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Hanukkah

Hanukkah, being an abbreviation of "Hanukkat ha-Mizbe'ah" (The Consecration of the Altar) or of "Hanukkat Beit Hashmonai" (The Consecration of the House of the Hasmoneans) was marked out for future generations as an annually recurring festival. The decision was taken by Judah (Maccabee) the Hasmonean to stress the purification of the Temple and the renewal of its services. Definite evidence of this "Hanukkat ha-Mizbe'ah" can be found in early sources, for the two Books of the Maccabees describe the first Hanukkah. The First Book of the Maccabees tells of Judah (Maccabee) who, on the morning of the 25th day of Kislev completed the purification of the Temple and offered a sacrifice on a new, purified altar "and they observed the consecration of the altar for eight days and they sacrificed burnt-offerings with joy. . . ." In other words, according to this version, Hanukkah was simply the festival for hallowing the "service" in the Temple. We find a different story in the Second Book of Maccabees: "And they celebrated the eight days in joy as in the Feast of Booths when they remembered their troubles a short time before on the Feast of Booths in the hills and in the caves as beasts of the field. . . ." According to this version, Hanukkah was a sort of second Sukkot, and lasted for eight days. On the first day there was a great procession of priests, Cohenim and Levites, a chorus of singers and poets, and the forces of Judah Maccabee followed by masses of people. And just as on Succot, they sang songs of praise—"And they sang a song of praise and thanksgiving to the Lord who had given them strength and deliverance." They filled each lamp of the Menorah in the Temple with pure oil, and kindled them; they lit torches as on Simhat Beit ha-Sho'eva—"The Lord is God, and hath given us light" (Psalms 118:27). For eight days they continued to purify the Temple, the gates and the offices of the priests, they repaired doors, adorned the Temple, and offered up sacrifices. And on the eighth day there was a great public assembly in Jerusalem, and then Judah and his brothers sent word to all the cities of Judea to celebrate the festival from year to year. Hence the symbols used were palm branches and lighted torches, and the ceremony consisted of thanksgiving sacrifices and songs of praise in the Temple.

Even before the destruction of the Temple in 70 C.E., the use of palm branches was discontinued as a feature of this festival, because of the rule that "we do not confuse one festival with another," and Succot is celebrated in the month of Tishri. There remained, then, the lighted torches, and Hanukkah thenceforth was observed mainly as the Festival of Lights. It is worth pointing out that with the renewal of the Temple service by Judah the Hasmonean the lamps were lit in the seven-branched candelabrum; however, this had been a

daily custom in the Temple and was reintroduced, not being a special ceremony for the observance of Hanukkah.

Josephus tells of the rejoicing that attended the renewal of the Temple service: "and they call it the Festival of Lights because, I believe, the opportunity of living according to our faith was given to us so unexpectedly, like a sudden flash of lightning."

At a later date, the Sages laid down precise rules for the observance of Hanukkah and the kindling of the lights. Great importance was attached to the mitzva of the kindling of the lights, and the School of Shammai and the School of Hillel had a dispute on the subject, as is recounted in the Mishnaic Tractate Sabbath: "The Rabbis taught: The mitzva of Hanukkah consists of lighting one light in each household, and the devout kindle one light for each member of the household, and the most devout—the School of Shammai says that on the first day they kindle eight lights, and thereafter one less each day; the School of Hillel says that on the first day they kindle one light, and thereafter one more each day."

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Another explanation for the mitzva of kindling the lights is found in the special prayer said on Hanukkah after the lights are kindled: "We kindle these lights on account of the miracles, the deliverances and the wonders which Thou didst work for our fathers, in those days and in this season, by means of Thy holy priests. During all the eight days of Hanukkah these lights are sacred, neither is it permitted us to make any profane use of them; but we are only to look at them, in order that we may give thanks unto Thy name for Thy miracles, Thy deliverances and Thy wonders."

The following mitzvot are mentioned in Hayei Adam:

"The essence of the mitzva of Hanukkah is that one candle be lighted in each home, even if the household consists of many members. . . ."

"The mitzva of the Hanukkah light applies to women as well as men. As for a child who is old enough to be taught, his father is obliged to teach him, for everyone was included in the miracle. As for a blind man, if he has a wife, she should do the

lighting for him or he should contribute something towards the purchase of the candles by another; and if he lives by himself and has no wife he should do the lighting with the help of others; a woman is permitted to light the candles and can even absolve a man from the duty."

The candles may be lit "from the setting of the sun until the marketplace is empty . . . they should burn for at least half an hour after the stars come out."

"If one is poor he is obliged to kindle at least the first light, even if he must sell his garment so that he may perform the lighting and proclaim the miracle and add to the praise of the Lord and give thanksgiving to Him for the miracles he performed for us." The kindling of the lights served as the reason for the annual observance of Hanukkah by every generation in every country of the Diaspora.

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YOUTH AND HECHALUTZ DEPARTMENT
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Dr. Haggai Erlich spoke to the Jewish community of Halifax on Monday, November 13th. He was well received by a group who found his discussion of the current Israel-Egypt Peace Agreement stimulating.



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SUCCOT IN HALIFAX



The Halifax Ken of Young Judaea built a succot in the backyard of Regional Director, Joan Kristall. Upon completion of the succoth, they held a service and a Shabbos dinner. Twenty Judeans participated and had a great time. The fellowship displayed was one that will be remembered for a long time.



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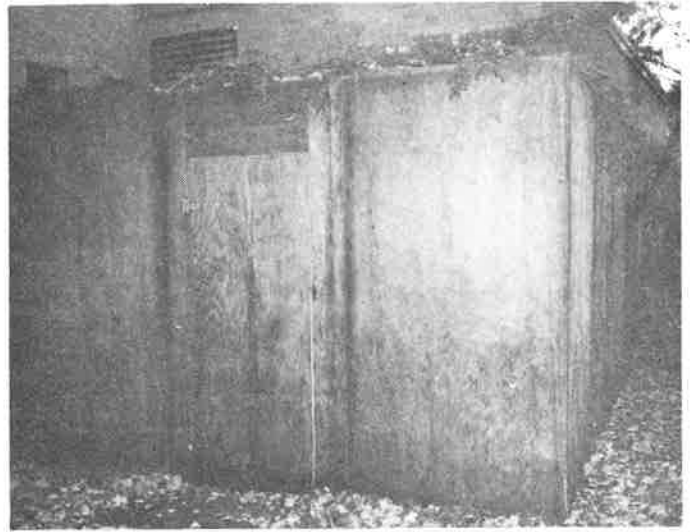
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Succot happened in a big way in the Halifax area this year. Many families built their own sukkahs and invited friends and family to visit with them in the joy of the holidays. We are happy to print pictures of the following family sukkoths:

If any other community has a picture of their succot, we will be glad to print it in the upcoming issue of Shalom. Next year, we hope to receive pages of succot constructed throughout the Maritimes. It is reassuring to know that Jewish life is alive and well in Atlantic Canada.



Pritzker Sukka



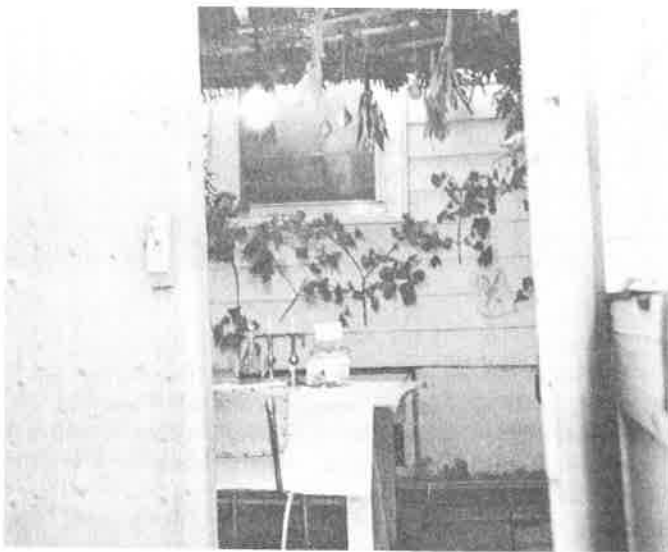
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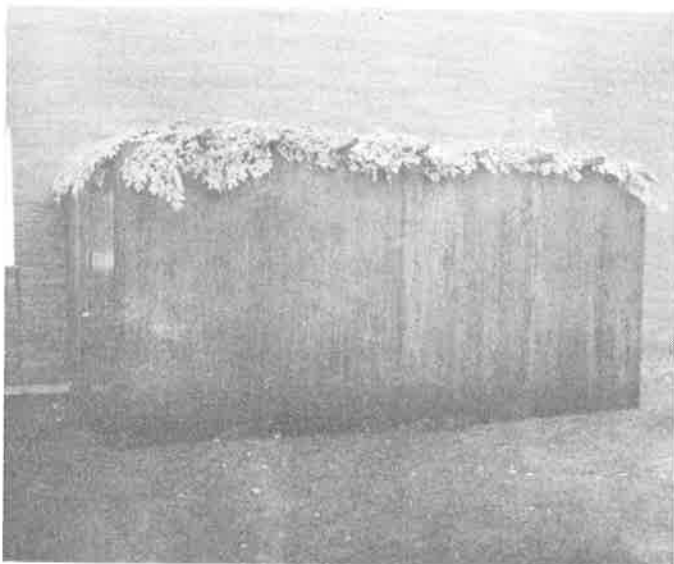
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Nobel victory! Cartoon by Ze'ev of "Ha'aretz"



Medjuck Sukka



Shaar Shalom

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Mrs. Ethel Michael wishes to express her gratitude to all those who gave donations to the various organizations in honor of her late brother, Harry, who died in the latter part of September 1978.

HALIFAX HADASSAH

by Bette Ross

A very successful Medical Services Tea took place on Sunday, October 29th at the home of **Harry and Barbara Paton**. Ninety-five people attended and were treated to a programme and tea. The programme opened with a movie on the work done at Asafe Harofe Hospital, and continued with a talk by **Dr. George Mencher** who has recently returned from a seven-month stay in Jerusalem. **Dr. Mencher** told of his experiences at Hadassah Hospital and discussed health care in general in Israel. Following this program, which was interesting, enlightening and wholly enjoyable, all ninety-five persons present were treated to a magnificent afternoon tea. Thanks to convenors **Marianne Ferguson** and **Miriam Jacobson** and their workers, the affair proved to be very successful both socially and financially.

We are presently selling raffle tickets on a beautiful quilt made and donated by **Mrs. Rose Newman** of Orah Chapter. Tickets are \$1.00 each and will be obtainable until February.

On November 21st, we had our regular "Whale of a Sale" and what a success it proved to be. Thanks go to all our members for so diligently cleaning out their useless items, for which Hadassah was able to raise money. It was really a mini Bazaar as we sold other commodities as well as clothes.

Barbara Goldberg and Aviva chapters will be working the month of December wrapping parcels for the Holidays at Bayers Road Shopping Centre. So do your seasonal shopping there, ladies, and get your goods professionally wrapped and in doing so, help Hadassah. It really is a worthwhile cause.

The Atlantic Jewish Council is being assisted by many volunteers serving in various capacities to help complete the huge amount of work in the office. Special thanks go to Lil Goldstein, Maxine Cordon, Doreen Gordon, Shirlee Fox, Verda Abramhamson, and Barbara Paton. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the office and register with Kassie.

Revenue Canada, Taxation sponsors a volunteer program which relies on community involvement. Canadian Hadassah-WIZO was invited to participate in this program which aids senior citizens, new immigrants, and the handicapped. If you are interested in this cross-Canada project, you may write to the address which appears below:

This year, Revenue Canada, Taxation is again looking for volunteers for the Volunteer Tax Information Program. This program provides training for volunteers who will help those unable to complete their own returns. Training sessions will be held beginning in January to help volunteers learn how to complete an income tax return. They in turn will be able to go into the community to assist, without charge, senior citizens, recent immigrants, the handicapped, and others, in filling out their income tax returns. In many cases, this special help may speed up the receipt of a much needed refund.

If you or your organization would like to help others at tax time, more information on the volunteer program is available by writing to:

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Information Services Branch
Revenue Canada, Taxation
875 Heron Road
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0L8

place December 8, 1978 in the basement of the Hadassah building. There will be a wide selection of second-hand; Israeli giftware; jewellery; games; stationery and most beautiful quality crafts, all made by our own talented members. Add to this, a section of gourmet baking and one can see that there is a wide selection for all ages of Chanukah shopping. Convenors Rose Pritzker and Rene Sherman have done a great job in putting this Fair together.

On December 16th, Phyllis Bluestein and her committee have a fun evening arranged for us. It is a Dance to set the holiday mood for us. We hope to see a great many of our friends present.

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New Public Affairs Study Group

by Shirlee Fox, Public Affairs Department

A Public Affairs Study group has now been formed for all interested persons under the auspices of Halifax Hadassah-Wizo. Under the direction of Anita Dubinsky and Leah Epstein, the group meets informally every second week at the Atlantic Jewish Council office.

The sessions usually run from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Due to its loosely structured nature, time and dates may vary depending on the needs of those involved. A second study group is contemplated which will meet in the evening for those unable to attend during the day.

Focusing on issues regarding all aspects of Jewish concern such as Israel, Soviet Jewery, Arab Israeli conflicts, Jews in the diaspora etc., the initial meeting was enthusiastically attended. The group is open to suggestions from any interested participants for future discussion subjects.

Anita Dubinsky and Leah Epstein have recently returned from the National Public Affairs Seminar held by Canadian Hadassah-Wizo. Contact Anita at 429-0279 or Leah Epstein at 423-2117.

SHALOM FROM YOUNG JUDAEA'S NATIONAL OFFICE

At this time I would like to introduce myself to all of you; my name is Monty Laskin and I am presently residing in Toronto. I am writing to you on behalf of Canadian Young Judaea, and I certainly hope you will take the time to not only read this letter but also to contact the Judaeans in your respective community if you have any questions.

The reason for this letter is two-fold. Firstly, it is of the utmost importance that Young Judaea expose itself to the many Jewish communities across the country.

Our youth movement has centers all across Canada with kenim (active centers) from Vancouver, B.C. to Saint John, New Brunswick. The country, for convenience purposes, is divided into four regions: Western, which includes B.C., Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan; Central, which includes all centers in Ontario; Eastern, which includes all centers in Quebec; and Atlantic Region, which includes all centers in the four Atlantic provinces.

Young Judaea is a Zionist youth group and considers Zionism to be the national liberation movement of the Jewish people. Of course, all this may sound simple and straightforward to the adult communities, but how is this ideology passed on to our members, kids ranging in age from seven to university age??? Regular programming and

Judaea also runs a summer camp in Israel (Biluim Israel) which is two months long and is open to seventeen-year-olds.

And after Biluim Israel? There is a year program called "Shnat Hachshara". This program is ten months long and is based on a Judaeans-affiliated kibbutz in Israel. Of course, the participants tour the country often and also take part in an ulpan program.

Thus, this is just a short analysis of Judaeans activity. Do take the time to contact members in your respective community; or, if you prefer, write to me at National Office, and I will be more than willing to answer any questions.

Address:

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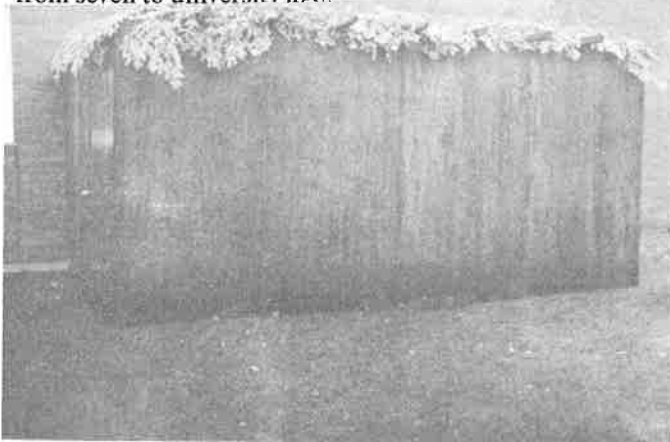
On behalf of all Young Judaeans I would like to wish you all a Shana Tova; may the year of 5739 be one filled with fulfilled promises of peace in Eretz Yisrael.

With strong Judaeans greetings.

Chazak V'ematz,

Call home tonight.

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Shaar Shalom



"Trained hands means Productivity, Security, Dignity"

by Cathy Jacobson

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Since most ORT students range in age from twelve to sixty, a wide variety of schools and training units make up the ORT system. Since most ORT students are teenagers, most ORT schools are high schools. ORT schools provide meals, clothing, medical care, books and school supplies and other needed help to those students who do not come from affluent backgrounds. In some cases, ORT schools have boarding facilities. Skills and trades taught in ORT schools reflect real needs. By introducing new occupations and modern teaching methods, ORT can influence the life of the communities it serves and direct youth to productive futures. ORT education covers more than one hundred job



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and professional skills, including: computer technology and date processing, automation, laboratory technology, and fashion design, to mention a few.

The ORT program is geared to the needs of the Jewish people in Israel and the Diaspora, ORT schools are open to everyone. ORT—the organization for rehabilitation through training—is the largest non-governmental vocational education system in the world. ORT educates young people and adults and helps them find useful and dignified jobs, free from dependence on charity.

So when Halifax ORT has a project, remember for what ORT stands and what we have achieved. Please show us you care by supporting ORT projects with your attendance and good wishes.

Beth Israel Sisterhood

by Bette Ross

As we go to press, we are in the final stages of planning our Pre-Chanukah Book Fair which will take place December 3, 1978 in the auditorium at Beth Israel Synagogue. There are to be books, both new and second-hand; Israeli giftware; jewellery; games; stationery and most beautiful quality crafts, all made by our own talented members. Add to this, a section of gourmet baking and one can see that there is a wide selection for all ages of Chanukah shopping. Convenors Rose Pritzker and Rene Sherman have done a great job in putting this Fair together.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ST. JOHN'S

by Helen Nathanson

Fall brought with it Succot and Simcha Torah. For the new Succa donated by the Sisterhood, our women provided refreshments for Yontiff. **Genevieve Lipkus, Marg Smilestein, Dorothy Riteman** and **Tova Auerbach** saw that they were plentiful and varied. **Etta Lipkus** again this year provided the ornamental fruit.

After the Hakafots, the community at large was treated to a repast as prepared by **Helen Nathanson, Helen Jochelman** and **Ruth Kantorowitz**.

Sam Wilansky received city-wide fame as he was made

citizen of the week for his 100th blood donation to the Red Cross. A wonderful achievement and a marvellous example for all!

The community at large takes great deal of pleasure in wishing **Rosie and Bernard Levitz** heartfelt congratulations on their 55th Wedding Anniversary on October 7th. May they be blessed with many more years of health and happiness together.

Amid 60 miles an hour winds **Clara Balinsky** arrived to be guest at our Youth Aliyah Campaign. That evening she talked about the old and new Youth Aliyah. The monetary pitch was made by **Marsha Richler** and the results were good. A beautiful table was laid out by **Ella Levitz, Dorothy Riteman** and **Linda Mendoza**.

With the visit of **Joan Kristall**, the Young Judaeans were kept busy for the last weekend in November. Meetings were held with the different groups—and if the meeting held at the Nardy Nathansons was any indication, the kids seem to be high in spirit and enthusiasm. As a result **Gila Smilestein, Lana Flomen, Esther Tock, Frankie Smilestein** and **Tobi Nathanson** went off to the Mifgash in Halifax.

FREDERICTON NEWS

by Jennie Brown

Mazel Tov to **Sylvia and Irving Meyers** upon the engagement of their daughter, **Stephanie Beth**, to **Michael Dorchick**, son of **Mr. & Mrs. Ben Dorchick**, Calgary, Alberta.

Mazel Tov to **Lillian Freeman**, upon the marriage of her son, **Stuart Joel**, to **Marcia Faye David**, daughter of **Mrs. Bernard David**, Sydney, N.S., which was solemnized at the Beth Tzedec Synagogue, Toronto, Ontario, November 4th. The couple have taken up residence in Toronto.

The following spent the High Holidays visiting with their parents:

Alan Myers, Calgary, Alberta.

Eric Swetsky and sister **Barbara**, Toronto, Ontario.

Heather Webber, Boston, Mass.

Joel Berk, Toronto, Ontario.

Peter Levine, Halifax, N.S.

Michelle Blakeman and daughter, Toronto, Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Schwartz, Brooklyn, New York, son of **Bertha [Satter]** and **Bernie Schwartz**, have returned home after visiting their grandparents, **Rose and Sam Satter**.

Mazel Tov to **Goldie and Ben Budovitch** on the occasion of their 30th wedding anniversary.

Lucy and George Chippin on their 18th wedding anniversary.

Valerie and Bernard Chippin on their 21st wedding anniversary.

The Lillian Freeman Chapter of Hadassah held their annual bazaar November 1st. Due to the efforts of the members in preparing for same, and with the dynamic convenors, **Harriet Lenard** and **Edye Besner**, the affair was a success.

Condolences to **Rosalie Budovitch** and family on the loss of her dear mother, **Sarah Zaslowisky**. May the mourners be spared of future sorrow.

Friends of **Mrs. Hyman Feldman**, Woodstock, N.B., are

happy to hear that she has returned home after undergoing surgery.

Speedy recoveries to **Polly Jacobson, Sadie Vilansky, Mrs. Sam Rose** and **Dora Chippin**.

A successful and well attended cocktail party for the United Israel Appeal was held in the Vestry of the Synagogue, October 29th, with **Louis Levine** as Chairman and **Dave Adilman** as Co-Chairman. Guest speaker for the evening was **Leo Marcus, Executive Vice-President**, United Israel Appeal of Canada.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy Chanukah.

SYDNEY NEWS

by Helene Siegel

The Cape Breton Council of Hadassah-Wizo met on November 1, 1978 with the President, **Mrs. Joe Chernin**, in the chair. It was agreed that more attention will be given to education at the meetings and that there will be simultaneous programming amongst the three chapters.

A film, "One people, One Destiny" will be shown at **Mr. Joe Chernin's** home on Wednesday, November 22nd. This film, to be narrated by **Mrs. Louis Allen**, will be for the benefit of those who have been members of Hadassah for ten years or less. The purpose of this is to display some of the higher aims of Hadassah and improve the motivation of the younger members.

Considerable discussion was held concerning our Youth Aliyah campaign. It was decided to celebrate the evening in the form of a Canadian and Israeli fashion show. The date set was for January 31, 1979—a bit early—but considered in good sense due to the large number of members that find the months of February and March pleasant for travelling.

Mazaltov to **Mr. & Mrs. I. Chernin** on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, **William Howard**, November 10, 1978.

On November 14, we had a combined Sisterhood and

Hadassah meeting. Mrs. Leon Zelicovitz, President of Sisterhood, suggested a Monte Carlo Night in conjunction with the men, to be held sometime in February. Plans were also made to celebrate Chanukah with the children at a party in the synagogue on December 24, 1978. It was also announced that Mrs. Morris Gaum [Rhoda] will assume House Committee duties once again and has also volunteered to act as liaison to the Young Judeans of Sydney.

Each year, at this time, our Sisterhood and the Sydney B'nai Brith host a party at the Cape Breton Hospital. Refreshments and entertainment are provided. Those of our members who attend mingle with the patients in order to extend to them a feeling of warm hospitality and to convey to them that they are not forgotten by the outside world.

Mrs. Harold Schwartz, President, then conducted the Hadassah meeting. Most of the discussion centered on the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the chapter to be held on November 29, 1978. Mrs. Charles Balinsky, our National President, will be the guest speaker. A great deal of effort has been put in this important event and every member can indeed be proud to share in the evening's festivities.

Mrs. H. Dubinsky spoke on her topic "Update". She related the history of Syria and Jordan from the time that they received their independence.

The meeting closed with the showing of the film "True Partners in Youth Aliyah". All who attended felt that this was a very successful evening.

Autumn

by Marissa Slaven
Age 11
Montreal, Quebec

I tried to see autumn
What does it look like?
Closing flower,
Shaking trees,
Coloured leaves
Dancing in the wind?

I tried to taste autumn.
What does it taste like?
Bitter wind
Tender leaves
Dried trees
Hard as stone?

I tried to smell autumn.
What does it smell like?
Dank ground
Burned leaves
Sweet coldness
Blowing in the wind?

I tried to touch autumn
What does it feel like?
Soft ground
Rough trees
Dry leaves
Crunching in your hand?

I tried to hear autumn
What does it sound like?
A breeze
A chirp
But mostly quiet.
Autumn is only a feeling.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Atlantic Jewish Council met in Halifax on Saturday evening, November 18th and Sunday, November 19th. The majority of the agenda items dealt with programming in the Atlantic Provinces and the United Jewish Appeal campaign. The following are highlights of the discussions which took place:

A new arrangement between Atlantic Jewish Council and United Israel Appeal was proposed and agreed upon. The Board of Directors of the Atlantic Jewish Council acknowledged the fact that the partnership that now exists with United Jewish Appeal is both necessary and beneficial to the parties concerned. The Atlantic Jewish Council Board of Directors reaffirmed its commitment to maintain a strong relationship with United Jewish Appeal. In order to further strengthen this commitment, the Atlantic Jewish Council pledged to do its utmost in the 1979 United Jewish Appeal campaign. This will be partially accomplished through a leadership training seminar for United Jewish Appeal campaign workers

campaign approach, the United Jewish Appeal Regional Committee was established under the Chairmanship of **Louis Siegel** of Sydney. Reports were received from the President, **Ben Prossin**, and the Executive Director, **Avrum Weiss**. The Camp Kadimah Emergency Campaign report was given by **Andrew Wolfson**.

Sam Jacobson of Halifax presented a grant of \$1,000.00 to the Atlantic Jewish Council to sponsor a play-writing contest. The contest will be held across Canada for a play in English, post World War I period. A selection committee will be established in Halifax and details will be forthcoming.

Ben Prossin announced, with regret, the resignation of **Dr. Mendel Burnstein** as Chairman of the Camp Kadimah Committee. The Board expressed its deep thanks for **Dr. Burnstein's** many years of dedicated service to Camp Kadimah. The Board of Directors appointed **Steven Pink**, former Deputy Chairman, to succeed **Dr. Burnstein**.

Ben Prossin announced the loss of three veteran community leaders during the past few months: **Rae**

started off this year with strong support throughout the region. This strong support was highlighted by the Mifgash held in Halifax recently. Over eighty participants took part in the Mifgash which dealt with Jewish identity and leadership training. The Board expressed its support of Ms. Kristall's work and felt that her recently-assumed duties were being well performed.

Director to investigate the possibility of providing communities without such resources (e.g. Antigonish, Truro and Yarmouth) with a qualified instructor who would visit these communities on a monthly basis in order to provide children in these areas with a Jewish education.

Various communities expressed their concern for more frequent and high-quality programming. The Board

Those attending the Board of Directors meeting were:

Halifax: Lois Block, Zack Rubin, Frank Goldstein, Deborah Boc, Jack Yablon, Ben Prossin, Sam Jacobson, Shirlee Fox, Ronald Pink, Barbara Paton, Andrew Wolfson, Peter Herschorn, Martin Herschorn, Frank Goldstein, Leona Freeman, Jack Yablon, Shirlee Medjuck, and Steven Pink.

Saint John: Dorothy Riteman, and Bernard Freedman.

Fredericton: Allen Ruben, and Ben Medjuck.

Sydney: Martin Chernin, and Louis Siegel.

Gloucester: Leo Chernin.

Moncton: David Attis.

GUESTS: Mrs. B. Freedman, Mr. M. Lazar, and Mr. P. Riteman.



Ben Prossin announced that the Atlantic Jewish Council was now serving as a field placement for graduate students from the Maritime School of Social Work. **Deborah Boc**, a student from the Maritime School of Social Work, was introduced. The Board endorsed the concept of conducting a community needs survey among the Jewish communities of Atlantic Canada. The purpose of this survey will be to ascertain an evaluation of services currently provided by the Atlantic Jewish Council and recommendations for services that the communities would like to see offered. Each service currently offered by the Atlantic Jewish Council is examined in the survey.

The Board of Directors expressed its concern for the quality of Jewish education in Atlantic Canada communities that currently have no formal religious education structure. To this end, they directed the Executive

of Directors directed the Executive Director to work within the current budget to provide as much quality programming as possible on an equitable basis so that each community would receive its fair share.



The Board recognized the need to establish a long-range program committee. The President recommended and the Board agreed that a spring symposium should be held to address itself to the quality of Jewish life in Atlantic Canada. The purpose of this symposium would be to examine the directions that we need to move in and the resources that we need to put together to achieve the desired results. It was felt that resource people could be provided by the National Jewish Welfare Board, C.Z.F. and C.J.C. and other Jewish organizations to help us with this self-examination. The Board of Directors agreed to meet again in early February to further explore these



under the joint auspices of the Atlantic Jewish Council and the United Jewish Appeal. It was also suggested that canvassers be properly trained and that all cards be rated and goals established by communities. In order to ensure the success of this

Jacobson, Jacob Kirsch and Minnie Chernin. The Board expressed its condolences to their families.

Joan Kristall reported on regional activities of Young Judaea on behalf of **Richard Freedman**, out-going Mazkir. It was felt that Young Judaea has

ideas and to evaluate regional programs, as well as conducting the on-going business of the Council.

The following standing committees were assigned Chairmen:

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| 1. Finance and Budget | Ronald Pink, Chairman
Louis Siegel, Associate Chairman
Ben Medjuck, Associate Chairman
Zack Rubin |
| 2. Aliyah | |
| 3. Social and Cultural | Barbara Paton, Chairman
Frank Medjuck, Associate Chairman
Dorothy Riteman, Associate Chairman
Frank Goldstein, Chairman |
| 4. Israel | |
| 5. Publicity and Media | Shirlee Fox, Chairman |
| 6. Camp Kadimah | Steven Pink, Chairman |
| 7. Youth and Student Activity | Allen Ruben, Chairman |
| Public Affairs | Leona Freeman, Chairman
Bernard Freedman, Associate Chairman |



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Jack Yablon, Chairman

Louis Siegel, Chairman

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Lois Block, Chairman

The Halifax Pre-school will begin its service on Monday, January 8, 1979.

4 Jewish Papers Win Smolar Awards

NEW YORK—Four winners of the annual Boris Smolar Awards were announced this week as the Cleveland Jewish News, The Baltimore Jewish Times, the Canadian Jewish News and the Jewish Post of Winnipeg. Jerry Barach, editor of the Cleveland paper, won the award for "best columns"; Robert Canigel, a free lance writer for the Baltimore paper, for "best news coverage"; Roba Korenblum, of the Canadian publication for "best features" and Martin Levin, editor of the Winnipeg paper, for "best editorials".

The awards, a project of the Council of Jewish Federations, will be presented during the upcoming general assembly of CJF in San Francisco.

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TRI-CITY MEET '78 IN SAINT JOHN

by Cheryl Freedman
and Sherry Koven
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This year in Saint John we decided to expand, at least for one day, from our regular Sunday afternoon Judean meetings. We held a tri-city meet which included a full day's program for Judeans from the ages of seven to eighteen from the Fredericton and Moncton centres.

We felt (the madrichim) that since our centre has grown so much stronger from previous years that it would be not only an asset to the surrounding centres but also a full day of fun for all of the kids to begin at 10:30 a.m. Sunday when a full parade of five Monctonians signed up to register and receive name tags and joined the twenty-five Young Judea members of Saint John. Everyone got a chance to talk over old times from camp and those who were new were able to meet many new people.

Unfortunately, we can't say that the day ran very smoothly, or we were able to stick to our program for the whole day, but with sixty people, ranging from such a wide age group, in one building, things often got slightly chaotic. Even with these mishaps, however, the day was a definite success because our main goal to unify New Brunswick Young Judaea was accomplished. The day was wrapped up at 4:30 p.m.

Thanks to the mothers who helped prepare a lunch with **Marcia Koven**, who convened and set it up for us. Thanks to **Rabbi Eisenberg** and **Norman Hamburg** (who took the place of the president of the Shul—**Abe Calp**) who spoke to all of us and especially thank you to **Joan Kristall**, the Young Judaea Regional Director, who flew down from Halifax to be a part of this special rally. All of these people were greatly appreciated on our tri-city meet. The leaders from Saint John worked extremely hard to prepare for the day and when the leaders of Moncton and Fredericton arrived everyone pitched in together. The fact that all three centres were able to get together even for one day was a success on its own, for everyone had a good time together

and realized just how important it is for Young Judeans to keep strong and alive.

The following is a list of the days' programming:

TRI-CITY MEET OCTOBER 15, 1978 Saint John, N.B.

Schedule

10:00-10:30	Registration
10:30-10:45	Mifkud / Introduction
10:45-11:00	Israeli Dancing
11:00-12:00	Individual Programming
12:00-12:30	B.A.S.
12:30- 1:00	LUNCH
1:00- 1:30	Gib / Gosh—Cartoons
1:00- 1:30	Kochot / Bogrim—Ken Meetings
1:30- 2:30	Regatta
2:30- 2:45	Judges give results
2:45- 4:00	Mifgash / Camps
4:00- 4:20	POT LUCK
	Song Festival
	Great Says
	Y.J. Wrap
4:20- 4:30	DEPARTURE—THIS IS LAW

This is our tentative schedule for today. We are going to try our best to stick to it. But as you know, time plays an important part in our final outcome. We would appreciate, however, your full co-operation and attention as a lot of people have spent many hard hours planning for this great fun-filled day of activities.

In conclusion, the SAINT JOHN KEN would personally like to take the time and thank the other kens for taking the time to come down and participate in our special event. We wish all of you the best of luck in all you do in the future.

Chazak V'ematz
Cheryl Freedman
Sherry Koven

Pre-School News

The Halifax Pre-school will begin its service on Monday, January 8, 1979 with an anticipated enrollment of twenty children. There will be a three-mornings a week program for 2-1/2 and 3-1/2 year olds from 9:00 to 12:00 and an afternoon program from 3-1/2 to 5 years olds one afternoon week.

Evelyn Luner will be assisting in developing the program and content of the pre-school and will serve as a volunteer in other capacities. Elaine Goldstein will be a full time teacher in the pre-school. We will also have students from various schools of early childhood education doing their practicum with us.

We are still interviewing for the services of a Director of

the pre-school. The Director of the Pre-school is responsible for teaching and co-ordinating the pre-school program. Also the Director has the responsibility of introducing the pre-school program to the community and handling situations regarding parents and children. It is not necessary for this person to have an extensive pre-school background. We are looking for a warm, caring, giving individual who has the time and desire to fulfill this position.

The Atlantic Jewish Council will provide the Director with training and seminars. Anyone interested should call Avrum Weiss, Executive Director, Atlantic Jewish Council at 422-7491.

MIFGASH '78

For the first time in a good many years, Mifgash, (the Atlantic Young Judaea Autumn Convention) was held in Halifax. Unfortunately Mifgash had to be held on a regular weekend instead of a long weekend. In spite of this, attendance reached about 70, one of the largest conventions ever. Every active center in the Maritimes was well represented from St. John's to Saint John and everything in between.

Mifgash was attended by 13 to 18 year olds and, as a result of this, programming can be difficult. However, the programming was of a high caliber and many important themes were brought across.

Mifgash has served to strengthen and unite the region. Different problems faced by each ken were discussed and solutions for many of the problems were solved.

The aftermath of Mifgash will see Atlantic Young Judaea grow even more in the future and become larger and stronger than ever before.

Thanks for the complete co-operation of the Halifax adult community in their open arm reception of the Young Judaea representatives from across the Atlantic Provinces. Our regional Mifgash was well attended and a huge success.



Left to right: Joel Cuperfain, Lynda Medjuck, Richard Freedman, Perry Sable, Cheryl Freedman, Pam Medjuck.

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SUMMER AND FALL HAPPENINGS IN SAINT JOHN, N.B.

by Louise Adler

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A native Saint Johner and a member of our Jewish Community, **Herzl Kashetsky** has received from the Canadian Society of Painters in Water Colour its prestigious honour award for best water colour for his entry in this year's competition entitled "The Studio".



Herzl Kashetsky, "The Studio"

For the first time in the Society's 53 year history, Maritime artists, who are not members of the Society, were invited to compete. The comprehensive display of colours, comprised of artists' works from all across Canada, was viewed at the Alice Webster Gallery at the New Brunswick Museum, Saint John, October 1st, 1978, until October 23rd. The second showing is at St. Mary's University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, November 7th to December 7th, with



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The Henrietta Szold Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo has successfully sponsored three very differing events this past spring and fall.

A most successful financial, cultural and public relations program in the form of a Hadassah-Wizo Art Show was held in the New Brunswick Museum, Saint John, May 20-22, 1978.

The opening event in the form of a gala reception for the patrons took place Saturday evening. 60 artists contributed paintings and handicrafts. The latter, in the form of exquisite jewelry and quilts, was included for the first time in a Hadassah-Wizo Art Show.

The attendance was excellent. Its success, including the following two days, was due to the devoted, untiring efforts of the members under the convenorship of **Ronna Bernstein** and **Freda April**, as well as the cooperation of patrons, catalogue advertisers, raffle sales, etc. People contributed not only time and money, but came to view the results. It was enjoyable in every way.

The Atlantic Regional Conference took place at the Algonquin Hotel in St. Andrews, N.B., September 10-12. The Henrietta Szold Chapter of Saint John hosted the event under the chairmanship of **Joanne Meltzer**.

Many husbands motored down to join in the festive opening banquet. Few realized the heartbreak when the committee was notified at the last moment that the scheduled guest speaker, **Mrs. Ruth Izakson**, from Israel,



Chairman of the World Wizo Executive, had suddenly taken ill in England. Fortunately, **Flora McDonald**, MP., graciously substituted and made an informative, interesting and stimulating presentation. The following two days were filled with creative, thought-provoking discussions and active delegate participation. In addition to the stirring messages given by Hadassah-Wizo's National President, **Clara Balinsky**, Mirial Small of Toronto, National Vice President for Regions, and **Lilly Frank**, National Executive Vice President, many of us who have been attending such conferences throughout the years were delighted with the quality and enthusiasm of the younger members' participation.

Just completed at this writing, is Hadassah's Annual Thrift Shop Sale, November 6, 7, and 8th. The main difference between this function and the many others preceding it was that this year's effort emphasized boutiques, and merchandise of this quality and type. The culmination took the form of a mammoth bake and specially-prepared food sale. Everything was sold out, including all merchandise. **Erminie Cohen** and **Marsha Koven** were the convenors.

The Shomer Club, composed of Saint John's Jewish Senior Citizens, which meets twice monthly, hosted two very interesting and delightful events. During the summer the Club sponsored a picnic at Mactaquac Provincial Park, 15 miles from Fredericton. After lunch the group proceeded to visit Kings Landing, the restored historical village, 23 miles further up the Saint John River. Some of the cars returned to Saint John, but others journeyed to the new Howard Johnson in the late afternoon and thus concluded a most enjoyable and leisurely-spent day.

Sunday afternoon, October 29th, the Shomer Club held a special Dedication ceremony. After one and one half years of planning and work, the funds were granted from the Federal Government's New Horizons Department for the construction of a stage, fully equipped with curtains and dressing room plus a motion picture projector and professional-size screen. The guest of honour was **Miss Nicole Doucet**, Regional Representative of the New Horizon's Program. The fair-sized audience was delightfully entertained by **Mrs. Simon Lovas**, an opera singer, accompanied by **Ralph Clinch**, an excellent pianist. Their renditions were in Italian, Hebrew and Yiddish. This program was followed by a viewing of a special colour film of Don Messer's tour of Canada. **Joseph Adler**, president of the Shomer Club, is still receiving congratulations on a beautiful program.

The second season of the Book Review Club meeting in the Jewish Community Center began with presentations of the members' favorite poems or poetic prose. Seven of the members each gave a reading. The morning was most enjoyable.

The November meeting was devoted to a review of the nearly 600 pages of the epic saga "Evergreen" by **Belva Plain**. This novel traces historical events from the turn of the century to 1975 through the experiences of a Jewish family. Beginning in a Polish shtetel, it follows the living experiences of pre-war Vienna, the early immigration to North America, the great depression of the 30's, the horror of Nazi Germany, Kibbutz life in Israel under the threat of Arab guns, the turbulent students of the '60's and finally

the developments during the '70's. The style is condensed and enticing. It holds attention, so that the reader refuses to quit until the entire volume is read. No skipping is possible. All of the club members present joined in an animated discussion. Approximately half of the members had read the book.

It is most gratifying that membership in this Club continues to increase.

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LIGHTER MOMENTS IN TEL AVIV

(Fifth in a Series)

by Norman Lipschutz

City life is comparatively easier. Tel Aviv is a modern city in every respect. The average worker, earning a salary far below needs, strangely manages to make ends meet—he must employ some strange formula in the process. I have been asked time and again how Tel Aviv citizens squeeze out a livelihood, and I have been somehow at a loss to give a proper answer to this vital question. After all, half-a-million people must have industries upon which to rely for sustenance, and the City of Tel Aviv is lagging far behind in this respect. It may be that a great percentage of the population are connected in one way or another with governmental departments; Tel Aviv is the main clearing house and focus point of central authority, though Jerusalem has of late drawn considerable attention in that respect. How some of the people manage to survive is still a mystery to me, though. A great number crowd in one-room apartments, and in the stifling heat, life can sometimes become unbearable. The terraces, however, tend to relieve the pressure, and somehow compensate the weary citizen for the lack of proper accommodation. The children often play in the yard or in the street, as the climate is fair and sunny the major portion of the year. The wealthier families send their offspring to kindergarten, and the teacher takes over responsibility from then on. She manages rather nicely, and usually takes her young charges to the neighboring park, where she keeps them occupied with songs, dances and games.

The people generally are air conscious—they always seem to be going places. The main avenues are thronged with pedestrians—morning, noon and night. A great percentage carry briefcases—God only knows for what purpose. They couldn't be all government officials, unless of course they find this modern contraption rather handy for storing such matters as one's pyjamas or garters. Upon examining the contents of one such portfolio, one may be amazed to discover it contained a variety of

vegetables, including garlic and horse-radish. Strange to what lengths people would go to save face!

The modern concert-halls, theatres and movie-houses are usually packed as are the café-houses. Films of international repute are featured for the benefit of the linguistic public. Some of these are supported by as many as three translations, usually French, English and Hebrew. Stage productions tend to stress life in foreign countries. The official language is quite understandably Hebrew, but other tongues are equally popular, with Yiddish predominating. The press appears in a variety of languages. The Israeli Opera is fantastically beautiful and rich in color and costume, but lacking in talent, especially among the soloists. The Israeli Symphony is quite outstanding and has won international renown. Such maestros as Toscanini and Burnstein have appeared as its conductors. The operettas are magic to the ear. Unquestionably in this field of our cultural endeavor the Israeli people greatly excel!

The national theatre—the Habi-mah—is likewise of high repute, and its productions draw huge crowds. "Za'aki Eretz Ahuvah" or "Cry my Beloved Country"—based on racial strife in South Africa—was masterfully interpreted. The play undoubtedly struck a responsive chord. People evidently rush to this production to protest similar conditions in their own country. The leaders have in great measure betrayed their confidence. Alas there is as yet no equality in Israel between the Europeans and Oriental communities.

Other theatres make it their God-given duty to deride those in high places and ridicule them at every turn. The actors glory in tearing apart the autocratic rule and the bureaucratic system. Among the theatres following such an exemplary course are the "M'tate" or "The Broom"—and it does an effective sweeping—and the "Li-La-Lo" or "Revue Theatre". The audience literally gasps for air, and their wild laughter can be heard outside the walls when the actors choose to imitate government bureau-



crats. At least in the theatre they live to see vengeance upon their tormentors—though strictly in a metaphorical sense. Hopefully this sort of satire might someday prove instrumental in arousing the public conscience to such a degree where they might be tempted to vote the oppressive "Labor" regime out of office. In the meantime it is in such presentations that the weary public finds relief and a measure of escape. Their morale is thereby considerably strengthened!

Other theatre equally popular is the "Ohel" and the "Kamari" or "Chamber Theatre." The one is dedicated to comedy; the other to dramatic productions. Both are outstanding in their field, though the "Ohel" is more appealing in that it is more easily understood and appreciated. The "Mamari" caters to the more intelligent audience, and its vernacular is Shakespearian in scope. They both have earned their place in Israeli society.

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The Tel Aviv Zoo appeals to both young and old. Though small in size, it compares favorably with the best in the world. Its collection of animals and birds is rather impressive, and you will find them all in their natural habitat—from the smallest squirrel to the huge elephant and long-necked giraffe.

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One pleasant afternoon we decided to pay the Museum a visit, and see for ourselves what it had to offer. We were especially interested in Israeli paintings and young Israeli talent. But we were to be disillusioned. True, we inspected some great paintings, but these by Dutch and Italian masters. Evidently Israeli artists lack the inspiration so vital for good workmanship. In music as well the Israelis have thus far failed to produce the talent for which the Jewish people have become so famous throughout the

centuries, both in Europe and in latter years on the American continent. The fault, in one's humble opinion, lies not with the people, but with the government system which quite definitely fails to encourage true artistry. We certainly hope that under a new leadership Israel might possibly live up to the high hopes Jewry had placed upon it, and that great knowledge might come forth from Zion, and truth and justice from Jerusalem! For the moment, though, we must rely in great part upon our own cultural resources, which are not to be belittled when compared with those of modern Israel.

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A word of praise for the Yemenite Damaris—the singer Shoshanah and the humorist—Saadia. Truly, they have been blessed by the Almighty with unexcelled talent. It had been my privilege to attend three performances in which these two distinguished artists have played a stellar role. Their songs and humorous sketches are simply beyond compare. When Shoshanah gives full vent to her emotions and her Oriental melodies, it is as if your life is being enwrapped in a dream. She's truly the only singer in her class, and her performances are without equal. Her interpretations of similar exotic compositions likewise find great favor with her audiences, and Israel may well be proud of her unique star. To this day her songs seem to haunt me and carry my soul to some other planet. My greatest admiration for this outstanding Yemenite and her equally popular namesake—Saadia Damari. His mimicry is without flaw, especially when he imitates the ways and mannerisms of his people. The walls simply come crashing down when Saadia gives full expression to his exceptional talent. And it is a joy to behold with what love her compatriots surround the beautiful and impulsive troubador of her people—the one and only Shoshanah Damari!

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Our visit to Tel Aviv would not be complete unless we stopped off at the "Shuk Ha Carmel" or the city's open marketplace. Here one can procure from a needle to a haystack, and every item "B'zol" or less than its original value. The Oriental vendors hold

dominion here; this is their paradise. Some of the scenes are rather amusing—that is if one is blessed with a sense of humour and chooses to note down the slogans engaged in by the strange mixture of vendors. For instance, one jolly fellow, stationed in some pre-fabricated booth, advertises his oranges as "Santa-Maria", though where is the connection one is simply unable to comprehend. The zeal and pathos he exhibits in promoting his ware is truly astonishing, and draws a hearty laugh from the casual onlooker. Still another young man is using every device imaginable to sell his honey-cake, with the extravagant claim that it contains five kilograms sugar, when the entire contents weigh merely a fraction of the suggested weight. If you will argue the case, he will insist that he's definitely in the right. He's wise indeed, for he has already discovered that a lie if repeated often enough will eventually form a half-truth. One cannot help but to admire his spirit and unquestionable sales ability.

Such salesmen one will find in great numbers on the streets of Tel Aviv. They are also ever present at bus stations, particularly at the "Techana Merkazith," or Central Bus Depot; near movie-houses, at street corners, etc.—ever offering their merchandise to an eager public. Their entire stock probably consists of a few dollars, but they display an aura of self-assured merchants. In retrospect, they add a Middle-East atmosphere to an otherwise Western-type society.

THE EXUBERANCE OF A MACCABIAH

From near and far they come; from all corners of the universe they gather—to participate in their people's sport festivities. The Maccabiah is to be officially opened. All roads leading to the "Etztadion" or Stadium at Ramat Gan are jammed with vehicles and people on foot. Suddenly all traffic stops to make way for an Israeli "Sar" or minister, whose limousine is being escorted by a number of motorcyclists—a sort of bodyguard. Our bus stops at every turn. Finally, when we're just about ready to give up hope of ever reaching our destination, we climb out of the vehicle, and join the spirited crowds on foot.

The site where the olympics are to be held comes into full view, and it

offers a magnificent spectacle indeed. Banners are flying from every post in the arena; and the people are in a holiday mood! Tens of thousands fight to gain entrance into the enormous stadium. With bands resounding, the games await the official opening by the President of the Republic. The announcer informs the huge throng that his Excellency's entourage is slowly but surely making its way through the traffic and is expected to arrive very shortly. Soon a limousine escorted by a guard of honour is seen circling the field, finally pulling to a halt in front of the improvised rostrum. Yitzchak-Ben-Zvi welcomes the crowds and the thousands of sportsmen, and declares the Olympics officially open. The announcer on the numerous loudspeakers translates the President's message in a number of languages for the benefit of the various nations in the arena. Soon hundreds of pigeons are released by waiting army-men and women. These are seen circling the field, gracefully floating overhead. The huge assembly is visibly inspired. They finally disappear in the skies, supposedly bearing the news of the games to the far corners of the earth. Airplanes of the Israel Air Force, in flying formation, are soon to appear overhead. The crowds are further impressed.

Soon a runner from Miron, with a blazing torch in his muscular arm, is seen racing to the rostrum. Then the colorful parade begins. They enter the arena and march with elegance and grace, each delegation in its national garb, and under its national flag. They march proudly, acknowledge the applause, and salute as they approach the national leaders seated on the platform. They then file up on the centre field. This is a very impressive procession.

The cannons boom in the distance, while thousands of sportsmen and sportswomen from many countries circle the field and make their way in the direction of the President's stand. Australians rub shoulders with Argentinians, Americans with Rumanians, Canadians with Indians, Brazilians with South Africans, Frenchmen with Mexicans and Englishmen with Peruvians . . . truly a magnificent spectacle to behold! All share in the enthusiasm of the moment!

Thousands of Israeli youth representing diverse sports organizations

overflow the arena. The children salute with flowers as they approach government and military leaders. This is followed by a grandiose display of acrobatics. The spectators are overwhelmed and literally shower the children with applause upon applause.

As the gray shadows of evening are about to fall on the spacious field, a most exhilarating event draws to its inevitable conclusion. Tomorrow the games will begin in earnest, and Jewish sportsmen from all over the globe will participate in friendly

competition.

With this pleasant interlude highlighting our lighter moments we're just about ready to conclude yet another chapter in our Israeli chronology.

HANUKKAH CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY FOR THE HOME

The lights of Chanukah are a symbol of our joy. In time of darkness, our ancestors had the courage to struggle for freedom: freedom to be themselves, freedom to worship in their own way. Theirs was a victory of the weak over the strong, the few over the many, and the righteous over the arrogant. It was a victory for all ages and all peoples.

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Blessed is the match consumed in kindling flame.
Blessed is the flame that burns in the heart's secret places.
Blessed is the heart with strength to stop its beating for honor's sake.
Blessed is the match consumed in kindling flame.

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*Zion hears and is glad;
the cities of Judah rejoice, O Lord,
because of Your judgments.*

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Within living memory, our people was plunged into deepest darkness. But we endured; the light of faith still burns brightly, and once again we see kindled the flame of freedom. Our people Israel has survived all who sought to destroy us. Now, through love and self-sacrifice, we labor to renew our life.

*Let the lights we kindle shine forth for the world.
May they illumine our lives even as they fill us with
gratitude that our faith has been saved from
extinction time and again.*

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*The candles are placed in the Menorah from right
to left, and kindled from left to right*

Blessed is the Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, by whose Mitzvot we are hallowed, who commands us to kindle the Chanukah lights.

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Blessed is the Lord our God, Ruler of the

universe, who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in days of old, at this season.

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On the first night only

Blessed is the Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.

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*The following verses might be recited
after the lights are kindled*

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

Though I fall, I shall rise; though I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light to me.

For You light my lamp; the Lord God makes bright my darkness.

Light dawns in the darkness for the upright; for the one who is gracious, compassionate, and just.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?

For the Mitzvah is a lamp, and the Torah is light.

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the splendor of the Lord shall dawn upon you.

No more shall the sun be your light by day, nor shall the moon give light to you by night; but the Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God your glory.

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We kindle these lights because of the wondrous deliverance You performed for our ancestors.

During these eight days of Chanukah these lights are sacred; we are not to use them but only to behold them, so that their glow may rouse us to give thanks for Your wondrous acts of deliverance.

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Steven Pink

The Board of Directors of the Atlantic Jewish Council has appointed **Steven Pink** as Chairman of the Camp Kadimah Committee. **Steven Pink** has served as Deputy Chairman of Camp Kadimah Committee over the past ten years. **Steven** is a past Camp Kadimah camper and staff member and his children have attended Camp Kadimah. Under **Steven's** leadership Camp Kadimah is looking forward to continued growth and prosperity.



Dr. Mendel Burnstein

The Board of Directors of Atlantic Jewish Council announce, with deep regret, the resignation of **Dr. Mendel Burnstein** as Chairman of the Camp Kadimah Committee. **Dr. Burnstein** has distinguished himself for many years as the Chairman of this committee. He has worked unselfishly towards the betterment of Camp Kadimah and the amount of volunteer time that he has put forward on Camp Kadimah's behalf is greatly appreciated by all those who have had the honor and privilege of working with him. **Dr. Burnstein** will continue to serve in an advisory capacity on the Camp Kadimah Committee.

A corn boil was co-sponsored by the Beth Israel Synagogue, the Shaar Shalom Synagogue, Young Judaea and the Atlantic Jewish Council at the Beth Israel Synagogue on Saturday evening, October 21st. Over forty young people in the community attended. After consuming over one hundred ears of corn, everyone adjourned to the Youth Lounge for a dance until midnight. Special thanks go to Cantor George Lieberman, Stan & Marcia Aronson, and the Beth Israel Synagogue for all their help.

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The Atlantic Jewish Council urges all readers of Shalom to copy the following letter and send it to:

Chancellor Schmidt
Adenauer Alee 141
53 Bonn No. 12
Federal Republic of Germany

Sir:

To allow the STATUE OF LIMITATIONS to take effect on December 31, 1979, or at any other time, would grant complete immunity from justice to Nazi criminals responsible for the murder of innocent men, women and children.

This would be tantamount to the condoning of mass murder.

It would constitute the gravest insult to the memory of the millions of victims killed at the hands of those criminals, and it would encourage the development of a new generation of Nazis.

We demand that the STATUE OF LIMITATIONS be revoked, and that no time limit be placed on the punishment of those guilty of the worst crime in human history.

SIGNED _____

As you can see from the text of the letter, the Statue of Limitations is going to take effect December 31, 1979. You are urged to register your protest.

Dear Atlantic Jewish Communities;

As many of you are aware, every two years Canadian Young Judaea sponsors a National Convention known as Kinus. This convention enables Judaeans from all over Canada to partake in a four day conference involving leadership training workshops, constitutional resolutions, and general strengthening of Jewish identity.

Thanks to your support of our ad book, we're able to achieve maximum representation from the Atlantic Region at this year's Kinus.

Never before has Young Judaea received such enthusiastic support from the Atlantic Jewish Communities. In appreciation!

Dana H.P. Rafuse
Regional Chairman



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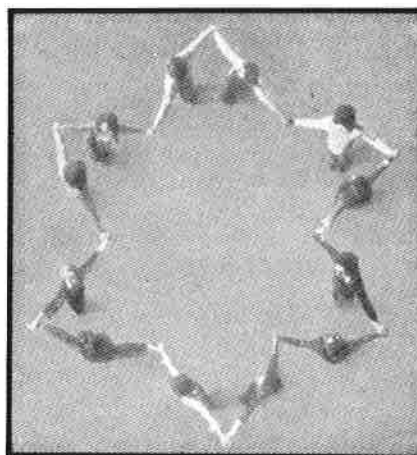
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FOR LONG WE DREAMED

For long we dreamed of Peace
 and all its good,
 As we, a few, against the enemy fought.
 We, at our brother's graves
 in silence stood
 And of better days, dreamed
 and thought.
 And even during a cease-fire
 or victories,
 We could not sleep for fear
 and dread,
 Because we dreamed of horrors
 and calamities
 And saw only wars and their dead.
 So much blood flowing in rivers.
 So many sons lost to their mothers,
 But the men knew with their

dying shivers:
 One is the Land of our Fathers,
 none other.
 And back home, each one
 was being expected.
 A look of despair,
 from the eyes - a tear,
 But the hope for Peace
 has not been rejected.
 O, when will wars at last end here?
 When will Peace come to us too?
 We've been waiting for it
 not a day or a month, but 25 years.
 When will there be quiet,
 and dreams come true,
 An end to wars, to shooting
 and fears?

*Hayim Shor and Shimon Tepper. 14, Hadera
 (New immigrants from Russia)*