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## The Status Of Tax Exemptions

# IRS Seeks To Avoid Exemption Tangles

NEW YORK (JTA): The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) indicated at a special meeting with representatives of six private school agencies last Thursday that it was determined to avoid any adverse impact on Jewish day schools in its revision of regulations to decide which private schools are entitled to tax exempt status, one of the Jewish representatives at the meeting said.

The special meeting was called by the IRS Commissioner, Jerome Kurtz, after the IRS received many complaints, by mail and at three days of recent hearings, on proposed regulation changes, geared to finding whether a particular nonpublic school was guilty of racially discriminatory admission policies and not entitled to tax exemption.

Rabbi Bernard Goldenberg, chairman of the executive committee of Torah Umesorah, the National Society for Hebrew Day Schools, and Dennis Rapps, executive director of the National Jewish Commission on Law and Public Affairs (COLPA), appeared for Jewish day schools. The other organizations represented at the hearing were the Council for American Private Education, the National Association of Independent Schools, Christian Schools International, and Lutheran and Seventh Day Adventist Schools.

### Background Of The Issue

The issue dates back to July 1970 when the IRS announced guidelines to deny tax exempt status to racially discriminatory private schools, reportedly aimed at academies organized by white parents opposed to attendance by their children at integrated public schools. The guidelines excluded private schools in which student admission policies had no relation to racial considerations, referring specifically to

religious schools.

The exemption of Jewish and other religious nonpublic schools was affirmed by a 1975 IRS ruling but concern of Jewish organizations was aroused by what they considered ambiguities in proposed 1978 revenue procedures, as such IRS regulations are called.

The 1978 proposals, while specifying that the proposed revisions were not to apply to "church-related and church-operated schools" cited in the 1975 ruling, proposed nevertheless that tax exempt private schools would have to meet "certain affirmative record keeping and publicity requirements along with other guidelines for determining whether schools have racially discriminatory policies as to students."

The revisions are aimed at private schools in areas in which public schools are being or have been integrated. Under the proposed revisions, such private schools would be presumed to be discriminatory if their minority enrollment was not at least 20 percent of the local school age minority population, if there had been a substantial increase in white student enrollment which may be related to the integration of the area's public schools. The burden would be on the school to satisfy the IRS that it did not discriminate against minorities.

### Jewish Groups Asked To Testify

Jewish organizations, concerned that Jewish day schools might be inadvertently involved, asked to testify at hearings arranged by the IRS for Dec. 4 and extended two days in response to mounting protests from private school groups. To clarify the issue and reinforce the tax exemption for Jewish day schools, two groups of Jewish organizations sent to the



THE FIRST RHODE ISLAND JEWISH BABY OF 1979: Justin Basker Block, who was born to Leslie and Robert Block of 39 Sefton Drive, Cranston on Friday, January 5 at 7:55 a.m. is the first Jewish baby of the new year as far as we can ascertain. Justin is the Block's first child and weighed in at seven pounds, six ounces. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fierstone of Boston, Massachusetts, and Bessie Fierstone of Providence. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roland C. Block of Cranston.

hearings in December Martin Cowan, COLPA vice-president, and Nathan Z. Dershowitz, director of the Commission on Law, Social Action and Urban Affairs of the American Jewish Congress.

They testified that few Blacks, Orientals or members of other minorities in this country are Jewish and therefore very few students at Jewish religious schools are members of such minorities. They also testified that the undeniably consistent growth in Jewish day school student pop-

ulations results from the day such schools are organized, starting usually with a kindergarten and first grade and adding grades annually as pupils prepare for promotion to the next grade.

Goldenberg said the meeting last Thursday was called to discuss changes the private school officials considered necessary in the proposed 1978 revisions to avoid ensnaring nondiscriminatory private

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## Conservatives To Vote On Ordination Of Women

On Jan. 30 in Los Angeles during the annual convention of the Rabbinical Assembly, a society of more than 1,100 Conservative rabbis serving more than a million congregants, Judaism's Conservative wing must decide whether it will permit women to become rabbis.

As such, more than a dozen women already are ordained rabbis in the more liberal Reform and Reconstructionist wings. Yet, Conservatives, unlike the Reform sect, find themselves caught between responsiveness and tradition, the two pillars of their movement.

At the California parley, a special commission, well aware of bitter divisions in the Conservative ranks, will present its report after a two-year study period.

Pressure to permit the ordination of women is mounting recently, from younger men and women in the Conservative wing. More than half of the 200 graduate students at the Conservatives' Jewish Theological Seminary in New York City are women, but 126 rabbinical students are all men. However, several Conservative women are already performing most rabbinical duties. Included within this group are Lynn Gottlieb, a graduate student at the seminary, who serves two deaf congregations in New York, and Carol Glass, a seminary graduate who is an unordained associate at a major temple in Minneapolis. Yet the study commission is fully aware that a vote against ordination of women could probably drive thousands of women — most of them with no ambition toward the rabbinate — toward the Reform movement. At a hearing in Minneapolis, however, 64 of 65 speakers were in favor of ordination.

Because of the tough job market ahead of them, many male students at the seminary, however, along with the seminary's faculty members, seem to oppose the ordination. The chancellor of the seminary however, Dr. Gerson D. Cohen is mandated to "advocate" the commission's findings to the rabbis on Jan. 30 in Los Angeles.

Many Conservative rabbis and laymen believe that Jewish law, (Halakha) precludes women from ordination because it exempts them from studying Torah and from forming a quorum of worship (minyan) and because it emphasizes women's family leadership rather than public leadership. But many Conservatives consider this view necessarily outdated and discriminatory.

"We want a decision that nobody feel queasy about," said Rabbi Gordon Tucker, assistant to the chancellor of the seminary. "If the decision should favor ordination, we would get the message across that this is only an option for some congregations.

The interest in ordination has grown in the last decade, partly because of rising expectations of women in all fields. Jewish women are aware that thousands of clergy in most Protestant denominations.

Until recently Judaism had only one case of an ordained woman, in Germany in the 1930s. But in 1972, Sally Priesand was ordained by the Hebrew Union College, the Reform seminary, and a dozen other women have followed her, with dozens of others coming along in Reform and constructionist seminaries.

Rabbi Priesand is now an associate Rabbi at the Stephen Wise Synagogue in Manhattan, but neither she nor her female colleagues have yet landed the top job in any

large congregation.

Orthodox Judaism still adheres to rigid observance of all tenets of Halakha, but Conservative Judaism has tried to find a traditional and flexible past.

Some rabbis in the Conservative movement, which counts more than a

million members in 823 congregations in the United States and Canada, have approved women's being counted in the minyan and being called to read from the Torah during mixed worship. But many

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## Rabbis Who Perform Mixed Marriages Rises

The number of rabbis willing to perform marriages between Jews and non-Jews, while still a small percentage, has risen steadily despite continued opposition by all rabbinical groups, according to Rabbi Irwin H. Fishbein of Westfield, N.J., who has compiled a list of his colleagues who will perform mixed marriages.

Before the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the Reform wing of Judaism, confirmed its opposition to mixed marriages in 1973, only 78 rabbis said publicly that they had performed such marriages. Now, 157 rabbis have said they have performed mixed marriages, Rabbi Fishbein said.

In addition, more than 300 other rabbis perform mixed marriages but do not want to be identified, he said, but most of them have certain requirements before they will participate in a ceremony involving a mixed marriage.

Mixed marriages are opposed by Orthodox, Conservative and Reform groups because they regard them as a threat to Jewish observance in the United States. A recent study by the Jewish Population Study indicated that at least one third of

Jewish marriages are with non-Jews, and the assumption is that the Jewish partner often dilutes his or her practice.

"If a Jewish person asks me to be present at such an important moment in life, I am not going to say no," said Rabbi Fishbein, who conducts a counseling service for young couples.

While Rabbi Fishbein is a member of the Reform group, his interest in mixed marriages has made him unpopular with some of his colleagues, he said. The Reform group, while opposing mixed marriages, has no sanctions against any members who perform them.

Rabbi Fishbein said his figures on the number of rabbis who perform mixed marriages were gained last year from a canvass conducted by mail of Reform rabbis. There are 1,268 members of the Central Conference of Rabbis, according to Rabbi Elliot Stevens, an official of the organization.

Of the 157 rabbis willing to be identified, all but 40 said they would require some commitment by both partners that they would raise their children as Jews or would take some form of Jewish study.

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## Notices

### CRANSTON HADASSAH

The annual open board meeting and donor kickoff of the Cranston Chapter of Hadassah, will be held on Monday, Jan. 22, at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Evelyn Streich, 215 Meshantcut Parkway, Cranston.

A luncheon will be served preceding the meeting.

Helen Scribner and Doris Jacober are chairwomen of the luncheon.

### HADASSAH STUDY GROUP

The next meeting of the Providence Hadassah Study Group will be held on Thursday, Jan. 25, at 10 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Samuel Koffman, 1 Lewis St. Mrs. Morris Silk will complete her review of "The Revolt" by Menachem Begin.

All Hadassah members are welcome to join the group. For further information call Mrs. Archie Finkelstein, 861-5754.

### WINTER GALA DANCE

The Single Adult Club of the Jewish Community Center will sponsor a "Winter Gala Dance" Sunday, Jan. 21, 8:30 p.m. at the Center, at 401 Elmwood Ave.

All single adults, 35 and over, are invited to attend. The dance will feature continuous music with Anthony DiRobbio and his orchestra. There will be an open bar and refreshments. Admission is \$2 for members, \$4 for non-members. Chairman of the event is Ralph Berman.

The Single Adult Club is an organization sponsored by the Jewish Community Center, which answers the needs of divorced, widowed and unmarried people. Members of the club plan, evaluate and organize the clubs' activities. A dance and a brunch are held every month, and special events and lectures are planned throughout the year. For more information, call 861-8800.

## Obituaries

### ROSE HARTMAN

Funeral services for Rose Hartman, 83, formerly of 100 Broad St., who died Tuesday, Jan. 9, at the Jewish Home for the Aged after a one-year illness, were held Thursday, Jan. 11, at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel.

She was born in Austria on Dec. 24, 1895, a daughter of the late George and Esther (Sharp) Hartman. She had been a Providence resident for more than 75 years.

Miss Hartman was a jewelry worker in the Providence area most of her working life until she retired 20 years ago. She was a resident and life member of the Jewish Home for the Aged, and was also a member of the Pioneer Women.

Surviving Miss Hartman is a sister, Miss Florence Hartman of Cranston.

### FANNIE FREEDMAN

Funeral services for Fannie Freedman, 78, of 21 Whiting St., Providence, who died Tuesday, Jan. 9, at the Charlesgate Nursing Center after a brief illness, were held Thursday, Jan. 11, at Lincoln Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Freedman, who was the widow of Hyman Freedman, was born in Everett, Mass., on June 17, 1900, a daughter of the late Morris and Jennie (Bransky) Promisel. She had been a Providence resident for 51 years.

Mrs. Freedman, who was one of the first Navy WAVES, the women's auxiliary, served in World War I.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Naomi Glaser-Alpern of Pepper Pike, Ohio, and Sandra Freedman of New York City; and three grandchildren.

Mrs. Freedman also had a son, the late Erwin Freedman.

### FRANCES SHLEVIN

Funeral services for Mrs. Frances Shlevin, 81, of the Jewish Home for the Aged, who died Friday, Jan. 12, at the Miriam Hospital after a five-week illness, were held Sunday, Jan. 14, at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel.

The wife of the late David Shlevin, Mrs. Shlevin was born in Russia on May 10, 1897, a daughter of the late Samuel and Anna (Hazen) Buckler. Mrs. Shlevin had lived in Providence for the last year. She previously had lived in Pawtucket for 64 years.

She was a member of the Congregation Ohave Shalom of Pawtucket, and was a life member of the Congregation's sisterhood. She was also a member of the Pawtucket-Central Falls Chapter of Hadassah. She was a resident member of the Jewish Home for the Aged and of Miriam Hospital.

Mrs. Shlevin is survived by a son, Samuel Shlevin of Pawtucket; two daughters, Mrs. Rose Cohen of Pawtucket, and Mrs. Charlotte Weinbaum of Chestnut Hills, Mass.; three brothers, Israel Buckler of Lin-

coln, Barney Buckler of Warwick and Sam Shlevin of California; seven grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

### JULIUS S. SCHWARTZ

Funeral services for Julius S. Schwartz, 91, of 25 Tobey St., Providence, husband of the late Sadie (Regenthal) Schwartz, who died Sunday, Jan. 7, in Mount Sinai Hospital, Miami, Fla., where he was admitted while vacationing, were held Thursday, Jan. 11, at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel.

Mr. Schwartz was a junk and used-tire dealer in this area for more than 60 years. He retired in 1963.

He was a member of Congregation Shaare-Zedek-Sons of Abraham, the Jewish Home for the Aged, the Rhode Island Jewish Fraternal Association and the South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association.

He was born in Romania on June 6, 1887, a son of the late Abraham and Hattie Schwartz. He had lived in Providence for most of his life.

He leaves a son, Abner Schwartz, of Rockville Center, L.I.; three daughters, Norma Richmond of Pawtucket, Beatrice Levin of Houston, Tex., and Beverly Rosen of Providence; a sister, Esther Rosenberg of Providence; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

### MAX I. GREENBERG

Funeral services for Max I. Greenberg, 73, of 113 Julia St., who owned the Star Pharmacy on Broad Street in Providence from 1935 until he retired in 1973, who died Wednesday, Jan. 10, at his home, were held Friday, Jan. 12, at Temple Beth Torah.

Mr. Greenberg, who was the husband of Sarah (Strick) Greenberg, was a charter member of Temple Beth Torah and its Men's Club, belonged to the Rhode Island Pharmaceutical Association, was a member of the Hebrew Free Loan Association and the South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association and was a member of the first graduating class of the former College of Pharmacy at Rhode Island State College.

Before he opened the Star Pharmacy in Providence, Mr. Greenberg had owned the Walcott Pharmacy and Star Pharmacy in Pawtucket and the Eddy Street Pharmacy in Providence.

Mr. Schwartz was also an associate member of the Cranston chapter of Hadassah and a 50-year member of the Touro Fraternal Association.

He was born in Russia, on Dec. 25, 1905, a son of the late Abraham and Eva (Hollander) Greenberg. He had lived in Providence for many years until he moved to Cranston, in 1947.

Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, Dr. Robert Greenberg of Chapel Hill, N.C., and Leon Greenberg, of Las Vegas, Nev.; a brother, Myer Greenberg of Providence, and a sister, Jean Ginsburg of Los Angeles, Calif.

### MAX PEARSON

Funeral services for Max Pearson, 76, of 222 Adelaide Ave., Providence, who died Saturday, Jan. 13, at home, were held graveside at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Sunday, Jan. 14.

The husband of Eva (Botvin) Pearson, Mr. Pearson was a shipper at the Grinnell Corp., for 20 years until his retirement in 1975.

A lifelong resident of Providence, Mr. Pearson was born March 2, 1902, a son of the late Morris and Jennie (Silk) Pearson.

He was a member of the Rhode Island Jewish Fraternal Association.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a brother, William Pearson of Hollywood, Fla.

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**CHANUKAH SPECIAL:** The Conservative Jewish Day School of Rhode Island, which opened this year with a kindergarten class, held a family celebration for the children and their families. The celebration took place at the home of Jill Robinson, one of the parents in the class. Each family lit its own menorah. The berachot and lively singing were led by the children, followed by latkes.

Inquiries about the school, or enrollment for next year's kindergarten or first grade can be made to the school, 99 Taft Ave., at 331-1616.

## Notices

### DINNER-DANCE

The mid-winter dinner-dance sponsored by the R.I. Grand Lodge-Knights of Pythias will be held Jan. 20, at Venus DeMilo for all Knights, domain of Rhode Island. The event, which is a complete sellout, will have the following lodges participate: Palestine Lodge No. 2 of East Providence, Cranston Lodge No. 4 of Cranston, and the What Cheer Lodge No. 24 of Providence.

Chairman PC Morton Africk and his committee announce that arrangements are now being formulated for the spring dance, which will probably be held, sometime in May.

### NARRAGANSETT ORT

The January meeting of Narragansett chapter of Women's American ORT will be held Jan. 18, at 12:15 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Irma Bloom, 90 Sheffield Rd., Cranston.

Mrs. Bonnie Cimino, executive director for the permanent Advisory Commission for Women will speak on women's issues concerning current legislation for divorce, assault and inheritance.

Coffee and cake will be served following the program.

### TEMPLE SINAI SISTERHOOD

Edith Grant, Temple Sinai librarian, will give a talk on Isaac Bashevis Singer, winner of the 1978 Nobel Prize for Literature, on Tuesday, Jan. 23, at 8 p.m. at a meeting of the sisterhood of Temple Sinai.

A discussion and coffee hour will follow the meeting.

### ISRAELI MUSIC FEST

On Sunday, Jan. 28, at 7:45 p.m. at the Providence Hebrew Day School, 450 Elmwood Ave., Providence, there will be an evening of Israeli music.

Ron Jalon and Yossi Freedman will entertain at the "Talk of the Town," and coffee and desserts will be served.

Admission for the evening will be \$2.50 and an R.S.V.P. by Jan. 17, to Elaine London, at 942-0588 is needed.

### BETH-EL SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El will hold an open board meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 24. Dessert and coffee will be served at 12:30 p.m. The business meeting will follow at 1 p.m. and will be followed by a program featuring guest speaker Phyllis Frisbie, a cosmetic consultant for Germaine Monteil.

### CONCERT-LECTURE

Original vocal music utilizing traditional Jewish sources composed by Stanley L. Freedman will be presented in a concert-lecture on Sunday, Jan. 21, at Temple Beth El, Providence.

Mr. Freedman will be accompanied by Edna Gertsacov and Remmi Brown, soloists, supplemented by taped recordings. The event is open to the public and free of charge.

### CORRECTION

In the Dec. 28 edition of the Herald, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Friedenn, formerly of Providence and now of Miami, Fla., were incorrectly identified. The Herald regrets the error.

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## Editorial

### Oh Brother

As a recent editorial in one of New York's daily newspapers acknowledges, President Carter has tried to do his best to make it known that he is not his brother's keeper, but as brother Billy's latest escapade has demonstrated — certainly needs one.

This past week, every major newspaper across the nation made note of the younger Carter's parading around of a group of Libyan officials and businessmen in the Atlanta area. He contends that he was just repaying these representatives of Colonel Qaddafi's regime, the very same regime, in fact, that introduced to the United States and the world the supporters of the Munich Olympic massacre and as well a regime that supports and proliferates worldwide terrorism as it provides haven for airline hijackers and Palestinian guerillas accused of terrorist attacks, for the hospitality that they extended to him while on an eight-day visit to their country last fall.

Jimmy Carter, as another editorial notes, is not the first President with 'brother problems.' Not unlike Richard's Nixon's brother, Donald, who had many questionable financial dealings and prospered because of his family connection and before that, Lyndon Johnson, whose brother Sam Houston Johnson had a heavy drinking background and who was on the payroll of a large Texas firm that enjoyed millions of dollars of business with the Government, President Carter has more than his hands full with his younger sibling. Yet, as this same editorial is apt to point out, "Perhaps life in the shadow of such prodigious over-achievers as our Presidents, sometimes creates unbearable pressures for other members of their families."

But Billy Carter no longer has a place in the hearts of America's citizens and as William Safire succinctly points out, "no longer is he the nation's favorite redneck." Says Safire, "Our First Brother, the Southern version of Archie Bunker, the joker they said would start a business venture with Bert Lance to produce 'Over-draft Beer,' instead has become Billy the Problem."

As a problem, then, he is someone to be dealt with. President Carter, has, as an obligation to the citizens of this country, the citizens that gave his name and the subsequent members of his family luster, the need to disassociate himself from his brother's twisted views and attitudes.

This family buffoon of the Carter's, which after the first jibe and innuendo stopped being a private affair and started become a public one, should in the future make all attempts to resist any temptation to further humiliate himself and his family by casting off any more derogatory and insulting remarks.

### Editor's Mailbox

### Fla. Mayor Claims Carter Has Compromised National Pride

*Ed note: The following letter was sent to the R.I. Herald by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Swartz of Cranston, as reprinted in Miami Beach Sun Reporter.*

Hon. Jimmy Carter  
President of the United States  
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Good morning Mr. President:

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Case and Point: The Middle East Hypocrisy and China!

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But Israel is being punished for surviving, for winning and for driving out the overwhelming terrorist hordes . . . or for being a democratic Jewish State?

I've just left a group of veterans from the American Legion and JWV and they suggest, as I do, that Israel should accept Egypt's new terms and agree to; withdraw from conquered lands; to allow dangerous boundaries; to let Egypt dictate who will be

on the West Bank and when (though Egypt has no claim to those lands); to allow Egypt to reopen a peace treaty — we'll agree to all that WHEN THE SAME TREATMENT APPLIES TO EVERY NATION NOT JUST ISRAEL.

We'll agree when Russia gives freedom to East Germany, Latvia, Poland, Hungary and the Czechs and frees the Ukraine and believes in human rights; when North Vietnam leaves the South and stops attacking Cambodia; when China returns the parts of India and Mongolia AND WHEN ALL THE WINNERS ALLOW THE LOSERS TO SET THE TERMS!

You are now suggesting a new compromise — forgetting that Israel is ready to sign the agreed upon Camp David accord which YOU AND EGYPT HAVE CHANGED. But we'll agree to the compromise WHEN YOU, AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, ACT TO OBTAIN PAYMENT OF THE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS OWED TO THIS COUNTRY FROM RUSSIA AND OTHERS DATING BACK THRU WORLD WAR I AND 2. Not only did we save these countries but we funded their recovery which is affecting each American today.

We'd agree when you act to raise the prices of foodstuffs, grain and equipment so badly needed by the Arab countries and which is being purchased daily — why haven't we increased these prices as they have increased oil prices to us? It is time to stop being everyone's "good old Uncle Sam."

Why aren't we, the United States, even-handed in our treatment? Is oil more important than lives and liberty? Is money the



## FROM FRIDAY TO FRIDAY

### The Federation Of Greater Miami

By BERYL SEGAL

Miami, the city proper, its beaches, its east and west boroughs, all that comprise Greater Miami, has an estimated Jewish population of 250,000. I say estimated, because no accurate census has been taken, just as we in Greater Providence have only an approximation of the Jewish population. But the proportion of Greater Providence to Greater Miami is enormous. We cannot even stand beside Miami. We mention these two cities, incidentally, because they were both in the middle of campaigns while we were guests of the Dade County Jewish Federation, and not for comparison's sake alone.

On the day we left the Miami neighborhood, the daily newspaper there, The Miami Herald, published a news story about the Federation and its fund-raising activities calling the Federation the biggest fundraiser in South Florida. Last year, and the year before that too, the Jewish Federation of Greater Miami raised approximately \$14.5 million. This year, with inflation growing by leaps and bounds, the Federation expects to increase the amount. No quota has been set, as this is against Federation policy, but is understood that increases are in order.

"The same dollar just won't buy the same amount of services because of inflation," says one official of the Federation.

It would be helpful to point out the United Way of Greater Miami collected only \$11 million during their 1978 campaign.

Of the \$14.5 million, \$6.3 million were spent locally with the United Jewish Appeal receiving a share of \$7.2 million. You will however notice a discrepancy between amount received and amount spent. Where then is the \$1 million unaccounted for? We are not told, in so many words, but it apparently costs a million dollars in office expenses to collect \$14.5 million for local needs and for Israel.

Notice also the proportion of the local and overseas expenditures. It is far from the original 70 percent and 30 percent — 70 percent to Israel and 30 percent to the local agencies. Things have seemingly changed. The Miami Federation submitted to the demands of the local agencies.

The Federation helps in the support of local institutions, similar to the ones in Providence. Greater Miami, being a place where the elderly make up a goodly portion of the Jewish population, cannot close its eyes to the needs of the Home and Hospital for Aged. Nor can it deny its support to the Jewish Family and Children's Service,

real basis of your foreign policy?

But, we'd agree to almost everything the Egyptians want when they make the deserts bloom as the Israelis have . . . when the rich, the super rich Arab countries start spending their money on their people and their countries welfare instead of buying up U.S. real estate and companies. Are you aware that the United States still sends money to Arab nations for the care of their poor and sick? Why? Certainly we need the money for our own people.

Yes, we'd agree to every change and amendment when the world and all its nations treat each other equally — when the world recognizes the right of Israel's survival and the hating stops.

History has changed! The old, reliable scapegoat . . . the Jew has learned a lesson. The whole meaning lies in the truth of their one simple statement . . . "NEVER AGAIN!"

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which by its nature of the high mobility of its population, has its hands full to answer the calls for help. The community centers, another beneficiary of the Federation, are truly seething with activities. Swimming, tennis, arts and crafts, lip reading for the hard of hearing and Braille for the sightless, lectures on a variety of subjects and creative writing for all ages are some of the activities offered. The bulletin for the center seems to read like a catalog course description booklet of a college or university.

Then comes the Bureau of Jewish Education, which supervises all afternoon schools, all day schools, Yeshivot, Midrasha classes, classes for newcomers, etc. Everything that has to do with the instruction of youth and adults, is the concern of the Bureau.

But the Federation also subsidizes Mount Sinai Hospital, a healing institution and research center of much renown. This is an expense that we in Providence do not have.

While on the topic of the Mount Sinai Hospital, it is appropriate to tell about a Miami couple who made the front pages of the Miami Herald while we were there.

You have probably heard about Ethan Allen Furniture. You may even own a set of your own. But it came as a surprise to us that the owner of the firm is Jewish and that he and his wife are among the seven most generous men and women in America.

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The philanthropic projects of the Baumritters is not from the Ethan Allen Furniture empire either — but from their own, personal accounts.

The Baumritters are contributors to the Jewish Federation of Greater Miami, and while it is the policy of the Federation not to disclose amounts of donations, we have no doubt that they are in harmony with their dictum: "Nobody ever got poor because they gave. You got poor from liquor, fast women and gambling at the race track, but no one has ever gotten poor from giving."

You cannot add Egypt and terrorism and a dose of Chinese aggression and deceit and come up with peace. Chamberlain tried that at Munich. He bargained away lives and countries and the result was World War II.

We intend to actively campaign against these issues and will be in touch with our Federal representatives. We thought you just bring honesty back to the White House.

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Temple Emanu-El Men's Club

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Temple Emanu-El, Institute of Modern Hebrew

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 1979

12:30 p.m.

Providence Chapter of Hadassah, Regular Meeting

8:00 p.m.

Pawtucket & Central Falls Chapter of Hadassah, Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1979

12:30 p.m.

Sisterhood Bowling League, Temple Emanu-El, Temple Beth El, Bowling

2:00 p.m.

Providence Chapter of Mizrahi Women, Board Meeting

8:00 p.m.

Temple Emanu-El, Adult Instruction Seminar

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1979

12:30 p.m.

Temple Beth El Sisterhood, Open Board Meeting and Program

7:30 p.m.

Hebrew Free Loan Association of Providence, Board Meeting

8:00 p.m.

Temple Emanu-El Men's Club, Executive Board Meeting

Hope Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, Regular Meeting



**TRIP TO ISRAEL DISCUSSED:** On Wednesday, Jan. 10, the details of a trip to Israel, sponsored by the Men's Club of Temple Emanu-El, were discussed. The trip, which is scheduled for April 24-May 8, is a 15-day excursion to Israel and Amsterdam, with 11 nights in Israel to be highlighted by the Israeli Independence Day Celebration.

The tour, which is open to all members of the Jewish Community, is limited to the first 40 confirmed reservations. A \$100 deposit is required by Jan. 31, with the total cost, per person, set at \$1252. This includes all hotel accommodations, breakfasts, transfers and portage, all touring costs and fees, airfare and transportation to and from Providence.

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## Israelis Mull OK For UNIFIL By UN Council

TEL AVIV (JTA): Israeli sources expressed the belief that the United Nations Security Council will extend the mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) which expires in 10 days. But the sources expressed concern that Iran and France are almost certain to withdraw their units from UNIFIL and that the Palestinian terrorists and the Christian militia in south Lebanon would each try to take advantage of the gap. Skirmishes have broken out between terrorists and the militia in recent days.

With respect to developments elsewhere, the Israeli sources believe that Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil is emerging as the second strongest political figure in Egypt after President Anwar Sadat and will have a greater role than before in the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty negotiations. War Minister Mohammed Gamasy has been relegated to the background recently but the Israelis believe he will still play an important role in Egyptian politics.



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## Harris Poll Reports U.S. Opinion Favors Egypt

**NEW YORK (JTA):** Pollster Louis Harris reported this week that "For the first time in the long history of the dispute between Israel and Egypt, American public opinion is swinging towards the Egyptian position."

According to the latest Harris Poll "a 37 percent plurality now feels that Egypt is right in demanding that Israel give some guarantees about Palestinian self-rule as part of the separate peace treaty between the two countries. A smaller 30 percent

agree with Israel that such changes violate the basic agreements that were reached last year at the Camp David summit," Harris reported. "Another four percent feel that neither side is right, two percent see merit on both sides and 27 percent of Americans

are not sure who is right."

Breaking down the poll responses by religious and ethnic groups, Harris reported that Catholics support Egypt by a majority of 39-28 percent and white Protestants by 35-30 percent.

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# Prof. Neusner Of Brown Gets Honorary Degree

The University of Cologne, Germany, has conferred upon Professor Jacob Neusner of Brown University, an honorary degree of Doctor of Philosophy, this past Oct. 25.

Prof. A. Zimmermann, dean of the Philosophical faculty, said in his announcement, "It is the desire of the faculty by this means, to honor your pioneering research in the history and literature of ancient Judaism." At the same time, he praised Prof. Neusner for his "active participation in the more recent developments of German-Jewish relations, and in particular, his personal interest in the establishment and development of the field of Judaic studies in the Faculty of Philosophy at the University of Cologne."

## Dr. Feder-Keyfitz, 80, Dies; Rights Advocate

NEW YORK (JTA): Funeral services for Dr. Sara Feder-Keyfitz, former president of the Pioneer Women and a prominent social sociologist and advocate of women's rights, were held last week in Jerusalem. She died Jan. 8 in Jerusalem at the age of 80. Dr. Feder-Keyfitz, who immigrated to Israel in 1970 from the United States, was the founder there of the Adult Education Association which operates an innovative continuing education school with courses in the English language. She was born in Russia and came to the U.S. as a child.

A holder of doctorates from both Columbia University and the University of Chicago, she joined Pioneer Women while still at Columbia and was one of its earliest members. She served as national president from 1951 to 1955 and later continued to be

The degree is to be conferred shortly by the German general counsel in Boston.

Prof. Neusner, who is in his eleventh year of teaching at Brown University, has received academic awards from Columbia University and the University of Chicago as well. He is presently serving as a member of the National Council on the Humanities, governing body of the National Endowment for the Humanities, in a six-year term by presidential appointment. He has served as visiting professor at University of Minnesota, the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, and other centers of higher learning. Prof. Neusner is also a past president of the American Academy of Religion (AAR), and he is now chairman of the AAR section on the History of Judaism.

active on the national level. After her aliyah, she was active in Naamot, Pioneer Women's sister organization in Israel.

Dr. Feder-Keyfitz helped introduce the celebration of Yom Haatzmaut, Israel's Independence Day, in the diaspora with her 1963 booklet, "Yom Haatzmaut: A Family Celebration" which is still being distributed by Pioneer Women.

A member of the sociology department at both Columbia University and the University of Missouri, Dr. Feder-Keyfitz was the author of numerous books and articles in her field. She was a delegate to White House conferences and served on top level governmental commissions on the status of women, equal opportunity, and equal pay for women.

## Israel and Swaziland Sign Treaty Of Cooperation

By David Landau

JERUSALEM (JTA): Premier Maphevu Dhlamini of Swaziland and Premier Menachem Begin signed a treaty of cooperation providing for stepped-up Israeli technological assistance to the southern African state, one of the few Black African countries that did not sever its ties with Israel after the Yom Kippur War.

The special effort made here by the government of Israel to fete Dhlamini and his entourage of ministers and officials during their six-day state visit reflected, observers said, Israel's appreciation for Swaziland's independent stance regarding Israel, and perhaps, too, the hope that some of the major Black African states will reconsider their rupture of diplomatic ties with Israel when the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel is signed.

At Ben Gurion Airport, where Begin accompanied Dhlamini to say farewell, the Swazi Premier, who is also his country's foreign minister and army commander, revealed that Israel's Army Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan had given him a full Israel paratrooper uniform as a gift, complete with the famous red beret and brown rubber-soled jump boots.

### ISRAELI GOV'T. PRAISED

GENEVA (JTA): Officials of the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees here warmly welcomed Israel's decision to admit 100 Vietnamese refugees who have been stranded for weeks aboard a freighter in Manila Bay. The commissioner was quoted as saying he was most grateful to the Israeli government.

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# New Method Is Found For Oil Extraction

TEL AVIV (JTA): Scientists of the Haifa Technion announced this week that they have successfully tested a new method of extracting shale oil with use of a laser beam that, they say, could revolutionize the world's fuel industry. The announcement was made by Profs. Joseph Rom and Joseph Schwartz of the Technion's aeronautical engineering department who conducted the research and tested the process in the Technion labs. A patent has been registered by the school.

According to Rom, who is a Likud cabinet member, every country possesses oil shale reserves but the extraction of fuel, in the form of kerogen, a combustible liquid or gas, is extremely expensive, requiring tunneling, blasting and refining. The laser beam process, he said, utilizes relatively inexpensive industrial machinery

and the kerogen can be marketed immediately without refining. He said a pilot plant and field testing would cost several million dollars and take two to four years to develop.

The method developed by the Technion scientists employs a moderate power laser beam directed through a narrow diameter pipe in a shale oil boring. The high temperatures created by the beam converts the shale oil into gases that can be extracted through a system of pipes. The kerogen may be burned as gas or condensed into a liquid fuel. Rom said the U.S. possesses shale oil reserves greater than the known oil reserves of all the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and that Israel itself has two million tons of shale, enough to provide for its fuel needs for 25-30 years.

## Former Minister Allon Slurs Gush "Surrender"

JERUSALEM (JTA): Former Foreign Minister Yigal Allon attacked the Likud government this past week for "surrendering" to the Gush Emunim and jeopardizing the peace negotiating process thereby. Allon, a Labor Cabinet member, was referring to widespread reports, and claims by the Gush, that the government has agreed to the establishment of a Jewish settlement near the Arab town of Nablus in the Samaria district of the West Bank. Government sources earlier had denied that any promise was given.

The sources conceded, however, that a group of 25 Gush families who ended an eight-day vigil on the Kalkilya-Nablus road this week, were given official recognition as a settlement group and that their request to erect a "Jewish town of Nablus" near the Arab town would be reviewed. Allon called this a "shameful surrender" and warned that by giving in to pressure from the Gush and their supporters, the government was "inviting further pressures." From the point of view of negotiations with Egypt, expected to be resumed shortly, the "sell-out" to the Gush Emunim was ill-advised, Allon said.

Earlier, Labor Cabinet member Yossi Sarid, joined by members of the Ahai and Sheli factions and backed by the Peace Now Movement, introduced urgent agenda motions in the Knesset protesting the "government's surrender" to the Gush Emunim.

The 25 Gush families returned to their homes at "Elon Moreh" inside the Kadum army base on the strength of what their spokesman, Zvi Slonim, described as "satisfactory clarifications" from the government. Slonim claimed that the "essence" of the government's position is that they could settle anywhere they wished

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on the West Bank but he was not specific about what, if anything, was promised. Other Gush circles said that plans would begin immediately to build a Jewish town near Nablus.

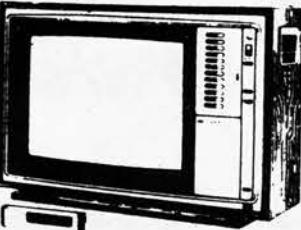
Allon, interviewed on Israel Radio, said he still strongly favored Jewish settlements in the "border areas" of the West Bank, meaning the sparsely populated Jordan River valley. That was part of the so-called "Allon Plan" that surfaced after the Six-Day War. But, he said, the decision to plant settlements in the heart of Samaria would inevitably weaken the effort at the point where it should be focused, namely the Jordan Valley.

When the reporter recalled that Allon was Foreign Minister when the original Gush group settled illegally at Sabastia in Samaria and was later shifted to the Kadum base under a compromise reached with the Labor government, Allon said he had no responsibility for those developments. He said he had strongly opposed the compromise in public statements and subsequently initiated a Cabinet motion to remove the settlers from Kadum. The motion was adopted but never implemented.

### "HOLOCAUST" DELETION DENIED

RIO DE JANEIRO (JTA): For nine nights, million of TV viewers all over the country watched the American television production of the NBC Holocaust presented nationwide by TV-GLOBO, the largest television chain in Brazil. The series ended Dec. 1. The Polish Ambassador to Brazil, Jan Kinast, had asked to delete from Holocaust a three-minute scene showing uniformed Poles, together with Nazi SS, killing Jews. He said this was not a true reflection of the real acts. His request was denied.

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# U.S. Firm 'Beefs' Over Israeli-Style Burger

What has two, all-beef patties, lettuce, onions, sauce, a chewy sesame roll, with cheese, mushrooms and hot sauce, optional? David Magen's "big mac," that's what. And for the one-time Israeli building contractor, business is selling like, well, like "Big Macs." And the difference, he contends, is just a matter of uppercase and lowercase.

According to the 31-year-old Magen, the McDonald's Corporation spells their "Big Mac" with a capital b and a capital m. Magen's enterprise, MacDavid's, adapted from his own name, uses all lower-case letters in advertisements. What's more, asserts the Israeli entrepreneur, "Did they invent the hamburger? It's been around for 100 years."

Yet despite his sole hamburger stand, located at one of Tel Aviv's busiest intersections, the McDonald's Corp. doesn't find the similarity funny, and has filed a suit in a Tel Aviv district court asserting trademark infringements and is asking for an order to restrain MacDavid's from using words and symbols "which are an imitation of trademarks of the plaintiff...These actions by the defendants caused damage to the reputation of the plaintiff." The suit also asks for \$1,100 in damages.

According to a McDonald's spokesman, the company does not at the present time operate any franchises in the Middle East

## U.S. Scores Legal Victory Over Nazi War Criminals

NEW YORK (JTA): "For the first time since 1959, the United States has had a legal victory against Andrija Artukovic," Martin Mendelsohn, director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), special litigation unit for the prosecution of Nazi war criminals, told a discussion group this week sponsored by the Shad Polier Human Rights Memorial Library of the American Jewish Congress.

The deportation proceedings against Artukovic, accused of murder of some 80,000 Yugoslavs, mostly Jews, while he was Minister of Interior of the Nazi puppet state of Croatia during 1941-44, resumed in Los Angeles this past week. Mendelsohn said the presiding judge ruled that the INS could question Artukovic on documents, cross-examine him on deportations and require his presence in the courtroom.

Artukovic, who resides in Surfside, Calif., had claimed that the INS had violated former court orders by serving him a subpoena for the current hearings, but the federal judge ruled in favor of the INS. The subpoena was served on Artukovic in California.



**NEW DIRECTOR NAMED:** Flora Mark, who shed 47 pounds on a Weight Watchers diet program, 14 years ago and heads Weight Watchers groups in Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Canada and Mexico, has been named recently to the post of Area Director for Weight Watchers of Eastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Mrs. Mark, who assumed the post Jan. 9, succeeds Elaine Robin, who founded the weight control organization in Eastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The author of a gourmet, diet cookbook, Mrs. Mark takes a prominent role in many other community organizations as well. She has served as chairperson of the Mothers March of Dimes campaign and was elected to the Board of Directors of the March of Dimes National Foundation. In addition, she is a member of B'nai B'rith, Hadassah and the Women's Guild of Sinai Hospital.

and as of now, has no plans to expand there.

The McDonald's lawyer in Israel, Shmuel Cohen-Zedek, refused to comment on the case, but said the hamburger chain did register its trademark in Israel five years ago under regulations allowing Israeli and American firms to protect their names and symbols in both countries.

Magen has said that he had at one time inquired about the possibility of obtaining a franchise, "but they didn't answer me, and I heard they wanted a lot of money," he said.

So he, and two partners built their own restaurant, adapted Magen's first name to the American household word and eight months ago, began selling their version of the "big mac."

The Israeli "big mac" sells for \$1.75, expensive by American standards, but comparable to McDonald's prices in Europe. Standard American fare of hamburgers, french fries and a milkshake, sells for \$2.90.

MacDavid's is just part of a hamburger boom in Israel, where beef is imported and expensive, and locally raised poultry remains the meat staple.

Magen would not divulge his exact recipe, but said burgers are 100 percent kosher. MacDavid's does however sell cheeseburgers and milkshakes, which are in conflict with dietary laws.

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## Dayan Set To Visit France, Will Meet With d'Estaing

PARIS (JTA): Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan of Israel will pay an official two-day visit to France this month during which he will meet President Valery Giscard d'Estaing and top French officials.

Dayan, who is due to arrive here Jan. 29,

will review Franco-Israeli ties and will also pave the way for Premier Menachem Begin's own official visit to France. Giscard reiterated his invitation to Begin shortly after his election in May 1977. Various difficulties have since prevented the visit from taking place.



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## 1973 Report Urges No Falasha Aliyas

JERUSALEM (JTA): A document prepared six years ago by an Absorption Ministry researcher recommended to the government and the Jewish Agency not to encourage Falasha aliyah to Israel. The document was publicized for the first time this week and Falasha activists here said it confirmed their recent allegations that the government and the Agency have not been acting energetically to bring their brethren from Ethiopia to Israel.

The Falasha activists claim that over recent years thousands of their brethren have been killed or sold into slavery as a result of the political upheavals in Ethiopia.

The document was a report by a Dr. Luttwak, researcher for the Absorption Ministry, on world Jewry. It cited reasons of policy — the importance and delicacy of Israel's relations at that time with Ethiopia — as one basis for its recommendations not to encourage Falasha aliyah. (Emperor Haile

Selassie's government was always negatively disposed to the idea of Falasha aliyah.)

The document, moreover, cited learned authors to the effect that the Falashas are a part of the ethnic mosaic that forms the Ethiopian nation and that they have no real links to the Jewish people ethnically or culturally. Luttwak warned that if aliyah were encouraged, many other Ethiopians, seeking to improve their living standards, would pretend to be Falashas in order to be admitted to Israel.

A spokesman for the Absorption Ministry said that the document had not served as a guideline or basis for policy decisions by the government or the Jewish Agency. The spokesman repeated earlier statements by other high officials that the government had done and was doing a great deal to help Falashas make aliyah — but political sensitivity dictated that all details be kept secret.

## Notices

### MAGIC CLASS

An introductory class in magic will be offered at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, starting Monday, Jan. 22, from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m.

Children aged 8 to 12 will have the chance to learn memorization tricks, sleight-of-hand, card tricks and elastic tricks. The 6-week course is to be taught by Bruce Kalver, a local magician.

The fee for the course is \$17 for members, \$21 for non-members, with pre-registration required. For more information on this and other children's classes, call Paula Goldberg at 861-8800.

### PROVIDENCE HADASSAH

Providence Hadassah will hold a meeting at the International House, 8 Stimson St., Providence, on Monday, Jan. 22 at 12:30 p.m.

### ARTS PRESENTATION

On Friday, Jan. 26, Temple Emanu-El will celebrate the art of Hebrew letters with the opening of Arts/Emanu-El's Ketubah exhibit. Five contemporary calligraphers will display their works: Shel Bassel, Cindy Pearlman Benjamin, Jonathan Kremer, Diane Groner Levine and Marcia Kaunfer.

The works will be on display from Jan. 26 through Feb. 16.

The Ketubah exhibit is planned by Arts/Emanu-El's Exhibition Committee, chaired by Dr. Charles H. Mandell. Sol Resnik is chairman of Arts/Emanu-El.

### CORRECTION

Because of incorrect information given the Herald, the Leviss-Goldberg engagement announcement is reprinted. Mr. Goldberg, graduated Bryant College and received a bachelor of science degree from Bryant. He is now marketing manager for Ribsco of Warwick.

Miss Leviss is the granddaughter of Mrs. Dora Leviss of Fall River and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Soloff of Fall River.

Mr. Goldberg is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gershman of Hillsboro Beach, Fla.

A June 3, 1979 wedding is planned.

### RI TROWEL CLUB NO. 740

The R.I. Trowel Club No. 740 affiliated with the National League of Masonic Clubs, will hold its 53rd annual dinner and installation on Jan. 18 at Eileen Darling's Restaurant in Seekonk. Burton Levenson, Illustrious Potentate Palestine Shrine of Rhode Island, will be guest speaker.

John Seplocha is national vice president and Ben Rabinowitz is director and national public relations officer. Both live in Rhode Island. Mark Land is the Rhode Island state president.

### RI PHILHARMONIC

Violinist Ruggiero Ricci will be featured as guest soloist in the Jan. 27 concert of the RI Philharmonic Orchestra. Guest Conductor John Covelli will lead the orchestra in the Saturday evening concert at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence, at 8:30 p.m.

### ARRIVAL OF NEW BABY

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Goldblatt of Stratford, Conn., announce the arrival of their third child and second son, Gregory Alan Goldblatt, born Dec. 15, 1978.

Gregory is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Burton D. Goldblatt of East Providence and great grandson of Mrs. Belle Goldblatt and Mrs. Jeanette Segal, both of Providence.

### EMANU-EL COUPLES CLUB

The paid-up membership event of the Temple Emanu-El Couples Club will be held Saturday, Feb. 3, at 8 p.m. at the Temple meeting house. A delicious buffet dinner and delightful entertainment by Pete and Ray of Nantucket Sound, will entertain. For information call, 726-2954.

### PIONEER WOMEN

Shalom Chapter of Pioneer Women will hold its January meeting Monday, Jan. 22, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Iris Yanow, 20 Deborah Rd., Warwick.

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# Magazine Section



THE YOUNGEST CLASS: Daniel Kutiroff contemplates his next move on the Twister mat, as his fellow kindergartners watch eagerly.

## Providence Hebrew Day School —

By Robin Pliner

What began as a vision by a group of idealistically inclined parents in the Providence community to provide for their children in the best blend of values of their Jewish heritage with American tradition and democracy on Sept. 17, 1946, is today a full-scale reality for 255 students of Rhode Island's only Jewish parochial day school.

The Providence Hebrew Day School, which was originally housed in a three-story, wooden structure at 151 Waterman St., Providence, is a religious and secular institution, chartered by the state and designed, according to its original charter, "for advancing secular and religious education and furthering by all proper and legitimate means, the dissemination of traditional Orthodox Hebrew religious and moral instruction."

And today, more than half a century later, a look at the Day School reveals that these very same original tenets are still carefully adhered to. As Rabbi Nachman Cohen, dean of the institution wrote in his address to the graduates of 1978, ". . . we seek to instill in our students the wholesome attitudes of Judaism. They learn of their obligation to the Torah, community, nation and country. This type of education is the strongest insurance for the continuation of a strong and viable community both in this country and in Israel . . ."

By December 1958, enrollment at the school increased and the students soon outgrew the inadequate classroom space. At that time, a decision was made to close the building rather than update and modify the antiquated structure.

After the holiday recess that year, the Waterman Street facility shut down and Temple Beth El was used as a temporary site. Funds were quickly raised for a new building, and on one evening at a fundraising event at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel, more than \$115,000 in pledges were made.

On April 1, 1962, dedication exercises were held for the newly built day school building located at 450 Elmwood Ave. The principal at the time, Rabbi Egozi, addressed those in attendance and said, "This building will be a symbol of an era. It will mark the period of Jewish life when a positive answer to the challenges of the survival of Judaism was found; an answer written with bricks and mortar and steel that it might endure as a school where the parents, citizens and leaders of tomorrow are fashioned."

Today, the Providence Hebrew Day School offers an educational program for 138 boys and 117 girls from kindergarten through grade 12. Throughout its history, it has gained a national reputation as one of the finest day schools of its kind and accor-

ding to Rabbi Cohen, "We prepare children for life, not just for living. We teach values and a moral direction that they will not be exposed to in public school."

Because of its religious nature, a full realm of Jewish education is taught. Although Rabbi Cohen contends that the Jewish education taught at the Day school is "basic," it is taught in greater depth than at the Sunday or afternoon Hebrew school classes.

Students at the school are taught to read and grapple with basic Jewish texts, become well-versed in the Hebrew language and to become familiar with Jewish customs and liturgy.

Despite all these special non-secular subjects, the school curriculum also includes those courses of study that are taught in the secular schools, as mandated by the state. Students must attend classes in English, mathematics, history, biology and art and the textbooks used at the day school are exactly the same as those used in the public schools. There is even a wrestling class taught at the day school by one of the rabbis on the teaching staff.

According to Rabbi Cohen, he is pleased at the fact that over the last ten years, the school has grown "markedly" in many ways. Characterizing the facility as "very healthy in all ways," Rabbi Cohen is notably proud of the fact that the Day

School puts out a "very solid product."

About seventy of the boys at the school focus on rabbinic and talmudic studies at the affiliated New England Academy of Torah, Inc., while approximately 80 percent of the girls continue their studies at institutes of higher Jewish education, most prominent among them, Yeshiva University, Brandeis and Boston's Hebrew College. Rabbi Cohen, points out that contrary to opinion, the school does not have as its main focus, the notion of "producing rabbis." Over the last 30 years, not one congregational rabbi has come from the Providence Hebrew Day School.

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DR. NACHMAN COHEN

## In A Class By Itself

# Providence Hebrew Day School



Director of Development, Sam Shlevin and Office Manager Mrs. Wang.



SINGTIME: Cantor Aaron Marcus teaches a second grade class in music.



REPEAT AFTER ME: Teacher Ed Adler reads to the class in Hebrew and hears their recital in Hebrew, in return.

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Rabbi Cohen is also quick to note that many of the students at the school have uniformly shown to be extraordinarily gifted, as compared to their peers in public schools. Their results recorded on standardized tests, such as achievement tests and Scholastic Aptitude Tests (S.A.T.) have shown to average higher, in general, as compared to results in public school settings.

Because of its notoriety as a forerunner among Jewish day schools, as well as its being the only one of its kind in the entire state and surrounding region, many of the students in attendance come from outside the state. Besides Rhode Island residents, there are students from as far away as Maine, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and 15 percent of the students are recently immigrated Russian children. Special English language courses have been designed for these children.

The Providence Hebrew Day School, which has an Orthodox philosophy, serves students coming from a wide and diverse range of family affiliations. There are students, acknowledges Rabbi Cohen, that come from family settings ranging from agnostic to atheist. Yet, because of the close ties that the school maintains with each student and their family, few if any "conflicts" seem to arise.

According to Sam Shlevin, who for the past four years has been director of development for the school in charge of fundraising efforts and who acts as community liaison representative, "people are often squeamish to enter a situation that they are unfamiliar with, yet there is a strong sense of community support and involvement with the school. This in turn creates a healthy environment."

Because of these close communal ties, many students at the school are active in community projects. Students from the Day

School are often called on to speak at Jewish organizations and gatherings, such as the Jewish Home for the Aged and the nearby Jewish Community Center.

The school is funded in part by student tuition, contributions and also by the Bureau of Jewish Education, which is the financing arm of the Jewish Federation.

According to Elliot Schwartz, executive director of the Bureau, 10 schools out of the total 14 schools, are subsidized, in part, by the Bureau. Established in 1951 specifically for the purpose of funding Jewish education schools, the Bureau annually alots 50 percent of its total budget to the Providence Hebrew Day School. An approximate \$132,689 are budgeted to the Day School.

Through specific formulas derived at the Bureau's Subvention Committee, the various schools are allotted monies, with which to aid the cost of operating the facilities. Via a three-pronged formula—teacher credentials; pupil hour ratios, growth in hours and pupil enrollment; and extent of community and or congregational support — are funds derived at.

The cost for each student varies, according to their grade level, with kindergartners paying \$500, and higher grades costing between \$1,000 and \$1,500. Various granting agencies support the school and Congregation Adas Israel, Fall River, offers scholarship funds to students.

As for the future of Providence's Hebrew Day School, Rabbi Cohen stresses that the level of quality education now being rendered, will continue. He expects the student population level to increase, slightly, as they continue to enjoy their national reputation. Says Rabbi Cohen, "What's good for Rhode Island, is good for the Day School."



HARD AT WORK: Two first grade students are shown hard at work at the Day School.



**By Robin Pliner**

This summer, some 255 youngsters will enjoy five additional acres on which to play softball, basketball, baseball, volleyball, tennis, enjoy campcrafts and photography and archery as Camp Jori, Rhode Island's only overnight camp, has recently acquired 4.5 additional acres of land adjacent to their present campsite in Narragansett at Point Judith.

The camp, originally founded as a summer haven for Jewish orphans of the state in 1932 (from which it took its name), this winter acquired the land with the help of a \$10,000 grant from the Rhode Island Foundation.

According to Michael Thaler, president of the summer facility, the idea first originated when a past president of the camp's board of directors, Walter Adler, came to a meeting of the board and suggested the non-sectarian foundation as a good source which could assist them with the purchase.

"We approached the Foundation with a request for \$10,000 to purchase the land, they researched the site and was happy to provide the grant for us," said Thaler.

The land, which has a 15-year mortgage of \$68,000, is situated directly adjacent to the present campsite and according to Thaler, is being renovated into a sports complex. The Rhode Island National Guard, as a non-profit organization and as part of its training exercises, agreed to do site preparation work on hand. As well, the Cardi Corporation was the low bidder for the construction work and was quickly hired to build the complex.

"There'll be three tennis courts, a basketball court, a track, baseball field and soccer field, which will be ready for use by the start of the 1979 camping season," said Thaler. Up until now, the camp did not have the facilities to conduct the various sports programs.

The camp is a primarily Jewish overnight camp for boys and girls aged 7 through 13. It has, according to Thaler, a camping staff of 24 counselors and runs two, month-long sessions of approximately 112 campers in each session. The food served at the camp is kosher and is prepared, kosher-style. The fee for a one-month session is \$350, and according to Thaler, only one-third of the campers in each session pay less than the \$350 fee. "Of the total number of campers," says Thaler, "four or five children might be AFDC children (Aid to Families with Dependent Children), 35 are from families whose gross incomes range from \$8,000 to \$10,000 and 15 or so are from families with incomes in the \$10,000-\$15,000 range." He indicated that a higher proportion of today's campers are from divorced families who are hardpressed to come up with the full camping fees charged by proprietary camps.

The approximate \$90,000 for construction work and for the mortgage payments, will hopefully, says Thaler, be gotten through fundraisers, contributions and solicitation campaigns. According to Thaler, Mrs. Roz Sinclair, the wife of the Outlet Company Board Chairman, Joseph Sinclair, has already agreed to chair a committee for raising funds for the new lands, as well as similar promises made by various

## RI's Camp Jori Acquires 4.5 Acres, Sports Complex Set For Summer 1979



**ON TARGET:** One of the many activities campers can enjoy at Rhode Island's only overnight camp is archery. Here, two campers are closely supervised by two staff members.

members of the Rhode Island Foundation.

Thaler also indicated the possibility of raising funds, in the near future, for the construction of a new dining hall, which would replace the old facility, which Thaler hopes could become an arts and crafts center.

The camp operates solely independent of any organization, with the exception of the Jewish Family and Childrens Services, which serves as an administrative aide to

the camp. Along with Thaler, who will be winding up his second, one-year term, there is a board of directors, comprised of many of the state's leading citizens and an executive committee. Members of this committee include: First vice president, Ed Foss, who will serve as the next president, and Bob Halper; and past presidents, Alex Rumpler, Bert Brown, Ed Feldstein, David Golden and Milton Brier. Marshall Gerstenblatt is the camp's director.



**CAMPFIRE TIME:** Camp Jori campers enjoy an all-camp evening campfire at the Point Judith Camp site in Narragansett.

# The Second Hundred Years War

By DR. JAY N. FISHBEIN

(The material for this article was supplied by Ariel Kerem of the Information Department, Embassy of Israel in Washington, D.C., the Consul General, Boston, Massachusetts, and Gerald Baumgarten of *B'nai B'rith*.)

When General Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown in 1781, the band played "the world turned upside down." For the British it had. That thirteen small, insignificant colonies could have defeated this great empire seemed incredible.

An event of even greater dimensions occurred in October 1973 when thirteen OPEC members abruptly boosted the price of oil from \$2.25 per barrel to an incredible \$11.00. Most of the members were unheard of, small, dusty, fly-blown Arab emirates, which included Kuwait, Qatar and Bahrain, on the southeastern edge of the Arabian peninsula, with a predominantly poor and illiterate population, who are still largely submerged in the Middle Ages.

They wanted the world to believe that the increase was due to the support given Israel in the Yom Kippur War, when in fact it was due to the new-found awareness of the power of their coalition to dictate prices to the western world, and its complete helplessness to stop it.

If Israel disappeared from the map it would not affect the price of oil one iota. Arab greed would still pursue its aim in seeking the highest price possible. Had it been increased only as punishment for the West, greater consideration would have been shown the impoverished third-world countries, that were plunged even deeper into destitution.

Since that fateful day, the Arabs have become a force to be reckoned with. Almost overnight they lowered the world's standard of living, and maneuvered themselves into a position where they can destroy the economy of the world, including the possibility of precipitating a third world war.

Had this vast income been used to improve the condition of their people, it may have been justified, but billions have been expended on vast military armaments, that only served to increase the instability of the Mideast. It failed to prevent chaos in Iran, and has the Saudis concerned with how much longer they can survive.

Historians class these Arab-Israel conflicts as the *Second Hundred Years War*. This is the term given the protracted conflict that raged between France and England during the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries. Like most wars this was also over land claimed by the English kings in France. It continued with brief remissions throughout the reigns of five French and five English monarchs.

As the armies marched and countermarched, they ravished the land, leaving death and destruction in their wake. Villages and towns became smoldering ruins, the population slaughtered and dispersed; crops destroyed and livestock carried off, and the country made desolate.

The Arab-Israel war has already gone on for over thirty years, with these changes: In Egypt, King Farouk was deposed, and followed by General Muhammed Naguib. He, in turn, was replaced by Gamal Nasser, and at his death by Anwar el-Sadat.

During the same period, Israel has had half a dozen prime ministers: David Ben-Gurion, Moshe Sharett, Levin Eshkol, Golda Meir, Yitzak Rabin and Menachem Begin. How many more will control the destiny of these warring countries before real peace will descend on the troubled Middle East is difficult to determine. For all intents and purposes, the war has already exceeded sixty-one years, as it really began in 1917, with the rioting and massacres that followed the Balfour Declaration.

Truces in the Hundred Years War were as fragile as those in the Arab-Israel wars. Orleans, the last bulwark of French royalty, was on the point of surrender, when Joan of Arc appeared and saved the day. It was the turning point. From that day the English steadily lost ground, and the interminable war was finally terminated by the expulsion of the British from French soil.

Hopefully, another Deborah, an Israeli Joan of Arc, will appear and smite Israel's enemies, as she did the Canaanite King of Hazor, and fulfill the conclusion of the Song of Deborah: "Let thine enemies perish, O Lord, but let them that love Him be as the sun when he goes forth in his might!"

Peace seemed close at hand with the Camp David meeting. While the country was dismayed with the extensive concessions wrung from Prime Minister Begin,

there was a general feeling of relief that at long last there would be an end to bloodshed.

"Every inch of the Sinai" that Sadat demanded was conceded, with its fortifications, oil fields and air bases, including the vital base at Sharm el-Sheikh. Even the settlements at Yamit and the Rafiah salient, a buffer strip that comprised an infinitesimal fragment of the Sinai, was destined to be abandoned. Homes that the settlers had built with complete faith in government promises, were to be consigned to the wrecker.

On his historic visit to Jerusalem last year, President Sadat affirmed Israel's right to secure borders, and President Carter agreed that border adjustments would be necessary. However, in his eagerness to finalize negotiations, all this was deferred, to be negotiated at a later date.

Certain members of the Knesset, like Geula Cohen and Moshe Shamir, formerly loyal Begin members, were outraged, and considered the Camp David meeting not a victory but a betrayal. It was compared to Chamberlain's triumphant return from Munich with the glad tidings of "peace in our time." The Knesset members felt that Sadat's demands, like Hitler's, would not end with Camp David, but would escalate, and so it came to pass.

President Sadat had been delighted with the concessions he obtained at Camp David. He had secured the return of the entire Sinai, which four bloody and costly wars had failed to accomplish. While aware that he would encounter opposition from the "rejectionist" Arab states, he felt secure in the knowledge that he enjoyed the complete confidence of Saudi Arabia, the Sudan, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, Morocco, Mauritania and Somalia, as well as the enthusiastic support of his own people.

As anticipated, the "rejectionist" states, furious at what they considered Sadat's "sellout" for a parcel of worthless sand, attempted to bribe him with offers of vast sums to abandon the peace negotiations, which Sadat rejected.

Fulminating against Sadat's "treason" a summit meeting was held at Baghdad. The Saudis attempted to convince the radical groups of the serious Soviet threat, and the urgent need for peace in the Middle East, but met with such vehemence as to stun them into silence. Fear of sabotage had always been their prime concern and the basis for their contributions to the PLO, which was paid in the same manner our merchants pay the Mafia for "protection." The Saudis realize how easily their oil fields could be set ablaze by a few rockets, and what a simple matter it would be to place a delayed time bomb in a tanker.

In Rhodesia, rockets fired into the strongly guarded oil storage depot in Salisbury, a few miles from the city, destroyed 17 million gallons of precious fuel. The fanatic Moslem bear as little love for the Saudi royal house as they do for the Shah, which they consider an anachronism, and would be happy to see eliminated.

Losing the support of the Saudis and finding himself isolated, Sadat turned to President Carter for aid in satisfying the demands of the terrorist factions who insist upon the return of the Old City of Jerusalem, together with the West Bank and Gaza.

The West Bank and Gaza are unallocated portions of the British Mandate. Therefore, Israel under the Mandate has full rights of settlement, which international law considers unassailable.

Resolution 242 was built upon that fact and requires Jordan and Israel to negotiate peace for these areas in accordance with the international obligations of the Mandate. The Palestinian Mandate has special features that distinctly approve the right of the Jews to live in Samaria and Judea. It is clearly not within the jurisdiction of the US State Department to arbitrarily allocate these territories to the Palestinians.

Sadat was further disturbed by the fact that Iraq, the most isolated of Israel's enemies, and one of the most implacable, has broken away from past policies, and is renewing a centuries old feud, the traditional confrontation between Cairo and Baghdad.

Adding to his consternation, the Iraqis moved to end their feud with Syria. Although both are ruled by the Baath (Socialist) Party, they had always been bitter enemies. Now with Sadat in disfavor because of Camp David, Baghdad aspires to leadership of the Arab world. The meeting also led to the establishment of a military committee empowered to redeploy the Syrian and Iraqi armies more effectively in their war with Israel.

Syria finds herself in a precarious position. The endless war in Lebanon is draining her economy, and the growing military commitment threatens her with

bankruptcy. Iraq, on the other hand, is wealthy with oil revenues in excess of \$12 billion annually. Her military aid to Syria is vital, for in the event of war with Israel, she could deliver at least four armored divisions, plus a sizable air force.

One means of terminating the bloody civil war in Lebanon would be to send these battle hardened troops, both Moslem and Christian, against the common enemy, Israel. Assad, however, is realistic enough to understand that without aid from Egypt and other Arab countries, the venture would be extremely hazardous.

Imported by Sadat and the Saudis for further Israeli concessions to satisfy PLO demands, and prevent a further escalation of terrorism, the president insisted that the Old City be returned to Arab rule, and the Israeli settlements on the West Bank be abandoned, with the West Bank and Gaza surrendered to the Palestinians.

Israel was considerably disturbed when Harold Saunders of the State Department promised Hussein that the Israeli settlements on the West Bank would be removed. Begin felt that Saunders was being misquoted but Secretary of State Cyrus Vance quickly informed the premier that the statement had his full approval. It is galling for Israel to realize that the fate of the country rests in the hands of men of such little understanding. Stung by this departure from the Camp David agreement, Israel responded by "thickening" some of her West Bank settlements, as she had every right to do.

As one versed in the Bible, the President was fully aware how much Jerusalem with its historical sites and religious and emotional ties holds for the Jew. This incessant and senseless probing arouses deep emotions that stir not only the ultra-Orthodox Jew like the Gush Emunim or the Neturei Karta, who stubbornly await the Messiah and refuse to recognize the State of Israel, but also the conservative Jew who would rather surrender his soul than the Holy City. Such a demonstration of insensitivity is better suited to brother Billy, than to the President of the United States.

With respect to Jerusalem, Sadat magnanimously made this concession. "We want to show out goodwill. The city need not be divided again. I think the Wailing Wall should be administered by the Israelis, but the Old City of Jerusalem with the Moslem and Christian holy sites must be under Arab sovereignty, and under the rule of the Moslem world." The fact that the Greek Orthodox, the Assyrians, the Copts and even the Roman Catholics have expressed a preference for the status quo was blithely disregarded.

In a French television interview pre-recorded in Cairo, Sadat said: "I received a letter from President Carter. He says that all the changes made by Israel in the Old City are illegal." The Egyptian leader went on to stress the overriding importance of "linkage" without which he would not sign a treaty with Israel. "No separate agreement with Israel. If Gaza and the West Bank are not dealt with in a global agreement, no one can count on us to make peace."

In this respect the Camp David agreement was quite explicit. Israel and Egypt were required to make peace within three months, and any final settlement of the West Bank and Gaza was to be postponed for five years. There was to be no legal linkage between them.

Sadat also insisted on still other changes in the Camp David agreement. Any pre-existing treaties Egypt has with other Arab states would not be abrogated. This single alteration would completely nullify the entire agreement. These treaties call for Sadat to come to the aid of any Arab country attacked by Israel. With the Sinai in Egyptian hands, together with the air bases and fortifications constructed by Israel, the tiny country would be far more vulnerable than it had been prior to the 1967 War.

Since the Arabs insist that the mere existence of Israel is an act of aggression, and that Israel has been the aggressor in every war, it can easily be seen how fragile the peace would be. To the Arab, breaking a treaty with Israel, and many have been, is not considered dishonorable. The Mideast regimes are given to abrupt changes. They are capable of changing positions and abandoning alliances at a moment's notice. This inherent instability leads to the conclusion that even a final settlement of the Arab-Israel conflict will not bring stability to the region. The economic gaps, the immense armaments and the inherent violence Arabs are prone to, will tend to prevent it.

(To be continued next week)



LARRY WINKLER



AARON WEINTRAUB

## Singles Go Independent

The singles group which was holding meetings at the Jewish Community Center, has decided to go independent. According to Larry Winkler, president, and Aaron Weintraub, treasurer, they feel that the group will fare better if they hold events at private homes or temples or some of the apartment complexes in which the singles live.

They made the observation that the majority of the young singles live in apartments in Cranston or Warwick or South County rather than on the East Side of Providence where the Center is situated.

Also, this organization charges no dues. Everyone is invited to attend any of their affairs—and they have found that in most cases they draw quite a large group of singles. There is a charge for each affair pro-rated on what the cost of refreshments and entertainment will be. The group is non-profit, of course, and so if (by chance) they end up with money at the end of the season they will simply invite singles to come at no charge or for a smaller charge than usual.

They don't really think this will happen and thus far the members of the planning committee have contributed money of their own for flyers, mailing, etc. They now have a mailing list of 280 singles.

Asked why there is this emphasis nowadays on singles groups, they both felt

that this was due to the fact that after leaving high school many teenagers went out of town for college or for work and so lose touch with each other. After they have finished college and come home, they have lost touch with their peers and since, as they said, they were sick of the barroom scene, they will go to singles groups. This is their way of starting a new life by meeting new friends or even old ones whom they had not seen for several years.

The members of the planning committee met on January 7. They are shown in the picture above. In the first row are Donna Broman, Debbie White, Cynthia Bronstein and Alan Berlinsky. In the second row are Mark Gordon, Stuart Solup and Donna Eisenstadt. In the third row are Larry Steingold, public relations; Larry Winkler, president, and Aaron Weintraub, treasurer. Not present when the picture was taken were Ilena Sack, vice president; Jeff Davis, vice president, and Helene Davis, secretary.

They plan to hold cocktail parties, house parties, dances (with a disc jockey), ski trips, ice skating parties, etc. The group is for singles from 18 to 35.

The group is planning a semi-formal cocktail party for Saturday, January 27 at 8 p.m. at Willow Brook Club House at 825 Pontiac Avenue in Cranston. More information may be obtained by calling Larry at 942-5152 or Aaron at 461-9151.



## Teen Age Editor: Sue Goldberg

It was a year that managed to rock the music world. In 1978, events happened and movies were made that would change and shape the record industry.

One movie, "Saturday Night Fever," had a remarkable effect. The movie starred John Travolta as Tony Manero, king of the discos. He lived for Saturday nights when he could go out and spend his paycheck at the 2001 Space Odyssey discotheque. The movie seemed to revive the 60's fad of discotheques. After the release of the movie, discos started to prosper and flourish. Travolta also managed to set dress trends that were not to be forgotten. Silk shirts and tight "disco" pants are still very much a part of the disco scene.

Most of the music for the movie was written, composed and sung by the fabulous Bee Gees. The double album soundtrack soon became the number 1 album for months. As a matter of fact, a single from the soundtrack went on to be the number 1 song of 1978. "Stayin' Alive" was performed by the Bee Gees.

Another movie "FM" centered around radio stations. The movie featured performances from such distinguished artists as Linda Ronstadt, Steely Dan, and Kris Kristofferson. The title song from the movie, "FM-No Static at All" sung by Steely Dan was a popular song for many months.

The life of Alan Freed, the founder of rock and roll was focused in "American Hot Wax." The movie goes back to the days of the 50's when the words "rock and roll" were not even thought of. This movie also produced a soundtrack that was very popular. The album featured such greats as Jerry Lee Lewis and Frankie Lyman and the Teenagers.

All in all, the music of 1978 changed, and I think for the better.



Who is that guy Steve Martin and why does he walk around with an arrow through his head? Well, that guy Steve Martin is one of the hottest acts in show business today.

His crazy humor is enjoyed by millions of people. At his concert at the Providence Civic Center, all age groups attended wearing the "Martinmania" garb. This type of dress consists of an arrow through the head, a hat made from balloons, and those fake glasses with the plastic nose attached to them.

Is this the proper way for people to act in public? I should hardly say so, but I must confess, I did attend the concert and I did wear a Martin costume. Oh, what do you want from me, I just followed the crowd, and when I say crowd, I mean Crowd! It was a sellout performance.

Concerts are not the only way Steve reaches out to the public. He has just released his second album "A Wild and Crazy Guy" which is selling out in most record stores. He has been a guest on a number of television shows, including three times with NBC's "Saturday Night Live."

If you have not heard of him, or listened to any of his material, I am sure he would have just two words to say to you, EXCUUUUSE ME!



John Travolta

## Sheik's Fate Typifies Difficulty Of Israel

**HEBRON, Israeli-Occupied West Bank:** On the highest hill overlooking this ancient biblical city, above the tomb of Abraham and the vineyards whose grapes were reputedly the sweetest in Palestine, Sheik Mohammed Ali Jaabari built his mansion four decades ago.

In the days of the British Mandate, officials from London spent long nights at the sheik's home. So did King Abdullah of what was then Trans-Jordan and his grandson, King Hussein, after annexing Hebron and the rest of the West Bank in 1948. After the 1967 war that brought the Israeli occupation, Moshe Dayan frequently called on the sheik. Always during those 40 years there were thousands of Hebron residents who came to kiss the sheik's hand, ask his protection and favors and seek his advice.

Few visitors climb the steep hill any more. Sheik Jaabari, who is 85 years old, has lost his political power and a stroke has paralyzed his right arm and slurred his speech.

His decline underscores the collapse of Israeli hopes that moderate Arab leaders might bind the one million Palestinians on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip closer to Israel.

### Moderate Leaders Displaced

Peace negotiations between Egypt and Israel have been stalled for months, mainly because of disagreements over how quickly Palestinian autonomy should be achieved on the West Bank and in Gaza. The Israelis would probably be more amenable to the prospect of autonomy if moderate figures like Sheik Jaabari had remained as political leaders of the Palestinians.

The moderates, however, have been replaced in recent years by politicians backed by the Palestine Liberation Organization. A few moderates have been assassinated by P.L.O. gunmen. Many others, fearing charges of collaboration with Israel, have faded into the background. Some have retired, uneasy over the rise of the P.L.O. and bitter at the twists and turns of Israeli policy.

Sheik Jaabari, who was wrapped in a brown blanket and huddled next to a kerosene heater in his sitting room, said, "My relationship with the Israeli Government was good — we rarely clashed." Again speaking of the Israelis, he said, "But nobody feels happy with them. Many people say they want the P.L.O. The others prefer Jordan."

As Mayor of Hebron for the first nine years of Israeli occupation, the sheik was at times an outspoken opponent of the P.L.O., but in 1976 his handpicked list of candidates was overwhelmed in municipal elections as politicians backed by the Palestinian group swept to power in most towns on the West Bank.

### A Further Humiliation

A few months ago the sheik was further humiliated when two of his sons, including

his political heir apparent, were charged by Israeli security officials with being members of a terrorist cell. One of them has fled abroad; the other is in jail, accused of complicity in an abortive plot to blow up a Jerusalem movie theater.

"I still think about politics, but I rarely talk about it now," the sheik said. "If I could I would turn things back."

Even in his last term as Mayor the sheik reigned in the style of his earlier years —



SHEIK MOHAMMED ALI JAABARI

asserting that he was both religious leader and political chieftain, balancing the rule of the law with the demands of local tradition, cooperating with every occupying power while skillfully keeping them at arm's length.

In 1948, having organized support for Trans-Jordan's annexation of the West Bank, he was rewarded with ministerial appointments in the Jordanian Government and a free hand in his city. In 1967 he made certain that not a shot was fired in Hebron against the advancing Israeli forces, and publicly acclaimed the Israelis "for not having shed a drop of Arab blood in this region." Many Arabs had feared that Israeli soldiers might try to avenge the 1929 massacre of 67 Jews by Arabs in Hebron.

### Favorable Mentions in Press

In the years that followed, the sheik's name appeared frequently and in laudatory terms in the Israeli press — condemning terrorism, urging Jerusalem Arabs to vote in municipal elections, attending dinners for the Jewish-Arab Friendship League, calling for industrial investment in Hebron and passing out diplomas to Palestinians trained as waiters for Israeli hotels. At the same time he visited Amman, the Jordanian capital, and asserted that he favored an eventual federation between the West Bank

and Jordan.

"No matter who occupied the West Bank, Jaabari ruled Hebron like a fiefdom," said a Palestinian journalist who has followed his career.

Occasionally the strict nature of his rule took on sinister overtones. Five years ago Joe Nasr, a pro-P.L.O. newspaper editor in Arab Jerusalem was kidnapped and apparently murdered after writing a series of articles accusing the Jaabari clan of corruption. Nasr's relatives asserted that the sheik had ordered the kidnapping, which he vigorously denied. Two of his employees were arrested as suspects but were released by the Israeli authorities.

In 1972 the sheik, who had long stood unopposed for Mayor, was challenged. The opposing candidate had just finished filing for his candidacy at the municipal office and started to walk up an alleyway when a garbage truck hurtled toward him. He fled back to the office and removed his name from the election list.

The sheik's decline seems to have begun with an Israeli Government decision to establish a large settlement at the edge of Hebron, partly on land formerly occupied by a Jordanian military base and partly on vineyards owned by the Jaabari family. The settlement, called Kiryat Arba, was built in 1971 and now has several hundred residents, most of whom commute to jobs in Jerusalem. Like the 47 other settlements on the West Bank, Kiryat Arba is viewed by the Arabs as part of an Israeli attempt at eventual annexation of the territory.

The Israeli Government has insisted that even after a resolution of the West Bank problem, the settlements should remain because of its position that Jews have a right to live on the West Bank and as a sort of early-warning defense system in case of

another war. Over the years there have been many clashes between Kiryat Arba residents, most of them Orthodox Jews, and Hebron's Arabs. A constant point of contention has been the right of both Jews and Moslems to pray at the tomb of Abraham.

Sheik Jaabari's inability to prevent the establishment and expansion of Kiryat Arba undermined his sway over Hebron. Rumors even circulated that he had voluntarily sold land to the settlement.

"I was a good friend of Dayan," said the sheik, recalling the rise of Kiryat Arba with bitterness. "When he took the land, he promised me that it would only be used for the army — that no houses would be built there. When the settlers started to build, I wrote many letters to protest to the Israeli Government, but they never listened to me. They shamed me."

The new Mayor of Hebron is Fahad Kawasmeh, an avowed sympathizer of the Palestine Liberation Organization who is half Sheik Jaabari's age. Like his predecessor he receives a salary from both the Jordanians and the Israelis, but he professes open opposition to both. "Jaabari always tried to be with whatever government was in power," said Kawasmeh, sitting in the same chair the sheik used for more than 30 years. "When I meet with the Israeli authorities, I tell them the same thing I tell my constituents: We want an independent Palestinian state."

## Reports Say China, Israel Met In Secret

**LONDON (JTA):** High level direct contacts between Israel and China are believed to have taken place, confirming the latest widespread reports of a softening in the attitude of the People's Republic of China towards the Jewish State. One of these meetings, still unconfirmed, may have been between Israeli Defense Minister Ezer Weizman and Huang Hua, China's Foreign Minister and former Ambassador to the United Nations.

It is believed here that the two men met briefly in top secret near Zurich last summer. Huang stopped over there after a trip to Zaire in Central Africa. Weizman landed at Zurich after a mysterious flight to London where he had met Lord Rothschild in connection with Israel's Defense Ministry business.

Earlier, Huang had met Chaim Herzog, then Israeli Ambassador to the United Nations, in New York. That meeting, and the relaxed atmosphere at it, reflected China's positive reaction to the breakthrough in Israeli-Egyptian relations, following President Anwar Sadat's visit to Jerusalem. It coincided too with a tour by Huang of other Mediterranean countries, including Iran, Turkey and Greece.

Any further Chinese move towards Israel would probably not take place until after Israel has signed a peace treaty with Egypt. But when it happens it will infuriate the Soviet Union, which opposes Sadat's peace policy and regards both China and Israel as its arch-enemies.

An Israeli-Chinese rapprochement could well be used by Moscow as a pretext for intensifying its anti-Jewish policies both at home and abroad. It would be an historical irony, however, if this discouraged Israel from seeking Chinese friendship. A quarter of a century ago, Israel failed to respond to Chinese overtures because it did not want to antagonize the United States, particularly the then Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles.

## Notices

### CAMP RAMAH

The director of Camp Ramah in New England will be coming to the Warwick area on Sunday, Jan. 21, for a meeting with interested families. There will be a presentation of slides of the camp as well as interesting discussions. The meeting will take place at 10:30 a.m.

### EVENING OF DEDICATION

An "Evening of Dedication" will take place Sunday, Jan. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the main sanctuary of Temple Shalom, Middletown. Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer, spiritual leader of the temple, will conduct the evening workshop and deliver a presen-

tation on the significance of the Eternal Light in the synagogue. Following, Prof. Walter Feldman, chairman of the Art Department of Brown University and designer of Temple Shalom's new Eternal Light, will speak. The temple choir will be on hand to render musical selections.

Highlighting the evening will be the formal dedication of the new Ner Tamid in a creative ceremony, prepared by the Rabbi. Participants in the ceremony will be: Rabbi Jagolinzer, Prof. Feldman Mendell, temple president; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goldberg and Mr. Harold Werner, donators of the Eternal Light to the temple.

A collation will conclude the evening's festivities, sponsored by Izzie's Kosher Caterers of Warwick.

## Women As Rabbis Set For Vote At L.A. Parley

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Conservative groups have chosen not to let women be active participants.

During a heated debate at the rabbinical convention two years ago, Rabbi David M. Feldman of the Bay Ridge section of Brooklyn said, "It is not merely tradition, it is rational sex-role division. Some women have the 'devil theory' that men kept women from power, but it happened for psychological reasons. If only 50 percent of us can give birth and raise families, then the other 50 percent must do something else."

The study commission recently held hearings in six North American cities. In Minneapolis, Barbara Bundt echoed the sentiments of many Conservative women when she said: "My fourth child is a gifted person who loves synagogue and Talmud Torah school. This child burns with Torah. This child wants to be a rabbi. But she is only 9 years old and does not realize that women cannot be rabbis. She does not yet realize the moral inconsistencies in Judaism. How much longer must women of ambition and talent seek career satisfaction in the secular world?"

Some Conservative women have pursued their studies at Reform or Reconstructionist seminaries. Jan Kaufman, a 23-year-old from an ultra-Conservative background from Baltimore, is in her last year at Hebrew Union College. Every weekend, she travels from New York to Weldon, North Carolina to serve a small congregation on the Sabbath.

"I've wanted to be a rabbi since I was

13," says Miss Kaufman. "My role model was my rabbi, Leivy Smolar, a wonderful, marvelous teacher. By the time I was graduated from Goucher College at 18, Sally Priesand was already ordained. It never entered my mind I could not be a rabbi."

If the commission should not decide to accept women to the seminary, the Rabbinical Assembly could nevertheless vote to accept women as members if they were trained elsewhere. More than 10 percent of the male conservative rabbis were trained at Reform or Orthodox seminaries.

There is a third way a woman could become a Conservative rabbi — through personal ordination by another established Conservative rabbi. This tradition was common in Europe several centuries ago ("a practice whose demise was well observed," noted Rabbi Tucker of the seminary.)

That prospect has been raised in New York by Wolfe Kelman, the top executive of the Rabbinical Assembly, who has led the move to eliminate all masculine references for rabbis from the assembly's constitution.

Two years ago, Rabbi Kelman said he would personally ordain Lynn Gottlieb if she graduated from the seminary and asked him for ordination. Miss Gottlieb, who is studying in Israel this month, is said to still be intent on a career as a Conservative rabbi. When asked recently what he would do if Miss Gottlieb came to him for ordination, Rabbi Kelman said, "I would cash that check."



# Rhode Island Jewish Bowling Congress

By  
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## Bowling News

### Congress Scoreboard

After four months of bowling, the current Congress leaders are as follows: Leading the tenpin division in average is Len Varga of the Bud Trinkle league with a fantastic 203 followed closely by Bill McKiernan, 197, who also represents Bud Trinkle. Third average belongs to Beth El's resident pro, Harry Rose, who has a very fine 191. Jim Lyons of the Trinkle league is coming with 187.

The current high single leader is Harry Rose with 259, Steve Rodyn is next with 255 as is Lee Nulman, Mike Sugerman has 254 and Bernie Kelstein rounds out the top five with a 252.

High three is held down by Mr. Harry Rose with 679, Len Varga has 670, Bill McKiernan has 666, Steve Rodyn of Beth El has 643, and league mate Neal White has logged a 633.

The Duckpin leaders in average show Lee Nulman of RIJF with a 131, Izzy Yamader of the Beth Israel League has 129, Ed Goralnick of Emanu-El with 125, and league mates Ron Chorney and Geoff Green have 124.

High single is held down by Geoff Green with 177, Arnie Moses has a 172, Sy Port has 167, Izzy Yamader is at 164, and Al Exter and R. Parker are tied with 163.

The high three is headed by Izzy "The Caterer" with 444, Geoff Green has 429, Ron Chorney has 422, Abe Aron holds a 420 and Rob Preiss rounds out the fifth spot with a 417.

The Couples leagues are led in average by Harold and Eileen Rose of the Under 30's league with a 330, Bruce and Allyn Gordon of the Lovin' Couples have 328, Raylah and Lew Weinstein have 322 bowling for RIJBC and Howard and Harriet Wasser of Under 30's have a 321.

Top couple single now belongs to Mimi and Harry Coppel with 414, Harold and Eileen Rose are next with 409, Jim and Carolyn Hickey of L.C. with 401, Skip and Carolyn Lawson of U30's are at 399, Bill and Sherri Wolf of L.C. and Mel and Rita Goldstein of RIJBC both have 393.

High three now has the Coppels ahead with a 1147, the Roses have 1133, the Lawsons are next with 1098, Benny and Betty Diaz of U30s have 1071, Bruce and Allyn Gordon have 1048, and the Goldsteins have 1045.

### Temple Sinai

Temple Sinai tenpin league completed its first half and the winning team has great cause to celebrate. The Cubs came from behind to defeat the Yankees 4-0 and win the league crown by one game. Lew Weinstein led the assault with 185/528, Adrian Horovitz returning from vacation helped Lew by bowling 191/526, and Phil Levinson checked in with 186/502 to polish off the Yanks. The losing team was led by Dave Seidman who hit for 205/574, Bob Silverman had 189/496, and Harry "Rusty" Katzman hit for 183/479. The league average race is now a dog fight with Larry Field at 174, Mel Goldstein at 173, Harry Coppel 172, and Lew Weinstein at 171. The best series of the month goes to Harvey Hutt with a 617.

### Beth El

Beth El tenpin reporter Howie Bromberg says that the Islanders have an insurmountable lead and is a shoo-in for first place. The next six teams are fighting it out for second place. Highlights for the Dec. 17 week was a sparkling 254/640 series by Mike Sugarman. Other good scores were by Harry Rose who had 215/595, Perry Shatkin 201/566, Rich Fain 212/560, Alan Rappoport 202/556, Barry Levin 210/554, Elliot Slack 202/553, Steve Rodyn 212/549, Bruce Gordon 183/542 and Neal White 185/536. Other good games were rolled by Lloyd Rustigian at 228, Sy Brooks 215, Sam Feldman 203, and Elliot Goldstein hit for 204. A Special Skee Ball award to Barry Rotenberg for a 125 and the same to Buddy Trinkle for his 126. Consistency award this nite for a 215/112/151 to Sy Brooks. The Ranger team of Gordon, Bromberg,

Brooks and Ray Eichenbaum had a 736 during the month and the Red Wings of Lou Gorodetsky, Myer Jarcho, Lloyd Rustigian and Perry Shatkin hit for 2062.

### Emanuel

Emanu-El duckpin league has a race to the wire for Cancer and Taurus who are tied for first. Ron Chorney has his hands full to keep the average title as his 125 is being challenged by Ed Goralnick and Geoff Green who have 124 each. Rob Preiss and Al Exter are in the race with 121 each as the first half winds down. Holding up the rear but still in there trying is Jim Segal with 89, Pappy Platkin with 92 and Sam Wilk with 93. Taurus has the high series of 1797, Leo is next with 1781 and Libra has 1732. Leo has the top single with 637 and Gemini is second with 624.

### Knights of Pythias Ten Pin

As 1978 drew to a close, the Legionnaires have opened a gaping 5 1/2 game lead with just two weeks remaining in the first half to all but clinch team honors. Individually, John Plakias who just recently joined the league has a 179 average for a slim lead over Dave Cokin's 177, and Lee Nulman's 176. But the big noise in December occurred on December 20 when Dr. Joe Markowitz who sports a 159 average rolled an outrageous 613 set. This is an all time high for this three year old league. Several other noteworthy scores were recorded during the month, including John Plakias' 598, a 590 by Dave Cokin, a big 610 by Lee Nulman, a 581 by Art Daniels and a superb 598 by John Ragosta. John's average was only 150 entering December but the guy called "Harpo" averaged brilliant 182 for the month. The Beautiful Janie Fain finally topped the women as she set the pace with a 532 to cop honors here. Among lower average bowlers who had outstanding performances were sexy Bev Lazloff 393, Al "Not So Sexy" Meir 484, Greg Drew 508, Chuck Plakias 545 (138 average) and "cute" Celia Levy (111 average) who maintained a 130 for the month. This is a fun league.

### The Lovin' Couples

My thanks to reporter Ken Tolchinsky for finally giving me a report in basic English. His report shows some strong bowling for these lovers. The B&C team hit for 720/1943 during the month. This team is led by Billy and Sherri Wolf who had 197-148/550-445, and Moe and Lori Broomfield who had 200-175/480-468. The Alley Cats had a 1815 series featuring Bruce and Allyn Gordon's 595/400 and Chico and Sue Beardsley 507/313. Other good scores by the Lovers were turned in by Myra and Jason Blank with 340/911, Pauline and Butch Savaria hit for 330/950, Ethan and Wendy Adler had a 307 and Billy and Sherri Wolf had a 346/995. League average leaders are the Gordons with 328, Wolfs 319, Savarias 309, Broomfields 305.

### Rhode Island Jewish Fraternal

The last report from this petite duckpin league was based on the week of December 11. This nite was led by Lee Nulman with a 387, followed by Dick Miney's 352, Jack "Flash" Gordon's 336 and Art Smith's 330. Bill Solinger hit for 329 and Larry Nulman had a 319. Some good singles rolled were by Art Smith who had 142, Lee Nulman 138, Bill Solinger 135 and Dick Miney had a 131. Team wise, the Jacks beat the Marks three games as they took total pinfall by only three pins. The Bills and the Lees each won two games apiece as the Bills won the third game big to take total pinfall by nine pins. Team standings have the Jacks in front with 26-18, Bills 24-20, Marks 20-24, and Lees 18-26. Lee Nulman is still tops in average with 131, followed by Jack Gordon and Dick Miney at 110. Izzy Cohen had 100 and Norm Bazar had an 84 to help the Marks to a 435 team single.

### Under 30's Couples

Under 30's Couples show current team standings of Rice Krispies with 2135, Sugar Pops at 1974, Cheerios at 1960. On the

12/10 nite of bowling the league would like to congratulate Patti Berman for her second 500 series in a row. Patti bowled a 507 and took over high average for the girls. Gorgeous Janie Fain also had a 507 this night along with Toodie McNichols 188/493, Jeannine Drape 150/435, Joe Miller 221/510, Dave Wesalowski 191/488, Tina Fain 135/344, Dave Robinson 203/594, and Jean Pariseau had a 201/526. Couplewise, the tandem of Harold and Eileen Rose are running away from the pack with a 330 average, the Wassers are next with 321 and the Lawsons have 317. Can you imagine a couple raising their average 10 points in two bowling nights at this time of the year? Judy Slifka and Elliott Goldstein turned this trick. Congrats to Marsha and Joe Miller for never getting discouraged even though Marsha has a 77 average. Marsha keeps trying and improves each week. We all have to start somewhere.

### Bud Trinkle

Bud Trinkle tenpin league as reported by Jim Aiello shows Len Varga at 202, Bill McKiernan with 197, Jim Lyons 187, Roger "Dodge" Wilgus 183, Sal Cornicelli 181 and Howard Wasser at 179 the top six in average. High singles to date are Russ Carpenter 246, Ed O'Connor 246, McKiernan 237 and Len Varga with 236. Len also hit for 670, Billy M. has his 666, and Sal has a 634 in the high three category. Teamwise, the Bulls featuring Al Miller 178/500, Hal Halzel 187/512, Bob Friedman 177/501 and Bill McKiernan 226/666 took top honors on the 20th with a 768/2179. Max Kaufman 180/440, Al Shartzer 182/538, Sal Cornicelli 205/634, and Len Varga 194/572 paged the Jazz to a 761/2184 series. The mid-season banquet was held at the La Casa Restaurant on January 8. At last report, the pros of Trinkle are looking for equal time for a Miller Beer Commercial.

### Temple Beth Israel

Temple Beth Israel duckpin bowlers and reported by Mr. Don Peters tell me that with only two weeks left for the first half the Navy team is still in first place by a half game over Army. Sy Port led the January 2 nite of bowling with a 167 followed by Buzzy Labush with 153 and Frank Titus had a 144. Pacing the "B" group bowlers was Moe Bernstein with a 128, Henry Ross with 123 and Josh Rotenberg with 121. Izzy Yamader leads the league in average with a 126 and Bill Snell has a 122. The Brown team had a fine 470/1323. This team is made up of L. Blean 96/288, J. Rotenberg 92/320, S. Port 167/381 and C. Lefkowitz 115/334. In December, Harvard took honors with a 469/1329. S. Buckler 93/270, J. Sherman 129/352, F. Titus 141/354 and H. Goldman 106/353 comprise this noteworthy group. Nice bowling. Some other good scores during the month were recorded by B. Paige 140 and 136, Bill Snell 386/373/376, S. Tippe 158/357, 130/368, W. Parker 137/351 and Don Peters with 140.

### Bloom - Pockar

Bloom Pockar duckpin league reporter Duffy Giglio stated that December 20 was a slow nite of bowling and that the best scores this nite were by Jerry Bloom who is really blooming out to be a good bowler. He had a fine 154/380, while Al Hoffenberg had a 136/372 series. Justin Benharris also had a good nite with his 134/342 series. The Edsels remain in first place but only by two games as the Duesenbergs are coming fast. The Edsels were held to a tie by the Essexes. For the Edsels, Norm Cohen had a 128/336 and Paul Wilson had a 133/333. Jack Modiano pitched in with a couple of 102 strings. For the Essexes Abe Aron was best with his 115/335 nite. Jerry Broman had a 106 single. Andy Gilstein hit for 124/326 and Hy Grossberg came up with a 102 for Duesenbergs. The Cards were soundly beaten but Sherwin Zaidman had a 133/326, Harry Portney hit for 114, and Bill Nasberg shot a 107 even though they were overmatched this nite. Keep trying guys, you may get lucky yet. Bill Nasberg has been selected the most improved bowler for



EILEEN AND HAROLD ROSE who bowl for the Under 30's Couples League are in a class by themselves. This couple combined for a 654 for Harold and a 479 for Eileen for an incredible total of 1133. Harold also bowls for the Beth El tenpin division and is now third in the congress average sweepstakes. Eileen has developed into a fine bowler in her own right as just watching Harold has to add 20 points to her score. The sky is the limit for this fine couple. The Roses are this corner's choice for the first Couple of the Month award. A congress tip of the hat to a class couple.

December. Other good scores worth mentioning for the month were by average leader Neil Cohen who had a 151/384, Duffy G. hit for 134/350, Phil Greenberg had 131, Emis Miller 130, Paul Wilson a 128/359, Harold Hurlich also hit a 128, and Al Gladstone rolled a 346 series.

### RIJBC Couples

RIJBC Couples league featured some great bowling by old pros Harry and Mimi Coppel as this couple took over high single and high three for the league and the Congress with a record setting 414 and 1147. Individually, Mimi rolled a 222 as she beat Harry for "position." Harry hit for 192. For the night, Harry got even as he had a 592 while Mimi scored a 555. This is some kind of bowling. Sandy and Babe Gertz had a good night as they hit for 384/972. A big surprise was seeing Jerry and Gladys Kaplan going 373/989 featuring JK's 200/507. As the chemical business goes up Jerry's scores seem to follow suit. Good to see Deb Horovitz back as she and Adrian had a 382 single. Barb and Andy Port hit for 356 as Andy had a great 231. Muriel and Harold Rakatansky hit for a 967 series while Clara Lobello and Bill Montigny went 957. Clara just started bowling tenpin this year and is learning fast as she hit for 178/126/164. Mickey Finn found his "lost" bowling ball in time to go 169. Sharon hit for 149 in helping the Bears to a 674. Elaine Kessler's 117 and Ernie Chernick's 139 helped the Raccoons to a 670. Marie Barkley had a 180 to help the Wildcats to a 644. Other good scores were by Irv and Loraine Waldman who had 931, Harold and Shirley Shapiro had 887 while the average race in the league is still held by pert Raylah and Rialto Lew Weinstein with a 322. Kate and Tony Palombo and the Coppel's have 316 each. Phil and Andrea Levinson have 314, Rita and Mel Goldstein have a 312 and Elaine and Dave Seidman have a 306.

### Congress Notes

Thanks to Perry Shatkin for doing the necessary legal work to enable the Congress to finally get its charter. We are now a bona fide corporation.

Duckpin Tournament for individuals will be held at Sullivan's on North Main Street, January 21 at 9:30 a.m. Get in touch with chairman Dave Cokin for details. Dave Robinson, the Tenpin Tournament chairman, says that the Trinkle family sponsored team tournament will be held at Langs on February 18. Pre-registration is \$5.00 and is to begin at 9:30 a.m.

The next Congress business meeting will be held at Frederick's on February 4 at 9 a.m.



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A magazine for Jewish children

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## Make Your Own Family Tree

On page two is a tree called a "family tree". You make your own family tree by filling in the blanks. You will probably need to ask your parents and grandparents for help.

On each set of 3 lines, write down the name of the person in your family, his or her birthday, and the place where he or she was born.

On the first set, write your name. The next set of lines is for your parents. Under your father's set of lines is the section for his parents. Under your mother's set of lines is the section for her parents.

The next set is for information about your great-grandparents.

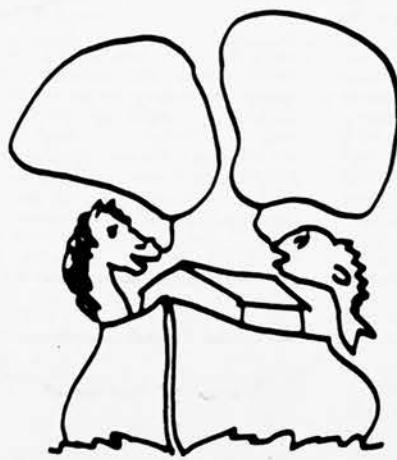
If you want, you could add the names of your brothers and sisters next to your set of lines.

After you fill in the blanks, color the picture. Then cut it out of the newspaper. Now paste it down on some cardboard or poster board and hang it in your room.

Save this family tree. One day, you will want to give this to YOUR children so they will know their family history!

## HAVE YOU HEARD ANY GOOD ANIMAL JOKES LATELY?

These characters on NOAH'S ARK could use a laugh! Send your jokes and riddles to share with the animals on NOAH'S ARK, as well as with this magazine's readers!

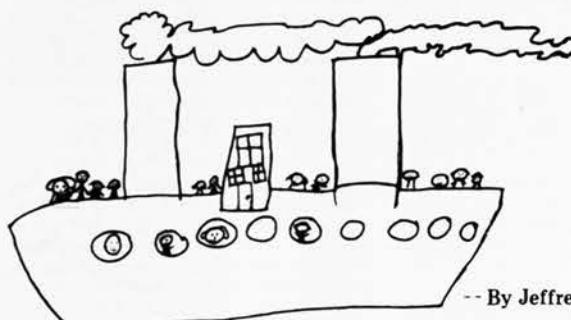


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## Jewish History - Or, How Did You Get From There To Here?



-- By Jeffrey Amsterdam,  
Age 7,  
Houston, Texas

Some of the readers of NOAH'S ARK live in Missouri. Others live in California, New York, Arizona, Florida and Texas. Some even live in Hawaii. Wherever you live, did you ever wonder how your family chose that city? And where were your parents born? Where did your grandparents live? Where were your great-grandparents born? And what were their lives like back then?

When we learn the history of the Jewish people, we usually learn about our an-

cestors Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and the stories from the Bible. But we have a newer history too. We have the history of our grandparents and great-grandparents.

Your relatives probably came to America about eighty years ago from Russia, Poland, Hungary, Germany or other countries in the part of the world which is called Eastern Europe. Although most American Jews came from Eastern Europe, many also came from Spain and Arab countries. In fact, Jews

have been living in America since 1492. However, most of our ancestors came here during the end of the 1800's and the early 1900's.

Ask your parents or grandparents about your own family's Jewish history. Then, turn to page 2 and complete your own "Family Tree" poster.

In the next issue of NOAH'S ARK, you will read about the language our ancestors spoke in Eastern Europe and more about their life there.

Speaking of families, how long did Cain hate his brother? AS LONG AS HE WAS ABEL!

Submitted by  
Cynthia Leigh Galler  
Age 7  
St. Louis, Missouri

## Letter of the Month

(Pronounced Sa-mech)



My grandfather came to America all by himself. He couldn't even speak English. When he got off the boat, a man asked him, "What is your name?"

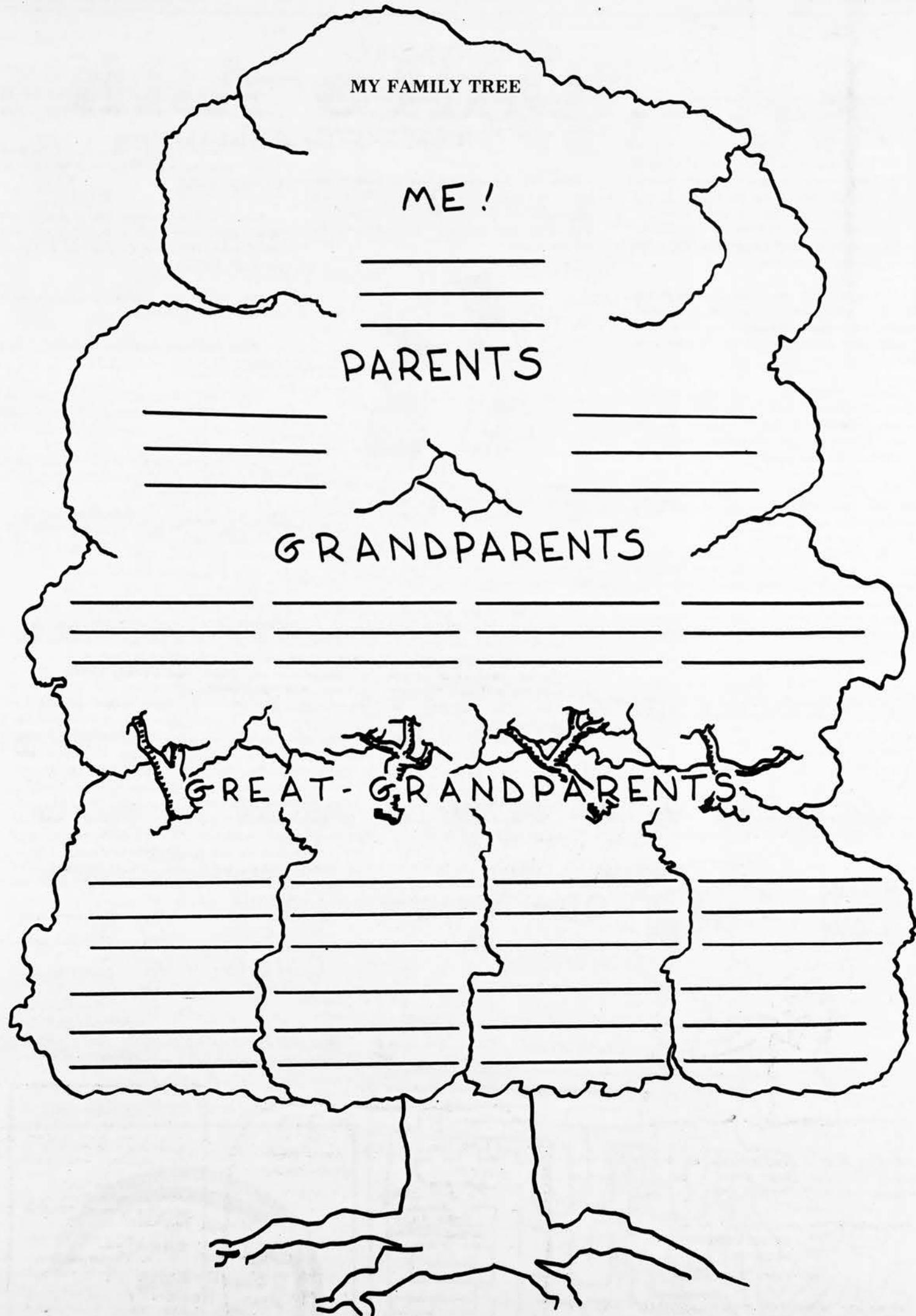
My grandfather didn't understand a word the man said, so he just repeated, "What is your name?"

The man answered, "Levine."

My grandfather still didn't understand, so he repeated, "Levine."

And that's how my grandfather Shmuel Choskelevitch became Sam Levine. At least, that's what he told me.

— submitted by Barbi Levine,  
Center Port, New York



## HIRSHEL'S STORY

Hirshel didn't think he could stand another day on that boat! Each day was worse than the day before.

For one thing, the boat had too many people on it. They were all going from Russia to New York, just like Hirshel and his parents. It was 1907 and most of the Jews in Russia wanted to go to America and live in freedom. They wanted to get away from Russia's cruel ruler, who made unfair laws against the Jews.

At first, Hirshel was happy to leave Russia but after a few days on the boat, he stopped smiling. He stopped thinking about New York. Hirshel only thought about the terrible boat trip.

Hirshel thought he would never see land again. He wished Uncle Moshe never sent the money for the boat ticket. "There is no New York," Hirshel thought. "America is just a place in Uncle Moshe's imagination."

Just when Hirshel had given up, he looked out into the ocean. Could that be land? Yes! Land ahead!

"We are almost in New York!" Hirshel shouted to the other passengers. Everyone shouted "hooray" and hugged each other.

Late in the day, the boat came into the harbor. Everyone got off the boat and went into a building.

A man asked each adult many questions. He asked where they were born and what kind of work they could do. Then a doctor checked them to be sure they weren't bringing any diseases from Russia to America.

Finally Hirshel and his parents went into the visitor's area. They looked for Uncle Moshe. Where was he? Why wasn't he there to meet the boat?

They left the building. The air outside was hot, even though it was January. Hirshel was surprised to see the bright sun in the wintertime. Momma had said that New York would be cold, just like Russia.



Poppa saw a police officer. "Excuse me, sir. Where is Hester Street?" That was the name of Uncle Moshe's street.

"Hester Street?" repeated the police officer. "I never heard of it. We do not have a Hester Street in Galveston."

"Galveston? What is Galveston?" asked Poppa.

"Galveston is the name of this city," smiled the police officer. "You are in Galveston, Texas! Welcome to America."

Hirshel and his parents rushed back into the building.

"We are in Galveston," Poppa said to the person in charge. "But we wanted to go to New York."

"Too many people were coming to New York," said the man. "This boat was sent to Galveston instead."

Hirshel and his parents were confused and afraid. They were alone in a strange city in a new country. Poppa was the only one who could speak any English.

Then Hirshel had an idea. "Poppa, ask him if any Jews live in Galveston."

"Does Galveston have a synagogue?" asked Poppa.

There were Jews in Galveston! In fact, there was a special group who helped Jews from Russia settle in America.

"See that man over there?" the official asked. "His name is Rabbi Henry Cohen. Go talk to him. He will help you."

The family went over to Rabbi Cohen. They explained their problem.

"Don't worry. We will help you find a place to live and a job. We will even help you learn English," Rabbi Cohen said. He turned to Hirshel. "As for you, young man, you will go to school and learn all about life in America."

"I already learned one thing about America," said Hirshel. "Galveston is not New York. But Jews can be free here, so it's America to me."

-- By Debbie Dubin  
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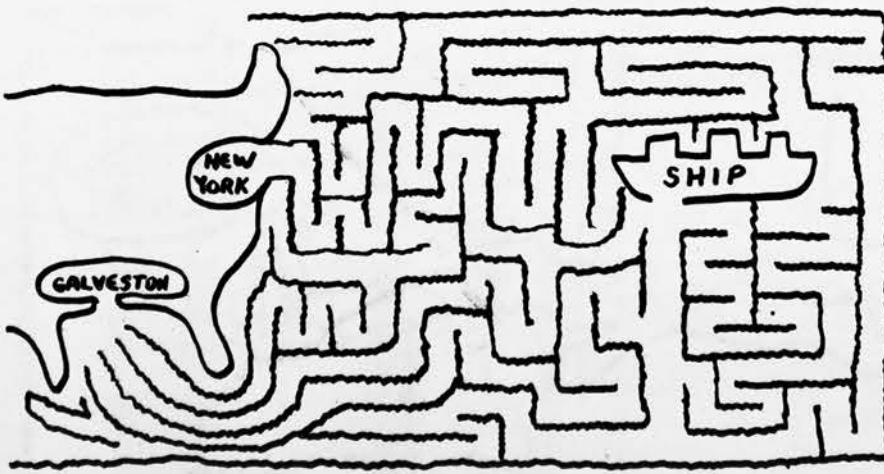
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**JUMBLE**

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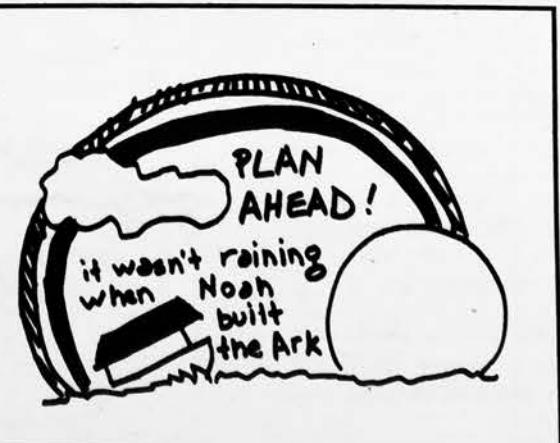
**Lead Hirshel's Ship To New York**



ANSWER TO REBUS: GAME - G + CRIB - CB + CANE - NE = AMERICA

Now take the three letters in the circles. Unscramble them to find the answer to the puzzle.

OOO  
A relative who traveled on Noah's Ark.



**Book Review**

**THE LEKACHMACHER FAMILY** by Carol Richman. Madrona Publishers, 1976. \$7.95.



This picture book is a perfect introduction to Jewish "roots". It tells the story of the Lekachmacher family, a Jewish family who leaves Russia to make a new home in America. It explains why they left and what happened when they arrived here.

For some reason, this book is hard to find in many cities. A book store can order it though. Ms. Richman tells the story so clearly, that it is worth making the effort to find the book.

**Upon becoming a Bat Mitzvah**

I do not always hear God for He is quiet.

I believe in the Lord's presence though He be silent...

God is gracious, compassionate, endlessly patient,

The Lord is overflowing with love...

Miracle of Miracles! I am a Bat Mitzvah!

What can I say in your presence, O Lord?

You are the source of being... wonderous and mysterious!

— by Kimbo Handler,  
12 years old today  
Houston, Texas

**They Can't Vote But They Have Opinions**

Usually adults make the decisions in governments. In Israel, two boys want to change that and want children to have an opportunity to make decisions too. Ten year old Gidi Markovitz and eight year old Ron Kreitler, both from Tel Aviv, want adults to listen to children on such subjects as education, peace, and other matters.

Gidi wants children even to be able to be elected to office. His group is called the Children's Party. Ron does not want to get involved in politics, but his organization does want a say in what happens to and for children. His group is called the Association for the Protection of Children's Rights. He is working on a bill of rights for children. His point of view is that adults should not be able to demand that children run errands or do what grownups tell them unless the children agree.

Answers to A-Crossword  
Puzzle

1. mouth.  
2. for this issue's theme-of-the-month.  
3. Read the middle word down  
4. Tree  
5. Spain  
6. Parents  
7. Boat  
8. Family  
9. Home

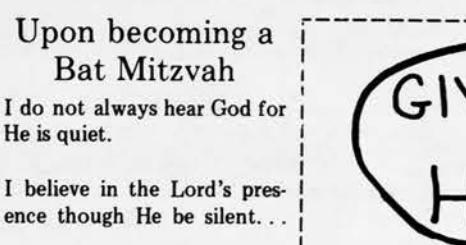
**A MITZVAH IS SOMETHING SPECIAL** by Phyllis Rose Eisenberg. Illustrated by Susan Jeschke. Harper and Row Publishers, 1978. \$6.95. Ages 5-9.

**A Mitzvah Is Something Special**  
By Phyllis Rose Eisenberg



This book is about Lisa's two grandmothers. Grandma Esther likes to bake strudel and talk about the old days. Lisa's grandmother Dorrie is a modern woman who wears fancy clothes and plays a flute. The grandmothers are different in many ways, but they both love Lisa.

The book is written well, tells an unusual story, and has interesting pictures.

**DEAR WISE OWL:**

Here's a nice easy question for you: why do I have to learn Hebrew? I live in America and we speak English here. I would rather play outside with my friends than go to Hebrew School.

— AMERICAN

**DEAR AMERICAN:**

So, you think that's an easy question! The truth is, probably everyone you ask will have a different answer. WISE OWL has a point of view, but first, let's find out what other people think.

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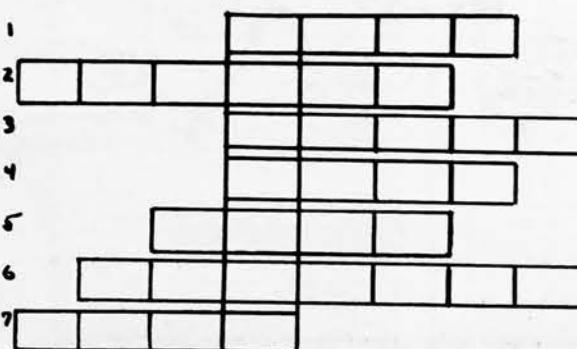
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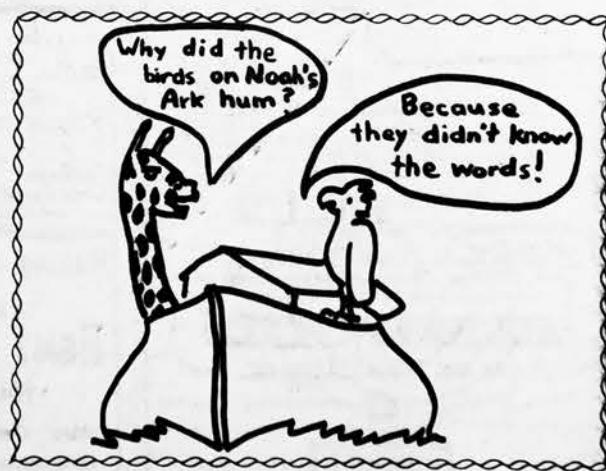
- Your house is your \_\_\_\_\_
- Your relatives are in your \_\_\_\_\_
- The Spanish Jews came from \_\_\_\_\_
- It has roots, branches and leaves: \_\_\_\_\_
- Another word for ship is \_\_\_\_\_
- Your mother and father are your \_\_\_\_\_
- A big town is called a \_\_\_\_\_

**Grootmoe**

Grootmoe is my great grandma. Grootmoe means "grandma" in Dutch. You pronounce Grootmoe like this: chro-moo.

Grootmoe is 86 years old. She was born in Holland and she came to New York on a big ship. Once she taught me a song in Dutch.

— By Nadine Amsterdam  
Age 8,  
Houston, Texas



# 'Peace Process' Is Splitting Israeli Politics

**JERUSALEM (JTA):** The "peace process" with Egypt has caused broad and painful splits within the fabric of Israeli politics. Not only have parties and groupings clashed and been shiven asunder, but long-standing personal friendships and alliances have also cracked under the weight of political and ideological disputes.

It was the "peace process," and a distrust of the government's pursuance of it, that drove part of the Democratic Movement for Change (DMC) to establish a separate parliamentary faction, Shai. The result of the Camp David summit prompted Industry, Commerce and Tourism Minister Yigael Horowitz to resign and to urge upon his political group, the La'am component in the Likud to openly challenge the government's policy.

The Cabinet's readiness to impose various restrictions on the continuation of Jewish settlement on the West Bank has led to a deep rift between the Gush Emunim and their erstwhile spiritual and political sponsors, Premier Menachem Begin and Education Minister Zevulun Hammer of the National Religious Party.

The December deadlock in the peace negotiations finally convinced Defense Minister Ezer Weizman that Israel had a cumulative responsibility for the breakdown of the talks, an allegation that sharpened the differences between himself and Begin. Against the background of the cruel alternatives that Israel faces, the Labor Party, too, is in a state of dangerous divisiveness.

One section of the party strives for a more "hawkish" line towards the peace negotiations, while the "doves" advocate a clear image of moderation for the party. These differences in Labor are exacerbated by personal rivalries. Former Premier

Yitzhak Rabin on the one hand, and former Foreign Minister Yigal Allon on the other, do not seem to acquiesce in the leadership of Shimon Peres, the former Defense Minister who is chairman of the party.

#### Change In Personal Relations

But perhaps the most moving change in personal relations that has been wrought by the peace process is that in the relationship between Begin and his veteran follower Minister-Without-Portfolio Haim Landau.

Landau was brought into the Cabinet by Begin in recognition of faithful service and friendship in the Irgun underground and later during their long exile in the Israeli political wilderness. When he became a member of the Likud government, Landau was a politician-in-retirement. He had quit his post in the Herut hierarchy before the elections and had voluntarily removed his candidacy from the Likud list to the 1977 Knesset.

But Landau, who is 62 years old, underwent a political resurrection after the Likud triumph at the polls. Begin invited him to join his Cabinet and he was looked upon as a man likely to become one of the most influential policymakers in the new regime. Landau was in fact, the only veteran of the "fighting family" (the term used to describe the Herut-Irgun "old guard") who joined Begin's Cabinet.

The other Herut representatives were relative newcomers who never shared the underground experience with Begin. But with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's visit and the beginning of the peace process, the expectations that Landau would play a major role in crystallizing government policy were not fulfilled.

#### Vociferous Opponent

Begin brought to bear on his previous ideological principles a hard, pragmatic reconsideration, while Landau stuck to the

old ideology with rigid faithfulness. Consequently, instead of taking part in shaping Begin's approach to the negotiations, Landau became the most vociferous opponent of Begin's policy within the Cabinet. Remarkably, though, Landau's struggle for a different policy has

won the respect of his Cabinet colleagues, even though most of them disagree with him.

The repeated instances when Landau has critics Begin's suggestions during Cabinet debates have enhanced the prestige and standing of the veteran politician who only two years ago was mocked by a popular TV comedian as "past it."

## Tax Revisions

(Continued from page 1)  
schools through what IRS officials conceded was overbroad language.

Kurtz told the nonpublic school representatives that the object of the proposed revisions was to deny tax exemption to schools which declared their admission policies were racially non-discriminatory when they were discriminatory. He said the mechanical approach of a percentage relation to local minorities had been chosen for that purpose but he acknowledged such an approach could have impact on such schools as Jewish religious schools where the approach was essentially inappropriate.

Under the initial version of the 1978 proposed changes, it was to be axiomatic that if a school failed the 20 percent proportion test, it would be required to take such steps as to advertise for minority children and otherwise recruit such children as well as take other "affirmative actions."

Asking the school representatives for proposals to improve the revised proposals, Kurtz said that while the IRS intended to retain a statistical yardstick, it would not necessarily be 20 percent and that IRS auditors would be instructed to consider other factors, such as the lack of Black or Oriental Jews in the Jewish religious school area where integration had or was taking place.

Rapps said he expected that the ultimate final form of the revisions, with the safeguards Kurtz had mentioned, would protect the non-Orthodox as well as Orthodox Jewish religious schools.

**APPOINTED:** Marshall Glasshoffer has been appointed district sales manager for the six New England states.

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# Israeli Cabinet OKs Ministerial Changes

JERUSALEM (JTA): The Cabinet this week approved several long expected ministerial changes. Construction and Housing Minister Gideon Patt was ap-

pointed Minister of Industry, Commerce and Tourism, a portfolio vacant for three months since the former minister, Yigael Hurwitz, resigned in protest against the

Camp David agreements.

Absorption Minister David Levy was appointed Minister of Construction and Housing, replacing Patt. Levy will continue to serve as Minister of Absorption until the fate of his ministry is decided. The government intends to abolish that ministry in line with the recommendations of the Horev Committee two years ago.

An authority for immigration and absorption to be run jointly by the Jewish Agency and the government is slated to replace the ministry. Levy, as Minister of Construction and Housing, will probably chair the new authority. However, no decision to that effect has been made yet.

Yitzhak Modai, Minister of Infrastructure and Energy, was also appointed Minister of Communications, replacing Meir Amit who resigned last September when the Democratic Movement for Change (DMC) split and the newly formed Shai party quit the coalition.

Amit's other ministry, the Ministry of Transportation, which was traditionally in the hands of the Minister of Com-

munications, was handed to Begin's old friend and Herut associate, Haim Landau who has been serving as Minister-Without-Portfolio. In recent months, Landau handled several pressing transportation matters including the conflict between the rival bus cooperatives Dan and Egged, and the security problems involving Jerusalem buses.

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## In Brief:

### Press Notes

Buenos Aires (JTA): President Jorge Videla's press secretary Col. Mario Diaz sent congratulations to Marcos Kreichmar director of the Yiddish daily *Di Presse*, on its 62nd anniversary.

### Thailand Connection

JERUSALEM (JTA): Mordechai Lador, 55, was appointed this week the new Ambassador to Thailand. He previously served in Nepal, Sierra Leone and the U.S. He was a member of Israel's delegation to the United Nations.

### Music To Their Ears

JERUSALEM (JTA): The Israel Educational Prize was awarded recently to American Mizrahi Women's Kfar Batya Children's Village in Raanana, near Tel Aviv for an interethnic music project, called an "experiment in harmony." President Yitzhak Navon, at a ceremony in his home, presented the Ministry of Education and Culture's citation of appreciation to Mordechai Sobol, 27, Kfar Batya's music instructor who originated the prize-winning program.

### Aleichem The Zionist

TEL AVIV (JTA): "Why do Jews Need a Land?" (Oif voss darfen Yidden a land) is the name of a book containing articles by Sholem Aleichem (1859-1916) concerning Zionism, "Lovers of Zion" (Hibat Zion) and Eretz Israel. A reception held in honor of the publication of the 408-page book attracted hundreds of Yiddish writers, Zionist leaders headed by Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executive chairman Leon Dulzin, and many Sholem Aleichem readers.

The book, edited and prepared by Abraham Liss, the director of Sholem Aleichem House here, contains, in addition to the articles on Eretz Israel and Zionism, his letters on these subjects that were recently found. Dulzin said that had this book been issued in the

beginning of the century, it is very possible that many Jews would have escaped the Holocaust.

Critic Getzl Kresel said that Sholem Aleichem actually saved Yiddish literature from an anti-Zionist attitude. Even Isaac Leib Peretz (1852-1915) and Mendele Moher Sforim (1836-1917) were in those early stages of the Zionist movement not very fond of the spirit of Zionism. The book was published in honor of 30 years of the State of Israel. Sholem Aleichem's granddaughter, Tamar Kahana, thanked the audience and the publishers on behalf of the family.

### Likud Scandal Halted

JERUSALEM (JTA): Likud cabinet members Shmuel Rechman said he would resign from the Knesset if the Supreme Court rejected his appeal against his conviction last week for accepting a bribe from a building contractor while serving as Mayor of Rehoboth eight years ago. He was sentenced to 3 1/2 years in prison. His announcement that he would leave voluntarily reduced the possibility of an embarrassing legal and political scandal for Likud.

### 'Sabra' Originator Dies

TEL AVIV (JTA): Funeral services will be held tomorrow for Uri Kaisari, a veteran journalist and editor who died this past week at the age of 80. Kaisari is credited with having first applied the name "sabra" to Israel-born youths. He himself was a sabra, born in Jaffa. He went to Paris in the 1920s as correspondent for Haaretz and later for Davar.

On his return to Palestine, Kaisari became managing editor of *Doar Hayom* in Jerusalem and continued to publish articles in several local newspapers. In 1937 he launched a social-political weekly which he called "Nine in the Evening." After Israel was established in 1948, he sold it to Uri Avneri who changed the name to *Haolam Hazeh*. Kaisari last served on the staff of *Maariv*. He had been ill in recent years.

## Iraq Asks France To Aid In Nuclear Energy Plants

PARIS (JTA): Iraqi Vice President Taha Mohieddin Maruf reportedly asked President Valery Giscard d'E斯塔ing to supply Iraq with an undisclosed number of nuclear reactors to be used for experimental research and for energy production. Iraq has already ordered an experimental reactor in France in exchange for oil and would now like to obtain several more plants with a larger capacity.

Iraq, which has already ordered in France 36 Mirage F-1 fighter bombers, has also shown interest in France's new combat plane, the Mirage-2000, described as the West European equivalent to America's F-15 and which is due for production in 1982.

Iraq, which has in the past relied on Soviet military equipment, is reportedly trying to diversify its arms suppliers. Maruf told the French that Iraq is now interested in French-made helicopters, combat planes, missiles and tanks.

French sources say that no definite decision has yet been taken on any of these subjects, which will be studied by French and Iraqi experts in a few months. The issue will also be discussed during the forthcoming visit to France by Iraqi strongman and Vice President of the Revolutionary Council, Saddam Hussein, who is due in Paris next summer.

## The Jews Of Iran

# Iran's Jews Find Chaos, Turmoil As Normal

Iran's Jews are sitting tight and relatively few are moving out of that traumatically-shaken country, even though they seem well aware that the Jewish community's 2,500-year existence in Iran is now seriously imperiled.

What is clear in Iran's turmoil and near chaos, is that Moslem fundamentalist forces and ideas, which are strongly xenophobic, anti-Israel and anti-United States, will be playing a far greater role in shaping Iran's policies in the immediate future, whatever the nature of the new Iranian government headed by Premier Shahpour Bakhtiar or any other which may replace it.

Only about a thousand Jews are known to have left Iran to migrate to other lands in recent months. A much wider phenomenon is the fence-sitting attitude of some 15,000 Iranian Jews who went out as tourists and visitors, mainly to Europe and Israel during recent troubled weeks, to wait and see what could develop.

By far, the great majority of Iran's 80,000 Jews, however, seek to go about their daily business, even while keeping a very low profile, apparently fearful that the anti-Shah hostility be turned against them and other non-Moslem minorities. In keeping with this, there has been some internal movement, from the smaller and more remote Jewish communities, where approximately 6,000 Jews had been living, into the larger centers where they feel less isolated.

Jewish cultural and welfare institutions, such as the Alliance Israélite Universelle, the ORT, the Joint Distribution Committee and Ozar Hatorah have stood firm, trying to operate when possible and at the very least to maintain presence, as they wait for the situation to clarify.

While several recent Jewish deaths have been reported, along with the burning of a hotel and of some houses belonging to Jews, attacks twice against the El Al office in Teheran, and the invasion of the offices of one Jewish welfare institution, this all seems to have been part of much larger, anti-regime demonstrations and incidental

to them rather than directed against Jews per se.

What have abounded though, are anti-Jewish threats and anti-Israel expressions. Several Jews have received letters warning death, as did foreigners. A group known as the Moslem Youth League demonstrates to the rhythm of anti-Jewish chants and slogans. Religious leaders, such as the Ayatollah Shariat-Maderi of Qum, have warned that Jews had better not become the defenders of "Zionist aggression."

Increasingly, the distinction between Israel and native Jews has become blurred in the popular mind as extremist groups use "Zionist" as a synonym for "Jew." For example, one pamphlet sent to Iranian Jewish homes threatens: "Filthy Zionist, you sucked the blood of this poor nation. Soon, together with all your brothers, we will make ground meat out of you." The pamphlet was emblazoned with swastikas and signed, "The Nazis of Iran." In response to the resurgence of such anti-Semitic threats, the government has found it necessary to guard synagogues with troops.

The key figure sparking the revolt against the Shah, the religious leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, has lashed out in his writings against Zionism as seeking, together with imperialism, to "pervert and mutilate Iran." He has charged Jews with "making a mockery of the Koran" as the "Jews and their foreign masters are plotting against Iran and are preparing the way for Jews to rule over the entire planet..." And more than one placard carried through the streets in marches has read, "The Shah is a Jew."

Yasir Arafat, the head of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, announced in Beirut on Jan. 7, that the PLO had formed an alliance with Ayatollah Khomeini and this confirmed earlier reports that Arafat had sent an envoy to Khomeini in France offering all the assistance "within the PLO's capacity" to help depose the Shah. The

Ayatollah expressed appreciation of the PLO offer and in turn, assured the Palestinians of his support. In an interview with Paris' Le Monde on May 6, 1978, Khomeini had already cited the Shah's policy of support for Israel as one of the reasons for his opposition to the regime. "By maintaining diplomatic relations with Israel and granting economic aid to that country, the Shah is going against the interests of Islam and the Moslems," the Ayatollah said, "because Israel has usurped a Moslem's people's land..." He went on to strongly urge "Moslems throughout the world to unite and fight their enemies, including Israel."

The statement by Premier Bakhtiar that he thought his government would cut off the Iranian oil supply to Israel is seen as a clear signal portending shifts away from what had been effective though quiet Iranian relations with Israel in economic and other fields. Israel has been getting about 60 percent of its oil from Iran, and its annual exports have reached \$200 million.

Iranian Jews are quite mindful that theirs is virtually the only Jewish community of any size to still be found in any Moslem land, apart from the 20,000 or so living in tranquility in Morocco and the somewhat larger number in Turkey. The last three decades have seen nearly one million Jews forced to quit Middle East Moslem lands, either because of active persecution as in Iraq, or because of psychological and economic pressures upon them.

Up to now, the situation of Iranian Jews has been a shining exception. These same three decades had seen Iranian Jews substantially improve their condition as they moved out of truly horrible ghetto quarters, sharing in Iran's economic progress and "white revolution," and gaining both general and Jewish education. Jewish religious and cultural life has gone on unimpeded. While some 62,000 of Iran's Jews emigrated to Israel, outward movement fell to a trickle as life bettered

significantly in recent years.

Israel's unofficial but effective presence in the country, including regular service by its airline, and knowledge that there was full freedom of movement all contributed to the Iranian Jews' sense of well being in Iran.

The dramatic events of the past few months have shattered this. The thrust of Moslem fundamentalism is certain to cut Jews and other non-Moslem minorities out of the mainstream of Iranian society and deprive them of opportunities, which in recent years had increasingly become open to them. Moreover, Iranian Jews are fearful that the flames of Islamic fanaticism may again threaten their very existence as Jews, recalling the fate of the Jewish community in Meshed, in northeastern Iran, all of whom were forcibly converted to Islam in 1839 after an enraged mob had poured into the Jewish quarter, burned the synagogue and destroyed the Torah scrolls.

While many Iranian Jews are now seriously considering leaving the country that has been their home for some 2,500 years, departure today is made difficult by the new restrictions on the transfer of money out of the country and the fact that for most Iranian Jews, their assets are tied up in their homes and businesses. Moslem neighbors now taunt them that they will soon be forced to sell their property for a song, or abandon it altogether.

Yet Iran's Jews hold on, wondering whether the new government, despite all, may still bring a measure of greater calm to the country and some semblance of the harmony that they knew until but a few months ago.

### FRENCH JEWS HONORED

PARIS (JTA): Two French Jews were decorated with the Legion of Honors this past week, France's most coveted public award for their work on behalf of Jewish organizations. The two are Salomon Friederich, director of the Alliance France-Israel, and Gerard Israel, secretary of the Alliance Israélite Universelle.

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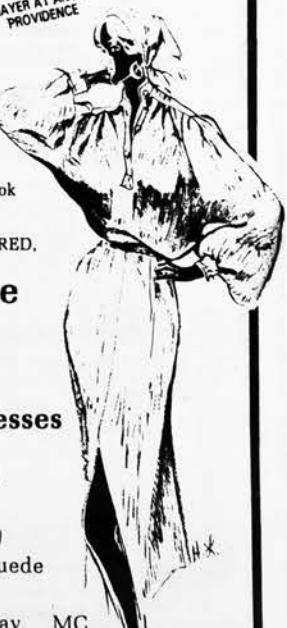
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# Austerity Program Is Sought By Israelis To Curb Soaring Inflation

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Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich promptly denied that there was any move to increase taxes. He insisted there were no new economic plans at this time and that he has not even studied working papers for any. The *Yediot* correspondent said the

plan is still in its initial stages and probably would undergo a number of changes before it is approved. Some observers suggested that it was deliberately leaked in outline to test public reaction.

The program calls for cuts in the State budget, reduced subsidies for various economic enterprises, the sale of public lands, a freeze on public construction and on the number of government employees and linkage of government-financed mortgages to the cost-of-living index. The most controversial item is the proposed levy on income tax.

The Treasury explained, according to the

*Yediot Achronot* report, that the plan is not to increase taxes as such, but to impose a five percent levy on existing tax rates. A tax bill of 1,000 pounds would for example, carry an additional payment of 50 pounds.

#### Socio-Economic Plan Sought

The Likud Knesset faction urged the government to prepare a comprehensive socio-economic plan for the next two years. Cabinet member Haim Kofman who introduced a resolution to that effect, said it was intolerable that the faction be kept in the dark as to what the government was doing in the social and economic yields.

The Likud Cabinet members also decided to submit an agenda motion to take legal action against yordim (Israelis who emigrate) who rent apartments they purchased with government subsidies at an excessive price to the new tenants. Dov Shilansky, who raised the issue, said many yordim bought apartments with government supported loans before they left the country and are now reaping large profits. He proposed legal action to deprive them of the property.

Meanwhile, Leon Dulzin, chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executives, called on the government this week to freeze all public construction, except defense construction, and freeze luxury apartment construction so that construction efforts could focus almost entirely on the needs of olim and poorly-housed Israelis. Dulzin told a meeting of the WZO Executive that he would make his proposal formally at a meeting later this week with Premier Menachem Begin.

Rafael Kotlowitz, chairman of the WZO Aliya Department, warned that any and all aliyah plans would be doomed to failure unless the housing bottleneck for olim is broken.



**CHAIRMAN NAMED:** *Outlet Board* Chairman Joseph S. Sinclair has been appointed recently to serve as chairman of the 27th Annual Brotherhood Awards Banquet for the National Conference of Christians and Jews (NCCJ), by Arthur J. DeBlois, Jr., chairman of the Board of Directors of NCCJ. The banquet is scheduled for Thursday, April 26.

Mr. Sinclair, who is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, and a former chairman of the board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy and who is presently a member of the Newport Naval War College Foundation, has been a member of various community organizations.

A series of meetings will be announced for the committee assisting Mr. Sinclair in the organization of the annual fund-raising drive, which culminates with the banquet.

## Knesset Seeks Bureaucracy Cure

JERUSALEM (JTA): Coalition and opposition cabinet members found common ground in the Knesset in blistering attacks on the government bureaucracy. The subject was debated on separate motions introduced by Amnon Rubinstein of the Shai faction and Likud member Yosef Rom. Rubinstein observed that since 1948 the bureaucracy has grown four times as fast as the population and the result has been a steady deterioration of public services.

Menachem Savidor of Likud contended that overstaffed government agencies were more harmful than the manpower shortage. Every superfluous civil servant "puts spokes in the wheels of government" in order to justify his job, Savidor said. Another Likud member, Meir Cohen, urged the consolidation of fiscal agencies which now deal separately with such matters as the value added tax, income tax and national insurance. He also suggested that government officials refrain from making telephone calls in order to keep their lines open for incoming calls.

Former Transport Minister Meir Amit of Shai said the only cure for an inflated bureaucracy was to give the officials

responsible for hiring people the authority to fire them, or promote them. There should be fewer public servants but better ones and they should work harder, Amit said. Deputy Finance Minister Yehezkel Flomin rose to the defense of the bureaucracy, though without much conviction. He protested against the "wholesale denigration of civil servants."

#### BACK TO THE KIBBUTZ

JERUSALEM (JTA): Labor Knesseter and former Minister of Education Aharon Yadlin has resigned his Knesset seat after 14 years in the House. He told reporters he would be returning to Kibbutz Hatzirim in the Negev. His place will be taken by another kibbutznik, Zev Katz of Kibbutz Gesher.

Yadlin served in the early 1970s as Secretary General of the Labor Party and was considered a protege of Golda Meir. He survived unscathed the embarrassing conviction and imprisonment of his cousin, Asher Yadlin, on bribery charges.

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# U.S. Jews Concerned By Threat Of Nazi Groups

**NEW YORK:** American Jews worried about a resurgence of Nazi groups last year than any other issue relating to domestic Jewish security. The intense Jewish reaction to a series of Nazi activities in Skokie and elsewhere, came at a time when anti-Semitism and anti-Jewish discrimination in this country are at their lowest in more than three decades.

These were among the findings of two analyses on "Individual Freedom and Jewish Security" one from a national perspective and one from a local perspective made public this week by the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council (NJCRAC). While they also discuss the pros and cons of such issues as a national constitutional convention, government surveillance of private citizens, reporter "shield" laws, and pre-screening controversial television programs, the major portion of both papers deals with the Nazis.

According to Albert D. Chernin, executive vice chairman of the NJCRAC, the analyses confirm past assessments that instances of anti-Semitic prejudice will continue to surface every year and that while Jews must remain constantly alert to the threat of anti-Semitism, even more important is to remain vigilant against threats to democratic institutions. "What complicates the issue of American Nazis," says Chernin "is the traditional Jewish dedication to freedom of speech and the First Amendment itself, which are so vital to the interests of the Jewish community."

The reports, prepared for the NJCRAC by Samuel Rabinovitz, legal director of the American Jewish Committee, and Norman A. Stack, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of St. Louis, Mo., will be used as background papers at a session of the 1979 NJCRAC Plenary meeting scheduled to be held at a 4-day meeting starting Jan. 21 at the Netherland Hilton Hotel in Cincinnati. Members of the 35-year-old organization, which coordinates the activities of 11 national and 102 local Jewish community relations agencies, develop policies and programs for a broad range of Jewish concerns.

Rabinovitz notes that while Jews remain acutely sensitive to reminders of the Holocaust, the general public seems genuinely puzzled by the depth of anguish American Nazi groups induce in Jews today. But it is clearly fallacious, he says, to see this lack of understanding as a sign of increasing Nazi sympathy.

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## Cost Of Living Deal Sought

JERUSALEM (JTA): Histadrut and the Manufacturers Association have reached agreement on the payment of up to 600 pounds in January salaries as partial compensation to wage-earners for the recent sharp rise in the cost-of-living index.

Senior Histadrut official Rehaviah Ofek, who negotiated with the Manufacturers Association, announced the deal on the Army Radio tonight. He made it clear that he and the Manufacturers Association which represents all employers in the private sector, expect the government to endorse the agreement and apply it to the civil service and government-owned industry too.

The 600 pound payment will comprise 10 percent of salary up to a ceiling of 6,000 pounds. Ofek explained that this was a partial, temporary measure to ease the effects of the galloping inflation until the full cost of living increment becomes due for payment in April. Histadrut had demanded that the

payment be advanced to January following November price increase statistics and December projections which put inflation for the calendar year 1978 at over 51 percent.

The initial reaction from the government and the employers was negative. But in the course of negotiations, said Ofek, a general consensus emerged that low wage earners ought to be compensated and a low ceiling (6,000) pounds was arrived at.

Meanwhile, the Merchants Association announced today that it would advance the annual winter sales in the shops by one month, beginning them Sunday instead of Feb. 5 as originally scheduled. An association spokesman referred to a slow turnover in recent weeks. But observers noted that the move followed the Histadrut Consumer Association's threat to declare a "buyers' boycott" of clothing and shoe stores because of high prices. The annual sales usually mean reductions of 20 percent or more.

## Immigration Measures Eased For Iranian Jews To Enter Israel

JERUSALEM (JTA): The Jewish Agency announced that it was dispensing with regular health checkups and lifting the standard restrictions on persons of ill-repute in the case of Iranian Jews who want to settle in Israel. Passengers arriving on an El Al flight from Teheran told reporters that the situation in the capital was worsening. They said economic life was virtually paralyzed and there was a growing fuel shortage.

The Jewish Agency and the relevant government departments have been

preparing for some weeks for a possible mass influx of immigrants from Iran. So far it has failed to materialize and some circles expressed fear that by the time Iranian Jews decide to leave it may be too late for them to do so.

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