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**See Inside Back Cover for more details.**

# AJC President's Rosh Hashanah Message

Ben Prossin, President  
Atlantic Jewish Council

Founded in April, 1975, the Atlantic Jewish Council is now completing its first full year of programming and organizational activity.

There have certainly been some difficulties to overcome, and a few problems we are still in the midst of dealing with, but on the whole I would not hesitate to say that the AJC is off to a good start. I believe that the concept of an umbrella organization made up, and serving the interests, of various Zionist and other Jewish Community groups in the Atlantic Provinces has been accepted both on a regional and national scale. The AJC's activities in the areas of cultural and information services, special programming, youth and camp, university students, Shalom magazine, Zionist endeavours, co-ordination of certain communal activity and generally becoming involved in Jewish Community needs have been received, on the whole, in a very positive manner.

Plans for the coming year are now in the midst of finalization and include expanded information services, special programming, tour to Israel, concert series, Camp Kadimah revitalization and a continuation of existing services and undertakings by the AJC.

The relationship of the AJC to various national Zionist and Jewish organizations is being cemented and more fully developed. Hopefully, these relationships will be both beneficial to this region and will ensure our participation within the context of national

activities and projects.

Two major events which will occur within the next several weeks will be the Annual Meeting and Conference of the AJC as well as an attempt to enroll as many as possible within the membership ranks of the Zionist movement in Canada.

With financing of activities, Camp Kadimah and special projects remains a serious concern, it is hoped that steps to aid in alleviating this problem will be taken by mid-October during the course of discussions between the AJC and the regional and national representatives of UIA. It is felt by many that the present two card system (U.I.A. and local needs) can be improved upon and a new system should be in effect for the coming fiscal year with regard to our funding, somewhat along the lines adopted by other Canadian communities with regard to their local activities and institutions.

In conclusion, I hope you will agree that the Atlantic Jewish Council has made a contribution to the quality of Jewish living within our various communities and that you personally have felt a beneficial effect from its various endeavours. Hopefully, the coming year will see a further positive development of AJC activity.

May I take this opportunity to wish you, on behalf of the Atlantic Jewish Council and myself, a very happy and healthy New Year filled with prosperity and contentment. L'SHANA TOVA TEKATEVU!

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# WORLD

MACHAR 1976

by Gila Smilestein

Wayne Nathanson

"Jeez, I've been here for two days and it feels like a week! This is going to be a pit summer."

What a drag those first few days were! Who would believe that such a boring beginning would ever turn out to be a fantastic summer.

Time was not plentiful, beefs and problems were, but a summer that we will always remember was surely ours during Machar '76.

Thanks to **Howard Lichtman** as our Rosh, **Hildy Abrams** as our 'Siganit' Rosh and the three gremlins, **Beth Smilestone**, **Geoff Gitter** and last but not least **Felice Cohen** who did a super job in lasting from the shoe-raid in erev camp to **Marcia Yampolsky's** Valedictory the last night of camp. Without these five "intelligent and hard-working" madrichim watching us closely day-by-day, we could have caused a bit more trouble. (I can't Believe we said that!)

During a regular Machar day, the Macharniks gave the madrachim more than their share of headaches. Following mifkad the first head-ache began when twenty people were seen racing towards the infirmary



with headaches, stomach aches, sprained toes, ankles and wrists and any other ailment or disease which may succeed in keeping them dry during 'schiya'. (swim instruction)

Following schiya another headache arises when you have to get 46 macharniks to musag (thematic program) on time. However no matter how hard you'd try, there will still be kids walking in late, most of whom were busy blowdrying their hair even though they did not go to schiya. These weren't the only headaches, but the rest are just too painful to go into. (anybody got an anacin?)

Machar isn't only regular programming. There is also some very irregular and abnormal programming, such as our unique Hityashvut. Why 'unique'. Because! Because why? Yes! Oh, how we wished we knew when it was coming. Those gremlins woke us up at six o'clock one dreary morning. Not only was the morning dreary but so were **Tema Coner**, **Jeff Wolman**, **BO JO Chernin**, and **Gila Smilestein** who were the so-called Qualified captains. It was a tiring day, the hikers were fooled by the gremlins and took many unnecessary "TURNING POINTS" and the canoers paddled several unwanted "U TURNS", but "THE CROSSROADS" were soon met at our sought out site.

During those three days out in the wilderness, Machar became one of the closest chevras ever seen, and while we were building and sweating, we realized



that Machar '76 would be a summer to remember.

Not long after Hityashvut, Machar finally had teh chance to prove themselves with not one, but two Machar days. These days were chances for Macharniks to take over staff positions.

They were enjoyable, tiring, beneficial and truly an unforgettable experience for the entire camp.

## OF

Machar's baby was born on the last Saturday evening of camp, when we performed three plays for Camp Kadimah's enjoyment using a variety of music and choreography. This was a brilliant success. Everyone in Machar was involved in some way or another.

Looking back on the summer we can see that we grew up and related to each other's ideas. Machar, you're the best. We love you. Thanks for making our

Camp Kadimah is more than just a camp. It offers us more than simply six weeks of sports and fun. It is a second home, a security, a place to learn, teach and experience. It is the "back pump" of the Jewish Community, in the Atlantic Provinces. When the buses pull through the gates Monday morning, and we head towards the road, many of us will think back at the strong and binding friendships we made. People will be hugging, kissing and crying. When you finally settle back into the routine of the city, don't look back and mourn what you left. Put a smile on your face, think of the unique relationships that have developed over the summer, and look forward to times when we'll all meet again. Whether it be a few weeks, or years, keep a space in your heart for your memories, and friends, and we promise that once again the chevra, the closeness of Kadimah and its people will be strong and alive.

**Sharla Lichtman**  
**Barry Feder**

**Victor Fineberg**  
**(Final Iton Editors Kadimah '76)**





summer what it was. And if you don't keep in touch...it's Mauvais.

The responsibility of Machar isn't only in camp. We were soon on our own. Following the first Machar day we were out of bondage to a land that is free called Bridgewater. Did we say free? Well, not completely. NO smoking. NO drinking, were the camp rules we still had to abide by. It was a different day in many ways. Upon leaving the bus we were on our own to tour the town until the early evening when we came together as a camp once more to swindle our way into a timidly restricted movie called Breaking Point. To end our day we all gathered outside the shopping centre for our CLASSIC Rad Hayom, where we were questionably watched by many confused onlookers. (Rad Hayom is an evening tradition of Machar where all our thoughts close our day.)

MACCABIA! Masks and Miracles! Illusions! Blessing in Disguise! Faces of Time! Mystical Mirror! What a great time it was for everyone but it sure was alot of hard work especially for the captains. Yellow team (or illusions) returned after a two year absence to win, led by captains **Jerry Kohler**, and **Sherry Koven** and coordinators **Greta Nathanson** and **Howard Center**.

*The food at camp is better than most camps are. The food doesn't taste like tar. You know some food at camps are bad, but Camp Kadimah food is like good home food you already had.*

**Eric Altman, Goshrim**

## CAMP

*Hityashvut this year was really great. I think Ricky and Shaul really planned it well. With Shaul's false excuse of not enough money in camp and Ricky planning plagues and protests of "Let My People Go Camping" it really worked out great. It's like in the bible. Shaul as Pharaoh not letting us go and Ricky as a sort of Moses leading us.*

**Dena Dankner, Kochot**



## MY FIRST YEAR AT CAMP KADIMAH

by **Esther Tock, Age 12**

My first year at Camp Kadimah was quite an experience. It was much different from past summers spent in St. John's. One main thing that was completely different was being with Jewish kids my own age. Where as in St. John's there are not that many Jewish kids and the kids that there are, every summer would be gone to Camp Kadimah.

I have been wanting to go to camp for three years, but due to very nervous parents I was not able to until this year, with a lot of convincing from friends who had gone to camp. Finally my parents loosened up. I feel that every person who gets to go to Kadimah should be very thankful that he or she gets to go, and they should consider themselves one of the luckiest people around. That is how the way I feel thankful for having the experience and hopefully I will have the experience for many years to come.

Now we come to the camp in general. We did a lot of Jewish history in many different ways it could be a treasure hunt or only a simple discussion but it was always very interesting.

The camp and people in it were very closely knit. Whenever you wanted or needed help it was always there, help could be a 7 yr. old giborim, **Shaul** or even



the caretaker of the camp wonderful 79 yr. old **Mr. Eisner**.

I felt that the main spirit of our camp was **Evy Carnat** (song and dance director). Who even though she had her own family at camp, was devoted to the whole camp from the time she woke up till the time she went to sleep. Whether it was lending her valuable records or teaching song and dance etc.

Some of the activities that took place during the summer were Carnival, Record Breaking Day, Israel Day and most important the well known Maccabia. There were many more special days. There were even two days put aside where the Macharniks (14 & 15 yr. olds) got to be the counsellors of the camp.

A regular day at camp Kadimah started at 7 o'clock in the morning and ended at curfew which was about 10 o'clock for my section Kochot. Some of the things you could do this summer were sailing, canoeing, riding, and broadcasting just to name a few.

For anybody who thinks they can't go to camp because they may get homesick don't worry because you are kept to busy to get homesick and you make so many friends it's just like home.

WELL THAT'S IT FOR NOW SEE YOU NEXT YEAR AT  
CAMP KADIMAH!!

# KADIMAH

# The Year 5736 In Retrospect

by Geoffrey Wigoder

For Jews the world over, the shock of the year was the UN vote equating Zionism with racism. This was such arrant nonsense that the thought that it could be adopted by the most prestigious world body left the feeling of mankind gone mad (Abba Eban commented that if the Arabs proposed that the world was flat, they would be guaranteed an automatic majority in the UN in favour of the motion.) The attack on Zionism in the General Assembly was echoed throughout the year in other gatherings under UN auspices.

Yet it was not an unmixed curse. It brought many Jews to a serious consideration, some for the first time, of the meaning and significance to them of Zionism. There were those who previously had paid only lip service but were now brought to the realisation of the nature and extent of their commitment. Jews in many countries sought to prevent their governments from acquiescing in the farce, with Mexico suffering for a time from a Jewish tourist boycott following its hostile vote.

## Arab Inroads

Jews were also concerned at the growing Arab inroads in the Western world and the burgeoning Arab boycott, which all too often was tacitly accepted by governments as a fact of economic life. US Jewish organisations published information on banks and companies complying with the boycott, and the situation was similar in other countries. In England, Arab inroads were vividly brought home by their purchase of the Dorchester Hotel, a favourite resort of London's Jewish organisations and affluent Jews, as well as of the building housing the United Jewish Friendly Society.

Inside the Arab world, main attention was on the fate of the Jews in Lebanon. The community had dwindled to a couple of thousand on the eve of the Civil War and most of those have now left the country or fled Beirut for the rural areas. Those who remained in the capital spent a grueling year: the area of the synagogue found itself in the combat zone and several Jews were killed.

## Outrages

The Iraqis perpetrated another excess in their hanging of a Dutch Jew, concentration camp survivor Alexander Aronson, a former assistant to Albert Schweitzer, who had been engaged in humanitarian work among the Kurds. After denying the execution for months, the Iraqis grudgingly returned the body to Holland. Another Jewish humanitarian who met a tragic end was Dr. Melville Edelstein who had singlemindedly devoted himself to work among black South Africans in the township of Soweto. When rioting erupted there, he was the first white victim.

## In the USA

Inside the US it was a busy year. Various crises facing Israel activated US Jewry and in the early part of the year Daniel Moynihan joined Senator Jackson as a Jewish folk-hero. The pro-Israel lobby swung into action to fight the UN resolution, to oppose plans for Egypt, to combat the whittling down of grants for Israel. The race for the Presidential nominations brought out a flock of hopefuls who spoke at Jewish functions, donned yarmulkes, ate bagels and published assurances of support for Israel. In the end the Jews of both parties swung behind the official candidates and in general were content that liberal trends were uppermost in both platforms. Towards the

end of the year came the Bicentennial celebrations which evoked enthusiastic Jewish participation, including the first-time blowing of the shofar inside the White House during a visit by rabbis of pioneer US communities.

## No Change in Russia

There was little change in the situation of Russia's Jews. Dissenters and potential emigrants continued to suffer discrimination and even imprisonment. Jewish cultural expression was suppressed. Worshipers outside the Moscow synagogue were beaten up on Rosh Hashana. Virulent anti-Jewish literature (including modernized versions of the Protocols of the Elders of Zion) was still published on a large scale. A monument was erected at Babi Yar - but no specific mention was made of the tens of thousands of Jews who had been massacred there. Emigration continued, although at a lower rate than previously, and almost half the emigres went to destinations other than Israel. The only Soviet Jew who left the country without a permit was cosmonaut Boris Volunov on his second journey into space in Soyuz 21. The one Jew in the Soviet hierarchy, Benjamin Dimchitz, received a promotion to the post of first deputy premier.

Relations with Christian bodies had their ups and downs during the year over Israel issues. Vatican representatives subscribed to an anti-Zionist resolution at a conference with Moslem leaders in Tunis but sought to make amends by subsequent statements in Rome and Jerusalem. A similar tight-rope act followed their support of an anti-Zionist resolution at the Habitat conference in Vancouver. One of the most understanding of Vatican spokesmen, Monsignor de Contenson, head of the Secretariat for Relations with Judaism - who at the beginning of the year had been the first leading Vatican prelate to attend a Kol Nidre service in Rome - died in the summer. On the Protestant side, Dr. Paul Potter, secretary general of the World Council of Churches, made a forthright statement condemning the UN anti-Zionist resolution.

## In Other Lands

Elsewhere, Spanish royalty made various gestures to their Jewish subjects including an unprecedented visit by Queen Sophie to a service in the Madrid synagogue. The nomination of an ex-Nazi to head the Rotary International was quashed after protests, many of Jewish origin, from different parts of the world. Simon Weisenthal's continuing search for ex-Nazis brought him into a spat with Austria's Jewish chancellor, Bruno Kreisky. Italian Jews were concerned at Communist gains in the elections while Australian Jews tended to be pleased with their change of government and the ouster of the erratic Gough Whitlam. Some Jews left Rhodesia but the bulk held on and began building a new synagogue in Salisbury. Four out of the year's eleven Nobel Prize winners were Jews but this percentage was easily surpassed in Harold Wilson's resignation honours, criticism of which contained anti-Semitic undertones. One of the most valuable collections of rare Jewish manuscripts, the Sassoon collection, was put up for sale and bought for Israel. Golda Meir's autobiography became a bestseller among Jews everywhere and we are promised a stage version, perhaps even a musical.

In general the mood of the Diaspora has mirrored the mood of Israel. Israel's low period - expressed, for example, in the West Bank disturbances and the Rabin-Peres fight - cast a shadow over Jews everywhere but its high mark - the Entebbe operation - was a shot in the arm, especially in the Western countries where the Jews could again bask in the reflected admiration expressed by their non-Jewish neighbours.

From Israel Press Service



# An Evening of Tribute



Presentation to honoree Dr. Anne Hammerling by Shirlee Medjuck, President, Halifax Hadassah-Wizo.

by Bette Ross, Halifax

Halifax Hadassah-Wizo opened its 1976-77 season on September 12 at the Lord Nelson Hotel with an evening of tribute to Dr. Anne Hammerling. Mrs. Erminie Cohen, National Honorary Vice-President from Saint John, was guest speaker and Regional Chairman Shirley Dubinsky of Cape Breton brought greetings from the region.

Dr. Hammerling received the Esther Award, given to



special people on special occasions. She has worked and hard for Hadassah-Wizo and has held many offices both locally and nationally. Many spontaneous donations were made in her honor, most of which was given to the new Cardiac Centre of Asaf Harofe. Hadassah also gained on this great occasion by more Life Memberships and Life Associates. The evening's program was a very beautiful expression of deep appreciation to Anne for her continuous contribution over the years to our organization. We look forward to future years, working along side this special lady knowing that her devotion and diligence will be an inspiration to us all. Congratulations Anne from all your friends.

## The State of Israel Bond Organization



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President Ephraim Katzir

From the earliest days of the Zionist movement, Theodor Herzl's dream of a Jewish state emphasized the building of a nation based on solid economic foundations. He first projected the idea of Jews all over the world buying bonds to build the economy of the Jewish state. In our time this idea has flowered into the Israel Bond Campaign which has been a most creative and positive force in the building and growth of the Land of Israel in the past twenty-five years.

There are many other ways we can tighten our belts without tying a noose around the neck of Israel.

We must never let history repeat itself.



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### Calendar of Events State of Israel Bonds

June	Moncton, N.B.	Chairman	Joseph Kohn
August 17	Fredericton, N.B.	Chairman	Arnold Budovitch
August 29	St. John's, Nfld.	Chairman	Graham Wilansky
October 3	Saint John, N.B.	Chairman	Abe Calp, Kol Nidre Appeal
October	Sydney, N.S.	Chairman	Mrs. Jack (Anne) Leviten
October	Glace Bay, N.S.	Chairman	Mrs. Joseph (Shirley) Chernin
October	New Waterford, N.S.	Chairman	Al Bernick
November	Yarmouth, N.S.	Chairman	Irving Pink, Q.C.
November 21	Halifax, N.S.	Chairman (Women's Division)	Mrs. L. (Marianne) Ferguson
			S. Paul Zive
November 21	Halifax, N.S.	Chairman	

MAY ALL JEWRY AND PEOPLE OF GOOD WILL ENJOY A HAPPY NEW YEAR 5737 PEACE, GOOD HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

# Tribute to Memory of Israeli Athletes Slain at Olympic Games in Munich

On Monday, July 12 (which was the last day prior to the opening of the recent Olympic games in Montreal on which public meetings were allowed), a public tribute was held at the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue in Montreal to the memory of the eleven Israeli athletes who were slain at the Olympic games in Munich four years ago. All requests to have a tribute included in the opening ceremonies at the Olympics had been refused by the Organizing Committee.

The tribute was arranged by the Jewish community of Canada under the patronage of a Comité d'honneur chaired by Mr. Allan Bronfman, which included the Chief Justice of Canada, the Rt. Hon. Bora Laskin, six Federal ministers, five Provincial premiers, three senators, six Provincial chief justices, two Provincial ministers, fourteen mayors, the President of the Canadian Catholic Conference, two Nobel prize winners, twenty-nine leaders in the business world, four presidents of banks, thirty heads of universities, six writers and a number of leaders of the Jewish and non-Jewish communities. The Organizing Committee operated from the headquarters of the Canadian Jewish Congress at the Samuel Bronfman House in Montreal and was co-chaired by Joe Ain, Thomas O. Hecht and Leon Teitelbaum.

There was a capacity attendance at the Synagogue, which seats over 1,700 persons and an estimated

additional 3,000 assembled in the various Synagogue halls viewed the Service by closed circuit television. Among those present were the Rt. Hon Pierre Elliott Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Hon. Robert Bourassa, Prime Minister of Quebec, the Hon. Jean Drapeau, Mayor of Montreal, the Hon. Victor Goldbloom, Minister of Municipal Affairs of Quebec, who was in charge of the arrangements for the Olympics, a number of members of the Federal Cabinet, Mr. William Daume, the Vice-President of the International Olympic Committee, the entire Israeli team, representatives of several national teams and members of the immediate families of the slain athletes.

Rabbi Dr. Gunther Plaut, of Toronto, Chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee, presided over the service and delivered the eulogy, stressing that "there must be no nation left in the world to give succor to those who hold others hostage at the point of a gun and the thrust of a bomb - and if there is, let the rest of the nations shun it like the plague." Rabbi Plaut also delivered, at the end of the service, a special prayer for the safety of the Olympic games.

The Rt. Hon. Pierre Elliott Trudeau participated in the service by reading a Psalm from the pulpit. A special message from the President of the State of Israel, Ephraim Katzir, was read by the Israeli Ambassador to Canada, Mordechai Shalev. The program included a flag ceremony which comprised the

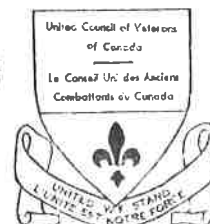
lowering of eleven Israeli flags by eleven teenagers as the name of each murdered athlete was read. Rabbi Dr. Wildred Shuchat and Cantor J. Gross, of the Shaar Hashomayim Congregation, officiated in the religious part of the tribute. It is estimated that close to 200 representatives of news media all over the world were especially accredited to report on the event. Among them were representatives from England, Israel, France, United States, Japan, Denmark, Italy, Germany, Mexico, Sweden and several other countries. Canadian newspapers had front page write-ups and pictures on the tribute. There was a wide coverage in the Israeli newspapers, television and radio which stressed that the tribute was "most impressive." Included were pictures showing the Prime Minister of Canada "shedding a tear" when the memorial prayer was recited.

(It will be of interest to note a report which appeared in the "Jerusalem Post" of a curious incident which occurred during a TV English newscast in Jordan: While surveying the pre-Olympic happenings in Montreal, the newscast suddenly went off air. Viewers could see a well-guarded public building and then a group of Athletes filing in - all wearing kipot. Realising that his viewers were witnessing the start of the memorial service for Israel's Munich victims, the announcer shouted 'cut!' The technicians did so and the news program came to a sudden end.)

From I.O.I. Bulletin



## Atlantic Jewish War Veterans Please Note



A branch of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada is in the process of being formed in Halifax. This will provide representation across Canada from Newfoundland to Vancouver. The organization presently is established in Vancouver, Calgary, Winnipeg, Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal.

A roll call is now being initiated in the Atlantic Provinces for Jewish War Veterans who served in the Allied Forces, (includes Israeli Forces - Reserves - Russians and Partisans) to register.

A letter detailing the aims, objectives, and the need for it's identification as the Jewish War Veterans Association of Canada will be mailed shortly to all members of the Atlantic Jewish Community.

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# HILLEL-AUJS 1976 / 77

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF HILLEL-AUJS

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all university students to join in this year's program of Hillel-AUJS activities.

The structure of Hillel-AUJS has been revamped in order to provide a greater variety of experiences to the student community it serves. Unfortunately, past student involvement in Hillel-AUJS has been meager to say the least. If Hillel-AUJS is to serve the students, the students must show greater support for Hillel-AUJS.

In closing, I wish everybody a very successful year a Shana Tova Tikatevu to all!

Sincerely yours,

Richard Saxe  
President of Hillel-AUJS

### I OBJECTIVES:

- To allow Jewish students the opportunity of sharing social experiences.
- To involve Jewish students in a program emphasizing positive Jewishness and Israel.
- To provide creative outlets for individual interests and talents.
- To assist out-of-town students in their intergration within the Jewish community.

### II PROGRAMS

- Israel and Jewish-centred programs
- Oneg group on Judaism
- Socials
- Workshops and Seminars
- Inter-city get-togethers
- Chassidic happenings

### III INTEREST GROUPS

- Radio program
- T.V. (cable) production
- Newspaper
- Sports
- Israeli Dance Group
- Choral Group
- Committee for Oppressed Jewish communities.

### IV ADOPTION PROGRAM

#### For out-of-town students

- Name \_\_\_\_\_
- Home Town \_\_\_\_\_
- Address in Halifax \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone \_\_\_\_\_
- Kosher Home Required Yes ☐ No ☐

#### For Adopting Families

- Name \_\_\_\_\_
- Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

For further information about Hillel-AUJS activities phone 422-7491.

### YOUNG JUDAEA MIFGASH '76

- WHEN:** Friday, October 8 (p.m.) to Monday, October 11
- WHERE:** Camp Kadimah
- WHO:** Those Judaeans who will be 14 by June 30, 1977. All Judaeans who are between the age of 14-20.
- TRANSPORTATION:** Bus **departs** from 1551 South Park St. at 4:30 p.m. on **Friday, October 8.** Bus from Camp at 3:00 p.m. **returning to Halifax** at approximately 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, October 11.**
- PROGRAM HI-LIGHTS:** Shabat Supper; Sukka and Sukkot Services; Coffee House; Programs; Chugim; Social.
- COST:** \$20.00 per participant. This cost includes: Return transportation

Halifax - Kadimah; Meals for three days; Snacks; Services of a cook; Programs.

If you are eligible to attend and have not yet received an application form, please contact us immediately - telephone (902) 422-7491.

As Kadimah is a Kosher Camp, we will not allow participants to bring food to Mifgash. All food will be supplied at the camp.

### YOUNG JUDAEA SUKKA-RAMA

- AGES** 6-13 (inclusive)
- WHEN:** Monday, October 11, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** Camp Kadimah
- WHO:** Parents and children
- PROGRAM:** Giant picnic - each family is asked to bring their own picnic lunch. Sports; Games; Singing; Surprises.

# Yigal Yadin's Plan for Israel's Salvation

by Norman Lipschutz, Glace Bay

In a recent conversation with the editor of the **Canadian Zionist**, it was stated that Israelis would rather that Jews in the Diaspora practice silence with regard to offering criticism of Israeli policy. Paradoxically, all along we have been given to understand that Israel and Jewry are but one, and that ours is a partnership. If so be the case, then one would surmise that one has the right, nay the duty, not only to be critical, but also to participate in all decision making, as it behooves a partnership... Furthermore, Israeli policy, for better or for worse, reflects on Jewish life in all four corners of the earth... It is then essential that we participate fully with wise counsel in the decision-making process of Israeli authority and officialdom. Why, let us take an example from Yitzhak Rabin: he had no scruples, as Ambassador to Washington, to exhort his co-religionists to cast their ballots for Nixon... His intervention in American politics, irregular to say the least, also proved detrimental and damaging to Jewish life in the U.S.A. Jews in the Diaspora, on the other hand, are equal partners with Israel's citizens, and should be permitted to become involved so to speak in policies which will ultimately affect the survival of the State. In fact, Israeli lecturers touring Canadian cities and towns, have stressed this obvious truth... Failure to speak out will in the long run spell disaster not only for Medinath Yisroel but for Jewry generally.

It is high time that our brethren be alarmed: the Israeli ship of state has been drifting in the stormy Middle East sea without a rudder. Anarchy has taken over. Israeli leadership is paralyzed, the economy is in a shambles, and oriental Jews are in revolt.

Most certainly the Arab siege should concern us! Most certainly a strong Israel is of high priority! **But Israel today is in mortal danger not of its neighbor, but of an inner demoralization that threatens the very foundation of the State!**

We never tire of propagating Aliyah--but Yerida of late has assumed dangerous proportions -- and the only way this process could be arrested is by instilling new hope and faith in Israel's youth. The cruel and oppressive bureaucratic system must somehow give way to a truly democratic order -- if Israeli

citizens are to be stopped from "voting with their feet." Election reform, as advocated of late by Yigal Yadin, is thus an absolute requisite.

Secondly, a harsh economic climate and a war psychology forces Israeli womanhood to abort future Israeli generations -- **We are murdering hundreds of thousands of Jewish children with our own hands!**

This is a scandal of shuddering proportions, unheard of in the annals of our people, but a subject which has received comparatively little attention in our Zionist and Jewish press! ... Again we shy away from discussing a subject which is gnawing at the vitals of our nation! We are rather fond of visualizing an Israeli population of eight million in the next decade or two ... though how this desirable state is to be achieved only one God in heaven knows the answer...

Arab leaders have come to the realization that it is far easier to dismantle the Jewish state by offering a billion dollars to Oriental Jews in exchange for their return to the countries where they came from -- that Jews should even consider such an alternative speaks volumes of what hardships the Oriental community must have been faced with during their sojourn in Israel! This is yet another problem which has conveniently been swept under the rug... All these years we have been "enlightened" that our Oriental brethren are treated as equals... Yet what are the facts? Our co-religionists complain bitterly of the lack of opportunity; of discrimination in their own land; of the denial of higher education to their children; of their wives and daughters being forced into prostitution; of drug-addiction, and so on and so forth. For twenty-eight years the subject has been ignored, as if the problem had not existed. Any writer who dared to draw attention to the dismal lot of our Oriental brethren had his articles censored and his voice stilled.

Equally, the problem of the Palestinians also had been ignored for far too long -- it proved a subject taboo in the eyes of our Zionist and Israeli Leadership, and anathema for anyone who even dared to mention it. Rabbi Reuben Slonim's scholarly works on this pressing problem crying out for a solution, have found no listening ears. Dr. Nahum

Goldmann was cowed into submission when threatened with dismissal should he continue to dwell on a subject which he felt is of the utmost importance to our future...

When our cup of indignities has reached its top to overflowing, on the Jewish scene has appeared a potential savior in the person of Yigal Yadin. Our people both in Israel and in the Tsfutzoth have long been praying for such a miracle. And a miracle has come to pass. Chaver Yadin had thought the time ripe to assume the mantle of leadership, and to lead Israel away from the Abyss! New leadership and new policies are absolutely essential if Israel is to survive!

Yigal Yadin proposed to dismantle the party apparatus. He insists that the Israeli people should be given back the right to elect their representatives and their government, and not the party hacks. He wants a government which will concern itself first and foremost with the education of the young --- a government which will uplift the morale and upgrade the morals of the citizenry, for the present leadership breeds only cynicism and contempt.

Yigal Yadin further advocates that Israel divorce itself from American influence, and negotiate directly with its Arab neighbors -- even to the extent of sitting with Yassir Arafat and agree to the formation of a state of Palestine on the territory of Jordan -- once Hussein had been overthrown. Yadin's policy on this painful and pressing problem is thus highly realistic indeed!

This honest man and great thinker believes that our government should no longer wait for a phone call from Washington to advise it how Israel should act or behave. A government of a truly sovereign Israel will exert its independence and initiate a peace offensive. It will advise our Arab neighbors exactly what sort of terms it is willing to offer in return for a stable and enduring peace! The crux of the problem: Israel should be a truly democratic and Jewish state and not a colony of the United States!

The Almighty has brought yet another miracle to pass! If only we should grasp at this last chance for both our own and our people's salvation.!

# REPLY TO NORMAN LIPSHUTZ

By David Kushner, Halifax

(Dr. Kushner is a visiting professor at Dalhousie and is head of the Department of Middle East Studies at Haifa University).

I hope that Mr. Lipshutz, who claims the right of criticism and even decision as far as Israeli affairs are concerned, will grant me, an Israeli, the right to criticize the views of Jews in the Diaspora. I must admit that I find his views biased on a total misreading of the Israeli scene and, furthermore, inherently dangerous to the cause that binds us all, after all, namely, the well-being of Israel and the Jewish people.

I am particularly at a loss in ascertaining the basis for the gloomy presentation he makes of present day Israel... "the Israeli ship of state has been drifting in the stormy Middle-East sea without a rudder. Anarchy has taken over. Israeli leadership is paralyzed, the economy is in a shambles, and oriental Jews are in revolt...". I arrived here from Israel only three weeks ago and nowhere, but nowhere, did I find the "anarchy" that Mr. Lipshutz speaks of. True, the effects of the Yom Kippur war are still felt, the cost of living has risen; there is a lot of criticism of the leadership. These are common maladies in most countries in the world today, but it is a long way from these to viewing Israeli life in such dismal terms. The hard facts of the matter are that the Israeli Defence Forces are stronger today than ever before; that though there has not been a clear movement towards peace - for a myriad of reasons - there has been considerable and significant relaxation of the tension in the Arab-Israeli conflict; Israel has adopted a low-keyed and clever position in the Lebanese civil war; the Palestinian terrorist movement has been greatly weakened; Israelis today serve less time in the reserves, they are building new settlements and industries and all in all lead normal everyday lives. There are problems resulting from the social gap existing between Israel's "Oriental" and "European" communities. The Oriental Jews have just complaints, at times expressed vociferously, but nowhere can they be seen "in revolt". Morale and confidence are higher today than at any time since the Yom Kippur War. The picture presented by Mr. Lipshutz is not only distorted in itself but can be dangerous in its effect upon our hearts and minds. In the work of the Zionist Movement among Diaspora Jews there has always been a certain conflict between the need to describe the urgent problems and needs of Israel and the equally strong need to instill faith and pride in the achievements, the goals and the destiny of Israel. There has always been a need to draw the right balance between the two. It is my conviction that what Mr. Lipshutz is doing defeats his own purpose and discourages to the point of inaction all those to whom the Zionist cause is paramount and weakens their faith in Israel as it is. How does he wish by such distorted pictures to contribute to the consolidation of Israel's position in the world? How, for example, does he think

he can attract tourists to such an Israel? How does he propose to further Aliyah from the West to this catastrophe-ridden country?

The subject of Aliyah, it would seem, is dear to Mr. Lipshutz as it is to me and most Israelis. He should know, however, that the greatest factor which has been responsible for the low increase in Israel's population in recent years, has not been the abortions of which he writes (which are not above the normal in any country) nor yeridah (of which there has been considerable exaggeration). It is, rather, the result of the dwindling of the traditional sources of Aliyah (including the recent source in the Soviet Union) and the **total failure of Western Jewry and the Zionist movement to lead Jewish youth towards "Hagshamah" (the fulfillment of the goal) and encourage it to "make aliyah."** My belief is that though conditions in Israel have not always been conducive to aliyah, it is primarily the responsibility of the World Zionist Movement and the Jewish communities at large who have not seen aliyah as their most important and urgent goal.

Yigal Yadin is to Mr. Lipshutz, the new messiah who promises to rid Israel of all its ills and faults. I suggest to leave the salvation of Israel to the true Messiah who will no doubt come in due course. Yigal Yadin is definitely an intelligent, conscientious and capable public man whose entry into politics has been welcomed by many. But why see his step more than what it is - criticism by one man or a group of men who are not satisfied with the deeds or misdeeds of the government. The writer is no doubt familiar with the workings of a democratic regime. He knows that there is a government and there is an opposition and it is the right, nay, the duty of the latter to criticize the ruling party, emphasize its faults, and by contrast, describe the kind of "heaven on earth" that their party would realize once in power. Instead of describing the situation in Israel in the proper perspective and with the added advantage of an outsider who is not bound by political loyalties in Israel, he chooses to ally himself with an opposition group and go even further than they in his critical presentation.

The decision-making process in Israel and participation in Israeli politics is, contrary to what Mr. Lipshutz believes, the right of Israelis alone. Only Israelis who pay the state's taxes, serve in the army, and have a first-hand knowledge of the problems facing them, can decide on the directions and policies to follow. Anyone who truly wishes to participate in the decision-making process in Israel - let him take the formal step of "making aliyah." This does not mean that one who lives outside the country cannot criticize, advise and, hopefully, even praise what he sees. If anyone has the right it is definitely that of World Jewry which is united with us in destiny. It would be, however, highly useful if such criticism be based on true facts and good judgment.

## POSTCARD FROM ISRAEL

Dear Reader:

*A group of Israeli women, unattached to any official body, are concerned by the situation threatening Israel's very existence.*

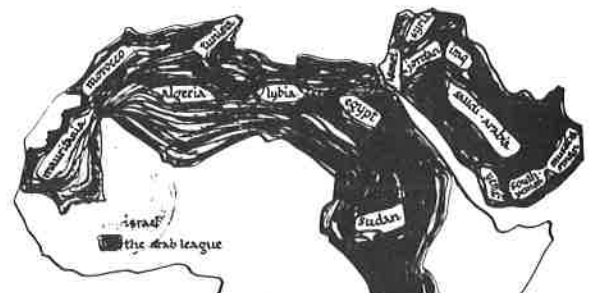
*Please look at the MAP, Israel a tiny spot among vast Arab-Lands. The number of Jewish refugees from Arab countries absorbed by that tiny spot, exceeds that of the Palestinian refugees.*

*We are a small nation which waited 2000 years to regain its independence. 20 hostile Arab states with a population of 150 million force war on us. We do not need victory, we want peace.*

*Those are cardinal facts conveniently disregarded by the Arab governments and their supporters.*

*Please pass on our message.*

Arab league: population 142,113,000 land area 5,260,468 sq. miles  
Israel: population 3,260,000 land area 7,993 sq. miles



# GLACE BAY CONGREGATION SONS OF



Left to right: Dr. Phil Simon (President, Congregation Sons of Israel), Mayor Dan. A. Munroe (Glance Bay, N.S.), Mr. Justice J.L. Dubinsky (of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia), Mr. Philip Givens, Q.C., M.P.P. (President Canadian Zionist Federation).

by Phil Simon

On the weekend of May 21-23 the Jewish community of Glance Bay celebrated one of the most spectacular and impressive events in its history - namely, the commemoration of 75 years of existence.

The festivities began with a beautiful Shabbat service held on Saturday, May 22. Yehushua Steiner conducted the Shahrith service along with the Torah reading, Mr. Saul Shore was honored with the Maftir, and Mr. Justice J.L. Dubinsky concluded with the Musaf service. Dr. Philip Simon, president of the congregation, extended greetings and a Kiddush was held in the Talmud Torah.

The highlight of the weekend was a banquet held at the Talmud Torah on May 23 which will long be remembered by the members of the congregation. Mrs. Sharon Jacobson received many well deserved compliments for the "Project Room" which she masterminded. The pictures and other relics of the past, related to the congregations' history brought back many memories of yester-year. Her excellent artistic skills resulted in one of the most innovative and meaningful displays ever to behold.

The head table guests included: Mrs. Justice J.L. Dubinsky and his wife, Mayor Dan Munroe and his wife, Mr. Philip Givens, Q.C., M.P.P. -- the guest speaker who was a former alderman and mayor of the city of Toronto and currently the president of the Canadian Zionist Federation as well as a member of the Legislature. Mr. Ben Prossin L.L.B. who is now serving a term as president of the Atlantic Jewish Council, Mr. Saul Shore, past president of the congregation and his wife, Rabbi and Mrs. Y. Weinberg, Yehushua Steiner, Colonel M. Gur and finally Dr. Philip Simon, toastmaster for the evening and his wife.

The invocation was delivered by Yehushua Steiner and toasts to the queen and state of Israel were proposed by Mrs. Bella Shore. A most gracious and delicious supper was served under the direction of Mrs. Shirley Chernin and a booklet commemorating this unforgettable occasion was found at each setting. Miss Fanny Cohen took a very active role in the publication of this booklet. The hall itself was beautifully decorated under the supervision of Miss Susan Shore and her Judaeon committee.

Dr. Phil Simon commenced the program by requesting all to rise and remember the pioneers of the community who were instrumental in the development of the congregation. On behalf of the congregation Dr. Simon extended congratulations to the town of Glance Bay also marking its diamond jubilee.

The toastmaster introduced Mayor Munroe by calling him a man of action and one who has gained the respect and admiration of all. Mayor Munroe conveyed his best wishes to the congregation on behalf of the town and praised our community for taking an active role in communal activities. Mayor Munroe concluded by presenting Mr. Givens with a plaque commemorating the town's 75th jubilee. Following this presentation, Miss Fanny Cohen, president of the Ladies Auxiliary honored Mayor Munroe with a gift of which he was very appreciative.

Dr. Simon next introduced Mr. Justice J.L. Dubinsky who is admired for his dedication to the congregation throughout the years. Mr. Justice Dubinsky reflected upon those who were responsible for erecting the



Left to right, Mrs. Shirley Chernin receiving special award in recognition of community service from Miss Fanny Cohen on behalf of Congregation Sons of Israel.

synagogue and Talmud Torah. After touching on a few more highlights that occurred in the congregation's past, Mr. Justice Dubinsky stated that he hoped "G-d would continue to bless this congregation."

Upon extending heartfelt wishes, Mr. Irwin Epstein, on behalf of the Sydney Temple Sons of Israel presented the Glance Bay congregation with a plaque to commemorate the occasion.

Mrs. Shirley Chernin was honored by Miss Fanny Cohen for her "many works of merit in the community," Mr. Saul Shore was honored by Mr. Isaac Ein for his devoted service to the congregation and involvement in many worthwhile causes, Mr. Beinus Lipkus, dean of the congregation was honored by Dr. Phil Simon as one of the patriarchs of the Jewish community, Mr. Sander Zilbert was honored by Dr. Simon for his devoted interest to the Synagogue and Jewish life, and last of all the toastmaster, Dr. Simon, was honored by Mr. Elliot Marshall, vice-president of the congregation, for his many years of dedicated service and special mention was made of his very active role in the 75th anniversary celebrations. The ladies of the congregation who have been members since its inauguration 75 years ago, were presented with roses. Colonel M. Gur, a distinguished guest representing the J.N.F., presented an award to the congregation in recognition of their acquiring a "Forester Project" in Canada Park at this significant time.

Mr. Phil Givens, the guest speaker, upon being introduced by Mr. Ben Prossin, began by expressing his admiration of our community. Mr. Givens stressed the importance of being a good Jew, along with taking an interest in one's community. The guest speaker spoke about Israel and voiced his support of Zionism. After thanking the congregation for all their hospitality, Mr. Elliot Marshall presented Mr. Givens with a gift on behalf of the congregation. As this most memorable event came to a close, Rabbi Weinberg conducted the grace after meals.



# ISRAEL MARKS 75th ANNIVERSARY



Mr. Ben Prossin, AJC President, introducing the guest speaker for the evening, flanked on the left by Phil Simon and on the right by Mayor and Mrs. Munroe.



Standing left to right: Dr. Phil Simon, Colonel Gur, Mr. Ellie Marshall as JNF Award is presented to Glace Bay community on occasion of its 75th anniversary in recognition of Congregation Sons of Israel \$25,000.00 contribution to Canada Park.



Dr. Phil Simon, left, presents special award to Mr. Sander Zilbert, community stalwart, as Mrs. Anita Dubinsky and Mr. Ben Prossin look on.



Left to right, Longtime Glace Bay resident Mr. Benus Lipkus and son Ben Lipkus following presentation of special award to Benus Lipkus.



Mr. Justice J.L. Dubinsky delivering the "Toast" to the community as Phil Givens, Q.C., M.P.P. and Mayor Dan Munroe look on.



Mr. Solomon Shore, left, past president of Congregation Sons of Israel, receiving special award of merit from Mr. Isaac Ein as Phil Givens and Mayor Munroe look on.

by Ruth Seligman

As the High Holydays approach, as Jews everywhere prepare for the intensive and awesome soul-searching which is at the core of all the prayers and observances, the ladies of the household also devote time to planning the meals which enhance our festivals, which give them distinctiveness and importance.

Yet, as we dip our "challa" or slices of apple in honey - "it should be a sweet year" - are we aware that food traditions play a significant part in helping us retain our national identity, our sense of peoplehood?

Living in Israel, a land where over seventy different ethnic groups have settled, each bringing his own customs and folk-lore, gives one the opportunity to see the different ways these groups observe the holydays. Strikingly enough, the similarities are perhaps more numerous than the differences, emphasizing again that, in spite of their different backgrounds and different cultural experiences, Jews are essentially one people. The bonds which unite us are often stronger than the superficial differences which sometimes appear to divide us.

#### Sweet Foods

For example, all groups, no matter their ethnic origin, eat "sweet" foods on Rosh Hashanah. Some researchers credit the Prophet Nehemiah for introducing this custom, adapting it from the Persians and urging his people "to eat the fat and drink the sweet." Not only is honey freely partaken by all, but so are dates, figs and raisins - fruits whose dominant flavor is one of succulent sweetness. Some families also put raisins in their challa, again to emphasize the quality of sweetness they hope to experience in the coming year.

Carrots are another traditional Rosh Hashanah food. Eastern European Jews often serve them in a "tzimmes," a form of pudding which combines meat and potatoes

## HIGH HOLYDAY FOOD-LORE

along with the carrots. Oriental Jews tend to cook them in a tomato sauce. Prof. Dov Noy, Israel's foremost folk-lore expert, feels that carrots are eaten, not only for the quality of sweetness and brightness which they signify, but also because the word in Yiddish, "mehren", means "to multiply" and the eating thereof gives force to the Biblical injunction "to multiply and be fruitful."



#### Carrots

Actually, one could also see in the eating of the carrot reference to the basic purpose of the High Holydays, the time when all come to be judged by the Power which is greater than all. The word "carrot" in Hebrew is "gezer." The three root letters of this word also form the word "decree." When combined with the Hebrew word for "Judgment" which is "din," it means "verdict."

Whether this is merely a play on words or not, such interpretations do play a fascinating role in what, perhaps, could lightly be called "food-lore."

#### Lettuce

Oriental Jews also make a point of eating lettuce on Rosh Hashanah, again perhaps for linguistic reasons, since the word in Hebrew for "lettuce" is "hassah" which also means "to protect and trust" an dit is in the lord in whom we put our trust.

orientals also serve a sheep's head for the main course of the Rosh Hashanah meal. It is possible that the ancient Hebrews borrowed this custom from Babylonia. In both cultures, the head quite logically stands for the beginning, or head of the year. Others say that this custom commemorates Abraham's sacrifice of a ram in lieu of his son, Isaac.

#### Heads

Ashkenazi Jews tend to eat the head of a fish, again for the same symbolic reason. "Actually," notes Prof. Dov Noy, "all of these symbolic foods are some remnants of what is called 'sympathetic magic,' that is, there is some kind of magic attached to eating them. For example, if you eat the head of a fish or of an ox, you not only will be honoring the beginning of the New Year, but you, yourself, will become strong as befits the head of a household."

#### Extra Dimension

Interestingly enough, no one is required by Jewish law to eat fish, or carrots, or dip apples in honey on Rosh Hashanah. Yet, so widely practiced are these customs that, in effect, they can be said to have the trappings of law, although not the force. They add an extra dimension to the holidays, an excitement and richness which is even more meaningful when you know that all Jews - from all backgrounds - are following similar suit.

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Investing in futures is no speculation in Israel. Children are not "high risk ventures" but are a blue chip investment, whose futures are assured. Day care centres and creches have been established and subsidized by various governmental agencies, labour unions and women's organizations. They are available in cities as well as smaller settlements. The Hadassah-WIZO organization of Canada maintains 14 such creches and kindergartens. WIZO is concerned with women and children, and at the present time is accommodating more than 7,000 children in day care centres and creches.

Day care should be seen as a benefit to children, which should be extended to as many children as possible, regardless of whether they come from disadvantaged homes or whether their parents are working.

As important as these day care centres are for children, they free an important segment of the population; the skilled women labour market. They increase opportunities for families to establish themselves economically, and they subtly help assimilate the immigrant and indigent generation into the more established segments of the population. In their long range effects, the day care centre can be considered as a socializing agent of the Israeli society.

Compared to North American women, middle class Israeli women, as a rule, do not conceive their role to be so exclusively that of mothers and homemakers. Many of them are employed outside their home. In part, their desire to work stems from a pioneering tradition, a belief in the professional advancement of women, and perhaps more important to Israel is its need of their professional training. So greatly does the government appreciate the values of day creches to free mothers to go to work that the Ministries of Labour and Social Welfare contribute a very considerable share towards building and equipping them.

In Canada, when the Royal Commission on the Status of Women heard thousands of briefs from across the

country, almost everyone demanded more and better day care. A proposal by this committee was for a \$500 million national network of child care centres to be financed by federal and provincial subsidies. In actual fact, the need for more and better day care is as great as ever. It is important to note, however, that in Canada new federal and provincial guidelines under the Canada Assistance Plan were enacted in 1974 for subsidizing day care. They are no panacea, although they have provided additional funds. Those women in the low economic brackets, who must work to supplement family incomes will find some relief as will the one parent family, but the middle class women desiring to return or continue work, will find little help.

Day care centres in the United States and Canada are now getting closer scrutiny by provincial and state authorities. New guidelines and stricter control are now being enforced, and help both financially and advisory, is being provided for the setting up of cooperative nurseries and day care centres. Israel is fortunate that women's organizations such as WIZO are helping to provide such centres.

In fact WIZO has become such an expert in the field of Day Care that it acts as a consultant to the Government. WIZO has initiated a new program called a "Home For Every Child", in which older children go to existing day care centres before and after regular schools hours, thus providing safe, supervised locations for children whose parents work hours other than those of the school day. Thus, existing buildings are utilized to serve what in North America is termed the "latch-key" child. It would seem that there is a growing concern, both in North America and Israel for this age group and steps have been taken in North America to alleviate this problem. WIZO has found that by using existing facilities, the cost of setting up this type of program can be greatly reduced.

It would seem that the common child care solutions employed by Israeli working mothers are basically similar to those found in North America and other countries. The country is small, and even in the larger cities locations are easily accessible. Day care centres such as those sponsored by the Hadassah-WIZO Organization of Canada and other groups offer supervised care with lower income families can rarely provide and accessible services and subsidies enable middle-class mothers to continue professional work after they have a family.

Whatever the reason a child is enrolled in day care, and whatever the scope of services afforded, the child's wellbeing and development must remain the basis of concern for those responsible for initiating, maintaining and monitoring such services.

## Woman, Know Thyself

a workshop sponsored by Women's League, Shaar Shalom Synagogue

7-10 pm, Oct. 12, Synagogue Social Room

Panelists are:

<b>Cannie Ademec</b>	"Psychology of Women"
<b>Susan Ashley</b>	"Women and the Law"
<b>Dorothy Broderick</b>	"Sex Roles in Children's Books"
<b>Susan Sherwin</b>	"Philosophy of Feminism"

The workshop will include keynote addresses, rap sessions with discussion leaders, reporting and summation. It is open to women in the metro area...Come and bring a friend. Send registration fee of \$2 (per person) to **Roselle Green**, 1667 Beech St., no later than Oct. 6.

## Sunday Morning Bells

Sunday Morning Bells  
he spends most of his life  
wanting  
wishing for more  
then regretting all that he has

he saw treblinka  
and  
has scoured men's minds  
in a tedious search  
for the in-between

but his hands  
still grasp tighter  
the branches  
that prevent his drowning  
in the void

mountains he said  
kiss the clouds with contempt  
and pierce the hearts  
of unfulfilled women  
who dissolve into tears  
silently in the night

and the sunday morning  
bells  
that curtain his profanity  
bring to life his teachers  
too soft to be hangman  
too hard to be lovers

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*Dr. and Mrs. M. Burnstein and family, - Halifax*

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*Ellie and Lou Citren and Sons - Saint John*

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*Erminie and Ed Cohen and Cathy, Lee and Shelley - Saint John*

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*Mr. and Mrs. H. Reuben Cohen and Daughters - Moncton*

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*Miriam and Warren Cohen and Robie and Marcie - Fredericton*

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*Maxine and Frank Cordon, Danielle and David - Halifax*

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*Mr. and Mrs. Alan Demb and family - Bridgewater*

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*Leah and Ray Epstein - Halifax*

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*Drs. Anne and James Hammerling - Halifax*

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*Mr. and Mrs. Peter Herschorn - Halifax*

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*Shaul, Elana, Eli and Tal Landa - Halifax*

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*Mrs. Lena Lipton - Sydney*

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8.30 P. M.



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## Yiddish Theatre in Halifax

by Sara Yablon, Halifax

During the late 1920's and early '30's many small Jewish communities in cities like Halifax, St. John, Sydney, etc. kept their identity because they had similar backgrounds, lifestyles, and a common language. The parents and grandparents spoke Yiddish in the home and the "Shul" was the focal center of their religious, cultural, and social life. Although a great many of the first generation children born in these families did not learn to read or write Yiddish, they understood the 'mameloschen' of their parents and relatives. Also as our immigration laws were not too stringent many families brought over young relatives, thus Yiddish again was the language of communication.

Occasionally the local community brought in a Jewish

group of singers or performers, but these events were few and far between. The families who subscribed to the Jewish newspapers such as "The Tageblatt" and "The Morgen Journal" were aware that the Yiddish theatre was a live and vibrant part of the cultural scene in the large Jewish Centres. The name of Abraham Goldfaden, known as the Father of Yiddish Theatre wrote over 400 dramas for the stage. Jacob Gordon, born in the Ukraine and emigrated to America in 1891, directed and wrote over 80 plays. Many famous Hollywood stars and directors got their first experience before Yiddish audiences, in New York, London, Vilna, and Warsaw.

Lucky for us in Halifax two such lovers of the Yiddish Theatre came and made their home amongst us. They had both performed in amateur groups in their homes

in Europe and brought with them a love of Yiddish Drama that enriched our own Jewish life for almost 10 years.

**Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Nathanson** came to us via Sydney, N.S. They were in Halifax only a few short years before they began making plans to start a Drama Group in our city. They invited to their #1 Inglis St. home a number of Yiddish speaking young people and explained the purpose of the meeting. The idea caught the spontaneous enthusiasm of some, while the hesitant were encouraged to join because all assistance would be needed for production. Several plays were studied before rehearsals began in earnest. Every Sunday the Nathanson's living room became the practice stage. The first play chosen was "Zubrochene Herzer." Can you visualize what an ambitious undertaking such an endeavor involved for the Nathanson's? A hall had to be found - date set - tickets printed and sold - programs set up - ads solicited and financial assistance obtained - all in addition to the everyday business of managing their grocery store and caring for two young children. However, we who knew Jacob and Manya Nathanson in those years realize the word "impossible" was certainly not in their vocabulary.

It wasn't long before the Jewish community became aware of their plans and were awaiting opening night. **Mr. and Mrs. Nathanson** recall many situations now that bring a smile to their lips but at the time were near catastrophic. You can well imagine their trepidation, would the stars remember their lines - were the stage settings true to the period portrayed?...suppose the prompter forget to prompt at the correct time?

Finally opening night did arrive at the old Navy League building, Cor. Barrington and South St.

Practically the whole Jewish community were in the audience. How could anyone stay home from such an event? It was really a "Happening" back in the years when the word was not even coined. It was color, excitement, laughter and tears! To some it was a mirror of characters they remembered from their "old home" in Europe. To others it was a new dimension in Jewish culture. To all it was a new dimension in Jewish culture. To all it was love at first sight and the audience asking when the next play would be performed.

Throughout the years 1929-'38 **Mr. and Mrs. Nathanson** became affectionately known as "**Papa**" and "**Mama**" **Nathanson**, to their Halifax Yiddish stars and assistants. They directed between 6 to 8 plays during this time. Some of the plays produced were Broken Hearts, Der Vilder Mensch, Der Yiddisher Kenig Lear, etc.

Some of the performers and members of the group were:

**Mrs. Mary Aronoff**  
**Mrs. Ruby Chisling\***  
**Mrs. Chava Jacobson**  
**Mrs. Bessie Koch\***  
**Mrs. Sophie Stern**  
**Mrs. Manya Nathanson**  
**Miss Rose Stern**  
**Mr. Sydney Jakin**  
**Dr. Irving Nathanson**

**Mr. Isador Rothberg**  
**Mr. Barney Roza**  
**Mr. Lou Roza**  
**Mr. Lou Stern**  
**Mr. Jacob Nathanson**  
**Mr. Max Yablon\***  
**Mr. Ivan Zwicker**  
**\*Now Deceased**

Little did the audience realize when the curtain came down on the final scene Act 4 of "Der Yiddisher Kenig Lear" it would be 'finis' for the Halifax Hebrew Dramatic Society. World events in the following years dispelled all thought of playacting, because life had become real and tragic.

## GREETINGS

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# BOOK CORNER

by Jon Everett, Saint John

For those looking for books of Jewish interest to read, I'd **recommend** the following: **WORLD OF OUR FATHERS** by Irving Howe, published by Harcourt, Bruce and Jovanovich, \$14.95.

There are many books Jewish life in eastern Europe before the First World War. This is the best I've read on life in America at that time.

The generation that transplanted itself from sleepy shtetls in a backward old country to frantic, crowded Hester Street in Philistine New York, America, had neither time nor inclination to tell their stories. They were too busy sacrificing their lives and all that they held dear so that their children would not have to live in grime and want.

The Lower East Side was the centre and symbol of the first Jewish mass contact with both America and the industrial revolution. A way of life perished in the impact.

In the old country, such intangibles as scholarship and religious fidelity brought a man honor and esteem. In the new world, money was the measure of all things.

The immigrants didn't speak the language of the country and so their job opportunities were limited. By coincidence, there was a sudden boom in the demand for ready-made clothing. Since anyone could operate a sewing machine, the sweatshop made its appearance. And sweat they did, all day and most of the night.

Living quarters were shabby, often squalid, poorly lit and ventilated. In many flats, the residents -- the tenants, relatives and boarders -- slept in shifts on beds, doors put over chairs and the floor.

The woman's lot was harsh. Some had to operate sewing machines while watching their children out of the corner of their eye crawling around the floor. And there were always the boarders to take care of.

Even so, while the man was seared spiritually, the change for the woman wasn't that great. Her work was hard, but it was basically the same as in the old country. Firmly anchored, it was her influence in many cases that kept the family together while the man could come to grips with their new realities.

Their desperate plight caused the Jewish workers to unite. The socialist movement became very strong and the Lower East Side elected the first socialist congressman in the United States. The trade unions they founded pioneered the development of the broad social organizations now common in the movement.

It's a big book, 682 pages, well worth the effort for those who remember the influx, who would like to know about it, or who think that Jewish radicalism started with the likes of Abby Hoffman and Jerry Rubin.

**THE JEWISH WOMAN IN AMERICA** by Charlotte Baum, Paula Hyman and Sonya Michel, published by The Dial Press, \$8.95.

This is a good book to read after "The World of Our Fathers" because it goes back over much the same ground, focusing specifically on the women of the era.

The best feature of this book is its defence of the Jewish woman's image. Noting that such novelists as the scoundrel Philip (Potrnoy's Complaint) Roth have been trafficking in grotesque caricatures of the Jewish mother, the book provided a lucid analysis of the development.

In the old world, the Jewish woman was often

assertive, able and capable of managing businesses. She watched her children sharply because they needed it in a world where dangers lurked constantly.

In the new world, her chutzpah and competence ran her smack up against the Anglo ideal of the lady, the quiet, demure flower incapable of tying her shoe-laces.

At the same time the Jewish man's image--often dreamily engaged in study--hardly fits with the concept of the wild American cowboy.

In a nutshell, the third generation wanted to be cowboys, but their Mothers wouldn't accommodate them by being passive, dumb and helpless, so some turned to vilification.

Foremost among Jewish novelists now dishonoring their mothers in Ruth, who makes a living off it.

## NOT RECOMMENDED

A few years ago a law was proposed that would make race-hatred propaganda an offence under the Canadian Criminal Code. I don't know what happened to that law or if charges have been laid under it. But if ever a book were guilty of race-hatred propaganda, in my opinion, it is a Mentor paperback called **VOICES FROM WOMEN'S LIBERATION** \$1.50.

It is an unfortunate fact of Jewish history that some of the most despicable attacks on Judaism have come from apostates. Once converted to or convinced of another system of beliefs and values, these apostates often become Jewry's persecutors.

Throughout history while other people executed their traitors, the stateless Jew had to endure them: the gallery of rogues included Pfefferkorn, Nicholas Donin and Geronimo de Santa Fe, naming a few. And of course, there was also St. Paul and Karl Marx. There were many motives. Some did it for gain or form cowardice. Others were demented. Some like Roberta Gootblatt of the East Bronx hated a parent.

In this book "Voices..." there is a contribution from Gootblatt. She admits she hates her father. Indeed she hates all Jewish males. Of her own life, she says at 15 she entered therapy, "a hopeless case."

Gootblatt has two diatribes in the anthology. Something called "The Star of David" is presented as a poem. A biographical sketch is called "Me, Myself and the Middle-Class Jew."

Any publisher with an ounce of decency would have refused to print the rantings of this obviously disturbed young woman. But the ounce of decency did not exist at Mentor, a supposedly reputable publisher.

In this "poem," which she addresses to the "Jewish woman," she writes:

*"The oppression goes on and soon you take your place, as the mother and housewife in this murderous race."*

It doesn't matter that this woman deserves, first and foremost, our pity. The publisher shows a criminal lack of responsibility in printing an article which says the Jews are a "murderous race" and compares all Jewish men to Hitler while the bodies of millions of Jews are hardly cold in their mass graves.

Is it because there is so much money to be made in the women's lib gimmick that they'll print anything, secure in the belief that no one really takes these screwball women seriously anyway?

But these women can do great harm and must be taken seriously. The anti-Zionist resolution at the Mexico City women's conference was proof of that. It played into the hands of real enemies with real guns like the PLO and the Kremlin, to whom all anti-Semitic material is grist to their propaganda mills. If the grist comes from one of Jewish extraction, so much the better.

Mentor should be asked about this. We must be ever vigilant.

# What's happening in St. John's, Newfoundland

by Helen Nathanson

The National Executive meeting of the Canadian Hadassah Wizo Organization took place in Vancouver in early June. Two of our members travelled across Canada to attend — **Rosalie Flomen** as a member of the National Executive in her position of Life Membership Chairman and **Marsha Richler** as a representative of Hadassah to the Habitat Conference as an observer.



**Ernie Coombs and Judy Lawrence.**

**Ernie Coombs** - or better known as **Mr. Dressup**, came for his second tour to help Sisterhood raise money in June on the 13th and 14th. The committee for this delightful project was **Helen Nathanson, Helen Jachelman and Ella Levitz**. **Ernie Coombs and Judy Lawrence** (Casey and Finnegan) performed to captivated audiences during 5 performances for over 5000 children - young and old. We enjoyed them as performers and as friends.

As a farewell to spring and a last chance to raise money for Sisterhood until fall, we held a Trift Shop at the end of June. **Marion Swersky** saw that all ran smoothly and was there to open and close the shop for the three days in our downtown location.

From St. John's we sent 10 of our young people to Camp Kadimah. **Lana and Stephen Flomen, Gila and Frankie Smilestein, Ester Tock and Tobi and Wayne Nathanson** went as campers, while **Jeff and Felice Cohen and Greta Nathanson** were staff. **Avrum Flomen** went to Camp Biluim Canada and **Dara Nathanson** was our representative to Camp Biluim Israel. We understand that the summer was enjoyed by all. Isolated as we are from the rest of Canadian Jewry, we realize

the importance of these camps and how necessary it is for our children to be in contact with other Jewish children their own age.

Ten of our small fries from age 4 to 6 attended a day camp for the first three weeks in August. **Gan Ayden** was set up and run by **Rabbi Peterseil** who was ably assisted by **Barry Nathanson** as counsellor. Camp was held in the Rabbi's backyard and in the Shul proper where lunches were prepared by **Genevieve Lipkus, Marg Smilestein, Lisa Kantorowitz, Lorraine Nathanson, Dorothy Riteman and Linda Mendoza**. During this time the children had a wide range of programming - from Shabbat services with the lighting of the candles; modern songs and dances from Israel and learning the alphabet, to visiting the park once a week, viewing movies and even a tour of the donut factory - better known as Tic-Toc-Deli. Unfortunately at that time they were out of donuts. Through all this the children's mascot "Kton-ton", a gerbil, stood by.

Regatta came to St. John's the first Wednesday in August. At this day-long boating event, Hadassah decided to take a booth to raise money. **Dorothy Riteman and Ruth Noel** organized the day. Our members really worked hard selling souvenir balloons and souvenir T-shirts. Hadassah husbands **Morty Flomen and Nardy Nathanson** came early and stayed late to help out the ladies. There were a lot of sore feet and sun burned noses at the end of the day.

Under the Chairmanship of **Rosalie Flomen**, the Sisterhood held Blitz nights at her home to stuff envelopes for the Rotary Bingo night. This successful fund raising idea was brought to us by **Ella Levitz** and twice a year our members have "bingo bees."

Our Mikveh was completed in August and certified by **Rabbi I. Hendel** of Montreal.

We knew that summer was at an end and that it was time to put our summer clothes away when we attended the Bond Dinner on August 20th. The entertainment for

the evening was **Danny Tadmore**, a most delightful person. He played his guitar, told jokes and presented the pledges in such a unique fashion that he kept us all laughing. At the end of the evening we went home to see which one of us would become a millionaire through the Olympic draw so we could buy more bonds for Israel.

Returning to our community after a three year absence to Israel are **Tova Auerbach** and her two children **Dietza and Shalom**. We are delighted to have them with us again knowing what an asset Tova has been and will be to our community.

Welcome also is extended to **Harry and Etta Lipkus**, formerly of Glace Bay and Port aux Basques. They joined us at the end of July much to the pleasure of **Genevieve and Shelly Lipkus** and their children **Jody and David**.



As our community begins a new season our executives are setting in for the year's work. They are as follows: Men's - President, **Graham Wilansky**, Vice-President - **Nardy Nathanson**, Treasurer - **Arron Tock**, Secretary - **Shelly Wilansky**, Vice-President - **Nardy Nathanson**, Vice-President - **Helen Jochelman**, Treasurer - **Eda Alexander**, Secretary - **Marg Smilestein**. Hadassah - President - **Rosalie Flomen**, Vice-President - **Marsha Richler**, Treasurer - **Ruth Noel**, Corresponding Secretary - **Genevieve Lipkus**, Recording Secretary - **Linda Mendoza**.

We in this community would like to take this opportunity to wish all our family, friends and relatives a Happy and Healthy New Year. May the year ahead be filled with everything good and may there be continued peace in Israel.

## Terra Nova Lodge B'Nai Brith

By Av Richler

Our new B'Nai Brith season is now here. After a wonderful waterless season of sun we should all be ready with renewed enthusiasm for the coming year. The executive has met, and has discussed tentative plans for the lodge which were presented at the meeting held Sunday, September 19th. **Av Richler** reported on the International meeting held in Washington from the 6th. to the 12th. and the Resolutions passed were approved.

On Tuesday, September 14th. the **Dora Wasserman Yiddish Theatre troupe** was in St. John's. They performed at the Synagogue, and put on a great show. This program was sponsored by the Atlantic Jewish Council.

The plight of the Jews in South America, and especially in Argentina is reminiscent of the early 30's in Germany. It is a very serious situation, and world Jewry has been aroused. I hope to be able to bring you the latest upon my return from Washington.

# CATHOLIC PAPER ASKS WHO ARE THE RACISTS?

*Many have been the defenses of Jews and Israel since the United Nations resolution equating Zionism with racism, but probably as most effective and logical as any has been published in The Voice, a Catholic publication in its issue of November 14, 1975.*

So the UN General Assembly has decided that Zionism is racism.

We had thought, Gentlemen of the Assembly, that your function was to work for peace and solutions to problems rather than to slap labels around like angry children calling names.

For, it would appear that unable to cope with the Mideast problems, you have branded the whole thing with a dirty word, "racist," and tied it to the Israelis, like a Nazi tattoo, and have added this deed to the countless other historical oppressions of the Jewish people.

It is tiresome to go into the long history of Jewish oppression, which surely is well known to everyone, the slavery of the ancient Israelites under Egypt, the slaughter of Jews by the Romans (the 'final solution') in 73 A.D., the endless string of persecutions in so-called Christian countries over the centuries, the infamous forgery in 1897 of "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion" which opened season on Jews in the first half of this century, the systematic slaughter of nearly all the Jews in Europe, and the continuing oppression today of Jews in Russia -- and now the ganging up of the nations of the world on this tiny group of people (one-half of one per cent of humanity) in calling them a dirty word.

Yes, Gentlemen of the General Assembly, we know you aren't actually against Jews. No one is ever against Jews. What you are against is Zionism.

Sorry, but that has a familiar sound to it.

We know you are not against Jews, Gentlemen of the General Assembly, as long as they stay in their place. But what is their place? Away from the Middle East, presumably. Perhaps, some place like Russia.

But the trouble with Jews is they don't know their place. They haven't been able to find one in 20 or 30 centuries. Every time they find one, their national brothers turn against them, sooner or later. Jews tend to stand out in the arts, science, business and that doesn't help any. If they would just stay simple and ordinary, they might get a long better. But, on the other hand, even simple, peasant Jews still have this maddening quality of being Jewish.

So, where is their place, Gentlemen, where would you have them go?

To Russia, where native-born Russians who have to be Jewish are even now being persecuted for the sin primarily of continuing to be Jewish? Or America, where graffiti and bumper stickers proclaim "We Need Gas, Not Jews?"

Or, of course, they could always try Germany just once more...

The Palestinian Liberation Organization has made clear its place for the Jews is the bottom of the ocean.

So, after centuries of harassment and holocaust, the Jews decided to make a place for themselves. Small groups established settlements alongside the Arabs in Palestine under Turkish rule and later under British rule. There was no intention to establish a nation originally, but under growing persecution abroad, culminating in Hitler's genocide, the movement grew. And attacks on the legal Jewish settlements in Palestine accelerated their need for a national defense.

But, you say, the Arabs were there first. Well, someone is always there first. It is a question of sharing. The Indians were in America first. But the persecuted Europeans had every right to come to this vast continent and share its riches with the relatively few Indians whose Asian ancestors arrived here earlier. Our sin was not that we came, but that we didn't really share it.

Palestine, too, had room for more people, and no one would have squawked if more Arabs had been the ones to come. And, unlike America, Palestine was hardly a plush productive land, though the Jews managed to develop it anyway.

And the Arabs who did cooperate and accept their Semitic brethren are part of a thriving nation rather than refugees, and are totally free to practice their religion and maintain their identity, unlike the Russian Jews. And there is no reason to believe that even if the refugee problem were solved the Arab nations would not find another reason to attack Israel.

It is reasonable to disagree with Israeli policies and criticize some of their actions, but when name-calling starts, there are better places to begin.

Zionism is simply a last-ditch effort by a tiny fraction of the world's people to have a place to survive in a world that has told them again and again that they must either stop being Jews or be killed.

To you, Gentlemen of the General Assembly, Zionism is racism.

To the Israelis, Zionism is their last chance to survive.

And it is those who voted in bad conscience for the resolution who are the racists.

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## AFTER THE ENTEBBE OPERATION

*To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post*

Sir, — The rescue of the hostages in Uganda is of such stature as to stagger the imagination. It will be remembered forever.

However, there is an important lesson to be learned which can easily be overlooked. Just think what could have happened if ordinary Israeli standards prevailed:

If a cabinet minister who voted against the rescue plan leaked it to the press!

If the owner of the company that filled the planes' tanks cheated the government, and only filled them half way!

If the government officials who made the plans couldn't get them ready on time because of tea breaks!

If the rescue planes has not been allowed to leave because the proper customs forms weren't filled out!

If the rescue pilots went on strike — until they were given advance payment in Ugandan currency!

Ridiculous, yet unfortunately too true in everyday Israeli life. Can you imagine how great it would be if everyone would apply to his daily work the same good sense, cooperation and motivation shown on the rescue mission?

HAROLD SAFFIR

Chicago, Illinois.

*To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post*

Sir, — A few years ago, I lost all my faith — this morning, when I heard the news of the fantastic, unbelievable and sensational operation of our army, my faith returned completely. I have never, ever, been so exhilarated in my whole life.

I extend my deepest sympathy to the families of those who, unfortunately, lost their lives in the operation. They, too, will be remembered as heroes. I wish the wounded a complete and speedy recovery.

I ask you to open an appeal to all the inhabitants of Israel to donate whatever they are able to to the I.D.F. in appreciation of their brilliant and heroic action.

In making this request, I enclose herewith my cheque for IL 100 on behalf of my wife and myself.

BERT ELION

# ENTEBBE

## In Israel During Entebbe

by Darrel Pink, Halifax

I was sitting in a secretary's office at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. She clung to her mini-transistor radio as if it was the promise of salvation, as indeed it might have been, for together we heard the same soul arousing pierce. The blast of a shofar is like no other sound in the world — the promise of redemption, a sound which echoes every ounce of freedom we shall ever possess. And that was the only appropriate sound to welcome back those who had been the pawns in an international chess match over the past week. The blast of the ram's horn was the most appropriate way to signal the happy end to a horrible saga. It's become known as Entebbe.

Having arrived in Israel more than a month previously, I could not help but notice changes in the two years since I had last been there.

It seems as if every young woman in Israel is in one of three states — with a stroller, with a baby in arms, or pregnant. It is perhaps the best indicator of a determination to stay alive and well. This was what also happened after 1967, but there seems to be a major difference this time. The exuberance is qualified and controlled and many have vowed not to repeat past mistakes. In other words, the search for solutions to problems must be successful this time. There must be some long range answers if there can not yet be a permanent resolution.

Unfortunately not everyone looks in one direction when they seek permanence. There is the Gush Emunim who vigorously advocate expanded Jewish settlement in occupied territories. They see it as the proper way to express Jewish fate and also as a way to counteract the Arab populations in the area. On the other hand there are some political groups who desire all occupied territory be given to the Arabs and they should be allowed by themselves to decide what should be done with it. Between these alternatives there exists a multitude of others. Despite the obvious lack of unanimity however, there exists what can be perceived as a great determination to finally end this endless state of war.

So this was the mood of the country when all of a sudden an Air France 747 was hijacked in Libya. As the days passed people in Israel were prepared to do anything to ensure the lives of the hostages. When the

government announced its decision to negotiate with the terrorists, editorial opinion overwhelmingly supported this move as absolutely necessary to protect human life. The country was ready to give up these prisoners and to bow to the blackmail. No one liked the idea, but to save a life — anything. That was one of the early lessons to be learned from the ordeal. The value placed upon a life has no equal. There is no price too great to save a Jew or an Israeli.

The raid certainly was unexpected, but few were surprised that Zahal (Israel Defence Forces) had done it. Commentators spoke of how "our boys" have done the impossible. Everyone was so proud. The raid had been only a few hours old and already people began to draw lessons out of the experience. Menachem Begin, Israel's perennial leader of the opposition, and government mentor, perhaps made the most profound comments. He spoke very briefly in an afternoon Knesset session, but only a short period was needed to bring the reality and the horror of Entebbe into clear perspective.

Mr. Begin said that over thirty years ago we learned what happens when someone chooses who goes to the left and who goes to the right. The State of Israel exists so that never again will Jews always be selected for the right. The hijackers selected not only "Israelis" but they chose **Jews** to stay behind. Today we showed the world that this gross inhumanity must not be allowed to succeed anywhere.

My interpretation of his comments is free but at worst it captures the lesson that must never be forgotten.

The jubilation which prevailed everywhere was tempered by the fact that three persons had died. The celebration stopped, when they were laid to rest, to be continued afterwards perhaps.

There is no doubt that the successful mission provided a boost to morale but it was far from a blinding joy. The triumph is only temporary until many other matters are resolved. Entebbe seemed to show that perhaps there is only one way to deal with terrorist activity, but it proved quite clearly that even impossible problems have solutions and it is only with the same type of determination that the balance of unresolved problems will even approach appropriate ends.



# A SON WHO BORE THE SWORD'S BURDEN

THIS IS NOT a eulogy to Yoni or a speech about him, but just a few thoughts occasioned by the manner in which he died. He was a friend, a fighter, an officer whose commander I happened to be: a human being.

When you consider the apparently fortuitous way in which death chooses its victims on the battlefield - in which death chose our Yoni - and when you find yourself from time to time confronting another body in a long line of graves, you inevitably wonder about the meaning of life, between its beginning and its end, and about the meaning of the accounting. This raises a question which probably has no complete answer, certainly no single answer.

Life is the meaning that we build into it. Existence realizes itself most

is an inseparable part of its life and of its ability to survive.

In a vital respect, however, a nation's sons differ from the cells of non-human organisms. The fate of the cell is determined by the conditions of its evolution, which it cannot alter; but human beings can choose. Our Yoni chose to belong to the family of fighters - in full awareness of the price he might have to pay for having made this choice.

The tragedy of our nation is that it has had to fight for its survival - losing in the process not only the best of its present fighters and commanders, and the best of its future military leaders, but losing also the bearers of its spiritual future - poets, writers, thinkers and scientists.

No man is irreplaceable in his

was the Yoni of the history and philosophy books - Plato, Marx, Klausner, and Raymond Aron. The Yoni who saw the history of Israel not as a collection of dry facts, but rather as a source of personal imperatives to action. The Yoni who raised from the ashes an armoured battalion crushed beneath the weight of battle in the Golan Heights. And the calm, contented Yoni at home, with his pipe and his records, relaxing out of uniform.

We saw him at peak moments of satisfaction and achievement, and we saw him take upon himself - not without a heavy heart and clenched teeth - the lonely command of the unit at the head of which he was to fall.

We also saw him in battle, undergoing the test of fire with courage, wisdom and indomitable spirit: a living symbol, without knowing it, of the essence of the operation which was to cost him his life.

BECAUSE ABOVE and beyond arms, men, training or experience, beyond the delicate Balance between daring and circumspection, imagination and responsibility that is required for military planning and action - beyond all these qualities, it was the indomitable spirit of Israel that was on trial at Entebbe, and it was this that stood the test, despite the heavy cost.

We can never bring Yoni the man back to life. But Yoni the symbol of our heritage - the spirit, the warm heart thirsty for knowledge, the



**Yonathan Netanyahu receiving the Mofet Medal (for Exemplary Conduct) from the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Gur, last year.**

strongly, not in the flow of time through the life of a man, but in the complex of impressions that he makes on those about him - through the force of his personality and through his actions and in the complex of impressions which the world leaves on him.

Some men who live long lives barely live at all. Others live short but full lives - managing to learn and to live, to fight and to train others to fight, and to think about the deeper issues of life, all the while remaining sensitive and receptive to a smile, a hike in the country, a flower, a song.

If there can be any consolation for a life that has been cut short at 30, it is this.

For the individual cell, death is merely the end of life. For the complete organism, the death of individual cells is an integral part of the living process, assuring its existence, its form, and its continuity. A NATION is in this respect like a living organism, and the death of its sons, however painful,

social function. But there is not a single outstanding figure who can be replaced when it comes to the mark he might have left on his surroundings, and on his own field of activity, had he lived.

Belonging to a generation which has witnessed the tragedy of the Jews in Europe, the rebirth of Israel and the wars of Israel - our judgement is oppressed by the concentration of these events, the disasters and the triumphs. The short-sighted among us find it difficult to grasp the fact that from time immemorial - from Yonathan, the son of Saul, through Yonathan the Maccabee, to our own Yoni - the survival and the sovereignty of Israel have depended on the sword of Israel, wielded by a few of her sons, and on the willingness of those sons to grasp this sword and raise its heavy burden.

Yoni.

We saw him torn between the desire for knowledge and the sense of mission and satisfaction to be found in a military career. There



faith in the rightness and value of the path he had chosen, and the willingness to throw his life into the balance - all these are ours, if we wish, to adopt and to cherish, to bequeath to those who come after us. If we fail to do this, we will have shirked the obligation which his death has placed on us.

But if we are able to honour all these things, we will have erected to Yoni a memorial more significant - and perhaps even more beautiful - than any other which we might conceive.

**The Jerusalem Post**

# ISRAEL: A MAGNET?

by Eliezer Whartman

The figures released by the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency of **Aliyah** for the year 1975 give genuine cause for alarm.

All told, about 17,000 Jews immigrated to Israel during the past year, including some 8,000 Jews from the Soviet Union (in contrast to 33,000 in 1973 and 18,000 in 1974) and **fewer than 3,000** (including men, women and children) from the U.S.A. It is possible the lowest figure since the State was founded. It represents .002% of American Jewry.

## *Manpower will save Israel*

One recalls the wild scenes in the U.S. in October 1973 when American Jews, alarmed at the possibility of Israel's being overrun by Arab armies, stormed into UJA offices and plunked down huge sums to save the Jewish State. Jews followed the progress of the battles with bated breath. Huge rallies were held. Frenzied cables were dispatched to Congressmen urging the immediate supply of arms to save Israel.

That concern was genuine. Yet, in the last analysis, it is not going to be money - important as it is - that will save Israel, but **manpower**, for without the men to man tanks, fly the planes, fire the cannon, and serve in the infantry, the money donated for the weapons is worthless.

According to the International Institute for Strategic Studies, Israel in 1976 will be hopelessly outnumbered both in weapons and in manpower. Israel will face the Arab confrontation States' total of 1,500 combat aircraft (including MIG 23s and 25s), 6,500 tanks and 762,000 troops, plus 1,051,000 reservists. **These figures do not include the weapons and manpower which non-confrontation states will make available.**

To meet this threat Israel has 461 combat planes, 2,700 tanks, 155,000 troops (including many thousands of women) and 246,000 reservists - including men in their fifties, and women.

Obviously, if Israel is to be able to stand off 100,000,000 Arabs, plus an undertermined number of allies from other countries such as Cuba, Russia (which has thousands of "advisers", in Arab countries) and other Communist countries - a number of which sent detachments to fight in the Yom Kippur War - she must have more men. Her tiny 3,000,000 population is being strained to the limit. Her reservists are putting in anywhere from forty to ninety days a year in active service.

## *For American Jewish Youth Israel represents.....*

Yet, despite the concern American Jewry feels about Israel's survival, why aren't more Jews coming? I put that question to a group of American Jewish college students who had come to Israel on a study tour sponsored by the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation.

The replies were revealing - if disquieting.

"What does Israel mean to American Jewry?" I asked them.

Most of the answers were uniform: "Without Israel, American Jewry, in the long run, aside from a handful of ultra-Orthodox Jews, could probably not survive as a creative Jewish community.

"Why?" I persisted.

"As far as our parents are concerned," came the replies, "Israel occupies the center of their Jewish life: fund raising, belonging to Israel-oriented organizations, etc. They regard Israel as the source of Jewish creativity, the prototype of

Jewish life, a place to point with pride to their Gentile neighbors."

"And for you?" I asked.

"For us, Israel represents the hope of Jewish continuity which we see diminishing daily on the campus through indifference to Jewish life, which offers them little challenge, through growing assimilation. Israel for us is a source of cultural stimulation, something which strengthens us, something to work for."

## *and without Israel?*

"Is there enough vitality intrinsic in American Jewish life **without** Israel to keep going?" I queried.

The answers were evasive. The synagogue played little role in their lives. While they appreciated the importance of Jewish education, most possessed only a limited Jewish background. The majority had had a few years of Hebrew school, in most cases terminating with the Bar or Bat Mitzvah. A few had continued on to Confirmation. One had attended a Hebrew day school, had continued through high school and was continuing evening studies at a Jewish institute of higher learning while attending college. All were unhappy at the state of Jewish education, believed that it should be strengthened, but indicated that it was an uphill struggle. Swimming against the stream. Although they were on a Hillel-sponsored tour of Israel (heavily subsidized by the Jewish Agency) few had any active contact with Hillel - or with any other Jewish life - on campus.

All thought that their trip had reinforced their Jewish identity.

"In that case," I asked, "why not come and settle here?"

From their replies, it was clear that few contemplated that option.

A number of students were candid enough to say that they feared that another war would take place here, that they didn't want to go into the army and possibly get killed.

## *Why don't they settle?*

As a bereaved father who had lost his son in action against the enemy, I could understand their fears. Yet a pang went through me when I recalled how few men there were holding the line against those who were determined not only to destroy Israel, but in the process to destroy the hope of survival of the Jewish people. I remembered what one of our fallen soldiers had written shortly before his death:

"We are shedding our blood not only for the Jewish State, but for the entire Jewish people."

Other students were frank enough to say that they would not be able to adjust to a standard of living lower than the one they were accustomed to. Others cited the language barrier. Still others mentioned their feeling "at homeness" with the American scene. A number could not envision separation from their families (their parents would worry) etc.

What emerged was a saddening picture. This was supposedly a picked group of Jewishly-conscious youth - and yet they could not envision **Aliyah** for themselves although they recognized the centrality of Israel in their Jewish lives. What then can one expect from the mass of Jewish students?

After the Holocaust of European Jewry, two great reservoirs of Jews are left: Soviet Jewry which cannot come; and American Jewry which will not come.

From Aliyon

# Letter To The Editor

Dear Mr. Landa:

SHALOM has just published Gerry's article "Community Survey: Interim Results" (May issue, p. 28). It seems that my previous fears were unfortunately justified: the possibility of significant sampling bias in favor of students with "traditional" attitudes, which I have denounced, does not seem to have been corrected, although partial means for correction would have been available. This is not just a sterile academic question. Several readers may have been disturbed by the fact that 16% of the surveyed students consider that Zionism is racism. I contend that this and other "anti-traditional" attitudes revealed by the survey, might in fact be even more widespread among Jewish students in Halifax, than the survey's figures would show. This because, in my opinion, the "non-traditionalist", "marginal" or "secular" Jewish students were not adequately sampled.

My criticism is based on the sampling methods used at Dalhousie University. A bias in the Dalhousie sampling is serious because this university must contain a large proportion of the Jewish students in the Metro area. I consider as "Jewish" any students who identifies himself as such for whatever reason, religious and / or ethnic; to me, Jewishness and Judaism are not synonymous.

There are obviously no "complete" lists of Jewish students; faced with this technical difficulty, the survey people took a first logical step: gathering whatever incomplete lists available. For Dalhousie students there are two such lists:

- a) a University-established list of students who declare their religion (Jewish or other) in a facultative questionnaire distributed to students at registration time; the questionnaire specifies that this information is "for chaplains only". I listed in my previous letter a number of reasons why religious Jewish students might prefer not to answer that particular question on religion on a form collected by a non-Jewish institution; furthermore, according to Gerry, it seems that some students who did declare their adhesion to Judaism on that form,

were not listed on the University's final printout for chaplains. I personally believe Dalhousie should not collect that kind of information (except for serious survey purposes), but this is beside the point. Most obviously, a number of somewhat "religion-indifferent" students, and all atheist Jewish students, won't declare any religion and are therefore absent from that list.

- b) the student list of the Halifax section of Hillel-AUJS. This list may contain students from other institutions than Dalhousie, which is fine. For Dalhousie, I was told it does not exactly coincide with the University printout "for chaplains"; among the various reasons for this is certainly the fact that some religious students who preferred not to indicate their religion to the University, made contact with Hillel-AUJS (which does advertise adequately its existence, in Dalhousie, if not always its detailed activities). Here again, many "indifferent", "uncommitted" and atheist students will be left out: Hillel is admittedly a religious-connected organization, and this is not really modified by adding to it the less committed "AUJS". I don't deny the need of a religious organization on campus for those who want it, but there is an increasing number of Jewish students, either indifferent or committed to Jewish issues, who do not want to be members of religious groups, and will avoid making contact with Hillel for that simple reason. By its very nature, Hillel-AUJS cannot be the best answer to the Jewish identity aspirations of the atheist Jewish students here.

The second step taken by the survey workers was to ask those students already on their lists whether they knew other, unlisted Jewish students on campus. This must have widened the survey's lists, but not as much as one could hope. Extensive "buddy networks" may exist among those Jewish students who were traditionally living in Halifax, or elsewhere in the Provinces, but what about those who dropped here from other provinces, or from abroad? Even

more so if these are of the "marginal" type already evoked?

I suspect that the kind of students who were not reached by the survey tend, on the average, towards one or several of the following characters: relatively indifferent to Jewish issues, secular, non-Zionist or even anti-Zionist, assimilationist, coming from other provinces or from abroad and on the average older than the surveyed sample. I suspect that they contain a far higher proportion of graduate students than the surveyed sample. Still, all these "missed" people do have some kind of Jewish identity feeling and therefore did qualify for the survey. If the total amount of students reached through adequate publicity had been too large, a random sample could have been selected from it for surveying purposes.

It is to the credit of the survey workers that, in spite of those problems, they did succeed in contacting people with a very wide spectrum of attitudes. But, from a quantitative viewpoint (and this is the only valid viewpoint in such surveys), I strongly disagree with Gerry's statement that the surveyed sample was 'fairly representative': because of the lack of publicity, neither he nor anybody else may tell whether the sample was representative or not. We all know there are anti-Zionist Jews; the true problem is to know how many, with as little bias as humanly possible, in order to base our personal conclusions on valid data, and to act accordingly if we want to take any action about that problem. The trends away from traditional values, that the preliminary results of the survey already revealed, may have disturbed several readers, but they should know that the true situation is probably, from their viewpoint, still more serious.

In spite of my criticisms, I think **Gerry Fisher** and his collaborators should be commended for the difficult project they completed with dedication and thoroughness, as I could see when I was myself "surveyed". Their preliminary results are already quite interesting, and the complete report will be eagerly awaited.

Sincerely yours,  
Georges Merinfeld  
(graduate student)  
Department of Oceanography  
Dalhousie University - Halifax.

# News From Fredericton

by Reta Tobin

The Lillian Freiman Chapter of Hadassah had its closing meeting in June. The President, **Mrs. Lois Levine**, gave her full term report, in which a most successful and active year was achieved. **Mrs. Edith Spiro** in her treasurer's report indicated an outstanding financial year. Awards and pins were distributed to various members of the chapter, plus the enrolling of five husbands as new Associate Life Members of Hadassah, thus bringing the total of men who are Associate Life Members to sixteen. The officers installed at the closing meeting were:

President (June-December)	<b>Mrs. Lois Levine</b>
President (December - June)	<b>Mrs. Carolyn Budovitch</b>
First Vice-President (June - December)	<b>Mrs. Carolyn Budovitch</b>
First Vice-President (December - June)	<b>Mrs. Lois Levine</b>
Second Vice-President	<b>Mrs. Laura Budovitch</b>
Recording Secretary	<b>Mrs. Judy Budovitch</b>
Corresponding Secretary	<b>Mrs. Miriam Cohen</b>
Treasurer	<b>Mrs. Anita Adilman</b>
Financial Secretary	<b>Mrs. J. Landau</b>

The Public Affairs Seminar for the New Brunswick region, hosted by the Lillian Freiman Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO, Fredericton on September 11-12, 1976 was most informative and successful. **Miss Ilsa Greenblatt** and **Mrs. Marilyn Kaufman**, co-chairmen for this event put together an excellent program. Fredericton welcomed delegates from Moncton and Saint John.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**Cheryl and Joe Abrams**, on the birth of their son **Mitchell Weldon**.

**Judy and Arnold Budovitch** on the birth of their son **Eric Louis**.

**Laura and Steven Budovitch** on the birth of their daughter **Shana Jayne**

**Marilyn and Peter Leighton** on the birth of their daughter **Robin Esther**

**Rabbi and Mrs. David Spiro, Mrs. S. Spiro**, on the birth of their new grandson and great-grandson, **Shmuel Eliyohu**, in Montreal. Parent are **Mr. and Mrs. Louis Newman**.

**Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goldman, Mrs. P.M. Levine**, on the birth of their new grandson and great-grandson, **Joshua David Pesach**, in Halifax. Parents are **Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Goldman**.

**Gertrude and Samuel Budovitch**, on the marriage of their daughter **Myrna** to **Stephen Harrison** of Montreal.

**Sue and Louis Levine**, on the forthcoming marriage of their daughter **Bonnie** to **Joel Seltzer** of Miami, Florida.

**Faye and Ben Medjuck**, on the occasion of their 40th. wedding anniversary.

## SISTERHOOD - SGOOLAI ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE - FREDERICTON

by Miraim Cohen

The closing meeting of the Sgoolai Israel Synagogue Sisterhood was held at the home of **Gladys Swetsky** in the form of a dessert meeting. The meeting was presided over by **Laura Budovitch**, President.

At this time, **Rabbi David Spiro**, spiritual leader of

the community, installed the new executive for the coming year, 1976-77.

President  
Vice-President  
Secretary  
Treasurer

**Mrs. Marilyn Kaufman**  
**Mrs. Miriam Cohen**  
**Mrs. Carolyn Budovitch**  
**Mrs. Edye Besner**

The outgoing executive was thanking for all their hard work and great efforts. Special thanks and words of good wishes were given to **Doris Rauch** who has since gone to Pittsburg, Penn. for a year with her family on sabbatical leave.

An enjoyable evening was enjoyed by all.

## HAPPENINGS WITH FREDERICTON B'NAI B'RITH

**Warren B. Cohen** was installed as president of the Fredericton B'nai B'rith Lodge at the Sgoolai Israel Synagogue.

Officiating over the installation of officers was **Murray Simons** of Montreal, eastern regional director of the Canadian District B'nai B'rith.

Other officers are vice-president, **Arnold Budovitch**; treasurer, **Seymour Kaufman**; recording secretary, **Marven Abigov**; corresponding secretary, **Steven Budovitch**; warden, **David Adelman**; chaplain, **Ivan Levine**; directors, **Rabbi David Spiro**, **Irwin Resensweig**, **Ben Freeman**, **Allen Ruben** and **Sid Tobin**.

The annual sportsmen's dinner was held along with the installation of officers for the lodge. **Arnold Budovitch** and **Ivan Levine** received trophies for tennis.

In bowling, the **Gordon Chippin** team won the Levine's Ltd. trophy for the best team while **Harry Lang** took all individual men's trophies and **Sharon Rose** won all individual ladies trophies.

A plaque was awarded to **Warren B. Cohen** and **Seymour Kaufman** by the B'nai B'rith Association for outstanding services during the past year.

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# Moncton News

by Lena Kutzner

Our Lillian Freiman Chapter of Hadassah and the Moncton community at large is proud to have in our midst **Mrs. Louise Cohen**, who has been elected National Vice-President of Hadassah-Wizo of Canada - "First" for Moncton.

## Annual Youth Aliyah Campaign A Tremendous Success

Under the convenership of Mesdames **Louise Cohen** and **Judy Attis**, no effort was spared to ensure a memorable and enjoyable evening at the home of **Mrs. Louise Cohen**.

The gathering for the Cheese and Wine party was informal with **Miss Lily Frank**, National Executive Director of Hadassah-Wizo as our quest speaker. **Miss Frank** spoke of the solidarity of the Jewish people and of the understanding that Jews must have to help each other. She enlightened us on our various Youth Aliyah projects in Israel and how very important it was to properly care for and educate the youth.

This was **Miss Frank's** fourth speaking engagement in Moncton.

## Fran Avni Performance

Thursday, May 13, our community was treated to an outstanding and enjoyable evening of entertainment by **Fran Avni**.

Fran's Hebrew, English and French songs and lyrics charmed the whole audience. Her warm personality left an indelible impression on everyone present.

## Mothers' Day Tea

The Lillian Freiman Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo Mother's Day Tea was celebrated at the home of **Mrs. Isidore Fine**.

Mothers were honoured with a presentation of beautiful poems by **Mrs. Anne Selick**.

**Mrs. Sarah Gorber** presented slides from Israel taken during her Zionist Convention trip.

A hat parade with prizes culminated this warm, companionable meeting. Conveners were Mesdames **Sarah Gorber** and **Lena Kutzner**.

## 50th Anniversary of Tiferes Israel Synagogue in Moncton

Plans are in progress to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of our Synagogue, June 20, and the committee, headed by **Mr. Jake Kirsh** and **Stephen Jacobson**, has the preparations for this memorable event well in hand.

We hope to have as our guests all the Monctonians of our Congregation who have moved to other areas.

Our Tiferes Israel Synagogue started with laying the cornerstone in 1926 and in the year 1927 it was completed due to the efforts of less than 20 families. The first President of the Congregation was **Mr. Isaac Selick**, of blessed memory. Our present President, **Mr. Irwin Lampert**, is the thirteenth in line of

a list of presidents extremely capable, devoted, and conscientious men, to whose due is attributed the growth of our community.

We take extreme pride in our Synagogue. We are all involved with it for it is a part of our past and a symbol of our future.

## Closing Banquet of The Lillian Freiman Chapter of Hadassah Wizo

The yearly closing banquet of our Lillian Freiman chapter of Hadassah-Wizo in Moncton was well attended and a pleasurable experience socially as well as culinarily.

Under the guidance of **Mrs. Louise Cohen**, tireless chairmanship of **Mrs. Lois Maklin** and her executive and meticulous book-keeping of our treasurer **Mrs. Sarah Gorber** the past year was a satisfying and gratifying success materially and spiritually.

**Mr. Hy Brumer** was presented with Hadassah-Wizo Associate Life Membership in appreciation of his tireless efforts and devotion to the cause of our Chapter.

**Mrs. Lois Maklin** reported on the happenings at Vancouver U.N. Habitat Conference. She described the beautiful display in the Israeli Booth, but most soul-shattering and shocking was her report on the devious and treacherous political tactics adopted by the Arabs and directed against Israel.



*A wish for health, success and peace is extended along with sincere thanks for outstanding support to the Atlantic Jewish Community:*

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# Cape Breton Hadassah-Wizo Mini Bazaar

by Mrs. Elly Friedman - Co-Convenor

"Fun and Bargains mix at Bazaar '76" was the theme of the Annual Breton Hadassah-Wizo Mini Bazaar, held in the Temple Sons of Israel, Sydney, on Wednesday, May 5th, 1976 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Convenors this year were Mrs. Garson Lecker and Mrs. Louis Friedman.

Once again, the Bazaar featured many attractive booths, receiving very favorable comments from the general public.

**Baking Carousel:** Which featured our ethnic specialties, chopped liver, blintzes and traditional baked goods.

**Nearly New Shop:** Which proved, as always to be one of the most profitable booths, featuring a Ladies Boutique, Men's Shop and a Lads and Lassies Shop.

**Book & Comics:** More successful than ever.

**Country Store:** Truly a real country store, featuring even a toilet and sink.

**Handcrafts:** An ever popular booth filled with beautiful handmade dolls, toys, aprons, pillows and other exquisite articles.

**Jewellery:** Featuring new and used modern jewellery as well as china.

Not only did we have bargains at our Bazaar, but children's amusement was also considered. Wheel of Fortune, "Money Mint" and raffles on a G.I. Joe doll, and Train Cake, were booths dedicated to the children.

**Raffles:** Several held throughout the day. An electric wall clock with a handmade needlepoint back-

ground, mink stole and an Even-Split Draw. A colour television set was this year's door prize.

**Treasure House:** A booth, containing Uniques and Antiques, also, proved to be a monetary success.

**Snack Bar:** Delectable fish chowder as well as snacks sold continuously throughout the day.

Two new booths this year were: "Linen Chest" and "Mother Earth."

**Linen Chest:** Household linens of all description in nearly new condition.

**Mother Earth:** Horticultural attraction with an expert on hand to give advice on how to care for the plants.

To climax an exciting day, with the continuous patronage of throngs of people, an Auction was held at 7 p.m. the highlight of the evening's activities.

Weary and worn as we all were at the end of the day, we truly felt that our efforts for Hadassah-Wizo were well-rewarded, bringing to mind the words of our Torah,

"There is nothing better

Than that man should rejoice in his work."

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**Elliott Jacobson,  
Chairman,  
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## New Year Greetings

Dear Friends:

The New Year of 5737 is beginning with very positive signs of peace in the Middle East, much as did 5736 last year.

Just one year ago, the Sinai Accord was newly signed, heralding a relative peace on Israel's southern frontier.

Now 5737 is beginning with similar signs of relative peace for Israel on her northern border. The "good" fence between Israel and Lebanon, where the sick and elderly have been coming for treatment from Israel's doctors and nurses, has proven once again to our neighbours that Israeli's are not the terrible ogres their leaders had led them to believe.

Israel's quiet co-operation with moderate Christians and Moslems augurs well should peace come to the troubled country of Lebanon.

Yet, many challenges will face Israel in the coming year. Challenges on the Economic and Social Welfare fronts, as well as absorption of our brethren from the Soviet Union who come on Aliyah, will require ever-greater resources in order to meet the basic human needs of Israel. We can do it.

It is, therefore, with a feeling of optimism that I extend to you, both personally and on behalf of the Officers of the United Israel Appeal, warmest wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Shana Tova,  
Elliott Jacobson  
Chairman

## Fredericton Campaign in November:

Fredericton Chairman, Mike Chippin, has announced mid-November as the date for the 1976 campaign in Fredericton. Co-chairing the campaign this year will be Steven Budovitch. Fredericton community leaders express the fullest confidence in Mr. Chippin and Mr. Budovitch and an excellent campaign is anticipated.

## Rafuse Endowment:

Through the aegis of the United Israel Appeal, **JACK and BARBARA RAFUSE** have endowed \$25,000 to Bar Ilan University in Israel. A permanent Scholarship Fund will be established at the University and worthy recipients will be aided in the continuing of their education.

Jack and Barbara should be commended for their unselfish gift which can only help to strengthen the State of Israel.

Other projects of a similar nature can also be arranged. Any questions should be directed to United Israel Appeal Executive Director, Michael Marcus, at 1551 South Park St., Halifax, N.S., 902-422-7491.

## Moncton:

A Chairman and the date for Moncton's annual United Israel Appeal are still being finalized. November seems to be the most likely time.

**Start the New Year  
with a  
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# The Image of the Israeli Youth

by Haim Shachter

The impact of the Yom Kippur War on Israel is often spoken of as an "earthquake." This is not true as far as the youth is concerned, according to the conclusion reached in a survey undertaken by the Israel Institute for Applied Social Research.

Five thousand pupils attending 427 High Schools throughout the country drawn from all classes, religious and secular, were questioned. The schools were of all types - academic, vocational, agricultural as well as educational institutions in kibbutzim.

The inquiry was first instituted in June 1973 before the Yom Kippur War. Two years later a second questionnaire was circulated among the same young people so as to enable the investigators to observe any changes that might have taken place in the attitudes and values of the youth, as a result of the war.

## Values His Judaism

It transpires that the young Israeli is a person with a lot of self-respect, who attaches great value to his personality, to his Judaism, and to his homeland. He generally defers to the opinions of his parents, to whom he looks up with respect and on whose advice he relies. While he professes no particular closeness to his teachers, he is nonetheless influenced by them insofar as an evaluation of the problems besetting the State are concerned. Beyond his studies, he has no positive evaluation of his school.

What is it that has the greatest influence on the young Israeli's sense of belonging to the Jewish people? It transpires that, much against popular belief, it is the trend of modern Jewish history and an awareness of Jewish tradition and heritage. These values have remained unaffected by the war. On the contrary, there has been a strengthening of his sense of national and social cohesion and unity and a greater regard for the values connected with the individual and the community as a whole. On the other hand, there has been a drop in the young Israeli's regard for the way in which the Government is handling current problems.

## Political Views

The War has had but little effect on their political opinions. The young people of the summer of 1975 expressed a greater readiness to give up the Administered Areas than their counterparts of the summer of 1973, before the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War. But they are more suspicious of the Arabs. The religious pupils, however, are less prepared to cede the Areas than their secular counterparts. They also express greater support of civilian settlement in the Areas and their attitudes toward the Arabs is less positive than that of their secular colleagues.

Seventy-three per cent of the youth at school believe that the State has succeeded in its task in becoming the spiritual-cultural centre for the Jewish people in the world; (89% were of the opinion that the State has succeeded in maintaining a model society and social justice.

## Zionist Feelings

The War had considerable influence on the Zionist feelings of the Israeli youth. Before the War only 25% professed that they "feel Zionist" whereas afterwards, their number rose to 32%. In answer to the question: Would you like to live outside of Israel? only 4% - both before and after the War - replied that they would "very much like" to live abroad; 38% replied that they would "very much be against" living abroad (as compared to 31% before the War). Seventy-five per cent feel sure

that they would remain living in the country (54% before the War) and only 1% felt certain that they would not remain living in Israel.

Some of the questions put to these young people were difficult: Is the existence of Israel justified even though at the inception of the Jewish settlement activities in the country the majority of the population was Arab? Before the Yom Kippur War 63% replied: "Most decidedly justified." After the war their number rose to 69%. Again, only 1% replied: "Unjustified."

## Duties of Diaspora Jewry

What are the duties of the Jew living abroad, as a Jew and as a Zionist? Seventy-two per cent believe that the Jew in the Diaspora must give his children a Jewish education; 60% are of the opinion that he must come on aliya to Israel; 47% believe that he must be active politically for the State of Israel.

The Israeli youth read newspapers and show a thorough knowledge of current problems. Credence to reports on the radio and TV was given by 48%.

What is the young Israeli's attitude toward the Arabs? Fifty-one per cent are prepared to strike up friendship with Arabs and 39% profess no feelings of animosity towards them. Fifteen percent, however, hate all the Arabs; 17% hate most of the Arabs and 29%, some of them. A similar question put to adults showed that 60% harbor no hatred towards them, and only 11% profess animosity for all Arabs. The Israeli youth, however, is suspicious of Arab intentions. Eighty-seven per cent believe that the ultimate goal of the Arabs is to destroy the State of Israel; 76% are opposed to an implementation of the "Rogers Plan" (a return to the 1967 borders with minor adjustments.) As a whole, they do not believe that peace is at hand, and 94% have full confidence in the Israeli army.

The findings of this Inquiry should put an end to the "idle debate" and the sweeping statements which are unfounded, concerning the image of the Israeli youth.

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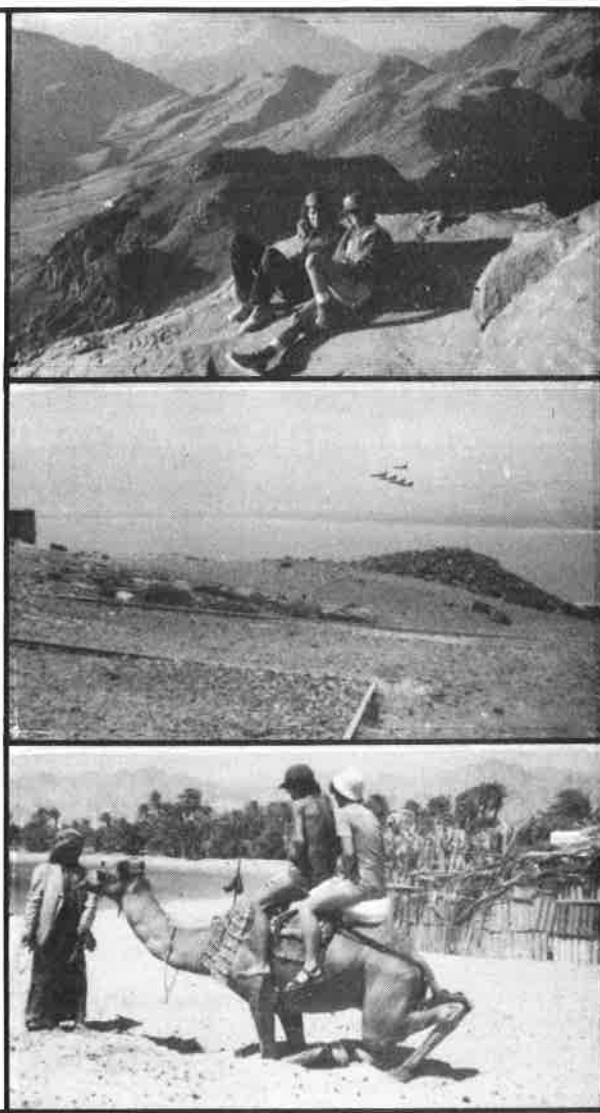
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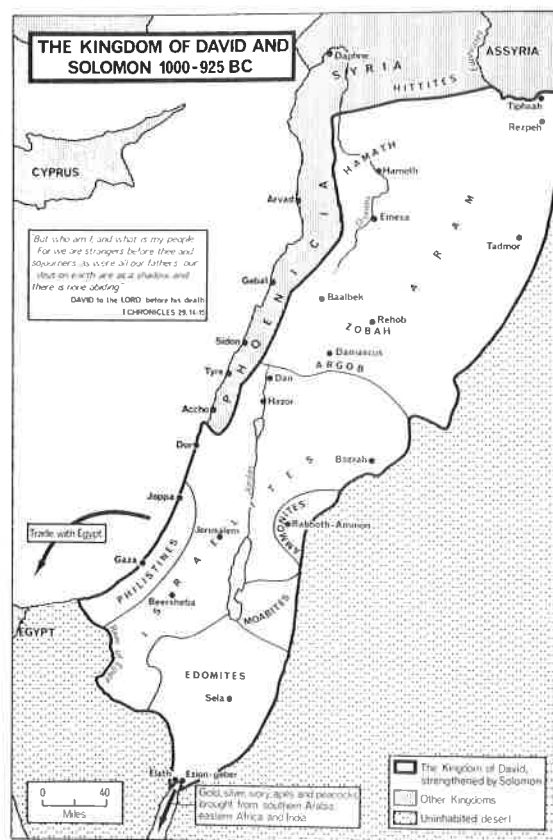




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