Maternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Pritzker of East Providence.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Julian Sheldon of Springfield, Massachusetts.

GELLER BAT MITZVAH

Lori Geller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Geller, will become Bar Mitzvah at Temple Sinai on May 27 at the Sabbath morning service.

COVINSKY, PORTER WED

Robin Ann Covinsky and Russell Porter were married by Rabbi Stanley Dreyfus on April 15 at the Sheraton-Tara Hotel in Framingham, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Covinsky of Narragansett are the bride's parents. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Porter of Montvale, New Jersey.

The couple reside in Woburn, Massachusetts.

FIRST SON BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Berstein of 19 Cedar Street, East Greenwich, announce the birth of their first child, a son, Scott Jeremy, on May 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Weinstein of Dix Hills, New York are his maternal grandparents.

Paternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Berstein of Providence.

FIRST DAUGHTER BORN

Rabbi and Mrs. Geoffrey D. Botnick of Erie, Pennsylvania, announce the birth of

their second child and first daughter, Leora Bat-Sheva.

Maternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Saul Muffs of Pawtucket. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Botnick of Ohio.

BERMAN BAR MITZVAH

James Mitchell Berman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bennett S. Berman, will become a bar mitzvah on May 20 at 11:00 a.m. at Temple Beth-El.

Notices

SERVICE, INSTALLATION

Plantations lodge No. 2011 of B'nai B'rith, will hold an installation of officers and youth service on Sunday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Allan Sydney will be the recipient of an award.

HADASSAH INSTALLS

The Business and Professional Group of Hadassah will hold its installation of officers on Sunday, May 21 at 2:00 at the YMCA.

The following persons will be installed: Mrs. Morris Block, honorary president; Dora Sherman, vice president; Nellie Silverman, treasurer; Gertrude Stern, recording secretary; and Estelle Bochner, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. Joseph Dannin, President of Western New England Region Hadassah, will be the installing officer.

ISRAEL CELEBRATION

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom will present an "Israel Celebration" on Wednesday, May 24 at 8 p.m. at the temple.

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FOR STRENGTHENING ISRAEL'S ECONOMY, Louis Erenkrantz of Congregation Shaare Zedek (front and left) received the State of Israel 30th Anniversary Award from Izak Berger, Israel Bond Chairman of Congregation Shaare Zedek, at a joint celebration of Israel's 30 years of independence held by Congregation Shaare Zedek and Temple Beth Israel in behalf of the State of Israel Bonds. Looking on, are, (left to right) Harvey Cohen, regional director for the State of Israel Bonds; Paul Zisseron, Israel Bond Chairman of Temple Beth Israel; Rabbi Jacob Handler, Ph.D. of Temple Beth Israel, and guest artist Danny Tadmore of Israel.

Independence Day Statistics
JERUSALEM (JTA):
 Israel's population on her 30th anniversary was 3,676,000 people, 3,095,000 of them Jews. When the State was founded May 14, 1948 the number of Jews in Israel was 650,000 compared to 150,000 non-Jews. Of the 2,445,000 Jews that were added to the population since 1948, some 1.3 million came on aliya, and the rest are sabras.

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Institute Commencement



PROFESSOR HENRY L. FEINGOLD, will deliver the first annual Peter J. and Anna C. Woolf Lecture at the First Commencement of the Institute of Jewish Studies on Tuesday, May 23 at 8:00 p.m. in the Main Sanctuary. He is a professor of History at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York and Baruch College and is the author of "The Politics of Rescue: The Roosevelt Administration," "Holocaust, 1938-1945" and Zion in America: The Jewish Experience from Colonial Days to the Present." Professor Feingold will speak on "Jewish Power in America: Myth and Reality."

The first graduation of the Institute of Jewish Studies of Temple Emanu-El, will be held on Tuesday, May 23, at 8:00 p.m. in the Main Sanctuary. The graduates are: Dr. Eliot B. Barron, Vida D. Barron, Evelyn

Blazar, Evelyn Bresnick, Samuel Bresnick, Bertram M. Brown, Ann Davis, Ellen Dunn, Essie Einstein, Jeanne Feldman.

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All graduates completed at least 24 courses of study offered during a period of four or five years by the Institute of Jewish Studies.

Professor Henry L. Feingold of the Graduate Center of the City University of New York will deliver the first annual Peter J. and Anna C. Woolf Lecture on "Jewish Power in America: Myth and Reality." Commencement Exercises are open to the public. A reception will follow.



ROSS-MALLONEY

Mr. and Mrs. Joslin Ross of 82 Cliffside Drive in Cranston, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Lynn Marsha Ross, of Pawtucket, to Mr. James Edward Malloney of Manchester, Connecticut, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Malloney of 63 New York Avenue, Cumberland.

She is a graduate of Cranston High School West and the University of Rhode Island. He graduated from Sacred Heart Academy and attended the University of Rhode Island.

The couple plan a September 24 wedding.

Paris Salutes Israel

PARIS (JTA): Over 120,000 people gathered here last week to celebrate Israel's 30th anniversary in an unprecedented display of political and popular support for the Jewish State. President Giscard d'Estaing sent a message of friendship and goodwill and the government was officially represented by Health Minister Simone Veil. Practically all of France's political parties, government and opposition alike, participated in the mass rally.

Among the dozens of political figures who attended the meeting was the leader of the Socialist opposition, Francois Mitterand; former Premier Maurice Couve de Murville; and the leader of the Gaullist Parliamentary faction, Robert Chirac. Knesset speaker Yitzhak Shamir and Labor Alignment opposition leader Shimon Peres represented the State of Israel.

A message from Premier Menachem Begin was read, but the ceremony highlight was the reading of Israel's independence proclamation. As the last words, "and hereby we proclaim the State of Israel," was said by actor Daniel Gelin, the crowd went wild.



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Counsel Judith Beilen Speaks At Tribute

Judith Beilin, Consul of Israel in New York, will be the distinguished guest speaker at Temple Beth-El's tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nathan of Providence to be held in behalf of the State of Israel Bonds, it was announced by Arthur S. Robins, general chairman of the Rhode Island State of Israel Bond Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan will be honored for their dedicated service to the congregation, the community and Israel at a reception on Sunday, May 21, at 8 p.m., at Temple Beth El. The event will also be in celebration of Israel's 30th anniversary.



JUDITH BEILIN

Mrs. Beilin, who has been Consul of Israel in New York since 1961, makes frequent return trips to her country where she spends time on Foreign Ministry matters.

Prior to her appointment as consul she served as liaison officer for the Foreign Ministry in connection with the hundreds of foreign correspondents stationed in Israel to cover the Eichmann trial.

Born and educated in England, Mrs. Beilin graduated from the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art and became a successful actress on the stage and with the B.B.C. before going to Palestine in 1938.

While a member of the Haganah, she announced the establishment of the State of Israel on May 14, 1948 over the Haganah Radio Haifa.

Mrs. Beilin's late husband was the Chief of Protocol for Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The Tribute Committee for the reception is headed by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chucnin, chairmen. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dressler are the co-chairmen and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Grossman are the patron-hosts for the occasion.

The reception is being held in conjunction with the Rhode Island Israel Bond campaign to provide resources needed to fortify Israel's economy.



MOTHERS MILK BANK: For more than two months, premature infants born at Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem have been nourished on mother's milk stored in facilities especially provided for this purpose. This "Mother's Milk Bank" unique in Israel for its size, was opened by the Shaare Zedek Department of Pediatrics.

Dr. Serem Freier, head of the department, explained that the milk is fed to all prematures below a certain weight. "In these infants," he says, "mother's milk helps to prevent infectious diseases of the respiratory and digestive tracts and obviates damage to the intestines."

Most of the milk is currently collected at rest homes for nursing mothers in Jerusalem, although plans are being considered for obtaining milk from donor mothers in their own homes. In most cases it is very difficult to collect milk from the mothers of premature babies themselves.

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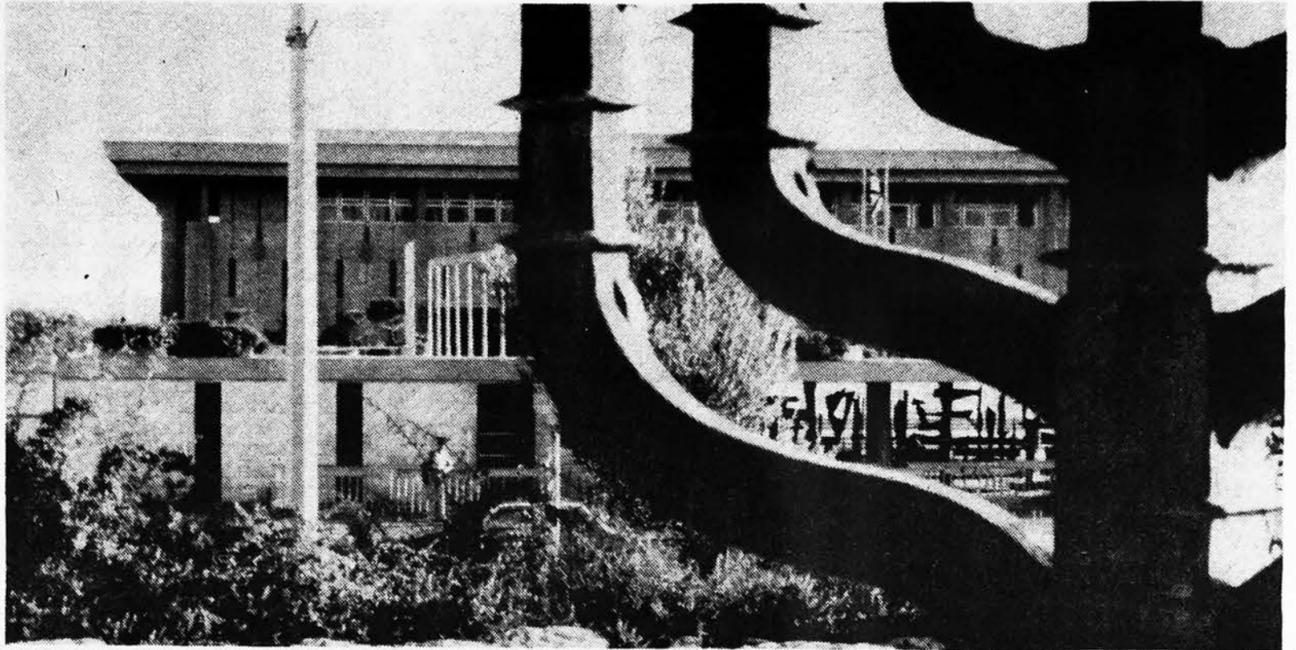
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Ancient History Uncovered

by Solomon Steckoll

Unlike Arthur Haley, who conducted a lengthy investigation to find his "roots" deep in the jungle of West Africa, Israelis have always known where their roots were to be found: in the soil of Israel, where the history of the Hebrews began following the migration of Semitic tribes from the Persian Gulf, 45 centuries ago. The history and origins of the people, their "roots" in Israel, are related in the Bible and other ancient records.

There has, however, been a large-scale searching after more knowledge of the past, for details to supplement the written biblical record. A new impetus to this quest into the past followed the establishment of the modern State of Israel, 30 years ago. Archaeological excavations became — and remain — the favorite pastime of increasingly large numbers of Israelis.

Under mounds of soil and stone, Israelis find the roots of their past, a record of the period of transition from food-gathering to planned agriculture, the beginnings of irrigation and the development of building, from the earliest fortifications at Jericho through the typical four-room Israelite house, to the synagogues of the early common era.

Above all, the way of life of the ancestors is revealed in the day-to-day domestic artifacts from distant ages. Hundreds of "digs" are conducted every year, strata and pottery carefully dated, where the stress is more on the systematic research into the past rather than the collection of removable items of antiquity for museums or private collections. It is this difference which distinguishes archaeological research in Israel today from the practice before 1948.

The roots of the Hebrew nation originated, as told in Genesis, in the Ur of the Chaldees, with the migration of Abraham first northwards to Nineveh and then westward to Haran in the Taurus mountain range, before moving gradually southwards to Canaan, which became the Promised Land.

Given this starting point, the present-day search for the past of the Israelis is also conducted in the former Sumerian lands, through which the Patriarchs passed in the 19th century BCE. The forefathers, nomadic shepherds, living very much like the Bedouin of today, pitching their tents at grazing sites and then moving on, were not likely to have left material traces of their sojourn.

There is specific mention of one of the Ten Tribes of Israel, the Tribe of Asher, in Egyptian documents, and the stele of Pharaoh Merneptah singles out the name of a nation, "Israel," a fact which gives

evidence that there were Hebrews living in Canaan before the conquest by Joshua.

In other words, not all the Hebrew tribesmen had moved to Egypt, and the Exodus led by Moses was of the people in Egyptian bondage back to the land where other members of the 12 Israelite tribes had been living throughout the 420 years of Egyptian exile — from Joseph to Moses.

The biblical account of the conquest of Canaan and the resettlement of the Israelites on the land, in the book of Joshua, is full of accounts of battles. This is fully supported by archaeological evidence, which, from the burned remains of the destroyed cities of Lachish, Bethel, Hazor and Tel-Bet-Mirsim, pinpoints the time of Joshua's conquest to the mid-13th century BCE.

There is mystery, also, as the earth reluctantly gives up its secrets. Both at Jericho and Ai, two cities razed to the ground, according to the biblical account, archaeologists who worked at the sites found no evidence whatsoever of fires and destruction relating to this period. There is no corroboration from the physical remains, which led some to suggest that the account of Joshua's victories may have been deliberately exaggerated, in order to raise his stature as a military commander.

Excavations at Hazor, Gezer and Megiddo (Armageddon) have revealed that the fortress gates of all these cities had, in King Solomon's time, been built by the royal architects according to a uniform plan.

Solomon's Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed by the Chaldeans in 586 BC, but at Arad, another Temple of Solomon, constructed according to the same three-division plan, was uncovered, providing a deep insight into what was a central focus of religious practice in the Israel of 3,000 years ago.

The excavations at Samaria, Hazor and Megiddo also provide both corroboration and a better understanding into the biblical account of the "might of the House of Omri." There is proof in the form of the palaces and walls, the buildings and the water tunnels.

There is proof, also, for the description of the Palace of King Aham given in the Bible as the "ivory house" (1 Kings 22:39). A large quantity of carved ivories was found, which add to our knowledge of the Jewish heritage.

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EDITION OF MAGAZINE SUSPENDED

JERUSALEM (JTA): The Foreign Ministry suspended at the last minute, distribution of a special 30th anniversary edition of its own magazine "Ariel" because it contained a poem deemed subversive.

The magazine was about to be shipped overseas in four languages as part of the Ministry's information program when it was held up on grounds that the poem "Lamentations" by the Druze Communist poet, Samih el Kassem, was an allegorical presentation of Arab nationalist and anti-Zionist feeling. Kassem is one of Israel's best known Arabic poets.

A Ministry spokesman said there was nothing untoward in the Ministry's insistence that its own publication must reflect the government's information and policy lines. The special edition of "Ariel" consisted of 23,000 copies published at a cost of IL 1 million.

SURVIVORS MOVE UP IN GOVERNMENT

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Amongst them is a judicial advisor of the government, Prof. Aharon Barak, who is a survivor of the Kovno Ghetto. Also the prime minister's advisor who was head of the delegation to Egypt, Dr. Eliyahu Elissar (Ghetto Radom). In addition to these two there is also the judicial advisor to the foreign ministry, Dr. Meir Rosenne, a survivor of the Tchernowitz internment camp, and Prof. Yehuda Bloom, a survivor of BergenBelsen, who is now the head of Israel's delegation to the UN.

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Untapped Source of Aliyah From American Jewry

By Ruth Sellman

A highly-trained engineer who settled in Israel three years ago at the age of 54 is typical of a potential new aliya from the U.S. I will refer to him by his initials, S.L. He did not come to retire in Israel although he had "retired" in the States under a relatively new program which allows government employees to take advantage of what is called "early retirement." He came to work, to bring a technological expertise which is appreciated and recognized, which is giving him satisfactions of which he had never dreamed.

With an annuity, which before taxes, is over three times the salary he is making in Israel, he did not have to be overly concerned with financial matters. His basic concern was with finding a position which would be challenging and worthwhile and in which he would feel that he is contributing to the growth and progress of the country. Working for one of the country's largest and most progressive

firms, his goal has been achieved "far beyond what I'd anticipated."

Early retirement gives American government employees the option of retiring on a reduced annuity if they are at least fifty years old and have worked for twenty years or more. It also applies to those who have had twenty-five year of government service, irrespective of their age. Formerly, government employees could only retire after thirty years of service with the minimum age requirement being fifty-five. Although this program has only been in effect for the last few years and although it was originally planned to be offered only in the years when the economic situation dictated curtailment, it appears to have been so successful that there are no doubts that it will be continued on a permanent basis. Employees of many municipalities and state governments have for some time now had the opportunity to retire at age 55 with a pension and annuity giving them an income of anywhere from half to full salary for life,

depending on how many years over twenty they have served.

S.L. is convinced that early retirement is an almost ideal way to come to Israel. "I can be both an idealist as well as a realist since I have a good income from the States, a dollar income which continues — with each mini-devaluation — to be worth more, plus my Israeli salary. We are able to maintain a relatively high standard of living.

"Over and above my commitment to Zionism, my intense love for Israel, early retirement has allowed me to come to Israel at an age when I feel I can still make a contribution, where my knowledge and training can be utilized. Since I'm not so critically concerned about finances, I've been able to take a position which salary-wise is not commensurate with the one I had in the States, but where the satisfactions are as great, if not greater. I feel that what I'm doing has meaning for Israel, meaning for my people. It's a very rewarding sensation.

Conceivably we might have come to

Israel later, but then I'd be too old to work full-time, or so it might be assumed by prospective employers. My children might all have been married and unwilling or unable to come to Israel. This way we brought two of our three children with us. We could afford to bring them, to educate them here although even high school fees are high, equalling college tuition fees." S.L. has one son in high school and another in his middle twenties — "a bachelor who would never have been able to come without our aid."

It is a known fact that the economic situation in Israel deters many potential settlers. As one newcomer quipped, "Salaries are low and expenses high — and this is an unsavory combination." However, with the kind of income made possible by early retirement, real financial problems are eliminated. The recipients are not eating off capital as many newcomers

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Untapped Source of Aliyah

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find they have to do, but are receiving a continuing income which makes their settlement both feasible and comfortable.

Wives of early retirees are also young enough to work, if they wish. They can experience job satisfactions similar to those of their husbands. S.L.'s wife, for example, completed a special retraining course in Israel for social science degree holders, geared to preparing them for work with the aged, and found part-time employment in her new field. This has enabled her, too, to make a contribution on a meaningful level.

The number of people in the States taking advantage of the early retirement option is growing. Most, of course, do not come to Israel. They go into business for themselves or into fields such as teaching which they formerly could not afford to enter. "They are people like myself," says S.L., "who still feel that they have valuable years ahead of them and want to channel their energies into a framework which will be meaningful and challenging. They can now afford to take lower salaries or run the risk of being independent entrepreneurs since they have a firm financial cushion. Within this group there are undoubtedly many who could be

ideal candidates for aliya. They would derive much satisfaction from knowing that they are bringing to the country needed skills and experience."

Unfortunately, as far as I can ascertain, few people in Israel are aware of the existence of the policy of early retirement or of its potentially positive consequences for Israel. Israel has always had to bring in experts to advise on the establishment of new programs, to assist in their implementation and to supervise their progress. Today, if the country would inaugurate a campaign to attract expert early retirees on a permanent settlement basis rather than in an "ad hoc" manner, both the individuals and the country would benefit.

Some have already come. A top administrator with the U.S. Treasury Department has found a position with the Israel Ministry of Finance, and a veterinarian, with an impressive background in research, is now employed, at the Volcani Agricultural Research Institute. They have integrated well. As one says: "Working in Israel today I feel the same excitement we felt during the Second World War when we believed that our efforts were directed to a cause bigger than

ourselves, to preserving democracy — if you'll excuse the triteness of the phrase. But, normally, that sense of involvement was missing in my work in the States. Now, in Israel I'm recapturing it."

Israel has yet to tap this potential, yet to go out of its way to encourage early retirees to include Israel as one of their options.

True, there are difficulties admits S.L. realistically. "For many Israeli firms people of our caliber present a problem. They were concerned about their ability to absorb us and worry how we can be brought in without disrupting their organization. They fear that their own personnel will see us as a threat, competing for their jobs. Yet, these difficulties can be overcome. Rapport can be established when people, both on the management and work levels, realize that your prime emphasis and incentive is not monetary but the satisfactions found in doing a job well."

After less than a year on the job, S.L. was asked to take charge of a department. He refused because at this stage of his life he didn't want the extra responsibility. For him, this is the point of early retirement: "We don't come here to become Vice-Presidents, to climb the managerial ladder.

We just want to be productive and use our expertise. Early retirement now makes it possible for Israeli companies to hire people of our standing for there is no need to match our American salaries, an almost impossible task actually since salaries in Israel are approximately one-half to one-third lower than they are in the States."

The failure on the part of the Israel government to make contact with early retirees and, concomitantly, to persuade industry and business of the advantages accruing from hiring them appears to be part of a general indifference to the contribution older settlers can make to the Israeli society. If little interest is paid to encouraging the over-50's to come and settle, even less is paid to the over-60's. "To be blunt," said one government official, "who really wants them? Don't we have trouble enough with our own aged, with the lack of facilities for them, with the deplorable state of many of our old-age homes. This is a young country; Israel needs new blood and new faces, needs newcomers who are young and energetic and who have stamina and strength to cope with the complexities of our country." His

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Untapped Source of Aliyah

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 plea is only superficially valid, but, unfortunately, it is a flawed analysis. Israel needs both the young in age and the young in spirit. Both have a vital role to play in the upbuilding of the State: both groups can find satisfaction here. It is foolish and short-sighted to ignore the contribution which retired Western settlers are making.

First of all, working or not, they are bringing in dollars to the country. At latest count, there are 6,500 Americans receiving Social Security checks in Israel every month. They are bringing in approximately two million dollars into the country. They are consumers of Israel goods purchased with foreign exchange; their impact is similar to that of exporters. At the same time, they do not add any burden to government services.

Second, they are positive spokesmen for the country, actively and enthusiastically involved in promoting Israel. They are not passive about their feelings; whether in the letters they write or the home visits they make, these retired Western settlers act as an unofficial, mini-public relations office, feeding those they know with information about Israel.

A surprising number of pensioners are here without their children or grandchildren. "My children," says one, "grew up as the 'lost generation,' lost to Judaism that is. Going to college during the sixties, they were influenced by the anti-establishment stance of their peers. They opposed everything we, their elders, stood for — including our Judaism and our love for Zion." She goes on to note how she was never able to sell Zionism to her family, "not even to my husband." After his death, she settled in Israel. "Why? Because I'm a Jewess and all my life I've wanted to live among my Jewish people. My children never shared this longing. Now, however, because I am here, my family is showing more interest. My grandchildren are coming to visit me this summer, two on a 'summer in Israel' program. Another one is even considering a year at University here. Perhaps, my grandchildren will fulfill my Zionism as my children haven't."

"We definitely stimulate visits to Israel," said another. "Instead of going to Bermuda or Europe, my children now come here. Even if they only come as tourists, isn't it important to promote tourism? Aren't we a living link between Israel and Diaspora

Jewry?"

"We're not taking jobs away from anyone," said another. "We're not hurting anyone by being here. We are not on charity, not a drain on the economy." On the contrary, with a tradition of giving behind them, retired settlers are busy supporting charitable organizations, rather than being objects of their support. To raise funds, they run benefits and bazaars. They are experienced in organizational work, offering services as well as skills. One lawyer, for example, gives extensively of her time and expertise to various groups, providing legal advice on a voluntary basis.

Few retirees — early or otherwise — return to the States. Their rate of *Yerida* (emigration) is perhaps the lowest of any age group. Most find life in Israel meaningful as well as financially feasible. "My dollars go much farther in Israel," says a retired teacher who cashed in her insurance policy in order to buy a small apartment. "My social security and my small teacher's pension are more than adequate for all my other needs." She manages extremely well on a monthly income of approximately \$300. Most couples find that an income of \$400 to \$500 is more

than adequate — "if your housing is all taken care of," stresses one, "and if you don't run a car which, for city-centered people, is not a necessity."

"For a conscientious Jew," said one pensioner who had first retired to Miami and found life there devoid of content, "there are many advantages to retiring in Israel.

There's the climate which is never too cold, especially in Tel Aviv and the coastal region. There is an almost unlimited number of activities, including lectures, tours and Bible study groups, which are open to senior citizens." (Many are sponsored by the ZOA House in Tel Aviv.) He finds studying Bible and Jewish history one of his greatest pleasures. "I'm learning what I should have known many years ago, but who had time to study when you're busy earning a living. Now I have the time to study. I'm discovering my Jewishness." Language is not a problem since many study groups, as well as some University lectures which can be freely audited, are conducted in English.

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New Yorkers Celebrate Israel's Anniversary

By Yitzhak Rabi

NEW YORK (JTA): A festive, jubilant crowd estimated at some 200,000 marchers and spectators celebrated Israel's 30th anniversary with the annual Salute to Israel Parade on Fifth Avenue, followed by a massive gathering on Central Park's Sheep's Meadow where they were addressed by Premier Menachem Begin and treated to a carnival of Israeli entertainment and Israeli foods, ranging from gourmet dishes to the ubiquitous falafel, music, song and arts and crafts displays.

The parade, which started at 11 a.m. on May 7 drew a mammoth crowd despite cloudy skies and intermittent rain. Families carried American and Israeli flags and balloons proclaiming Israel's 30th birthday. Youngsters and adults wore buttons with slogans such as "Peace and Shalom," "Long Live Israel" and "I am a Zionist." Other buttons supported a variety of Israeli causes from "aliya" to "Freedom for Soviet Jewry" and financial aid to Israel.

Many spectators wore T shirts inscribed with the words "I am a Zionist Hoodlum," a reference to the remark by actress

Vanessa Redgrave at the recent Oscar Awards ceremony.

The parade, sponsored by the American Zionist Youth Foundation, extended two miles from its starting point at 57th Street. At least 100,000 marchers took part. In addition to contingents from Jewish organizations and scores of Hebrew schools in the metropolitan area, they included battalions of New York City police and firemen, dozens of bands, high-stepping drum majorettes and scores of floats. One group, dressed in space-age costumes, paraded to music from the science fiction film "Star Wars" under signs proclaiming, "It's Great to be Free After 2000 Years."

Tightest Security Measures

Security measures were the tightest ever seen at an Israel Independence Day Parade. Thousands of police locked arms to keep the crowds back along the line of march. Israeli and American security and secret service men were everywhere. Police helicopters hovered just above rooftop level. All streets adjacent to the reviewing stand at 69th Street were closed to traffic and pedestrians.

Begin, smiling, acknowledged the cheers of the crowd with a wave, and declared, "The State of Israel lives and will live forever." The Premier was flanked by dignitaries, including Gov. Hugh Carey, Major Edward Koch and New York's two Senators, Jacob K. Javits and Daniel P. Moynihan.

About a mile away, on the fringes of the parade area, about 100 members of the Palestine Action Coalition demonstrated against Israel with signs reading "Begin, Murderer." Police kept them well away from the celebrants and no incidents occurred.

Another group, consisting of several dozen persons who called themselves the Coalition of Concerned Progressive Jews, demonstrated against Begin's policy of retaining Arab territory. After the parade, some of them mingled with the throngs at Sheep's Meadow carrying signs that said "Peace Now" and "Peace in the Land is More Important than Pieces of Land."

Festive Mood

The Meadow was a sea of people whose happy mood was greeted by bright sunshine

that emerged from the clouds in the afternoon. If anything, security was even heavier on the grassy meadow. Police and plainclothesmen with walkie-talkie radios were everywhere. The area behind the stage where Begin was to speak was cleared of all spectators and patrolled by guards. Helicopters circled overhead continuously.

While waiting for Begin's arrival, the crowds visited various stages labeled Tel Aviv, Haifa, Jerusalem and other Israeli-named cities. They sampled Israeli wines and dishes — a huge falafel stand was the busiest — and watched Israeli performers and inspected Israeli handicrafts and art objects.

Begin's appearance at Sheep's Meadow evoked tumultuous applause and cheers. He shook hands with people in the crowd and seemed unconcerned with security precautions. The highlight of his short speech, which dealt with the history of the Jewish people, was when he asked the Arabs to give up their designs to destroy Israel. "I say Israel will never be destroyed."

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Meir Reflects On Israel at 30

Editor's Note: What follows is an excerpt from an exclusive interview with former Prime Minister Golda Meir conducted by correspondent Jane Friedman for the Boston Globe. During the interview the Former Prime Minister "smoked non-filtered cigarettes through yellowed fingers and reflected on Israel's history, goals, growth and future."

ON ISRAEL

Do you look at Israel today and say it is good?

Absolutely. The tragedy is that the state came late. If it had come earlier, many of the 6 million who died would be alive today. Also, Zionism went along with the ideal of building a just society. Not every goal we wanted was accomplished. I can't say that everything worked out exactly as we wanted. But with all the faults and difficulties, the labor movement has established wonders. In the beginning, Jews weren't seamen and road builders and farmers. We had to create the workers. No other trade union in the world had this problem. Something had to be done with them and something was done.

People came here with no skills and we created a big cooperative movement. No labor party in the world did this. There are no Kibutzim or moshavim in the world except Israel. Stalin tried to do it by force, but he didn't succeed. With us it's all voluntary. We managed to settle people in all areas of the country — in the Negev and in the Galilee.

Has Israel revolutionized the concept of Jewishness?

Everything that was done here was done to guarantee the continuity of the Jewish people. Until the Holocaust, there were pogroms against Jews in Eastern Europe. In the free countries, there is no physical danger to the Jewish people. The danger to the Jewish people comes through assimilation. We can guarantee continuity through the state. This state wasn't created for the 600,000 people who lived here in the beginning. It was created for the Jews of the world. So we want a larger immigration from all parts of the world. While Jews from the Soviet Union have an impossible time coming, Jews from the west can come but they don't.

Should all Jews live here?

Another 2 million would do. It would make all the difference in the world . . . to our economy, integration, a high standard of culture, our military strength. Of course, we don't want someone who doesn't feel a need for Israel.

What is special about Israel?

First, it's our own. Nobody in Israel has to get up in the morning and worry what do his neighbors think about him. Personally yes. But the fact that he's a Jew doesn't bother him. A Jew lives here the same way as an American in America, a Frenchman in France. They don't worry about their being Americans or French. They have problems, but the Jew in diaspora throughout the ages had all the problems

that everybody else had plus the problem that he's a Jew. That's no problem here.

One of the greatest achievements that is not 100 percent achieved is the integration. After the establishment of the state, Jews from all over the world, with no common language and no common culture, came. You get 20 people in a room and they came from seven or eight countries and spoke five or six languages. Jews came from the caves of Libya. There was a clash between that and 20th Century civilization. Others came from Yemen and the Atlas hills of Morocco. Each one brought with him his way of living. For the integration of all these people, we used to say that a pressure cooker is not enough.

Do you think Israel will eventually be able to solve the problem of the Israeli Arabs?

I think the overwhelming majority of Arabs in Israel have been good loyal citizens. Their advance has been a fantastic one. The fact that there's not practically a village in the country without running water or electricity. An American would say what's so wonderful about that? but, you should see the villages the way they were. One of the greater revolutions took place in the Arab sector of the country. I can't say that every single Arab gets up in the morning and thanks God that he's living in a Jewish state, but those that did not run away during the independence war, the vast majority consider Israel their home.

Aside from the creation of the state itself, would the Sadat visit rank among the most emotional moments in Israel's history for you?

No doubt — for everyone Sadat himself was overwhelmed with the welcome. But don't forget, he represents a country that five times fought us. Among the people that hailed him, there must have been parents who lost their sons, young women who lost their husbands and orphans that lost their fathers and their brothers. But there isn't a Jew in the country that doesn't want peace. Nobody has to preach peace to us. Our great guilt is that we want to live in the same way as other countries . . . with borders that we can defend. That's all we want. When people tell us, don't worry, we'll guarantee you borders, we've had guarantees before. We don't expect anybody to fight for us. We have the elementary right to want to defend ourselves. We've never asked for a single soldier from another country to come. We don't want it. Nobody should spill their blood for us. But we want to spill a little blood of our own as possible. What is natural for everybody else in the world seems to be extravagant for us.

ON PEACE

Do you feel there will be peace now?

No one can guarantee that we've seen the end of war. Now, our third generation is involved in wars. First we had the Arab riots, then the struggle with the British, then the war of liberation, then the wars of '56, '67 and '73. Now our grandchildren are fighting. Every boy and every girl at the age of 18, at the end of high school, goes to the army. Which means that for girls — two years of their lives, and for boys three years — minimum. Then there's reserves. But we have to live with it.

But does peace seem closer now?

We hope, but that's a very difficult path. For a while after the coming of Sadat, there was a lot of euphoria. But the situation is very difficult. One mistake that people in the world make — some don't understand and some refuse to understand — that it isn't at all territory we're arguing about. We're arguing about security.

ON THE FUTURE

Is it possible for Israel to be a normal country?

What we need is peace. We don't want to be a copy of someone else. But if we had peace this country would be the most flourishing in the world. With the lives and means that went into fighting wars — what we could have done with that.

Can you compare the difficulties today and the difficulties of the pioneer days?

We were a drop in the ocean in those days. Now the tragedy is that we have war but we can defend ourselves. We have a state.

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ANTI-SEMITIC NOTES

Eatontown, N.J.: A retired army master sergeant was given a one year suspended prison sentence on Tuesday, April 25 for handing out anti-semitic flyers in the Fort Mommouth commissary in New Jersey.

Charles E. Sublett, 60, was placed on two years' probation by U.S. Magistrate John

Cultural Events Top Fetes

By Yitzhak Shargil, Barble Zellzer-Meyouhas

JERUSALEM (JTA): Cultural events took precedence over military panoply as Israel celebrated the 30th anniversary of its independence. A highlight was the concert in the Jerusalem Theater by the world famous Russian cellist Mstislav Rostropovich who performed with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Gary Bartini.

It was not only Rostropovich's artistry that brought him a rapturous ovation after he concluded the program with Hayden's cello concerto but the fact that his appearance here represented a blow against the repression of artistic freedom in the Soviet Union. Rostropovich lost his Soviet citizenship recently. It was revoked because he agreed to perform in Jerusalem on Israel's Independence Day.

The cellist had been one of the few Soviet artists permitted to live abroad, apparently because his liberal views embarrassed the Soviet authorities and his international stature as a musician made them reluctant to exile him officially. But the honor he paid Israel, a country he has visited many times, proved too much for the Kremlin. He was deprived of citizenship because, according to the official Soviet press, he collaborated with the "Zionist aggressors," namely former Premier Golda Meir and President Ephraim Katzir.

The main event in Tel Aviv was also musical. An estimated 80,000 persons heard the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra under Zubin Mehta perform Tchaikowsky's 1812 Overture, complete with cannon sound-effects and fireworks.

Other Events Throughout The Country

Other festivities included a two-hour dress parade and precision drill by Israel army units and former underground fighters in the Hebrew University stadium this morning while Air Force planes performed acrobatics overhead. The latter included three formations of the Israel-made Kfir jet fighter and squadrons of American F-15s. There was a display on the ground of Israeli weapons dating from the 1948 War for Independence to the latest sophisticated tanks, artillery and rockets.

While organized events attracted thousands of spectators, most Israelis took to the beaches or countryside for the day and many others stayed home to watch Independence Day programs on television.

In Haifa, tens of thousands watched a parade of 5000 dancers from various youth movements, kibbutzim, moshavim and minority groups. In Metullah, many of the south Lebanese Christians took part in Independence Day celebrations there, dancing and singing and expressing best wishes to Israel. One Lebanese leader said Israel's celebrations should encourage the Lebanese to regain their own independence from Syria and the Palestinians.

Other awards were the annual Israel Prize and the Bible Quiz in Jerusalem with 29 young contestants from all over the world. Eli Sarussi, a Tel Aviv high school student, won the first prize and other Israeli students took the second, third and fourth prizes. Rona Levin of Canada placed fifth, ahead of all the other foreign contestants. The sixth prize went to Yitzhak Mauas of Argentina.

1800 Celebrate in Washington

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In Washington 1800 persons celebrated Israel's 30th anniversary by walking 10 miles to raise money for the Israel Emergency Fund. Some 180 similar United Jewish Appeal-sponsored walk-a-thons were being held across the country last week.

The Washington walk which raised \$70,000 ended on the Ellipse where Sen. Paul Sarbanes (D.Md.) said a strong Israel "represents an element of order and stability and provides our best assurance against miscalculations on the part of Israel's hostile neighbors that would have devastating consequences not only for their people but for the whole world." Sarbanes stressed that "peace can be achieved only through negotiations between all the parties concerned and negotiations are possible only if Israel is strong."

Zionists Celebrate In Open Air Program

By David Friedman

NEW YORK (JTA): American Zionists celebrated Israel's 30th anniversary last Wednesday night with songs, dance, films and pledges of Jewish unity in support of Israel. The celebration, sponsored annually by the American Zionist Federation, was attended by nearly 1000 persons who chanced an unusually cool evening for the outdoor program at Central Park's Delacorte Theater.

Against the background of a film depicting Israeli history and scenes and the natural beauty of a lake outside the theater and the Manhattan skyline, the audience was entertained by an Israeli troupe called "Here is Israel," which sang songs illustrating Israel's history. Before the show, early arrivals were treated to songs by Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach and Israeli dances by the Star Dancers of the NETA Chapter of Bnai Zion on the park's Great Lawn.

Chaim Herzog, Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations, told the crowd that Israel was making progress toward peace, a step he believed was "irreversible." Herzog challenged those who have charged that Israel is being intransigent in the present peace-seeking efforts noting that the Egyptians themselves have said that there have only been 15 hours of actual negotiations between Israel and Egypt. He pointed out that it took the United States 13 years to negotiate the Panama Canal treaties and four years to negotiate a peace settlement in Vietnam.

The Israeli Ambassador, who will be leaving his UN post next month after three years, was given a farewell reception by the AZF earlier in the day attended by about 60 persons.

Wants Deeds, Not Just Words

The gathering was told by Rabbi Israel

Miller, AZF interim president, that the Carter Administration's linking of its supply of planes to Israel with the sale of planes to Egypt and Saudi Arabia was "immoral." He said it will continue to be "immoral" no matter even if there is a reported compromise to provide Israel more planes because the U.S. was "committed" to provide the planes to Israel.

Miller stressed that a weak Israel will be of little help to the U.S. while a strong Israel can proceed with the peace process in whatever form it takes. He said the Jewish community must demand that the Administration show its support for Israel in "deeds" and not just words "and receptions on the White House lawn."

Sen. Jacob Javits (R.N.Y.), who was to have attended the celebration but had to remain in Washington because of the negotiations on the Mideast plane sales, sent a telegram in which he said that American Jews who saw Israel's birth "have the sacred duty" to see the U.S. helps Israel survive.

Brooklyn District Attorney Eugene Gold, chairman of last night's event, stressed that the differences that appear among American Jews "should not be confused with a lack of Jewish solidarity." He said something new has happened to Jews throughout the world: their readiness "to raise their voices and demand as one, dignity, decency and security."

Gold, who is also chairman of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, said Jews must work to see that "Soviet Jewry shall be free, Israel shall be secure" and Jews everywhere have the freedom for the growth and enhancement of the Jewish ideal. Among those in the audience were 50 students from the Bialik Hebrew School in Toronto.

GUILTY OF MURDER

HANOVER (JCNS): A former SS sergeant, Friedrich Rathje, 64, has been convicted here of complicity in the murder of 900 Jews and has been sentenced to a suspended prison term of two years as well as a fine of some \$1,200. As an official of the Gestapo, Rathje had taken part in the deportation of Jews from the Lublin area to the gas chambers in 1942 and 1943.

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A Look At Yad Veshem: Israeli Memorial To Martyrs

By Naomi Ragen

There is almost something deceptive about Yad Vashem, Israel's memorial to the martyrs and heroes of European Jewry. The beauty of its grassy fields and trees, the magnificence of the surrounding Judean Hills, its sculptures and fine buildings create a sense of aesthetic pleasure and peacefulness. But as one steps closer, the contradictions appear and grow.

The trees, you notice, have been planted in a row called "The Avenue of the Righteous Among the Nations." Each has been planted in the name of a non-Jew who helped save the life of a Jew during the Nazi era. It is a pitifully short row which gives little shade. The beautiful sculptures — Ilana Gur's "Hope," Nathan Rapaport's "Job," and Leah Michaelson's "Silent Cry" — fill one with pain and a sense of unbearable loss.

Inside the low, modern buildings housing the Museum, Memorial Shrine and Hall of Names one feels imprisoned, cut off from the light of day. What little light there is has the tentative, unearthly quality of a yartzheit — a candle lit for the dead. When one emerges, having looked with mute pain at the names of concentration camps embedded like tombstones in the stone earth of the Memorial Shrine; having wandered through the museum with its incomprehensible chronicle of organized, regulated bestiality; having looked up the names of one's family in the pages of testimony, one is drained. One's faith in mankind, in human decency, in life itself is shaken.

Outside, the beauty of the place becomes a comfort. Its silence allows contemplation, attempts to absorb the experience. Isolated scenes can gently wander through the mind and rest without interruption; lampshades made out of Torah scrolls, a child's small, tattered shoe enclosed in a glass case with the words: "1,500,000 Children."

I am not alone in feeling that each visit to Yad Vashem leaves its mark for years. How, I asked Efraim Zuroff, Yad Vashem's young Director of Overseas Activities and a Holocaust scholar, how can he, or anyone work at Yad Vashem? How can he pass through its rooms on a daily basis, explaining its significance to groups of tourists, making the horror of the past part of his daily life?

Efraim, who emigrated to Israel in 1970 from New York and is now completing a doctoral thesis for Hebrew University on the rescue attempts of Orthodox American Jews, answers frankly: "I don't know if it's possible, emotionally, for a person to devote his life to this subject. You're dealing with a subject which is horrendous — not only death but senseless murders, cruelty on a mass scale which is almost incomprehensible. Being a young person, there is also the sense of guilt at even approaching the topic. All of the older workers at Yad Vashem are survivors. You feel they look at you and think: What can he know? He can never really understand the Holocaust."

He is also quick to point out that his own

research and daily work does not deal directly with Nazi atrocities: "If it did, I wouldn't have been able to stand it," he admits. About two years ago, a Yad Vashem researcher dealing with Nazi atrocities committed suicide while at work.

Efraim's entrance into Holocaust research began as a student at Yeshiva University. "I was not so much interested in what the Germans did to the Jews. That seemed obvious. What bothered me was why Jews abroad didn't do anything." His first paper dealt with what was known in the American press about the situation of Jews in Europe. "It was obvious that at some point the American government knew. But I wanted to find out what Mr. Average American knew just from reading the papers."

Ephraim's research was a frightening revelation. "They knew. It was black and white in the newspapers. My research showed there was a difference between the reaction of those Jews who regarded themselves as Jews first and the great majority who saw themselves as Americans first and only after as Jews." The latter, Efraim found, were afraid to take risks, to speak out openly.

But in defense of American Jewry, he adds: "We're very smart talking here post-Auschwitz. For them, there was a difference between primary knowledge and full comprehension." The block which kept full realization back, Efraim believes, was a real fear of arousing anti-Semitism in the US at a time when it had reached its height in America. "They were obsessed with the spectre of double loyalties and afraid to speak out as Jews. Jewish pressure did help, he adds, but it began too late. "By 1943, four million Jews had already been murdered."

Since then, American Jews have made tremendous steps forward in what he feels is the right direction. "You can't compare the open struggle for Soviet Jewry with what was done for the Jews of Europe. It's obvious what's going on here — the skeletons are rattling in the closet. American Jews have changed and so has America. It's unfortunate, but true, that it took Black Power to create Jewish Power, Black Studies to bring Jewish studies."

In any event, this new interest in Jewish "Roots" has brought a new interest in the Holocaust. "There is a tremendous willingness by American Jews to learn about the Holocaust, but sometimes they just don't have the materials."

Efraim would like to see the day when each Jewish community all over the world has two memorials for the Holocaust: A corner for prayer and meditation and a living center for Holocaust studies. He points out that Yad Vashem has an abundance of films and written materials and he will personally be glad to help in setting up such a center.

Young Israelis, too, are discovering a new interest in the Holocaust. "Before the Yom Kippur War," Efraim notes, "Israelis had a tendency to say: 'Oh, they went like

sheep to slaughter. That's not us. We can't have anything to do with something like that." But after the War it was completely different. They started saying: "Hey, even us with the Israel Defense Forces . . . and they had nothing, they were helpless . . ." Israeli-Jews began to identify with the plight of the isolated Jew surrounded by a well equipped, implacable enemy. The lines set up by Ben-Gurion between the "new, super" Israeli Jew and the "weak, passive" Jews of the Diaspora began to melt, dissolving into a fused reality of Jewish identity.

One of the major things all Jews learned from the Holocaust, Efraim feels, is the need for Jewish unity. He is less convinced that the rest of the world has learned anything at all. "Look at Uganda where thousands of people are being murdered by Idi Amin. Or Cambodia. A million people have been killed since the Communists took over and what has the Western World done? Nothing!" Does he ever despair of making a ripple in the ebb of the sea of Western civilization? "On the contrary, it makes me try even harder because I'm in a position to do something. Not in a grand, dramatic way like a politician. I won't go on a hunger strike. I can do something more effective — educate people."

While he freely admits he couldn't do it every day, he does occasionally escort visitors from abroad around the Museum. "Your job is not to present facts. I feel personally responsible to see that people understand what's going on here and this demands emotional input. We are not going to be the ones to protect the world democracies — that's beyond us. But we are a people who have a lesson to give to the world."

Sometimes that lesson gets through to Efraim's visitors. Kenneth Comber, New Zealand Under-Secretary for Internal Affairs, wrote him after one such tour: "If every person on the earth were to visit Yad Vashem, the earth might never again experience the bitterness and tragedy of war."

Ann Kilgore, Mayor of Hampton, Va. wrote: "Once you have been to Yad Vashem and experienced the history of the Jewish people, you have a better understanding of the intensity of feeling people have towards Israel and its preservation. I will never forget it."

When Efraim took South Dakota Governor Richard Kniep through Yad Vashem, the Governor remarked that the neo-nazis in America were exploiting America's freedom of speech to spread Nazi propaganda.

It was, perhaps, just these reactions that Israel was trying to revoke in another recent visitor — President Sadat. Efraim was on hand for the much ballyhooed visit of the Egyptian President to Yad Vashem.

"I think Sadat put Yad Vashem in a very uncomfortable position. On one hand, we were entrusted with a very important task — to explain the most catastrophic event in the life of the Jewish people since the

destruction of the Second Temple. On the other hand, it was a very kitsch-y scene. He brought mobs of journalists who followed him around; the place was filled with TV cameras and it was sweltering hot from all the lighting equipment . . . I don't trust Sadat. I don't think Yad Vashem made any impression on him at all. He was totally impassive. Look at his parting message in the guest book: "May G-d guide our steps to peace. Let us end suffering for all mankind." He could have said that about an earthquake in Peru. He was neutral and said nothing about the fate of the Jews."

Efraim gave a guided tour to Anis Mansour, Sadat's advisor on Jewish Affairs and the editor of "October" Magazine. Mansour, it should be noted, wrote a play about Jews based on blood libels two years ago. After finishing the tour, Efraim asked him if this was what he expected. Mansour's reply: "I expected to see a picture by Chagall." When Efraim took him to the Hall of Names and explained it was filled with the names of the victims of the Nazis, Mansour appeared uncomfortable. "The names of the murderers or the victims?" he asked anxiously, perhaps conjuring up a vision of some secret Israeli list of war criminals slated for punishment.

While Efraim's own family, one of the most prominent in American Orthodox circles (his grandfather was Dean Samuel Sar, one of the founders of Yeshiva University) was little affected personally by the Holocaust, Efraim admits a certain obsession with the topic and provides a personal glimpse into its basis. While researching a paper on rescue attempts during the war, he came across a list of people who had been issued permits to enter Shanghai. One of the people was Ephraim Sar, his great-uncle and the man whose name he bears. Efraim Sar never got to Shanghai. He was murdered in Europe. "If I ever wondered how I got into this field, finding his name gave me the answer."

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1M Tourists Visit Israel

Qualitatively and quantitatively, Israel has come a long way in 30 years.

Travel has become a major national industry, and the prospect of peace, despite the Palestinian problem, drew more than a million tourists to Israel in 1977. About a third of those tourists were from North America and less than half were Jewish. These statistics indicate that Israel may follow its Biblical precedent and become one of the world's major travel destinations.

Roman historian Josephus Flavius noted that in the first century A.D., "not less than three million" pilgrims had jammed themselves into Jerusalem during one Passover week! The astonishing fact that we moderns tend to forget is that those pilgrims lacked airplanes, high-rise hotels, travel agents, and package tours!

Tourism in the modern sense began in the mid-19th century when Thomas Cook led the first "Cook's Tour" to the Holy Land in 1869. Cook's clients had to contend with primitive conditions — Palestine was ruled by the Turks — and traveled by horseback, sleeping in tents with iron bedsteads and oriental rugs.

In later years, the settlements and Kibbutzim of the Jewish pioneers often included guest houses offering warm welcomes but few amenities.

Things picked up after the first World War, when the British occupied the country. Haifa became a port of call for passenger ships, a railroad linked Palestine with Egypt and the rest of the Middle East, and an airfield was constructed at Lydda (now Lod), halfway between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.

In 1931, the King David Hotel in Jerusalem opened — the country's first deluxe international hotel. (Israel didn't see another until the Dan opened in Tel Aviv in the mid-'50s)

Independence came after a short but bloody war in 1948. The new nation found itself with a multitude of problems, virtually no tourism infrastructure, hardly any visitors — and a shortage of foreign exchange.

In 1949, the Israeli government began a systematic effort to attract tourists and badly needed hard currency. El Al was created, along with Zim the national shipping line, hotels were built, roads were improved and foreign investment in tourism facilities encouraged.

In 1960, Israel had 100,000 visitors for the first time. By 1966, the annual figure had tripled to more than 300,000. A little over a decade later, that total, too, had tripled.

There have been downs as well as ups in the past three decades. Travel to Israel declined sharply in the wake of both the 1967 and Yom Kippur Wars. Peace on the other hand is definitely good for business, and President Sadat's historic visit last year ushered in a New Era, one in which it will probably soon be commonplace to combine a trip to Israel with one to Egypt — a return to the "Grand Tour" of Thomas Cook's day.

It is significant — and probably symbolic — that the one millionth visitor last year was a Middle Easterner, an Iranian woman.

Besides El Al, 15 international airlines serve the country and seven international hotel chains have properties in Israel. It is a country with four seas — the Mediterranean, the Red Sea, the Dead Sea and Galilee — and there are now deluxe hotels along the shores of all of them.

There are shortcomings, too. Zionists did not come to the Land of Israel to produce a better waiter and, although training programs have been stepped up, hotel and restaurant service is usually not up to US standards. If you're not used to kosher food — and even if you are — Israel cuisine is not usually a gourmet's delight.

A notable exception is the "kibbutz breakfast," featuring fresh salad vegetables served buffet style. And many of the dishes of Oriental Jews, such as the Yemenis, are tasty and exotic.

Traditionally, a visit to Israel was some kind of a pilgrimage, whether to the Jewish and Christian holy places or to the cradle of Zionism, the old Kibbutzim around Lake Galilee, or Kinneret as it's called in Hebrew. But increasingly, people are coming simply to enjoy themselves.

After all, Israel does have a sunny, mild climate, good beaches and a youthful and fun-minded population. Las Vegas it isn't — and isn't likely to become. There is no legal gambling and night life is underdeveloped. Even bars aren't terribly busy — the national drink is orange juice.

But there are other things to do. You can swim and sun almost everywhere, and places like Elat and Ophira have developed

into important international beach resorts in recent years.

Sports are very popular — soccer is a passion and so is basketball. The latter was introduced by the YMCA, which has been active for nearly a century. The "Y" has also helped popularize tennis which in Israel, as in the US, is growing rapidly. The YMCA Building in Jerusalem, by the way, is considered the most beautiful "Y" in the world, and its graceful tower is one of the city's landmarks.

Health seekers are coming to Israel too, not only for sunshine and a taste of ancient tranquility but to bathe in the Dead Sea — good for skin diseases — to soak aches and pains away in the hot springs of Tiberias, or breathe the pure, pollen-free desert air of Arad — ideal for asthma sufferers.

Israelis are proud of the country's vigorous cultural life, extraordinary for so young a nation but understandable in a people with 4000 years of intellectual tradition.

This year's annual Israel Festival, from July 22 to Aug. 27, will be a special salute to Israel's 30th anniversary, featuring both Israeli talent and an impressive array of international artists, orchestras and ballet companies. The festival opens in Jerusalem with a concert series by the Israeli Philharmonic. Festival highlights will include programs of Jewish folklore and religious music, a three-day festival of Israeli films and a concert of 30 years of Israeli songs.

The festival finale is a 10-day pop and jazz festival in the old Roman amphitheatre in Caesarea, outside Tel Aviv, featuring Roberta Flack and Paul Simon.

It will be quite a festival, but then there is a lot to celebrate. In the lifetime of a young man, Israel has gone from a war-battered, refugee-filled enclave to a developed and respected nation that is a magnet for visitors from around the world.

When this remarkable fact is pointed out, Israelis like to quote their first prime minister, David Ben-Gurion: "Whoever does not believe in miracles is not realistic."

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Begin's Message Recalls History

JERUSALEM — (JTA) — In a message to Jewish communities throughout the world on the occasion of Israel's 30th anniversary, Prime Minister Menachem Begin affirmed that "We shall not cease in our effort to achieve the peace and security for which we yearn."

He declared that "The renewal of our independence in the land of Israel" more than 18 centuries after the Roman conquest "is a unique event in the annals of mankind."

Also unique, Begin continued, is the history of the past 30 years. "Our State was attacked time and again. We had to fight many battles in order to maintain our independence. At the same time, there was a magnificent process of building up the country, of turning desert land into green pasture, of bringing in the exiles of our people from the four corners of the world, of the most creative work in every sphere of life."

Begin observed, that, for the last 30 years "we have not enjoyed a single day of peace. We embarked last year, in the wake of ceaseless previous efforts, on the road of direct negotiations to establish peace between ourselves and our neighbors. Despite all the difficulties, we believe that this noble goal will be reached."

Begin said that Israel owes a special debt and concern for the Jews in the Soviet Union. "Their return to Judaism, their plight and their fight for the return to the Land of Israel is, historically, the second greatest event of our time, after the renewal of our independence," the Prime Minister stated. "We must stand by them and wage an incessant campaign for their inalienable right to reach the historic homeland of the Jewish people."

Begin noted that there are difficulties in many spheres of Israeli life. "But if we remember where we were and what we were only one generation ago, in the 30s and in the 40s, and how, with our own initiative, sacrifice and effort, we changed fundamentally the situation of our people from tragedy to triumph, we have reason to believe that we shall overcome all the obstacles and guarantee the future of our children's children."

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In a high-pitched voice that lingered over each phrase, David Ben-Gurion told the world on May 14, 1948, that the Jewish people had met their date with destiny.

Even as Ben-Gurion spoke, Arab armies from Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Iraq crossed borders intent on crushing the new nation. By nightfall, Tel Aviv was under air attack. Jerusalem was without power or electricity.

Clusters of Jews defied snipers and exploding shells and groped their way through the darkness to attend Sabbath services. Other Jews, acting with a special dispensation from the chief rabbinate, manned forward positions with guns.

Arabs lugged eight cannons to a village overlooking Jerusalem and began shelling targets that were to include the Hadassah Hospital. Clad in black satin Sabbath coats, Orthodox Jews wielded picks with other volunteers to build fortifications and dig trenches.

The fighting marked the opening of the final round of combat that had started the previous November, only hours after the UN General Assembly had authorized the partition of Palestine into Jewish and Arab states.

In Jerusalem Arabs and Jews battled for strategic buildings and bitter fighting raged for control of the lifeline road linking Jerusalem to Tel Aviv. Nearby, outnumbered fighters of Haganah, the pre-state Jewish army, vainly clung to a handful of isolated Jewish settlements in the Kfar Etzion bloc near the West Bank Arab town of Hebron.

To the north, Jewish forces fared far better. Arab villages fell and positions were consolidated in the western Galilee. Jewish troops captured ancient Acre and the first act of their Haganah commander was to visit the cell where he had spent two years under a British sentence.

In the Tel Aviv area, units of the Haganah and its underground rivals, the Irgun Zvai Leumi and Sternists, had smashed into neighboring Arab-populated Jaffa, which had served as a springboard for anti-Jewish attacks.

At Government House, here, the controversial British Mandate of Palestine was drawing to a close. Sir Alan Cunningham, resplendent in full general's uniform, reviewed a 50-man honor guard of the Highland Light Infantry, and with Spitfires and Lancasters flying air cover, drove to an airbase for a flight to Haifa port.

There, at midnight sharp, Sir Alan boarded the HMS Euryalus and sailed into history. Even as it steamed away, boatloads of new Jewish immigrants began pouring into Haifa.

30 Years Later

Now 30 years later, flowers blossom in what was once a no-man's land here in the

Israeli capital.

The 700,000 Jews of 1948 have grown to more than 3 million; the makeshift army that fostered Israel's statehood is today one of the world's best; the clusters of dreary tent cities sheltering new immigrants have long been replaced by rows of modern housing units.

The enormous changes have produced giant problems for Israel. As it moves into its fourth decade, Israel is up against many of the economic, social and military headaches confronting senior nations — and then some.

Overshadowing it all is the giant question mark of whether peace, at least with Egypt, is finally at hand — and at what price — or whether young Israelis face a fifth war with their Arab neighbors.

There was little milk and honey in the Promised Land during Israel's first hard years. There are plenty of both today but Israelis are finding them harder to afford.

Fueled by rampant inflation, the Israeli economy has gobbled up the average worker's earnings, eroded savings and left many couples baffled over how to cope with mounting prices and piled up bills.

In the last year, the price of food has climbed 50.2 percent, furniture and household goods increased by 52.8 percent, health services by 53.4 percent and clothing and footwear by 33.3 percent. Housing costs have increased 50 percent.

It now takes the equivalent of four years' wages to purchase the same car. A higher priced car sets a worker back by seven years' wages. Walk along an Israeli street any night and cars are shrouded in protective white covers, like so many ghosts. Having somehow managed to come up with better than \$10,000 for a medium-sized car, Israelis baby their automobiles. Gasoline costs about \$2 per gallon.

Even before high prices begin hacking away at the average Israeli's paycheck, the government has taken out a huge chunk. Israelis are among the highest-taxed citizens anywhere. Those earning the equivalent of \$10,000 annually are in the maximum 65 percent tax bracket.

All males at 18 face a compulsory three-year stint in the armed forces (18 months for females) and when that has been completed, males remain on call as reservists, meaning an average one-month service annually, until the age of 45. At that point, many enter Haganah, the civil defense corps — a unit that mounts nightly patrols against Arab guerrillas.

Being an Israeli in the 30th year of this nation's existence is a demanding task, but for the overwhelming majority of Israelis, a sense of fulfillment outweighs their frustrations, and there is a feeling of prideful accomplishment. That and the uniqueness of living in a Jewish state, with the challenge it poses, also draw thousands to these shores each year many are idealists, some of whose services elsewhere would fetch five times their earnings here.

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Public Applause, Private Criticism

NEW YORK: Before the Israeli Prime Minister, Mr. Begin, left New York for home at the weekend, he told reporters he had been "greatly heartened" by his tour of the US. "I will tell the people of Israel our cause has great support from the citizens of the United States," he said.

Israel's cause is strongly supported by Americans, and even though Mr. Begin is far from popular here there were few signs of open opposition to him. President Carter assured him America would "stand at the side of the proud and independent nation of Israel . . . forever." And US Jews gave him more than \$30 millions during his fundraising appeals for Israel's 30th anniversary.

New York held a parade along Fifth Avenue and a rally in Central Park to celebrate the anniversary. Nearly 100,000 people took part and bands from nine states played the Israeli anthem. A pro-Palestine demonstration drew relatively small crowds.

An Israeli visitor who watched the Prime Minister's reception in the US said privately, however, that it would be tragic if Israelis at home got the wrong impression. "There is a danger that Mr. Begin will convince his critics in Israel to keep silent because he has won over the Carter Ad-

ministration and the American Jews," he said. "But the Jews support Israel in spite of Mr. Begin's policies and Mr. Carter is simply trying to hold the Jewish vote. He hasn't changed his policies: he is still determined to sell weapons to the Arabs."

Mr. Begin's speeches during the tour indicated that he has not changed his policies either. Throughout he repeated his contention that "everything is negotiable except the destruction of Israel." But he made it plain that his definition of Israel's destruction precluded any yielding on the main issues.

He insisted that the West Bank "belongs as of right to the Jewish people. We must know what is written in the Bible and what is not written in the Book," he said. A reporter who accompanied Mr. Begin commented: "The Old Testament is his foreign policy manual."

Publicly, US Jews are standing together but in private many sharply criticize Mr. Begin's intransigence. While he was in New York, 80 leaders of the umbrella organization, the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, called on him for a private talk.

A sharp exchange followed in which Mr. Begin suggested that criticizing him was akin to attacking Israel. He was asked if he actually meant that American Jews must not express dissent from Israel's policies.

Arabs, Jews Share Common Roots

by Carl Alpert

HAIFA: The confrontation and clash between the Arabs of Palestine and the Jews re-establishing their homeland in that area is a tragic historical development. It has often been said that both, as Semitic people, have more in common than separates them.

But if the theories of some historians are confirmed, the tragedy is even greater. A growing number of serious students of Middle East history believe that the permanent Arab residents of Palestine are none other than direct descendants of the Jews who continued to live here after destruction of the Temple by the Romans 1900 years ago.

According to some estimates there could have been as many as six million Jews in greater Palestine at the time. The policy of the Roman conquerors was to exile the leaders, the intellectuals, the urban dwellers, but to leave the agrarian population on their farms. With occasional exceptions, the Romans showed a remarkable degree of toleration, and Jewish culture and religion flourished.

Modern archaeology has confirmed the existence of scores and scores of synagogues and Jewish communities throughout the central and northern parts of the country. The noted scholar Hitti records that the peasants retained their national character and their Semitic religion.

Successive invasions and wars decimated the population. The Persian and Byzantine periods created political and economic chaos. Thousands of Jews found it convenient and expedient to adapt to the new political masters of the country, converted to Christianity, and became Christian natives.

But the major changes took place with the beginning of the Arab invasion in the

Seventh Century. It is again Hitti who points out that "to the masses the Moslem Arabians appeared closer ethnically, linguistically and perhaps religiously than the hated Byzantine masters."

The new invaders from the Arabian peninsula, at first under Abu-Bakr and then under Caliph Umar, were initially tolerant. Except for heavy taxes against the "infidels," they permitted the Jews and Christians to worship as they wished. But this very freedom led then, as in contemporary times, to an acceleration of the process of assimilation.

In the centuries that followed more and more of the natives were Islamized and Arabized. By the 13th Century the Arabization process was almost complete, and Jewish community life in Palestine was minimal until immigration brought Jews back from various Diasporas.

Israel's late President, Yitzhak Ben-Zvi, had written a number of scholarly studies tracing the country's Arabs back to their Jewish origins. David Ben-Gurion at one time had subscribed to the theory.

In later periods of history, especially after World I, hordes of Arabs immigrated into Palestine from the surrounding lands, attracted by the growing prosperity. But the masses of the natives, Moslems or Christians, who call themselves Arabs, and trace their presence in the area — Israel, West Bank, Transjordan — back through the centuries, may very well be the direct descendants of our Jewish brethren who remained here after the Roman and Islamic conquests.

Thus the tragedy is deepened by the fact that what might have been a joyous family reunion has become a head-on confrontation.

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