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## Dan Asher Named Assoc. Director For UJA Northeast Region

NEW YORK — Dan Asher has been named Associate Regional Director of the United Jewish Appeal's Northeast Region, according to UJA Associate Executive Vice Chairman and National Campaign Director Melvyn H. Bloom.

Asher, former Campaign Director for the



DAN ASHER

Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, will work with Regional Director Milton Shorr in the dissemination of services and programs by the UJA to communities throughout the Northeast. In addition, Asher will have direct program and supervisory responsibilities for campaigns in Bridgeport, New Haven and Stamford, Connecticut; North Shore, Springfield and Worcester, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island.

Asher has also served as Associate Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Houston, Texas; Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Raritan Valley in New Brunswick, New Jersey; Assistant Director of the Jewish Federation of Dayton, Ohio, and Southwest Regional Director of the American Jewish Congress. In 1968, he was a consultant in young leadership development for the Council of Jewish Federations. Asher is a graduate of the Columbia University School of Social Work and New York University.

The UJA Northeast Region includes the states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont and New York. Bernard M. Waldman is Chairman of the Northeast Region Campaign Cabinet.

## Begin Gets Go-Ahead To Form New Government

JERUSALEM — President Yitzhak Navon this week called upon Prime Minister Menachem Begin officially to form the next government of Israel. Navon's announcement was made after consultations with leaders of the 10 parties elected in the June 30 elections.

Three religious parties are the key to Begin's majority in the Knesset, and negotiations with them have been intense since the elections. The religious parties have made demands that some see as too harsh — such as the demand for a change in Israel's "Law of Return" — but Begin was optimistic about reaching a compromise.

The law gives Begin 21 days to garner official support from the parties that will give him the one-seat majority in the Knesset. Navon may extend the period for another 21 days if necessary. If no government can be formed, Navon may ask someone else to try or notify the Knesset of the problem, in which case new elections may be called.

Begin said this week, however, that he would give himself only 21 days total before calling new elections himself. Some saw this remark as a political tactic to push some undecided potential coalition partners into a positive decision.

Among the demands from one of the religious parties, the Orthodox Agudath

Israel movement, are increased funds for religious institutions, a ban on Sabbath work, a change in the legal definition of a Jew, a ban on the sale of pork, and a modest dress code for women in Government offices.

The proposed change in the definition of who is a Jew has already met objections in the Labor Party, as well as from Reform and Conservative Jewish leaders in the United States. Agudath Israel has indicated that compromise is possible on this point.

Also giving support to Begin are the National Religious Party and the Tami faction, led by Religious Affairs Minister Aharon Abuhazira, who was involved this year in a bribery scandal. He was found not guilty of accepting bribes, but faces another trial on charges of larceny and corruption.

These three parties would give Begin the 61 seats needed for a majority in the 120-seat Knesset. Begin's Likud bloc won 48 seats in the elections and Labor won 47.

Begin has also met with Moshe Dayan, his former Foreign Minister, who heads a two-member slate called Telem. Dayan has said that as a condition of joining the Begin coalition, he must be in charge of negotiations with Egypt and the United States on Palestinian autonomy in the Gaza Strip and West Bank. But Begin has declined to meet Dayan's demands.

## Ida Nudel To Be Honored At Hadassah National Convention

NEW YORK — Ida Nudel, Soviet-Jewish "prisoner of conscience," who has been exiled to Siberia for aiding the families of imprisoned Jewish dissidents, whose rights she has defended, has been invited by Hadassah to attend the Opening Session of its convention, Sunday, August 9 at 8:15 P.M., in New York, to accept personally the organization's highest honor, the Henrietta Szold Award. Senator Paul Sarbanes (D. Md.) will talk on Human Rights.

proceed to Israel, to join her sister, Elena Fridman, who is her sole surviving relative," Rose E. Matzkin, Henrietta Szold Award chairman, said. Mrs. Matzkin explained the Soviet Union recognizes Israel as the Jewish homeland, and Jews are considered a nationality. Furthermore, the Soviet Union reaffirmed in the Helsinki Accords that people have the right to be united with their families.

"Therefore, we are asking President



SENATOR PAUL SARBANES (D. Md.) will deliver keynote address on Human Rights at Opening Plenary Session of Hadassah's 67th annual national convention at New York Hilton Hotel, Sunday, August 9 where Hadassah will present its highest honor, Henrietta Szold Award — named for its founder — to IDA NUDEL, exiled to Siberia for aiding families of Soviet Jewish "prisoners of conscience." Nudel's sister, Elena Fridman, of Israel, will accept on her behalf if the Soviet authorities do not release her.

The 67th national convention will be held at the New York Hilton Hotel, August 9-12. More than 3,000 delegates and guests representing over 370,000 members in 1,600 chapters and groups from every State and Puerto Rico will attend the four-day convention, which will be preceded by the National Board meeting opening August 5.

"We have written to President Brezhnev asking that he allow Miss Nudel, who is in poor health, to come to New York and then to

Brezhnev something that is consonant with Soviet law. We also ask him to exercise compassion in releasing Ida Nudel, who is in poor physical condition, from her exile, before her sentence ends in March 1982," Mrs. Matzkin said.

Elena Fridman, Ida Nudel's sister, has been invited by Hadassah to come from Israel to be with Miss Nudel, and to accept the Henrietta Szold Award on behalf of her sister if Miss Nudel is not allowed to come.

## Two-Way Tourist Traffic To End At Border Between Israel, Jordan

JERUSALEM — Two-way traffic at the Jordan-Israel border ended last week after Prime Minister Menachem Begin issued an order in retaliation for similar Jordanian rules.

Since the 1967 war, travel across the Jordan River has been unobstructed. Residents of the West Bank, which Israel captured in 1967, will still be able to pass the border freely.

The new rules will affect about 60,000 tourists a year, many of them Christians from Europe and the United States who go through Jordan to visit holy sites in Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Galilee. The groups book the tours, which are often cheaper by that land route, through Arab

agencies in East Jerusalem. Israel authorities are known to resent the pro-Arab views they believe are conveyed to the tourists.

The rules will go into effect after travel agencies have been notified.

Round-trip flights will not be possible under the new rules. The restrictions may be relaxed, however, if Jordan relaxes its own rules against round trips.

Passes are issued in Jordan for travel from one part of the country to another, including the Israeli-occupied West Bank which Jordan considers part of its own territory.

The two countries have no peace treaty and no diplomatic relations, but residents from the West Bank, Palestinians with Jordanian passports, have traveled freely on the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

After Israel and Egypt signed a peace treaty and opened their borders, Jordan has tried to show that its border along the Jordan River is not with Israel but with part of its territory.

Israel's demand that Jordan relax its frontier rules is, therefore, unlikely to be met because it would signify Jordan's acknowledgement of an international frontier.

The Israeli Government statement said tourism traffic between Israel and Jordan would be conducted "on the basis of full reciprocity." If Israeli tourists are not permitted to return to Israel by the route on which they came, Jordanian tourists will not be able to use the same bridges to return to Jordan, the statement said.

## Raid On Iraq Like Entebbe, Begin Says

JERUSALEM — Prime Minister Menachem Begin this week compared the June 7 attack on Iraq's nuclear reactor to the Israeli rescue mission in Entebbe.

Begin said both were "rescue operations" designed to save Jewish lives.

On July 4, 1976, Israeli commandos rescued more than 100 hostages in Entebbe, Uganda. Begin's remarks were at a ceremony commemorating the fifth anniversary of the death of the commander of the Entebbe raid, Lieut. Col. Yehonatan Netanyahu.

Colonel Natanyahu was the only Israeli soldier killed in the operations, in which 3 hostages, 7 terrorists and 20 Ugandan soldiers died.

"Two foreign names will be remembered and cherished by generations to come: Entebbe and Osirak (the reactor site)," Begin said to the several hundred people at the ceremony.

"Yoni's unit set out after careful planning and preparation to save more than a hundred Jews. In the second operation, conducted five weeks ago, the aim was the rescue of an infinite number of Jews."

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# Obituaries

## ARON BRONSHTEIN

PROVIDENCE — Aron Bronshtein, 73, of 240 Baker St., a retired laborer in a Russian shoe factory, died Tuesday, July 14 at home. He was the husband of Roza (Zelechonok) Bronshtein.

Born in Russia, a son of the late Isaac and Fayga Bronshtein, he moved to Providence in 1977. He was a member of the Jewish Community Center.

Besides his wife, he leaves three sons, Michael, Roma and Isaac Bronshtein; two daughters, Maria Bronshtein and Fiana Simkin, all of Providence, and three grandchildren.

A graveside service was held Wednesday at the Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were made by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence. Shiva will be observed at his late residence.

## ROSE TEMKIN

PROVIDENCE — Rose Temkin, 82, of 546 Wayland Ave., died Wednesday, July 8 at Miriam Hospital. She was the widow of Charles Temkin.

Born in Russia, a daughter of the late George and Ester (Kaminsky) Pullman, she moved to Providence 25 years ago. Mrs. Temkin maintained a summer residence in Barrington.

She was a member of Temple Emanu-El and its Sisterhood. She was a member of the Jewish Home for the Aged, an honorary board member and 50 year member of the Providence Chapter of Hadassah, a member of the Providence Hebrew Day School and the Miriam Hospital Women's Association.

Mrs. Temkin leaves three sons, Jacob N. Temkin of Cranston; Martin M. Temkin of Warwick and Noah Temkin of Providence; a brother, Maurice M. Pullman of Dallas, Tx.; a sister, Mrs. Eva Feldstein of Providence, five grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

A funeral service was held Friday at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to the Providence Chapter of Hadassah or a favorite charity.

## H. David Weinstein Appointed to UJA Executive Staff

NEW YORK (JTA) — H. David Weinstein has been appointed to the newly created position of Director of the Offices of the National Chairman, President and Executive Vice Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

In announcing the appointment, Irving Bernstein, UJA Executive Vice Chairman, stated that, "H. David Weinstein brings to the UJA 20 years of experience in Jewish communal service, a career that has been marked by a special sensitivity to the needs of American and world Jewry. His appointment is a key element in our organization's restructuring and will enable us to augment the UJA's dynamic growth as we prepare for the campaigns of 1982 and beyond."

For the past three years, Weinstein has served with the Republican National Committee in Washington where he implemented its outreach program to American Jewry.

Prior to joining the Republican National Committee, Weinstein served as an independent consultant to community organizations (1972-1978) and as founding Director of the United Jewish Federation of Stamford, Connecticut (1970-1972). As a member of the UJA executive staff from 1961 to 1970, he served in a variety of staff and field assignments including Assistant to the President of the Israel Education Fund and Personal Assistant to UJA's Executive Vice Chairman.

## ROBERT FRANK

PROVIDENCE — Robert Frank, 23, of 71 Wingate Rd., died Wednesday, July 8 at the West Florida Hospital, Pensacola, as a result of a swimming accident two weeks ago.

Vice president of the Gem Label and Tape Company for two years and a lifelong resident of Providence, he was the son of J. Alan "Buddy" and Eleanor (Essenfeld) Frank, both of Providence.

Frank was a member of Temple Emanu-El and the National Association of Scuba Divers.

Besides his parents, he leaves his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Belle (Summer) Frank, a brother, Harian Frank, and a sister, Lisa Frank, all of Providence. The funeral service was held Friday at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Ave. and Session St. Arrangements were made by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the Robert Frank Memorial Fund at the Jewish Community Center.

## KALMAN GASTFREUND

PROVIDENCE — Kalman Gastfreund, 71, of 86 Twelfth St., died Wednesday, July 15 at home. He was the husband of Mina (Blemenstyk) Gastfreund.

Born in Poland, he was a son of the late Israel and Yentl (Mydlik) Gastfreund. He was a life member of the Congregation Mishkon Tfiloh.

Besides his wife, he leaves a daughter, Mrs. Mona Levin of Farmington, Ct., and a brother, Morris Gastfreund of Providence.

Funeral services were held Thursday at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to Congregation Mishkon Tfiloh. Shiva will be observed at his late residence.

## Cholera Epidemic In Jordan

JERUSALEM (JTA) — More than 225 people in Jordan have been hospitalized with cholera and five people have died as a result of the illness since the epidemic broke out last week. The first case of cholera was detected this weekend in the Kalandia refugee camp near Ramallah, but the 70-year-old Arab resident of the camp, who returned from a visit to Jordan last week, was reported to be out of danger.

Israeli health authorities have warned both West Bank and Israel residents to take special precautions by disinfecting fruit and vegetables from the West Bank and Gaza areas where organic fertilizers and drainage water are used for irrigation. At the same time, heads of health services in Judaea and Samaria met for an emergency session and set up special medical teams to curb the spread of the epidemic.

## JNF Honors Latin Hero

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The 150-member Venezuelan delegation to the Maccabiah was present Sunday at the dedication of an area in a Jewish National Fund forest to the memory of Latin American nationalist hero Simon Bolivar. The occasion marked the 170th anniversary of Venezuelan independence.

The Bolivar memorial is part of the "Messilat Zion" JNF forest in the Jerusalem hills. The Venezuelan ambassador, Luis La Corte, said the JNF's salute in this way to Bolivar was "a perfect act of friendship that symbolizes the ongoing ties between the two nations."

## Judith Lerner, 65, Wife Of Soviet Activist

NEW YORK (JTA) — Judith Lerner, wife of the famed Moscow cyberneticist and aliya activist Dr. Alexander Lerner, died July 7 in the Soviet capital of a massive heart attack, it was reported here by the Long Island Committee for Soviet Jewry. Mrs. Lerner was 65 years old.

Grace Pearlbinde, president of the Long Island Committee, and Lynn Singer, executive director of the Committee, expressed "profound sorrow" at Mrs. Lerner's death which prevented her from "fulfilling her dream of emigrating with her family to Israel. September will mark the 10th anniversary since they first applied to emigrate and were refused. We extend to Dr. Lerner and his son Vladimir of Moscow, and to his daughter Sonya who is a resident of Israel our deepest sympathies."

The two Long Island Committee officials said the family is in mourning at Dimitry Ulyanov 4/2/322, Moscow 117333, RSFSR, USSR. They asked that letters of condolence be sent to that address.

Shock and grief at the death of Mrs. Lerner was also expressed by Dr. Seymour Lachman, chairman of the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry, and officials of the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and the Union of Councils for Soviet Jews. The three groups appealed to Soviet authorities to permit Dr. Lerner and his son to join their family in Israel and to permit Sonya Lerner to travel to Moscow for her mother's funeral.

Mrs. Lerner was buried in a shaded glade

at a suburban cemetery surrounded by dozens of mourners, Jews and non-Jews, while an aging rabbi intoned in Yiddish over the grave.

Graveside speeches were filled with words of affection for Mrs. Lerner who had become a symbol of hope and courage to Moscow's troubled Jews. But the funeral was not the one that Mrs. Lerner and her family had intended, in Vostryakovo, far from the burial place she had sought. Emigration to Israel has escaped the Lerner's for 10 years and authorities declined to allow the body transported to Israel for burial.

Instead, the authorities permitted the Lerner's 31-year-old daughter, Sonya Levin, who emigrated with her husband and child in 1973, to return for the funeral. In the event that exit visas are granted to Dr. Lerner and his son, Vladimir, the family arranged for the body to be placed in a sealed metal coffin inside a wooden box to allow for exhumation and reburial in Israel.

The decision to deny Mrs. Lerner a resting place in Israel came from Col. Konstantin Zotov, who has consistently rejected the appeals for emigration from the Lerner's.

Lerner has directed large-scale systems at the Institute of Control Sciences in Moscow and taught at Moscow University but was dismissed after applying to emigrate.

Lerner has been questioned repeatedly by Soviet police and his apartment has been searched because of his involvement in the Soviet Jewish emigration movement.

## Court To Rule On Terrorists' Claim They Have POW Status

TEL AVIV (JTA) — A Nablu military court will rule on the claims by four suspects in the May, 1980 ambush slaying of six yeshiva students in Hebron that they are prisoners of war and therefore cannot be tried for the crime. Similar claims of POW status under the Geneva Convention have been rejected in the past when raised by alleged terrorists facing trial.

One of the four accused is serving a life sentence for the murder of a Jewish couple last year. All of them, West Bank Arabs in their 20s and 30s, are charged with firing on their victims from ambush near the old Hadassah building in Hebron. In addition to the six dead, 16 other Jews were wounded. All were returning from Friday evening services at the time.

The prosecution charges that the leader of the group, Adnan Jaber, 33, had been trained in the Soviet Union in sabotage and espionage tactics. The others, Yasir Zayadat, 31, Muhammed Shubaki, 36, and Taisir Taha, 21, are members of El Fatah who

received military training in Syria. According to the charges, they were sent on their mission by Abu Jihad, deputy to Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasir Arafat. They were captured last September while attempting to escape into Jordan.

If convicted, the defendants could face the death penalty under a recent amendment to the penal code. Defense lawyers distributed pamphlets in the courtroom quoting the accused as saying they did not fear death. "Any Palestinian should be proud of their brave action in the war against Zionism," the pamphlet said.

## Retired Justice Defends Conduct Of Military Gov't

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Retired Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohen strongly defended the conduct of the Military Government in the occupied territories. He observed that while the military sometimes exaggerates security needs over other values, its overall record of administration has been exemplary.

Cohen, who earned the reputation of being one of the most liberal jurists on Israel's highest court, made his remarks at a press conference to mark publication of the booklet "The Rule of Law in the Areas Administered by Israel," a research study by the Jerusalem branch of the International Committee of Jurists (ICJ).

The study was undertaken in reply to a highly critical report by West Bank lawyers Raja Shehadeh and Honathan Kuttub published last year under the imprint of the ICJ with a forward by the organization's secretary general, Niall MacDermont.

The booklet does not deal with the political aspects of Israel's occupation. Examining the Military Government from a legal viewpoint it stated that all of its acts in the spheres of human rights, ownership of land, and Israel's right to establish settlements are strictly legal.

## Freedom Up In Smoke

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The pleasure of smoking a cigarette cost one Hebron resident six months in jail. Issa Mohammad Abu Zahara was sentenced by a Hebron court for desecrating the fast of Ramadan in public. The strict religious rules marking the fast period forbids smoking during the month-long Moslem holiday from sun rise to sun set.

Angry Hebron residents nabbed the cigarette smoker, rushed him to the police who took him to court where he was put on trial. The six-month term was the severest penalty for desecrating the Ramadan fast since 1967.

The courts in the administered territories follow the law which was in effect before Israel's occupation of the territories in 1967, in today's case it was Jordanian law. The sentence reflects the spread of Moslem religious beliefs and practices in the West Bank, as well as throughout the entire Middle East.

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## AJC Gets Exhibition Grant

PITTSBURGH — A grant of \$154,000 has been awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities to the Pittsburgh Chapter of the American Jewish Committee and the Institute for Research in History to produce an exhibition to be called "In Pittsburgh / Of Pittsburgh," it was announced today by Barry Deutsch, President of the AJC Pittsburgh Chapter.

The exhibit, which will open May 1, 1982 at the Pittsburgh Plan for Art, will document the history of the Jewish community in Pittsburgh from 1846 to 1980 and will explore the integral role of the Jewish community in the rich ethnic and religious diversity of the "Renaissance City." It is hoped that the exhibition will stimulate other ethnic groups to undertake similar projects based on their own unique historical experience.

From June, 1982 to March, 1983 the exhibition will travel throughout the greater Pennsylvania area and is expected to be seen by more than 140,000 people. Dr. Corrinne Krause, historian and member of the board of the Pittsburgh AJC, will direct the project; Sylvia Robinson, chairperson, and Eileen Lane, co-chairperson, have been appointed to head the Exhibition Committee.

More than 300 objects have been selected for display from approximately 1500 objects which were identified by Dr. Krause under an NEH planning grant in 1980. Artifacts, historical photos, printed and audio-visual materials will constitute the four sections of the exhibition: Family and Faces; Creating a Jewish Life; Meeting Human Needs; Making Pittsburgh Someplace Special.

"In Pittsburgh / Of Pittsburgh" will trace the history, ideals, values, neighborhoods and growth of Pittsburgh's Jewish community. It also will explore the historic interface between the Jewish and non-Jewish population of the city, and the resistance and adaptation which are characteristics of the American emigrant and ethnic experience.

## ADL Praises Supreme Court Nomination

NEW YORK — The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith congratulated President Reagan for having selected Arizona State Judge Sandra Day O'Connor to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court.

Maxwell E. Greenberg, national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League, sent the following telegram to the President:

"The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith extends its congratulations to you for having selected for the U.S. Supreme Court a highly qualified person who happens to be a female. This is fully consonant with your commitment to merit and to the abhorrence of discrimination. In one stroke, you have wisely and effectively served quality in government and shattered a longstanding pattern of sex discrimination."

## AJC Hails O'Connor Choice

The American Jewish Congress has welcomed the announcement by President Reagan of his intention to nominate Sandra Day O'Connor to the U.S. Supreme Court. Professor Abraham Goldstein, senior vice president of the Congress said, "We are gratified that after 191 years of waiting, an American President has decided to appoint a woman to the Supreme Court of the United States. We applaud the Reagan Administration for this initiative.

"Judge O'Connor appears to be well qualified for the position. Her reputation for legal scholarship, her experience as a legislator and the bipartisan support her nomination has already received encourage us to believe that she will make a distinguished contribution to the deliberations of the high court.

"We trust that this appointment marks the beginning of an era in which women of accomplishment and ability in all fields will be accorded the recognition and the opportunity their talents deserve, without discrimination and on terms of full equality.

"To insure that this goal is achieved, we reiterate our support for the Equal Rights Amendment."

Joining in the statement were Chiaie Herzog of Baltimore, Md., and Marion Wilen of Philadelphia, vice presidents of the American Jewish Congress and co-presidents of the organization's national women's division.

# 67 Lawmakers Send Letter To Argentine President On Human Rights Violations

WASHINGTON (JTA) — A bi-partisan group of 67 Congressmen has sent a letter to Argentine President Roberto Viola expressing "concern" over the violation of human rights in his country, particularly as it applies to the Jewish community there. The signatories included 54 Democrats and 13 Republicans.

Rep. Charles Schumer (D. NY), in releasing the letter, said he organized the move in the wake of revelations by Jacobo Timerman of human rights violations in Argentina. Schumer said a member of his staff spoke to Timerman recently.

The former editor and publisher of the Argentine daily La Opinion who was imprisoned for 30 months without charges or trial, said he considers it "very, very important" to remind the Argentine junta that the U.S. Congress is watching not only how the government itself acts, but also when it fails to prevent abuses of human rights, Schumer said.

### Crux Of The Dispute

Rep. Henry Waxman (D. Calif.), one of the signatories of the letter, issued a statement on "Anti-Semitism in Argentina" in which he noted that Timerman "does not hesitate to liken Argentina to the Third Reich. His detractors take him to task for exaggeration. Surely, Argentina is not Auschwitz, they indignantly state. Jews are

not being systematically killed on a mass basis, they protest. That Argentina is not yet Nazi Germany is a point on which most observers agree."

Waxman's statement added: "What is really central to the dispute is the validity of inferring from the fact that Argentina is not Nazi Germany, that it is, therefore, not a virulently and dangerously anti-Semitic society. I would hate to see us reach the point where we became indifferent to manifestations of anti-Semitism which fall short of the 'standards' set by Hitler. It should not be necessary for Jacobo Timerman to prove that Argentina is in a pre-Holocaust situation to convince us that Argentine anti-Semitism is dangerous."

### Predicts Opposition To Arms Sales

Schumer, in releasing the letter, noted that the Reagan Administration's effort to lift the ban on U.S. arms sales to Argentina will face stiff opposition in the House because of the human rights situation in that country.

The Congressmen noted that they "welcome the commitment" the Viola government has made to strengthen the democratic process in Argentina but expressed their "particular concern for the continued well-being and safety of the one-half million-member Jewish community in Argentina. They said they" have been deeply disturbed by attacks on a number of Jewish institutions, including the bombing of the

Jerusalem Synagogue in Buenos Aires and the desecration of tombstones in the Liniers Jewish Cemetery in the summer and fall of 1980."

The letter said, "We are alarmed at the marked increase in the public availability of anti-Semitic and Nazi literature; the journals 'Papeles' and 'Cabildo' are two of the most blatant examples of this disturbing development. We are also concerned that no information has been forthcoming about the fate of several hundred or more Jewish citizens who have been listed as 'disappeared' since 1978."

### Greater Vigilance Urged

The letter also strongly urged the Argentine government "to exercise greater vigilance in actually combatting anti-Semitic acts and in repeatedly condemning anti-Semitic propaganda in whatever form they take. The continued livelihood of the Jewish community in Argentina is of great importance to us as elected representatives of the people of the U.S. and to the citizens of our entire nation. We trust that you will take all necessary steps to foster an atmosphere in which this community may live and flourish without fear."

The Congressmen stressed that "a deeply committed defense of human rights and human dignity by your government in Argentina will greatly contribute to improving relations between our two countries."

## N. Y. Congregation Approves Resolution Calling For Voluntary Military Force

NEW YORK (JTA) — A resolution calling for the support of an all-volunteer military force and opposing the "inauguration or implementation by our government of any national draft at this time" was approved overwhelmingly by the membership of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue at the recent annual meeting of the congregation. The resolution was presented by the Social Action Committee of the congregation.

Rabbi Balfour Brickner, spiritual leader of the 800-member congregation, said "We are, I believe, the first and only Jewish congregation in America publicly to debate this issue and to take such a stand. It is as courageous an action as it is unprecedented. Most congregations, if they even consider issues as controversial as this one, do so in the privacy of some small committee. Their conclusions are rarely, if ever, discussed with the entire membership."

The resolution stated, in part: "We support the existing all-volunteer military force. We oppose the inauguration or implementation by our government of any national draft at this time. Similarly, we oppose the idea of registering our youth at this time for some future draft. We believe that should there arise some national emergency necessitating the mobilization of our population, sufficient techniques exist by which to affect that mobilization. Males and females should be conscripted equally."

The congregation went on record urging members of the congregation to provide counselling services and "to widely advertise this service in, and to, the community so that Jewish youth, particularly, might know where they might come for counselling that is based in the Jewish religious tradition."

### Rationale For The Resolution

The rationale for the resolution was stated in its preamble which noted that: "Judaism recognizes the right of both conscientious objection and selective conscientious objection to war"; "Judaism teaches us to 'seek peace and pursue it' (Psalm 34:15)"; "registration at this time is both unnecessary and unnecessarily provocative, reflective of a national trend toward increased militarism that threatens world peace"; "the costs of such an action draws funds from needed social, educational and economic programs that will make for social betterment."

At the congregational meeting, Frank Ashen, chairperson of the Social Action Committee, emphasized the importance for plac-

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Haifa Mayor Arye Gurel has threatened to operate the city-owned Carmelit subway on the Sabbath if the Aguda Israel Party gets its way and persuades the incoming government to try and halt public transport in Haifa on Shabbat. Haifa still operates buses on the Sabbath — a carryover from the pre-State days when Arabs formed a large portion of the public.

ing such an issue before the entire congregation for a vote. He said: "We believe that this congregation, as a religious institution in this country, has an obligation not only to educate its constituency but to take a public stand on the issues. What is at stake is not only our lives, but also, possibly, the lives of our children. Decisions on these matters are as much our responsibility as they are the

responsibility of our politicians, our militarists, our 'experts'."

In anticipation of the congregational debate, the Social Action Committee prepared and distributed to every family in the congregation a 14-page background paper outlining both the Biblical and rabbinic material on the subject of conscription and conscientious objection.

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# Chicago Man Brings Music

by Carl Alpert

HAIFA — Israel has become recognized as one of the music centers of the world, and though the Philharmonic Orchestra was founded some 45 years ago, it has only been in the last 30 years that real incentive was given to musical growth and development. The initiative, strangely, came from Chicago. The popularization of good music in Israel, the nurturing of unusual musical talents and the fantastic multiplication of musical ensembles in towns and villages throughout the country, are due in no small measure to Max Targ.

Thousands of musical instruments, now in the hands of local symphony orchestras, youth bands, police and army bands, school ensembles, etc., reached Israel as the result of activity that began in Chicago. Ten music libraries, located not only in the big cities but also in such places as Beth Shean and Safed, which provide sheet music, orchestral scores and instrumental notes for almost anything required, also had their origin there.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the opening of the first library, though even prior to that the initiators of the project had already sent large shipments of instruments to feed the hunger for music.

Max Targ still lives in Chicago, but he spent last month in Israel again inspecting the use to which the supplies had been put. The project had originally been his alone, together with his late wife, Fannie, but he later expanded it into a flourishing organization — Americans for a Music Library in Israel. Obviously there has been help from other circles as well, and no review of musical progress in Israel can fail to make mention of the splendid work done by the Israel-America Cultural Foundation with its scholarships, grants and other tangible aid.

At the same time it is impossible to exaggerate the extent of the impetus given to musical and musical education in Israel by the Chicagoan with the one-track mind. Little boys and girls who got their first start playing instruments provided by Targ, and reading

notes from sheet music borrowed from AMLI libraries, are today among the giants of Israel's creative musicians — and there are hundreds more in the upcoming generation. When the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra does not have the music it requires, it borrows complete orchestral scores from the local AMLI Library located, conveniently enough, in the Fredric R. Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv.

Up and down the country are stocks of violins, mandolins, guitars, clarinets, saxophones, trombones, trumpets, flutes, piccolos, percussion instruments and more — available on loan where there is talent and love of music and inability to pay.

Max Targ himself has never played a musical instrument. His business was wholesale merchandising of musical instruments. After 50 years in business, Targ retired from commerce, but continued to devote himself to supplying Israel's needs. It is not always easy to give away gifts, he discovered. At one stage he tangled with the Israel customs authorities, who insisted on collecting customs duties. They could not believe that no one was making a profit, somewhere, on this vast flood of instruments and music and books.

Targ is not a musician himself, but he reminded us that in addition to instruments and the notes, there is something else an orchestra needs — an audience, and he is a good listener, he says.

Last month Targ strolled along a street in a quiet residential section of Tel Aviv. From the open window of a home came the squeaking notes of a classical piece being played by an ambitious youth who perhaps had visions of becoming another Yehudi Menuhin or an Itzhak Perlman. That very violin, and the printed sheet music, very possibly came from an AMLI Library.

At age 86, Max Targ could smile with a deep sense of satisfaction. He knows that he has had a lasting positive effect on the musical development of Israel for generations to come.

# Letters To The Editor

## "We Need Just One More"

EDITOR:

Item of Note: 6:45 P.M.

Dear departed Jewish community of Narragansett, Rhode Island!

As you probably are aware, there is one prominent functioning year-round shul or synagogue in South County, namely Beth David located on Kingston Road (in) Narragansett, which needs no building fund and does not request large membership dues. It has only normal operating expenses. The Kiddish or Sunday morning breakfasts are usually donated when given by members of the congregation for all: members and guests — we are happy to see you there! The interior of our shul has come a long way from its humble beginnings. For those the shul is air-conditioned with very modern comfortable pews and ample new prayer books for all (Hebrew and English translation).

The feeling immediately upon entering is very "hamish." You can feel at home, truly sensing your prayers will be heard, being counted and you are important.

Haven't you always wanted to have the place and time to unburden the yoke of daily life and find peace of mind? What more could you ask for? A real "ma'chya"!

So what is your complaint? Here is a list for label making. Pick yours:

- 1) I'm on vacation;
- 2) Miss the 6:30 national TV news;
- 3) Services come at the wrong time for me;
- 4) It is supertime;
- 5) We are not 500-000 religiously inclined;
- 6) I'm embarrassed (we have family, guests, com-

pany now); 7) My children are going to the beach; 8) I would go. Just call me!! 9) I walk the dog now; 10) The old men daven or read too fast; 11) I feel foolish, a successful person like myself, just standing there, another warm body; 12) I cannot truly participate, you know. The clique shul, politics; 13) I have been insulted. I'm never going in there again; 14) They have forgotten me, an original worker, a founding family. Just like that; 15) Let the board go: They get the honors, so let them carry the responsibility; 16) Let the summer or winter crowd do it; 17) We'll show them; 18) Close it down; it's tolerated but too Jewish.

What was the reason for a shul in Narragansett anyway? Just a soft inspirational place to unburden yourself, a place to go for spiritual refreshment and possibly a little yiddishkeit, maybe the chance to give a mitzvah for your Jewish neighbor: the chance to daven at the nightly minyan.

Here it is — your once in a lifetime printed engraved invitation. Come to our shul: yours, mine and our children's children. Come as you are. But to be there, our short minyan service needs your immediate commitment. Tonight! We need just one more: You — come for me, your children's sake and come for yourself.

Beth David at 6:45 p.m.

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Narragansett

## NCCJ Upholds Need For Voting Rights Act

EDITOR:

As President of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, an organization which has been in the continuing struggle to combat bigotry and prejudice since its inception in 1928, I am deeply disturbed at the apparent move to gmatculate the historic Voting Rights Act of 1965, particularly the pre-clearance provision that gives it any real enforcement meaning.

The Voting Rights Act is considered by many to be the single most effective civil rights law ever passed. Enacted in 1965, this historic piece of legislation has protected constitutionally guaranteed voting rights for American citizens who had been systematically denied these rights.

Initially the act was designed to protect the rights of Blacks in southern states where they had been flagrantly disenfranchised. It was expanded in 1975 to protect the voting rights of Mexican-Americans and other language minority citizens against severe voting discrimination in the Southwest and West.

The Voting Rights Act was one of Lyndon Johnson's truly momentous achievements. In many areas it finally won the precious right to vote for thousands previously excluded by force, intimidation and rigged local laws.

It was a national victory in the long and continuing fight by so many Americans of all color and religions against bigotry.

The current veiled attempts to turn back the clock on equal rights and perhaps set in force a counter-offensive against the rights won in 1965 are disturbing to all those who believe in equal rights for all Americans.

We hope that this nation's officials will recognize the significant need to continue the Voting Rights Act in tact.

Failure to do so will have a negative im-

pact both morally and spiritually on the minorities affected; but more importantly such failure might be construed by the hate groups in this nation that overt bigotry is sanctioned.

President Reagan has declared that he is "sensitive to the fact that the spirit of the act marks this nation's commitment to full equality for all Americans, regardless of race, color or national origin."

We fervently hope that the administration, in following that commitment, will take all necessary steps to insure that there is no erosion or retreat from that declaration.

The vicious acts of racist brutality and murder that were prevalent in the South not so long ago cannot and must not be allowed to regenerate.

Let us not forget the high cost in human life that was paid to acquire the precious right to vote.

Have we so quickly forgotten the courage of those such as Andrew Goodman, Michael Schwerner, James Chaney and Viola Liuzzo who were murdered for their efforts to secure constitutionally guaranteed voting rights?

If the vitally important pre-clearance provision of section five which is slated to expire in August 1982 is watered down, then all those who have lost their lives in the fight for equal rights will indeed have died in vain.

We urge the people of this nation not to allow such a situation to transpire.

DR. DAVID HYATT  
President, National Conference of  
Christians and Jews

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## Your Money's Worth

### How To Slash Men's Clothing Bills By 50 Percent

—by Sylvia Porter

If you are buying clothes for a man or boy, you can slash your bills by as much as 25 percent to 50 percent or even more — which pulverizes the annual increases in prices of men's and boys' wear in recent years and which certainly is worth some shopping effort.

How? By shopping at factory outlets, the no-frills, self-service operations usually located in low-rent districts. Because these outlets offer today's real bargains in this type of clothing, their numbers have skyrocketed and they now are attracting customers from all income brackets, age groups and educational backgrounds.

In 1981 alone, sales of men's and boys' wear in factory outlet stores will reach an estimated \$3.5 billion. Only seven years ago, sales in these stores were a mere \$200 million.

This year, a fat minority (perhaps up to 40 percent) of the customers of outlet stores will be in the upper-middle income brackets. In the early- and mid-1970s, factory outlets were primarily patronized by lower-middle- to low-income buyers who shopped at the outlets for the simple reason that they could not afford to elsewhere.

But the neighborhood haberdasher is rapidly becoming an endangered species. As a person who has tried seriously to buy men's clothing in New York City's department stores and specialty shops, I can testify to the shock of the price tags attached to a simple sport shirt.

Thus, the upsurge in the no-frills operations. What's more, reports Marvin Blumenfeld, president of April-Marcus, a merchandising consulting firm representing 190 factory outlets from coast to coast, deals can be worked out with manufacturers to purchase overruns, canceled orders and orders from slow-paying conventional retailers.

But how can you be confident that you really are getting a bargain when you enter the completely unadorned premises of a factory outlet?

1) Before going to any factory outlet (and you'll find them much closer to your home than you may now suspect), comparison-

shop in the conventional stores on the texture, style and price of clothing you are planning to buy for yourself or for any man or boy.

2) Look carefully at yourself in a triple mirror. If the clothing doesn't look good on you (you'll know), forget it, no matter how much of a saving it represents against similar clothing elsewhere.

3) If the garment you are considering doesn't have a label, it still will have a tag indicating the nature of its material — and check this tag thoroughly. Some outlets, Blumenfeld explains, may sell brand-name clothes with or without the manufacturer's label. But even if there is no label, the tag will tell you whether the material is, say, 100 percent wool, or only 10 percent wool and the rest polyester.

4) Check out the collar as well as the seams. Collars on better quality garments lie flat instead of curling up, because more care is given to the tailoring. The trousers of higher quality garments hang straight and their seams are not puckered or jagged.

5) Look at the lining to see whether it has been sewn in properly. The lining is tailored and lies flat and neat on high quality garments. In cheaper clothing, where less care is taken in the sewing and pressing stages, the linings are ruffled.

6) Check the alteration situation. Alterations are not available at factory outlets or only at an added price. If you like a suit but it will require major alterations, forget the bargain.

7) Feel the fabric in your hand. Is it firm and does it have body or does it feel shoddy and sleazy? In higher quality garments, the fabric will have a "good feel."

8) Weigh the style you really want against the lower price. If the style is wrong for you, no price is a real bargain.

9) Take it easy and come prepared to spend time in a factory outlet checking all the points listed above. Then and then only will you satisfy yourself that you're really getting a good buy.

10) By no means be turned off by the no-frills appearance of the store. This is basically why you can save that 50 percent or more.



# Career Advancement Limited For Women In Jewish Communal Services

NEW YORK — A 1981 follow-up study on the status of women in Jewish Communal Service has found that the majority of these women has limited access to top executive and administrative positions, and that little has changed since the initial study on the status of women was conducted in 1977.

Conducted by the Conference of Jewish Communal Service, both surveys were based on personnel data on over 2,000 professional staff in 273 agencies, including Federations, Jewish community centers, family and child care agencies, homes for the aged and hospitals.

The 1981 survey was prepared by Sophie Engel, CJCS Vice President, on behalf of the Committee on Opportunities for Women and presented to the Executive Board of the CJCS at its annual conference last month at the Concord Hotel, Kiamesha Lake, N.Y. Jane Rogul chairs the CJCS committee.

While the survey shows a slight improvement in the number of women in the two top executive categories — from 5 percent in 1977 to 8 percent in 1981 — the great majority, 92 percent, are in the two lower job categories with 32 percent in supervisory capacities and 60 percent as line staff.

Comparison with the levels achieved by men show sharp differences. Almost half the men, 45 percent, are in the top two executive slots.

The survey also found that women communal workers earn less than males. Almost three-quarters of the women earn less than

\$20,000 a year, whereas one-third of the men fall in that same category. In 1977, 95 percent of the women, as compared with 43 percent of the men, earned less than \$20,000.

In the upper salary brackets, only 3.5 percent of the women, as compared with 38 percent of the men, earn \$30,000 a year or more. The figures for the earlier survey showed only 0.2 percent of the women, in contrast to 25.5 percent of the men, earning over \$30,000.

Further, the report notes that women do not reach the top salaries achieved by men. No woman is reported as earning over \$50,000 and only a few are in the \$40-\$50,000 bracket.

Additional comments from the report explain that while there has been some improvement for women in Jewish communal service "there is still a wide gap between levels achieved by men and those achieved by women in relation to position and salary. The opportunities for career advancement and for higher earnings are evidently better for men than for women."

A special task force will be appointed by Gerald Bubis, president of the Conference, to formulate a plan of action to correct the inequities documented by the survey.

## How Popular Is Neo-Nazism?

The World Jewish Congress has released a report assessing the appeal of neo-Nazism in present-day Germany. The analysis entitled, "How Popular is Neo-Nazism in Germany?" was prepared by the WJC's London-based research arm, the Institute of Jewish Affairs.

The report examines four recent studies of public opinion in West Germany which sought to gauge the popularity of right extremism, neo-Nazism and anti-Semitism. Although different methods were applied and different questions asked, thus making it impossible to 'add up' the results, the summary and analysis of the four polls indicate the existence of a considerable right ex-

tremist potential, a 'latent disposition,' which far outstrips the number of votes cast for extreme right parties and the relatively small membership in right extremist organizations.

The report finds, however, two comforting aspects in this bleak picture: first, as comparisons with previous studies reveal, the situation has gradually improved over the years; secondly, the breakdown by age indicates that younger people who have not been exposed to Nazi propaganda and who do not need, consciously or unconsciously, to present the past in a better light, show greater resistance to right extremist ideology.

## Israelis And Lebanese Clash With Irish Troops

BEIRUT, LEBANON — A joint patrol by Israelis and rightist militiamen clashed with an Irish battalion of the United Nations peacekeeping force north of the Israeli border this week.

A U.N. spokesman said that patrol was stopped by the Irish when it attempted to enter a buffer zone. There were no reports of casualties, and the fighting lasted only 30 minutes, according to state-run Beirut radio.

There was also sniper fire at one of the main crossing points between East and West Beirut but no report of casualties.


## Yeshiva U. Offers Scholarships For Sephardic Students

The Committee for the Maybaum Brothers Memorial Fund has granted and authorized a special Sephardic scholarship of \$250 to be given to every new Sephardic student who commences or recommences his studies at Yeshiva University in September of 1981.

The Fund was established by the late Maxwell R. Maybaum, a diamond and pearl merchant in New York City who, with his late brothers, Samuel and Harry, established the firm of Maybaum Brothers.

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# SOCIETY NEWS

## Roberta Schwartz Weds Brian Friedman

Temple Emanu-El was the setting on May 31 for the marriage of Roberta M. Schwartz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schwartz, to Brian Friedman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Friedman. The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Alvan Kaunfer and Cantor Ivan Perlman.

The bride was attended by Jane Rigelhaupt, of Houston, Texas, as maid of honor. Carol Friedman, sister-in-law of the bride, and Lauren and Allison Sharfman were bridesmaids.

Alan Friedman was best man for his brother. Michael Schwartz, brother of the bride, and Gary Friedman, brother of the groom, were ushers.

Grandparents of the couple are Mrs. Rebecca Friedman and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Newman of East Providence, and Mrs. Etta Bigney Spigel of Delray Beach, Florida.

The bride received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of Hartford School of Art and is an Assistant Art Director at R.J. La Chance, Inc.



MRS. BRIAN FRIEDMAN

A graduate of Boston University, the groom is vice president in charge of operations at Murray's.

## Wilkes Receives Master's Degree

Richard S. Wilkes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilkes of Lorimer Ave., Providence, received his master's degree from the department of Food Science at the University of Georgia in June, 1981.

Wilkes received his bachelor of science degree in Food Science and Technology from the University of Rhode Island in May, 1979. While at URI, he was president of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, president of Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity and president of the Food Science Club.

During the 41st Annual Meeting and Food Expo of the Institute of Food Technologists held at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, Wilkes delivered an original research paper. Over 9000 food scientists from throughout the world registered for this annual conference.

Wilkes has accepted a position at the Research and Engineering Center of Best Foods, a unit of CPC International in Union, New Jersey.

## Debra Strauss To Wed Gary Levine

Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Strauss of Merrymount Dr., Warwick, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Debra G. Strauss of Calif. to Gary J. Levine, also of Calif. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Sidney Levine of Matawan, N.J.

Debra graduated from Clark University, Worcester, Mass., and is a candidate for a master's degree at San Diego State University. Gary is a graduate of Clark University and currently attends California Western School of Law.

Debra is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sundel of Fall River, Mass. Gary is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Max Satz of Miami Beach, Fla.

The couple plans to wed June 13, 1982.

## Susan Dean Sigal Weds David Sondler

The marriage of Susan Dean Sigal of Cranston to David P. Sondler of Providence took place July 12 at Temple Emanu-El, Providence. Officiating at the 6:30 p.m. ceremony was Rabbi Wayne Franklin. Also participating in the ceremony were Rabbi Jerome Gurland and Cantor Ivan Perlman.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Sigal of Cranston and Narragansett. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sondler of Providence.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of Lyon and Venice lace on ivory organza with English net. Miss Jamie Sigal, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaid was Miss Joy Kudish.

Best Man was Bruce Sondler, brother of the groom. Ushers were Dr. Jeffrey Sondler, brother of the groom; Steven Sigal, brother of the bride; Steven Jacober, Paul Parsley and David Converse.

The bride is a graduate of Cranston High School West and received a B.A. degree from Tufts University, graduating cum laude. She is currently employed by Blue Cross of Rhode Island.

The groom is a graduate of



MRS. DAVID P. SONDLER

Classical High School and received a B.S. degree from Bentley College in 1978. He holds a CPA degree and is associated with Peat Marwick Mitchell and Co. of Providence. After a wedding trip to Bermuda, the couple will reside in Warwick.

## An Evening With Art Buchwald

Friends of the New Bedford Free Public Library will present "An Evening With Art Buchwald" on Sunday, August 9 at 8 p.m. at the New Bedford High School Auditorium, Hathaway Blvd.

Tickets may be purchased at all New Bedford public libraries. Proceeds will benefit restoration of library paintings.

## Weltman Elected Head Of R.I. Technion Society

Joel K. Weltman, M.D., Ph.D., of Barrington, will serve as president of the Rhode Island Chapter of American Technion Society, a non-profit organization founded in 1940 by American engineers and scientists. Weltman is associate professor of Medicine at Brown University and associate research Oncologist and attending physician in Allergy at Rhode Island Hospital, Providence.

Ernest Nathan and Robert Riesman were recently elected to the Technion Board of Governors, which coordinates the ten offices and 25 chapters across the country.

## Jill Pockar To Wed Stuart Skerker

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rose and the late William Pockar of Blaisdell Ave., Pawtucket, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Jill F. Pockar to Stuart Skerker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Skerker of Springfield, Mass.

Jill is a 1978 graduate of the University of Rhode Island. Stuart is a graduate of Framingham State College.

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# —First Wedding At The Jewish Home At Age 70 They've Only Just Begun

by Linda A. Acciaro

It was love at first sight for Evelyn Youngstein, who noticed Irving Wallack from across the room during the daily activities at the Jewish Home for the Aged, where she has lived for the past 11 months. Irving, a resident of the home for six months, was attracted to Evelyn even prior to meeting her. "It wasn't love at first sight, but pretty quick. Both of us knew what we wanted," Irving said.

It was a short, but intense courtship with long walks outside and talking and sitting out on the patio. After five weeks of spending time together, Irving and Evelyn decided they wanted to marry each other. On July 5 the couple was united according to Jewish law. Rabbi Jacob Handler officiated at the ceremony in the chapel of the Home, marking the first time in its 67-year history that two residents met and married.

Within this short period of time Evelyn has

found qualities in Irving that appeal to her. "He is softspoken, respectful and a kind person," she says. For Irving, his new wife is kind, considerate, calm and very pleasant to talk with. "She's not afraid to talk. After talking with her you feel better afterwards," he said.

*"It's very lonely in a nursing home and in my day, being married was the best way to live," Irving says. "Companionship is the most important thing."*

"They will be compatible," Rabbi Handler says of the Wallacks. He had no doubts about the marriage working out well and has performed ceremonies for many other

elderly couples. The Wallacks are both 70 years old.

The premarital conference for the Wallacks was basically the same as with any other couple. "But because of their age, the emphasis was on mutual respect in health and sickness," he said.

During the ceremony, the words "to obey" were eliminated from the vows. "They are more mature and will share the happy events in their lives and whatever God has prepared for them," the rabbi added.

*"They gave us a sense of excitement. They showed us that relationships can still be made and formed and love continues."*

Over 150 persons, including relatives, friends and other residents of the Home attended the ceremony and reception. The wedding, called a "heimis" wedding because the children of the groom were in attendance, occurred, according to Rabbi Handler, because it was ordained by God. "Marriages are ordained in heaven regardless of age or whether it is the first or second marriage. It is fate that they met at the Home," he said.

When Irving first came to the Home, he hoped to meet someone to marry, but Evelyn never dreamed that she would become the first bride at the Home. "I never expected to meet someone," she says.

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On the day of the wedding, if she hadn't met Irving, Evelyn would have been flying to Israel for a Mizrahi Women's convention in Jerusalem. Even with the abrupt change in plans and the unexpected marriage, Evelyn says, "I wasn't nervous at all."

"There were so many people helping me to get ready with my dress and hat," she said. Evelyn also carried a white orchid on a Bible when she walked down the aisle of the chapel with Chana Cohen, a resident at the Home.

After the ceremony, Irving's daughters drove him and his new wife to the Marriott Inn in Providence where they spent the night and the following day. Both Irving and Evelyn hope to be able to take other trips away from the Home. Evelyn has planned a visit to the Cape and Narragansett Pier, but nothing is official at this point.

When the couple initially decided to marry, they approached Norma Cohen, the director of social services at the Home. Both of them then spoke with the director, Bill Edelstein. "I thought we had waited long enough," Irving said.

"It was an absolute shock. My only concern was that the two of them gave enough time and thought into the situation," Edelstein said.

The couple decided marriage was what they wanted and the plans began. For Irving, who is a widower from his first marriage which lasted 34 years, the first step was to inform his three daughters of his decision to marry Evelyn. "Surprisingly, they liked it," he said.

"I didn't need their approval, but it's nice

to see they did approve of it. If I was happy that's what they wanted," Irving said.

Before coming to the Home, Evelyn had been a widow from her first marriage which lasted 47 years. She has been a lifelong resident of Providence.

Born in Russia, Irving was brought to the United States when he was four years old. He is a retired mathematics teacher and has been a resident of Providence most of his life.

Now that the two are married they share a room at the Home and according to Evelyn,

the staff and other residents do not treat them any differently now. "Not differently, but they treat us lovely here," Evelyn says. The Wallacks are very satisfied with the living arrangement at the Home and the staff which cares for their needs.

They have now begun to care for each other's needs as husband and wife. Although he can walk, Irving needs the use of a wheelchair to transport himself around the Home and Evelyn has become his driver, companion and assistant.

"They gave us a sense of excitement. They showed us that relationships can still be made and formed and love continues," Edelstein said.

"In a nursing home there is a longing for intimacy," Rabbi Handler says. "There is a tendency to get together without marriage. But when two people find each other and are ready to form a relationship, I suggest they do so according to Jewish law and make that decision to marry," he added.

The rabbi hopes that Evelyn and Irving will set an example for other elderly persons in the same situation and encourage those relationships to develop into marriages.

As far as Evelyn and Irving are concerned, age makes no difference. "It's entirely up to the two people," Irving says. "They should know what's right."

"It's very lonely in a nursing home and in my day, being married was the best way to live," Irving says. "Companionship, he adds, is the most important thing."

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The National Ladies Auxiliary of the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S. has presented a memorial plaque at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, in honor of the men who lost their lives aboard the USS Arizona on Dec. 7, 1941, it was announced here by Iris Goldwasser, special projects chairwoman and Evelyn Mermonstein, national president of the JWV's Ladies Auxiliary.

The plaque was placed in the Shoreside Memorial at Pearl Harbor next to one presented earlier by the JWV, by Lt. Commander Fred Natkin of the U.S. Navy Chaplains Corps who is a member of the JWV in Hawaii.



IRVING AND EVELYN WALLACK have just begun to share their lives together as husband and wife at the Jewish Home for the Aged.

## Charles Kushner Selected Delegate To UOA Conference

Charles B. Kushner, state representative, will be an official delegate to the 19th annual conference of the United Ostomy Association. The conference will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota from August 13 to 15.

Kushner will represent the Providence chapter of UOA. The recently chartered Woonsocket chapter, which Kushner helped to form, will also send a delegate, Mrs. Lorraine O'Rourke, an RNET specialist.

The UOA is a health oriented national organization whose primary purpose is to make the transition of traumatic intestinal surgery of the patient easier by helping him or her to resume an active life. In addition to this important rehabilitation process, the UOA aims to advance the knowledge of gastrointestinal diseases, their causes, treatment, cures and prevention. UOA also sponsors exhibits at medical and other public meetings, as well as develop regional meetings and conferences.


Kushner, a Cranston resident, will also attend the 4th international meeting next summer in Munich, Germany.

## Holland Improves Relations With Arab Countries

AMSTERDAM (JTA) — The vastly improved relations between Holland on one hand and Saudi Arabia and other Arab countries on the other was demonstrated last week when a 1.5 billion Guilders (over \$600 million) contract was signed in Bahrain for the construction of a 25-kilometer long dam and causeway by a Dutch firm.

The firm, Ballast Nedam, won the contract over 15 other competing countries, including the U.S., West Germany and Japan. The reinforced concrete dam, which will link Bahrain with Saudi Arabia, was ordered by Bahrain but is being paid for by the Saudis. Both nations, and most other Arab nations had severed relations with Holland in 1973 because of its alleged sympathy for Israel in the Yom Kippur War.

The project will be carried out by a joint Saudi-Dutch venture, Badar Ballast. The Dutch firm, Ballast Nedam, will receive a \$400 million advance payment from the Saudis for the dam.



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## They've Found A Racquet

by Jeffrey L. Goldberg

It started in California almost 20 years ago, and was later introduced on the East coast. It came north quietly and didn't become a rage until the late '70's.

It seems that in every town racquetball courts have sprung up. What started as a game with a shortened racquet and rubber ball has become a national phenomenon. Courts have become clubs, T-shirts and shorts have given way to matched outfits, playing goggles, whirlpools, saunas, and lounges.

Tucked away in a lone corner, one of the first racquetball courts opened at the Jewish Community Center back in the early '70's.

The game played host to converted handball players and they were the pioneers at the beginning. As time moved on, the bug caught a few old Center basketball players and slowly took them completely away from roundball and into a new fad.

The fad wore off for some but others stuck

with it and have carved for themselves a competitive name.

John Rosato, Howard Shacter, Matt Shuster and Charlie Samdperil, as well as Sabby Gadol, Bernie Kramer and Elliot Goldstein play regularly. Ed McGovern has become a top player in R.I. Steve Shuster and Dave Shacter have fared well in tournaments, while Steve Waldman teaches at corner shot.

Let's not forget a women's league and strong participation from Brown students as well as the Center youth.

Racquetball is played in the confines of a four-walled room. All the walls are live as well as the ceiling. It is a fast-paced game, with plenty of running and jumping and loads of strategy. It can be played year-round. Just about everyone can play and more and more are playing.

Why not make it part of a routine? It's time to add a little snap, crackle and pop into your life.



**FOUR GENERATIONS** of the Bensusan family celebrate the first birthday of Ariana Bensusan, daughter of Ellen and Richard Bensusan of Mansfield, Mass. Mrs. Bensusan was the former Ellen Block.

Ariana's maternal great-grandfather is Herman Kleinfeld of Gulfport, Fla. Her maternal grandmother is Harriet Block of Royal Palm Beach, Fla, formerly of Cranston. Ariana is also the granddaughter of Clare and Albert Bensusan of Cranston. Her great-grandmother is Mary Simon of Newton, Mass. She is the cousin of Carli Paine of Oakland, Calif. Her birthday was celebrated on July 9.

## 35th Annual Jewish Worship Service At Cathedral In The Pines

The 35th annual Jewish worship services at the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, New Hampshire, will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, August 2. Services for this year will be conducted by Rabbi Paul J. Menitoff, regional director Northeast Council, Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Musical settings for the liturgy will be sung by Cantor Mark Lipson, the cantorial soloist of Temple Shalom in Norwalk, Connecticut.

## Leukemia Society Plans Red Pin Bowling Tourney

The Rhode Island Chapter of the Leukemia Society of America, Inc., will hold a Red Pin Bowling Tourney at Lang's Bowlarama in Cranston. Grand prize is the new, "Angle," bowling ball. Second prize is a bowling bag and one-half hour of instruction from pro David Rosen. All prizes are courtesy of David Rosen from the sports shop at Lang's.

Each registrant will receive a free bowling pass, compliments of Lang's. For more information, call Martha Zeparecky at the Leukemia Society office, 781-9696.

## R.I. Metropolitan Tennis Tournament Open To Players

The Rhode Island Metropolitan Tennis Tournament will be held from August 6 through August 9 at the Roger Williams Park courts in Providence. This tournament, the largest in the state, is sanctioned by the USA and the "New England Lawn Tennis Association.

Play is open to all and will be held in men's singles, men's doubles and father and son doubles.

Entries close at 6 p.m. on August 4 for singles, and 8 p.m. on August 7 for doubles. To enter, call Dick Ernst at 943-0208 or 785-0532.

Rabbi Menitoff was ordained as a Rabbi in June of 1970. He served six years as the director of the U.A.H.C.'s Midwest Council. After ordination, he served with Rabbi Roland Gitelsohn at Temple Israel in Boston, Massachusetts for three years. Rabbi and Mrs. Menitoff are the parents of two children, Daniel and Aaron.

The Jewish Service, which annually attracts as many as three thousand people, is one of the many services held at the Cathedral throughout the summer. To date, more than forty different religious denominations such as Christian, Jewish, Christian Scientist, Mormon and others have availed themselves of the facilities.

At the Jewish Service, the current Sedra or portion of the Torah and of the Prophets will be read. A booklet containing the entire service is given to each attendant.

In charge of arrangements are Milton Posovsky, Barry Jaffe and Morton Rose. Hosts at Hilltop House will be Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lakin of Gardner, Massachusetts. Torah assistants will be Alan Yaffe and Max Jacobs. Ushers will be Morris Moses and Joel Rose.

## Jewish Singles Plan Activities

The Jewish Business and Professional Singles group of the Jewish Community Center will sponsor a discussion group at a member's home on Monday, July 20 at 8 p.m. Reservations are necessary and can be made by calling the JCC at 861-8800.

The singles will sponsor a pot luck dinner, kosher style, on Thursday, July 23. Reservations are necessary. Participants should be prepared to bring a kosher style meat meal to serve from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A wine and cheese get-together will be held on Sunday, July 26 at the JCC. Music and dancing will accompany the wine and cheese fare. Reservations are not necessary.

The group will dine out at LaCasa's Restaurant, Silver Spring St., Providence, on Wednesday, July 29 at 7 p.m. This is a Dutch treat and no reservations are necessary.



**TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL CONFIRMATION:** The 58th and final confirmation of Temple Beth Israel, Providence, was held on Sunday, June 7. Pictured with Rabbi Jacob Handler are the confirmands, (from left): Ronda Minkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Minkin; Laura Jacobs, daughter of Martha Jacobs and the late Donald Jacobs of Cranston; and Lisa Stone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malcom Stone of Warwick.

## Lee Friedlander Opens Season At JEB Gallery

Lee Friedlander will exhibit at JEB Gallery beginning September 9, with photographs spanning his entire career. The show will run through October 10.

Friedlander is a recipient of three Guggenheim Foundation Grants, two NEA Grants in addition to the Friends of Photography in 1980. He has exhibited in all major museums and galleries throughout the world.

His work is in the collection of The Museum Of Modern Art in New York, Art Institute of Chicago, Fogg Art Museum, Baltimore Museum of Art, as well as many other nationally known collections. He has published several books of which Self Portrait and The American Monument are the most recent.

Currently he is lecturing on photography and devoting his entire time to taking and processing photographic images.

The gallery located at 347 So. Main St., is open from 11:00 a.m. through 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

## Entries Accepted For 10 and Under Tennis Championships

The New England 10-and-under tennis championships will be held from July 17 through July 29 at the Cranston Stadium courts, Cranston. The tournament is sanctioned by the USA and the New England Lawn Tennis Association.

Play is open to anyone tens years old or younger. Events will include singles and doubles.

Entires will close at 6 p.m. on July 24 for singles, and July 27 for doubles. To register call Dick Ernst at the stadium at 943-0208 or 785-0532.

**MONTREAL (JTA)** — A "Biblical garden" containing some 500 species of trees, shrubs, plants and flowers whose names are mentioned in the Bible was inaugurated on Notre Dame Island here as part of the annual "Florilys" festival. A plaque containing the Biblical source was placed at the base of each tree, shrub and plant. In the presence of Montreal Mayor Jean Drapeau and a large crowd, Israel's Consul General Yitzhak Meir officially opened the garden.



## Our Younger Set

**AYELET BLIMA DUB** is the daughter of Karen and Larry Dub of Providence. She is pictured here at 6 months of age.



## Habib To Ask Israel To Refrain From Aggression Against Syria

JERUSALEM (JTA) — U.S. special envoy Philip Habib arrived here from Beirut on the third round of his mission, begun last May, to defuse the continuing crisis between Israel and Syria over the latter's deployment of SAM-6 anti-aircraft missiles in Lebanon. The American diplomat was scheduled to meet later with Premier Menachem Begin and other leaders.

American sources here were quoted as saying that Habib would ask the Israelis to refrain from aggressive statements or actions against Syria in order to make his mission easier. His arrival coincided with Israel's second air raid in 48 hours on Palestinian terrorist bases in Lebanon which were seen here as an expression of displeasure over the slow progress Habib has made to date.

The initial air raid, the first in more than a month, destroyed a number of guns and rocket-carrying vehicles near the Zaharani River, according to a military spokesman. The Syrians did not intervene and all Israeli aircraft returned safely to their bases, the spokesman said. The targets were some distance from the area where the Syrian missiles are deployed. Today's raid was in the area of Damour, about 12 miles south of the Lebanese capital.

There was no confirmation here of reports that the U.S. had, in effect, worked out a comprehensive plan to solve the missile crisis. Habib is understood to be trying hard to win agreement on a package proposal that would ensure Israeli and Christian withdrawals in areas of Lebanon in exchange for removal of the missiles. Habib held talks with Lebanese President Elias Sarkis in

Beirut and with the Druze leftist leader Walid Jumblatt before coming to Israel.

Israel is said to be sticking to its demand that Habib speed up his efforts to get the Syrian missiles out of Lebanon. Syria reiterated its determination over the weekend to keep the missiles in place, come what may. Despite Israel's evident impatience over the lack of success by Habib to date, sources here were quoted as saying that no ultimatums would be given the American envoy during his current visit to Jerusalem.

## More Jews Study Arabic

JERUSALEM (JTA) — A growing number of Jewish students are studying Arabic, according to data released by the Education Ministry. It showed that some 150,000 students studied the language last year, compared to 138,000 in 1979, 121,000 in 1978 and 103,000 in 1977. At the same time, there has been an increase in the number of teachers preparing themselves to teach the language; some 450 last year compared to 350 in 1979 and 280 in 1978.

The Education Ministry spokesman said the increase in the number of Arabic language students followed the Ministry's decision to encourage the study of the language by granting special incentives to schools which made Arabic part of their regular curriculum. He said the first push for studying the language followed the signing of the peace agreement with Egypt three years ago.

## Orthodox Leader Condemns "Threats" By Reform, Conservative Groups

NEW YORK (JTA) — Dr. Harold Jacobs, president of the National Council of Young Israel, condemned what he termed the threats by American Reform and Conservative leaders to withhold support for Israel if the new government led by Premier Menachem Begin accedes to the requests of its religious parties coalition members "to strengthen the integrity of the Israeli religious establishment." Jacobs termed the threats "a naked attempt at economic and political blackmail to reverse the democratic decision of the Israeli electorate expressed in the ballot box" June 30.

Jacobs refuted the charge by Dr. Gerson Cohen, chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, that the religious parties' request would be a "religious affront" to the majority of Jews by citing a recent American Jewish Committee study which found, "A growing acknowledgement among virtually all sectors of the Jewish population (of Israel) that the state cannot survive if it is not a Jewish state, and that the Jewish character of the state is preserved most fully by those recognized as the authentic guardians of Judaism, the Orthodox."

Jacobs responded to the charge by Rabbi Alexander Schindler, president of the Union

of American Hebrew Congregations, that the religious parties' requests would "rupture the unity of the Jewish people" by pointing to the attempts of the Reform and Conservative groups to "undermine the traditionally united American Jewish support of Israel to extort by political pressure the recognition they have failed to win from the people of Israel."

Furthermore, Jacobs said, "by rejecting the standards of Jewish law and tradition, it is the Reform and Conservative groups which have divided the Jewish people and caused needless human suffering through invalid conversion, marriage and divorce procedures which have thrown a shadow over the Jewish identity and marital status of thousands of innocent men and women. It is to avoid further damage and human suffering of this kind that we must reject Reform and Conservative demands for official religious recognition in Israel."

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Berman said that he has officially notified Premier Menachem Begin that he does not intend to serve in that largely ceremonial office in the new Knesset. It is not yet known who Likud might name.

## Miriam Scholarship To Debra Duphily



Stanley Grossman's daughter, Nancy, (second from right) presents a check to DEBRA DUPHILY, recipient of The Miriam Hospital's Grossman Scholarship for 1981. Looking on are Debra's father, Marcel, Assistant Laundry Manager at The Miriam, (far left) and Hospital President Jerome R. Sapolsky.

The Miriam Hospital's Stanley Grossman Scholarship for 1981 has been awarded to Debra Duphily, a 1981 graduate of Pawtucket's Charles E. Shea High School.

The Scholarship is given annually to the son or daughter of a Miriam employee. Debra's father, Marcel, a Hospital employee for the past nine years, is Assistant Laundry Manager at The Miriam Hospital.

At Shea High School, Debra ranked seventh academically in a class of 327 stu-

dents and was a member of the Rhode Island Honor Society. She also was active on the Student Council, yearbook Committee and volleyball team. She will attend Providence College this fall where she will be enrolled in the Biology program in preparation for a medical career.

The Grossman Scholarship was established in 1979 to honor Stanley Grossman, retiring Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The Miriam Hospital, for his many years of service and leadership.

TEL AVIV (JTA) — In an effort to attract observant Jews to the police force, the chief police rabbi, together with the head of the criminal investigation division and scientists have checked out and accepted a number of sophisticated pieces of equipment to enable an Orthodox member of the force to fulfill his duties on the Sabbath. The equipment includes a small tape recorder with voice-activated microphone to replace the need to write, a special camera and fingerprinting equipment.

CINCINNATI, Ohio (JTA) — The first chair in Judeo-Christian studies at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, funded by a \$750,000 commitment, has been named to Dr. Jakob Petuchowski, research professor of liturgy at the Reform institution here. The chair, for which the commitment was made by the Sol and Arlene Bronstein Trust, recognizes the accomplishments of Petuchowski, writer or editor of 19 books. Ordained at the HUC-JIR. He also received his doctorate here.

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If you want to invest in a truly diversified international fund, I recommend the Templeton Growth Fund (405 Central Ave., P.O. Box 3942, St. Petersburg, FL 33731), an appropriate choice for long term growth.

**Q** — I am a bachelor, age 30, with a couple of thousand dollars available for investment. What stock or stocks would you suggest? I am willing to speculate. — A.R., Rhode Island.

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As an alternative, or for when additional cash becomes available, I recommend Automatic Data Processing (NYSE). ADP provides a wide range of data processing services to clients in industry and finance. By way of its aggressive acquisition program, ADP has recently added the promising Telephone Computing Service to its pay-by-phone service division. Also, the company recently formed a new Electronic Financial Service Division, which will provide automatic teller service to banks. These two divisions will allow ADP to participate in the expanding field of cash management, and will strengthen its position as a leading supplier of computing services to the financial industry. Over 30 years of profits growth have earned the stock a place among institutional favorites, and the shares are now attractive for purchase.

## U.S. Rabbi To Visit Argentina, Build Interfaith Relations Program

**NEW YORK** — An American rabbi has been invited to Argentina to help its Jewish community initiate and build a program of interfaith relations with the Christian population.

Rabbi Leon Klenicki, codirector of the Department of Interfaith Affairs of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, will spend two weeks — July 23 through August 9 — in Argentina to work in Buenos Aires with the DAIA (Delagacion de Asociaciones Israelitas Argentinas), the umbrella group for Argentinian Jewish organizations. Rabbi Klenicki was born and educated in Argentina and served as a rabbi there.

According to Rabbi Klenicki, the DAIA is seeking "to tap ADL's special experience and knowledge" in the development of interfaith dialogue and joint projects with Catholics and Protestants.

He said that in addition to his meetings with the DAIA's lay officials and professionals, he will conduct a three-day institute (all day Thursday, July 30; Saturday evening, August 1, and all day Sunday, August 2) for Jewish leaders from several Latin American countries on the history of Jewish-Christian relations in that area and

will examine methods for building interfaith understanding and friendship.

An instructor in Theology and Judaic Studies at the Catholic Immaculate Conception Seminary in New Jersey, Rabbi Klenicki also serves as cochairperson for the U.S. Catholic Conference Working Study Group formed jointly by ADL and the National Conference of Catholic Bishops to facilitate a dialogue between the two faiths.

**NEW YORK (JTA)** — Esther Treitel of Riverdale, N.Y. has been named 1982 chairman of the Women's Campaign for the United Jewish Appeal-Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, the largest local Jewish women's fund-raising drive in the world.

**PARIS (JTA)** — President Francois Mitterrand promised Thursday to raise the issue of imprisoned Soviet Jewish activist Anatoly Sheharansky during one of his forthcoming meetings with Soviet leaders. Avital Sheharansky, Anatoly's wife, was received Thursday by Mitterrand and government spokesmen said it was part of the new Administration's policy to actively help imprisoned activists and dissidents.

## Money Sense:

How To Speculate Intelligently In Commodities



Part II of Two Parts  
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If you are aiming for sizable speculative profits, and if you are willing to accept the commensurate risk of loss and have sufficient capital, you might consider trading in the fast-paced world of the commodity futures markets. You can trade futures contracts on more than 40 different commodities — including grains, livestock, precious metals, basic foods, Treasury securities and foreign currencies. So you can pick those contracts which seem to offer the greatest current profit potential.

### The Mechanics Of Futures Trading

A futures contract is a legally binding agreement between a buyer and a seller for a specific amount of a specific commodity to be delivered at a specific place at a designated time in the future for a specific price agreed upon when the futures trade is made. However, when you trade commodities, there is no need to get involved with taking or making delivery of the actual commodities. In fact, most futures traders take their profits and losses by buying (if they previously sold) or selling (if they previously bought) identical contracts before the contract date is reached.

The price of a futures contract reflects what people think the supply and demand, and, in turn, the price of a particular commodity will be in the future. Futures contracts are traded in several different delivery months concurrently for periods of up to one or two years ahead. The contracts are standardized so they can be freely traded back and forth on a regulated commodity exchange.

### How To Trade Intelligently

Generous rewards are possible because of the tremendous leverage in the futures markets. The initial margin deposit to buy or sell a particular contract may only be 10 percent or less of the contract's face value. So a 10 percent price move might give you a 100 percent return on your money. Leverage works both ways however. Losses in the futures market can be substantial and they can happen quickly.

The most important factor to keep in mind is that successful speculators are judicious speculators who only take carefully calculated risks. Commodity futures make good speculative vehicles not only because of the outstanding reward potential involved, but because sound money management and trading principles can be applied to reduce the risk of loss.

Here are some tips to help you speculate successfully in commodities:

- Cut your losses and let your profits run. Most successful commodity speculators have more losing trades than profitable ones over the long run. They make money by keeping losses small and letting profits run as long as the market is moving in the right direction. Undisciplined speculators stick with losing trades hoping against hope that the market will turn and then close out winning positions too soon whenever a paper profit appears.

So you need a trading plan from day one. Set aside profit objectives and downside loss limits from the outset with every trade. When you reach either of these prices, re-evaluate the situation to see if it is time to close out the position. Being stubborn with a losing position is almost always a losing proposition.

- Have adequate trading capital. Sufficient trading capital is essential to give you the flexibility the fast-changing markets require. Many brokerage firms require that you have \$100,000 in liquid net worth and that you make an initial deposit of \$10,000 in your commodity account to begin trading. It is also recommended that you limit your futures trading commitment to 10% of your liquid net worth.

- Do not overcommit your capital. If you commit your trading funds conservatively, you can move out of a position without serious damage if you guess wrong on the market. For instance, you might put 10% of your available speculative funds into each of four different situations. If one position remains static, another moves in your favor and the other two move against you, you can wait out the first, add to the second and eliminate the remaining two positions.

- Do not neglect short sales. Many speculators willingly go long in the market (buy futures) but they are reluctant to go short (sell futures) because they do not like the idea of selling something they do not own. However, when prices start moving down, you can miss significant trading opportunities if you hesitate to sell short.

- Never base your trades on hunches. Thorough research and analysis should support each of your trading decisions. Full service brokerage firms frequently offer a variety of fundamental, technical and computer research services that can help you speculate wisely.

### Getting Professional Management

If you do not have the time, inclination or expertise to handle your own futures, you might consider buying units in a commodity fund or opening a managed commodity account.

Commodity pools, sponsored by major brokerage firms, offer professional management and diversification for investors with too little speculative capital to qualify for a regular commodity account. The funds are usually set up as limited partnership, and you can typically buy in for around \$5,000.

If you have more risk capital to commit and want your own professional trader / advisor, you can open a managed commodity account at a brokerage firm. It may require a minimum of \$25,000 to open a discretionary managed account in which the advisor makes all trading decisions. Because of the complexity of these markets, it is best to consult with a representative of a full financial services company.

## Ex-Nazi Gets 7 Years In War Criminal Case

**KIEL, WEST GERMANY** — Kurt Asche, head of a Nazi German office that transported French and Belgian Jews to death camps in World War II was sentenced last week to seven years' imprisonment.

Judge Rudolf Dann said that seven years was insufficient punishment, but that for Asche, who is 71 years old, it would amount to a virtual life sentence.

Two others had been charged in the case, but one committed suicide in October and charges against the other were withdrawn because of ill health.

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**THE NEW ENGLAND REGION OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND IS SPONSORING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN OUTPOST IN THE GALILEE. A BREAKFAST WAS HELD RECENTLY AT THE HOTEL SONESTA, BOSTON, TO LAUNCH THIS AREA-WIDE EFFORT.**

**Dr. Alon Ben-Meir (center), a leading authority on the Middle East, gave an analysis of the recent Israeli election and politics of the Galilee. With him are Norton Sherman (left) and Kenneth Benjamin, Boston philanthropists.**

**Bernard E. Bell (right), Chairman of the Rhode Island JNF Council and Chairman of the Galilee Project Breakfast, with Dani Neuman, an emissary from KKL (JNF) Jerusalem, who gave a slide presentation of the Galilee.**

**Discussing the Galilee are (from left) Sherman Starr and Sumner Feldberg, national communal leaders.**

## Unique Roman Amphitheater Uncovered At Beit Shean

JERUSALEM — A Roman amphitheater, the only one of its kind in Israel and the surrounding area, was uncovered recently at an archaeological excavation at Beit Shean by a team of archaeologists from the Hebrew University working in cooperation with department of antiquities and Israeli museums.

The amphitheater is elliptical in shape, 67 meters wide and an estimated 110 meters in length. The amphitheater contained an arena surrounded by a high wall which was built to protect the spectators from man-eating animals used in the gladiator events, circuses (Roman races) and other sports exhibitions. Around these walls, which were built of large limestone blocks and covered with a colorful layer of plaster, rose the spectator's gallery. The structure looks like an oblong crater surrounded by seats. It is thought that the amphitheater, most of which was built above ground, was erected in

200 A.D. Archaeologists stress the similarities between the amphitheater and the famous Roman theater of Beit Shean located nearby.

The three lowest rows of seats in the amphitheater were hewn from white limestone brought from Mt. Gilboa and have been well preserved. Above them were wooden seats which have long since disappeared.

The section that was unearthed includes the main western entrance leading directly to the arena of the amphitheater and also entrances and the balcony which served the crowds in the upper stands. The outer wall of the amphitheater is made of black basalt. The entire structure is decorated with hewn stones and architectural designs, some of which have remained on their original site.

In the course of excavations, which are in their third season, archaeologists made many finds, including pottery shards and metal ob-

jects, glassware, ornamented marble objects and coins. Also unearthed were a section of roadway and living quarters from the Byzantine and early Arab period.

At the time the amphitheater was erected it was located beyond the city limits of Beit Shean. At a later date, in the Byzantine period, the amphitheater ceased to serve its original purpose as the city spread out to encompass it.

The expansion of Beit Shean necessitated the building of a roadway, which was set with heavy basalt paving stones five meters wide and of good quality. Inscribed between the pavings during the Byzantine period is Greek writing telling of "the beginning of the admirable enterprise of the Archon (high official), the grand Flavius Orestes." The reference, it seems, is to the building of the road which contained underneath it a water

conduit system. A number of the ceramic pipes have been preserved in their entirety.

On both sides of the road were found shops and living quarters. During the early Arab period additional houses were built on top of the original Byzantine buildings and in some instances on the roadway itself.

Directing the team are Drs. Gideon Foerster and Yoram Tzafrir from the institute of archaeology of the Hebrew University. They are being assisted by students from the institute and hired laborers.

The excavation represents part of the continuing long-term development of the antiquities of Beit Shean with the intention to integrate all of the many archaeological finds of the city, which in its heyday was the principal city of northern Palestine and later the capital of the "Palestina Secunda," into one park system accessible to visitors by foot or by car.

## Begin Hints Sharon Will Be Named Defense Chief Despite Opposition

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Premier Menachem Begin hinted strongly that he intends to name Ariel Sharon Defense Minister in a new Likud government despite the bitter controversy surrounding the ultra-hawkish Yom Kippur War hero. He said, on a television panel interview, that he believed the appointment would not now encounter the overwhelming opposition raised within the Cabinet a year ago when he favored Sharon for the defense post just vacated by Ezer Weizman.

Begin declined to say flatly that he has decided to appoint Sharon, observing that he would name his Cabinet members only after he receives a formal "call" from President Yitzhak Navon to form a new government. Navon will begin consultations next Monday with representatives of various parties in an effort to form a new coalition government.

The final official results of last month's elections showed that Likud has 48 seats; Labor, 47; National Religious Party, 6; Aguda Israel, 4; Hadash (Communists) 4; Tami, 3; Tehiya, 3; Telem, 2; Shinui, 2; Citizens Rights Movement, 1.

Begin also made clear his personal sympathy for the primacy of Orthodox Judaism in Israel. He claimed that the "Jewish religion and Jewish nationhood are one and the same thing" and that he has always favored a halachic definition of conversion

"because conversion is a purely halachic concept."

This placed him squarely on the side of the National Religious Party and Aguda Israel which are demanding that the next Knesset amend the Law of Return to define a Jew as a person born of a Jewish mother or converted by an Orthodox rabbi "according to halacha." The NRP and Aguda have made it their price for joining a new Likud-led coalition government.

But the proposed amendment has raised a storm of protest from leaders of Conservative and Reform Judaism particularly in the U.S. who see it as enshrining in law, the narrow and restrictive interpretation of Halacha by an Orthodox establishment that represents a minority of Israel's population. The NRP and Aguda together won only 10 seats in the 120-member Knesset.

But Begin indicated that he would support other Aguda and NRP demands. He said he personally favored stricter Sabbath observance, though he thought this should be effected "by persuasion, not by coercion." He conceded that it was "unrealistic" to demand that Israelis forego their weekly football games on Saturday since it is the only non-working day in Israel. Similarly, he didn't think the city of Haifa should be deprived of public transportation on Saturday because the running of busses there was a "tradition of decades."

## U.S. Ambivalent About Reports That Lebanese Christians Will Break Ties

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The State Department was ambivalent about reports that the Lebanese Christians might break their ties with Israel.

Department spokesman Dean Fischer had a "no comment" when he was asked about a news report that a Phalangist militia leader Bashir Gemayel announced that the Christian group would sever its ties with Israel. Fischer said the U.S. would welcome any move that reduced tensions in Lebanon and that if a Phalangist break with Israel "led to a reduction in tension" the U.S. "would regard it as a hopeful sign."

The Arab League committee which has been credited with the easing of tensions in the Christian village of Zahle reportedly has been urging the Phalangists to break ties with Israel from which it receives military supplies.

**Not Aware Of Threat By Begin**  
Meanwhile, Fischer said that Philip Habib, President Reagan's special Mideast envoy, will return to the region this week. Habib met with Reagan to discuss the situation in Lebanon resulting from the tension caused by Syria's placement of SAM-6 anti-aircraft missiles in Lebanon and Israel's threat to remove them by military force.

Fischer said he "was not aware" of a reported threat by Israeli Premier Menachem Begin that if the missiles were not removed within two weeks, Israel would act. He noted

that Begin's spokesman, Uri Porat, had denied the report which was broadcast by CBS News yesterday.

**U.S. To Complete Its Review By July 17**  
Fischer continued to affirm that the Reagan Administration will complete its "review" by July 17 of whether Israel violated an arms agreement with the U.S. when it used American-made planes to destroy Iraq's nuclear reactor June 7. He repeated that he expects the review to be completed before a "decision has to be made" on six F-16s scheduled to be delivered to Israel July 17.

A decision will presumably also be made on whether to lift the suspension on four F-16s that had been scheduled to be delivered to Israel in June but were held back pending the review.

Fischer said that no decision has been made on whether the Administration will present to Congress its proposal to sell Saudi Arabia five AWACS reconnaissance planes and other military equipment. The Administration is holding up submitting the proposal on the advice of Senate Republican leaders who fear it may be rejected by Congress.

**NEW YORK (JTA) —** Karen Rubinstein, for the past three years program director of the American Zionist Federation, has been named executive director, according to Rabbi Joseph Sternstein, president.

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## JTS Chancellor Condemns Israeli Orthodox Leaders

NEW YORK — The current proposal by orthodox groups in Israel is a "religious affront to the overwhelming majority of the Jewish people," according to Dr. Gerson D. Cohen, Chancellor of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Dr. Cohen released a cable he has sent to Israeli leaders urging them to reject the demand of the religious parties mandating a change in the Law of Return as their price for joining a viable Israeli government.

He expressed his dismay that a tactic of narrow political opportunity may be permitted to disrupt the unity and solidarity of the Jewish people everywhere.

Under the Law of Return, any Jew has the right to claim Israeli citizenship, upon arrival, simply as his birthright. It was adopted by the new State as part of its reaction to a world which had stood silently by while millions of Jews were condemned to the gas chambers because no country would offer them refuge. The recent World Gathering of Holocaust Survivors constituted a poignant reminder of the importance of the Law of Return to all Jews.

"Yet," continued Chancellor Cohen, "today the Law of Return is being made a political tool, subject to the selfish interpretation of a tiny orthodox group. They have constituted themselves as the sole arbiters of the question of who is a Jew, and seek to use their momentary political clout to have their idiosyncratic interpretation enacted into the laws of the State of Israel. It is not difficult to imagine that, under such a law, Jewish refugees from some future anti-semitic excess could be denied admission to Israel just as an earlier generation of would-be immigrants was turned away by the intransigent policies of the British protectorate.

"The Seminary recognizes that the determination of who is a Jew must be made according to the dictates of *halakha* (Jewish religious law)," Chancellor Cohen empha-

sized. "However, it objects to the move under consideration because the orthodox minority is using its improper, but calculated interpretation as a means of excluding the majority of established rabbinic authorities from the valid and responsible application of the Jewish laws of personal status.

"The insistence of the leaders of Agudath Israel," Chancellor Cohen concluded, "to have their interpretation of who is a Jew made part of the laws of the State of Israel shows indifference to the universal nature of *halakha*, and contempt for the millions of Jews who live today outside the State. Such legislation would constitute the first tragic example of an official action of the State of Israel taken in violation of the spirit of Torah."

### Pyramid Structure In City Of David

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Archaeological digs in the City of David excavations will focus in the coming season on a monumental pyramid-like structure apparently dating from King Solomon's time, the Jerusalem Post reported.

The new season of excavations will begin next week. The structure, of which 16 meters has been exposed so far, was uncovered at the end of last season's dig. There is speculation whether the structure was connected with the citadel of the ancient city, or served as royal tombs of the House of David. In any case, there is an agreement that the very existence of a substantial structure dating back 3,000 years ago is a unique finding.

Digs will be made at three other sites in the City of David, including one holding remains of the Canaanite city of Jebus, which David conquered. This will be the fourth of five scheduled seasons of excavations in the City of David. It will last eight weeks. Some 400 volunteers from Israel and abroad will participate in the excavation.

## Britain Calls For 'New Chapter' In Relations With Israel

and make the EEC's policy "complementary" to that of the U.S. U.S. policy was "not yet fully defined" and Britain sought to keep "closely alongside the U.S.," he added.

Asked whether Britain had a scenario for the six months during which Lord Carrington will preside over the EEC Council of Ministers, Hurd said there was nothing "magic" about the six months and Britain was not aiming to put its own label on EEC diplomacy in that period.

### Issue Of The PLO

On the contentious issue of whether Carrington would meet Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasir Arafat, Hurd said emphatically that no meeting was planned. However, it remained a possibility within the framework of the Euro-Arab dialogue later in the year.

Looking forward to what Hurd termed "close and frank relations" with Israel, he suggested that relations could have been better over the past year had Israel reacted differently to the EEC's Venice initiative, calling for mutual recognition by Israel and the Palestinians.

"It should have been possible without yielding anything of substance for Israel to have welcomed the Venice declaration, and at the same time underlining the principle of Israel's right to exist," he said. However, Israeli reaction had affected the tone of public exchange with Britain. "I hope we can now start a new chapter with the Israel government which is more reasonable in tone," Hurd said.

Although Britain had had contacts with the PLO, these had been on official and not ministerial levels and the exchanges had always been on the basis that the PLO would recognize Israel's right to exist. This had also been the basis of British discussions with "moderate Arab governments."

Although not immediately evident from Hurd's remarks, there are also reports here that Carrington, in the wake of the Israeli elections, now gives himself little chance of making a major contribution to the Middle East peace process during his presidency of the Council of Ministers.

Another reason for his hesitation is that under President Francois Mitterrand, France has become markedly more favorable to the furtherance of the Camp David peace process and less interested in the Venice declaration than under the previous French Administration.

LONDON (JTA) — Britain has called for a "new chapter" in relations with Israel once the new Israeli government is formed. Douglas Hurd, Foreign Office Minister of State, said he hoped relations would improve regardless of who becomes the new Israeli Premier. However, in an interview with Jewish press representatives he added his hope that the new Israeli government would be "more reasonable in tone" than previously.

"We will try to understand the preoccupations and anxieties of Israel and hope they will accept that we in Britain and the European Economic Community (EEC) are working in good faith for a lasting peace in the Middle East," he told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

Referring to the closeness of the Israeli election result, Hurd also expressed the hope that the next government could pursue "a clear line of policy, and I expect that will happen." Speaking on the day after Britain assumed the six-month presidency of the EEC Hurd added that the 10-member countries would pursue the EEC peace initiative "without respite."

Besides awaiting the outcome of the Israeli elections, it would await the evolution of the Reagan Administration's Middle East policy.

### Rue Copernic Blast Attributed To Spanish Terrorists

PARIS (JTA) — The French daily Le Quotidien reported that an extreme right-wing Spanish terrorist group was responsible for the Rue Copernic synagogue bombing last October 3 in which four persons were killed and more than a dozen injured. The paper quoted unidentified French and Spanish police sources as naming four Spanish terrorists as the perpetrators.

The report said two of the Spaniards planted the bomb for which Libyan ruler Muammar Qaddafi and the Palestinians were originally blamed.

The police source said they had followed the "Spanish lead" from the start but that it has led nowhere as yet. They said they showed photos of Milla Rodriguez, a well known Spanish rightwing activist and reputedly the gang's leader, to eye-witnesses of the Rue Copernic outrage. But none recalled seeing him on the site before the explosion.



Robert Kaufman, Vice President at The Miriam Hospital, congratulates graduates of the HOSPITAL'S PHARMACY TECHNICIAN TRAINING PROGRAM. The graduates are (left to right) Beverly Procopio, Beverly DelBonis, Melanie LeGrow, Karen O'Coin and Joan Chadwick. The 30-week program is designed to give classroom and on-the-job training in the wide range of technical functions performed within The Miriam's Department of Pharmacy. At the graduation ceremony, Beverly Procopio also was awarded a \$50 savings bond by Smith, Kline and French Laboratories for her scholastic achievement in the Pharmacy Technician Training Program.

## Air Force Enjoined From Taking Action Against Orthodox Psychologist

NEW YORK (JTA) — A Washington federal district court judge has issued a 10-day temporary restraining order prohibiting the U.S. Air Force from taking disciplinary or other adverse action against an Orthodox Jewish Air Force member for refusing to remove his skull cap while wearing his service uniform.

At issue is whether the Air Force can enforce its uniform dress standards against Rabbi Simcha Goldman, who serves as a clinical psychologist at March Air Force base in Riverside, Cal. Goldman is being represented in his court action by two Washington attorneys, David Butler, a board member of the National Jewish Commission on Law and Public Affairs (COLPA), and Nathan Lewin, a COLPA vice president.

At the end of the 10-day period, the attorneys said, Judge Aubrey Robinson III will

decide whether to permanently enjoin the Air Force action against Goldman or dismiss the case.

Howard Zuckerman, president of COLPA, said this was the first instance in which Air Force uniform dress standards have been challenged when the individual involved has not been a chaplain.

Zuckerman said Goldman has been wearing his skull cap for a number of years as a psychologist at the Air Force base. When a new base commander took charge, Goldman was ordered to remove his skull cap while in uniform. Zuckerman said COLPA attorneys had been negotiating informally with Air Force officials for about eight weeks. When the Air Force made it clear that it expected Goldman to observe the Air Force dress code by not wearing his skull cap, he asked COLPA to take the issue to the courts.

## France Ready To Replace Iraq's Reactor, Sell Arms To Mideast

PARIS (JTA) — France is ready to replace the Iraqi nuclear reactor destroyed by Israel last month, Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson told the Beirut daily "Al Nahar." Cheysson said that if Iraq makes the request, France will replace the reactor "on the terms we apply to other countries."

Earlier, he said that France will "multiply checks and controls to ensure that civilian reactors are not used for military purposes."

Cheysson also said France will sell arms to Middle East countries but not to Israel. He added that arms will not be sold to countries with totalitarian regimes or which are at war. "As far as the Middle East is concerned, only the second restriction is applicable," he said. "As a consequence (of the restriction) we shall not deliver arms to Israel."

Cheysson named Saudi Arabia, Iraq, the Persian Gulf States, Egypt and North Africa as countries to which France is prepared to sell weapons. Last week he told the weekly Le Nouvel Observateur that arms exports are "vital for our industry" and that 300,000 people are directly employed by it. He said that the export of weapons is essential to French industry and to the country's defense.

### Reaffirms Recognition Of PLO

Cheysson reiterated France's recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organization as "one of the representatives of the Palestinian people," saying that the Palestinians do not have, under current conditions, the possibility to democratically choose their representatives. He said the PLO might emerge as the sole Palestinian representative "when conditions become adapted to their free, democratic choice."

French officials refused to comment on Cheysson's declaration. Only State Minister for Foreign Trade, Michel Jobert, confirmed Paris' readiness to replace the Iraqi reactor "on certain conditions and if Iraq makes the demand."

When asked whether the training of a nuclear generation in Baghdad might not by itself endanger ultimate peace, Jobert said

"there is no stopping progress. All over the world, an increasing number of countries and scientists are about to enter the nuclear age." Jobert did not comment on Cheysson's declaration barring Israel from the French arms market.

## Sinai Peace Force Accord To Be Signed Soon

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The U.S.-Israel-Egypt agreement on the Sinai peacekeeping force is likely to be initiated this week if last minute minor hitches can be overcome. U.S. chief negotiator Michael Sternier flew from Israel to Egypt with several proposed amendments in the draft text inserted by Premier Menachem Begin.

Both Sternier and Israeli officials expressed their confidence that the Egyptians would agree to the changes and the agreement could be wrapped up. Sternier is due to report on the agreement to a Congressional committee in Washington this week.

One last minute problem concerns the immunities to be enjoyed by soldiers and civilians serving with the projected "multinational force and observers." The U.S. is pressing Israel to agree — as Egypt has agreed — that the 3000-odd personnel enjoy full immunity from criminal prosecution while in Israel. Israel's Attorney General Yitzhak Zamir, is balking at this. Israeli sources said today that they expected some sort of compromise to be worked out.

The textual points inserted by Begin mainly concern language regarding possible future changes in the force's status, such as its substitution at some future date by a United Nations' force. Begin wants it made perfectly clear in the agreement that any changes would require the express agreement of both parties to the peace treaty — Israel and Egypt.



# Religious Cults Recruit Jewish Senior Citizens

NEW YORK — More and more religious cults are actively recruiting elderly Jews, particularly in retirement communities and nursing homes in Florida and California, according to two experts writing in a recent issue of *Reform Judaism*, published by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

The writers, Rabbi A. James Rudin and his wife, Marcia, are the co-authors of "Prison or Paradise: The New Religious Cults." They report in the article that in the Church Universal and Triumphant, a wealthy movement headed by Elizabeth Clare Prophet (also known as "Guru Ma"), 15 percent of its members are over 50, many of them Jewish.

Similarly, a missionary of Sun Myung Moon's Unification Church publicly announced last year that the group intends to woo "older, even elderly citizens." Many older Jews are joining meditation groups that cult critics consider dangerous, the authors say. Among these are Swami Muktananda Paramanhasa's Siddha Yoga Dham of American and Guru Maharaj Ji's Divine Light Mission.

The *Reform Judaism* article points out that older cult members — like younger ones — often live in crowded and unsanitary conditions, exist on poor diets, and do not get enough sleep or adequate medical care.

"Many older members work part or full-time for their group at little or no pay," they report. "Elderly cultists turn over their income from outside jobs and donate their cash, jewelry and property. They are often pressured into signing wills, leaving their possessions to the group."

"Less affluent members surrender their social security payments, retirement pensions and food stamps. Even if they do break away from the cult — which is very difficult — they may be left penniless after a lifetime of hard work and saving."

The authors state that despite the anti-Semitic teachings of some cults, a high proportion of their members is Jewish. "Jews

constitute about 3 percent of the American population, yet an estimated 30 to 50 percent of all cult members are Jewish," they say.

Noting that Jewish organizations are becoming increasingly aware of the cult problem, the article declares: "We must strengthen religious education and Jewish spiritual commitment so that people do not join cults because they are unsure of their Jewish identity or need to find spiritual fulfillment elsewhere."

"And we must meet the immediate needs of vulnerable elderly Jews whose search for meaning, emotional security, and a warm and caring community may lead them to religious cults," they conclude.

## Aid to Children Of Dutch Nazis

AMSTERDAM (JTA) — A new group has been formed here to help the children of World War II Dutch Nazi collaborators who are said to be experiencing social and psychological problems derived from their parents' activities.

The prime mover behind the "Working Group NSB Children" — the NSB was the wartime Dutch Nazi party — is a Protestant clergyman, the Rev. Arie Klamer, who asserts that children invariably suffer for the misdeeds of their parents. According to Klamer, known as the "Radio Pastor," a great deal of attention has been paid in Holland to the problems of second generation Jews, the children of Nazi victims and Holocaust survivors, who have experienced problems of adjustment because of their parents' traumatic experiences.

On the other hand, the problems of the offspring of Dutch Nazis have been completely neglected, he said. Although these children, now adults, were not responsible for the attitudes of their parents, they are still frowned upon by society and have psychological problems.

Jewish scholars and academicians charging that the writings of Moon "are distinctly anti-Semitic" and that "numerous Jewish homes have been thrown into turmoil and parents subjected to severe suffering" as a result of the widespread proselytizing activities of the Unification Church among Jewish and other youth.

They warned the scholars not to accept the all-expenses-paid invitation to the Jerusalem conference, noting that it and other conferences in various parts of the world were self-serving devices by the Unification Church to associate itself with the names of prominent and respected persons.

The Unification Church claimed that "The charges that the teachings of Rev. Moon are 'distinctly anti-Semitic' are absolutely false" and "we reject" these "slanderous charges." It said the conference was to have been an "ecumenical dialogue" to promote "unity between diverse religious traditions... we are opposed to all forms of racism and prejudice and believe that all men are equal in the sight of God."

## U.S. Missile Gives Israel Navy Longer Reach

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Israel Navy has disclosed that it has been employing for some time the American-made "Harpoon" surface-to-surface missile which is far superior to the Israeli-made "Gabriel" missile. It has extended greatly the range of Israel's attack capability at sea, the report issued on the occasion of Navy Day said.

The "Harpoon" which can hit targets beyond the horizon, is manufactured by the McDonnell Douglas Co. Its range is considerably greater than the "Gabriel's" and unlike the Israel-made weapon, it does not have to be directed at a target but seeks it out automatically. It is known in naval circles as a "fire-and-forget" missile. It travels close to the sea surface and is therefore difficult to detect with radar.

Israeli missile boats are also equipped with landing pads for small helicopters used for nearby reconnaissance. They too fly below normal radar range. Their pilots need intensive training to land on the narrow decks of the missile boats which travel at high speeds even in rough seas.

# Bridge

by Robert E. Starr



Today's hand is the first and only repeat hand this column will ever have. The first time was about sixteen years ago but it is so interesting I think it is well worth doing again. I happened to be discussing it recently to illustrate a point which is how the idea came to show it a second time. The play of the hand is no problem at all no matter what contract it is played in. The bidding is something else.

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|-------|------------|-------|---------|
| North |            | South |         |
| ♠     | A J 10 8 3 | ♠     | K Q 4   |
| ♥     | 7 5        | ♥     | A 8 6   |
| ♦     | A K Q 8    | ♦     | 7 5 3 2 |
| ♣     | 9 5        | ♣     | A 10 6  |

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|------|----------|------|-----------|
| West |          | East |           |
| ♠    | 7 6      | ♠    | 9 5 2     |
| ♥    | K Q 10 2 | ♥    | J 9 5 4 3 |
| ♦    | J 7 4    | ♦    | 10 9      |
| ♣    | J 7 4 3  | ♣    | K Q 8 2   |

North Dealer, no one vulnerable with this bidding:

|     |   |    |     |
|-----|---|----|-----|
| N   | E | S  | W   |
| 1S  | P | 2D | P   |
| 2S  | P | 4S | P   |
| 4NT | P | 5H | P   |
| 5NT | P | 6D | End |

I played this hand myself back in the 1950's in a very important tournament. My partner was the same man I always had played with in all high level Bridge so we understood each other and trusted each other implicitly. We were the only pair to reach the fine contract of Six Diamonds.

After each North opened the bidding, most Souths responded Two No Trump, some three Spades. After that most ended in Four Spades, some in Three No Trump. As you can see, there are eleven tricks to be scored in either contract no matter what the lead. Five Spades, four Diamonds and two Aces. Nothing can gain them another trick.

I was not "fooling around" when I responded two Diamonds. I did not consider three Spades as that should show at least four card support along with the 12 - 15 high card points it does guarantee. We were playing five card majors so I knew that I was going to end in Spades no matter what. I considered the Two No Trump call which would have described both the strength and distribution of the hand perfectly and would have then kept with the Spades had I done that but then I decided the Two Diamond bid couldn't hurt and I would like to see what my partner rebid. Remember, he cannot pass a change of suit bid by the responder.

My partner was a fine player, very imaginative and sharp. His ears perked up when he heard my Diamond response. But he, too wanted to wait to hear my second bid. My bid at the two level had promised another bid which he was anxious to hear. When he heard the Spade support he was delighted. Now my hand should be a perfect fit. He

knew I could have no more than one point in Diamonds so the rest had to be elsewhere. He also wanted to play the hand in Diamonds where his Spades could provide discards whereas if they were Trumps they wouldn't. But he also was quite certain that given the chance I would always take him back to Spades. The Major rather than the Minor.

He finally figured out the only way as shown above. If I had shown two Kings I think he would have tried No Trump. But I made the perfect answer, six Diamonds, which he happily passed. I almost fell through the floor when he did, he had never supported that fabulous suit of mine. But I also knew that he was a fine partner and wouldn't let me down. And when I saw the Dummy I couldn't have been more pleased. All I needed was a normal split in Diamonds. I won the Heart lead, drew three rounds of Trumps, discarded the two losing Hearts on Dummy's Spades and still had a Trump left in my hand to ruff a Heart for the twelfth trick.

Moral: A perfect example of why four opposite four is often better than five opposite three Trumps.

## Jewish Agency Issues New Loan Guidelines

JERUSALEM — Loans granted to new immigrants for shipping and airline tickets will be converted to grants, automatically, if the Oleh (new immigrant) remains in Israel for five years, according to new Jewish Agency loan conditions issued this week.

Under the new guidelines, loans will be granted only in cases of financial need and for 70 percent of the allotted shipping and transportation expense.

According to Raphael Kotlowitz, head of the Jewish Agency's Department of Aliyah and Absorption, loans will be granted only in cases of demonstrated need based on a review of the loan application by a committee set up for that purpose. In the past, loan applications were handled pro forma and loans were granted for 100 percent of the allotted transportation and shipping expense, he said.

"These new measures," Kotlowitz said, "are part of the general budget tightening at the Jewish Agency and are effective immediately."

In cases of special need, he pointed out, 100 percent loans will be approved but the new immigrant will be obligated to repay 30 percent of the note.

Immigrants who do not remain in Israel for five consecutive years will be required to repay the loan in full with interest.

Under terms of the new agreements, the Jewish Agency will pay its 70 percent portion of the transportation and shipping bills directly to the companies involved. Airline ticket assistance will be based on the cost of a direct flight to Israel.

"The new guidelines which allow loans to convert into grants for immigrants who remain in Israel," Kotlowitz said, "represent a major step forward in reducing the bureaucracy needed to collect loan payments."

# Jewish Groups Reject Charges They Forced Moonies To Cancel

NEW YORK (JTA) — The American Jewish Committee and the American Jewish Congress said they "reject" charges by the Unification Church of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon that the two organizations "used the powerful means which they control" to force cancellation of a "World Conference for Judeo-Christian Dialogue" which the Church planned to hold in Jerusalem next month.

Maynard Wishner, president of the AJCommittee, and Henry Siegan, executive director of the AJCongress said, in a joint statement:

"To the extent that this cancellation is due to action taken by our two organizations, as the Unification Church asserts, we can only be glad. We reject the Church's charges... that we used our 'power' or acted in ways contrary to the tenets of free speech or tolerance in expressing our opposition. The only 'power' exercised was that of freedom of information, to make public to Jewish scholars our view of the Unification Church as we urged them to turn down invitations to any such conference."

### Background Of The Issue

On June 23, Bertram Gold, executive vice president of the AJCommittee and Siegan announced that they had sent letters to

## Amsterdam's Arab School Will Be Accredited

AMSTERDAM (JTA) — When the new school year begins next month, Amsterdam's Arab school, which has been in existence for 10 years, will become officially accredited, making it eligible for a 100 percent subsidy from the Education Ministry and the Amsterdam municipality.


The school will have about 100 Arabic-speaking students, taught by three Moroccan and three Dutch teachers. The youngsters are mainly from Moroccan immigrant families. A majority of the Moroccans, however, attend Dutch public schools which provide Moroccan or Turkish teachers.

Until now, the Arab School was funded privately as were the schools of other national minorities living in Holland, such as the Japanese School and schools for foreign children whose families are in the country only temporarily.

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# The Jews Of Mexico: "Foreigners" Who Fear Anti-Semitism

by Jesse Zel Lurie

MEXICO CITY (JTA) — There are three groups of Jews in Mexico: 43,000 Ashkenazim and Sephardim in separate kehillot, and about 150 native Mexicans, who are not recognized as Jews by the first two. All three groups try to avoid publicity and don't like to talk to foreign journalists, particularly Jewish reporters from their big neighbor to the North.

We are four reporters representing two Jewish weeklies in New York and Philadelphia, a monthly magazine and the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. We had been invited to Mexico by the government Tourist Council and AeroMexico to help celebrate what they called Jewish Heritage Week. This proved to be a publicity gimmick to increase Jewish tourism from the United States which did not sit well with the Jewish communal leaders.

"Why pinpoint us?" asked a Sephardi banker. "Why not a French Heritage Week?" (There is a substantial French community in Mexico City with a French Lycee to which some Jewish parents send their children.)

"Why not?" we asked. "Perhaps we in the United States can learn something from you. We are told that almost three-fourths of your children attend Jewish day schools, that they graduate fluent in Hebrew, that most or many of them spend at least a year after graduation in Israel, and that the small group in this room has just raised \$2 million for a new building on the Hebrew University campus on Mt. Scopus."

**Background Of Ashkenazim, Sephardim**  
We are meeting in the magnificent home

of Dr. David Brucilovsky, a prominent internist and head of the Mexican Friends of the Hebrew University. A new group of young couples in their thirties had just been organized by the Friends and the two generations were meeting together for the first time, one of the younger men, a doctor wearing the brown tunic of the Mayo Clinic where he had interned, answered my question.

"First of all, we are a very small community, 43,000 in a population of 70 million, not even a tenth of one percent. We are a very young community. The Ashkenazim came here only one generation ago and the Sephardim are here a little longer."

(They came with little more than shirts on their backs. The Ashkenazim were escaping from Hitler's Europe and the Sephardim were fleeing from the Ottoman Turkish rulers of the Levant. They began as peddlers making the rounds of primitive villages with clothing and Christian figurines. They went into manufacturing, trade and stores. The second and third generations opened supermarkets, auto agencies and property developments.)

(Some of them amassed great personal wealth and their children became academics — some 5 percent of the faculty at the University of Mexico are Jews — or achieved rapid promotion in the civil service — the head of the North American desk in the Foreign Office who accompanied President Lopez Portillo to Washington last month is 36-year-old Andres Rozental — or entered the professions like the young doctor who was talking to us.)

"We haven't really put down roots yet ...," the doctor continued. "But what are

you afraid of?" I broke in. "Anti-Semitism of course. We see what is happening in Argentina. We are Mexican citizens. We love our country. It has been good to us. But we are still foreigners ... ." A young lady interrupted. "I am the fourth generation born here and I am still considered a foreigner. My daughter is the fifth generation and her daughter will be the sixth generation and she will still be called a foreigner."

## The Jews Of Venta Prieta

There is another group of Jews in Mexico who will never be called foreigners but most of the Jews in Mexico City refuse to recognize them as Jews. Their center is Venta Prieta, a village about 65 miles north of Mexico City.

Commonly called the Indian Jews they resist both the name and most of the articles written about them. Visiting journalists, photographers and historians depicted them as exotic primitives and derided their mythology of being descended from secret Jews who hid in the mountains during the 18th Century to escape the Inquisition.

They are no more Indian than the rest of the Mexican population. Almost all Mexicans are a mixture of Europeans and Indian genes. To call a Mexican an Indian is considered an insult. It is a pejorative name meaning lazy, unwashed and drunk.

I visited Venta Prieta together with Rabbi Samuel Lerer, a Conservative rabbi and a member of the Rabbinical Assembly. He is the only American rabbi in Mexico City and the only one that will provide rabbinical services such as marriages, bar mitzvas and circumcisions to Venta Prieta.

Since I accompanied Lerer, I was received cordially and allowed to photograph their

"shahrit" service, which included the naming of four little girls by the rabbi. The president of the community, Saul Gonzales, answered all my questions until I asked about the history of the community. Our conversation was conducted in Spanish and Hebrew. The Interpreter was one of the dozen young men and women in this tiny community of less than 150 souls who have studied and worked in Israel. When I asked about the group's origins, the interpreter told me in Hebrew:

"When I come to your synagogue I don't ask you about your Jewish ancestry. Zeh mafria lanu. Your question disturbs us."

## Growing Closer To Israel

I apologized and continued to talk to the young man about Israel. My superficial impression was that the young people of Venta Prieta are beginning to doubt the old folks tales of their Jewish ancestry, which is completely undocumented. But every group needs a mythology to account for its distinctiveness. For the young people their association with and love of Israel may have replaced the mythology.

Thus they are growing closer to the Jews of Mexico City who also find Israel a bastion. And as the young people of the village finish school and enter professions the class difference is being bridged. The process takes time. At the moment the Mexican Jews of Venta Prieta have nothing in common with the "foreign" Jews in the capital except an overwhelming desire to pray to the one God with tallit, tfillin and Torah, and a love of Israel to which a large proportion of the Venta Prieta youth have gone to study, to work and to serve in the Israel army.

## 11th Maccabiad Opens With 3,500 Athletes From 35 Countries

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The 11th Maccabiad — the Jewish Olympic games — opened in the giant Ramat Gan Stadium as some 3,500 competing athletes from 35 countries marched onto the field before a wildly cheering crowd of more than 50,000 sports fans and Israeli dignitaries, including President Yitzhak Navon and Premier Menachem Begin.

The Israeli contingent, by far the largest with 900 marchers, was followed in size by the American team numbering 372 and the South Africans with more than 200. The smallest entry was from Singapore which sent two contestants. Others came from such far off lands as Chile and New Zealand. The Dutch squad carried a huge banner reading, "Love From Holland." The Brazilian group danced onto the field in Mardi Gras fashion.

### Festive Atmosphere Marks Games

The march-on was preceded by the descent of 16 Israeli paratroopers to the green turf. It was followed by Israel's top seeded tennis champ, Shlomo Glickstein, who raced into the stadium bearing the traditional Maccabiah torch which had been kindled earlier in Modi'in, birthplace of the Maccabees, and run in relays to Ramat Gan.

Contributing to the carnival atmosphere of the opening ceremonies was a gymnastic display by hundreds of Israeli youngsters who released thousands of silver balloons as they completed their exhibition.

Earlier in the evening, Navon and Begin, who arrived in motorcades, were greeted officially by Mayor Israel Peled of Ramat Gan and Michael Kevehazi, chairman of the Maccabiah Organizing Committee. The American team marched on the field led by flag-bearer Danny Schayes, a seven-foot tall basketball ace. The marchers were joined by Rep. Jack Kemp (R. NY), who is currently visiting Israel.

He is slated to present medals to the winners of early swimming events before returning to the U.S. Kemp, a one-time

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TEL AVIV (JTA) — Over 40,000 veterans of the Haganah and Palmach gathered on the green lawns of Tel Aviv's Yarkon Park in a nostalgic "happening," looking back to their fighting days in the pre-State underground army. The rally was organized by Moshe Rivlin, Jewish National Fund leader and chairman of the Haganah Veterans Association, under the slogan: "60 Years Haganah, 40 Years Palmach." The Haganah, defense force of the pre-Israel Jewish Agency and Vaad Leumi, was formed in 1921. The Palmach, its strike force, was formed in 1941. The white-shirted men and women are now in their 60's and 70's.

professional football player — with the Buffalo Bills — was instrumental in securing a \$25,000 donation for the U.S. Committee Sports For Israel from the National Football League (NFL). The USCSFI is the American organization that funds and supplies the U.S. Maccabiah teams.

### Games To Continue To July 16

With the festivities over, the games began in earnest and will continue until July 16, featuring competition in 31 sports at 58 locations around Israel. They include basketball, trap shooting, lawn bowling, fencing, golf, chess and bridge. The swimming and track meets are expected to be the most dramatic.

This year, the competing athletes will be housed together according to their sports specialties rather than nationality. It will give the men and women in the same competitive areas a chance to mingle and exchange ideas.

The first Maccabiah games were held in March, 1932. They lasted only two days and drew about 25,000 fans from abroad. This year's Maccabiah is reported to have cost \$3.5 million to mount.

## Man Sentenced For Complicity In Arrest Of Jews

AMSTERDAM (JTA) — A 67-year-old resident of the Hague, Jan Bulder, was sentenced to two-and-a-half years imprisonment by the special tribunal of The Hague District Court for his complicity in the arrest and subsequent deportation of about 20 Jews from The Hague early in 1944. The public prosecutor had demanded a four-year sentence for having worked at the "Judenreferat" of the German "Sicherheitsdienst" in The Hague. Bulder was arrested shortly after the liberation of The Netherlands but managed to escape and to reach South Africa.

He lived there under an assumed name but returned to Holland, likewise under his assumed name in 1969. Afterwards, however, he adopted his real name again. He was arrested early this year at Schiphol Airport when returning from a short holiday in Spain.

In pronouncing the sentence, the special tribunal took into account on the one hand that 37 years had elapsed and on the other hand that Bulder had been only a very minor official.

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HEPPENHEIM, WEST GERMANY — Dr. David Hyatt (left), president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the International Council of Christians and Jews, Dr. Gerhart Riegner (center) of Geneva, secretary-general of the World Jewish Congress, and Sir Sigmund Sternberg of Great Britain, chairman of the ICCJ's Executive Committee present the NCCJ's International Humanitarian Medal to Dr. Riegner before 200 delegates from 16 nations at the ICCJ Annual Meeting. Dr. Hyatt hailed Dr. Riegner as "a great humanitarian, a great human being, and one of the world's most heroic champions of human rights."

## AJC Deplores Vote On Abortion

NEW YORK — The American Jewish Congress has criticized as "unwise" and "incompatible with Jewish tradition" a Senate subcommittee vote approving legislation that could allow the states to prosecute abortion as murder.

Phil Baum, associate executive director of the Congress, said, "We deplore the 3-2 vote in the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee that might lead to the outlawing of abortions by defining human life as starting at the moment of conception."

"As we indicated in our testimony, we believe this position is not only unconstitutional but unwise, not only unrepresentative of American opinion but incompatible with Jewish tradition and with the broad reach of universal religious principles which embody a deep commitment to the enhancement of life. These traditions reflect the belief that, in the long run, life is diminished, demeaned and desecrated far more by callousness and insensitivity to the born than the unborn, however precious their promise. That is why this legislation, if well-intentioned, is ill advised and damaging.

"The one bright spot is that the subcommittee action will apparently have the result of inducing further hearings, which would delay the consideration of the matter by the full Judiciary Committee until next year. By that time, we hope, reason, good sense, and a decent regard for human dignity will assert itself and yesterday's subcommittee action will be undone."

## Flatto-Sharon Won't Be Extradited

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Senior members of the Likud are reported to have assured Samuel Flatto-Sharon, who is appealing to the Supreme Court against a lower court's nine-month prison sentence for bribery in the elections four years ago, that Israel will not agree to a French request for his extradition to France to stand charges there for embezzlement. Flatto-Sharon was sentenced in absentia by a Paris court to 10 years in prison.

Flatto-Sharon's entry into the Knesset four years ago provided him with immunity against the French extradition request. But his parliamentary immunity was lifted by the Knesset earlier this year to allow him to be tried for bribery in the 1977 election campaign. He failed to receive enough votes in last month's elections to provide him with a seat in the Knesset.



# Eddie Peretz: Israel's Tomato King

by Reuven Freed  
Israel Scene

If Eddie Peretz has his determined way, the Israeli tomato will someday rank with its friendly rivals, the Jaffa orange and grapefruit, as a sought-after delicacy for the European palate.

Peretz, who may well be the most knowledgeable man in Israel about the red love apples, has seen a lot of progress since he and his wife Lillian came to Israel from New Zealand in 1968 to found the tomato-for-export industry. The moshav he was instrumental in establishing — Sde Nitzan — is, with its partner, Nezer Hazani, a million-dollar operation. "And I believe that we could build another 30 to 40 settlements in this area, all based on the tomato-under-glass idea," he says.

For sure, Peretz and tomatoes go back a long way. Born in England, he was raised on the Channel Islands of Guernsey and Jersey, which are famous for their tomatoes. So great a percentage of Guernsey's 24-square-miles is under glass, in fact, that, flying over it, one sees little more than the sky's reflection.

Right from the start, Peretz displayed a keen interest in agriculture, despite the objections of his father, who felt that such pursuits were beneath the dignity of the Peretz line (he is related to the noted Hebrew writer Y.L. Peretz and his family can be traced, via Poland, back to Spain).

"I've always felt that working the land was a healthy thing for the Jewish people to get involved with," says the 61-year-old moshavnik.

After the war, Peretz returned to the Channel Islands, which had been overrun by the Nazis, and took up greenhouse tomato-growing in earnest, under the tutelage of Harry Broad, an international expert.

It was another passion, mountain-climbing, which led Peretz and his family to New Zealand in 1948.

Upon their arrival, they found that the art of tomato-growing in New Zealand was at a rather primitive stage: "The yield was no more than two to three pounds of fruit per plant, but with the techniques introduced, the rate grew to three times that number," he says proudly. During this period, Peretz also served as the president of the Auckland Market Growers Association.

"The experience I gained in New Zealand, where they can grow tomatoes under glass without artificial heating, unlike Europe, gave me the confidence to come to Israel to set up the industry.

"I never would have conceived of coming here otherwise — in fact, we originally thought we'd only stay for three years or so."

But stay they did, despite some rough going at first. "I contacted all sorts of people, but found to my dismay that my ideas were considered far-fetched.

"I was told that the weather in Israel in winter was unsuitable for growing tomatoes without heating, especially at night, but I knew differently because I'd grown them in New Zealand under even colder conditions."

Finally, Peretz met Ra'anan Weitz, now co-director-general of the Jewish Agency Settlement Department. Weitz, very much a man of the can-do Israeli philosophy, simply asked the frustrated agriculturalist what he wanted: "I was astonished, but managed to say that I wanted to build an experimental station in a favorable locale," he smiles.

Thereupon, Peretz was provided with all the assistance he needed. Traveling from place to place, he searched for the right combination of topography, soil, rainfall and temperature, but to no avail.

One day, almost by accident, he was brought to Yesha, a struggling moshav near the Gaza Strip which was established in 1956 by ex-Egyptian Jews. Within moments, Peretz knew this was the place.

"I asked some people who were in the middle of planting aubergines a few questions about frost hazards, water supply, wind velocity, and the like, and got all the right answers."

Soon afterward, Peretz and his wife moved into one of the moshav's "deluxe" 42-square-meter houses, without doors and windows. With characteristic understatement, he notes that his home in New Zealand was "considerable larger and better appointed."

After constructing a small greenhouse — the first in the Negev and the first in Israel devoted to raising tomatoes — Peretz planted a crop in September, 1969, despite the fact that fall is a bit late to start work.

Nevertheless, Peretz had instant success. The prices his tomatoes (there is now a Peretz strain) fetched on the London market were 30 percent higher than expected. Eight tons were exported that year.

"Nobody in Israel had ever seen anything like them," he says. "Tomatoes had been raised here before, of course, but nothing of such high export quality."

After another season, during which he lent his expertise to teach young French immigrants who had recently founded nearby Moshav Talme Elyahu, Peretz again turned to Weitz, this time with the notion of establishing an Anglo-Saxon moshav. Truth to tell, one of his primary motives for doing so was the language barrier.

"I probably have a couple of thousand Hebrew words tucked away somewhere, but I don't use them much," he admits. "But more than that, I looked upon it as a

challenge. Let's face it. A good many young people from these countries are dissatisfied and overeducated in the 'wrong' fields. I thought I could try to give them a new direction."

An article in *The Jerusalem Post* elicited 80 queries and, after a trip to Australia, New Zealand, the United States and Britain to drum up interest in the idea, Moshav Sde Nitzan was born in 1973, just in time for the Yom Kippur War. Ten families, who were living temporarily at Talme Elyahu, built 10 greenhouses of one dunam each.

"In spite of the difficulties generated by the war and everything else, we still exported over 10 tons a dunam that year," says Peretz beaming. "And, meanwhile, we recruited another 20 families, mostly from the U.S., Canada and South Africa."

Today, 51 families call Sde Nitzan home, cultivating 120 dunams of Israel's finest tomatoes, as well as a small quantity of flowers, cucumbers, avocados, grapes and mangoes.

Soon, the area will get a big boost when five new settlements to accommodate the evacuees from the Sinai's Rafiah Salient are completed. Greenhouses are being constructed and it is hoped that by January 1982, the newcomers will be harvesting their first crop of tomatoes.

Needless to say, Peretz, who also gives weekly advice to three settlements in the Gaza Strip, is deeply involved in the entire project.

"Israel is already self-sufficient, more or less, in food production," he says. "Now, we must turn to exports."

True enough. But the competition with other countries is fierce. Fortunately, with Eddie Peretz on our side, we have a head start.

## Soviet Jews: A Personal Account

by Theodore R. Mann

Chairman, National Conference On Soviet Jewry

For many years, I had purposely avoided going to the Soviet Union. I did not want to risk an emotional involvement with members of the "refusenik" community. The Jewish community agenda — the Middle East, Soviet Jewry, civil rights and liberties in America, the continued separation of church and state, Jewish literacy — is enormously stimulating, in part because of its variety. I did not want to risk becoming a one-issue person. So although I spoke on the subject of Soviet oppression of the Jewish minority on innumerable occasions, there were plenty of excuses at hand for not going there.

Now that would no longer be possible. I had been asked to chair the National Conference on Soviet Jewry. Because there are great dangers ahead for the Jews of the Soviet Union, and also intriguing possibilities for getting large numbers of them out, I accepted. In June, together with a Russian-speaking companion, I visited Moscow, Kiev and Leningrad, and met with scores of refuseniks, Soviet Jews who have been refused permission to emigrate.

Whether an applicant will be permitted to leave or whether he will join the growing number of refuseniks (there are now almost 5,000, some of whom have been refuseniks for over 10 years) is anyone's guess. The total uncertainty, the arbitrariness is the Soviet method of discouraging applications.

I found, to my surprise, a kind of serenity in many refuseniks that few others in the Soviet Union share — indeed, a sense of purpose in life that few anywhere share. For them, many of the fears that permeate the lives of other Soviet citizens are over. So is the terrible indecision that hovers over the lives of other Soviet Jews.

No longer are they afraid to meet with foreigners, or to say aloud what is in their minds. They have made their decision; they have opted out of the system. No longer do they have to struggle with the kinds of fundamental questions with which you and I need never grapple: should we attempt to emigrate? Should we apply now or wait — until the chances are better? until a parent dies? until the baby is walking? until our child earns a degree? Such searing questions are behind the refuseniks now. An enormous weight has been lifted from their shoulders.

You and I know countless Americans who would envy the feeling of purpose, of mission, the clarity of goals that infuses the lives of refuseniks. Dr. Alexander Lerner, a renowned cyberneticist who has been waiting for permission to leave for 10 years, said to me as we walked in one of Moscow's many beautiful parks. "I don't think what I have

been doing is unimportant. I haven't wasted my years." He is a master of understatement. The refuseniks are the heroes of this new chapter in the Jewish saga.

But, of course, now a different kind of fear grips them. Their lives have become a game of Russian roulette. A certain percentage of the refuseniks will be selected for prosecution — another method of discouraging Jews from applying to leave. When they are convicted of some sham charge or other (there has never been an acquittal), they become what we call Prisoners of Conscience. That is reason enough to fear.

But there is also the constant risk that the Soviets may decide to treat them in the same way they have dealt with those other courageous men and women who seek fundamental changes within the Soviet Union — the human rights activists, the Helsinki monitoring groups, the "dissident" movement. These have been totally decimated. Their adherents are in prison, in Siberia or in institutions for the criminally insane.

Or the Soviets could invade Poland this summer, putting Soviet-American relations in the deep freeze for years, and therefore setting back the refuseniks' chance of leaving for years.

There are many other dangers. The biggest of all derives from general economic conditions in the Soviet Union and what all of us have learned from Jewish history in general and Soviet Jewish history in particular.

Economic conditions in the Soviet Union are worsening. Food shortages are real. One may believe, as I do, that President Ronald Reagan's burial of the Soviet system is premature, and that his comments in that regard are unnecessarily abusive and serve no legitimate American purpose. Yet at bottom, his analysis, I believe, is right. The system is not working.

A Soviet people accustomed only to totalitarian government, may well be willing to endure a total lack of individual freedom indefinitely; their patience with food shortages is far more problematical. As an aging Soviet leadership struggles to hang on to its raw power amidst an increasingly dissatisfied populace, the Jews may well be regarded by them as their "ace in the hole."

Witness Poland, just a few months ago. Only 6,000 Jews reside there. Yet when Polish leaders returned from Moscow, where they received a stern lecture on getting their act together, within less than 24 hours there began anti-Semitic outbursts against that ghost Jewish community. The opportunities for political anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union, with its more than two million Jews, are frightening to contemplate.

President Reagan is aware of the desperate fix our people are in. On my return from the Soviet Union, I delivered to him a letter from a number of the better-known refuseniks, in which they thanked him for the interest he had shown in their condition. He called me, and in the course of our conversation pledged that in negotiations with the Soviet Union, this issue, as well as arms limitations, will be on the negotiating table.

And what is the role of the American

Jewish community in the '80s? Let there be no mistake about it: in large part, the reason why 250,000 Jews have been able to leave the Soviet Union is the intense interest and activity of the American Jew. The Soviets perceive us as a powerful force in our society, able to influence American policy. The safety of the refuseniks rests on that perception, too.

So our work is cut out for us. The Jews of the Soviet Union are at risk. We must get them out, and the sooner the better.

## ADL Praises North Carolina Law Banning KKK Training Camps

RALEIGH, N.C. (JTA) — The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith has expressed praise for the passage of a law banning paramilitary training camps run by the Ku Klux Klan and other extremist groups. The legislation, which has passed both houses of the North Carolina legislature, was spearheaded by State Sen. Henson Barnes and based on a model statute drawn up by the ADL.

Barnes indicated that the law is an effort to stop "... the growth of paramilitary camps where certain groups are training their members to make gasoline bombs, explosive devices and the use of military techniques with the intention of using those weapons and training against other North Carolinians who are of a different religion, belief or race."

The bill was opposed by members of the Ku Klux Klan, who have claimed to have paramilitary operations in the state in order to, according to the Klan, defend themselves.

According to Barnes, the bill accomplishes two things. "First, it makes it a felony to teach the use of an explosive device or weapon knowingly or intending that the weapon or explosive device will be used unlawfully in a civil disorder. Second, it is a felony, under the bill, to assemble with others to learn make or use explosive devices or weapons unlawfully and intending to use the information in a civil disorder. A civil disorder is defined as a meeting of at least three people who assemble together for the purpose of destroying property or inflicting injury on others.

Recognition Of Clear And Present Danger

According to Ronald Kirschbaum, chairman of the ADL's regional board, "The General Assembly and Sen. Barnes are to be congratulated. They have recognized a clear and present danger to our system of government and have moved courageously to counter it. Those that thrive on violence and chaos

should take heed that they are not welcome and will not be tolerated in North Carolina."

Norman Olshansky, North Carolina/Virginia regional director for the ADL stated: "This law should serve as a clear message to hoodlums and terrorists that their poisonous rhetoric will not be allowed to turn into civil disorder and criminal activity. North Carolina has had more than its share of Klan and Nazi violence. Criminals should be treated as such."

The ADL model statute has been introduced in the legislatures of several other states and has already been enacted into law in Connecticut. The model statute, which was made public last February, was the basis upon which the North Carolina bill was drafted.

## Ashkelon Residents Protest Electric Generator Station

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Municipal Council and residents of Ashkelon, as well as ecologists, are up in arms against a decision of the National Council for Planning and Building to build Israel's next and biggest coal-fired electricity generating station on the outskirts of their town.

They say the decision, opposed by many experts, will damage the town and have a serious effect on tourism in the area. They demand that the station, to be the biggest in the country even though only two of the projected 550,000-kilowatt units instead of the original four are to be installed within a decade, be located further to the south, on the border between the Gaza Strip and Israel proper.

Ministry of Energy sources say the projected generating station would be the last to be built on the coast, as no further sites are available.



